

OLDHAM FOOTBALL CLUB
CASH ACCOUNT, for the Year ending 31st May, 1946.

INCOME.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
1945—May 31st.				1946—May 31st.			
To Cash in Bank.....		662	10 1	By Players' Wages and Bonuses.....	3435	1	0
„ Cash in Hand.....		9	4 7	„ Ground Staff, Checkers and Police.....	360	18	9
1946—May 31st.				„ Referees and Touch Judges.....	129	0	1
To Ordinary Subscriptions	445	16	6	„ Hotel Bills and Refreshments	276	6	7
„ Life Members' Subscriptions	10	0	0	„ Ground Accounts	365	6	6
„ Gate and Stand Receipts	6627	9	11	„ Insurance—Players, Stands, etc.	196	13	2
„ Share of Gates Away	762	8	0	„ Printing, Posting and Advertising	111	9	1
„ Rent Received	520	0	0	„ Share of Gates to Visiting Clubs	346	19	3
„ „ (Arrears)	597	14	0	„ Rugby League Subscriptions	7	17	6
			1117 14 0	„ Players' Outfits	137	0	10
„ Loan from Pavilion	498	8	4	„ Bank Commission and Cheque Books	10	18	6
„ DONATIONS—New Players and Ground Renovation Fund:				„ Railway Fares, Conveyances and Deputations	992	4	11
Oldham Supporters' Club.....	600	0	0	„ Rates.....	145	11	9
Other Donations.....	60	15	6	„ Telegrams, Telephone and Postages	84	14	7
			660 15 6	„ Medical and Chemists' Accounts	11	14	7
„ Programmes.....	121	10	1	„ Entertainment Tax.....	2591	8	8
				„ Audit Fees and Accountancy Charges	12	12	0
				„ Corporation Duty	27	1	6
				„ Sundries	38	2	0
				„ Registration Fees	5	15	0
				„ War Damage Insurance	35	14	9
				„ Gas, Coal and Coke—Pavilion	59	12	8
				„ Transfer Fees	750	0	0
				„ Income Tax Schedule "A"	385	14	0
				„ BOWLING GREEN:			
				Expenditure	23	5	0
				Less Receipts	19	5	0
						4	0 0
				„ Oldham Junior League	1	11	6
				„ Australian Tourist—Dependant Allowance.....	24	0	0
				„ Cash in Bank.....	56	15	4
				„ Cash in Hand.....	11	12	6
			£10915 17 0				£10915 17 0

BALANCE SHEET, as at 31st May, 1946.

LIABILITIES.				ASSETS.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
LOAN FROM PAVILION.....	2903	8	0	Land	4375	0	0
Additional	498	8	4	INVESTMENT:			
			3401 16 4	Liverpool Stanley Rugby League Football Club Ltd.	10	0	0
Creditors		336	10 6	Sundry Debtors	815	6	3
Reserve for Repairs to Stands.....		477	4 0	Cash in Bank	56	15	4
Balance of Assets over Liabilities.....		4847	3 2	Cash in Hand	11	12	6
				Balance on Pavilion Account	3793	19	11
			£9062 14 0				£9062 14 0

	£	s.	d.
Balance of Assets over Liabilities—31st May, 1945	5670	4	5
„ „ „ „ „ 31st May, 1946	4847	3	2
LOSS FOR THE YEAR.....	£823	1	3

I have audited the above Balance Sheet with the books and vouchers, and have obtained all the information and explanations required. No provision has been made for doubtful debts. Subject to the foregoing, I certify that, in my opinion, such Balance Sheet is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of affairs, in accordance with the information and explanations received and as shown by the books.

5th June, 1945.

P. OGDEN, F.C.R.A., Corporate Accountant,
15, Queen Street, Oldham.

OLDHAM FOOTBALL CLUB PAVILION ACCOUNT.
CASH ACCOUNT, for the Year ended 31st May, 1946.

INCOME.				EXPENDITURE.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
1945—May 31st.				1946—May 31st.			
To Cash in Hand.....		48	5 7	By Bar Accounts, including Duty	1873	12	1
„ Cash in Bank		448	5 4	„ Wages	215	10	0
1946—May 31st.				„ Gas, Water, Coal and Coke	38	1	5
„ Bar Receipts	2589	11	0	„ Rates, Taxes, Telephone and Insurance	57	17	4
„ Sundry Receipts	7	10	0	„ Printing, Stationery, Newspapers, Postages and Sundries	10	11	0
„ Donation—Oldham Supporters' Club	135	0	0	„ Repairs	25	4	4
				„ Cleaning Materials, etc.	15	1	11
				„ Bar Requisites, Glasses, etc.	1	8	0
				„ Audit Fees	5	15	6
				„ Bank Charges	3	14	0
				„ Loan—Oldham Football Club.....	498	8	4
				„ Painting and Decorating Pavilion	135	0	0
				„ Cash in Bank	325	17	2
				„ Cash in Hand.....	22	10	10
			£3228 11 11				£3228 11 11

BALANCE SHEET, as at 31st May, 1946.

LIABILITIES				ASSETS.			
	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Sundry Creditors		74	16 7	Stock		118	12 2
Balance of Assets over Liabilities.....		3793	19 11	LOAN—Oldham Football Club	2903	8	0
				Additional	498	8	4
						3401	16 4
				Cash in Bank		325	17 2
				Cash in Hand		22	10 10
			£3868 16 6				£3868 16 6

	£	s.	d.
Balance of Assets over Liabilities—31st May, 1946	3793	19	11
„ „ „ „ „ 31st May, 1945	3416	9	6
PROFIT FOR THE YEAR.....	£377	10	5

I have audited the above Balance Sheet with the books and vouchers and have obtained all the information and explanations required. I hereby certify that, in my opinion, the same is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of affairs, in accordance with the information and explanations received, and as shown by the books.

5th June, 1945.

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Oldham Football Club.

BALANCE SHEET

for the Year ending May 31st, 1946.

The GENERAL MEETING will be held
at the PAVILION, WATERSHEDDINGS,
on THURSDAY evening, JUNE 20th, 1946

Chair to be taken at 7-30 p.m. prompt.

- BUSINESS:**—1. Minutes of last General Meeting.
2. Secretary's Report.
3. Passing of Balance Sheet.
4. Scrutineers.
5. General Business.

H. SUMMERSCALES,
SECRETARY.

NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE.

PRESIDENT :

MILLS, FRED,
60, Albert Street,
Hollinwood.

PROPOSED BY
G. F. HUTCHINS,
60, Hardy Street,
Oldham.

SECONDED BY
A. CORDWELL,
22, London Road,
Oldham.

VICE-PRESIDENT :

HOLT, FRANK SIMPSON,
314, Abbey Hills Road,
Oldham.

F. MILLS,
60, Albert Street,
Hollinwood.

P. G. CARTER,
Wellington Inn,
Ripponden Rd., Oldham.

TREASURER :

CARTER, PERCY GEORGE,
Wellington Inn,
Ripponden Road, Oldham.

F. S. HOLT,
314, Abbey Hills Road,
Oldham.

C. G. HALL,
66, Prince Edward Ave.,
Oldham.

COMMITTEE :

- *BESWICK, THOMAS,
32, Abson Street,
Chadderton.
- *BUBB, SQUIRE,
8, Cheviot Street,
Oldham.
- *BURNETT, GEORGE,
7, Pennant Street,
Oldham.
- *EVERINGTON, JOHN,
7, French Avenue,
Oldham.
- X HOLMES, FRANK,
8, Talbot Street,
Oldham.
- *HUTCHINS, GEORGE FREDERICK,
60, Hardy Street,
Oldham.
- HYNE, STANLEY,
8, York Avenue,
Oldham.
- *KENYON, FRANK,
73, Limeside Road,
Hollinwood.
- *McMAHON, FREDERICK,,
13, Sunfield Avenue,
Moorside.
- *MELLOR, WILLIAM,
1, Garnett Street,
Oldham.
- *MILLS, HARRY,
45, Frederick Street,
Oldham.
- *MOORES, RUPERT,
52, Dunkerley Street,
Oldham.
- *QUINN, ARTHUR,
98, Ashton Road,
Oldham.
- *THOMAS, RICHARD LLEWELLYN,
16, Acre Lane,
Oldham.

- A. CORDWELL,
22, London Road,
Oldham.
- G. SCHOFIELD,
122, Eric Street,
Oldham.
- T. BOTTOMLEY,
12, Watersheddings Street,
Oldham.
- E. BOTTOMLEY,
57, Walter Scott Street,
Oldham.
- R. MOORES,
52, Dunkerley Street,
Oldham.
- A. K. MAYALL, O.B.E.,
95, Windsor Road,
Oldham.
- H. WHITTAKER,
"Denehurst",
Moorside, Oldham.
- H. SUTCLIFFE,
112, Bamford Street,
Chadderton.
- E. FITZGERALD,
30, Kolverlow Street,
Oldham.
- E. BOTTOMLEY,
57, Walter Scott Street,
Oldham.
- A. CORDWELL,
22, London Road,
Oldham.
- J. ATKINSON,
210, Littlemoor Lane,
Oldham.
- J. CLAYTON,
Crossbank Street,
Oldham.
- A. LEES,
Angel Inn,
Lees.

- F. MILLS,
60, Albert Street,
Hollinwood.
- F. KENYON,
73, Limeside Road,
Hollinwood.
- J. SLADIN,
11, Chesterton Street,
Oldham.
- E. SLATER,
52, Redgrave Street,
Oldham.
- J. HOWARTH,
7, Abraham Street,
Oldham.
- F. MILLS,
60, Albert Street,
Hollinwood.
- A. E. THORNTON,
25, Alva Road,
Oldham.
- H. HALL,
211, Ripponden Road,
Oldham.
- W. HOLT,
5, Radcliffe Street,
Springhead.
- H. BRADBURY,
66, Afghan Street,
Oldham.
- T. INGHAM,
28, Melling Road,
Oldham.
- R. BILLSBOROUGH,
246, Ripponden Road,
Oldham.
- J. S. PARKINSON,
Regent Hotel,
Oldham.
- H. SPENCE,
20, Westminster Street,
Oldham.

* Retiring Members.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The Annual Report and Balance Sheet for the Season 1945-46 is presented herewith.

The Committee regret to report a loss on the season's working of £823 1s. 3d., as compared with a profit of £94 7s. 10d. last season.

This loss can be explained in the large sum of £1,895 being expended on new players, no less than 19 players having been signed during the season.

Expenditure is up all round, consequence of running two teams from January 1st, 1946, but against this "gate" receipts are considerably up, £6,627 against £2,763 last season; but against "gate" receipts Entertainment Tax is considerably up, £2,591 against £1,131.

There is one good feature concerning Entertainment Tax, that next season we shall have the benefit of the reduced rate, but this will depend on the drawing power and success of our teams.

It is a matter of regret that the performances of the senior team has not been wholly satisfactory, but at the latter end of the season the team gave some very good displays, and won 7 out of the last 8 matches played, including four matches away. It was our misfortune to be dismissed from the first round of The Rugby League Challenge Cup and The Lancashire Senior Cup, this being also a serious setback to our finances.

Altogether our team played in 40 matches, 36 being league games, winning 18 and losing 18. The team scored 362 points against 403. points.

Team building has been uppermost in the Committee's activities during the season under review, and they are very much alive to the needs by which the team must be strengthened to maintain the prestige of the Club.

So much for the past, but what of the future. This can confidently be looked forward to, as we have the nucleus of a good team, but one or two positions require strengthening: this will be given attention, and only first class men for the positions required will be secured so as to enable us to commence season 1946-47 in a better manner than we started last season.

The following players have been signed on during the past season:—

W. Wood	...	Forward	...	Ferranti R.F.C.
Joe Flanagan	...	do.	...	St. Mary's R.F.C.
T. Ayres	...	do.	...	Vickers R.F.C.
John Flanagan	...	Centre	...	Thatto Heath R.F.C.
F. Herd	...	Wing	...	Vickers Sports Club R.U.F.C.
S. Griffith	...	Forward	...	Langworthy Juniors
N. Harris	...	Centre	...	Newbridge R.U.F.C.
A. Clarke	...	Forward	...	Higginshaw R.F.C.
K. Blan	...	Scrum Half	...	St. Patrick's, Wigan.
P. McNab	...	Full-back	...	Moldgreen R.F.C.
W. Whalley	...	Centre	...	Army R.U.F.C.
J. Davies	...	Forward	...	Rylands Recreation R.F.C.
W. F. Turner	...	Wing	...	Langworthy Juniors.
W. Pugsley	...	Out-half	...	Swansea R.U.F.C. *
G. Gummer	...	Centre	...	Barrow F.C.
J. D. Shaw	...	Forward	...	Huddersfield F.C.
S. Inglesfield	...	Wing or Full-back	...	Huddersfield F.C.
F. Lees	...	Wing	...	Rochdale Hornets
J. King	...	Full-back	...	St. Helens.

Our players in the Services are gradually returning to civilian life and five of our better-known players, Messrs. Ogden, Brooks, Kenny, Phillips and Mitchell, we hope to have the services of during the early part of the season and so get them all training together, and also a considerable saving in travelling expenses. The future looks rosy, but there is a hard road to travel and it is only with diligence and hard work of the Secretary and the Committee that success can be achieved and which you as members and our patrons expect and deserve.

The Pavilion account shows a good financial position in recording a profit of £377 10s. 5d. for the year, against £271 for the previous year. The Pavilion has placed on loan with the Football Account the sum of £498 8s. 4d. during the year, the Loan Account now standing at £3,401 16s. 4d., a very worthy contribution from the Pavilion profits to the Football Account.

The following is a list of Members of the Club:—

Life Members	...	...	88
Enclosure Members	...	...	63
"E" Stand Members	...	...	17
Centre Stand Members	...	...	80
"A" Stand Members	...	...	70
Ground Members	...	...	173
			491

Members' subscriptions amount to £445 16s. 6d., against £193 9s. 6d. the previous season.

It is at this point that I want to make a special appeal for a large increase in members, may I ask you as a fellow member to invite any of your friends to become members next season; let us look forward to the old order of things in a new light, a great team and a great membership.

A large membership is essential, it is a great thing for any organisation to receive money in advance and it is most vital in our case.

The problem of finance is a serious matter for this Club, whilst a team should be the first consideration, and a successful team must be secured, as success begets success, there is a large amount of money requires spending on the grounds and stands. This is essential for the public safety; time has taken a heavy toll on the structure of our Stands, and work has already been undertaken to remedy these defects, and a large sum of money will have to be spent on this work.

It is with grateful thanks and acknowledgment to our Supporters Club for the splendid financial help they have given to us during the season 1945-46.

A sum of £600 has been given to the Football Account and £135 to the Pavilion Account, very worthy contributions to our finances, and it must be pleasing to our Members to record these gifts for the benefit of all concerned.

In conclusion I should like to express thanks to Dr. John Oliver, for his honorary service to our injured players and also to the visiting players, also to our honorary solicitor, Mr. R. O. Mellor, for his legal advice and service, and to all who have given that little assistance to me as honorary secretary during the past season, my personal thanks, as it has made my work a pleasure.