

HALF-TIME SCORES

The Half-time Scores in the Matches given below will be shown on the Score Board immediately they are received—

A	SALFORD v. WIGAN	D	WORKINGTON v. ROCHDALE
B	WARRINGTON v. LEIGH	E	LIVERPOOL STANLEY v. HALIFAX
C	WIDNES v. SWINTON	F	OLDHAM ATHLETIC v. CARLISLE

Next Home Match, Saturday, April 3rd

Oldham

v.

Belle Vue Rangers

Kick-off at 3-0 p.m.

OLDHAM FOOTBALL CLUB

OLDHAM
v.
HUNSLET

Easter Monday, 29th March, 1948

Kick-off 3-0 p.m.

Official Programme - 2d.

CLUB CHAT.

In our game of last Saturday week our team seemed to touch the lowest depths of any penetrative football against St. Helens, a team that we had beaten and played good football against only three weeks previously, and even allowing for the absence of three good players in Jones, Mahoney and Givvons, and also Harris acting as reserve, who is also a good player when on form, there is no excuse for the display given by the team that represented our club that day. To secure a major possession of the ball from the set scrums, and we had enough possession to win the match several times over, indicates that there is something wrong with the ability of the backs who are put in possession of the ball. There is the lack of penetrating power, the absence of the many moves that are practiced each Tuesday and Thursday, but which one never notices on the match days. Of ability in the team, there is no doubt, but at the present time it is not being shown.

When one looks back to January 10th of this year, when our team played the mighty Wigan at Watersheddings, and we were just beaten by six points to five points, and on the days play we were definitely the best team, and although we lost there was general satisfaction amongst our members and supporters of the splendid game which our team played, and the hope of better things to come. Where has that spirit and enthusiasm gone? That is a difficult question to answer, and the Committee are tackling the problem with deep thought and thoroughness to find the causes of this slump. There may be several reasons and the glory must be brought back to the type of football which we all want, and which we expect; the best and nothing but the best.

W. J. Jones, our new acquisition from St. Helens, who has only played one match, against Leigh, at Watersheddings, on March 6th, suffered a knee injury in this game which is proving rather troublesome. This is the first knee injury in his career, but the injury is yielding to treatment and we hope to have his services available after the holiday matches.

Proposed Amendments to the Laws of the Game.

The tackled player shall without delay regain his feet and face his opponents in-goal with the ball in his hands, and immediately drop the ball to the ground in front of him and play it with his foot. He shall be permitted to kick the ball in any direction, but if he kicks it towards his own in-goal the ball shall pass in front of the foot which is not used to kick the ball. He shall not touch the ball again until it has been played by another player. One player of the opposing side shall be permitted to stand directly opposite the player playing the ball, but he shall not touch him, nor shall he attempt to play the ball until it has been played by the tackled player.

All other players standing behind their own goal line, or not less than five yards behind the players playing the ball, shall be on side. The referee shall penalise those players who are off side if they interfere with subsequent play to their own advantage, or if they are wilfully remaining in an off side position for the purpose of taking unfair advantage.



TO-DAY'S TEAMS

OLDHAM

(BLUE & WHITE)

- 1 GOAL 1. SPENCER, W.
2. INGLESFIELD, S.
3. HARRIS, N.
4. MAHONEY, J. B.
5 TRY 5. MITCHELL, W. S.
6 KENNY, V.
7. SMITH, A. R.
8 TAYLOR, J.
9. BROOKS, E.
10 THOMPSON, N.
11 GOAL 11. THOMAS, L. M.
12 TOMLINSON, A.
13, GIVVONS, A.

HUNSLET

(RED JERSEYS)

1. GRIFFITHS
2 WILLIAMSON
3 WATSON
4. GRAHAM
5. CARROLL
6. RUSSELL
7. BURNELL, A.
8 BENNETT
9. BRITTON
10. NEWBOUND
11. METCALF 1 TRY
12. BURNELL, W.
13. CLARKSON 1 TRY

Referee: Mr. A. HILL, Dewsbury.

Touch Judges: Mr. F. T. HILL, Warrington.

Mr. S INMAN, Wigan.