

HALF-TIME SCORES

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

A	WARRINGTON v. BARROW	D	ST. HELENS v. WIGAN
B	WORKINGTON v. SALFORD	E	LEIGH v. LIVERPOOL
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NEXT HOME MATCH

Monday, 13th September, 1948

OLDHAM

v.

BELLE VUE RANGERS

Kick-off 6-15 p.m.

OLDHAM FOOTBALL CLUB

8.
OLDHAM
v.
WIDNES

Lancashire County Challenge Cup
1st Round (1st Match)

Saturday, 4th September, 1948

Kick-off 3-0 p.m.

Official Programme - 2d.

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WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS & VIEWS.

We have now played three league matches and have won two, which have been played at home, and incidently the league matches last season against our beaten opponents, St. Helens and Liverpool Stanley were both lost at Watersheddings, so far we now show a gain of two successes, and I predict that with the team spirit and the good football which the team we have at our disposal we are on the upgrade, so far so good, and one must realise that the team that turned out against Liverpool Stanley on Tuesday evening contained four new players who were strangers to one another as football is concerned, and as time progresses we may expect that combination and understanding that comes to all teams where concentrated training and systematic coaching is put into operation, where all the moves of the finer arts of Rugby League football can be brought into action.

Our membership of the club is still progressing and will be quite up to last year's membership, which goes to prove the interest which the public of this town show towards the Rugby League code and there is no doubt the general public will support us with the type of football shown in our two home matches and I can assure our members and supporters that it is the intention of the Committee to give value for money and that nothing but attractive football must be given by the teams that we select.

It is very difficult team building these days and I must hand the Committee a bouquet for their strenuous efforts and the long hours they have spent in trying to obtain the necessary class players, and without doubt time alone will show that their efforts will be rewarded with the success that their endeavours deserve.

We have a strenuous month of September, and from to-day to September 25th we play seven matches which may take its toll on our playing strength and if success comes to us in the Lancashire Cup we have more matches.

To-day in the first round of the Lancashire Cup (first leg), we meet dour and determined opponents in Widnes, a team whom we may describe as not one of recording large scores but a team that possesses one of the best defences in the league and we shall have to be at the top of our form to record several points to tide us over the second leg match which takes place at Widnes on Thursday next, 9th September, 1948.

There is one we shall miss in the Widnes team this afternoon, Tommy McCue, a great hearted player, who has now retired from the game. Many times has this player been a thorn in our side and one may say a nuisance to our team, but we forget all this and wish him well in his retirement.

Here is an announcement to our members.

We are desirous of having more men to act as turnstile-men and I appeal for at least six, this is with a view to having more turnstiles put in.

The pay is good and full particulars can be obtained from the Secretary at the office in the Pavilion.

So now some of you can do a good turn for your club.



TO-DAY'S TEAMS

OLDHAM

(RED & WHITE)

- 1 GOAL 1. GLANVILLE, H.
2. TATE, L. M.
3. HARRIS, N.
4. MAHONEY, J. B.
1 TRY → 5. ~~BATTEN, R.~~ SPENCER W
6. ~~CHALMERS, J. D.~~ BATTEN R
7. JONES, W. G.
8. OGDEN, H.
9. BROOKS, E.
10. ANTHONY L.
1 TRY 11. TOMLINSON, A.
12. ROSTRON, T.
13. SHEARMAN, J. W.

Reserves:

MITCHELL, W. S.
SPENCER, W.
TAYLOR, J.

WIDNES

(BLACK & WHITE)

1. HUTTON
2. JOLLEY
3. BRADLEY 2 GOALS
4. NAUGHTON, A.
5. MALONE
6. REYNOLDS
7. ANDERSON
8. LEIGH
9. HAYES
10. WILLIAMSON
11. HIGGINS, S.
12. WHITTAKER
13. NAUGHTON, J. 1 TRY

Reserves:

ROBERTS, M.
WOODWARD

Referee: Mr. F. SMITH, Barrow.

Touch Judges: Mr. J. HESKETH, Wigan.
Mr. H. C. NORREY, Salford.