

HALF-TIME SCORES

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

A	BELLE VUE RANGERS	D	YORK
	v.		v.
	WIGAN		SALFORD
B	LEIGH	E	WIDNES
	v.		v.
	ROCHDALE		BATLEY
C	SWINTON	F	DONCASTER
	v.		v.
	WARRINGTON		OLDHAM ATHLETIC

N.R.F.L. Table, up to and including 29th Oct.

	HOME				AWAY				Points	
	P.	W.	D.	L.	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.Pts.
Wigan	11	6	0	0	5	0	0	290	100	22
Halifax	14	7	0	1	4	0	2	214	116	22
Salford	11	6	0	0	3	0	2	203	82	18
Huddersfield	12	6	0	0	3	0	3	252	173	18
Widnes	13	5	0	2	3	1	2	163	92	17
Leigh	10	5	0	0	3	0	2	173	81	16
Swinton	10	5	0	1	3	0	1	148	83	16
Leeds	11	4	0	1	3	0	3	249	127	14
Warrington	12	5	0	0	2	0	5	258	135	14
St. Helens	11	5	0	0	2	0	4	198	107	14
Barrow	12	4	0	2	3	0	3	153	118	14
Workington	12	4	0	1	3	0	4	168	143	14
Bradford N.	11	4	0	2	3	0	2	124	116	14
Hull	10	4	0	1	2	1	2	149	129	13
Dewsbury	11	6	0	0	0	0	5	153	113	12
Castleford	11	4	0	2	2	0	3	156	129	12
Wakefield	12	5	0	1	1	0	5	198	161	12
Whitehaven	12	5	0	2	1	0	4	127	161	12
Belle Vue	12	4	0	1	1	0	6	142	177	10
Hunslet	13	1	1	4	3	0	4	137	153	9
Oldham	10	2	1	1	2	0	4	111	158	9
Featherstone	13	3	0	3	1	1	5	134	203	9
Hull K. R.	14	4	0	3	0	0	7	145	246	8
Bramley	11	1	1	3	1	0	5	121	251	5
Batley	12	1	0	5	1	0	5	125	251	4
Liverpool S.	11	1	0	5	1	0	4	100	254	4
Keighley	13	1	0	5	1	0	6	94	264	4
Rochdale H.	11	1	0	4	0	0	6	68	201	2
York	12	0	0	7	0	0	5	88	317	0

Saturday next, 12th Nov., at Watersheddings

OLDHAM 'A' v. WHITEHAVEN 'A'

Kick-off 3-0 p.m.

OLDHAM FOOTBALL CLUB

22
OLDHAM

v.

HULL KINGSTON ROVERS

12
at Watersheddings

Saturday, 5th November, 1949

Kick-off 3-0 p.m.

Official Programme - 2d.

WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS AND VIEWS.

To-day, we entertain Hull Kingston Rovers, and we are hoping for an entertaining game, and that our team will return to match winning form. Our visitors, like ourselves, are having an in and out season as regards form, and are lower down in the League Table than ourselves, having lost ten matches out of fourteen played. They are capable however, like ourselves, of rising to the occasion, and we may expect a hard game, with every man pulling his weight. We hope victory will be with us. Our match at Hull Kingston, on Monday, Sept. 5th, 1949, resulted in a runaway victory for them by twenty-seven points to nine, which to us was a surprise defeat after our splendid victories a few days previously against Wigan and Hunslet, at Watersheddings. However, such is the form of football, erratic as it may be, and we do possess the proud distinction of being the only team to beat Wigan this season, and by the look of things, we hope that Wigan will remain further unbeaten until they again visit Watersheddings, on Saturday, 7th January, 1950, when we hope for our best gate of the season and another victory to our team.

The search for players still continues, but without success, and I can assure readers that no effort is being spared to secure the right type of player. The Committee realise their requirements and are not inclined to have the panic feeling to buy anything that is not better than we have. They know of players they desire, who are connected with Rugby League Clubs, but it is a very difficult problem asking clubs to part with good players.

Disappointments have been many, and the greatest of all has been the re imposition of the ban of signing New Zealand Rugby League players. But for this ban being re-imposed we should have had two New Zealand Rugby League International players, and it is no secret now in divulging the names of the players. One, Alan Laird, second row or loose forward, will be remembered as a war guest player with this club, who is attached to the Richmond (Auckland) Club, and has played in all three test matches against Australia. Age 26 years, and weight 13st. 2lbs., he was one of the best forwards in the series of matches, and scored three tries. The other was Douglas Anderson, wing or centre, and has played full-back; an international and one of the 1947 Kiwi team that toured this country. Age 22 years, and weight 11st. 12lbs.

Anderson played against the Australians and is a fine utility player. Much time has been spent in contacting these players and everything was fixed up between players and this club to the satisfaction of all, but as previously stated, the ban was extended, much to the disappointment of the players and club; and so the search goes on.

On Saturday next, we seek pastures new, making our first visit to Whitehaven, where we are sure of a real Cumbrian welcome. This is Whitehaven's second season of senior football and they appear to be on the up-grade, having put up some splendid performances at home.

Our team will have to be in good form to record a victory, and we are hoping to pull that little extra out to return with two points.

The team will leave Oldham on Friday, at 4-30 p.m., and will stay overnight at Keswick, and proceed to Whitehaven after a light lunch. They will return immediately after the match for home.

We have now only two players on the injured list; Platt, Synovitis of the knee, and McKeown (trialist) damaged shoulder. Both injuries are responding to treatment, and will be reported fit during the next week. Joe Warham has recovered from an attack of Scarlatina and reports fit for 12th Nov.

TO-DAY'S TEAMS

22

12

OLDHAM

(BLUE JERSEYS)

- 5 GOALS. 1. GLANVILLE, H.
2. BATTEN, R.
1 TRY 3. WARD, K.
1 4. MITCHELL, W. S.
1 5. BYRNE, R.
6. HEYES, F.
7. GILMORE, G. P.
8. OGDEN, H.
9. KEITH, J.
10. TOMLINSON, H.
11. LEYLAND, T.
12. TAYLOR, J.
13. GOLDSWAIN, B. V.
(Capt.)

Reserves :

SPENCER, W.
DONEGAN, J.

HULL KINGSTON R.

(WHITE JERSEYS, RED BAND)

1. LEWIS, - 3 GOALS.
2. McBAIN, F. Tumbler
3. PAYNE, - 8 Goals
4. LUFFORD, J.
5. SCHOFIELD, J.
6. MILLS, I.
7. DADDY, M.
8. WILMOT, A.
9. RAMSDEN, J (CAPT)
10. HOUGHTON, C.
11. BARRACLOUGH, J.
12. BARKER, G.
13. DOCKAR, A. 1 TRY

Referee: Mr. E. THOMAS, Halifax.

Touch Judges: Mr. R. TYSON, Barrow-in-Furness.
Mr. T. TAYLOR, Manchester.