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FIRST TEAM FIXTURES, 1955-56

Date	OPPONENTS	Gr'd
1955		
Aug. 13	Oldham (Infirmary Cup) ...	Home
20	Huddersfield	Home
23	Dewsbury	Away
27	Whitehaven	Home
30	Oldham	Home
Sept. 3	Wakefield	Away
10	Liverpool	Home
17	Bramley	Away
24	Wakefield	Home
Oct. 1	Widnes	Away
8	Huddersfield	Away
15	Workington	Away
22	Bramley	Home
29	St. Helens	Away
Nov. 5	Wigan	Home
12	Belle Vue	Home
19	New Zealand	Home
26	Whitehaven	Away
Dec. 3	Blackpool	Away
10	Barrow	Away
17	Warrington	Away
24	Workington	Home
27	Salford	Home
31	Warrington	Home

Date	OPPONENTS	Gr'd
1956		
Jan. 7	Leigh	Home
14	Belle Vue	Away
21	Swinton	Home
28	Oldham	Away
Feb. 4	Salford	Away
11	1st Round Challenge Cup.	
18	Whitehaven	Home
25	Wigan	Away
Mar. 10	Barrow	Home
17	Swinton	Away
24	Widnes	Home
30	Leigh	Away
31	Blackpool	Home
April 2	St. Helens	Home
7	Dewsbury	Home
14	Liverpool	Away

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NEW SEASON—NEW HOPES

With the near arrival of another Rugby League season the Hornets naturally have renewed hopes of success on the field—hopes well backed by the record of last season which was the best since 1926-27. Trial games have been held and have proved that the Hornets have considerable talent. Officials have concentrated on finding the best combinations for the first and "A" teams and remarkably few juniors have been called upon. This does not mean that the club has temporarily suspended its interests in the amateur code. Quite a few promising lads are lined up for trials in the future, which will perhaps be fairer than their having taken part in the pre-season games.

THE LAW CUP

We extend a cordial welcome to Oldham, our customary opponents in the Law Cup match. They were unfortunate to miss major honours last season after being one of the outstanding teams. Most Rochdale R.L. followers keep in touch with what is happening at Watersheddings and all realise that with the players available Oldham cannot long be denied at least one of the R.L. trophies.

BRADLEY RETURNS

It is good news to Hornets supporters that Denis Bradley has returned to the game following a temporary retirement.

Although he is chosen only as reserve threequarter today it is hoped that he will be seen regularly with the Hornets this season—and in his top form.

HELPING THE JUNIORS

The bulk of the receipts of today's match will, as in the past few seasons, be devoted to the amateur Rugby League game in Rochdale and Oldham. Originally the trophy, given by the late Sir Alfred J. Law of Littleborough, was the means of raising several thousand pounds for Rochdale Infirmary and Oldham Royal Infirmary. The coming of State control of hospitals caused the Rugby League to direct that this trophy and those in other centres of the league, which are being competed for today, should be used for raising money to help the junior game. It is unfortunate in Rochdale that with an income available the Amateur Rugby League seems to be losing ground.

NEW DIRECTOR

At the annual meeting of Hornets shareholders this week Mr. Jack C. Taylor was elected to the board of directors in place of Mr. R. H. Lord. Mr. Taylor played Rugby Union in his youth, and with his business centred in Rochdale again he has resumed his interest in the town's sports. Supporters and shareholders will join in thanking Mr. Lord for his services to the club as a director.

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TODAYS TEAMS

OLDHAM

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1—Cahill

Threequarters:

2—W. Jones

3—Short

4—L. Jones

5—Roach

Half-backs:

6—Taylor

7—Helme

Forwards:

8—Livesey

9—Dagnall

10—Dooney

11—Gallagher

12—Scholes

13—McNally



Full-back:

1—Ganley

Threequarters:

2—Cracknell

3—Barrow

4—Davies

5—O'Grady

Half-backs:

6—Mestor

7—Pitchford

Forwards:

8—Ogden

9—Keith

10—Jackson

11—Watson

12—Jarman

13—Goldswain

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ONWARD, HORNETS, ONWARD!

MILE OF PENNIES—INNER WALL

You will be able to see today the commencement of a further stretch of the inner wall around the playing area, and when this new section is complete (a run of 418ft. 9in.) the fencing will reach to the totalisator.

We have launched a Mile of Pennies Scheme during the past fortnight which we hope will provide finance to really get on the last lap. We feel that a big effort now will see us complete the task during this season.

You can help a great deal by taking a few of the Mile of Pennies Strips. These can be obtained from the Secretary this afternoon at the ground or any time at his home. Most of your friends will be ready to help. Of course, there is no necessity for one to confine a donation to a penny. The small envelopes on these strips will hold other denominations like 3d., 6d. or 1s.!!!

Seriously, though, we have the completion of the wall in sight now, and we are spending £300 on the section you will now see under construction. Another £300 from the Mile of Pennies Scheme would bring us on to the home straight—and then the job is almost complete.

COMMITTEE CHANGES

We have made several acquisitions to the Supporters' Club Committee recently which should further strengthen our organisation and help our work along.

We have also reorganised the Tea Bar ladies' rota.

TEA BAR

Speaking about the Tea Bar prompts us to remind Hornets supporters that the ladies will be in attendance today ready to provide tea, scones, biscuits, crisps, pies, minerals, etc. We shall be grateful for your patronage again this season.

THE PLAYING PITCH

Several complimentary remarks have been passed about the very good condition of the Hornets playing pitch and it is satisfying to the Supporters' Club that several of their number provided the voluntary labour which helped by physical effort to prepare and restore the bad patches at the end of last season. Anyone seeing the hard, dry, bareness of almost 50 per cent. of the ground at that time would never have believed that the grass could have been cultivated so well in so short a time. A little rain at the right time would have made it look even better. The work we did saved the Hornets quite a lot of money, and it is very satisfying to see such a good result. Thanks are due to Mr. Harold Page for his excellent and skilled help and advice.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership money of the Hornets Club is now due, and renewals can be made and new membership forms obtained this afternoon. The Secretary and members of the Supporters' Club will be in attendance behind the grandstand on the club premises to receive subscriptions. Last season we had a paid-up membership of over 1,500. All members are reminded that the visitors' rule is suspended, and that they must show their membership card to the uniformed commissioner before admission to the club can be obtained.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO ASK
FOR A FEW MILE OF PENNIES
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