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WELCOME TO OLDHAM

Our friends from Oldham have certainly made the 'headlines' for the past few seasons. They have been a great team for sometime, and their displays have been a treat to watch. Some of our own local boys e.g. Ganley, Davies, Stirrup and Pitchford have made their reputations with the Oldham Club. Last season Oldham finished at the top of the League with 67 points from 38 games. They scored 803 points and 415 points were registered against them. Leigh finished seventh with 48 points from the same number of games. We scored 625 points last Season against our opponents and 457 points were scored against Leigh. To-day the Oldham team is third in the League with a total of 39 points from 25 games, whereas, Leigh are only in 21st position with 22 points from 28 matches. But the Oldham Team and Supporters will be amongst the first to admit we are worth a much better position in the League. On January 3rd this year, we put up a wonderful show at Oldham and it is generally agreed we were most unlucky to lose by 19 points to 16. Whether we turn the tables to-day or not, we are confident it will be a game worthy of two good teams. To the Board, Players and Visitors from Oldham we bid a very warm welcome.

THE WELSH TEAM

We extend congratulations to Gordon Lewis on being selected and to Stan Owen on being chosen as travelling reserve for the Welsh Team to visit France on March 1st. Gordon has very quickly become a Rugby League International. He played his first game for the First Team on November 8th last year against Salford, and had played fourteen senior games when he was chosen for the International Match. Whilst congratulating Stan, we must sympathise with him also, in not being picked for this team. Stan is recognised as one of the best forwards in the game, and everybody agrees, he is at present playing better than ever. Better Luck next time Stan.

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

This match will be played at Odsal Stadium, Bradford. Stand Tickets can now be ordered from "The Secretary, The Rugby Football League, 180 Chapeltown Road, LEEDS, 7." All applications for tickets should be accompanied by a stamped addressed envelope and the appropriate remittance. The same procedure should be followed in applications for tickets for the Cup Final at Wembley on 9th May, 1959.

WELL DONE, LEIGH

Since the issue of our last programme we have beaten Barrow at home by 27 points to 5, and last Saturday we surprised most newspaper writers and maybe many of our own supporters by winning at Whitehaven, for the first time since 1951. Those who were able to see this game were heartened by the display of our team. There was a wonderful team spirit shown, and one was delighted with the determined way our boys went about their job. Although we were three points down in as many minutes, we fought back at once, and after Martyn's try, we never seemed to be in danger of losing the match. Our forwards and half-backs in particular were in great form, and it is to be hoped they will maintain this form in today's game.

THE CUP-TIE

We have been fortunate to draw at home to Batley in the First Round and this will be played next Saturday at Kirkhall Lane. Usual League prices will be charged, and Stand Tickets at 5/- each are on sale at the Secretary's Office. We compliment Astley and Tyldesley Collieries team in getting to the First Round proper, and wish them the best of luck at York.

NOTE—The Second Round of the Cup will be played on Saturday March 7th.

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SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

The lack of progress in the erection of the new scoreboard is a source of disappointment to all of us. I am assured however, that the delay is unavoidable. The reason given is that the contractors are awaiting delivery of the rollers, and until they arrive, work must be at a standstill. We can expect, though, that when the rollers do arrive, work will be completed within a few days.

Last season we promoted a Grand National Draw for the first time. It proved such a great success that we have been encouraged to try one again this season. The prizes will be £25 for the winner, £10 for the second, £5 for the third, and £1 for each starter. The tickets are now on sale, 6d. each, and can be obtained from members of your Committee.

NUMBERS IN THE BALL

Leigh 'A' v. Whitehaven 'A':

No. 1417 Two Stand Tickets to
Mr. F. Grundy, 350 Tyldesley Road, Atherton.

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Mr. G. Scotson, 19 Arrow Street, Leigh

To-day's match: Leigh v. Oldham:

No. 1081 Two Stand Tickets to
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- 4 Fisher
- 5 Callaghan, B.
- 6 Chadwick
- 7 Fallon
- 8 Robinson
- 9 Tabern
- 10 Owen
- 11 Hurt
- 12 Martyn
- 13 Dickens (Capt.)

Reserves:

Kindon, Wharton

OLDHAM

Selected from :

- ~~Ganley~~
2 Sims
6 Nestor
4 Ayres
3 Noon
5 Etty
1 Kellett
7 Pitchford
8 Jackson
9 ~~Kelth~~ GODDARD
10 ~~Lomas~~
11 Winslade
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13 McKeown
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FIXTURES AND RESULTS—1958-59

FIRST TEAM

		F. A.
Aug.	9...Widnes (Charity)	A 13-28
	16...Workington	H 20-15
	20...Bradford	A 7-15
	23...Rochdale	H 21- 5
	27...Warrington (Lancs. Cup) A	16-10
Sept.	6...Liverpool	A 16-20
	8...St. Helens (Lancs. Cup) H	2-12
	13...Swinton	H 9-22
	17...Blackpool	A 7- 8
	27...York	H 28- 8
Oct.	4...Workington	A 4-19
	11...Blackpool	H 26-25
	18...York	A 23-38
	22...Rochdale	A 5-10
Nov.	1...Wigan	A 12-26
	8...Salford	H 15-20
	15...Huddersfield	A 9-12
	22...Keighley	H 15- 7
	29...Hull K. R.	A 17- 4
Dec.	6...Huddersfield	H 13-12
	13...Salford	A 16-12
	20...Bradford	H 31-9
	25...St. Helens	H 6-10
	26...Warrington	A 13-35
	27...Wigan	H 15-25
Jan.	1...St. Helens	A 6-9
	3...Oldham	A 16-19
	10...Whitehaven	H 20-3
	17...Widnes	A P
	24...Leeds	H 11-16
	31...Barrow	H 27-5
Feb.	7...Whitehaven	A 17-8
	14...Oldham	H
	21...R.L. Cup, 1st Round	
	28...Swinton	A
Mar.	7...R.L. Cup, 2nd Round	
	14...Widnes	H
	21...Liverpool	H
	27...Barrow	A
	28...Keighley	A
	30...Warrington	H
Apr.	4...Leeds	A
	18...Hull K.R.	H
	25...Oldham (F)	H

"A" TEAM

	F. A.
Widnes (Charity)	H 11- 7
Warrington	A 14-46
Rochdale	A 21-13
Swinton (Shield)	H 32-21
Liverpool	H 49-23
Swinton	A 21-19
Wigan (Shield)	A 6-22
Blackpool	H 42- 7
Workington	A 23-10
Workington	H 50- 0
Blackpool	A 10-15
Keighley (F)	H 44- 6
Leeds (F)	H 22-14
Rochdale	H 21-10
Wigan	H 30- 9
Salford	A 10- 9
L. C. Amateurs	H 44-12
Swinton (F)	H 51-18
Salford	H 30- 0
Salford (F)	A 4-11
Wigan	A 10-12
Oldham	H 20-12
Whitehaven	A P
Widnes	H P
St. Helens	A 14-16
Barrow	A 5-11
Whitehaven	H 14-0
Oldham	A
Wigan (F)	H
Swinton	H
Oldham (F)	A
Widnes	A
Liverpool	A
Warrington	H
Barrow	H
St. Helens	H
Wigan (F)	A
Oldham (F)	H

FIRST TEAM—Appearances and Scores, Season 1958-59

(up to February 7th)	Appearances	Tries	Goals	Points
Ledgard	1	...	2	4
Gibson	25	5	...	15
Atherton	10	2	...	6
Holden	11	2	...	6
Kindon	28	10	...	30
Davies	3	1	...	3
Fallon	25	12	9	54
Robinson	31	1	...	3
Tabern	29	3	...	9
Owen	31	1	...	3
Hurt	28	...	4	8
McFarlane, J.	1	...	...	...
Foster	17	...	...	...
Chadwick	8	...	...	...
Hewitt	25	1	...	3
McGillicuddy	2	...	...	...
Wharton	8	...	...	...
Hart	5	...	16	32
Dickinson	16	6	...	18
Hutson, E.	5	2	...	6
Hutson, W.	5	1	...	3
McFarlane W.	11	...	...	...
Sanderson	1	...	...	...
Brooks	1	...	...	...
Higgs	1	...	...	...
Fisher	11	1	...	3
Hosking	12	3	41	93
Martyn	13	12	...	36
Dickens	13	3	...	9
Lewis	15	4	...	12
Darbyshire	1	...	...	...
Callaghan, E.	4	...	...	...
Morgan	8	4	...	12

'A' TEAM—Appearances and Scorers, Season 1958-59

(up to February 7th)	Appearances	Tries	Goals	Points
Hewitt	5	...	...	...
Darbyshire	12	7	5	31
McGillicuddy	7	2	2	10
Ogburn	3	...	...	...
Fisher	8	8	...	24
Hutson, W.	12	9	1	28
Hatton	8	4	...	12
Hart	9	1	34	68
Dwyer	13	2	6	18
Bishop	17	1	22	47
Wharton	11	...	...	...
Dickens	16	10	...	30
Callaghan, B.	16	13	...	39
Kay	20	2	...	6
Pinnington	1	1	...	3
Rigby	1	...	...	...
Brooks	17	7	...	21
McFarlane, J.	8	2	...	6
Callaghan, E.	12	...	1	2
Higgs	17	6	...	18
Hutson, E.	7	6	...	18
Sanderson	16	2	...	6
Clarke	14	2	...	6
Hosking	6	3	24	57
Holmes	7	2	...	6
Wardle	1	...	...	...
Birchall	7	2	...	6
Lewis	3	3	...	9
Atherton	8	6	...	18
Ainscough	4	1	...	3
Gibson	3	1	...	3
Davies	2	1	...	3
Martyn	3	4	...	12
Morgan	4	5	...	15
Chadwick	2	...	...	...
Dickinson	1	...	...	...
McFarlane, W.	2	...	...	...
Crook	1	...	...	...

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