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Editorial

After one of the longest seasons in the history of the game we have, of course, had a very short close season, and we welcome back old and new supporters alike.

The very short close season has meant that those connected with the club have had much to do in a short space of time. A number of improvements have been carried out and these include a cable laid across and under the ground to provide lights on the new Stand to give improved lighting for training, a tunnel from dressing rooms to ground, and a new public address system which will be a great improvement.

The ground has been treated with fertilizer and re-seeded and is a credit to our groundsman, Jack Coughlin.

Team building has gone on and we have made several signings which we hope will greatly strengthen the team. These include Mick McGillicuddy from Swinton, Brian Cartwright from Leigh, who recalled him when on loan last season, and Alan Gregson, ex-Widnes I.C.I. Rugby Union player. The fee paid for Brian Cartwright means he is now our player—not loaned!

George Walker has resumed training, also Terry Gorman after injury, and Colin Praker is making progress.

The cancelled match with Whitehaven was a disappointment and an award of points is not very satisfactory. Our best wishes go to Whitehaven for an early return to normal. Our away fixture with Whitehaven on January 11th will now take place at Knotty Ash.

Today we welcome Oldham, who were in the 1st Division last season, and they will naturally be anxious to get back there. Founded in 1870, they became founder members of the Northern Rugby Union in 1895. They have a very good record in Cup Competitions. They were the first Lancashire club to win the Challenge Cup in 1898-99, and also won this Cup in 1924-25 and 1926-27, and runners-up in 1923-24 and 1925-26. They have been League Champions on four occasions: 1904-5, 1909-10, 1910-11 and 1956-57, and runners-up five times. They have also won the Lancashire Cup and League on a number of occasions.

Congratulations to the team on their good win at York. Fancied for promotion, York won the game at York last season 40-10. Is our goal kicking problem solved? Three goals by Alan Gregson and a wonderful dropped goal by Wilf Hunt and a try by Pikoli made up our score.

J.C.G.

FIXTURES 1963-1964

FIRST TEAM RUGBY LEAGUE — DIVISION 2

Western Regional League (Shown as "R")

1963	Opponents	Grd.	F.	A.
Aug. 17	St. Helens	A	.....	.....
	Charity Cup			
24	Whitehaven	H	.....	.....
28	York	A	.....	.....
31	Doncaster	A	.....	.....
Sept. 2	Oldham	H	.....	.....
7	Whitehaven	H	.....	.....
	Lancs. Cup			
14	Dewsbury	A	.....	.....
21	Bradford Northern	H	.....	.....
28	Bramley	H	.....	.....
Oct. 5	Swinton (R)	A	.....	.....
12	Barrow	H	.....	.....
19	Batley	A	.....	.....
26	St. Helens (R)	H	.....	.....
Nov. 2	Bradford Northern	A	.....	.....
9	Salford	H	.....	.....
16	Leigh	A	.....	.....
23	Doncaster	H	.....	.....
30	St. Helens (R)	A	.....	.....
Dec. 7	York	H	.....	.....
14	Salford	A	.....	.....
21	Swinton (R)	A	.....	.....
27	Blackpool Borough	H	.....	.....
28	Bramley	H	.....	.....
1964				
Jan. 4	Widnes (R)	H	.....	.....
11	Whitehaven	A	.....	.....
18	Batley	H	.....	.....
25	Blackpool Borough	A	.....	.....
Feb. 1	Barrow	A	.....	.....
8				
15	Wigan (R)	H	.....	.....
22	Rochdale Hornets	A	.....	.....
29				
Mar. 7	Leigh	H	.....	.....
14				
21	Widnes (R)	A	.....	.....
27	Oldham	A	.....	.....
28	Wigan (R)	A	.....	.....
30	Rochdale Hornets	H	.....	.....
April 4				
11	Dewsbury	H	.....	.....
18				

'A' TEAM

LANCASHIRE COMBINATION

1963	Opponents	Grd.	F.	A.
Aug. 17				
24	Whitehaven 'A'	A	.....	.....
28				
31	Oldham 'A'	H	.....	.....
Sept. 2				
7	Whitehaven 'A'	A	.....	.....
	Lancs. Shield			
14	Rochdale H. 'A'	H	.....	.....
21	Barrow 'A'	A	.....	.....
28	Warrington 'A'	H	.....	.....
Oct. 5	Swinton 'A'	A	.....	.....
12				
19				
26	St. Helens 'A'	A	.....	.....
Nov. 2				
9	Salford 'A'	A	.....	.....
16	Leigh 'A'	H	.....	.....
23	Warrington 'A'	A	.....	.....
30	St. Helens 'A'	H	.....	.....
Dec. 7	Workington 'A'	A	.....	.....
14	Salford 'A'	H	.....	.....
21	Swinton 'A'	H	.....	.....
27				
28				
1964				
Jan. 4	Widnes 'A'	A	.....	.....
11	Whitehaven 'A'	H	.....	.....
18	Rochdale H. 'A'	A	.....	.....
25	Blackpool Boro 'A'	H	.....	.....
Feb. 1	Barrow 'A'	H	.....	.....
8				
15	Wigan 'A'	A	.....	.....
22				
29	Blackpool Boro 'A'	A	.....	.....
Mar. 7	Leigh 'A'	A		
14				
21	Widnes 'A'	H		
28	Wigan 'A'	H		
30				
April 4	Workington 'A'	H		
11				
18	Oldham 'A'	A		

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5 CARTWRIGHT	Left Wing
6 GREGSON	Out Half
7 GORMAN	Scrum Half
8 UPTON	Prop Forward
9 BURDELL	Hooker
10 CARTLEDGE	Prop Forward
11 SHERMAN	2nd Row Fwd.
12 McGRATH	2nd Row Fwd.
13 GALLAGAN	Loose Fwd.

Kick-off 3 p.m.

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9 MACINTYRE	RAE T.
10 ROBINSON	
11 MAJOR	
12 RAE	SMETHURST
13 PARKER	

JOHN BROOME

Our new coach is a native of Widnes and at 33 years of age is one of the youngest coaches in the League.

A shoulder injury cut short his playing career a couple of seasons ago. As a boy he played for Widnes Central School and on leaving school played for the well-known Widnes Junior Club, West Bank. He joined Wigan in 1948 and in 1957 he was transferred to Widnes for which club he became coach.

We wish him Good Luck and success in his future with Liverpool City.



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Supporters' Club Notes

Well, here we are again! Welcome back again, folk! The close-season has been of short duration but like the Directors, we have been able to get a lot done.

At the start of the close-season, vandals again made their presence felt and our chief loss was the wrecking of the Tea Bar. It has cost us £50 to put this right. New steel shutters have been installed and this, together with the fact of a resident caretaker on the ground will, we hope, stop this vandalism. The membership last Season was slightly up on the Season before, and this Season we hope to do better still. The Club Officials and Committee must have your help if they are to help City. We are working in close harmony with the Directors; there is much to be done.

The new plans for the treatment room and new Secretary's Office are with the Corporation Department concerned and we hope building will soon start. The extra space we shall get under the stand will give us a greatly-improved Club House and Bar.

May we remind you—**Subscriptions are now due.**

Please re-join or join today. 2s. 6d. per season — Pensioners 1/-.

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