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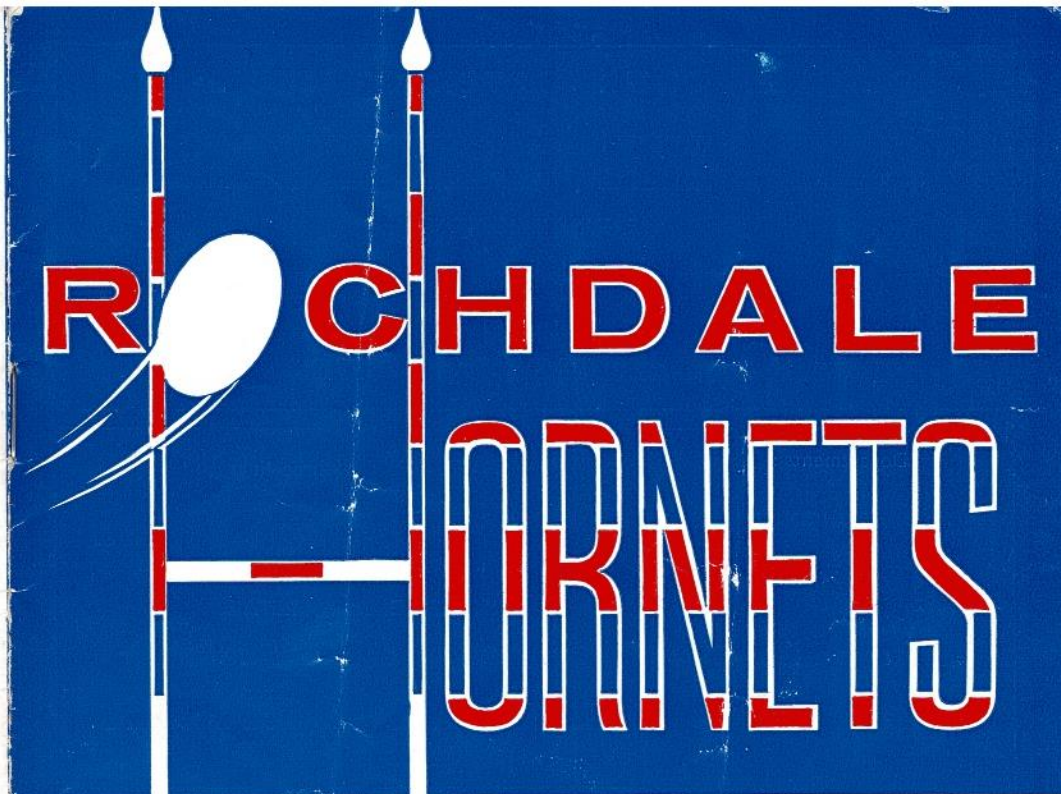
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CLUB NOTES

WELCOME TO OLDHAM

Tonight we again welcome our friends and neighbours from Watersheddings, Oldham, for the second time within nine days and, in doing so, we hope for a repetition of last Wednesday's thriller when both sides played really first class rugby, scoring six grand tries between them, four to Hornets and a couple to Oldham.

Tonight's game is the first round of the Lancashire Cup Competition and is certain to live up to the supporters' expectations.

Oldham, after a poor start to the season, are anxious to make amends and following their poor showing in a 10 points to 29 points defeat at Workington last Saturday, held a "what's wrong" meeting on Monday evening with views from coach, team captain and committee. One hopes that they are able to find some solutions to their problems—after tonight's match.

We ourselves had more than our share of misfortune following last Wednesday's victory, for after the training session on Thursday, when the question of team selection came up, it was found that coach Graham Starkey, his centre partner David Taylor, forwards Eddie Brown and Joe Argent were all unfit for the Leigh match.

As if this was not enough, on Saturday morning Geoff Crowther failed to pass a fitness test following a visit to the club doctor. Ken Roberts also reported with a pain in his back and following attention from the club's physiotherapist, Frank Navesey, it was felt that in the emergency that it was, Ken would be fit to see the Leigh game through. Unfortunately this was not to be for Ken had to retire 10 minutes before the interval.

Credit must be given to the player for his unselfish efforts in turning out on the club's behalf although not completely fit.

The Leigh game itself turned out to be a walk-over for the opposition, not unexpectedly in view of Hornets having to field six reserves against a team at the top of the table.

It was felt in many quarters that had we been able to field the same team that played on Wednesday the result would have been in reverse with the Hornets taking two points and the top of the League position.

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The Board of Directors have made a successful plunge into the transfer market this week by signing the Lancashire and Barrow stand-off, Eddie Tees.

Eddie, equally at home at out-half and full-back, will be coming to live in Rochdale. We wish to welcome him to the club and sincerely hope he lives up to the expectations of the Hornets' officials.

Incidentally, whilst Eddie was in the act of signing the necessary forms to complete his transfer to Rochdale, Oldham, our opposition this evening, were in with a bid to take the player to Watersheddings. On this occasion, "too late was the cry" and a jubilant chairman, Ted Stockley, returned to the Athletic Grounds with the player signed, sealed and delivered.

Eddie is a good signing and will be a valuable addition to the club's playing staff. His transfer shows that the directors are well aware of the needs of the team and are willing to act when the opportunity arises.

TONIGHT'S GAME

For this evening's game Oldham have made three changes from the side which turned out last Wednesday and have MARTIN MURPHY at full-back in place of DEREK WHITEHEAD, who moves to the wing position to the exclusion of Trevor Simms. Pre-season signing from Sale R.U. club, PHIL LARDER, and JOHN DONOVAN form a new centre pair with both John McCormack and Keith Buckley axed, McCORMACK being substitute in place of Tommy Davies. The half-backs are the same pair in WILF BRIGGS (placed on the transfer list at £4,000 this week) and TOM CANNING. The pack formation of WILSON, TAYLOR, FLETCHER, IRVING, McCOURT and HUGHES have played together in all the first team games this season apart from the game at Workington last Saturday.

On the Hornets' side there are five changes, with our new signing EDDIE TEES taking over the stand-off position in place of Graham Starkey, still suffering from a leg injury. TOM PIMBLETT replaces Norman Brelsford on the wing and TERRY ACKERLEY, fit once more following his injury in the York match, replaces Ian Entwistle in the hooking position. DENNIS MURRAY takes the second-row position from Geoff Robinson in his first senior game of the season and also his home debut. Dennis was signed at the end of last season and has previously played for Huddersfield.

HALF-TIME SPECIAL

At last Saturday's match the half-time draw prizes were won by: 1st prize of the Electric Clock, Mr. Stapleton, 64 Waithlands Road, Rochdale, and the 2nd prize of £2.10.0, Mr. Eaton, 29 Norton Road, Syke.

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PLAYER'S No. 6 COMPETITION

Player's No. 6 have decided to sponsor a competition on the same lines as last season for the Player of the Match awards. The competition is expected to start at the end of September with one or two variations from the last effort. Details will be given later.

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Ratu	7	1	0	Tighe	3	0	0
Roberts	7	1	0	Pimblett	3	0	0
Goddard	6	0	0	Ackerley	2	0	0
Robinson	6	0	0	Birchall	2	0	0
Brelsford	6	0	0	Hope	2	0	0
Argent	5	0	0	Reilly	2	1	0
Brown	5	0	0	Parkinson	1	0	0
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- 8—WILSON, Ken
- 9—TAYLOR, Kevin
- 10—FLETCHER, Geoff
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SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

ANNUAL OUTINGS

As already announced, the Supporters' Club Committee are running two annual outings this season—"Why don't we go to every away match," says one stalwart whose leaning to the ways of temperance is doubtful. "Who is going to collect the lottery money?" we answer. "Oh, don't worry about that—I'll pay it all myself!"

How keen can you get on our annual trips? Our friend has already booked for both the Blackpool (November 30th) and Doncaster (March 1st) outings. Have you?

See Bob Fletcher tonight or Ken Allen.

TEABAR ROTA

Tonight's teabar rota is: Messrs. Matthews and Woolley.

On September 14th it will be: Messrs. Garnett and Howarth.

On September 28th it is: Messrs. Sutcliffe and Selway.

LOTTERY MEETING

Will Supporters' Club members of the Lottery Committee please note that there will be a meeting at the Athletic Grounds on Sunday morning next at 11.15 a.m.

QUERY CORNER

Bob Fletcher has had an inquiry this week about Wally McArthur's signing and "what was his background" before he came to the Athletic Grounds?

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1953. He made his debut with the Hornets on Saturday, December 12th, 1953, in the match against Salford, and he kicked three goals. Until he became a professional runner, Wally McArthur was regarded in South Australia as an Olympic Games prospect. As a Rugby League player with Semaphore, a club in the Adelaide area, he scored more than 900 points in five seasons. On the track he has returned an unofficial time of 9.7 seconds for the 100 yards. For part of the 1953 season, he left football to concentrate on athletics. On his return to football, McArthur was selected to play for South Australia against Western Australia at Perth and at the end of this match was presented with a trophy recognising him as the best player on the field. When signed by Hornets, McArthur was not yet twenty years old. He stands 5ft. 9in. and scales 11½st.

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FIRST TEAM

Date 1968		Opponents	Venue	Result	Date 1969		Opponents	Venue	Result
Aug. 6	(Tu)	Bradford N. (Charity)	Home	L 9-14	Jan. 4	(S)	Leigh	Away	
" 10	(S)	Dewsbury (Charity)	Away	W 17-15	" 11	(S)	Swinton	Home	
" 17	(S)	York	Home	W 16-7	" 18	(S)	St. Helens	Away	
" 20	(Tu)	Dewsbury (7 p.m.)	Away	L 3-10	" 25	(S)	R.L. Cup (1st Rd.)		
" 24	(S)	Whitehaven	Away	W 20-14	Feb. 1	(S)	Wigan	Home	
" 28	(W)	Oldham	Home	W 22-14	" 8	(S)	Doncaster	Home	
" 31	(S)	Leigh	Home	L 3-24	" 15	(S)	R.L. Cup (2nd Rd.)		
Sept. 6	(F)	Oldham (Lancs. Cup)	Home		" 22	(S)	Workington Town	Away	
" 14	(S)	Bramley	Home		Mar. 1	(S)	(3) Doncaster	Away	
" 21	(S)	York	Away		" 7	(F)	Warrington	Away	
" 28	(S)	Dewsbury	Home		" 15	(S)	Salford	Home	
Oct. 4	(F)	Barrow (7 p.m.)	Away		" 22	(S)	R.L. Cup Semi-final (1)		
" 12	(S)	Blackpool	Home		" 29	(S)	R.L. Cup Semi-final (2)		
" 18	(F)	Salford	Away		Apr. 4	(F)			
" 26	(S)	St. Helens	Home		" 5	(S)			
Nov. 1	(F)	Swinton	Away		" 7	(M)	Oldham	Away	
" 9	(S)	Warrington	Home		" 12	(S)	Whitehaven	Home	
" 16	(S)	Wigan	Away		" 18	(F)	Widnes	Home	
" 23	(S)	Workington Town	Home						
" 30	(S)	Blackpool	Away						
Dec. 7	(S)	Bramley	Away						
" 14	(S)	Huyton	Away						
" 21	(S)	Huyton	Home						
" 26	(Th)	Barrow	Home						
" 27	(F)	Widnes	Away						

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"A" TEAM

Date 1968		Opponents	Venue	Result	Date 1969		Opponents	Venue	Result
Aug. 24	(S)	Whitehaven	Home	W 17-11	Jan. 4	(S)	Leigh	Home	
" 31	(S)	Leigh	Away	L 10-23	" 10	(F)	Swinton	Away	
Sept. 7	(S)	Oldham (Lancs Shield)	Home		" 18	(S)	St. Helens	Home	
" 14	(S)	Oldham (Lancs Shield)	Away		Feb. 1	(S)	Wigan	Away	
" 28	(S)	Barrow	Away		" 22	(S)	Workington Town	Home	
Oct. 5	(S)	Barrow	Home		Mar. 8	(S)	Warrington	Home	
" 12	(S)	Oldham	Away		" 14	(F)	Salford	Away	
" 19	(S)	Salford	Home		Apr. 7	(M)	Oldham	Home	
" 26	(S)	St. Helens	Away		" 12	(S)	Whitehaven	Away	
Nov. 2	(S)	Swinton	Home		" 19	(S)	Widnes	Away	
" 9	(S)	Warrington	Away						
" 16	(S)	Wigan	Home						
" 23	(S)	Workington Town	Away						
Dec. 14	(S)	Huyton	Home						
" 21	(S)	Huyton	Away						
" 28	(S)	Widnes	Home						

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