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Elected Northern Rugby Football League — June 1921

Winners of — Rugby League Challenge Cup 1967

Yorkshire Challenge Cup 1940, 1959

Yorkshire Senior Competition Cup 1946

Yorkshire Senior Competition Shield 1946, 1962

Runners-Up — Northern Rugby Football League Championship 1928

Rugby League Challenge Cup 1952

Yorkshire Challenge Cup 1928, 1963, 1966

Yorkshire League 1928, 1962

Yorkshire Senior Competition Cup 1955, 1960

CLUB RECORDS

Attendance — 17,531; v. St. Helens, R.L. Cup, March 1959

Receipts — £3,454; v. St. Helens, R.L. Cup, March 1959

League Record Attendance — 14,990; v. Wakefield, January 1962

League Record Receipts — £1,400; v. Wakefield, January 1962

Goal-Scoring — 129; D. Fox, Season 1963/64

Try-Scoring — 31; C. Woolford, Season 1958/59

Points-Scoring — 294; D. Fox, Season 1963/64

Points-in-a-Match — 60; v. Stanningley (home), 1964, R.L. Cup

Individual Points in match — 27; D. Fox, v. Stanningley (home), 1964

Individual Goals in match — 12; D. Fox, v. Stanningley (home), 1964

Individual Tries in match — 6; M. Smith; v. Doncaster (home), 1968

Most Points in a Season — 730; Season 1959/60 (league only)

Highest Consecutive Run of League Successes — 11, Season 1961/62

Fastest Century of Points — T. Smales, Season 1966/67

INTERNATIONALS (including Under-24 Games and R.L. Tourists)

T. Askin, T. Clawson, G. Cooper, P. Daly, C. Dooler, M. Dixon, D. Fox,

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W. Tennant, G. Waterworth, E. Winter, E. Wright, A. Wood, C. Woolford

CLUB NOTES

WELL though the team has played since the opening of the season, our boys excelled themselves last week against Huyton. The fact that Huyton had previously held teams like St. Helens, Widnes and Warrington to narrow margins, only serves to underline the authority of the football we displayed, particularly in the first half. It was great to see Jimmy Thompson at last obtaining some reward for many sterling displays when he sparked off an avalanche of scoring with that first try, which was in itself a classic piece of distributive and supporting play. Cotton ran powerfully through the middle to carve out the opening for Williams to cross. Smith added a try of the type we have come to expect from him, followed by a typical Morgan burst to the line. Just on half-time, Cotton filled Huyton's cup to the brim with another excellent try. Four goals by Kellett brought the half-time score to 23-0.

If the Rovers felt they had done enough to win, there was no evidence of it in the third quarter of the game. Morgan quickly opened the gap once more and then powerfully drove for the line, making light of the full-back's challenge. Rhodes, again having a splendid game, scored a fine solo try; and Dave Kellett initiated and rounded-off a delightful bout of passing to score our final try. Three more goals by Cyril Kellett gave us our highest points-total of the season. Huyton never gave up, and gained a converted consolation try near the end. That we were not given full credit for our performance by the week-end press is something that often happens, but, be that as it may, I personally feel that most teams would have been outclassed by our effort last Saturday.

LAST Sunday the Post Office Road Ground was loaned to the Castleford & District Amateur Rugby League Association for the purpose of playing their annual seven-a-side competition for the Gordon Noon Trophy. At this competition, Mr. J. Jepson, the Featherstone Chairman, presented, on behalf of the Association, a plaque to Colin Smith, to mark his appearance in last year's amateur international team.

ROVERS RECORDS REVIEW No. 37

By Irvin Saxton

TOP SIXTEEN GOAL-SCORERS FOR THE ROVERS

IN forty-seven years of Senior Football the Rovers have produced only sixteen players who have kicked fifty goals or more in a career, and only two pre-war players reached the century mark,

as the following list shows :

Don Fox 503	Bill Sherwood 236	Cyril Kellett 70
Terry Clawson 487	Jimmy Williams 120	Tom Wynard 70
Jack Fennell 455	Bert Lockwood 99	Billy Stott 64
Jim Denton 377	Irving Barraclough 84	Cyril Pawson 56
Tommy Smales 255	Tommy Townsend 76	George Johnson 50
Freddy Miller 245		

APPEARANCES and POINTS SCORERS

Season 1968/69					Total Senior Records					
Player		App	G	T	Pts		App	G	T	Pts
C. KELLETT	...	11	45	1	93	...	23	70	1	143
J. NEWLOVE	...	11	-	4	12	...	59	2	13	43
K. COTTON	...	9	-	3	9	...	101	-	11	33
D. KELLETT	...	10	-	3	9	...	48	-	11	33
B. WRIGGLESWORTH	...	4	-	1	3	...	65	-	11	33
D. HARTLEY	...	6	-	2	6	...	77	-	19	57
M. SMITH	...	11	-	5	15	...	137	1	47	143
C. DOOLER	...	3	-	1	3	...	199	15	62	216
A. AGAR	...	3	-	-	-	...	4	-	-	-
S. NASH	...	7	2	-	4	...	24	3	1	9
M. DIXON	...	6	-	2	6	...	269	40	40	200
L. TONKS	...	7	-	1	3	...	139	-	4	12
V. FARRAR	...	11	-	-	-	...	49	-	2	6
S. NICHOLSON	...	7	1	-	2	...	120	1	8	26
A. MORGAN	...	10	-	3	9	...	165	21	30	132
J. THOMPSON	...	11	-	1	3	...	59	-	4	12
T. SMALES	...	9	1	2	8	...	103	256	22	578
J. BELL	...	4	3	-	6	...	13	3	-	6
D. WILLIAMS	...	5	-	3	9	...	5	-	3	9
D. MORGAN	...	1	-	-	-	...	10	-	-	-
A. RHODES	...	3	-	2	6	...	6	-	2	6

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|-------------------|-------|-------|--------|
| 1 Cyril KELLETT | | | |
| 2 David WILLIAMS | | | |
| 3 John NEWLOVE | | | |
| 4 Keith COTTON | | | |
| 5 David KELLETT | | | |
| 6 Mick SMITH | | | |
| 7 Steve NASH | | | |
| 8 Mal DIXON | | | |
| 9 Vince FARRAR | | | |
| 10 Alan RHODES | | | |
| 11 Arnie MORGAN | | | |
| 12 Jimmy THOMPSON | | | |
| 13 John BELL | | | |
| 14 Dave HARTLEY | | | |
| 15 Les TONKS | | | |

Referee : D. S. BROWN (Preston)

Touch Judge, Red Flag :
J. SHACKLETON

Touch Judge, Yellow Flag :
J. BRIERLEY

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- | | | | |
|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1 Martin MURPHY | | | |
| 2 Mike ELLIOTT | | | |
| 3 Phil LARDER | | | |
| 4 Jim McCORMACK | | | |
| 5 Tommy DAVIES | | | |
| 6 Wilf BRIGGS | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 7 Tommy CANNING | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 8 Ken WILSON | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 9 Kevin TAYLOR | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 10 Geoff FLETCHER | ..... | ..... | ..... |
| 11 Bob IRVING | | | |
| 12 Charlie McCOURT | | | |
| 13 Dennis MADERS | | | |
| 14 Tommy LEYLAND | | | |
| 15 Alan OGDEN | | | |

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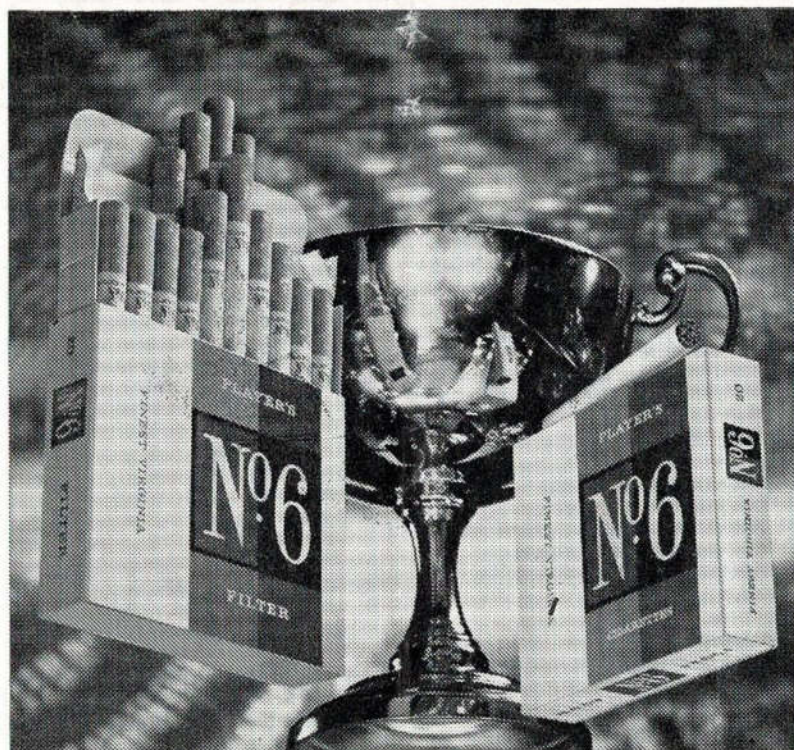
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SENIOR TEAM FIXTURES

Northern Rugby Football League

Date	Opponents	Grd. F A
1968		
Aug 17	S Batley, 6.30	...H 31- 7 W
19	M Hull, 7.0	...H 16- 7 W
24	S Oldham	...A 24-22 W
30	F Keighley, 7.30	...A 11-12 L
Sept 2	M Castleford	...A 0- 5 L
8	Su Keighley, Y.C.	...H 21-10 W
14	S Dewsbury	...H 13-12 W
17	Tu Leeds, Y.C.	...H 10-18 L
21	S Bramley	...A 20- 3 W
28	S Bradford	...H 22- 7 W
Oct 5	S Huyton	...H 38- 5 W
12	S Oldham	...H
19	S Dewsbury	...A
26	S Widnes	...A
Nov 2	S Huyton	...A
9	S Hull K.R.	...A
16	S Bramley	...H
23	S Wakefield	...A
30	S Widnes	...H
Dec 7	S Hull K.R.	...H
14	S Huddersfield	...H
21	S Bradford	...A
26	Th Hunslet	...H
28	S Batley	...A
1969		
Jan 4	S Halifax	...A
11	S Leeds	...H
18	S Leeds	...A
25	S R.L. Cup, 1st Round	
Feb 1	S Keighley	...H
8	S Hunslet	...A
15	S R.L. Cup, 2nd Round	
22	S	
Mar 1	S Wakefield	...H
8	S Halifax	...H
15	S York	...H
22	S Semi-Final (1)	
29	S Semi-Final (2)	
Apr 5	S York	...A
7	M Castleford	...H
12	S Hull	...A
19	S Huddersfield	...A

Top-16 Championship

April 26	1st Round
May 3	2nd Round
May 10	Semi-Finals
May 24	League Championship Final

"A" TEAM FIXTURES

Yorkshire Senior Competition

Date	Opponents	Grd. F A
1968		
Aug 17	S Hunslet	...A 8-16 L
24	S Hull	...H 12-16 L
31	S Keighley	...H 29-22 W
Sept 7	S Huddersfield	...A 18-17 W
14	S Bramley	...A 10- 7 W
21	S Bradford	...H 11-18 L
28	S Dewsbury	...A 20-12 W
Oct 7	M Leeds	...A 5-25 L
12	S Wakefield	...A
19	S Halifax	...H
26	S Hull K.R.	...H
Nov 2	S Doncaster	...A
9	S Castleford	...H
15	F Keighley, 7.30	...A
23	S York	...H
30	S Hull	...A
Dec 7	S Castleford	...A
14	S Batley	...A
21	S Huddersfield	...H
28	S Hunslet	...H
1969		
Jan 4	S Dewsbury	...H
11	S Bradford	...A
18	S	
25	S Doncaster	...H
Feb 1	S Hull K.R.	...A
8	S Wakefield	...H
15	S Halifax	...A
22	S	
Mar 1	S Batley	...H
7	F Leeds	...A
15	S York	...A
22	S Bramley	...H

Kick-Off Time Throughout Season :
3.0 p.m.

R.L. CUP

Third Round	...	1st March
Semi-Finals	...	22nd and 29th March
Final (at Wembley)	...	17th May

OUR VISITORS

MAKING one of their rare appearances at Post Office Road are our nevertheless very welcome visitors from Oldham. One hopes that today's game will be contested in the same spirit as that exciting away match earlier in the season, and if so we are in for a very entertaining afternoon's sport. The two points which finally decided that high-scoring match emphasised how evenly matched the two teams were; and in order to gain our first double of the season, home supporters will fervently hope that our boys can reproduce last week's form and so strengthen our position in the league table. Certainly, Oldham will be a much tougher nut to crack than Huyton, for they play with the tremendous sort of team-spirit and determination which has carried our own team thus far. However, Red Rose opposition invariably brings out the best in our team, so another fine game is in prospect.

It is five-and-a-half years since Oldham last appeared at Post Office Road — 15th May 1963, to be exact — when a crowd of 3,065 (£214) saw our boys win an excellent game by 30 points to 8 points.

Tries were scored for Rovers by Lynch, Cooper, Waterworth, Dixon, Ramshaw and Broom. Jack Anderson kicked six goals.

Rovers team on that occasion was:
Anderson; Waterworth, Broom, Lynch, Jordan; Cooper, Dooler; Dixon, Fawley, Tonks, Ramshaw, Clawson and Clifft.

In the return fixture, Oldham gained their revenge by 26 points to 2 points. The interesting feature of that match was that it heralded the resumption of sport after almost the whole of Britain had been held in a grip of ice and snow from 15th December 1963 to 9th March 1964.

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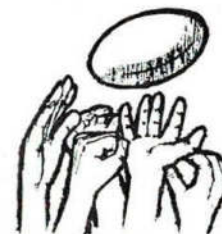
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