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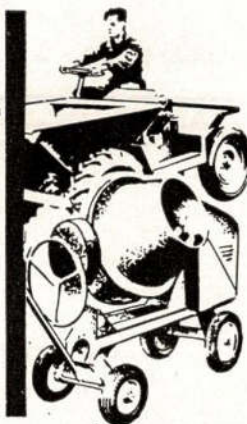
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WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS AND COMMENTS

Our very gratifying 20-10 win against fourth in the table Whitehaven on Saturday, November 1st, was a great morale-booster for us. The team, minus several regulars, put on a great show of fluent football, scoring six tries and one goal to Whitehaven's two tries and two goals.

At Leigh last Saturday the story was somewhat different, the result being a win for Leigh by 14 points to 4 points. This was a disappointing result for us, but the team effort was still there, and there was no disgrace in being beaten by a top-of-the-table team.

At the time of going to print, the Wigan game is yet to be played in the Floodlight Competition Second Round, but if our lads put up the same determined sort of performance we have seen in the last two games, they will certainly give the Wigan side a run for their money.

INJURIES

The one thing which marred the grand team effort against Whitehaven was the recurrence of Ken Wilson's leg injury in the opening minutes of the game. This was really tough luck on our skipper. However, Ken has now had a manipulative operation on the troublesome knee, and it is hoped that it won't be very long before he is able to play again.

The injury received by Ray Hopwood early in the season is still giving Ray some trouble, but here again we trust that with the expert attention given by our physiotherapist, Dennis Wright, Ray will be back in the running very shortly.

TODAY'S VISITORS

We are very pleased to welcome Widnes (another Members' Club incidentally) to Watersheddings today, and anticipate a keen tussle in this game, which Widnes have very obligingly agreed to play on a Sunday in order to avoid any clash with the televised Leeds-Perpignan game and Athletic's cup-tie yesterday.

Our visitors are enjoying a pretty good season so far, being in ninth position as at last Saturday. We look forward to a good, fast game of Rugby League football, and trust that we will get the support from the Oldham sporting public for this Sunday experiment that we so badly need.

SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

The Oldham Football Club Supporters' Club will be running a coach to the St. Helens match on Saturday, November 22nd, leaving the Social Club at p.m. Any member wishing to book seats is asked to apply at the canteens around the ground at today's game, or to any member of the Supporters' Club Committee in the Social Club during the week.

The shop behind the scoreboard at Watersheddings is now open for the sale of ties, scarves, lapel badges, etc., and a new innovation is the "PROGRAMMES SWOP-SHOP". Programmes from any Rugby League Club are welcomed by the Swop-shop staff and the idea is to exchange programmes as required with anyone interested.

CHRISTMAS DRAW

The Annual Christmas Draw is now well under way. Tickets at 1/- each may be obtained from the Secretary's Office, any Committee member, members of the Supporters' Club Committee, from the Social Club and from the Pools Organiser. This year over 150 prizes, including whisky, cigarettes, chocolates, turkeys, chickens, hampers, gent's suit, reading lamps, bathroom scales, cigarette lighters, Christmas cakes, champagne, meal and dance for two, tea set, canteen of cutlery, and a Christmas dinner for two at the Cafe Monico, have been donated by our many friends and business acquaintances, and we have every hope of the Draw being a huge success.

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VICE-PRESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

This association is growing steadily and it is encouraging to note local civic dignitaries have given a lead by applying for membership. Names of the Vice-Presidents will be found elsewhere in this programme. The Social Club Committee Room has been made available as a lounge bar, names of V.P. seat-holder members will be printed on the backs of seats in the stands, free car-parking facilities are offered, and we would like to have suggestions from our Vice-Presidents with regard to any social events and discussion groups, etc., which they think would be of benefit.

Membership of the Vice-Presidents' Association is five guineas per annum. Anyone wishing to join is asked to contact the Secretary or any member of the Club Committee.

PLAYER'S No. 6 PLAYER OF THE MATCH AWARDS

The leading positions as at 29th October, 1969, for the title Player's No. 6 "Player of the Year" are as follows:

Player	Club	Pts.
A. Murphy	Leigh	26
R. Millward	Hull K.R.	20
J. Roper	Whitehaven ..	20
T. Brophy	Barrow	19
A. Bates	Dewsbury	17
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Date	Club	Grd.	F	A
1969				
Aug. 9	Blackpool (Charity)	home	32	15
16	Swinton (L.C. 1st Rd.)	home	24	28
19	Salford	home	11	20
23	Warrington	home	8	15
27	Bradford	away	9	25
30	Workington	away	7	28
Sept. 6	Keighley	home	41	10
8	Blackpool	away	33	6
13	Wigan	away	10	40
20	Huyton	home	37	7
22	Rochdale	home	12	2
26	Warrington	away	8	10
Oct. 4	Workington	home	8	10
11	Keighley	away	9	20
24	Barrow	away	19	26
Nov. 1	Whitehaven	home	20	10
8	Leigh	away	4	14
15	Widnes	home		
22	St. Helens	away		
Dec. 6	Huddersfield	home		
13	Wigan	home		
20	Huyton	away		
26	Swinton	away		
28	Batley	away		
1970				
Jan. 3	St. Helens	home		
17	Huddersfield	away		
24	Barrow	home		
31	Whitehaven	away		
Feb. 7	(Chal. Cup 1st Rd.)	home		
14	Leigh	home		
21	(Chal. Cup 2nd Rd.)			
27	Salford	away		
Mar. 7	Bradford	home		
14	Widnes	away		
23	Blackpool	home		
27	Swinton	home		
28	Rochdale	away		
Apr. 11	Batley	home		

"A" TEAM FIXTURES

Date	Club	Grd.	F	A
1969				
Aug. 23	Warrington (Shield, 1 Rd., 1 leg)	away	6	13
30	Workington	home	20	8
Sept. 6	Rochdale	away	P	
13	Wigan	home	12	22
20	Huyton	away	18	5
27	Warrington (Shield, 1 Rd., 2 leg)	home	6	11
Oct. 4	Workington	away	P	
11	Warrington	home	15	26
17	Salford	away	10	35
25	Barrow	home	8	4
Nov. 8	Leigh	home	23	8
15	Widnes	away		
22	St. Helens	home		
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24	Barrow	away		
Feb. 14	Leigh	away		
28	Salford	home		
Mar. 14	Widnes	home		
20	(Fri.) Warrington	away		
28	Rochdale	home		

Times of kick-off

All Saturday games at home k.o. 3 p.m.
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