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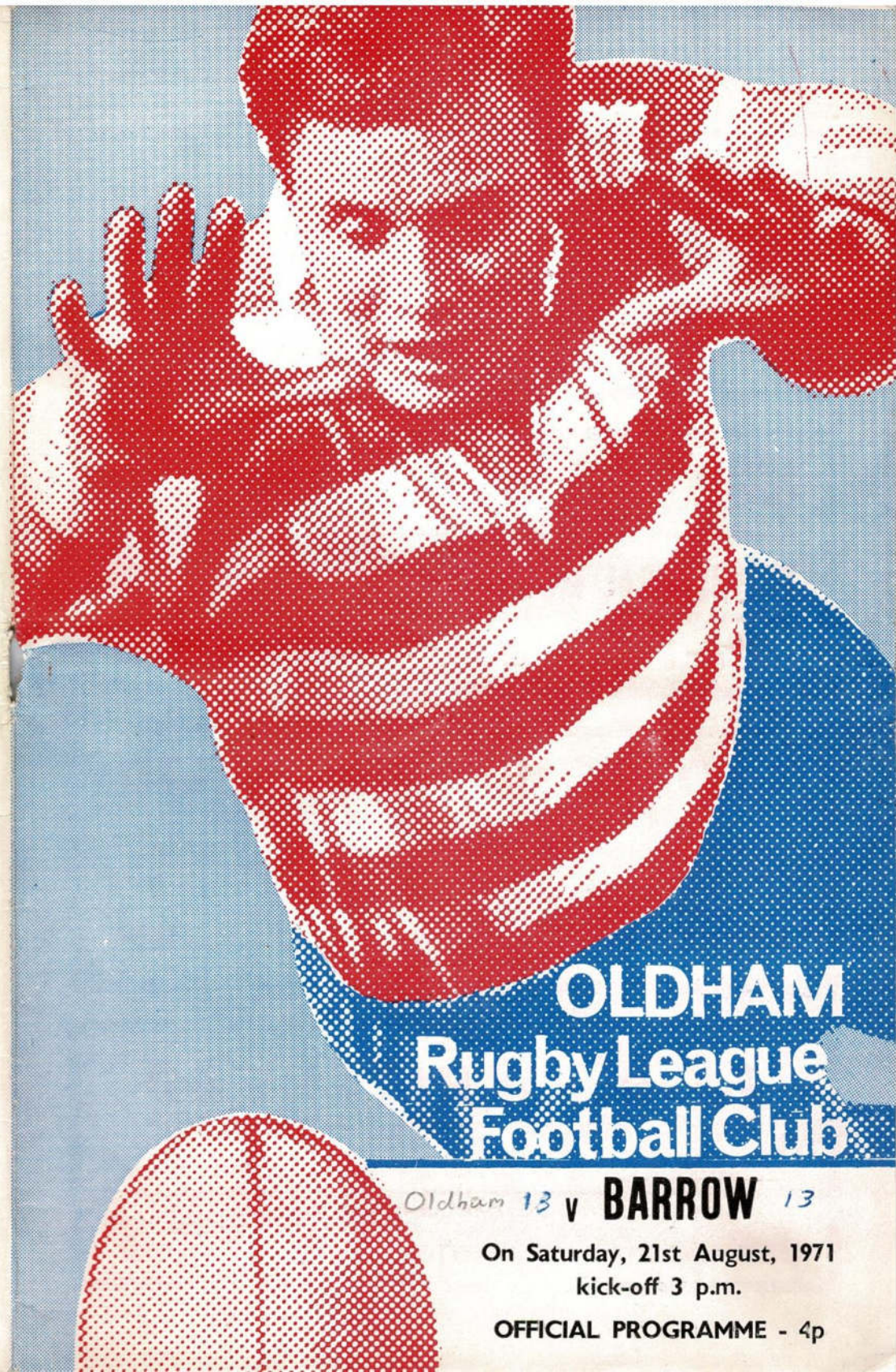
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NEWS AND VIEWS

This season sees the club again playing against the 'big boys'. Although we were defeated in the Lancashire Cup, our play against Swinton was very encouraging and if we carry on the fighting spirit shown in this match the season could be a very successful one.

★ ★

The Club offer their congratulations to Kevin Taylor, who was married in the close season.

★ ★

We are in the process of forming an Efforts' Committee, whose sole aim will be to raise funds for the benefit of the Club. Anyone who is either interested enough in becoming a member or has any ideas on how to raise funds, please contact Mr. R. Hatton or the Secretary.

★ ★

Tenders are out to have the upstairs room in the Pavilion made into a Vice-Presidents' Lounge, and we are hoping that this will be in operation shortly.

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Everyone connected with the Club welcomes back our old friend Alan Kellett. Alan agreed to take the 'A' team coaching position. Already his personality is showing on the 'A' team youngsters, as was demonstrated in our pre season friendly victory over a strong Salford 'A' team.

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TODAY'S VISITORS

This afternoon both Oldham and Barrow open their league programme hoping that they will meet with more success than they did in the Lancashire Cup. The day before Oldham lost at Swinton, Barrow surprisingly lost 13-5 at home to Rochdale Hornets, so they will be out to make amends for that defeat today.

Although our visitors parade several newcomers in their ranks, many of their players are familiar to Watersheddings' regulars. Barrow's visit to Oldham last December marked the debut of full-back Geoff Nichols who was signed the previous week from Hunslet for £3,000. Not only did winger Eddie Whitehead play at Watersheddings last season but he played in all Barrow's 38 matches and crossed for 16 tries. Although he missed last year's trip, Oldham fans will be hoping that former Lancashire and England rugby union star Tom Brophy will be putting in an appearance. Brophy joined Barrow from Liverpool R.U.F.C. and has since caught the Lancashire team. Partnering Brophy at half-back could be either Frankie Jones or Kenny Evans. Evans was signed from Millom last March, but Barrow's most promising half-back is 17 years old David Elkin, who dropped a goal on his debut last January but who, unfortunately, seems likely to miss today's game through injury. Leading Barrow's forwards will be last season's "Player-of-the-Year" Mick Murphy, a member of the Lancashire team last term. 1970-71 was Mick Sanderson's tenth season at Craven Park for he joined Barrow in 1960 from Dalton. Joe Robinson began his professional career with St. Helens after playing for United Glassblowers. Whilst at St. Helens he was substitute in the 1967 Championship Final. Frank Foster played his amateur rugby with Grasslot Welfare before joining Workington Town. After six years with Town he moved to Hull Kingston Rovers and captained them in the 1968 Championship Final. Barrow signed Foster from Bradford Northern and this tough Cumbrian has won both county and international honours.

Younger players staking a claim in the present Barrow line-up are Steve Hogan and John Cunningham (forwards) and Keith Knight and Barry Leake (backs). Certainly a player for the future is Phillip Hogan, a Lancashire schoolboy centre who joined Barrow during the summer. He will find the going tough trying to displace Peter Douglas and Keith Jarrett from the centre positions. Douglas joined Barrow from Roose in 1964 and was later transferred to St. Helens before returning to Barrow. Jarrett was Barrow's sensational signing from Newport R.U.F.C. His rugby union career included 10 games for Wales and tours to South Africa in 1968 with the British Lions and Australasia and Fiji in 1969 with Wales.

As can be seen, Oldham will have to be on their toes if they hope to repeat last season's 13-2 success and record their first victory of the season.



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- 8—KEN WILSON
- 9—KEVIN TAYLOR
- 10—ALAN OGDEN
- 11—BOB IRVING ^{2 tries}
- 12—ARTHUR DALEY
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- 7—FRANK JONES
- 8—MICK MURPHY
- 9—EDMUND THOMPSON
- 10—STEVE HOGAN ^{1 try}
- 11—FRANK FOSTER ^{1 try}
- 12—GEORGE CROYSTON
- 13—JOHN CUNNINGHAM ^{1 try}

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Also, on the 28th we will be going to Hunslet, leaving at 1-15 p.m.

Bookings for both trips can be made in both canteens and also in the Social Club any week-day or on match days.

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If you can sell a few tickets each week, why not become an Agent and help the Club ? Your efforts, no matter how small will truly be appreciated. It is a worthy and practical way of helping the Club, so come along, contact Alan Taylor in the Social Club. Or fill in the form on the back of the Result Sheet now.

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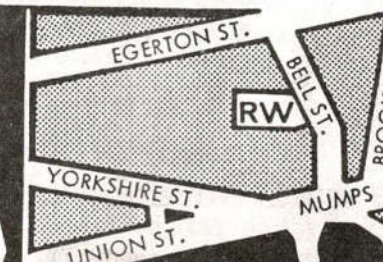
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BRIEFS

Keith Ashcroft is making steady progress and is now back in light training. A fine gesture from Keith is that he has volunteered to be the 'A' team sponge man while George Shaw is having trouble with a bad leg.

Cliff Hill is also in light training, but neither of these two lads can do any violent swerving or hard running at present.

We are still awaiting the date of arrival of the two Americans from San Jose, California, Chris Machedo and Sam Moore. These two lads were recommended to us by an old R.A.F. mate of Ken Wilson, now attached to the Peninsula Ramblers R.U. Club of San Jose.

He describes Machedo as one of the best centres he has seen and Moore as a 17-stone, six-foot plus forward.

We are also eagerly awaiting the arrival of John Alchin, the Australian, who needs no introduction to Watersheddings fans.

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So come on girls, who's going to be "Miss Rugby Leaguer" for 1971?

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FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

Date	Club	Ven.	F	A
Aug. 8	Swinton (Lancs Cup)	A	7-10	
21	Barrow	H	13-13	
25	Swinton	A		
28	Hunslet	A		
Sept. 1	Leeds	H		
8	Wigan	H		
11	Leeds	A		
15	Rochdale (TV Cup)	A		
19	Huyton	H		
24	Widnes	A		
Oct. 2	Featherstone	H		
8	Wigan	A		
16	St. Helens	A		
23	Blackpool	H		
30	Widnes	H		
Nov. 6	Hunslet	H		
13	Players No. 6 Comp. (1)	A		
20	York	A		
27	Players No. 6 Comp. (2)	A		
Dec. 4	St. Helens	H		
11	Bradford	H		
18	Bradford	A		
27	Rochdale	H		
Jan. 1	Barrow	A		
8	Swinton	H		
15	Whitehaven	A		
22	Featherstone	A		
29	Challenge Cup (1)	A		
Feb. 5	Bramley	H		
11	Warrington	A		
19	Challenge Cup (2)	A		
26	Blackpool	A		
Mar. 4	Doncaster	H		
11	York	H		
18	Doncaster	A		
22	Rochdale	A		
25	Whitehaven	H		
Apr. 1	Huyton	A		
5	Warrington	H		
8	Bramley	A		

'A' TEAM FIXTURES

Date	Club	Ven.	F	A
Aug. 21	Barrow	A	15-9	
28	Swinton	H		
Sept. 11	Workington	H		
18	Huyton	A		
25	Widnes	H		
Oct. 2	Wigan	A		
9	Wigan	H		
29	Salford	A		
Nov. 6	Workington	A		
27	St. Helens	A		
Dec. 18	Salford	H		
27	Rochdale	A		
Jan. 1	Barrow	H		
8	Swinton	A		
22	St. Helens	H		
Feb. 12	Warrington	H		
19	Widnes	A		
Mar. 18	Leigh	H		
Apr. 1	Huyton	H		
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8	Rochdale	H		
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