

Warrington 31

Jerseys: Blue, Shorts: Blue, Socks:
White with Primrose and Blue Band

Oldham 14

Jerseys: Red and White Hoops
Shorts: Blue

1—D. WHITEHEAD

Full Back

2—D. CURLING

Right Wing

3—W. BRIGGS

Right Centre

4—W. PICKUP

Left Centre

5—D. NOONAN

Left Wing

6—A. MURPHY

Stand Off

7—P. GORDON

Scrum Half

8—D. CHISNALL

Front Row

9—K. ASHCROFT

Hooker

10—B. BRADY

Front Row

11—M. NICHOLAS

Second Row

12—C. JONES

Second Row

13—B. BRIGGS

Loose Forward

Substitutes

14—M. PHILBIN

15—J. PRICE

1—J. BLAIR *try 2 goals*

2—M. ELLIOTT

3—T. DAVIES

4—T. WAINWRIGHT

5—C. O'BRIEN

6—M. MURPHY *try*

1—T. GORMAN

8—T. CLAWSON *2 goals*

9—K. TAYLOR

10—K. ASHCROFT

11—N. GOODWIN

12—G. MUNRO

13—J. FARRELL *J. Reynolds*

Substitutes

14—*Whitmore*

15—*Hall*

REFEREE: Mr. D. G. KERSHAW (York)

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Next Home Match

SUNDAY, 23rd SEPTEMBER, 1973

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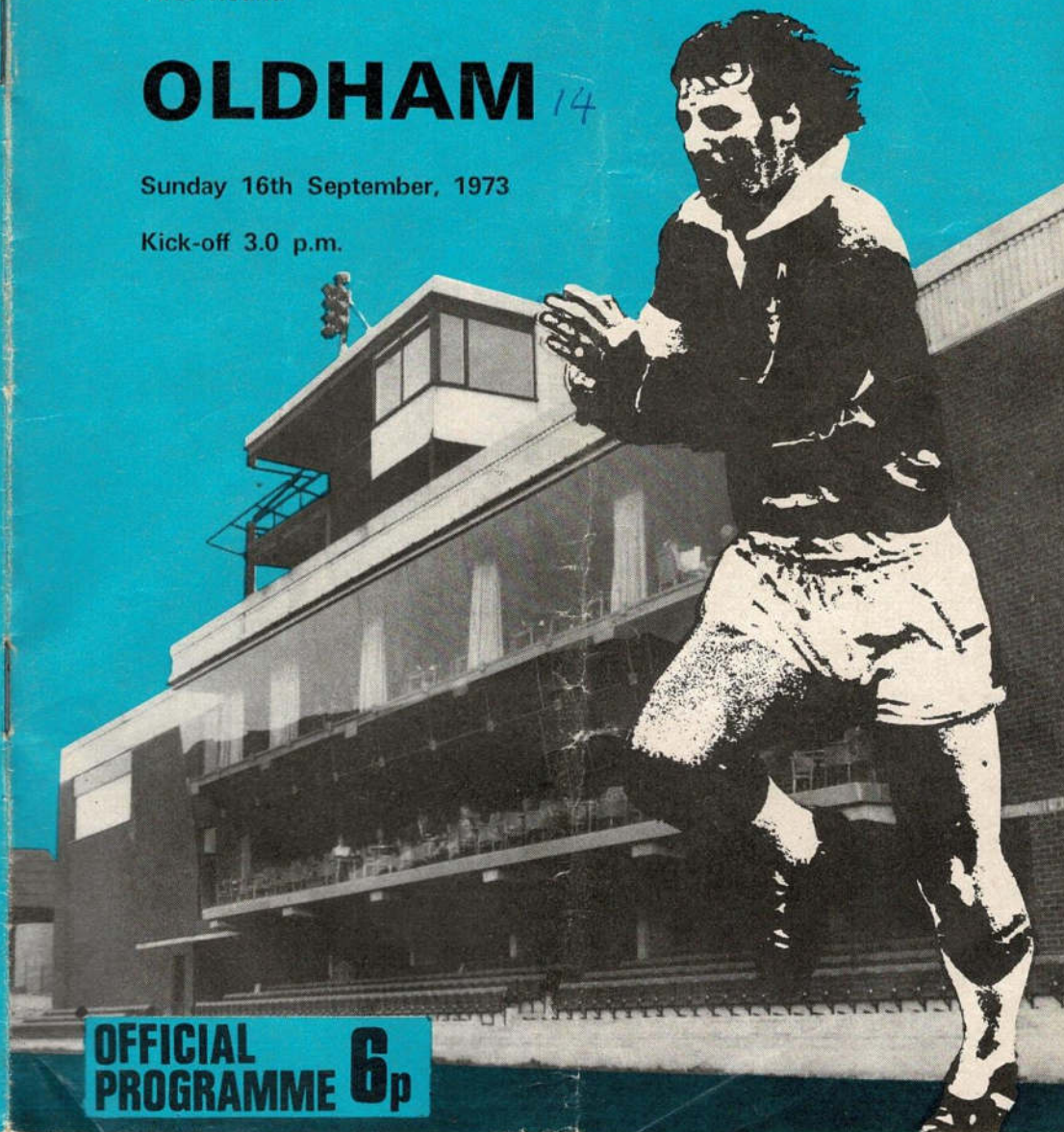
PLAYER'S No. 6 TROPHY

First Round

OLDHAM 14

Sunday 16th September, 1973

Kick-off 3.0 p.m.



OFFICIAL
PROGRAMME 6p

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Brian Brady, one of the club's longest serving players, is enjoying a well-earned and very much deserved Testimonial this season.

THE ALEX MURPHY

Back to earth with a bang. That's all I can say of our drawn game away at Hull Kingston and our bad performance at Whitehaven in the second round of the Lancashire Cup last Tuesday.

I know this is poor consolation to our supporters who in their many numbers made the long trek to Humberside and then again to West Cumberland. I only hope, particularly of the latter performance, that it can be put down to one of those things—for the last time. At Hull K.R. I felt we had several missed chances in the first half, so much so that after the first 40 minutes I consider the match should have been completely sewn up. As it turned out, however, the longer the game went on the more likely it appeared the "Robins" would win the match and finally I considered us very fortunate to scrape a point.

Now, perhaps, with these two bad results out of our system, we can get down to playing some good rugby with our three-quarters having much more of the ball for our forwards must realise that our try-scoring record is just not good enough. I for one do not wish to see the forwards monopolise the ball regardless of anyone else on the field and I can assure you they are not coached this way. It's back to

basic rugby—running, backing up and moving the ball and I sincerely hope we can snap out of things and give you, the fans, something to applaud in this afternoon's game with Oldham.

On a somewhat brighter note I was pleased with the "A" Team's performance against Barrow "A" in the second leg of the Shield last weekend and although at times they made hard work of it their win 27-7, giving them an aggregate of 42 points to 18 on the two legs, put them safely through to the second round.

With the Lancashire Cup gone for another season we now must turn to today's game where we open our campaign in the popular Player's No. 6 Competition against OLDHAM. Our

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FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

Opponents	Ground	for	agst.
August, 1973			
14—Wigan (Locker Cup) (7.30)	...	A	14 13
19—Rochdale (3.00)	...	A	7 6
26—LEEDS (3.0)	...	H	10 4
27—Widnes (7.30)	...	A	19 9
September			
2—LEIGH (Lancs. Cup)	...	H	20 15
7—Hull K.R.	...	A	6 6
11—Whitehaven (Lancs. Cup, 2nd)	...	A	8 19
16—OLDHAM (Player's No. 6)	...	H	
23—CASTLEFORD (3.00)	...	H	
30—WAKEFIELD (3.00)	...	H	
October			
7—Featherstone (3.30)	...	A	
13—Lancs. Cup Final	...		
14—BRAMLEY (3.00)	...	H	
19—St. Helens (7.30)	...	A	
28—SALFORD (3.00)	...	H	
November			
4—Bramley (3.30)	...	A	
11—ST. HELENS (3.00)	...	H	
17—Wigan (3.00)	...	A	
25—WHITEHAVEN (3.00)	...	H	
December			
1—THIRD TEST MATCH (3.00)	...	H	
9—Dewsbury (2.30)	...	A	
16—OLDHAM (3.00)	...	H	
23—Wakefield (3.30)	...	A	
26—Leigh (3.00)	...	A	
30—FEATHERSTONE (3.00)	...	H	
January, 1974			
1—WIGAN (3.00)	...	H	
4—Whitehaven (7.30)	...	A	
13—DEWSBURY (3.00)	...	H	
20—Oldham (3.30)	...	A	
27—ROCHDALE (3.00)	...	H	
February			
2—R.L. Challenge Cup, 1st Round	...		
8—Salford (7.30)	...	A	
17—HULL K.R. (3.00)	...	H	
23—R.L. Challenge Cup, 2nd Round	...		
March			
2—	...		
9—Leeds (3.00) (R.L. Chall. Cup, 3rd)	A		
17—Castleford (3.00)	...	A	
23—R.L. Challenge Cup, Semi-Final 1	...		
30—R.L. Challenge Cup, Semi-Final 2	...		
April			
12—WIDNES (3.00)	...	H	
13—	...		
15—LEIGH (3.00)	...	H	

"A" TEAM FIXTURES

Opponents	Ground	for	agst.
August, 1973			
10—WIGAN (7.30) (Friendly)	...	H	19 20
17—ROCHDALE (7.30)	...	H	23 15
25—Barrow (Shield, 1st Leg) (3.0)	A		15 11
September			
1—WORKINGTON	...	H	14 10
8—BARROW	...	H	27 7
15—Workington (3.00)	...	A	
22—Wigan (3.00)	...	A	
28—Widnes (7.30)	...	A	
October			
5—SALFORD (7.30)	...	H	
13—Leigh (3.00)	...	A	
20—ST. HELENS (3.00)	...	H	
26—Salford (7.30)	...	A	
November			
2—WIDNES (7.30)	...	H	
9—St. Helens (7.30)	...	A	
16—WIGAN (7.30)	...	H	
24—Barrow (3.00)	...	A	
30—Salford (7.30)	...	A	
December			
7—SWINTON (7.30)	...	H	
15—Oldham (3.00)	...	A	
22—Barrow (3.00)	...	A	
29—Wigan (3.00)	...	A	
January, 1974			
4—HUYTON (7.30)	...	H	
12—	...		
18—OLDHAM (7.30)	...	H	
26—Rochdale (3.00)	...	A	
February			
2—	...		
9—SALFORD (3.00)	...	H	
15—Swinton (7.30)	...	A	
23—Workington (3.00)	...	A	
March			
1—WIGAN (7.30)	...	H	
9—WORKINGTON (3.00)	...	H	
16—BARROW (3.00)	...	H	
23—Huyton (3.00)	...	A	
29—LEIGH (7.30)	...	H	
April			
6—BARROW (3.00)	...	H	
13—	...		
20—	...		

Forthcoming Attractions at Wilderspool

SUNDAY, 23rd SEPTEMBER, 1973

WARRINGTON v. CASTLEFORD

First Division. Kick-off 3.0 p.m.

SUNDAY, 30th SEPTEMBER, 1973

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The Alex Murphy Column—continued

sights must now be firmly fixed on the big first prize of £5,000 but even failing this the runners-up receive £2,500 and the beaten semi-finalists £1,000 each so you, like myself, realise the importance of doing well in the competition. It has been run for two years previously with Halifax taking the Trophy in 1972 and you may recall Leeds beating Salford last March.

Our visitors, to whom we extend a very warm welcome, have not made a very impressive start to the present season and only this week we read of their efforts to sign Holland, Kear and Banner from Salford in attempts to strengthen their side. Since they were

last at Wilderspool there have been several departures from Watersheddings including their former coach Granham Starkey to Wigan, Frank Foster to Barrow, Bob Irving to Wigan and the non-appearance of Mick McCone, the former Doncaster scrum-half, has drained the side of a great deal of experience. They are not a Club that is easily daunted, however, and are never down for long. They quickly appointed former Wilderspool player Griff Jenkins as coach and although he needs time—which is always at a premium—plus their Committee's willingness to enter the transfer market I'm sure it will not be long before they are back in contention.

PLAYER'S No. 6 RUGBY LEAGUE TROPHY

First Round Draw

Keighley	v.	Huyton
Workington Town	v.	Hull Kingston Rovers
Rochdale Hornets	v.	Huddersfield
York	v.	Swinton
WARRINGTON	v.	OLDHAM
Bramley	v.	Hull
Castleford	v.	Millom (Amateur)
Dewsbury	v.	Widnes
Wigan	v.	Batley
Whitehaven	v.	Dewsbury Celtic (Amateur)
St. Helens	v.	Featherstone Rovers
Bradford Northern	v.	Leeds
Salford	v.	Doncaster
Halifax	v.	Barrow
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New Hunslet	v.	Leigh

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Here are three of the tries we ran in against Leigh as we progressed in the Lancs. County Challenge Cup. (Top left) Brian Gregory's, and (bottom) a memorable one from Mike Nicholas.

Below, Brian Brady is well and truly tied up with the Leigh Defence—but they could not prevent his touch down.

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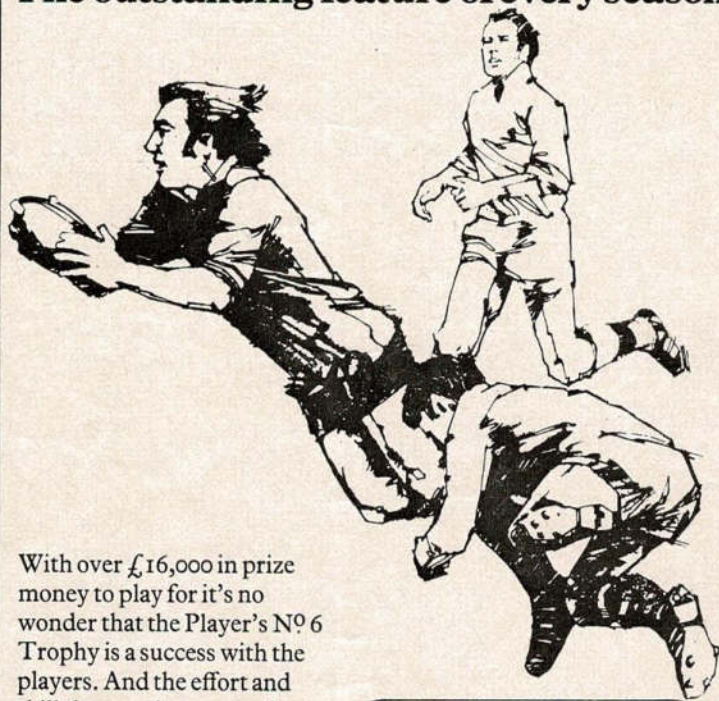
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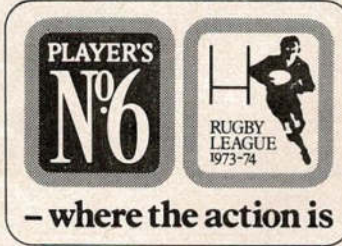
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Notes in brief . . .

The Club would like to formally congratulate Alex Murphy and the four players from the "Wire" who represented Lancashire namely Derek Noonan, Brian Brady, Derek Whitehead and Parry Gordon in their match against Cumbria at Barrow a week last Wednesday. As you all know Lancashire won 18-8 and may we take this opportunity of wishing Alex and his Red Rose Team every success next Wednesday when they take on Yorkshire at Widnes (K.O. 7.30) and lift the County Championship for the first time since season 1969-70.

Our congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Clive Jones on the birth of their baby daughter Lucie.

A welcome to the Club to Charlie Middlehurst signed from Leigh on a "free" transfer last week. The Club have been well aware of the need for a deputy hooker to Kevin Ashcroft especially with the retirement of Tommy Dickens and George Heard. Charlie, aged 26, has had nine years in

the hooking role and we look forward to him not only as a deputy but primarily as a player who can help bring on some of the "A" Team youngsters.

Work on the Leisure Centre after the recent fire in mid-August is now well underway and we are confident of being 100% operational again by the 15th October. . . . If you are thinking of any type of Christmas function in the near future why not give our banqueting manager Nigel Bacon a ring at Warrington 34759 ?

The Colts' team have again resumed fixtures for season 1973-74 and opened up with a home win against St. Helens Colts and an away win against Widnes. Please note they play their home games at Victoria Park on Saturday afternoons (K.O. 3.0 p.m.) and their next four fixtures are as follows: 22nd September, Hull (away); **29th September, Wigan (home)**; 6th October, Leeds (away); 13th October, Rochdale (away).

ALEX MURPHY

HIS OPINIONS AND EXPERT COMMENT

EXCLUSIVELY IN THE

Manchester Evening News

Supporters' Club Corner

Welcome Home! For our most ardent supporters the last ten days have been hectic. Two evening matches and over 500 miles to cover. Unfortunately Derek Whitehead is well past that total since our last home game having covered over 800 miles including training and the County match at Barrow. Our players will soon require helicopters at this rate. I know, however, how much the lads appreciate your support at these away games so please keep it up.

We've had two very successful efforts for the Brian Brady Testimonial Fund starring Bob Greaves (Granada T.V.) and Bernard Manning of the Comedians. The proceeds were greatly boosted when Mr. Manning very generously donated half his fee to Brians' Fund.

Very often a player reaches his testimonial in the twilight of his career so it is marvellous to see "Bully" playing brilliantly. This could certainly be his best season to date.

A history of the Warrington R.L. Club from its foundation to the present is to be portrayed in souvenirs (caps, medals, etc.) in cabinets round the reception area of the Leisure Centre. If you possess any such items and would like to donate and lend them for

such use we would be very pleased to receive them. The first item to be received is the first Lancashire County Cap to be gained by a Warrington player. It was presented to the late Jack Holmes in 1896 and has been kindly donated by Mr. A. Holmes of 26 Long Lane.

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	App.	Tries	Gl.
ASHCROFT, K.	6	—	1
BRADY, B.	6	2	—
BRIGGS, B.	6	—	—
BRIGGS, W.	4	—	—
CHISNALL, D.	6	—	—
CUNLIFFE, D.	1	1	—
CURLING, D.	6	—	—
FINNEGAN, D.	2	1	—
GORDON, P.	5	2	—
GREGORY, B.	6	1	—
HINDLEY, K.	1	—	3
JONES, C.	2	—	—
LOWE, J.	1	—	—
NICHOLAS, M.	4	1	—
NOONAN, D.	5	—	—
MURPHY, A. J.	1	—	3
PHILBIN, M.	3	2	—
PICKUP, W.	5	—	—
REYNOLDS, F.	1	—	—
SUTTON, D.	2	—	—
WHITEHEAD, D.	5	—	16
Total	10	23	

SUBSTITUTES

The following players have taken part in a match whilst acting as substitute but any points scored have been credited to the above appearances:

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M. Philbin (2), J. Price.

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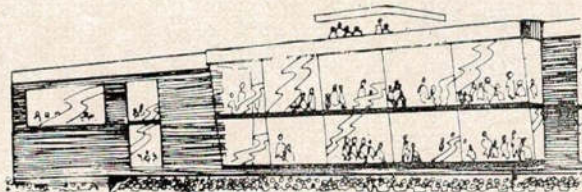
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