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Yorkshire Senior Competition : 1961

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Goals : N. Stephenson 145, 1972/73

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PRESIDENT'S PAGE

What can I say to you, the readers who are our supporters, about the fact that with our defeat last Sunday we'd lost eight league games on the "trot" and are now very much in the relegation zone of the 1st Division. All I can say, is that the players are doing their very best, so is the Team Manager Dave Cox and so is your Management Committee. I hesitate to say this in the face of another defeat, but I thought that on the whole the team showed an improvement last Sunday even though we were still without Nigel Stephenson and Bill Pickup and in addition had also lost our half backs Alan Bates and Steve Lingard whose luck so far as injury is concerned is quite diabolical. We've also been without John Vodden through injury since November 30th.

I said in the last "President's Page" that our Team manger had supplied us with a list of players who he was convinced could be useful to us and as I write, we'd already acted and obtained the signature of four players. Dennis (Ben) Fowler a 5ft 10ins, 14½sts second row forward, Terry Biscomb 6ft 1ins, 13½sts winger and Steve Brunyee 5ft 9ins, 13½sts utility back all from Castleford and Chris Welsh a loose forward from Huddersfield. All four of these players are under 25 years of age, the three from Castleford are well known to Dave Cox who was Coach for a spell at Wheldon Road and the reports we have on Welsh tell us that he could be more than useful in our efforts to improve our status in the 1st Division. To all the four players I would like to extend a most warm and cordial welcome with the wish that they all have a long and successful career with us.

For the time being, that seems to complete our signings though I can assure you all that our scouting efforts around the Amateur R.L. and R.U. fields goes on unceasingly in an attempt to find youngsters of promise for the future. I want now to extend a very warm welcome to Officials, Players and Supporters of the Oldham Club and express the hope that the game between our two teams this afternoon proves to be a very entertaining one.

Happy Watching!

Michael J. Lumb

President

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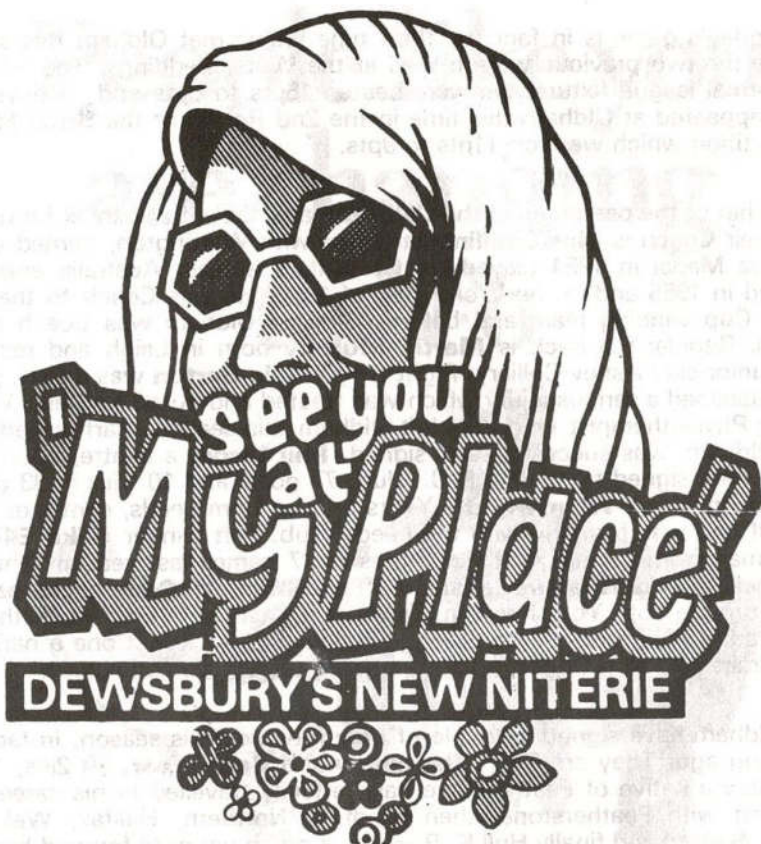
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INTRODUCING OLDHAM

Today's game is in fact the third time we've met Oldham this season though the two previous were played at the Watersheddings. The first was the normal league fixture, we were beaten 15pts to 6pts and 10 days later again appeared at Oldham this time in the 2nd Round of the BBC2 Floodlit Competition which we won 11pts to 9pts.

What of the personnel of the Oldham team, first of all I think I must say that their Coach is **Jim Challinor** a player with Warrington, earned a Cup Winners Medal in 1954 played for Gt. Britain against Australia and New Zealand in 1958 and in the World Cup of 1960. He was Coach to the 1972 World Cup winning team and before going to Oldham was Coach at St. Helens. Regular full back is **Martin Murphy** born in Leigh and recruited from junior club Astley Colliery. Right wing **Eddie Barton** was a R.U. player who sustained a serious injury which was treated and cured by Denis Wright former Physiotherapist who only left Oldham this season. Barton had trials with Oldham, was successful and signed. **Phil Larder** a centre, a native of Oldham but signed from Sale R.U. Club. 77 goals and 10 tries in 33 games last season. **Tony Wainwright** a Yorkshireman from Leeds, centre or stand off half and was formerly with the Leeds Club. Left winger **Mike Elliott** a Welshman from Cwmcllyn R.U. 22 tries in 37 games last season. The two half backs **David Treasure** at stand off and **Mick McCone** at the base of the scrum are both Yorkshiremen, Treasure a Castleford man was with York and Bradford Northern before joining Oldham and Mick McCone a native of Pontefract was with Doncaster before going to Watersheddings.

Oldham have signed a couple of new forwards this season, in fact not very long ago. They are **Terry Ramshaw** and **Barry Kear**. 6ft 2ins, 16sts, Ramshaw a native of Featherstone has certainly travelled in his career. He was first with Featherstone, then Bradford Northern, Halifax, Wakefield Trinity, Salford and finally Hull K. R. Kear, a much younger forward has also travelled quite a bit in his short career. He was first with Featherstone, then Salford, Hull and now with our visitors. In fact a public subscription list was opened to pay the fee for Kear to be transferred from Hull. If **Keith Ashcroft** is fit, he's had a broken jaw this season, then I expect him to lead the pack from open side prop. **Kevin Taylor** another very experienced player is one of the best hookers in the league, a Oldham man who graduated in local junior R.L. **Fred Hall** a sound second row forward was born in Oldham but his first senior club was Blackpool, **Stephen Herbert** is a youngster not long with our visitors but showing a lot of promise. **Bob Welding** another very experienced forward is a native of Leigh and reached Oldham via the Leigh club, Bradford Northern and Rochdale Hornets. **Ray Hicks** is a Widnes man who our visitors signed from Dutton Youth Club, whilst **Tony Peters** who I feel may be at loose forward is I think another local product. Then there's **Brian Hughes** another Yorkshireman from Leeds, **Johnny Blair** another local who was recruited from Oldham Juniors. **Stuart Bottom** who Oldham found the same way and **Jim Reynolds** a Leigh man who was signed whilst with Leigh Miners.



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MAN IN THE MIDDLE

Mr A. E. Fryer (Warrington)

When you speak to Arthur Fryer who is the official in charge today, you'd never imagine that he's a Welshman, for his accent is very much that of Lancashire. But he was born in Maesteg, South Wales and though he left Wales at 5 years of age, he's very proud of his Welsh nationality. As a matter of fact, Arthur's wife is Welsh and he has three children, two boys Peter and Stephen and one girl Debbie. He was a player with Warrington and was with them for about five seasons, he actually made his debut against the Australians in 1956. At 5ft 10ins and 13sts 3lbs he's a big man and his position as a player was looseforward, in fact the only thing that stopped him playing was an arm injury which compelled his retirement as a player.

As far as refereeing is concerned, Arthur was promoted to Grade 2 in 1972 and at the beginning of this season was upgraded to Grade 1. This is in fact his 15th season as a referee and he served a long apprenticeship going through the amateur leagues and as a Grade 5 official. In his career as a referee he's had all the cup finals there are in the Warrington area and some county ones as well and he's also had the Lancashire County Shield Final which is for the second teams. This is Arthur's first appearance here as a senior referee, he tells me that he's been on most grounds as an official and as a player with Warrington, but Dewsbury and Featherstone are two he hadn't been on, at least until today and now he can say there's only Featherstone. We sincerely hope that his first appearance here is a happy one.

In his early forties, Arthur Fryer is a Self Employed Joiner and as far as other sports are concerned, used to play cricket, plays golf and is also very keen on tennis. His refereeing ambitions are the Yorkshire Cup Final and a R.L. Final at Wembley in that order, but he wouldn't of course turn either down if they didn't come in that order. His favourite TV programmes are "The Brothers" and "Poldark", favourite food is steak, though he also has a distinct liking for Chinese foods. His hobby is Rugby League and he loves to go to referees meetings and being on sporting panels, I gather he's never yet turned anyone down and never would unless circumstances made it impossible and he particularly likes helping schoolboys. He very much dislikes the "knockers" of whom we have plenty in our game. He feels that the new laws applying to the scrum have helped a lot though he sees not much point in the piece in regard to pushing before the ball is in the scrum, it's almost impossible to carry it out strictly.

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Maximum possible appearances — 23

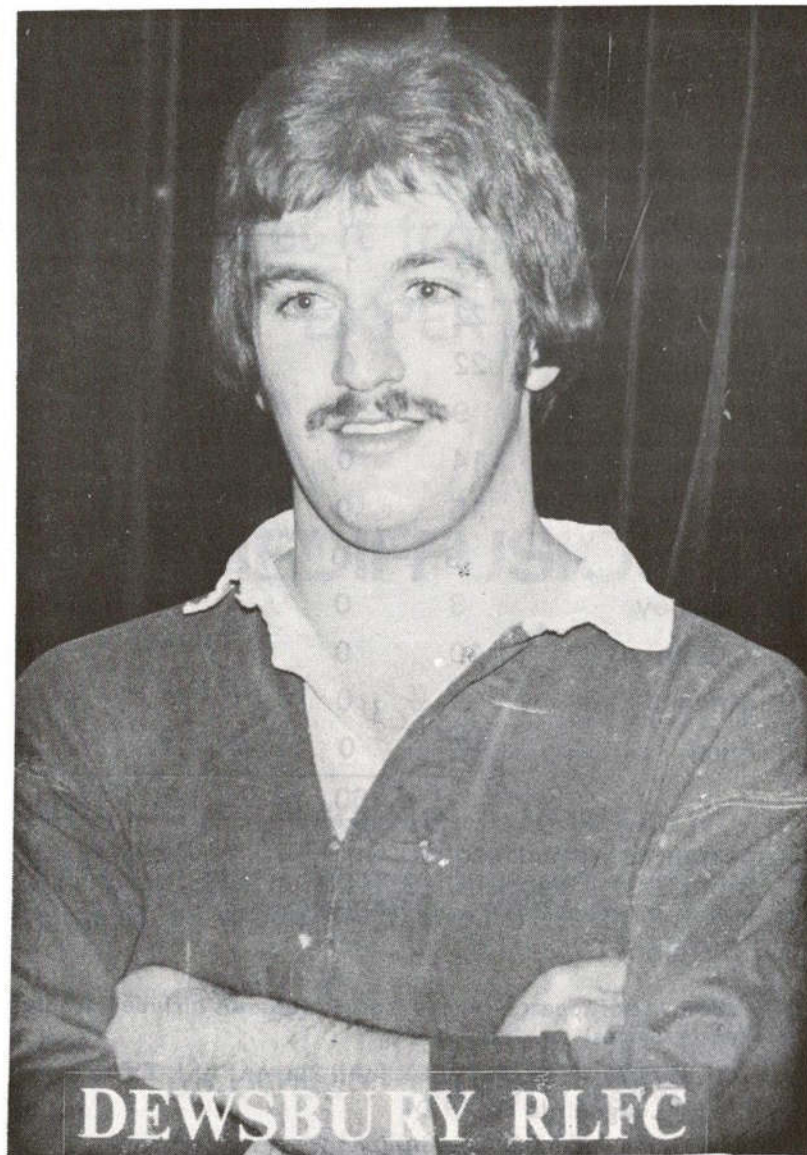
	App	G	dg.	T	Pts
N. Stephenson	20	59	5	6	141
J. Langley	22	0		7	21
P. Artis	17	1		5	17
A. Bates	22	0		5	15
J. Grayshon	22	0		4	12
W. Pickup	9	0		4	12
J. Clark	14	0		3	9
S. Lingard	15	0		2	6
J. Hegarty	9	0		2	6
G. Chalkley	8	0		1	3
J. Vodden	10	0		1	3
G. Mitchell	13	0		1	3
R. Price	17	0		1	3
	60	5	41	248pts.	

Appearances without scoring: G. Bell 16, H. Beverley 22, K. Brunt 2, J. Chappell 1, S. Halloran 3, S. Hankins 19, R. Hill 4, S. Lee 6, T. Lowe 3, A. Roberts 6, I. Simpson 17, G. Talbot 1.

(The above list of appearances and scorers **does not** include Friendly or Charity Games)

History 1975/76—Yks Cup PI LI, John Player PI LI, TV Trophy P5 W4, LI League PI6 W6 L9 DI

Points all games: For 248 Against 334



PLAYER PORTRAIT

TONY ROBERTS

Although Tony Roberts is not in the first team squad at the moment, he's very much part of our set up and at just turned 22 years of age he's got a long career in front of him. He's a Wakefield lad who played with Ossett Trinity in the local Amateur R.L. where he was spotted by Wigan and signed by them. There was nothing wrong with his ability as far as the Wiganites are concerned, but travelling was a big snag and eventually Wigan kindly deleted Tony from their register and that's where we came in. He made his first team debut with us on 13th October 1974 at Warrington and up against the formidable Kevin Ashcroft, as Tony says this was a memorable game for him not only because he made his senior debut but also because he had the misfortune to be dismissed from the field along with Ashcroft, apparently the official in charge had become very much "browned off" with both hookers.

In season 1974/75 he made 18 appearances and scored one try, this season he'd made 6 appearances when he lost his first team place to Ray Price. Tony is 5ft 8ins and weighs 13sts, lives in Ossett and is a Printers Engineer by trade. As far as other sports are concerned, he's keenly interested in swimming and indeed any other sport, his favourite away ground is Central Park, Wigan and most respected Opponent Keith Elwell the Widnes hooker with Widnes the opposing team he respects most and because of their dogged determination. He likes motoring very much, doesn't watch much TV but when he does enjoys a good film. Favourite food is meat mainly steaks and likes eating in any case. Tony's ambition, to play with Dewsbury in the R.L. Cup Final at Wembley.

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THE SUPPORTERS CLUB

I'm told that the Miss Dewsbury contest will now take place at a Social Evening to be held in the Pavilion here at Crown Flatt on Saturday, 7th February 1976. Entries are invited from all ladies, young or perhaps not so young. The proceedings will start at 8 p.m. and admission is 35p with a reduction for Supporters Club members.

On Saturday, 31st January 1976, a Ceilidh will be held in the Pavilion, commencing at 8 p.m. and the admission will be 35p. A new Supporters Club Tie is on sale at the Souvenir Shop under the Main Stand. Its a tie which we think every supporters club member and others will want. The price is £2 (Supporters Club members £1.80) and at the price it seems to be excellent value.

The result of the Supporters Club Xmas Draw was as follows: Xmas Cake 4205. Bottle of Whisky 5524. Club Tie 4556. Club Shoulder Bag 3541. Xmas Crackers 4247 and the Beer 5125.

The programme of dances arranged for the 1st Saturday in each month goes on, the February one is of course the Miss Dewsbury Dance and the programme runs up and including the 1st Saturday in May 1976.

A trip to Wembley for the R.L. Challenge Cup Final has been arranged. The whole outing comprises two nights in London at a first class hotel and includes English Breakfast and a £3 seating ticket for the final. Total cost is £24 and departure will be at 2.30 p.m. on Friday, 7th May, returning from London at 4 p.m. on Sunday, 9th May, the final is of course on Saturday, 8th May 1976. To book, contact any Supporters Club official or the Hon. Secretary, Mrs Cooper, 31 Kimberley Street, Thornhill Lees, Dewsbury.

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LOOKING BACK

They do say, that you should never "look back" but I think its very interesting to supporters of both sides to recall games which have occurred in the past. For example, when we visited Watersheddings in the league game on 2nd November 1975 we were beaten 15pts to 6pts, though I do think that the margin was rather flattering to the home side. Only 10 days later, on the 12th November, we again visited Oldham, this time in the 2nd Round of the BBC2 Floodlit Trophy and we won 11pts to 9pts, though I must say Oldham pulled up so well after we'd got a substantial interval lead, that the end developed into something of a "nail biting" affair. We didn't meet last season, but in 1973/74 we actually pulled off a league "double" winning at Oldham 34pts to 9pts, Nigel Stephenson had a "field" day, kicking 8 goals and scoring a try. In the return game here, things were much keener and Oldham were only beaten by 19pts to 13pts. Nigel Stephenson kicked 5 goals that day, so Oldham memories of Nigel can't be very pleasant ones.

In fact in 1972/73 season the season we won the R.L. Championship, Oldham were our visitors in the 1st Round of the Play Off and were beaten 29pts to 14pts and again Nigel Stephenson was the main contributor to our score, he had 7 goals and a try, Mike Stephenson had 2 tries. The interesting thing about the league fixture in that season is that each won on the others ground. On the 17th December 1972 here we lost 16pts to 12pts, Nigel Stephenson wasn't playing that day, we scored 4 tries and no goals. On 1st April 1973 we went to Oldham for the return fixture and won by 13pts to 4pts Nigel Stephenson kicking 2 goals and Jeff Yoward scoring 2 tries.

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15 v Salford	(A)	2-39
24 v Huddersfield	(H)	17-16
25 v Wakefield	(H)	31-8
31 v York 1st Rd Yks Cup	(A)	12-20

September

7 v Keighley	(A)	12-7
14 v Wakefield T. Prelim. Floodlit Comp.	(H)	7-3
21 v Swinton	(H)	21-5
28 v Widnes (John Player-7)	(A)	12-27

October

7 v Keighley (Floodlit Cup-1)	(H)	22-10
12 v Castleford	(H)	26-12
19 v Warrington	(A)	11-11
5 v Bradford	(H)	22-14

November

2 v Oldham	(A)	6-15
12 v Oldham (2nd Rnd- Floodlit)	(H)	11-9
16 v Featherstone	(H)	5-24
23 v Leeds	(H)	16-25
30 v Bradford	(A)	0-12

December

7 v St. Helens	(A)	7-0
9 v Leeds Floodlit	(H)	1-19
14 v Widnes	(H)	2-22
16 v St. Helens FINAL Floodlit	(H)	5-17

January

1 v Huddersfield	(A)	3-13
4 v Warrington	(H)	
11 v Wigan	(H)	
18 v Oldham	(H)	
24 v Leeds	(A)	

February

1 v St. Helens	(H)	
7 v Featherstone	(A)	
22 v Swinton	(A)	

March

7 v Keighley	(H)	
14 v Salford	(H)	
20 v Wigan	(A)	
28 v Hull K. R.	(A)	

April

2 v Castleford	(A)	
19 v Wakefield	(A)	

"A" TEAM

August

16 v Hull	p.m.	(H) 3.00
23 v Huddersfield	(A)	3.00
30 No Fixture		

September

6 v Keighley	(H)	3.00
13 v Bramley	(A)	3.00
20 v Castleford (YSC Cup)	(H)	3.00
27 v Leeds	(H)	3.00

October

4 v York	(H)	3.00
11 v Castleford	(A)	3.00
18 2nd Rd YSC Cup		
26 v Bradford N.	(A)	3.00

November

1 v Huddersfield	(H)	3.00
2 v Halifax	(H)	2.30
15 v Featherstone R.	(A)	2.30
22 v Leeds	(A)	3.00
29 v Bradford N.	(H)	2.30

December

6 v Bramley	(H)	2.30
13 v Featherstone R.	(H)	2.30
20 v York	(A)	2.30
27 v New Hunslet	(A)	2.30

1976

January

3 v Batley	(H)	2.30
10 v Wakefield	(A)	2.30
17 v Halifax	(A)	2.30
24 v Batley	(H)	3.00
31 v New Hunslet	(H)	3.00

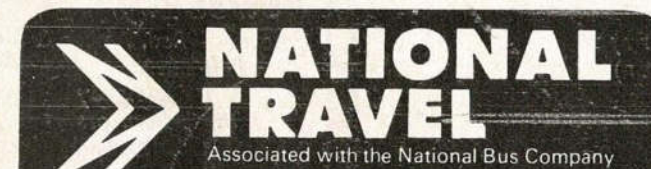
February

14 v Castleford	(H)	3.00
21 v Wakefield	(H)	3.00
28 v Hull K. R.	(H)	3.00

March

6 v Keighley	(A)	3.00
20 v Hull	(H)	2.30
27 v Hull K. R.	(A)	2.30

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