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Kevin's Difficult Debut



KEVIN ASHCROFT

KEVIN ASHCROFT could not have had a more difficult first match as Coach, than the one against Wakefield last Friday night. Wakefield arrived with a team brimming with confidence, following their overwhelming victory over the Reds by 42-18 the previous weekend. In that match Salford played one of the most unlikely centre partnerships in their history—flying wingers, Keith Fielding and Maurice Richards.

Jonathan Rogers made his debut on the wing, with Keith Latham at full-back and David Stephenson at stand-off. The changes were necessary due to a long injury list—including four full-backs—and Kevin had to start his new career by picking a team from a decimated staff.

Graeme Johns did return last Friday, and there is a possibility that Colin Whitfield might be pressed into action tonight, after being out for six weeks with a fractured cheek-bone.

Still on the sidelines, however, are Wilson, Turnbull, Smith, Stead, Rule, Lang, Fielding, Dootson, Critch and Jed Jamieson who has only just returned in the 'A' team.

Keith Latham (gashed leg) and trialist forward David Regan (back), who both missed the last match, will probably play tonight. Twenty-three year old Martin Burns, signed on a month's loan from Rochdale, made his Salford debut against Wakefield.

Meanwhile, the search goes on for players, and strenuous efforts are being made to bring the right type to the Willows. The Directors are aware that team strengthening is an urgent priority if Salford are to survive in the First Division. Several unsuccessful bids have been made in recent weeks, but a major signing is a distinct possibility in the next few days.

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BIG SPENDING Oldham sailed into the First Division at the end of last season with one target for this campaign... survival.

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But Oldham are an ambitious club who deserve success. Their ground has been transformed and there has been a big improvement on the field under the guidance of go-ahead chairman Ray Hatton.

Salford have already played Oldham once this season—the Reds going down 15-13 in the Lancashire Cup second round at Watersheddings on August 24. It's surprising that Oldham have found victories hard to come by with, on paper anyway, a well balanced side.

Experienced Martin Murphy, who has already had a benefit at Oldham, is still at full back with Clive Sullivan and Geoff Munro on the wings. Sullivan was a £2,000 signing from Hull KR at the start of the season and Munro crossed for 29 tries last

campaign.

Clive Hunter, a strapping former Leigh RU star, partners Mick Parrish in the centre. Parrish was a £20,000 capture from Hunslet earlier this season and is the side's goalkicker.

Bill Francis, the player coach, is the regular stand off after a glittering career with Wigan and St. Helens. He partners scrum half Ken Gwilliam who played full back for Salford in the 1969 Cup Final before moving to St. Helens.

Adrian Alexander and Bob Mordell are two former England RU stars in the pack which also includes Brian Lockwood, man of the match in the Wembley triumph for Hull KR over Hull Last May. Geoff Clarkson was signed recently from Bradford with hooker Tony Handforth a £4,000 capture from Hunslet.

Terry Flanagan, the loose forward, was in the Great Britain squad for the third Test and is an outstanding prospect. He's still only 19 and 18 months ago was playing amateur RL for Saddleworth.

LAST TIME AT THE WILLOWS

Friday 18th November 1980

SALFORD... 6-6-0-30

Salford: Watkins (6g); Fielding (t), Turnbull (t), Hesketh, Richards (t); Butler, Nash; Coulman, O'Neill, Henney, Irving (t), Dixon (t), Prescott (t). Subs: Graham (for Turnbull), Williams (for Coulman).

Oldham: Murphy; Stodin (3g), Larder, Munro, Jackson; Blair (2t), Bates; Charles, O'Mahoney (t), Frodsham, Hall, Herbert, Flanagan. Subs: Jewitt (for Frodsham), Hughes (for Charles). H.T. 18-8 Att. 4,197. Referee: Mr. W. H. Thompson (Huddersfield).

Lancashire Cup 1st Round

OLDHAM... 3-3-0-15

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OLDHAM SCORERS THIS SEASON

	T	G	D	Pts
R. Ashton.....	1	0	1	4
B. Caffrey.....	0	7	0	14
T. Flanagan....	2	1	0	8
W. Francis.....	1	0	0	3
K. Gwilliam....	1	0	1	4
S. Herbert.....	3	0	0	9
C. Hunter.....	4	0	0	12
B. Lockwood..	2	0	0	6
R. Mordell.....	2	0	0	6
G. Munro.....	7	0	0	21
M. Murphy.....	1	0	0	3
M. Parrish.....	3	46	0	101
C. Sullivan....	3	0	0	9
M. Worrall.....	0	8	0	16

Mick Parrish's totals include two tries and 23 goals for his previous club, Hunslet.



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'SALFORD CITY REPORTER'



INJURIES: FIGURES TELL THE TALE

THE seriousness of our injury situation is highlighted by the number of players who have appeared in the first team so far this season, writes Bert Hughes.

For no less than 29 have taken part in only 13 First Division and Lancashire Cup matches—the highest figure in the 14 seasons I have been keeping Salford's records. Highest figure previously was 27 players in the first 13 games of 1972-73, while two seasons ago 26 appeared in the first 13 outings.

Shortest appearance list was at the start of the 1977-78 term when it was necessary to call on only 18 players over a similar number of games.

PLAYERS' REGISTER & FIRST TEAM RECORD

	This season						Total for Salford					
	P	Sub	T	G	D	Pts	P	Sub	T	G	D	Pts
K. Ashcroft ...	3	2	1	-	-	3	51	3	4	-	4	16
M. Burns ...	1	-	1	-	-	3	1	-	1	-	-	3
M. Coulman ..	11	-	4	-	-	12	357	16	110	-	-	330
J. Critch ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
R. Dootson ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	3	2	-	-	6
D. Driver ...	5	3	1	-	-	3	11	7	3	-	-	9
K. Fielding ...	9	-	9	1	-	29	264	2	223	132	-	933
P. Fletcher ...	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
K. Gill ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	271	4	62	9	1	205
D. Harris ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	43	7	5	-	-	15
H. Henney ...	11	2	-	-	-	-	53	8	6	-	-	18
R. Henney ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G. Jamieson ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1	-	-	-	-
G. Johns ...	3	1	-	7	-	14	10	1	1	11	-	25
G. Jones ...	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	3
J. Jones ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R. Kettle ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D. Lang ...	1	-	-	-	-	-	6	1	1	-	-	3
K. Latham ...	5	4	3	-	-	9	11	7	3	-	-	9
D. Major ...	10	2	-	-	-	-	11	9	-	-	-	-
C. McGreal ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	52	20	7	3	-	27
S. Nash ...	13	-	1	3	1	11	170	-	23	8	9	94
A. Oldham ...	-	1	-	-	-	-	6	10	-	-	-	-
P. O'Neill ...	12	-	3	-	-	9	45	2	7	-	-	21
B. Philbin ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	2	1	-	-	3
D. Regan ...	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
M. Richards ..	13	-	7	-	-	21	424	2	263	32	-	853
J. Rogers ...	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
S. Rule ...	1	-	-	3	-	6	52	6	17	159	11	380
W. Sheffield ..	6	1	1	-	-	3	68	10	3	-	-	9
R. Smith ...	3	3	2	3	-	12	5	4	2	3	-	12
F. Stead ...	5	-	-	-	-	-	57	12	9	-	-	27
D. Stephenson	13	-	7	2	-	25	64	-	21	2	2	69
S. Turnbull ...	5	-	2	-	-	6	102	37	28	-	-	84
W. Warren ...	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	3	2	-	-	6
C. Whitefield .	8	-	-	28	-	56	47	10	8	73	1	171
S. Williams ...	9	1	2	-	-	6	55	28	10	-	-	30
F. Wilson ...	8	-	6	-	-	18	47	5	14	-	-	42

RESULTS IN DETAIL

Friday 14 November 1980
SALFORD ... 3-4-0-17

Team: Johns (4g); Driver, Stephenson, Major, Richards (t); Nash, Fletcher; Coulman, O'Neill (t), Sheffield, Henney, Burns (t), Williams. Subs: Rogers (for Williams), Oldham (for Burns). H.T. 4-15. Att: 2,767. Referee: Mr. S. Wall (Leigh)

First Division
WAKEFIELD TRINITY ... 6-7-0-32

DAVE'S HONOUR

DAVID STEPHENSON, Salford's stylish centre, is the Supporters Club's player of the month for October.

It's a double celebration for Dave who played in the Great Britain Under-24 side against New Zealand at Fulham recently. Hooker Paul O'Neill also represented the Under-24s who put on a fighting display before going down 18-14.

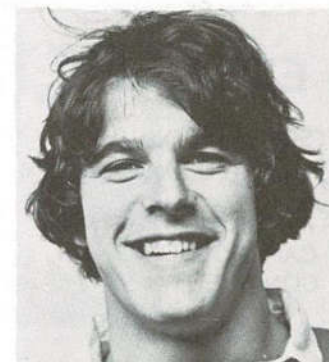
Supporters sponsorship secretary Nigel Roberts said, "David Stephenson wins the award followed by Steve Nash in second place and David Major a close third.

"David lands the trophy, sponsored by the Demmy Leisure Group, in view of his two try display in the close win against Featherstone Rovers and his performance in the defeat at Bradford.

"Both Nash and Major were consistent throughout the month and Steve was unlucky not to gain a second successive player of the month trophy."

Stephenson also scored two tries in the first match of the month at Widnes in the 26-10 win on October 5 and played in the 34-16 home defeat by Hull seven days later.

The former Fylde and English Schools RU centre has now notched 20 tries in 63 games for the Reds including six this season.



DAVID STEPHENSON

LEADING SCORERS

Tries:

- 19—J. Crossley (York)
- 12—S. Lane (Hunslet)
- 10—A. Fletcher (Wakefield T)
- J. Hornby (Wigan)
- P. McDermott (York)

Goals:

- 70—S. Quinn (Featherstone R)
- 54—G. Fairbairn (Wigan)
- 52—S. Hesford (Warrington)
- 51—M. Burke (Widnes)
- 48—G. Hyde (Castleford)

Points:

- 143—S. Quinn (Featherstone R)
- 123—G. Hyde (Castleford)
- 117—I. Ball (Barrow)
- G. Fairbairn (Wigan)
- 113—S. Hesford (Warrington)

FIRST DIVISION

	FOR							AGAINST							Lge
	P	W	D	L	T	G	D	Pts	T	G	D	Pts	Pts		
Castleford	11	1	8	2	52	46	1	249	31	39	2	173	17		
Bradford N	11	7	1	3	26	34	7	153	20	26	0	112	15		
Featherstone	11	7	0	4	44	54	3	243	31	35	0	163	14		
Warrington	10	7	0	3	24	34	3	143	13	27	5	98	14		
Wakefield T	9	6	1	2	45	39	2	215	27	32	1	146	13		
Hull K.R.	8	6	1	1	27	29	3	142	17	20	2	93	13		
Hull	10	6	0	4	38	40	3	197	32	37	5	175	12		
Widnes	11	6	0	5	30	35	2	162	27	34	2	151	12		
St. Helens	10	5	1	4	28	39	4	166	22	27	2	122	11		
Barrow	11	5	0	6	34	36	2	176	41	37	4	201	10		
Salford	11	4	0	7	46	40	1	219	54	51	4	268	8		
Oldham	10	3	1	6	23	33	1	136	36	36	3	183	7		
Halifax	11	3	0	8	15	34	6	119	44	33	0	198	6		
Leeds	10	3	0	7	25	21	2	119	34	46	5	199	6		
Leigh	11	2	0	9	24	30	5	137	35	38	5	186	4		
Workington T ..	11	1	2	8	22	19	1	105	39	45	6	213	4		

COLTS LEAGUE TABLE

(Up to and including 8.11.80)

	FOR							AGAINST						
	P	W	L	D	Gls	Trs	Pts	Gls	Trs	Pts	Pts			
Hull	10	9	1	-	4	65	83	383	-	23	15	91		
Oldham	11	9	2	-	1	53	73	326	1	25	18	105		
Castleford	11	8	3	-	1	57	85	370	1	31	14	105		
Featherstone	12	8	4	-	2	67	56	304	1	38	36	185		
St. Helens	10	7	3	-	3	42	192	2	25	33	151	14		
Hunslet	10	6	3	1	-	31	48	206	2	23	26	126		
Leeds	10	6	4	-	4	76	292	-	34	34	170	12		
Hull K.R.	8	6	2	-	29	45	193	1	23	18	101	12		
Bramley	8	6	2	-	1	38	34	179	-	25	22	116		
Leigh	10	3	7	-	2	43	24	160	2	35	43	201		
Salford	10	3	7	-	3	24	31	144	2	36	47	215		
Bradford N	10	3	7	-	3	29	147	3	50	59	280	6		
Rochdale H	8	2	6	-	1	39	42	205	2	35	51	225		
Wakefield T	8	1	6	1	-	17	21	97	1	26	34	155		
Keighley	9	-	9	-	3	22	11	80	-	67	86	392		
Widnes	11	-	11	-	-	9	9	45	-	108	163	705		

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ALAN SMITH—

GREAT SERVANT OF THE GAME

BRIAN BATTY, Daily Mail



RUGBY LEAGUE continues to throw up those precious moments that linger in the memory through the years.

I was glad for once that the cameras were to capture the event as that great servant of the game—Leeds winger Alan Smith—strode further down the corridor of fame.

It was perhaps even more fitting that Smithie's 300th try of his career should play such a vital part in his club's triumph in taking the Webster's Yorkshire Cup once again.

No player has served Leeds with greater loyalty, courage or dedication than the former Great Britain winger.

Smith is a wonderful example to any young player on not just how to approach the game but the way to succeed and stay a sportsman.

When he touched down against Hull K.R. my mind could not help but flash back to that time in 1972 when he rang me to say he was pulling out of the World Cup competition in France.

The player I had grown to respect and admire on the 1970 tour of Australia explained that he did not feel his badly damaged knee would stand up to a three-week competition of that nature and the last thing he wanted to do was to let down the rest of the squad.

Since that day Smith has fought to overcome crippling odds just as his great friend and team mate John Atkinson has battled back when it looked as if injury would end his career.

So perhaps it was even more fitting that John was able to be there to congratulate his team mate for they have formed one of the finest wing pairings at all levels in the history of the game.

"I felt really thrilled for Alan to reach such a fine scoring milestone. He has really earned it the way he has soldiered on to stay on top," said John afterwards.

"The wonderful thing for Alan and myself now is that the pressure is off us really. We have nothing to prove and we are in the game for enjoyment."

"And enjoyment is what the game is all about really. People pay good money after a week's hard work to get along to relax at a match.

"They want and deserve entertainment from the game. That is our intention now to give it to them."

It will certainly be a sad day for the sport when these two players, so contrasting in style and yet equally successful, decide to ring down the curtain.



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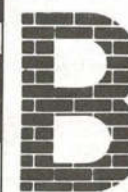
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FIRST TEAM

1980				
Aug. 8	Fri.	Swinton (Friendly)	H	26.9
10	Sun.	Dewsbury (Frndly)	A	23.21
17	Sun.	Leigh	H	23.9
		(Lancs. Cup, 1st Rnd)		
24	Sun.	Oldham	A	13.15
		(Lancs. Cup, 2nd Rnd)		
31	Sun.	Hull K. R.	A	20.28
Sept. 5	Fri.	Halifax	H	41-16
14	Sun.	Castleford	A	8-38
19	Fri.	St. Helens	H	19-25
26	Fri.	Workington	H	36-8
Oct. 5	Sun.	Widnes	A	26-10
12	Sun.	Hull	H	16-34
19	Sun.	Bradford	A	5-27
24	Fri.	Featherstone	H	13-9
Nov. 9	Sun.	Wakefield	A	16-42
14	Fri.	Wakefield	H	17-32
19	Wed.	Oldham	H	7.30
30	Sun.	Hull	A	3.00
Dec. 14	Sun.	Bradford	H	3.00
21	Sun.	Workington	A	2.30

Dec. 26	Fri.	Widnes	H	3.00
28	Sun.	Leeds	H	3.00
1981				
Jan. 1	Thurs.	Leigh	A	3.30
4	Sun.	St. Helens	A	3.00
11	Sun.	Barrow	H	3.00
18	Sun.	Warrington	A	3.00
25	Sun.	Halifax	A	3.30
Feb. 1	Sun.	Warrington	H	3.00
8	Sun.	Barrow	A	2.30
15	Sun.	State Express R.L. Cup		
		— 1st Round		
22	Sun.	Castleford	H	3.00
Mar. 1	Sun.	State Express R.L. Cup		
		— 2nd Round		
8	Sun.	Wakefield	A	3.30
20	Fri.	Hull K.R.	H	7.30
29	Sun.	Featherstone	A	3.30
April 17	Fri.	Leigh	H	3.00
		Good Friday		
20	Mon.	Oldham	A	3.00
		Easter Monday		

'A' TEAM

1980				
Sept. 3	Wed.	Oldham	H	6-13
10	Wed.	Leigh	H	13-8
19	Fri.	St. Helens	A	P
27	Sat.	Workington	A	12-23
Oct. 1	Wed.	Widnes	H	30-10
15	Wed.	Wigan	H	23-19
22	Wed.	Swinton	H	P
29	Wed.	St. Helens	H	9-21
Nov. 2	Sun.			
5	Wed.	Blackpool	H	9-16
16	Sun.			
20	Thurs.	Oldham	A	7.30
29	Sat.	Whitehaven	A	3.00
Dec. 4	Thurs.	Widnes	A	7.30
14	Sun.			
20	Sat.	Workington	H	2.30
28	Sun.			
1981				
Jan. 3	Sat.	Whitehaven	H	2.30
10	Sat.	Barrow	A	2.30
21	Wed.	Warrington	H	7.30
30	Fri.	Warrington	A	7.30
Feb. 1	Sun.			
7	Sat.	Barrow	H	2.30
15	Sun.			
19	Thurs.	Leigh	A	2.30
26	Thurs.	Swinton	A	7.30
Mar. 1	Sun.			
7	Sat.	Blackpool	A	3.00
12	Thurs.	Rochdale	A	7.30
18	Wed.	Wigan	A	7.30
April. 1	Wed.	Rochdale	H	7.30

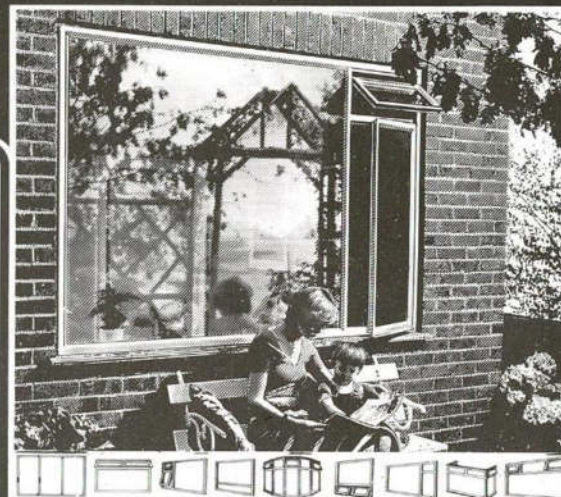
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1980				
Aug. 30	Sat.	St. Helens	A	3-11
Sept. 6	"	Bradford N	H	49-2
13	"	Rochdale	A	15-21
20	"	Wakefield	H	P
27	"	Keighley	A	36-8
Oct. 4	"	St. Helens	H	6-8
11	"	Wakefield	A	3-28
18	"	Widnes	H	27-13
25	"	Hull	A	5-47
Nov. 1	"	Castleford	H	8-13
8	"	Castleford	A	2-40
15	"	Leeds	H	P
22	"	Hunslet	A	2.30
29	"	Bramley	H	2.30
Dec. 6	"	Leeds	A	2.30
13	"	Leigh	H	2.30
20	"	Leigh	A	2.30
27	"	Keighley	H	2.30
Jan. 3	"	Hull K.R.	A	2.30
10	"	Oldham	H	2.30
17	"	Oldham	A	2.30
24	"	Hull K.R.	H	3.00
31	"	Bramley	A	3.00
Feb. 7	"	Bradford Northern	A	3.00
14	"	Colts Cup—1st Rnd.		
21	"	Featherstone	H	3.00
28	"	Colts Cup—2nd Rnd		
Mar. 7	"	Hull	H	3.00
14	"	Featherstone	A	3.00
21	"	Hunslet	H	3.00
28	"	Widnes	A	3.00
April. 4	"			
11	"	Rochdale	H	3.00
18	"			

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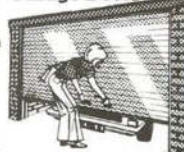
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