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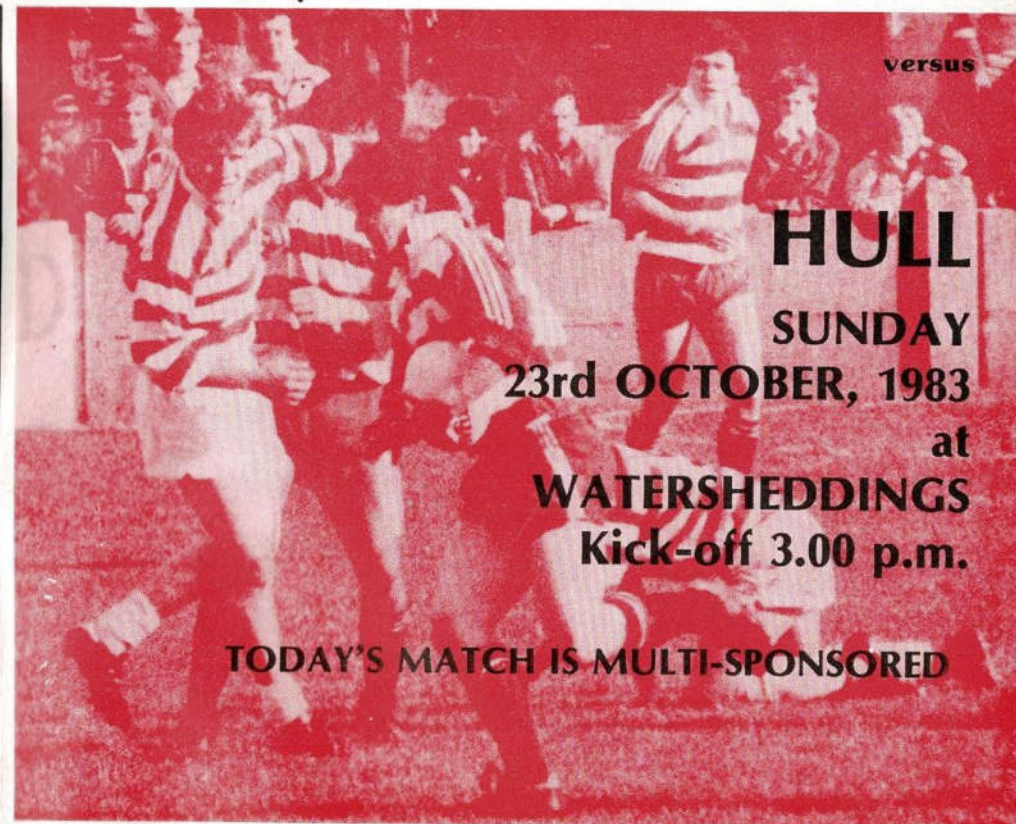
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Sunday 6th November, 1983, Oldham v. Leigh
(John Player 1st round) K.O. 3.00 p.m.
Sunday, 13th November, 1983, Oldham v. Wigan, K.O. 3.00 p.m.

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Lancashire Shield Winners: 1908-09, 1910-11, 1911-12, 1919-20, 1923-24 and 1954-55
Colts Premiership Trophy: 1975-76 and 1979-80

WATERSHEDDINGS SURVEY

WHAT a terrific feast of football fare we have in store here at Watersheddings over the next few weeks! Today's game against Hull must be one of the most attractive of the season and then in a fortnight's time we are at home again, this time to Leigh in the first round of the John Player Special Trophy.

The week after that, on Sunday, November 13, Wigan come to Watersheddings and the cherry and whites from Central Park always provide us not only with one of our best games of the season, but one of our best crowds, too.

If we happen to beat Leigh in round one we will be keeping our fingers crossed for another home tie in round two on November 20, followed by the visit of Hull KR on November 27.

We are due to play at Leigh on December 4 but we are hoping the Rugby League will select Watersheddings as the venue for the return under-24 international against France on that day.

Featherstone are here on December 11 so it all amounts to this: If we beat Leigh and get another home draw in round two of the Players' Trophy, there could be a major game here at Watersheddings on SIX successive weekends, starting with the visit of Leigh, providing we get the under-24 international on December 4.

The draw against Leigh is a real cracker. They beat us 13-12 at Hilton Park in the first round of last year's event, thanks only to a late and spectacular try by Des Drummond, made and created by John Woods.

Not only should it provide an excellent chance of revenge, but the tie should bring a lot of support from Hilton Park and produce a real, old fashioned Lancashire Cup derby.

It is certainly our most attractive draw in any cup competition since we were paired with Leeds at Watersheddings in the third round of the same event two years ago, when we went on to lose to Hull in the Headingley semi-final.

There is a possibility that the tie may be played on the Saturday — and televised — but at the time of writing there was no official announcement made.

Another big Watersheddings date to put in your diary is the match here between the touring Maoris and the Oldham Amateur League on Wednesday, November 9.

This should also be a game to pull in the spectators, not merely because it will give local RL fans the chance to see some of the best players in world rugby against the local lads, but because it will mark the first game at Watersheddings of Kiwi Test full back Nick Wright, who will be joining us when the tour is over.

On the previous Friday, November 4, the Oldham RL Club is staging a big sportsmen's night at Royton Assembly Hall. Gallagher Boys Club will provide a full programme of amateur boxing, and there will be a meal followed by an auction and the raffling off of various items of sporting equipment. Tickets are £12 and can be obtained from the club or from members of the committee.

We welcome all supporters today and especially Mr. Malcolm Pierce and his party from Spenny-moor, Co. Durham, who are business associates of our former committee man, Eric Buckley, and who are making their first visit here, having been regular sellers of our lottery tickets in the soccer-mad North-East for the past four years.

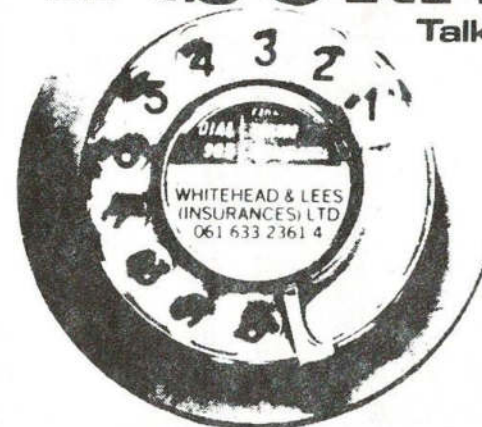
These notes had to be written before our match at Castleford last Wednesday night, but whatever the result at Wheldon Road against the First Division leaders a splendid match is in prospect today.

Finally, may we point out that the decision to make a nominal 20p charge to non-members for use of the social club concert room before and after matches was made purely in the best interests of the club.

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HISTORICAL NOTES ON HULL

by Tom Webb

WHEN the Hull club was formed in 1865 the founder members included E. Waltham, W.H.H. Hutchinson, Beevor Lambert, F.A. Scott and H.J. Wade, all of whom played in the early Yorkshire teams against Lancashire. The club soon had a membership of 40 to 50 and played on the Rifle Barracks parade ground. The game was neither the regular Rugby nor the Association game, but one something resembling Rugby, though running with the ball was only permissible after a catch.

The first matches were in 1867 against Lincoln, both of which were won, and until 1870 three or four matches were generally played each year with Bramham College, St. Peter's School (York), Louth (Lincolnshire), Newark and perhaps one or two others in which the Hull club was usually victorious.

In 1870 a ground was secured at Ferriby. Here Leeds were met twice, each club winning once, but owing to the distance between Hull and the West Riding clubs in 1871 a ground was rented at Selby where the Hull men met Leeds, Bradford and Huddersfield and beat them all, although the win against Huddersfield was a very lucky one. Club colours were commenced about that time, pink and white stripes. About this time the three Hodgsons, William, Richard and Edward joined the club and also some good men from the public schools, E.A. Hollingberry and F.O. Moss from Rugby and E.W. Harrison from Cheltenham, all of whom played for the county.

Until 1877 the club continued to play the chief of the Yorkshire clubs with fair success on the whole, though often let down through being short of men when playing away from home.

The man best known in the early days of Hull and Yorkshire football was W.H.H. Hutchinson, known to all his friends as "the Baron". As a scrummager he had no superior and up to 1876 was the recognised captain of Yorkshire. He was the first Yorkshireman to gain the distinction of being selected to play for England.

All the foregoing has been lifted from the book by the Reverend F. Marshall, "Football, The Rugby Union Game" published by Cassell and Company in 1892. Readers of these notes interested in the history of Rugby would be well advised to try to obtain a copy or to look up one in some library.

Jumping many decades to 1962, I have before me an account of the Hull F.C. annual meeting of that year which appeared in the columns of the "Hull Daily Mail".

Ernest Hardaker, chairman, said that judged by recent standards, 1961-62 at the Boulevard had not been very good. He said that the directors realised after the years they had been on the crest of a wave there must come a slump and that had happened during the previous season.

Tommy Harris had taken a chance which "appealed to him". Jim Drake had moved to Hull Kingston Rovers. Cyril Sykes and Johnny Whitely had been injured.

Of the club's tour in Devon and Cornwall with Kingston Rovers, Mr. Hardaker said that financially it had been a loss but it had achieved some propaganda value. Wilf Rosenberg had been playing with Wakefield Trinity during the tour of South Africa and had been injured but it was expected that he would be fit to play very shortly.

Looking up the playing records of the Hull club for 1960-61 I find that among the players were Peter Bateson (85 goals), Bill Drake (26 goals and 10 tries) Arthur Keegan, Cyril Sykes, Terry Hollindrake from Keighley (18 tries), Terry Devonshire, Tommy Finn, Johnny Whiteley, George Matthews, Stan Cowan, Tommy Harris, Frank Broadhurst, Jim Drake, Brian Hambling, David Doyle-Davidson (now a Radio Humberside commentator) and Nan Halafihi a Tongan who was also a boxer of note, and Mick Scott.

HURRAH FOR HULL!

THERE is no bigger drawing card in Rugby League today than the present, star-spangled Hull side who provide us with opposition today in what should be one of the best games of the season here at Watersheddings.

A week ago Hull carried off the Philips Video Yorkshire Cup against Castleford at Elland Road to kill the growing belief that perhaps the Boulevard outfit had passed their peak.

If those folk who were saying that Hull were past their best after their defeats in two finals last season by Featherstone at Wembley and by Widnes in the Premiership final were present at Elland Road last week-end they would have had second thoughts.

Castleford have proved they are a fine side this season, as their lofty First Division position shows, but they were no match for Hull in wet conditions and they slipped to their second defeat by the Boulevard men in a few weeks.

Hull have happy memories of Elland Road. They won the Challenge Cup two seasons ago, when they beat Widnes in a marvellous replay after a draw at Wembley, and last season they beat Castleford 14-7 at the same venue in an absorbing Challenge Cup semi-final.

The black-and-whites are acknowledged as the game's big spenders. They have scoured the world for talent and could have five overseas Test aces in their side today — Kiwis Fred Ah Kouli, Dane O'Hara, James Leuluai and Gary Kemble and French man Patrick Solal.

Indeed, the Hull management were hoping to have had another world-class player in their ranks by now, but injury prevented the brilliant Australian half-back Peter Sterling from crossing the world after all seemed settled.

Had Sterling arrived, Hull could have boasted an entire back-line of international stars, with Great Britain's David Toppliss at outside-half, Leuluai and Ah Kouli in the centre, Solal and O'Hara on the wings, and Kemble at full back.

Ah Kouli, latest of the overseas captures, was not eligible for the Yorkshire Cup final, so he will be all the keener to bounce back today with a great impact.

Hull have also kept a keen eye on the amateur ranks. Lee Crooks is a local lad who is a product of the colts side and so is his second-row partner Wayne Proctor.

Shaun Patrick has also made an impact this season in the No.9 jersey and Hull have recently snapped up two boys who were great successes on the BARLA under-19 tour to New Zealand last summer — Gary Schofield and Gary Divorty.

Schofield, from Hunslet Parkside under-19s, has already made a big impression at the Boulevard. He scored a hat-trick of tries in a big win over Leeds and then, only a matter of weeks after turning pro, received a Yorkshire Cup winners' medal last week-end.

Hull also have their big-name men in the forwards. Great Britain stars Trevor Skerrett and Mick Crane were the master-minds of the cup win over Castleford and Crane is not always a certainty for selection when Steve Norton is fit!

Skerrett's powerful tackling and strong driving of the ball caused the Cas forwards a lot of trouble, while Crane walked away with the Yorkshire Federation of Supporters' Clubs' man-of-the-match award by scoring a super solo try, dropping a goal, and producing the vital pass that allowed Leuluai to send in Proctor for the match-clinching try.

The first try was a Kiwi cracker. Sparked off by Toppliss, Kemble took his captain's inside pass and then fed Leuluai with an overhead ball which allowed the centre to send O'Hara flying in at the corner.

If last season's three matches were any guide, today's encounter should be a real thriller. Hull won here thanks only to a late interception try by Toppliss, while we avenged that defeat with an 8-2 win at the Boulevard on a monsoon-type day.

The third meeting came in the first round of the Premiership when we lost only 24-21 in another keenly-fought encounter.

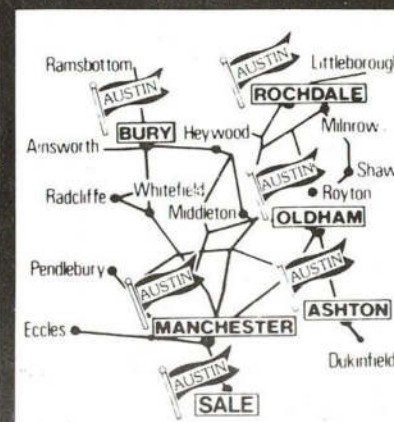


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Ray Ashton cuts between Mick Adams and Eric Prescott during the Widnes game.



Des Foy in action, making a break against Widnes.

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We extend a very warm welcome to our visiting fans and supporters from Hull and invite them to all our canteens and souvenir shop situated at different parts of our ground.

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Halifax: Birts (4 goals and a try), Howard (2 tries), Garrod (2 tries), Snee (try), Cholmondeley (try), Blacker (try), Langton, Jarvis, Wood, Callan, Busfield, John Martin, Loxton. Hannah and Phil Martin for Snee and J. Martin.

Oldham: Murphy, Stondin (goal), Larder, O'Brien, Fricker, Munro, Radcliffe, Charles, O'Mahoney, Frodsham, Hall, Hughes, K. Flanagan. Anglin and Taylor for Murphy and Larder.

Referee, S. Wall, Leigh. Attendance 2,460. Half-time score 13-2.

TEN YEARS AGO

Wednesday, October 24th, 1973

First Division

Oldham 4 2 14 Castleford 2 3 13

Oldham: Murphy, Munro, Elliott, Wainwright (try), O'Brien, Blair, Astbury, Clawson (4 goals), Taylor, Hughes, McCracken, Hall (try), Reynolds. Substitutes Gaitley and Daley did not play.

Castleford: Briggs, Foster, Worsley, Higgins (try), Lowndes, Brook, Knight, Ackroyd, Miller, Lockwood, Wallis, Lloyd (2 goals and a try), Norton (try). Newton and Chawner for Brook and Ackroyd.

Referee, H. Mason, Halifax. Attendance 1,436. Half-time score 2-0.

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Lancashire Cup Final

St. Helens 6 6 30 Oldham 1 0 2

Saints: Rhodes, Wilson (2 tries), Benyon, Myler, Williams (try), Whittle, Bishop (try), Warlow, Sayer, Watson, Rees (try), E. Chisnall (try), Coslett (6 goals).

Oldham: Murphy, Elliott, Larder, McCormack, Whitehead, Briggs (goal), Canning, Wilson, Taylor, Fletcher (captain), Irving, McCourt, Hughes. Maders for Fletcher.

Referee, W.H. Thompson, Huddersfield. Attendance 17,008. Half-time score 2-0.

Any other match details would be appreciated by Mr. Webb



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	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Castleford	8	7	0	1	254	124	14
Bradford N.	8	7	0	1	203	78	14
Widnes	8	7	0	1	186	86	14
Warrington	8	5	1	3	181	133	11
Hull	7	4	1	2	178	124	9
Oldham	7	4	1	2	147	102	9
Hull K.R.	8	4	1	3	140	126	9
St. Helens	7	4	0	3	136	113	8
Leeds	8	4	0	4	196	180	8
Leigh	10	4	0	6	190	183	8
Wigan	8	3	0	5	128	154	6
Fulham	9	3	0	6	141	202	6
Wakefield	9	3	0	6	123	209	6
Featherstone R.	7	2	0	5	117	163	4
Salford	9	2	0	7	113	237	4
Whitehaven	8	0	0	8	60	279	0

OLDHAM R.L.F.C. FIXTURES 1983-84

FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

1983		
Aug.	14	St. Helens (Friendly) (3.00) . . . H 10-32
	21	Leeds (3.00) . . . H 25-16
	28	Bradford N. (3.00) . . . A 8-14
Sept.	4	Lancs. Cup (1) Workington . . . H 26-20
	11	Featherstone R. (3.30) . . . A 24-16
	14	Lancs. Cup (2) Swinton . . . A 6-8
	18	Fulham (3.00) . . . H 30-12
	25	Hull K.R. (3.00) . . . A 18-18
Oct.	2	St. Helens (3.00) . . . H 32-6
	9	Widnes (3.00) . . . H 10-20
	19	Castleford (7.30) . . . A
	23	Hull (3.00) . . . H
	30	Warrington (3.00) . . . A
Nov.	6	JOHN PLAYER TROPHY (1) . . .
	13	Wigan (3.00) . . . H
	20	JOHN PLAYER TROPHY (2) . . .
	27	Hull K.R. (3.00) . . . H
Dec.	4	Leigh (3.30) . . . A
	11	Featherstone R. (3.00) . . . H
	18	Wakefield T. (3.30) . . . A
	26	Salford (3.00) . . . H
1984		
Jan.	2	Leeds (3.00) . . . A
	8	Leigh (3.00) . . . H
	22	Wigan (3.00) . . . A
	29	Castleford (3.00) . . . H
Feb.	5	Hull (3.00) . . . A
	12	STATE EXPRESS CHAL. CUP (1)
	19	Whitehaven (3.30) . . . A
	26	STATE EXPRESS CHAL. CUP (2)
Mar.	4	Bradford Northern (3.00) . . . H
	11	Fulham (3.00) . . . A
	18	Warrington (3.00) . . . H
	25	Whitehaven (3.00) . . . H
Apr.	1	St. Helens (3.00) . . . A
	8	Widnes (3.00) . . . A
	15	Wakefield T. (3.00) . . . H
	20	Salford (3.00) . . . A

COLTS FIXTURES

1983		
Aug.	20	Leeds (3.00) . . . H
	27	Bradford N. (3.00) . . . A
Sept.	3	Wigan (3.00) . . . H
	10	Cardiff C. (3.00) . . . A
	17	Barrow (3.00) . . . H
	24	Hull K.R. (3.00) . . . A
Oct.	1	
	8	Bramley (3.00) . . . H
	15	Castleford (3.00) . . . A
	22	Hunslet (3.00) . . . H
	29	Halifax (3.00) . . . A
Nov.	5	Huddersfield (3.00) . . . H
	12	Rochdale H. (2.30) . . . A

'A' TEAM FIXTURES

1983		
Aug.	11	St. Helens (Friendly) (7.30) . . . A P
	17	Oldham Amateur R.L. (7.30) . . . H 40-2
	26	Lancashire Amateur R.L. (7.30) . . . H P
Sept.	2	
	10	Barrow (3.00) . . . H 20-16
	15	Swinton (LRCS 1st leg) (7.30) . . . A 26-16
	23	Salford (7.30) . . . H 30-24
	29	St. Helens (7.30) . . . A 8-28
Oct.		
	7	Widnes (7.30) . . . A 12-28
	13	Warrington (7.30) . . . H 30-12
	20	Swinton (LRCS 2nd Leg) (7.30) . . . H
	28	
Nov.	4	
	9	Oldham Amateur R.L. v N.Z. Touring Team (7.30) . . . H
	18	
	25	
Dec.	1	Leigh (7.30) . . . A
	9	
	15	Swinton (7.30) . . . H
	21	Wigan (7.30) . . . A
	30	
1984		
Jan.	5	Leigh (7.30) . . . A
	13	
	19	Wigan (7.30) . . . H
	27	
Feb.	3	Warrington (7.30) . . . A
	10	
	16	St. Helens (7.30) . . . H
	25	Barrow (2.30) . . . A
Mar.	1	Swinton (7.30) . . . A
	9	
	16	Salford (7.30) . . . A
	22	Widnes (7.30) . . . H
	30	

	19	Wakefield T. (2.30) . . . A
	25	Hull (2.30) . . . H
Dec.	3	St. Helens (2.30) . . . A
	10	Salford (2.30) . . . H
	17	York (2.30) . . . A
	24	
	31	
1984		
Jan.	2	
	7	Leigh (2.30) . . . A
	14	Colts Chal. Cup, Prelim. Round . . .
	21	Colts Chal. Cup, 1st Round . . .
Jan.	28	
to		
Mar.	31	Pool 'A' & Pool 'B' fixtures . . .

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