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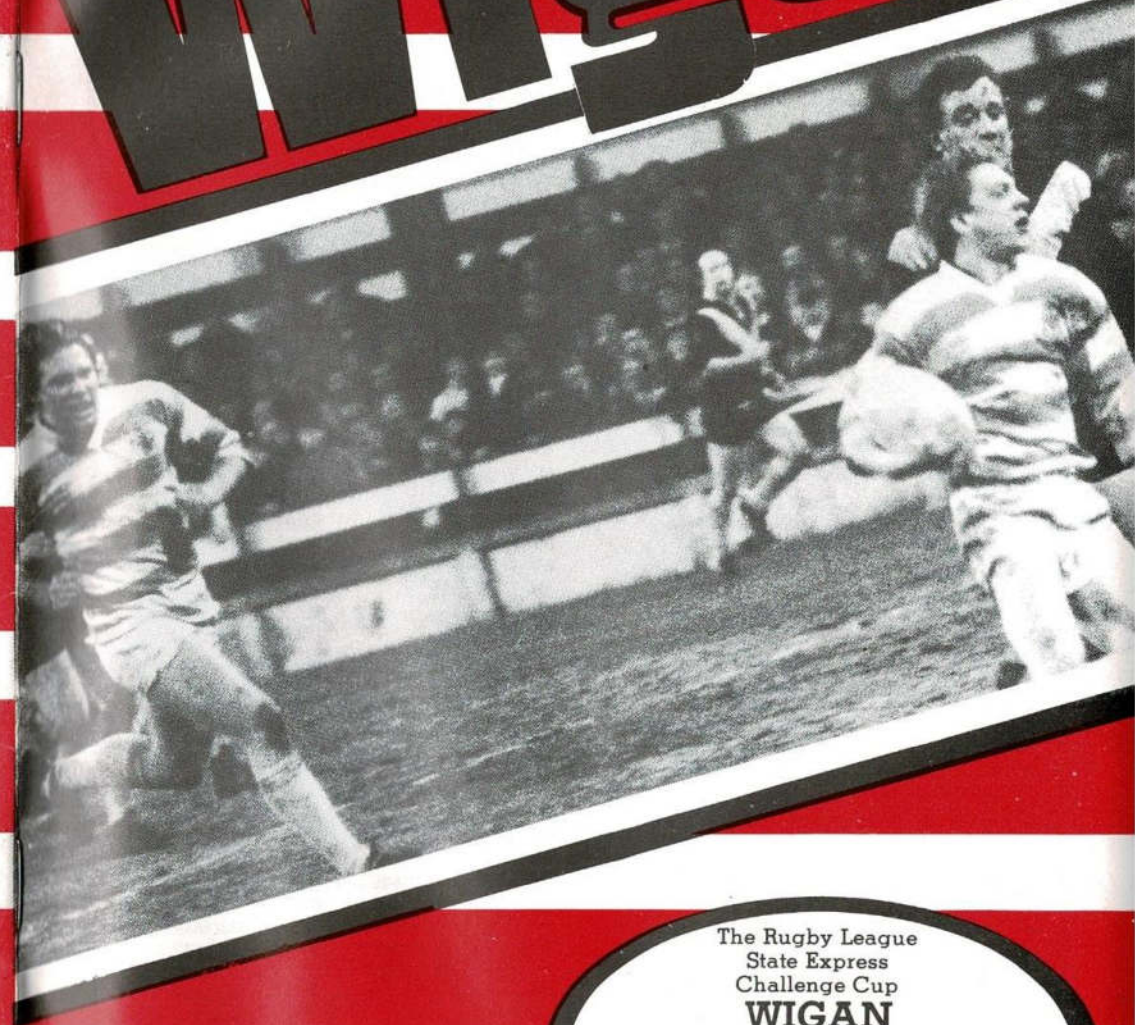
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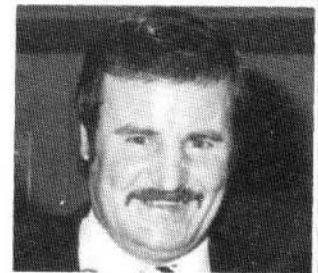
WE ARE becoming too inconsistent.

After playing Bramley off the Park on Wednesday night we travelled to Fulham expecting to win. The result was that we left our tackling behind in Wigan. We let Fulham run and moved up in defence like old crocks. It's no good having the right attitude one game and then relaxing the next time.

Every match must be approached with the same spirit, preparation and attitude. The preparation is my responsibility and at the moment we are training three times a week. Before we took the field against Bramley our concentration was so intense that the atmosphere in the dressing room told me everything. There was a meanness in the players I had not seen for a while. I knew at once that we would win. When we are like that we are as good as anybody.

Let's see it today and it's look out Oldham!

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THIS afternoon we extend a warm welcome to players, directors, officials and supporters of the Oldham Football Club.

In the early fifties Oldham had one of the best teams in the Rugby League, but never managed to reach the cup final at Wembley so they will be making an extra effort in this game.

At the present time Oldham are lying in tenth position in the league, but unfortunately in recent weeks their form has not been up to their usual high standard. Oldham, however, have in the past always proved to be a difficult team to beat and with such good quality players in their side like, Ray Ashton, Des Foy, Captain Terry Flanagan, plus the accurate goal-kicking of Mick Parrish.

We will also be striving hard to get a good result and thereby ensure a place in the quarter finals of the Challenge Cup. So we should be able to look forward to an entertaining game of rugby this afternoon.

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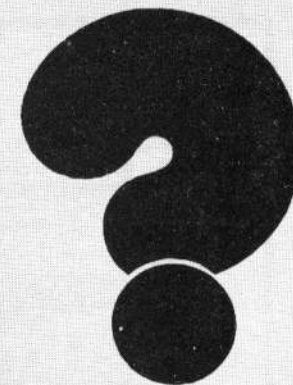
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1. How many games did Keith Elwell play in his record breaking run of successive games?
2. What year did Des Drummond sign for Leigh?
3. Who are the two players who share the record of playing in four cup winning sides at Wembley?
4. What player holds the record for most goals in a Challenge Cup Final?
5. What was the name of the player who played his first senior game at Wembley?
6. Who was the youngest player ever to play in a Wembley Cup Final?

Answers on Page 25

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THIS afternoon's second round Challenge Cup tie between Wigan and Oldham should be quite an interesting match which is sure to draw a big attendance. Both teams have everything to gain from winning, not just for the sake of reaching that distant Wembley final, but to prove to their fans that they are back on form.

For Oldham, like Wigan, have hit a bad patch lately after riding high in the league and putting up their best performances for many years. They certainly have missed the genius of scrum-half Ashton, but even so their recent form has been disappointing.

I think we'll see a big difference today though. It is amazing what the lure of Wembley and a good winning bonus on offer can do to improve a team's play, even if they are struggling a bit in the league.

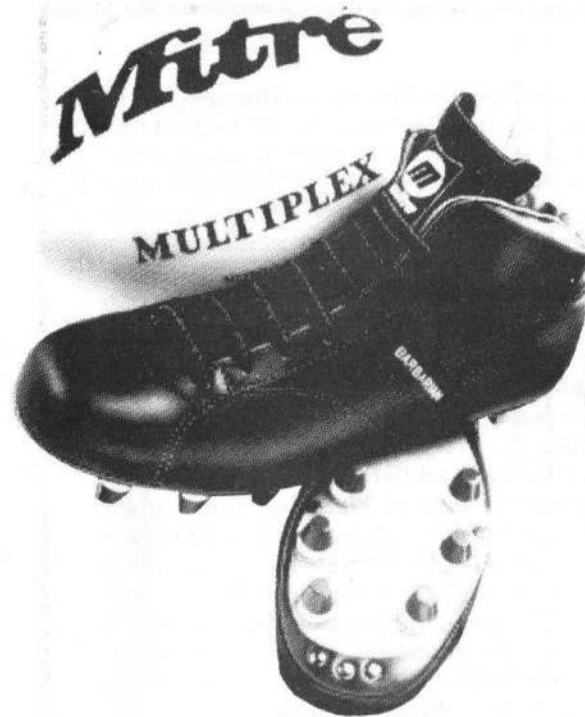
Wigan themselves have taken some "stick" from fans and media lately, but happily they seemed to regain a lot of their best form in the cup replay against Bramley and it is to be hoped that was an omen of much better things to come.

The big talking point among Wigan fans, of course, has been the form of Mark Cannon at stand-off. His display against Bramley from that position had me wondering why Wigan confined him to the pack for so long.

I understand that Cannon is to return home to Australia soon after today's tie and that is surely a matter for regret. No doubt Wigan will make a big effort to have him back at Central Park next season, along with the mighty Kerry Hemsley.

A lot has been written and said of late by people who question the desirability of English clubs importing Australian or New Zealand players. But a lot of this sort of criticism has come from people connected with clubs who don't have any such players, or can't afford them.

Well, I am all for giving local lads a chance, but there is no doubt about it that without the likes of Hemsley, Cannon, Wayne Elvin, Graeme West - and not forgetting big Dan Campbell - Wigan would have really been struggling this season, especially when the injury hoodoo was at its height.



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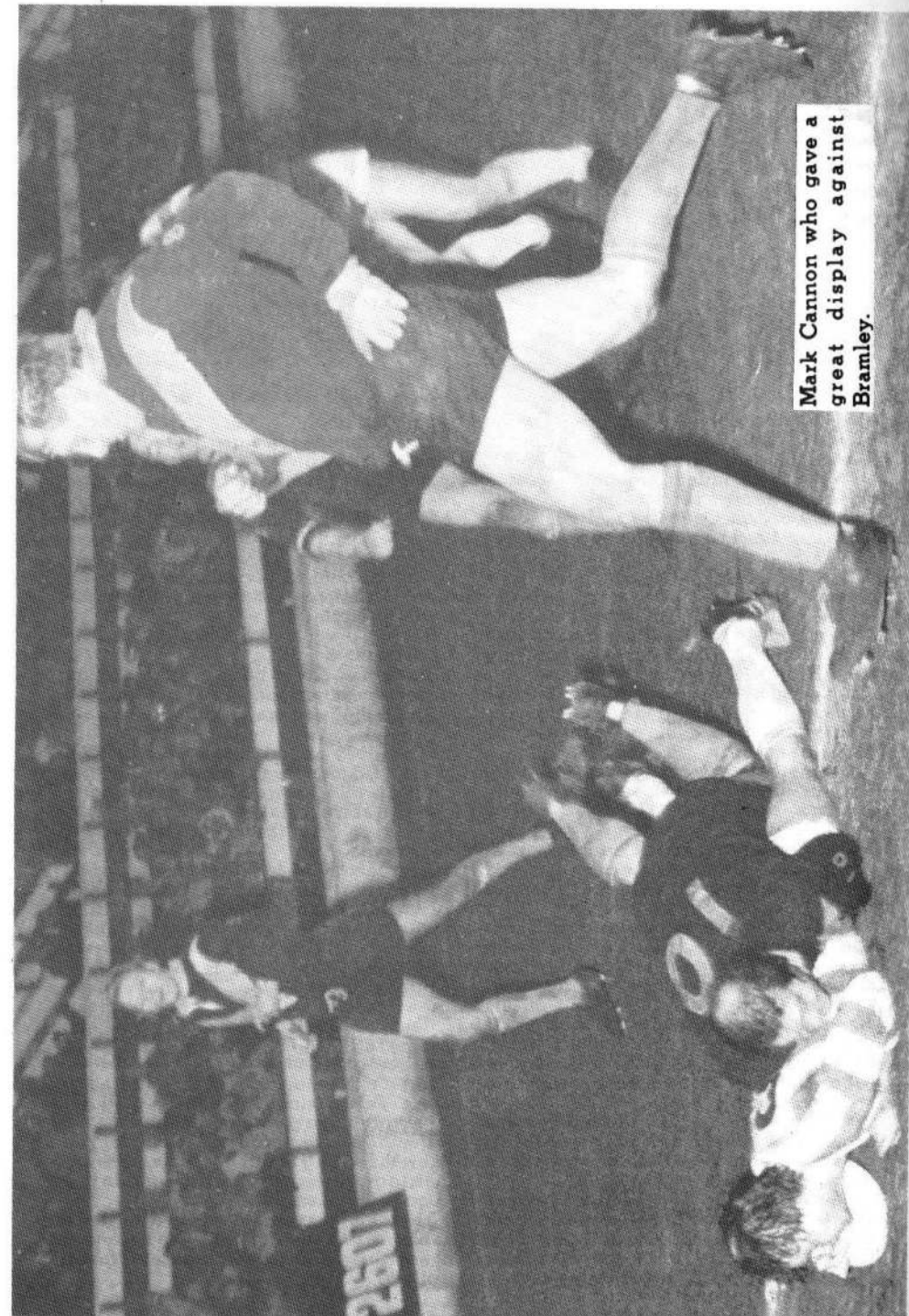
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Mark Cannon who gave a
great display against
Bramley.

VIEW FROM THE TERRACES

by
Doug
Stand

THERE is absolutely no truth in the rumour that Doug Stand went to Twickenham on Saturday.

This correspondent has not been to a rah-rah game since Orrell's dour encounter with Coventry last year, and even that fleeting visit led to him being hauled over the coals by the WSPRLOSHPW's disciplinary committee.

The WSPRLOSHPW stands for the Wigan Society for the Preservation and Promotion of Rugby League as the Only Sport Worth Playing and Watching.

It has members all over Wigan, but like Masons, they are hard to spot. You have to know the haunts, the handshakes, the secret passwords.

For instance, you can't just walk into, say, the vault of the Royal Oak or Billy Boston's pub, and ask if anyone is interested in rugby league.

The silence would be deafening, just as if you had walked into a hospital and asked if anyone was interested in getting better.

What you have to do, to identify the members of rugby league's most secret society, is enter the alleged meeting place and ask if anyone is interested in soccer.

Anyone who reacts by falling off his seat, sneezing into his beer or asking for you to be banned, is probably a member of the WSPRLOSHPW. Inquiring about rugby union is likely to have even more startling effect.

Which brings me back to the time I was accused of going over to the gentlemen's game, and brought up before the dreaded disciplinary committee.

I hardly slept a wink the night before - what with worrying about them confiscating my Yorkshire Good Beer Guide and signed photograph of Alex Murphy - but when the black day came it

wasn't too bad.

The committee seemed impressed by my mitigating plea that I had spent much of the time in the bar, and said that after reading newspaper reports of the match, they considered my attendance at the game was sufficient punishment.

This is not to mock Orrell of course. As far as this column is concerned they are the finest exponents of their code in the North of England.

It is just the code that leaves so much to be desired.

There has got to be something wrong with a spectator sport in which players spend half their time kicking the ball out of play.

When they are not kicking the ball out of play, 28 men try to kick each other out of play, while the two oldest, smallest and cleanest shirted players on the park try to outdo each other in the audacity of their drop goals.

A great game for drop goals, rugby union. There are drop goals from one's own half, drop goals from sitting positions, drop goals from impossible situations, and best of all, drop goals from scrums near the opposition's posts.

Rugby league stand-offs have been known to faint with envy at getting clean possession from a scrum 10 yards out, but the rah-rah men just keep sailing over the drop goals.

But it's time to come off the old hobby horse. This column is not just a platform for sniping attacks on other sports.

No, the above tirade was just to let you know that Doug Stand has far more sense than to go all the way down to London just to go to Twickers.

The only reason I happened to be in London at all last weekend was because I heard there was a match on at Craven Cottage...

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The time-table for the 1984 State Express Challenge Cup is:

Second Round	25th/26th February
Third Round	10th/11th March
Semi-Final (1)	24th March
Semi-Final (2)	31st March
Final at Wembley	5th May

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Third	4 x £ 2,400	£ 9,600
Semi-Finals	2 x £ 4,325	£ 8,650
Runners-Up	1 x £ 8,000	£ 8,000
Winners	1 x £14,555	£14,555
	TOTAL -	£72,000
	DEVELOPMENT FUND	£48,000
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STATE EXPRESS CHALLENGE CUP DRAW

The Second Round matches will be played on the weekend of 25th and 26th February.

Wakefield	v	York
Hull KR	v	Doncaster
Hunslet	v	Bradford N.
St. Helens	v	Hull
Workington Town	v	Leeds
Castleford	v	Warrington
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All entries will be checked and those with all four answers correct will be entered into a draw from which the winner will be selected.

LAST DATE FOR RECEIPT OF ENTRIES THURSDAY, 5th APRIL, 1984
QUESTIONS:

1. Which two clubs hold the record for most Challenge Cup Final appearances at Wembley?
2. Which player captained two clubs to victory at Wembley 14 years apart, the second time at the age of 41?
3. Which club knocked Widnes out of the State Express Challenge Cup last season, 1982-83?
4. The highest score against an amateur side in the Challenge Cup is 119 - 2 against Swinton Park in 1913-14. Which professional club provided the opposition?

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WIGAN Cherry/White. Coach: Alex Murphy

- 1 STEVE HAMPSON
- 2 DENNIS RAMSDALE
- 3 DAVID STEPHENSON
- 4 COLIN WHITFIELD
- 5 HENDERSON GILL
- 6 MARK CANNON
- 7 GARY STEPHENS
- 8 GRAEME WEST
- 9 HOWIE TAMATI
- 10 BRIAN CASE
- 11 MICK SCOTT
- 12 BRIAN JULIFF
- 13 WAYNE ELVIN
- 14
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Scrum

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20

Penalties

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20

Half Time:

____pts.

____pts.

OLDHAM: Blue/White

- 1 STEVE LITTLER
- 2 COLIN HAWKYARD
- 3 MICK PARRISH
- 4 DES FOY
- 5 JIM HORNBY
- 6 IAN BIRKBY
- 7 STEVE PATTERSON
- 8 WALLY JONES
- 9 ALAN McCURRIE
- 10 MICK MORGAN
- 11 MICK WORRELL
- 12 TOM MAIDOLE
- 13 TERRY FLANAGAN
- 14
- 15

Final Score:

____pts.

____pts.

Scrum

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20

Penalties

1	2	3	4	5
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30 YEARS AGO
THIS WEEK
27th February 1954

WIGAN BATLEY 45
0
WIGAN. Tries: B. Nordgren 4, W. Boston 4, E. Ashcroft, H. Street, J. Cunliffe.
Goals: K. Gee 3, J. Cunliffe 3.

25 YEARS AGO
THIS WEEK
28th February 1959

WIGAN BLACKPOOL BOROUGH 29
11
WIGAN. Tries: W. Boston 2, K. Holden 2, E. Ashton, F. Collier, M. Sullivan. Goals: P. Griffiths 4.
Referee: Mr. G. Philpott.

20 YEARS AGO
THIS WEEK
29th February 1964

WIGAN LEIGH 20
12
WIGAN. Tries: J. Stephens, W. Boston, E. Ashton, T. Lake. Goals: J. Winton 4.
WIGAN: Winton, Boston, Ashton, Davies, Lake, O'Loughlin, Shillinglaw, Barton, Sayer, McTigue, Stephens, Lyon, Evans.
LEIGH: Risman, Evans, G. Lewis, Rhodes, Leadbetter, Smith, Entwistle, Robinson, J. Lewis, Bishop, Murphy, Martyn, Fletcher.
Referee: Mr. T.W. Watkinson. Attendance: 12,000

15 YEARS AGO
THIS WEEK
22nd February 1969

WIGAN DONCASTER 39
5
WIGAN. Tries: K. Jones 4, K. O'Loughlin 2, W. Francis, P. Rowe, J. Denley. Goals: J. Denley 6
WIGAN: Denley, Jones, Ashurst, Rowe, Francis, O'Loughlin, Parr, Gardiner, Clarke, Ashcroft, Stephens, Fogerty, Lyon.
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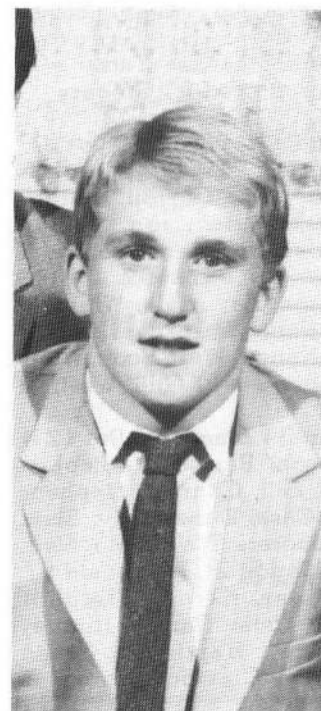
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SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

AFTER our disappointing draw at Bramley it was a pleasure to see the team gain a comfortable victory in the replay. We were so much in command that Bramley seldom managed to run the ball past the half-way line, being forced to defend inside their own 25 for most of the match. Were it not for their strong tackling we could easily have run-up another 20 points.

Oldham have been experiencing a lean spell for the last few weeks and so if we can reproduce the form we showed over the Christmas period then we should have an excellent chance of progressing to the third round for the first time since 1973-74.

Oldham too will be keen to make further progress. Despite appearing in four consecutive finals 1924-27 they have yet to make an appearance at Wembley. The same applies to their opponents in the 1926 and '27 finals. Swinton. Swinton were also finalists in 1928 and 1932; they won through to the 1932 final, only for the match to be staged at Wigan!

AWAY TRAVEL

Thursday 1st March 1984. **BRADFORD NORTHERN v. WIGAN.** Coaches depart Central Park 5.30 p.m. Prices: **Adults £3, juniors £2.** Bookings can be made at the shop this afternoon or by ringing Wigan 46371.

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We have recently received a letter from Dave Hurst, an ex-Wigan supporter now living in Australia. Dave is 37 and would welcome letters from any Wigan supporters, although he states he would prefer someone female between 25 and 40 years old (wouldn't we all!). If you would like to write to Dave, thus considerably improving your chances of seeing the Great Britain tour down-under this summer, his address is: Flat 8/10 Marriott Street, St. Kilda 3182, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.

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February's Open Rugby is still available, plus many back issues. Our Australian magazines are selling fast but we still have quite a few left.

TEAMS & SCORERS

5.2.84. Wigan 6 Warrington 24 (h-t 6-10)

Wigan: Hampson, Braithwaite, Ramsdale, Clare, Gill, Edwards, Stephens, Shaw, Kiss, Case, West, Cannon, Wane, Elvin, Scott.

Scorers: Clare 3.

Warrington: Hesford, Forster, Bevan, Duane, Ford, Cullen, Kelly, Eccles, O'Mahony, Worrall, Gregory, Fieldhouse, Webb, Blacker, Yates.

Scorers: T-Ford 2, Eccles, Gregory; G-Hesford 4.

12.2.84. Bramley 10 Wigan 10 (h-t 3-6)

Bramley: Kilner, Dyas, Fletcher, Bullough, Bibb, Lister, Carroll, Hindley, Cook, Garforth, Harrison, Green, Clarkson, Carter, Bowman. Scorers: T-Lister; G-Kilner 2; DG-Kilner 2.

Wigan: Hampson, Ramsdale, Whitfield, Stephenson, Gill, Edwards, Holden, Case, Tamati, Nanyn, West, Scott, Wane, Juliff, Dunn. Scorers: T-Gill, West; G-Whitfield.

15.2.84. Wigan 34 Bramley 4 (h-t 12-4)

Wigan: Hampson, Ramsdale, Stephenson, Whitfield, Gill, Cannon, Stephens, West, Tamati, Case, Dunn, Scott, Elvin, Juliff, Nanyn. Scorers: T-Whitfield, Elvin, Dunn, West, Cannon 2; G-Whitfield 5.

Bramley: Kilner, Dyas, Fletcher, Bullough, Bibb, Lister, Carroll, Hindley, Cook, Garforth, Harrison, Green, Clarkson, Carter, Clayton. Scorers: T-Lister.

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Ian BALL	(Barrow)	14
Des DRUMMOND	(Leigh)	14
Phil FOX	(Leigh)	14
Garry CLARK	(Hull K.R.)	14
Graeme WEST	(Wigan)	13

TOP TEN GOALS (including Drop Goals)

Eric FITZSIMONS	(Hunslet)	125
Robert BEARDMORE	(Castleford)	109
Ian BALL	(Barrow)	102
Steve HESFORD	(Warrington)	96
John WOODS	(Leigh)	88
Colin WHITFIELD	(Wigan)	79
Colin MASKILL	(Wakefield Trinity)	77
Lyn HALLETT	(Cardiff City)	71
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WIGAN vs. OLDHAM

(Championship Play Off Final, May 1st, 1909 at Salford)

WIGAN 7 POINTS OLDHAM 3

WIGAN: J. Sharrock, J. Leytham, B. Jenkins, L. Todd, J. Miller, J. Thomas, E. Jones, R. Ramsdale, R. Silcock, T. Whittaker, H. de Francis, J. Barton, W. Cheetham.

OLDHAM: A. Wood, G. Tyson, S. Deane, T. Llewellyn, G. Smith, W. Dixon, A. Anlezark, A. Avery, J. Ferguson, A. Smith, W. Jardine, H. Topham, J. Owens.

Referee: Mr. Lumley (Leeds). Attendance: 12,000.

Receipts: £630

THE FINAL LEAGUE TABLE FOR THE 1908-9 SEASON READ AS FOLLOWS:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.	%
1. WIGAN	32	28	0	4	706	207	56	87.50
2. HALIFAX	34	28	1	5	526	174	57	83.82
3. OLDHAM	32	26	0	6	488	176	52	81.25
4. BATLEY	32	23	3	6	412	176	49	76.56
5. HUDDERSFIELD	34	21	3	10	504	292	45	66.17
6. WAKEFIELD T.	31	20	1	10	471	318	41	66.12

This meant that Wigan played Batley and Halifax played Oldham in the Championship play off semi-finals and true to form Wigan beat Batley by 18 points to 2. The other tie, however, ended in a 3 points-all draw. A replay was held and this time Oldham won by 8 points to 2.

The final proved to be a close run affair with Wigan managing to hold on to a 7 points to 3 interval lead. Dick Ramsdale scored Wigan's try and James Leytham kicked 2 goals. Oldham's points came from a Jardine try.

The 1908-9 season was a very successful one for Wigan apart from

finishing top of the League table and winning the Championship Play off final they also beat Oldham in the Lancashire Cup final, finished top of the Lancashire League and reached the Rugby League Cup semi-finals. Furthermore winger Joe Miller scored 49 tries to finish joint top try scorer in the League with Williams of Halifax. The total was a new R.L. try scoring record.

James Leytham, who kicked 2 goals in the Championship Play off final was the League's 4th top goal scorer with 75 goals, 3rd top try scorer with 39 tries and 2nd top points scorer with 267 points.

FORTHCOMING ATTRACTIONS

SATURDAY, 3rd MARCH - KICK-OFF 3.00 p.m.

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(LANCASHIRE COMBINATION)

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SUNDAY 4th MARCH - KICK-OFF 3.00 p.m.

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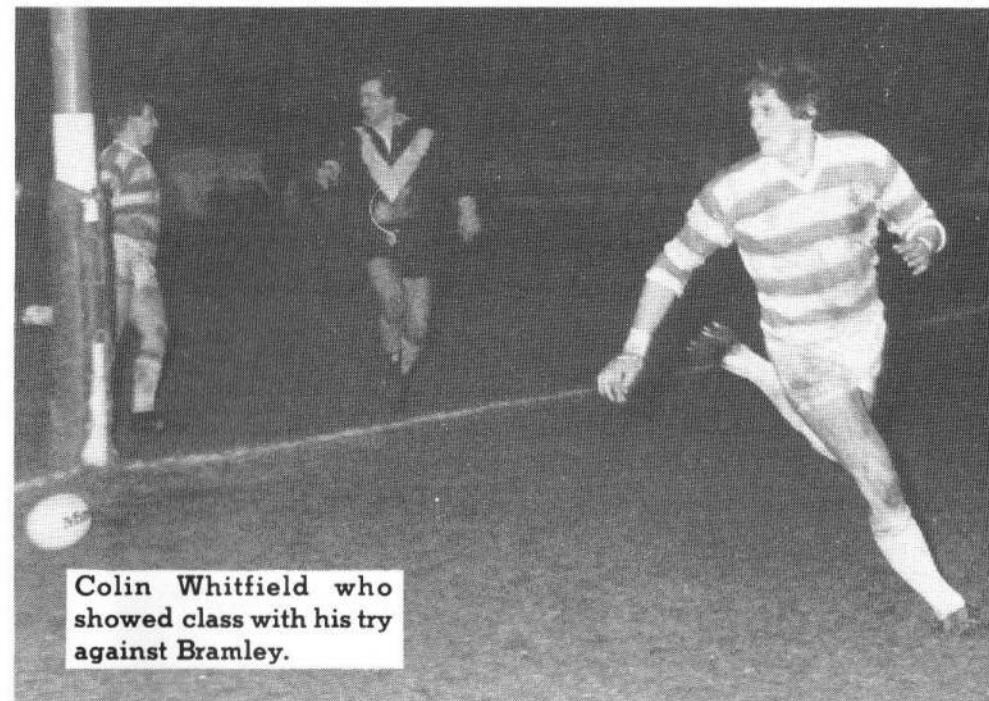
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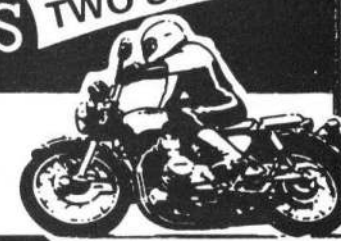


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FRED GRIFFITHS

THE Wigan Club has been very lucky
throughout its history to be able to field
several top class goalkickers. Those that
readily spring to mind are the late great Jim
Sullivan, Ted Ward and South African Full
Back Fred Griffiths.

Fred or 'Punchy', as he was known by the

Wigan fans, joined Wigan on a five year
contract in 1957 and he made his first team
debut against Widnes at Central Park on
December 14th. Wigan won the game by 18
points to 5 and Griffiths kicked three goals.
His next game was at home to Rochdale
Hornets on January 11th, 1958, when he
landed a further five goals. However due to
the fine form of Jackie Cunliffe in the Number
One shirt this proved to be his last game of the
season.

1958-9 then was Griffith's first full season
for Wigan and what a season it proved to be
for him. In 39 appearances he kicked 176
goals and scored 14 tries to register a total of
394 points. His goals and points totals were
both records for the Wigan Club and they
have yet to be beaten. Six of the 176 goals
came in the 1959 Rugby League Challenge
Cup Final in which Wigan beat Hull by 30
points to 13.

Two more Cup Final appearances for
Griffiths came in the next two seasons. In
1960 Wigan reached the Championship Play
Off final, despite only finishing 4th in the
League table, and again he landed 6 goals as
the 'Riversiders' easily beat Wakefield Trinity,
who had finished 2nd in the table, by 27
points to 3. His second and final Wembley
appearance game in 1961 and he scored all 6
of Wigan's points as his team went down to
local rivals St. Helens by 12 points to 6.

Griffiths played his final game for Wigan at
Hull on November 24th, 1962 and he signed
out on a high note by kicking 8 goals and
scoring a try as Wigan won by 34 points to nil.
In his 161 appearances for the Club he landed
663 goals and crossed for 43 tries to record a
total of 1455 points. Four times he topped the
century of goals mark in a season; scoring
176 goals in 1958-9, 126 goals in 1959-60,
128 goals in 1960-1 and 174 goals in 1961-2.

Unfortunately Wigan were not able to offer
Griffiths a new contract when his original five
year contract ran out in late 1962 so the
talented Full Back emigrated to Australia. Not
surprisingly he proved to be a difficult man to
replace.



Appearances, Tries & Goalscorers

(Up to and including the match v. Fulham, away, 19.2.84)

Tries	App	Sub Pld	Sub N/P	League Cup	Locker Cup	Friend- lies	Queens- land	Lancs Cup	Chal- enge Cup	John Player Trophy	Total
A.N. Other	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
L. Bamber	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
R. Braithwaite	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
N. Courtney	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
J. Clare	10	5	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3
B. Case	24	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	3
M. Cannon	6	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	2	-	3
D. Campbell	14	2	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	12
B. Dunn	9	7	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	3
S. Edwards	11	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
W. Elvin	6	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
K. Egan	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
M. Foy	5	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
M. Ford	5	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
J. Fairhurst	7	3	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
H. Gill	20	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	1	4	9
S. Hampson	13	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
K. Holden	12	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
K. Hemsley	11	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
B. Juliff	7	5	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
N. Kiss	11	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
M. Nanyin	1	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G. Owen	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
J. Pendlebury	10	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D. Ramsdale	22	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
G. Stephens	8	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
D. Stephenson	16	1	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	1	4
G. Shaw	6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
M. Scott	12	10	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
H. Tamati	16	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
C. Whitfield	24	-	-	4	-	-	-	1	1	2	8
B. Williams	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
D. Wood	10	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
G. West	27	-	-	8	1	1	-	-	2	1	13
S. Wane	12	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
T. Wilby	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
				37	1	4	-	3	8	10	63
Goals:											
J. Clare				8	-	3	-	-	-	-	11
C. Whitfield				54(1)	5	-	1	4	6	15(1)	85
D. Wood				2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2
				64	5	3	1	4	6	15	98

N.B. Drop goals (in brackets) are included in the principal figures.

WIGAN RUGBY LEAGUE FIRST TEAM OFFICIAL FIXTURE SEASON 1983/84

AUGUST					
Sunday 21st	SALFORD	(A)	3.00	W	F. A. 16-14
Wednesday 24th	WAKEFIELD TRINITY	(A)	7.30	W	18-11
Sunday 28th	LEIGH	(H)	3.00	L	12-28
SEPTEMBER					
Sunday 4th	COUNTY CUP - 1st ROUND WIDNES			L	20-36
Sunday 11th	BRADFORD NORTHERN	(H)	3.00	L	16-24
Wednesday 14th	COUNTY CUP - 2nd ROUND				
Sunday 18th	HULL	(A)	3.00	L	8-24
Sunday 25th	WIDNES	(H)	3.00	L	16-31
OCTOBER					
Saturday 1st	COUNTY CUP - FINAL				
Sunday 2nd	WHITEHAVEN	(A)	3.30	W	24-0
Sunday 9th	LEIGH	(A)	3.30	L	18-24
Sunday 16th	HULL K.R.	(H)	3.00	POST	
Wednesday 19th	LEEDS	(H)	7.45	W	20-6
Sunday 23rd	QUEENSLAND	(H)	3.00	L	2-40
NOVEMBER					
Sunday 6th	JOHN PLAYER SPECIAL TROPHY - 1st ROUND YORK	(H)	3.00	W	30-13
Sunday 13th	OLDHAM	(A)	3.00	L	4-8
Sunday 20th	JOHN PLAYER SPECIAL TROPHY - 2nd ROUND	(H)		W	24-15
Saturday 26th	JOHN PLAYER SPECIAL TROPHY - 3rd ROUND WIDNES	(A)	3.00	L	15-20
Sunday 27th	CASTLEFORD	(A)	3.30	POST	
DECEMBER					
Sunday 4th	WHITEHAVEN	(H)	3.00	W	33-11
Sunday 11th	BRADFORD NORTHERN	(A)	3.30	POST	
Sunday 18th	HULL	(H)	3.00	W	14-12
Monday 26th	ST. HELENS	(H)	3.00	W	12-8
JANUARY					
Sunday 1st	WARRINGTON	(A)	3.00	POST	
Sunday 8th	CASTLEFORD	(H)	3.00	W	32-12
Wednesday 11th	FEATHERSTONE	(A)	7.30	L	6-15
Sunday 22nd	OLDHAM	(H)	3.00	POST	
Sunday 29th	HULL K.R.	(A)	3.00	L	10-24
FEBRUARY					
Sunday 5th	WARRINGTON	(H)	3.00	L	6-24
Sunday 12th	STATE EXPRESS CHALLENGE CUP - 1st Rd Bramley	(A)	3.00	D	10-10
Wednesday 15th	STATE EXPRESS CHALLENGE CUP - 1st Rd R Bramley	(H)	7.45	W	34-4
Sunday 19th	FULHAM	(A)	3.00	L	22-10
Sunday 26th	STATE EXPRESS CHALLENGE CUP - 2nd RND OLDHAM	(H)	3.00		
MARCH					
Thursday 1st	BRADFORD N.	(A)	7.30		
Sunday 4th	WAKEFIELD T.	(H)	3.00		
Sunday 11th	WIDNES	(A)	3.00		
Sunday 18th	FULHAM	(H)	3.00		
Sunday 25th	LEEDS	(A)	3.00		
APRIL					
Sunday 1st	FEATHERSTONE R.	(H)	3.00		
Friday 20th	ST. HELENS	(A)	3.00		
Monday 23rd	SALFORD	(H)	3.00		
Sunday 29th	SLALOM LAGER PREMIERSHIP - 1st ROUND				
MAY					
Saturday 5th	STATE EXPRESS CHALLENGE CUP FINAL AT WEMBLEY				

'A' TEAM FIXTURES

Date	Opposition	Venue	Kick-off		
Thursday 18th August 1983	Swinton	(A)	7.30	W	32-16
Wednesday 31st August 1983 (Lancashire Shield)	Leigh	(H)	7.30	POST	
Friday 2nd September 1983	Warrington	(A)	7.30	L	28-14
Friday 23rd September 1983	Widnes	(A)	7.30	L	38-28
Friday 14th October 1983	Salford	(A)	7.30	W	12-8
Thursday 20th October 1983 (Lancashire Shield)	Leigh	(A)	7.30	L	34-12
Wednesday 26th October 1983 (Lancashire Shield)	Leigh	(H)	7.30	W	28-2
Wednesday 9th November 1983	Oldham	(H)	7.30	W	32-30
Wednesday 16th November 1983	Warrington	(H)	7.30	L	8-40
Wednesday 30th November 1983 (Lane Shield)	Leigh	(H)	7.30	W	28-12
Saturday 10th December 1983	Barrow	(A)	2.30	W	14-12
Thursday 15th December 1983 (Friendly)	Wakefield	(H)	7.30	W	30-7
Wednesday 21st December 1983	Salford	(H)	7.30	POST	
Thursday 5th January 1984	St. Helens	(A)	7.30	W	14-8
Friday 20th January 1984	Oldham	(A)	7.30	W	32-18
Wednesday 1st February 1984	Leigh	(H)	7.30	W	38-10
Wednesday 8th February 1984	Salford	(H)	7.30	POST	
Saturday 18th February 1984	Barrow	(H)	3.00	POST	
Saturday 3rd March	Barrow	(H)	3.00		
Wednesday 7th March 1984	Widnes	(H)	7.30		
Thursday 22nd March 1984	Leigh	(A)	7.30		
Wednesday 4th April 1984	Swinton	(H)	7.30		
Wednesday 18th April 1984	St. Helens	(H)	7.30		