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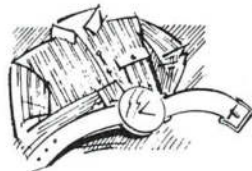
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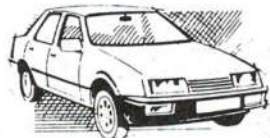
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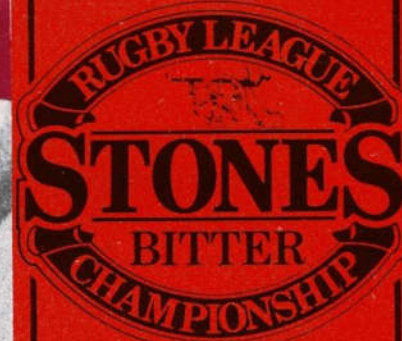
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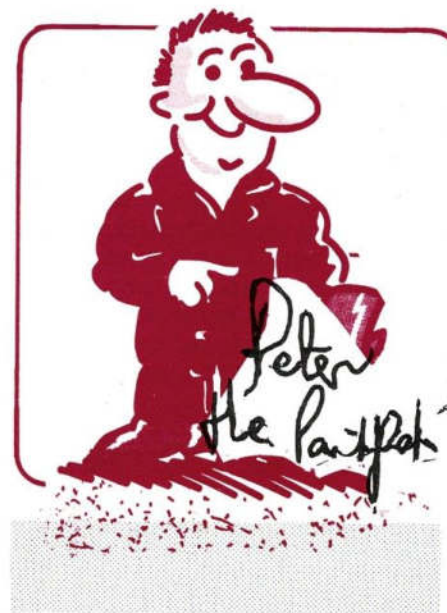
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Congratulations on Paul Gearey's award as Entertainer of the Month. It's rumoured that two other Batley players were considered after their dancing performances at the West End Pub on Sunday night.

Congratulations to Swinton on their excellent programme. Their comment on "What did Nelson Mandela say on leaving prison after twenty seven years of imprisonment - Have Salford managed to win a game, yet." That was particularly funny and goes alongside Trafford Borough's timekeepers name, Freddie Boswell as being their most amusing aside, from what are both quality programmes.

Cecil B our videoman is in hospital. I only hope he doesn't video his own operation. There is enough blood and guts in the match-day meat pies, for one as squir-mish as me.

Never mind about big forwards and fast backs. What we need are some Personality Girls in Batley's team. The ladies at Paul Storey's Road-show certainly brought some cheer. We'd have no shortage of forwards wanting to pack down and I'm sure the backs would be in hot pursuit.

Steve Ball telephoned Arthur Scargill "Do you fancy being our new Chairman, Arthur", "No, thanks Steve, there's less hassle in being Chairman of the National Union of Mine-workers".

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BATLEY RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB

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BATLEY DAILY DRAW

COMMERCIAL SCENE

Before and after today's game with Oldham, Batley Director Richard Illingworth, will be taking orders for replica shirts. The first batch were a complete sell out. Price of replica shirts are: — below 36" chest £15, above 36" chest £20.

Details of the "Derby Draw" are now available. Prizes are: — 1st £1000, 2nd £300, 3rd £200 and £10 for each runner. Tickets are 10p each and are now available from Director, Ron Earnshaw.

The "Batley Stand Appeal" fund will close on 31st March 1990 to be replaced by a "Light Up Mount Pleasant Appeal" to commence on 1st April 1990. The Batley News are going to donate the first £1000. The "Batley Stand Appeal" fund is now over £11,000.

The "Batley Daily Draw" has topped 2650 members. For £1 a week members have the chance to win 2 x £50 per day with a weekend jackpot of £100. Lottery Manager, Cliff Croft, will be in the Taverners Club Downstairs Lounge before, and in the Balcony Lounge after the game to enrol new members.

The next daily draw will be on Monday 12th March 1990 at approximately 9.00 pm. at Birstall Liberal Club.

As you can see efforts are being made to attract board sponsorship around the ground. Anyone wanting an advertisement board can obtain details from Chairman, Stephen Ball.

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NOTES

Congratulations are in order to Paul Gearey on his award as the Sunday Mirror, Wallace Arnold, Rugby League Entertainer of the Month for February 1990.

This is a most deserving award after his 4 try super show against Workington Town a fortnight ago. Two of his efforts were well worth double the admission money. Last Sunday though his try scoring came to an end, hopefully temporarily with the injury sustained at Swinton.

The injury to his shoulder occurred just before half-time and the resulting x-ray showed no breakages, but he is still sore at the moment.

Other players to pick up knocks at Swinton were Mark Scott and John McGowan.

The week off was certainly beneficial to the lads and previous performances were quickly forgotten as Workington felt the backlash, and all you supporters were magnificent in your vocal support.

A point worth noting, that it is the first time that we have topped over 40 points in 3 matches. A little more steadiness then records could have been broken.

In the Taverners Club Balcony Lounge, Director Richard Illingworth will be selling tickets for the Halifax game. These are priced £3, OAP's and children £1.50. Admission on the day will be £4, and £2, respectively. The reasoning behind the increase is to pay for the extra policing of the ground, and also £2600 had to be spent on ground safety before the match takes place.

A FUND RAISING WEEKEND

A fund raising weekend for Batley's Stand Appeal will incorporate a half marathon before the home game with Halifax on March 25 and barrel push the previous day.

The half marathon for runners and walkers will start at Thrum Hall and finish at Mount Pleasant before the kick-off. It is a sponsorship event rather than race.

Two competitors are eager to complete the course by tandem and are seeking the loan of a machine while three Batley ball boys are to join four miles from the end.

The Saturday barrel push starts at 11am at the Albion, Batley Carr, calling at 50 pubs and clubs finishing at the Taverners.

AMATEUR SCENE

District Development Association – commonly known as D.D.A's Batley R.L.F.C., Dewsbury R.L.F.C., have linked up with the amateur code to form Heavy Woollen D.D.A. The amateur code is represented by BARLA, schools and referees. The Association meets regularly and discusses all aspects of the game in this area.

Youth rugby is seen as its main priority and today we welcome one of its concepts in the Heavy Woollen Development Cup. Two teams, one from Hyrstmount Junior School will take on Mill Lane School in today's U-11 curtain raiser. Neither school has played rugby league before this season. We wish them both well and hope they will continue to play rugby league for many seasons to come.

A letter received from Widnes R.L.F.C. after our recent cup game with them at Naughton Park.

"My Committee asked me to write to offer their sincere congratulations on a great effort in the Cup game and for the superb behaviour of your players both on and off the field. They were immaculately turned out and were in every way a credit to your Club.

Can we also thank your Directors who accepted defeat in the true spirit of the sport and spoke highly of our own performance.

We hope you all had an enjoyable afternoon and we look forward to meeting you all again in the near future".

MISS YORKSHIRE R.L. CONTEST

The "Miss Yorkshire R.L. Contest", which is organised by the Yorkshire Federation of Rugby League Supporters Clubs will be held in the Trevor Foster Lounge at Bradford Northern R.L.F.C. on Friday 20th April 1990. The event is sponsored this year by The Windmill Inn, Shelf and the winner will receive £75 and 2 tickets for the Challenge Cup Final at Wembley. The runner up will receive £50, third placed girl will receive £30 while all other finalists will receive Gift Vouchers.

Last year's winner was Sarah McDonough of Warrington.

Tickets are now available, at £1.50 each (including buffet supper), for anyone wishing to attend the Miss Yorkshire R.L. Contest. Full details of entertainment will be announced later, but the Bradford Northern Cheerleaders will certainly be in action. Further details from the Supporters hut.

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A big welcome to everyone from Watersheddings. Oldham RLFC are currently third in Division Two and semi-finalists in the Silk Cut RL Challenge Cup.

That is the summation of our task this afternoon. Daunting, yes — impossible, no. We recall travelling to Widnes in January to meet the World Champions in the Cup. That did appear a monstrous task but on the day we gave as good as we got and but for some last ditch tackling we could have narrowed the gap even more. The visitors of course went one better. They beat the mighty First Division side by 16 – 4. That is form indeed. In fact they kept Widnes to just two Jonathan Davies goals, yet scored two tries themselves.

That is the back-drop to today's encounter. Are we up to the job? Well, after that resounding 46 – 6 win, in our last match here, over Workington Town we took Swinton to the limit for an hour. Then we seemed to lose direction, not helped by the loss of ace try scorer Paul Gearey with shoulder trouble. Certainly we will need to get back to a full 80 minute performance if we are to dent Oldham's hopes.

Last week our visitors beat Huddersfield 23 – 8. A certain Tommy Martyn took the Man of the Match honours with a try and a drop goal. The same Martyn scored against us at Oldham this season. In the crowd was that young man's mother and father. He looked familiar enough. Could it really be our own former dynamic second-rower Tommy Martyn? Yes, of course it was. Young Tommy played stand-off against us and could be playing today. He has certainly started his career impressively. If he turns out half as good as his father he will be a great asset to the Roughyeds.

Oldham could make history on March 31st. They take on Warrington at Central Park (K.O. 2 pm) in the second semi-final of the Challenge Cup.

A victory would ensure their first ever appearance at Wembley Stadium. Under coach Tony Barrow they have earned the label of giant killers. The Second Division pacesetters in Cup football have already reached the Lancashire Cup final this season, falling to Warrington and so have every incentive to get revenge.

Team strengthening continues in view of a pending return to the top table. Winger Peter Lewis from Bramley is one of the latest recruits. Coach Barrow took over last season building a squad on less than £100,000 a sum just one player can fetch these days. Teamwork is the catchword in such cases so we have been suitably warned.

Playing for each other is a factor in our own early season form. We gave Oldham a good game in those circumstances, the 22 – 4 scoreline hardly did us justice that day. You may recall how we led up to the final minute of the first half with that John McGowan try in the corner. That had been preceded by a disallowed 'try' by Paul Storey who was brought back for the adjudged forward pass.

IN FOCUS

Back in August we knew that March was the testing point with such a hard month of fixtures. But last week at Swinton the scoreline flattered our opponents even though we admit to a mixed final quarter. The point is that we have the background to push our opponents all the way. What we need today is consistency. Oldham will have one eye on three weeks from now and the 80 minutes of Wembley mania. We have the sole incentive of finishing the season with a flourish to perhaps cash-in on some club slipping up on the Top-8 trail. It all spells out a tough encounter against the Barrow boys but one that can restore some pride in our ranks before tackling Halifax over the next two weeks.

MATCH FACTS

Meeting Oldham in the 1980's was something of a rarity. We did entertain them in a John Player Round Two Cup-tie in 1987 but we have to go back to the 1970's for regular clashes.

At Home

Oct 1989	Today's Game		
Nov 1987	Batley	Lost	0-44
	John Player Trophy Round 2 (Attendance 2,808)		
1981-82	Batley	Lost	11-20
1979-80	"	DRAW	17-17
1978-79	Batley	Won	19-5
1977-78	"	Lost	9-18

Away

Oct 1989	Batley	Lost	4-22
1981-82	Batley	Lost	9-17
	(At Boundary Park)		
1979-80	Batley	Lost	9-32
1978-79	"	Lost	0-24
1977-78	"	Lost	13-28

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v WORKINGTON TOWN

Paul Gearey
MAN OF THE MATCH
v SWINTON

Simon Wilson

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- 4—PAUL MARSHALL
- 5—BRIAN WAITES
- 6—SIMON WILSON
- 7—JOHN STAINBURN
- 8—MARK SPENDLER
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- 4—JOHN HENDERSON
- 5—PAUL LORD
- 6—TOMMY MARTYN
- 7—BRETT CLARK
- 8—LEO CASEY
- 9—RICHARD RUSSELL
- 10—JOHN FIELDHOUSE
- 11—KEITH NEWTON
- 12—KEITH ATKINSON
- 13—JOHN COGGER
- 14—RICHARD IRVING
- 15—SHAUN ALLEN

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JOHN FIELDHOUSE: Recent signing from St. Helens. Great Britain International – Man of the Series against the Kiwis. Has settled in and playing the sort of rugby that made him an international in the 80's.

RICHARD IRVING: Signed for Oldham in August, 1987 from Moldgreen ARLFC and impressed the coach Eric Fitzsimmons with his strong-running wing displays, scoring tries against Keighley and Rochdale. Scorer of just two tries – against Wigan and Wakefield – last season.

JOHN HENDERSON: Signed from Leigh club, this prolific try-scoring centre suffered through injury for much of last season and scored 8 tries. Scored 31 tries in 1985-86 and another 27 in 1986-87 for Leigh, gaining selection for Lancashire and scoring a try, in a 22 – 22 draw with Papua New Guinea in 1987. Guested for Sydney Wests in 1985.

CHARLIE McALISTER: A sensational capture from Bradford and Bingley RUFC in February, 1988, scoring 9 tries and 15 goals in 18 appearances in his debut season. Had a summer spell in Australia with the Newcastle Knights in 1988, improving his defensive abilities. Kicked four goals in the 1988 Second Division Premiership Final. New Zealander with great strength and pace and the ability to play in a variety of back roles.

KEVIN MEADOWS: One of the First Division's most under rated wingers, having previously played for St. Helens and Warrington. Scored 16 tries in 38 appearances in 1987-88. In his second spell at Oldham where he once scored 5 tries in a First Division match against Salford in 1984. Seven tries last season included a hat-trick in a 64 – 2 Lancashire Cup slaughter of Workington. Now on loan at Trafford Borough.

DUNCAN PLATT: Goalkicking full-back signed in November 1988, from Widnes. Brother of Wigan and Great Britain forward Andy, he was in Widnes' Premiership winning team in 1988 and contributed 80 points from 16 appearances in their championship win. Excelled for Oldham and scored 41 goals and 98 points in his debut season. Kicked 2 goals on his debut here at Thrum Hall in the 12 – 0 win last December.

RICHARD RUSSELL: Oldham's major off-season signing, coming from Wigan, where he had gained Great Britain Colts and two Under 21 international selections in 1987 and 1988. Played in every back role at Central Park but received very few opportunities last season. Represented Wigan in the 1987 Lancashire Cup and Premiership Finals.

MIKE FORD: BARLA Young Lions tourist to New Zealand in 1983, signed for Wigan from the Oldham St. Annes ARLFC in August of that year. Won Challenge Cup (1985), Lancashire Cup (1985 and 1986), and John Player (1986 and 1987) honours, before joining Leigh. Gained four Under 21 international caps between 1965 and 1987 and also had a spell with Sydney club Eastern Suburbs. Toured Down Under with the Lions last summer, scoring 6 tries in 7 appearances. Signed for hometown Oldham in January 1988, after an unhappy spell at Hilton Park, and was outstanding as Oldham defeated Featherstone in an epic Second Division Premiership Final. Totalled 9 tries and 3 drop goals in 19 appearances as Oldham swept to the Second Division Championship in 1987-88. Three tries last season.

STEVE ROBINSON: Signed from Saddleworth Rangers 2 seasons ago and has progressed to be a very fine winger.

NEIL CLAWSON: Son of much-travelled Trinity and Great Britain prop forward Terry. Neil is another front-rower with lots of ability. Joined Oldham from Featherstone in May, 1986 and scored 3 tries in 26 appearances 1988.

JOHN FAIRBANK: Former BARLA international forward signed by Leeds in November 1987, from Elland ARLFC. One of five League-playing brothers and son of former Leeds and

Huddersfield forward Jack. Played 19 games in his debut season for Leeds, but was surprisingly allowed to leave Headingley last August. Strong, forceful 21 year-old whose best is yet to come.

ANDY RUANE: Former Widnes and Rochdale hooker, signed for Oldham by Eric Fitzsimmons, his former coach of the Hornets. A great worker in the loose, with goalkicking skills, he scored 12 tries, 15 goals and 2 drop goals for Hornets in 1987-88. Made his presence felt at Watersheddings, claiming the No. 9 jersey and kicking his first goals against Workington Town in the Lancashire Cup tie. One of the most impressive performers in the relegation year, scoring 4 tries and 18 goals.

PAUL ROUND: Signed for £68,000 from St. Helens in August 1987, instantly repaying Oldham with 16 tries in 26 appearances and gaining inclusion in the Lancashire teams which opposed Yorkshire (scoring a try) and Papua New Guinea in 1987. Originally a back-row forward who has played on the wing and at full-back. Nine tries last season including ones in home and away meetings with Halifax.

LEO CASEY: Recruited from St. Annes ARLFC in April 1985, this hard grafting prop-forward scored 3 tries in 8 appearances for the club in 1987-88. 7 tries last season.

JOHN COGGER: An outstanding signing from Runcorn Highfield last season. This inspirational Aussie had picked up the Second Division Player of the Year award in 1987, and starred in Oldham's end-of-season matches, scoring a try hat-trick against Featherstone and totalling 6 tries for the club, to go alongside seven scored for the league's wooden-spoonists. Can play loose-forward or stand-off.

SHAUN ALLEN: Appeared for St. Helens in 1985 and 1988 Premiership Finals and also in their 1984 Lancashire Cup winning side, gaining an Under 21 international debut for Great Britain against France in 1984. Played centre and in the back-row for the Knowsley Road club, joining Oldham, initially on loan, last season, scoring a try against Widnes.

PAUL LORD: Signed from Stanley Rangers ARL as a stand-off but recently playing on wing. Represented Yorkshire at Under 17's level and Great Britain. Has great pace.

COLIN HAWKYARD: Current beneficiary and an unsung workhorse of the Roughyeds pack, being a frequent scorer and a tireless defensive player. 3 tries in 27 appearances in 1987-89, and a further 4 last term. Played for Oldham in the 1986 Lancashire Cup Final against Wigan. Had a 3 match loan spell at Huddersfield in 1981-82.

KEITH NEWTON: Strong back-row forward signed from champions Widnes last season, opening his try account for Oldham with two in the 40 – 9 Cup win at Dewsbury in the first round. Added another two in a big defeat of Featherstone at Watersheddings.

GARY HYDE: Another of Tony Barrow's recruits, joining Oldham from Castleford, after winning Great Britain Under 24 international honours as a centre in the early 80's. Has played centre and loose-forward for Oldham, scoring the first of four tries in a 23 – 22 defeat of Salford. Played in 7 major Finals for Castleford, including their 1986 Wembley defeat of Hull K.R.

BRETT CLARK: St. George half-back who has recently signed a 1 year contract for Oldham. Will need no introduction to Saints fans. Brett played at Knowsley Road in the 1986-87 season. One of the most popular of Saints recent overseas signings.

Oldham continued to build for the future during the summer, with England Schools skipper **CRAIG MORT** (16) being added to the starlets already at Watersheddings. **NEIL FLANAGAN**, **TOMMY MARTYN** and **STEVE ENTWISTLE** all starred on the BARLA Youth tour of Australia this summer.

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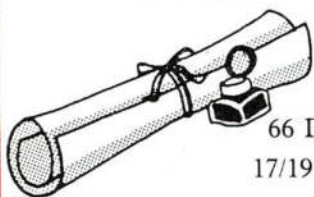
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Tommy Martyn Senior and wife Marie taken at the Oldham v Batley match in October.
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Turning Point last week – Paul Gearey leaves the field with a shoulder injury.
Mark Speight substitutes.

DOWN MEMORY LANE

Games at League level with Oldham have been very much at a premium these past few decades, but the span of time has at least ensured many notable confrontations between us and our Lancastrian visitors of today. The transfer market has also been a further area in which Batley and Oldham have – from time to time – assisted each others cause.

The most notable of “exports” to leave Mount Pleasant and move to the Watersheddings, was undoubtedly **John Etty**, a player whose services were highly regarded by them, and indeed is still remembered for the part he played as a member of Oldham’s late fifties team successes in the Lancashire Cup League and Championship winning days.

John had to seek out his elusive Wembley Final appearance a little later with Wakefield Trinity, but he will no doubt be wishing the current team players every good wish in making their “Final Goal” come true.

We ourselves, also add similar sentiments for it would be nice to see them break their Wembley “duck”, and, even more so to witness a new name etched upon the cups most heraldic of plinths were they to win it.

Returning to the reflections of bye-gone days from a match point of view here are two from 1949. These show just how difficult it has been for Batley sides of the modern era to get the better of Oldham. 1949/50 season is the last time we gained a “double” over them.

At Batley – and just a fortnight before Xmas, we made 4th placing in the League table thanks to an 18 pts to 10 win. Tries were from: Etty; Hesketh; Westbury and Lawton; Goals by: Eaton (2) and Stokes. Oldham’s points came from Leyland and Lea (tries) with Barraclough 2 goals. – 7,000 being present at the match.

The return fixture at the Watersheddings in April was a very tight affair indeed. Just 7 pts in all scored in total over the eighty minutes played, and those were on the board inside the first quarter hour of action. Eric Hesketh it was who scored Batley’s – and the games – only try. He romped away from Ettys inside pass to beat the Oldham cover and score near the posts following a 45 yard run for Jack Perry to convert. Tate pulled two points back for Oldham – but keen tackling snuffed out the efforts of either side afterwards giving Batley the league points again at 5 – 2.

The teams at Watersheddings were:

OLDHAM – Granville; Batten; Platt; Daley; Tate; Ward; Jones; Ogden; Mundy; Taylor; Donegan; Tomlinson and Rostron.

BATLEY – Eaton; Derry; Stokes; Riches; Etty; Hesketh; Laycock; Hargreaves; Carter; Hartley; Lavender; Moore; Hattersley; Referee was Mr. W. Hemmings (Halifax) with another 7,000 gate.

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We are pleased to inform you that your player Paul Gearey has been selected as the Sunday Mirror Wallace Arnold Entertainer of the Month for February 1990.

He will be presented with a framed citation and a travel voucher worth £300 at your next home match on Sunday 11th March, the presentation taking place immediately before kick-off.



Congratulations to

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Sunday Mirror-Wallace Arnold Entertainer
of the Month for February 1990

Date	Opponents	V	K.O.	Res	F-A	Tries	Goals	Att	Pos
Sept 3 Sun	Nottingham City	H	3.15	W	20-11	Wilson (2) Scott	Stainburn (4)	1022	—
6 Wed	Runcorn H	A	7.30	W	9-0	McGowan Waites	Stainburn (D.G.)	350	2
10 Sun	Ryedale York	H	3.15	L	8-18	Waites	McGrath (2)	1417	5
17 Sun	Sheff. Eagles County Cup Comp. 1	H	3.15	L	5-36	Smith	Halloran (D.G.)	1299	—
24 Sun	Bramley	H	3.15	W	30-12	Waites (2) Wragg Scott Williams	Stainburn (5)	1046	3
27 Wed	County Cup Competition 2								
Oct 1 Sun	Hunslet	A	3.30	W	23-12	Smith (2) McGowan Williams	Stainburn (3) (D.G.)	1070	4
8 Sun	Swinton	H	3.15	L	0-18	0	0	1396	7
15 Sun	Nottingham City	A	3.15	W	29-10	Williams (3) Wilson McGrath	Stainburn (4) (D.G.)	437	5
22 Sun	Whitehaven	H	3.15	W	21-6	Waites Gearey Williams	Stainburn (4) (D.G.)	987	2
29 Sun	Oldham	A	3.00	L	4-22	McGowan	0	4120	6
Nov 5 Sun	Keighley	A	3.15	W	22-8	Wilson Gearey Spendler	Stainburn (3) Wilson (2)	997	4
12 Sun	Runcorn H	H	2.30	W	46-14	Williams (4) Wilson (2) McGowan Scott Hartley	Stainburn (5)	1090	4
19 Sun	West Hull Regal Trophy Prelim. Round	H	2.30	W	28-14	Gearey (2) McGowan Williams Perry Scott	Stainburn (1) Wilson (1)	844	—
26 Sun	Fulham	H	2.30	L	10-12	Williams	Stainburn (3)	997	8
Dec 3 Sun	Swinton Regal Trophy First Round	A	3.00	L	16-18	Bownass Wilson Williams	McGrath (1) Stainburn (1)	1360	—
10 Sun	Workington Town	A	2.30	W	28-17	Scott (2) Wilson Fortis Williams	McGrath (4)	413	5
17 Sun	Trafford Borough	H	2.15	W	12-11	Fortis Cook	McGrath (2)	876	4
26 Tues	Dewsbury	H	12.15	W	18-6	Williams Marshall Gearey Waites	McGrath (1)	3248	3
31 Sun	Dewsbury	A	11.30	L	8-22	Gearey (2)	0	2507	3
Jan 7 Sun	Bramley	A	3.30	L	10-18	Gearey (2)	Stainburn (1)	1110	6
12 Fri	Thatto Heath R. L. Cup Prelim. Round	A	8.00	W	45-2	Gearey (3) Cook Wilson Waites Spendler Wragg Scott	Stainburn (4) (DG)	2802	—
21 Sun	Fulham	A	2.30	L	14-17	Gearey Wilson	Stainburn (3)	792	8
28 Sun	Widnes Silk Cut Challenge Cup (1)	A	3.00	L	10-26	Gearey (2)	Wilson (1)	5702	—
Feb 4 Sun	Trafford Borough	A	3.30	L	12-18	Gearey Scott	Wilson (2)	740	10
11 Sun	Hunslet	H	2.45	L	16-22	Gearey (2) Stainburn	Wilson (2)	1207	10
25 Sun	Workington T	H	2.45	W	46-6	Gearey (4) Subritzky Cook Waites Williams	Wilson (7)	857	9
Mar 4 Sun	Swinton	A	3.00	L	3-20	0	Wilson (1) (DG)	1250	10
11 Sun	Oldham	H	3.00						
18 Sun	Halifax	A	3.00						
25 Sun	Halifax	H	3.15						
Apr 1 Sun	Whitehaven	A	3.30						
4 Wed	Keighley	H	6.30						
Easter									
16 Mon	Ryedale York	A	3.15						

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