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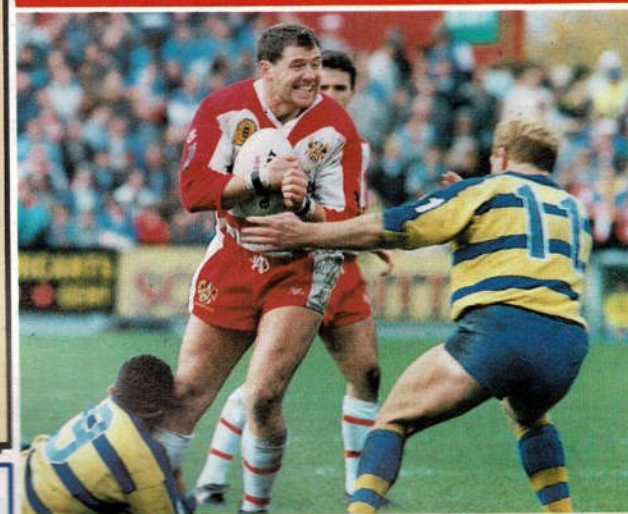
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1987-88, 1989-90

WATERSHEDDINGS SURVEY

IT is difficult to write this survey for the final game of the season because printing deadlines meant it had to be penned before the Rochdale-Wakefield game on Wednesday. In other words, at the time of writing we did not know whether Oldham would be condemned to the Second Division next season or still in with a chance of survival from today's game against Hull.

If Rochdale did us a good turn and beat Wakefield in midweek, we will have a chance of First Division survival tonight if we beat Hull by enough points to finish with a better points difference than Trinity. If Trinity drew at Rochdale, or won, we will go into this evening's match with little more to plan for other than pride and in the knowledge that we will be in the Second Division next season.

If the former applies, please give us all the support you can so that we can attempt to beat Hull with enough points to stay up. If it is the latter that applies, please stick with us next season in the Second Division when we will be doing our best to make a quick return at the first attempt.

To give ourselves a fighting chance of staying up, we needed at least a point at Warrington last Sunday, but that was not to be and we believe we can fairly say that we had no luck at all on the day. Even before the match, good fortune was not on our side when several players, mostly backs, were ruled out of the match due to injury. To make matters worse, Paul Round and Richard Russell were forced to quit after half an hour and Keith Atkinson played for most of the game with a jaw injury which required a medical check after the game.

We went 8-0 up and then provided Warrington with a gift try, but how can you legislate for the bad luck we suffered on drop kicks. We performed our own drop kicks well and scored two by Mike Ford and Andy Ruane. Warrington were not out quickly enough to charge down the kicks, with the result that we scored two points. However, we managed to charge down each of Warrington's four drop kicks, but each time the ball bounced kindly for them, and off one of them Duane Mann was played onside and he scored what must have been one of the luckiest tries of the season.

They kicked the goal and had, therefore, scored six points off a drop goal that went wrong. How unlucky can you be? Still, we did not play well enough to win after a great opening spell in which we went 8-0 up with those drop goals and a try by Round, off a Russell pass, which Duncan Platt goaled.

Tonight's match is kicking off at 6.30p.m. because it is going out live on BSkyB. It also brings to an end the 1990-91 campaign, which has been an eventful season for the club, although there have been a few more downs than ups.

One of the brightest spots was our qualification for the semi-final of the Silk Cut Challenge Cup for the second consecutive year, but we were well beaten by Wigan at Burnden Park as Wigan booked their fourth successive final appearance — a record for the Wembley era and an achievement which equalled the feat of the Oldham club in playing in four consecutive finals in the pre-Wembley days of the 1920s.

It has been a long, hard season, but a lot of crucial decisions must be made in the next few weeks — concerning matters both on and off the field — so watch the local press for matters of interest. In the meantime, all supporters can rest assured that the directors will be working hard throughout the summer on a variety of projects designed to give the club some firm roots and foundations.

Wherever we may be wandering — in the First Division, the traditional Second Division, or a Second Division composed of eight clubs or 12 — see you next season!

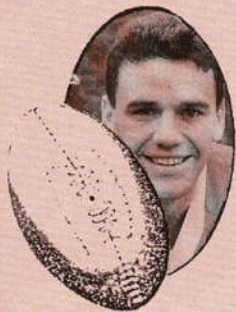


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A SEASON of great promise turned sour on all of us involved with Oldham Rugby League as the chances are highly likely, unless Rochdale beat Wakefield Trinity last Wednesday, that we will be back in the Second Division after one term in the top flight.

The coaching staff and all the players tried their hardest to turn the tide, but eventually we ran out of games. However, we feel we should never have been in this position in the first place, but losing at home to Hull KR, Bradford and Featherstone earlier in the season was the major reason why we have probably failed to stay up.

I said earlier in the season a top-eight place was there for the taking and if we had won those three games we would have been contesting the premiership play-offs instead of sliding down the greasy pole into the Second Division.

Although it has been a disappointing season, two players have been outstanding throughout our campaign, namely Paul Round, who fully deserves his Boddingtons Bitter Player of the Year award, and Richard Russell, who won the club's Player of the Month award for March.

Hopefully, these two players will be with us next season, although a lot of players will be discussing contracts with the club, myself included. However, although my name has been linked with Leeds, I am still very much committed to Oldham.

Finally, I would like to thank on behalf of the players each and every one of you for your loyal support, which has been tremendous throughout the season.

Wherever we start next season, we look forward to the continued support of the Rugby League's best fans.



ROGER'S FOCUS

Oldham Evening
Chronicle Rugby
League writer,
Roger Halstead,
looks at today's
visitors

HULL FC come to Watersheddings this evening to bring down the curtain on the 1990-91 Stones Bitter championship campaign.

Although they had a spell when their away form let them down, the men from the Boulevard have enjoyed an excellent First Division season, first under the guidance of Australian coach Brian Smith and, more recently, under the watchful eye of his fellow countryman Noel Cleal, the former Kangaroo Test forward and tourist.

For much of the season Hull topped the table, but although their championship aspirations slipped with a series of disappointing results whenever they had to hit the M62, they are well placed to finish in the top four and will be formidable challengers in the premiership play-off.

Even "Crusher" Cleal will acknowledge the immense influence on everything black and white of the popular Smith, who was given an emotional send-off when he left the Boulevard a few weeks ago to take over the helm of Sydney St. George.

Not surprisingly, the Saints have made a splendid start in the opening weeks of the Winfield Cup.

Cleal inherited a well-organised, well-drilled team, whose success has been based on a big, strong pack to do the basics right and a clever, creative pair of half-backs in Greg Mackey and Patrick Entat.

Mackey, an Australian, was snapped up from Warrington shortly after he had helped the Wires to beat Oldham in the final of the Lancashire Cup last season.

The partnership was complete when Entat, the French international scrum-half, got out his English phrase book and a map of the British Isles and decided to settle on Humberside.

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Hull . . .

Rob Nolan: Utility player who is a product of the club's youth policy. Regarded as a back-row forward but has developed into a player who can play anywhere.

Paul Eastwood: Made his debut against Oldham in 1985 and has since established himself as a top class player. Last season he scored 101 goals and 22 tries to earn a Great Britain squad call-up. He starred in the recent Test series against Australia.

Brad Webb: A stand-off or centre from Down Under who had two years out of the game and is now determined to re-establish himself in Britain.

Neil Turner: A winger signed from Doncaster with a reputation as a strong, hard runner, who has bagged 12 tries in 17 games.

Greg Mackey: A scrum-half or stand-off signed from Warrington after leading them to victory in the Lancashire Cup last year, this Aussie was formerly with Souths.

Patrick Entat: Talented Frenchman who was signed from Avignon. He was outstanding in the victorious French side at Headingley last year and looks to have a bright future in the English game.

Andy Dannatt: A product of Hull's colts policy, he has earned representative honours at all levels of the game. He played against France at Headingley in 1985 at prop.

Lee Jackson: Another product of the club's youth policy, Lee is currently in possession of the Great Britain No. 9 shirt. He toured Papua New Guinea and New Zealand last year and featured in the recent Australian Test series.

Karl Harrison: A £57,000 buy from Featherstone Rovers, Karl's powerhouse style of play has earned him the nickname Rhino and international honours. He has formed an awesome partnership with Andy Dannatt.

Ian Marlow: A back-row forward who signed from Beverley Rugby Union and is an outstanding prospect.

Russ Walker: A back-row forward signed from Barrow, known for his excellent work-rate and strong defensive abilities.

Jon Sharp: A loose forward or second row, who signed from Featherstone, making his debut in 1984.

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*John
Cogger...*

This week's PLAYER PROFILE

ONE player who will be glad to see the back of this season is Oldham's flamboyant Australian John Cogger, who would rather forget the last couple of months.

John, who skippered the side to promotion and the Silk Cut Challenge Cup semi-final last term, has endured his worst ever season.

He has suffered bad luck with injuries, a suspension and loss of form — and to cap it all he broke his kneecap in a reserve team match against Hull KR, his first game for nearly a month.

Last season, Cogger was the club's top try-scorer, but this year he has managed to score just one. However, he hopes to find the solution to his try drought back home.

Now the charismatic Aussie is planning to put the season behind him once his injury has cleared up by playing for Wentworthville, a second division Sydney league side.

Said John: "I am looking forward to playing at home to get my form back and regain my confidence. A few tries will do wonders for my game!"

John is confident that playing down under in the summer will help his preparations for next season.

"I think a spell in Australia will get me buzzing again. I am going with the backing of the club, who have given me permission to miss pre-season training as long as I am back in time for the first match of the season!"



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*General
Manager
Ray Hill
reports on
the Water-
sheddings
scene*

WATERSHEDDINGS WHISPERS

ALTHOUGH technically we are still in the First Division at the time of me penning this piece, the chances are highly likely that we will be back in the lower division.

Obviously, this will be a great blow for everyone at the club because Oldham is a First Division club, both on and off the field, and the top flight is where we belong.

Fortunately, the luck that has deserted us on the field, where all that stands between us and safety could be a single point, wasn't needed as our off-the-field activities continue to go from strength to strength.

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I'd like to thank all our sponsors for all their support throughout the season and look forward to building an even stronger relationship with you all next season. If anyone wants to discuss sponsorship, no matter what aspects, just give me a call. Like Kevin, I'll be delighted to hear from you. Give me a ring on 061-620 4870.

One event sponsored by Barlow's Coaches is the Oldham RLFC Supporters Club's player of the year presentation, which takes place at the Sheddings night club on Thursday, April 18th. Admission for what should be a superb evening's entertainment is £2.

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Finally, I'd like to thank everyone behind the scenes who make Oldham RLFC so special, from my colleagues in the office to the stewards and commissionaires who work so hard on match days, to the programme sellers.

And last but not least, on behalf of the club, I'd like to thank all our supporters.

Enjoy your summer.

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PAUL ROUND, this season's top try-scorer with 20 touchdowns, is the fans' favourite — and that's official, as the bustling second row forward has been voted the Boddingtons Bitter Player of the Year.

He'll collect the Boddingtons Bitter player of the year trophy, a £250 cheque and a case of Boddies to celebrate from Whitbread Beer Company representative Ken Regan.

Paul follows in the footsteps of previous winners Chris O'Sullivan and Mike Ford.

Richard Russell, who has been outstanding as a hooker and loose forward, was second, with ever-present Mike Ford claiming third place.

TOMMY'S YOUNG DOUBLE

TOMMY MARTYN was presented with the Boddingtons Bitter Young Player of the Year award for the second consecutive year before the recent home game against Wigan.

The youngster, back in the side after several knocks to the head, won a closely-fought contest with Chris Joynt.



He was presented with a silver salver and a £150 cheque before the game to commemorate his achievement.

RICHARD MARCHES ON

RICHARD RUSSELL has won the Boddingtons Bitter Player of the Month award for March.

Award judge and Oldham Evening Chronicle Rugby League writer Roger Halstead said: "Richard has produced consistently outstanding performances throughout the month at loose forward, where he has been creative and has linked well with Mike Ford. His month was capped by an outstanding performance against Wigan in the Silk Cut Challenge Cup, where he had a tremendous game in top company."



Richard was presented with a cheque for £100 and an inscribed tankard at training earlier this week by Ken Regan.

ANGIE FARRELL IS SUPPORTER OF THE YEAR

ANGIE FARRELL has been selected as the Boddingtons Bitter Supporter of the Year.

She was nominated by K. Wilcock, who said that Angie never misses a match, home or away, despite being in a wheelchair.

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BODDINGTONS TEAM CHECK

SUNDAY, APRIL 14th, 1991



OLDHAM

Team Changes

- 1 DUNCAN PLATT
- 2 RICHARD IRVING
- 3 DES FOY
- 4 TOMMY MARTYN
- 5 JOHN HENDERSON
- 6 BRETT CLARK
- 7 MIKE FORD
- 8 JOHN FIELDHOUSE
- 9 ANDY RUANE
- 10 KEITH ATKINSON
- 11 PAUL ROUND
- 12 CHARLIE McALISTER
- 13 RICHARD RUSSELL
- 14 PAUL LORD
- 15 KEITH NEWTON

HULL

Team Changes

- 1 RICHARD GAY
- 2 PAUL EASTWOOD
- 3 BRAD WEBB
- 4 DAMIAN McGARRY
- 5 NEIL TURNER
- 6 GREG MACKEY
- 7 PATRICK ENTAT
- 8 ANDY DANNATT
- 9 LEE JACKSON
- 10 KARL HARRISON
- 11 IAN MARLOW
- 12 RUSS WALKER
- 13 JON SHARP
- 14 LEE HANLON
- 15 STEVE DURHAM

PENALTIES

1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15
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SCRUMS

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Referee:
Mr. B. Galtress (Bradford)
Touch Judges:
Mr. G. Croft (Red Flag)
Mr. S. Haigh (Orange Flag)

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Appearances and Scorers

	P	Sub	G	D	T	Pts
Shaun Allen	0	5	0	0	0	0
Tony Anderson	16	0	0	0	2	8
Keith Atkinson	11	7	12	0	3	38
Tony Barrow	3	1	0	0	0	0
Brett Clark	30	0	0	0	9	36
John Cogger	12	9	0	0	1	4
Austin Donegan	15	5	0	0	3	12
Ronnie Duane	17	4	0	0	1	4
John Fairbank	9	5	0	0	1	4
John Fieldhouse	21	1	0	0	2	8
Mike Ford	31	0	1	3	9	41
Des Foy	10	2	0	0	4	16
Norman Francis	15	0	0	0	4	16
John Henderson	14	0	0	0	3	12
Gary Hyde	3	2	1	0	1	6
Richard Irving	20	5	0	0	6	24
Chris Joynt	1	0	0	0	0	0
Simon Longstaff	1	0	0	0	0	0
Paul Lord	20	0	0	0	9	36
Tommy Martyn	16	3	7	3	8	49
Charlie McAlister	23	4	3	0	6	30
Kenneth Newton	6	3	0	0	1	4
Duncan Platt	27	0	82	0	3	172
Derek Pyke	4	0	0	0	0	0
Steve Robinson	5	0	0	0	0	0
Paul Round	30	0	0	0	19	76
Andy Ruane	17	0	0	0	2	10
Richard Russell	27	3	0	0	5	20

Stones Bitter First Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Widnes	24	10	0	2	326	131	9	0	3	259	163	38
Wigan	23	9	1	1	268	111	9	0	3	320	170	37
Hull	25	12	0	1	350	128	5	0	7	149	220	34
Castleford	25	10	0	2	293	143	6	0	7	257	289	32
Leeds	25	8	1	3	309	178	6	1	6	285	250	30
St. Helens	25	9	0	3	344	238	4	1	8	222	279	27
Bradford	24	8	0	4	225	210	5	0	7	173	230	26
Featherstone	25	6	1	6	271	273	5	0	7	228	301	23
Warrington	25	7	0	6	232	173	3	2	7	156	201	22
Hull KR	26	7	2	4	276	228	2	1	10	176	387	21
Wakefield	25	6	2	5	195	154	3	0	9	136	249	20
OLDHAM	25	6	0	6	232	221	3	0	10	230	327	18
Sheffield	25	4	0	9	265	281	3	2	7	184	274	16
Rochdale	24	1	0	11	181	416	0	0	12	110	427	2

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Opponents	Date	KO	Res	F/A	Alt	Pos	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
Salford	2.9.90	A	3.00	L	24-27	4.226	—	Plant 4g	Irving	Foy	Henderson	Lord	Clark	Ford g	Pyke	Russell	Fieldhouse	Round 1	McAlister t	Duane	Martyn t	Newton
Leeds	9.9.90	H	3.00	W	32-22	6.338	—	Plant 4g	Irving	Martyn 1 dg	Duane	Lord	Clark t	Ford 1 g dg	Pyke	Ruane	Newton t	Round 1	McAlister t	Cogger	Russell*	Donegan*
Wakefield	16.9.90	A	3.30	L	12-17	5.651	8	Plant 1 2g	Irving t	Martyn	Duane	Lord	Clark t	Clark	Fieldhouse	Ruane	Newton	Round	McAlister	Cogger	Russell*	Fairbank*
Castleford	26.9.90	H	2.30	W	28-22	5.001	6	Plant 4g	Francis t	Martyn t	Duane	Lord	Clark t	Ford	Pyke	Russell	Fieldhouse	Round 21	McAlister	Barrow	Donegan	Fairbank
Widnes	2.10.90	A	2.30	L	16-24	7.261	8	Plant 3g	Francis	Irving	Duane	Lord t	Clark	Ford t	Pyke	Russell	Fieldhouse	Round	McAlister	Barrow	Donegan*	Donegan*
Hull KR	7.10.90	H	3.00	L	25-28	4.710	—	Plant 2g	Francis	Martyn 2 g dg	Irving	Lord t	Clark	Ford t	Pyke	Russell	Fairbank	Round 21	McAlister	Cogger	Barrow*	Donegan*
Sheffield	14.10.90	A	3.15	W	24-14	5.500	6	Martyn 1 3g	Francis t	Irving	Duane	Lord	Clark t	Ford	Donegan	Russell	Fairbank t	Round	Barrow	Cogger	Newton*	Hyde
Warrington	20.10.90	H	2.45	W	4-2	4.997	3	Plant 2g	Francis	Martyn	Duane	Lord	Clark	Ford	Donegan	Russell	Fieldhouse	Round	Newton	Cogger	Irving	Fairbank
Wigan	4.11.90	A	3.00	L	15-38	12.847	6	Plant 2g	Francis	Martyn g dg	Anderson t	Lord	Clark	Ford	Fairbank	Russell	Newton	Round 1	Duane	Cogger	Irving	Allen
Bradford N	11.11.90	H	3.00	L	16-18	5.874	8	Hyde g	Francis	Martyn 21 g	Anderson	Lord	Clark	Ford	Fairbank	Russell	Newton	Round 1	Duane	Cogger	Irving	Allen
Castleford	18.11.90	A	3.30	L	10-28	5.974	10	Hyde t	Francis	Martyn	Anderson	Lord t	Clark	Ford	Fairbank	Russell	Duane	Duane	McAlister g	Cogger	Irving	Allen
Widnes	25.11.90	H	3.00	L	18-24	5.521	12	Plant 5g t	Francis	Irving	Anderson	Lord	Clark t	Ford	Fairbank	Russell	Round	McAlister	Cogger	Hyde	Allen	Allen
Salford (Regal Trophy)	2.12.90	H	3.00	W	26-6	4.932	—	Plant 5g	Francis t	Anderson	Martyn	Lord	Clark	Ford	Donegan t	Russell t	Fairbank	Round	McAlister	Cogger	Irving t	Allen
Batley (Regal Trophy)	9.12.90	A	3.00	L	16-20	5.054	—	Plant 2g	Francis	Anderson	Irving	Lord t	Clark	Ford	Donegan	Russell	Fairbank	Round 1	McAlister	Cogger	Duane	Foy
Hull	16.12.90	A	6.30	L	31-4	5.500	12	Plant	Francis t	Anderson	Henderson	Lord	Clark	Ford	Donegan t	Russell t	Fieldhouse	Round	Atkinson	Duane	Martyn	McAlister
Rochdale	26.12.90	H	3.00	W	18-13	4.818	11	Plant 3g	Francis t	Anderson	Henderson	Lord	Clark t	Ford	Donegan	Russell	Atkinson	Round	McAlister t	Duane	Irving	Joint
Leeds	11.1.91	A	3.00	L	12-28	11.587	12	Plant 2g	Francis	Anderson	Henderson	Lord t	Clark t	Ford	Donegan	Ruane	Fieldhouse	Round 1	Atkinson g	Duane	Cogger	McAlister
Featherstone	6.1.91	H	3.00	L	14-42	4.753	12	Plant 3g	Francis	Martyn	Henderson	Irving	Clark	Ford	Donegan	Ruane	Fieldhouse	Round	Atkinson	Duane	Martyn	McAlister
Hull KR	13.1.91	A	3.00	L	14-42	4.753	12	Plant 3g	Francis	Martyn 21	Henderson	Irving	Clark	Ford	Donegan	Ruane	Fieldhouse	Round 1	Atkinson	Duane	Martyn	McAlister
Wakefield	20.1.91	H	6.30	W	26-22	4.938	12	Plant 4g	Irving	Henderson t	Martyn	Anderson	Clark t	Ford	Donegan	Ruane	Fieldhouse	Round 1	McAlister	Russell	Cogger t	Atkinson t
Featherstone	27.1.91	A	3.10	L	20-28	4.291	12	Plant 1 4g	Robinson	Henderson	Anderson	Irving	Clark	Ford	Donegan	Ruane	Fieldhouse	Atkinson t	McAlister	Russell t	Foy	Cogger
St Helens	3.2.91	H	3.00	L	16-20	5.109	12	Plant 2g	Anderson t	Martyn	Foy	Robinson	Clark t	Ford	Donegan	Ruane	Fieldhouse	Round	McAlister	Russell t	Cogger	Atkinson
Bradley (SCCC Rd 1)	17.2.91	A	2.30	W	38-6	1.300	—	Plant 5g	Irving t	Foy t	Duane	Anderson	Clark	Ford t	Donegan	Ruane 21	Fieldhouse	Round 1	McAlister t	Russell	Cogger	Atkinson
Widnes (SCCC Rd 2)	24.2.91	A	3.00	W	20-15	5.500	—	Plant 1 4g	Robinson	Foy	Duane t	Irving	Clark	Ford	Donegan	Ruane	Fieldhouse	Round 1	McAlister	Russell	Cogger	Atkinson
Bradley	3.3.91	H	3.00	W	37-40	4.029	11	Plant 6g	Irving	Foy t	Anderson	Henderson	Clark t	Ford dg, 21	Donegan	Ruane	Fieldhouse t	Round 1	McAlister	Russell	Cogger	Atkinson
Salford (SCCC QP)	10.3.91	H	3.00	W	40-3	6.500	—	Plant 3g	Irving 21	Foy	Anderson	Henderson t	Clark	Ford t	Donegan	Ruane	Fieldhouse	Round 1	McAlister t	Russell	Cogger	Atkinson 3g
St. Helens	13.3.91	A	2.30	L	22-33	6.772	12	Round 21	Francis	Robinson	Henderson	Lord	Foy t	Ford	Donegan	Ruane	Atkinson dg	Newton	McAlister 1g	Cogger	Hyde	Russell
Sheffield	17.3.91	H	3.00	W	27-20	4.206	12	Plant 1 5g	Irving	Foy	Anderson	Henderson	Clark t	Ford t	Fieldhouse	Ruane dg	Atkinson	Round 1	McAlister t	Duane	Newton	Newton
Wigan (SCCC SF)	23.3.91	—	3.00	L	16-20	19.500	—	Plant	Irving	Foy	Anderson	Henderson t	Clark	Ford t	Donegan	Ruane	Fieldhouse	Round	McAlister t	Duane	Duane	Atkinson 2g
Rochdale	29.3.91	A	3.00	W	30-12	3.467	12	Plant 2g	Irving	Henderson	Duane	Lord 21	Clark	Ford t	Fieldhouse t	Ruane	Atkinson 1 3g	Round	McAlister g	Russell	Martyn	Fairbank
Wigan	14.4.91	H	3.00	L	4-10	2.307	12	Plant	Irving t	Foy	Martyn	Henderson	Clark	Ford	Fieldhouse	Ruane	Atkinson	Round	McAlister	Russell	Duane	Donegan
Warrington	7.4.91	A	3.00	L	14-22	6.849	12	Plant 2g	Longstaff	Foy t	Martyn	Robinson	Clark	Ford dg	Fieldhouse	Ruane dg	Atkinson	Round 1	McAlister	Russell	Allen	Newton
Hull	14.4.91	H	6.30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

Key: t = try g = goal dg = drop goal * = played as substitute

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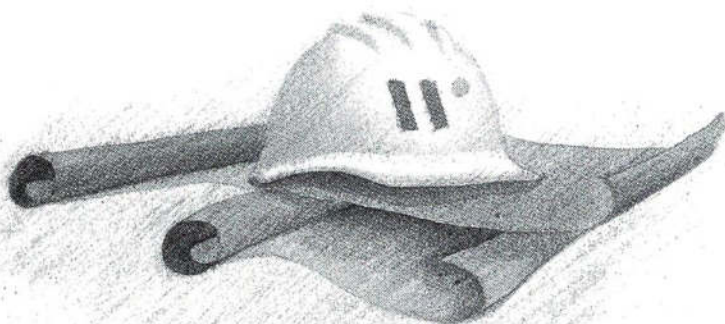
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A-TEAM ROUND-UP



The Coach's View

OUR last two games saw us gain our largest win of the season followed by one of our heaviest defeats.

The visit of Leigh to Watersheddings gave us the opportunity to play a trialist at stand-off and give a debut to Simon Longstaff following his transfer from Halifax.

Both players excelled in a performance in which the whole team was outstanding in both attack and defence. The 52-0 scoreline showed the dominance the Oldham side enjoyed.

The final result could have been much larger, with a further seven tries being disallowed.

Tommy Martyn, returning from injury, won the man-of-the-match award, in which no fewer than eight players received votes.

The following week we travelled to Hull KR looking for a victory to consolidate our third place league position.

After taking an early lead, however, we were hit by three quick tries, and although Richard Blackman scored an opportunist try, we went in at half-time 10-19 in arrears.

The second half was one-way traffic as Hull KR added a further 20 points without reply from the Oldham side.

The final score of 10-39 was a disappointing result after the performances of recent weeks, but we will endeavour to bounce back in our remaining fixtures.

The rearranged home match against Castleford last Monday night was expected to be a hard game, but these notes had to be written in advance of that match, in which the trialist stand-off was expected to play his second trial.

LATE FLASH: The 'A' team had a marvellous 22-16 win against Castleford on Monday night in its last home game of the season.

Paddy Kirwan, Richard Blackman, trialist stand-off Steve Warburton (who later signed a two-year contract for the club), Chris Joynt, Richard Pachniuk, Tony Barrow and Ian Bates excelled, but the unlucky Craig Mort broke an ankle.

Gary Hyde

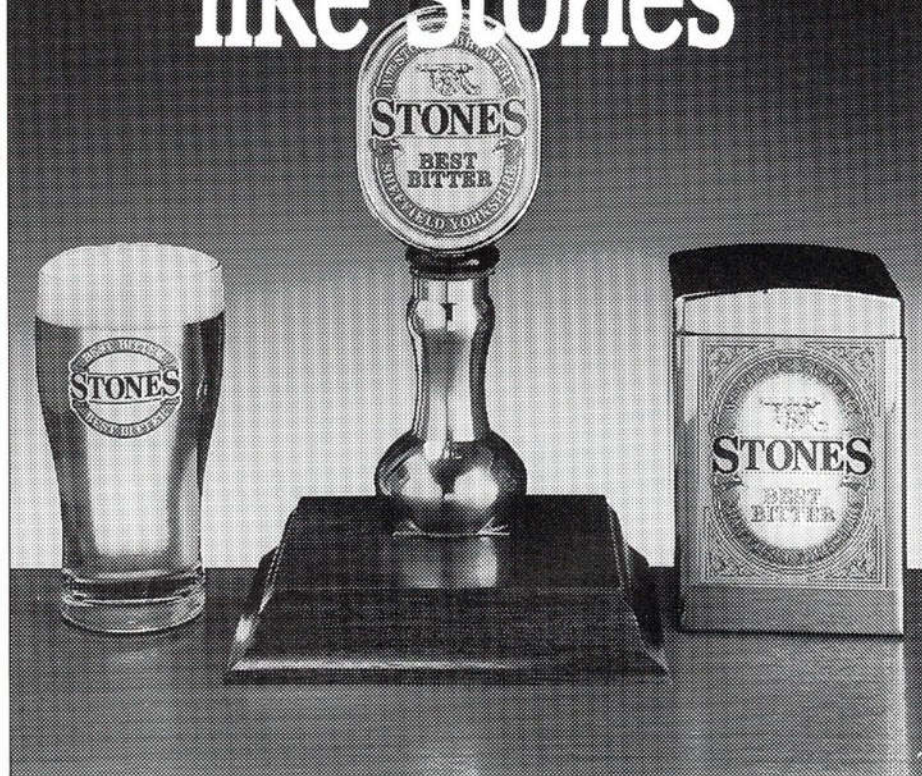
Slalom Lager Alliance Fixtures

Date	Opponents	Venue	Res	F	A
Aug 31	St Helens	H	W	32-8	
Sept 7	Leeds	A	L	12-18	
14	Wakefield	H	W	18-12	
21	Salford	A	W	22-17	
28	Widnes	H	W	34-10	
Oct 5	Workington (Lancs Shield)	H	W	28-10	
11	Leigh (Thurs)	A	L	8-24	
21	Wigan (Lancs Shield)	H	L	14-16	
Nov 2	Warrington	H	W	34-6	
9	Widnes	A	L	6-28	
16	Salford	H	W	22-6	
23	Castleford	A	L	10-14	
Dec 7	Wigan	A	W	28-18	
14	Hull	H	L	12-13	
21	Halifax	A	L	12-28	
Jan 4	Featherstone	A	L	18-26	
11	Hull KR	H	W	16-13	
18	Wakefield	A	L	20-12	
25	Featherstone	H	W	24-18	
Feb 1	St Helens	A	L	12-26	
22	Huddersfield (Alliance Cup)	H	W	16-8	
25	Wigan	H	W	26-22	
Mar 1	Hull KR (Alliance Cup)	H	W	34-8	
6	Leeds	H	W	25-6	
8	Halifax	H	W	13-6	
15	Castleford (Alliance Cup)	H	L	12-18	
29	Leigh	H	W	52-0	
April 5	Hull KR	A	L	10-39	
8	Castleford (Mon)	H	W	22-16	
12	Hull	A			
19	Warrington	A			

Slalom Lager Alliance First Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hull	24	22	0	2	648	312	44
Castleford	22	15	0	7	605	403	30
Hull KR	23	15	0	8	470	373	30
OLDHAM	24	14	0	10	478	414	28
Halifax	23	12	1	10	510	526	25
Wigan	24	11	1	12	523	523	23
Leeds	22	11	0	11	519	478	22
Widnes	21	10	0	11	534	502	20
Warrington	24	10	0	14	541	580	20
Featherstone	22	9	1	12	475	489	19
St Helens	23	9	1	13	536	565	19
Wakefield	24	8	0	16	414	562	16
Salford	23	7	0	16	386	594	14
Leigh	23	6	0	17	352	670	12

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Offiah and Austin Neck and Neck

WIDNES'S Martin Offiah and Halifax's Greg Austin are neck and neck to see who scores the most tries this season. Both have currently scored 45. Greg equalled a Division Two record with six tries when Halifax beat Trafford Borough 66-26 last Sunday. Last season Martin won the contest with 45, with Greg finishing with 38. It could be a different story this year.

Rochdale's Unwelcome Record

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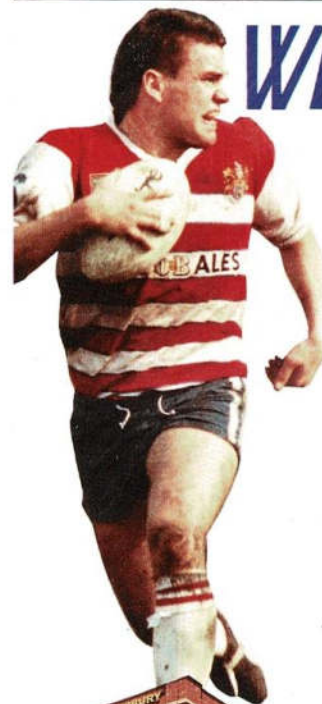
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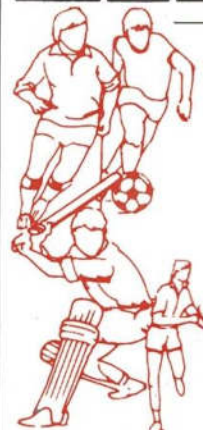
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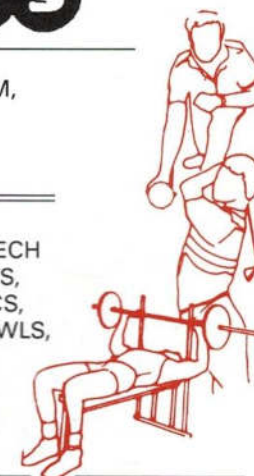
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This evening's finals are the culmination of all our area
competitions, and to all the successful players, managers, mums
and dads, congratulations.

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relationships fostered over the past year bring together young
people, police officers and our friends in the commercial sector,
which must augur well for the future.

My sincere thanks go to all who have worked so hard to ensure
a successful competition and to British Coal for their much-
appreciated support in providing the necessary sponsorship for
the event.

I would also like to thank most sincerely Oldham R.L.F.C., the
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I hope that you all enjoy the Rugby and have a very entertaining
and successful evening.

SIR JAMES ANDERTON
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