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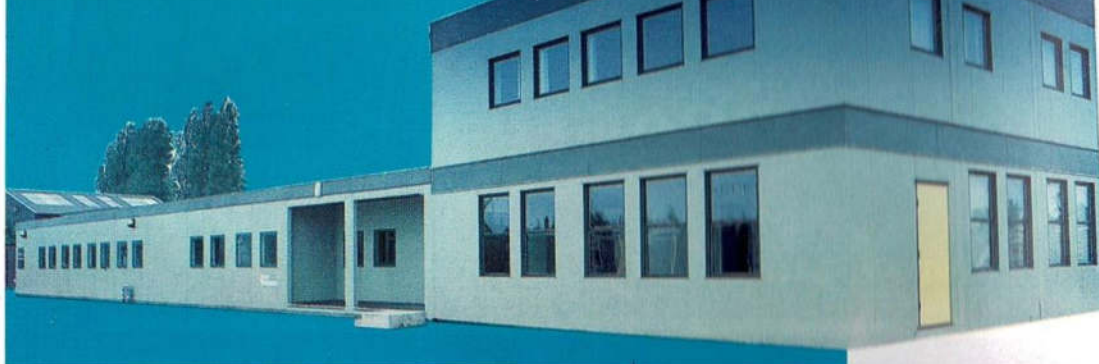


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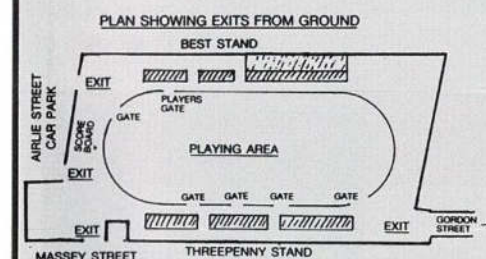
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WELCOME TO Oldham and especially to my former Aussie team mates Peter Tunks and Bob Lindner. With both teams enjoying a weekend off last week, due to the Test match, both of the teams today should be at near full strength, which should provide us with an excellent game.

We of course will be looking to carry on and improve on, our recent good results, which I believe has been due to playing a fairly settled side. Oldham of course will be aiming for their second consecutive win after comprehensively defeating Leeds in their last game.

With Bob Lindner now in top form Oldham will be a real challenge, but as I've said before our team spirit is tremendous and if there's one thing we at Hull FC relish right now, it's a challenge.

Finally congratulations to Steve McNamara for getting into the GB squad for the Second Test, and also to Dean Busby and Rob Danby for their selection in the Under-21s. Lets hope he gets the chance to have an influence on the game.

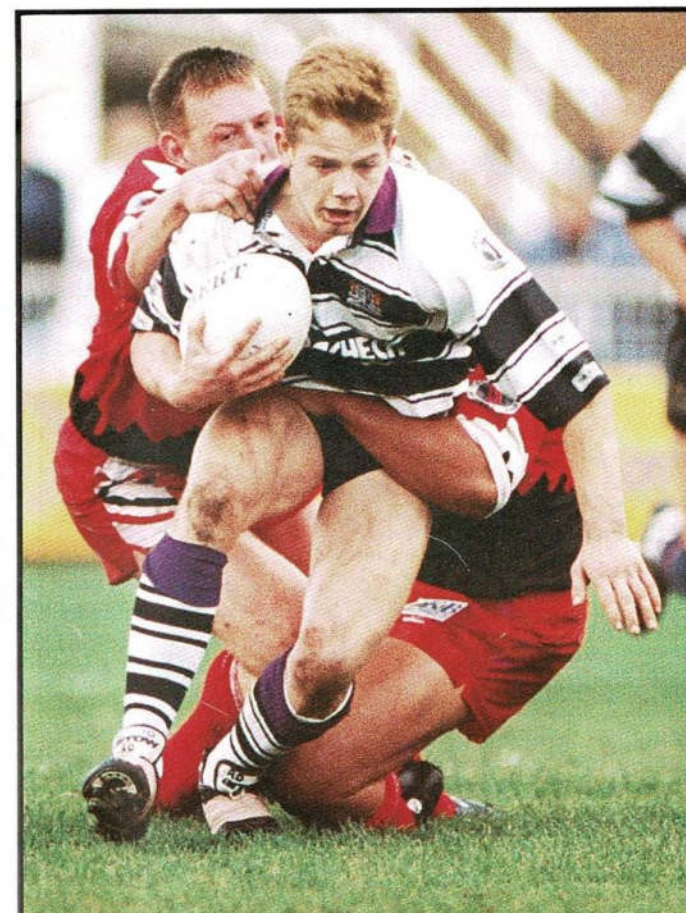
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What car do you drive: Ford Escort.

How do you relax: Sleeping.

What is your ideal night out: Going out with my girlfriend and/or my friends.

What is your ambition: To stay in Hull's first team and to play for Great Britain and to play at Wembley.

PLAYER PROFILE

ROB DANBY

Position:
Stand-off/Centre.

Age: 19

Marital Status:
Girlfriend Jo.

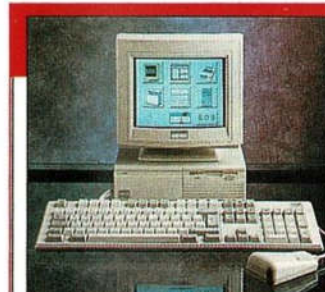
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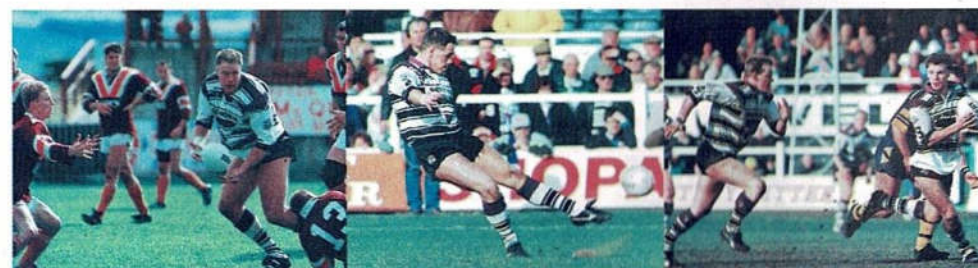
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were twice penalised for offside on the fourth tackle but even so, Widnes had only reached halfway, but a Tryer chip was partially blocked by Gary Nolan laving the trialist centre to hack it on. Scott Sullivan outpaced the centre but the ball rebounded off the base of the upright and the trialist prop to the groans of the home crowd knocked on over the line, but the groans soon erupted into loud vociferous cheering as the referee amazingly awarded the try which was converted to give The Chemics a 10-8 half time lead. Although Hull were unlucky when Rob Nolan just failed to score following another Hewitt chip. Hull edged back in front after the break when Pete More and Matt Murray had done well. Rob Nolan ran a superb angle to score out wide. Hull continued to hold territorial advantage and a dropped ball by Widnes was scooped up by hooker Duke who raced under the post but his jubilation was turned into dismay when the referee awarded Hull head and ball at a scrum, thus nullifying the advantage. However, the try Hull had threatened finally came when Nicky Rushton powered through the right centre channel using Sullivan as a foil and the prop made lightwork of the 35 metres to the corner.

Hull managed to hold onto their 16-10 lead although Sullivan had to show his pace to kill a high speed kick and chase while another Widnes raid was halted by the trialist winger.

WHAT ARE YOU WONDERING?

What did Gary Duke think of having two tries disallowed by referee Birkett at Naughton Park. Are the comments unprintable? Who was responsible for eating the majority of the pickled onions after the Widnes match? Did Rob Nolan sit on his own coming home?

Physio Keith Warner had an easy night on the bench at Widnes as no-one got an injury or were they not interested in lying on a sodden Naughton Park.

Why did the sand take so long to

come out for Mark Hewitts first penalty? Did Stan Pickering lose a game of chance before venturing into the monsoon?

Is Kevin Gray any good at netball? Did he show his talent to the girls?

Did Widnes create a record by announcing the Player of the Match, 16 minutes before the final whistle?

TABLES

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Salford	6	6	0	232	80	12
Warrington	6	5	1	216	86	10
Wigan	6	5	1	200	79	10
Bradford	6	5	1	195	117	10
St Helens	6	5	1	190	150	10
Castleford	6	4	2	182	88	8
York	6	3	3	174	142	6
Wakefield	6	2	4	108	154	4
HULL	5	2	3	74	136	4
Featherstone	6	2	4	91	202	4
Leeds	6	1	5	114	162	2
Batley	7	1	6	107	225	2
Halifax	6	1	5	126	252	2
Widnes	6	0	6	90	226	0

SECOND DIVISION

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
Oldham	6	6	0	197	103	12
Hull KR	6	5	1	257	88	10
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Huddersfield	6	3	3	140	120	6
Rochdale	6	3	3	129	141	6
Swinton	6	3	3	121	142	6
Leigh	6	2	4	142	161	4
Bramley	6	2	4	104	149	4
Hunslet	6	2	4	91	160	4
Carlisle	6	1	5	112	180	2
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Barrow	7	0	7	113	301	0

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at Wembley
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Steve McNamara



Hi Kids.

Just a few lines to remind you that our next meeting is on Tuesday 16th November, at 7.00pm. We will be having a belated Bonfire Night Party, there will be hot dogs, fireworks and lots of fun.

For those of you who missed the meeting on Tuesday, 19th October, we are hoping to take a coach to the away match at Featherstone on 21st November.

The Junior Supporters Club at Featherstone have invited us to attend their Bonfire Party before the match, plenty of food and party games. If anyone is interested, please contact either myself on 561493 or Sue Smith on (0964) 562032.

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WIDNES GAME MASCOT



James Walker with his fave player
Chico Jackson.

PLAYER PROFILES ...

STEVE KERRY

Former Preston Grass hoppers R.U. half-back, turned professional for Salford for whom he was a prolific scorer and he topped the R.L. points scoring list in 1990/91 when Salford won the Second Division Championship with 427 points. Can play equally well at stand-off or scrum-half and was long admired by Oldham coach Peter Tunks, before he finally got his man in September 1992.

SCOTT RANSON

24 year-old St Helen's player and the top try scorer from his former club, Swinton. Signed for Oldham in March 1992.

IAN SHERRATT

Former Oldham and Lancashire Schoolboy, left Oldham for Salford and returned season 1991/92. A hard grafting prop-forward.

NIGEL HESLOP

Former England R.U. winger who won 10 caps for his country. Signed for Oldham from Orrell R.U. club in February '93 after losing his place in England's Five Nation Cup Squad for 1993. Represented England in the World Cup '91 and was a member of two Grand Slam winning squads.

SEAN DEVINE

A 23 year-old scrum-half, whom Oldham boss Peter Tunks also recruited in an exchange. This time it was with St Helens. Oldham receiving #50,000, Devine and back-row forward Paul Jones for Great Britain under-21 forward Chris Joynt.

PAUL JONES

At 6ft 3ins and 17 stone, Leigh based Jones had more than 50 senior appearances for St Helens behind him, albeit many of them as a substitute, when he signed for Oldham with Sean Devine in the Chris Joynt deal.

TINY SOLOMONA

A Kiwi of Western Samoan origin, "Tiny" signed for Oldham in early 1992 from Widnes, but did not make his debut until the start of the season because of groin trouble. Has had two groin operations since the turn of the year, but is playing at the top of his form now and won the man of the match award in Oldham's first round Lancashire Cup win against first

division club Warrington. Has been selected for international duty.

MIKE KUITI

A New Zealand international of great repute. Played in Great Britain and France with the New Zealand tourists in 1989. Selected for the Test team 8 times, playing in Great Britain, France and New Guinea, but not Australia. A strong loose forward or second rower, at the pinnacle of his career. Has played for Rochdale, Swinton, Leeds and Rochdale again. Has a good eye for making and taking scoring opportunities.

DAVID JONES

A strong finishing winger signed from Wakefield. A Wigan born St Pat's player and as an amateur gained County and International honours, can quickly establish himself as a firm favourite at Oldham if he continues in his current form.

BOB LINDNER

One of Australia's all time greats, played in 25 State of Origin games and in 23 tests for Australia. One of the world's most feared loose forwards. Also successful second row forward. Had previous spells with Castleford. Kangaroos man of the tour in 1990, is looking forward to a successful season with Oldham and helping to keep our rightful place in the first division.

PAUL GROVES

Signed from St Helens in the close season. A Hooker of top quality, played with Salford before going to St Helens and toured in Australia and New Zealand in 1988. A strong and determined runs with a flair for being in the right place at the right time and finishing moves he has often started. Never gives up.

ANDY GOODWAY

A product of Oldham's early youth policy and established himself as a firm favourite with the fans for his strong running and tackling in Oldham's first team in his teens. Chased for some time by Wigan as was finally transferred for a large fee. Soon recompensed Wigan and became an England international. Still capable of filling a first team place and is to assist in coaching the "A" team. Welcome back.

HULL FC V OLDHAM HEAD TO HEAD

Hull FC will be looking to improve a fine home Division One record against the Roughyeds - their only defeat in eight meetings being in the 1982/83 campaign when tries by Green, Vigo and Alan McCurrie gave Oldham a shock 8-2 victory.

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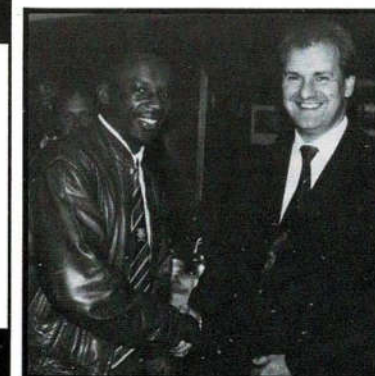


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"Norton knocks out Oldham"

Garret Cotter (Telegraph)

"Norton makes all the difference"

Paul Fitzpatrick (Observer)

"Norton the magnificent"

Raymond Fletcher (Yorkshire Post)

Norton knocks out Oldham

Loose forward Steve Norton was the commanding figure in a fast-flowing and entertaining John Player Trophy Semi-Final at Headingley.

He created the openings for Hull's first three tries when they had to struggle to tame a surprisingly effective Oldham. Without Norton Hull could have been in serious trouble. The score hardly reflects the quality of Oldham's effort. In the end it was Hull's speed and strength - and of course Norton's undeniable skills - that saw them through.

The gap between the First and Second Divisions may be wide but Oldham went some way to bridging it with their spirited display. Indeed, with the score at 7-6 early in the second half, Hull came under frightening pressure.

With McCurrie dominating the scrums and Alexander and Goodway in rousing form, the Oldham pack more than matched the Hull forwards. It was not until Norton's gala performance in the last quarter that Hull achieved superiority in midfield.

There was some fine rugby from both back lines with Dean and Day clever halves for Hull, and stand-off Taylor and centre Parrish playing forcefully for Oldham.

For all their courage, however, Oldham had no man to match Leuluai, the New Zealand international centre, as he proved with his two glorious scoring bursts late in the match.

Oldham narrowly failed to score in the first minute when a wild pass to O'Hara went astray and McEwan kicked the loose ball ahead, narrowly failing to touch down. Hull settled down and two goals by Crooks and a well taken try by Dean, after Norton had wriggled through a gap, gave Hull the lead they deserved.

Oldham never quit, and three minutes before half-time a storming break by Parrish was finished bravely by McEwan, who recovered after stumbling to touch down in the corner.

If Hull were content with a 7-3 half-time lead they were in for a shock. In the sixth minute of the second half McCurrie's long pass found Parrish steaming up and he had not trouble crashing through Leuluai's tackle to touch down in the corner.

His goal-kick floated just under the cross bar and for the next 14 minutes Oldham applied constant pressure.

Then came the Norton show. First he put Day over for a determined try with the crispest of passes and nine minutes later made a gap for Leuluai to show his paces.

With five minutes left Leuluai scored again, this time racing through off a smart inside pass from Day. Crooks added all three goals, and Hull finished far more decisive winners than was suggested 30 minutes earlier.

The way is now open to an all-Humberside final on 23rd January. Hull Kingston Rovers meet Second Division Swinton in the second semi-final at Headingley on 12 December and few can see Rovers being stopped.

Norton the magnificent

Yet another dominating performance by Steve Norton carried Hull to victory in Saturday's John Player Trophy semi-final at Headingley and had both colleagues and opponents handing out accolades.

Stone, Hull's captain, said simply: "He is our team," while Dean expressed the admiration of a scrum-half who knows the worth of a great loose-forward.

"He has so much flair it is not always easy to follow him but I have got used

to his style and we work well together," said Dean.

"It's made such a difference to my game - I don't have to concentrate on just the basics - that I wish I had joined Hull five years ago."

Flanagan the Oldham and Great Britain Under-24 loose-forward but clearly a long way from replacing Norton at Test level volunteered: "He is obviously a great player and sets the standard for me to aim at."

Arthur Bunting, Hull's coach,

confessed he was lost for words to add to the praise he has always heaped on Norton.

But perhaps the greatest tribute was paid by Mordell, the Oldham forward, who flattened Norton with a late high tackle a few minutes after he had put through Dean for Hull's first try. Even that blow did not stop Norton getting his pass out.

Of the 16 tries Hull have scored in this season's competition, Norton has been involved in 12. He laid on all three in the third round at Barrow and was the creator of all four on Saturday.

He paid tribute to the supporting play of the backs, in particular Day, who scored twice at Barrow and got another on Saturday coming off Norton's passes.

The stand-off was also the link man who got Leuluai away for the most spectacular try of the match after Norton had opened the way in midfield.

Leuluai read the situation well to take Day's inside pass and race away in style for his second try. Norton - of course - got him moving for his first try when he needed to use more power after seeming to miss the opportunity at first.

The New Zealand centre made another long run in the second half display that was a vast improvement on the first 40 minutes and other recent indifferent displays.

Leuluai five tries on the way to the final prove what he is capable of when totally involved. Hull should also be looking for ways to get his wing partner O'Hara, in action more often. Perhaps a switch to their Test partnership on the left wing would be the answer.

Although penalties were 10-7 in Hull's favour Oldham won the scrums 12-8 and still could not prevent Dean dominating at scrum-half.

Even to hint at a Test cap at his advanced age would probably embarrass him but I have not seen a better scrum-half this year. None have shown the same combination of work rate and individual skill allied to teamwork.

Although the margin finally reflected the difference in class Oldham rose above their Division Two status and with less than 20 minutes left were only 7-5 down.

Former RU forwards Alexander and Mordell were not out of place in a typical RL Cup-tie, while Nicholson rocked Hull twice with surprising pace for a prop.

The attendance of 11,400 was a semi-final record for the competition and Hull's 22 points equalled the highest score for a semi-final.

HULL: Kemble, O'Hara, Leuluai, Harrison (Banks), Prendiville, Day, Dean, Skerratt, Duke, Stone, Crane, Crooks, Norton.

OLDHAM: Murphy, O'Neill, Caffrey, Parrish, McEwan, Taylor, Kirwan, Alexander, McCurrie, Nicholson, Mordell (Platt), Goodway, Flanagan.

Referee: Mr J. McDonald (Wigan).

Norton makes all the difference

It is doubtful at the moment if there is a more influential player in the game than Steve Norton, the Hull loose forward. Had he been playing for Oldham - and their own No. 13 Terry Flanagan is not mean performer - in this John Player semi-final at Headingley on Sunday, the Second Division side would probably now be preparing to meet either Hull KR or Swinton in the final.

A difference of 16 points at the end did less than justice to Oldham, often Hull's equals and, for the first 15 minutes of the second half, emphatically their superiors. However, just when Oldham were threatening supremacy Norton, dazed by a heavy collision with Mordell in the 20th minute, drew a lung full of fresh air and began to work his miracles again, and Oldham were mercilessly put down through a try by Day and two by Leuluai.

Norton is in his pomp at the moment and any RL devotees wanting to see a highly-gifted player performing at the limits of his talents should hurry along now to see him before the magic begins to fade. A soccer writer once said of George Best that trying to pin him down was like trying to capture a shaft of sunlight in a matchbox. Substitute the name of Norton for Best and you have the picture.

Opponents can make nothing

of him at present, with his changes of pace, his bewildering switches of direction, long passes, short passes and passes suddenly slipped out when he appears to be held in the tackle. There is a touch of arrogance about him too and more than once he invited dispossession by thrusting the ball under an opponent's nose before drawing it back into his chest and curving away on another mesmerizing run.

Before Norton was flattened by Mordell he had engineered a try for Dean that talented and underrated scrum half, but Oldham, who seemed for a period in danger of a collapse of confidence, were only four points adrift at half time, thanks to a lot of determination and a try by McEwan.

Soon after the interval McCurrie, who had produced a series of eccentric passes in the first half, threw out a beauty to Parrish, and the Oldham centre's powerful run and the plunge took him over. That brought the score to 7-6 but, unfortunately for Oldham, Norton blossomed again sending in first Day, and then Leuluai. Finally he began the move that brought the game's best try when he, Day and Leuluai combined in a move that was as rapid and as final as machine gun fire. Crooks improved all Hull's tries and landed a penalty as well.

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NEXT SUNDAY we travel to the Don Valley Stadium where we have encountered contrasting fortunes in our meetings with Sheffield Eagles. Next week's clash has special significance because it brings former Hull FC favourite and Great Britain international Lee Jackson into confrontation with his former team mates for the first time since his move to Sheffield last month. Jackson of course was unable to agree contract terms with the Hull Club and many supporters were disillusioned to see him go. The transfer fee has yet to be decided by a tribunal and Gary Hetherington is currently accumulating funds for Jackson's purchase.

The Eagles have made a disappointing opening to the new campaign with five points from their seven league fixtures but with internationals Jackson, Daryl Powell and Mark Aston in their ranks results should improve. Despite our erratic away form we can travel to Sheffield with optimism having been unbeaten in our previous league encounters in the city, winning at Bramall Lane in 1980 by 32-4 and at the Don Valley Stadium in March

1991 by 16-6.

Last season's corresponding fixture finished all square and Paul Eastwood's last minute try and goal near the posts snatched Hull a draw in their final league fixture.

Only seven minutes earlier it seemed Gary Jack had clinched victory for Sheffield Eagles after slipping through for a try behind the post to which Mark Aston added the goal. Hull had just battled back from being 12-4 down to equalise with a try from each of their wingers and Eastwood's second plus last minute goal dashed Sheffield's hopes of a top eight Premiership place.

CLUB LINKS

Although the Eagles are in just their seventh season of existence several players have donned the colours of both clubs. As well as Lee Jackson, currently starring in the Sheffield back division, is former Great Britain international Richard Price who took up the challenge of regular first team football at Sheffield having struggled to hold down a senior place at the Boulevard. Tim Wilby who enjoyed a new lease of life at Hull in the later stages of his career also gave Sheffield brief service before moving onto London, whilst Hull's former Welsh international half-back Gary Pearce also spent a brief period on loan with the Eagles during the 1990/91 season.

MATCH FACTS: GB 17 N.Z. 0

GREAT BRITAIN: 1 Jonathan Davies, 2 Jason Robinson, 3 Paul Newlove, 4 Gary Connolly, 5 John Devereux, 6 Gary Schofield, 7 Shaun Edwards, 8 Karl Harrison, 9 Martin Dermott, 10 Karl Fairbank, 11 Dennis Betts, 12 Chris Joynt, 13 Phil Clarke. Subs: Daryl Powell for Newlove (68), 15 Sonny Nickle for Fairbank (52), 16 Alan Tait for Devereux (77), 17 Richie Eyres for Joynt (64). TRIES: Robinson 2, Devereux. GOALS: Davies (2). DROP-GOAL: Davies.

NEW ZEALAND: 1 Morvin Edwards, 2 Daryl Halligan, 3 Kevin Iro, 4 Dave Watson, 5 Stan Hoppe, 6 Gene Nagamu, 7 Gary Freeman, 8 John Lomax, 9 Duane Mann, 10 Brett Stuart, 11 Stephen Kearney, 12 Quentin Pongia, 13 Tawera Nikau. Subs: 14 Jason Williams for Edwards (62), 15 Jason Mackie for Nikau (69), 16 Whetu Taewa for Halligan (76), 17 Jason Lowrie for Lomax (58).

Men of the Match: GB: Jonathan Davies; NZ: Stephen Kearney

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LOSING RUN

Bramley have the longest losing run of 14 matches stretching back to last season.

LEADING TRY SCORERS

Greg Austin of Keighley Cougars is the new leading try scorer with 10 touchdowns in seven matches, including two hat-tricks. The centre is followed by Huddersfield winger Ian Thomas who is only one behind.

TOP TEN GOAL SCORERS (Including drop goals)

1 Deryck Fox (Bradford).....37	6 J. Davies (Warrington).....27
2 Frano Botica (Wigan).....33	7 Mike Kavanagh (Barrow).....27
3 Mark Conway (Dewsbury).....31	8 Phil Helliwell (Huddersfield).....25
4 Wayne Kitchin (Wrk'ton).....30	9 Mark Aston (Sheffield E.).....25
5 Robert Turner (Doncaster).....28	10 John Gallagher (London C.).....25

LEADING POINT SCORER

Wayne Kitchin of Workington Town is the leading point scorer with 83. The scrum half's total is made up of six tries and 30 goals including a drop goal.

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Fizzio file

Mike Dixon: Back injury is a little more complicated than we first thought. We are awaiting reports from a complicated back scan which will hopefully tell us the full extent of the injury. Although he is now painfree, we are not confident the injury has healed enough to play Rugby League.

Dean Busby: Knee injury is steadily improving, although it will be touch and go whether he will make today's game.

Russ Walker: Has injured his back at work. We will have to see how this settles during the week. Russ seems to be plagued by a few niggles lately, these are just niggles I can assure you. Some people may think that somebody up there is trying to tell him something!!

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	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Bradford N.....	7	6	0	1	195	120	12
Halifax.....	6	5	1	0	163	90	11
Wigan.....	6	5	0	1	166	81	10
St Helens.....	7	5	0	2	184	107	10
Castleford.....	7	4	1	2	168	116	9
Warrington.....	6	4	0	2	121	110	8
Leeds.....	7	3	1	3	148	135	7
Featherstone R.....	7	3	1	3	149	172	7
HULL.....	7	2	2	3	106	113	6
Hull KR.....	7	3	0	4	124	200	6
Shel Eagles ...	7	2	1	4	143	179	5
Oldham.....	7	2	0	5	120	124	4
Salford.....	7	2	0	5	116	163	4
Widnes.....	7	2	0	5	113	176	4
Wakefield T.....	7	2	0	5	112	179	4
Leigh.....	6	0	1	5	83	146	1

DIVISION TWO

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pt
Huddersfield.....	7	7	0	0	199	86	14
Workington.....	7	6	0	1	203	81	12
Keighley.....	7	6	0	1	196	106	12
London C.....	8	5	0	3	220	177	10
Dewsbury.....	7	4	1	2	243	117	9
Ryedale Y.....	7	4	1	2	167	114	9
Barrow.....	7	4	0	3	187	155	8
Whitehaven.....	7	3	2	2	124	112	8
Batley.....	7	4	0	3	156	169	8
Doncaster.....	7	4	0	3	157	176	8
Carlisle.....	7	4	0	3	136	164	8
Rochdale.....	7	2	0	5	171	144	4
Swinton.....	7	1	0	6	116	203	2
Highfield.....	8	1	0	7	105	354	2
Hunslet.....	7	0	0	7	98	203	0
Bramley.....	7	0	0	7	71	188	0

NEXT HOME MATCH
November 7th 3.15
WAKEFIELD TRINITY

NEXT AWAY MATCH
October 31st 3.15
SHEFFIELD EAGLES

Date	Team	Kick-Off	Score	Attend	1
SUNDAY					
29.8.93	Wigan	3.00	L16-8	5,339	Gay 1T
5.9.93	HALIFAX	3.15	D18-18	3,983	Gay 1T
12.9.93	Castleford	3.30	L4-12		Gay 1T
19.9.93	SALFORD	3.15	W28-12		Gay 1T
26.9.93	WARRINGTON	3.15			Gay 1T
3.10.93	Leeds	3.00	D22-22	10,301	Gay 1T
10.10.93	WIDNES	3.15	W20-14	4,369	Gay 1T
24.10.93	OLDHAM	3.15			
31.10.93	Sheffield Eagles	3.15			
7.11.93	WAKEFIELD TRINITY	3.15			
14.11.93	Regal Trophy (Round 2)				
21.11.93	Featherstone Rovers	3.30			
28.11.93	Leigh	3.00			
3.12.93	ST HELENS (BSKYB)	7.30			
12.12.93	Regal Trophy (Round 3)				
19.12.93	WIGAN	3.15			
26.12.93	Hull KR	3.15			
2.1.94	BRADFORD NORTHERN	3.15			
9.1.94	Halifax	3.00			
16.1.94	CASTLEFORD	3.15			
23.1.94	Salford	3.00			
30.1.94	Silk Cut Challenge Cup (2)				
6.2.94	Warrington	3.00			
13.2.94	Silk Cut Challenge Cup (3)				
20.2.94	LEEDS	3.15			
6.3.94	Widnes	3.00			
12.03.93	Silk Cut CC 1st Semi Final				
13.03.94	Oldham	3.00			
20.03.94	SHEFFIELD EAGLES	3.15			
27.03.94	Wakefield Trinity	3.30			
GOOD FRIDAY					
01.04.94	HULL KR	3.15			
EASTER MONDAY					
04.04.94	Bradford Northern	3.00			
10.04.94	St Helens	3.00			
17.04.94	FEATHERSTONE ROVERS	3.15			
24.04.94	LEIGH	3.15			
30.04.94	Silk Cut Final at Wembley				
08.05.94	Stones Bitter Premiership (1)				
15.05.94	Stones Bitter Prem'ship (S-F)				
22.05.94	Stones Bitter Premiership Final (Old Trafford)				

THIS WEEKEND'S FIXTURES

FIRST DIVISION

Halifax v Wigan
Hull v Oldham
Leigh v Bradford
Salford v Castleford
St Helens v Sheffield E.
Warrington v Hull KR

SECOND DIVISION

Barrow v Bramley
Carlisle v Batley
Dewsbury v Rochdale
Huddersfield v Highfield
Keighley v Hunslet
Ryedale Y. v Workington
Whitehaven v Doncaster

2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Eastwood 2G	Danby	Grant	Gray	Nolan	Hewitt	Jones	Dixon	McNamara	Divet	Jackson	Busby	Sharp	Cassidy
Eastwood 5G	Danby	Grant	Sterling	Nolan 1T	Hewitt	Jones	Dixon	McNamara	Divet	Jackson	Busby	Sharp	Cassidy
Eastwood	Danby	Grant	Sterling	Nolan	Hasler	Jones	Dixon	R. Walker	Divet	Sharp	Busby	Jackson	Cassidy
Eastwood 1T6G	Danby	Grant	Sterling 1T	Nolan	Hasler	Jones 1T	Dixon	McNamara	Divet	Sharp	Busby	Jackson	Walker
Eastwood 1G	Danby	Grant	Sterling 1T	Nolan	Hasler	Jones	Dixon	McNamara	Divet	Sharp	Busby	Jackson	Walker
Nolan 1T3G	Doyle	Grant 2T	Sterling	Danby	Hasler	Jackson	Dixon	McNamara	Divet	Sharp	Busby	Cassidy	Boulter
Eastwood 1T2G	Doyle	Grant 1T	Sterling	Danby	Hasler 1T	Jones	Cassidy	McNamara	Divet 1T	Jackson	Sharp	Nolan	Walker

REGAL TROPHY SUNDAY, 31st OCTOBER FIRST ROUND

Highfield v Ellenborough
Bramley v Woolston
Carlisle v Carcassonne
Keighley C. v Nottingham
Ryedale Y. v Hemel Hamps
Hunslet v Chorley Borough
Barrow v Leigh Miners
Rochdale H v Blackpool
London C. v St Estere

Huddersfield v Irlam H.
Doncaster v Wysons
Batley v Queens
Workington v Wigan St Pats
Swinton v Saddleworth
Whitehaven v Egremont

SATURDAY, 30th
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ACADEMY UPDATE

The young Airlie Birds have finally completed their group fixtures and following the hiccup at Post Office Road returned to winning ways with a victory over Oldham which in fact destined the Roughyeds to the Second Division. Hull looked to be on their way to an easy victory when Johann Windley zipped out a wide flat pass to put Lance Sedman over in the corner but then numerous Hull breaks and bursts up the middle came to nought as the final pass was invariably put to ground. Hull managed to increase their lead to 10-0 at the interval when a superb Windley break found Kevin Gray in support before the stand-off put Kevin Smith between the posts for Dane Arro to convert. Although Hull had dominated the game Oldham only needed a try to put them right back in it and it came just after the break when the referee awarded a penalty try. Unfortunately the correct decision should have been a penalty because the Oldham player had kicked the ball too hard and surely if the Hull defender had taken the Oldham player out deliberately why was the offender not sin-binned or sent off.

Hull replied with another flowing move and for once they finished it off when Gray made the line. Richard Wilson and Lee Fraser had solid games at prop while Carl McCarthy who deputised for Carl Beet who is out with a bruised sternum, impressed. Hull eventually sealed the game in the final ten minutes to complete a 26-6 victory.

Firstly Craig Easter came in from his wing at a scrum to take Windley's short pass to dance his way over for Arro to goal and then Gray forced his way over following good work from Mark Danville and Jon Aston while Arro slotted over his third goal.

Apart from losing the services of Beet with a bruised sternum, shoulder injuries have ruled out both regular stand-off Stewart Baird and forward Ricki Ellerton. The young Airlie Birds have been

impressing Alliance coach Mike Smith recently with a string of high quality performances, Kevin Gray at centre and winger Shane Foster have been joined by scrum half John Windley who played stand-off to Mark Hewitt while Jon Aston and Scott Fletcher have played in the pack.

Following the conclusion of the groups, the two divisions have been formed. Division One includes: Bradford Northern, Castleford, Halifax, Hull, Hull KR, Salford, Leigh, Leeds, St Helens, Wakefield Trinity, Warrington and Wigan, while

Division Two consists of: Barrow, Batley, Dewsbury, Featherstone, Huddersfield, Hunslet, Oldham, York, Keighley, Sheffield, Widnes, Whitehaven and Workington. There will be no easy games, although Hull will be encouraged with their victories over their fellow Division One group teams.

The touring Kiwis have maintained their unbeaten tour record, their latest victims being Great Britain in the First Test at Wembley. Britain trailed 24-8 early in the second period but staged a magnificent recovery to pull the score back to 24-22 until a last minute converted try sealed a 30-22 New Zealand victory. Both sides scored five tries, in fact five is the most that New Zealand have conceded for a long time, but the usual consistency of Warrington's Lestyn Harris in the goal kicking role let him down for once. Although he did score a superb 50 metre try.

Substitute John Lawless who has played well against Hull Alliance twice this season scored an excellent individual try. Britain will be hoping to square the series at Central Park.

GROUP C TABLE

	P	W	L	F	A	Pts
HULL	8	7	1	283	79	14
Leeds	7	6	1	346	83	12
Wakefield	8	6	2	244	133	12
Bradford	8	5	3	243	152	10
Featherstone	8	4	4	201	194	8
Oldham	8	4	4	208	219	8
Barrow	7	2	5	151	177	4
Hunslet	8	1	7	88	308	2
Batley	8	0	8	28	447	0

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ALLIANCE UPDATE ...

ALLIANCE TEAM FIXTURES 93-94 SEASON

AUGUST

Friday
27th Wigan H L12-42

SEPTEMBER

3rd Halifax A L20-12
10th Castleford H W12-10
17th Leeds (YC) A W42-12
24th Warrington A L14-44

OCTOBER

3rd Halifax (YC) A W26-22
10th Widnes A W16-10
22nd Dewsbury (YC) A 7.30pm
29th York H 7.30pm

NOVEMBER

5th Wakefield A 7.30pm
12th Warrington H 8.00pm
19th Featherstone A 7.30pm
26th Batley H 7.30pm

DECEMBER

Sunday
5th St Helens A 3.00pm
Friday
10th Widnes H 8.00pm
17th Leeds H 7.30pm
Thursday
30th Bradford A 7.30pm

JANUARY

Friday
14th Castleford A 7.30pm
21st Halifax H 7.30pm

FEBRUARY

4th Batley A 7.30pm
11th Featherstone H 7.30pm
Sunday
13th Leeds A 7.30pm
Friday
25th St Helens H 7.30pm

MARCH

4th Wigan A 8.00pm
11th Bradford H 7.30pm
Tuesday
15th Wakefield H 7.30pm
Friday
18th York A 7.30pm

APRIL

Friday
8th Salford H 8.00pm



"Oh yes we have" is the reply to those fans who have questioned whether Hull still have an Alliance team and no, they have not gone into hibernation. However, it is true that they have only been seen twice at the Boulevard this season but successive away Yorkshire Cup ties and a third this week have not helped. In fact if Hull win this weekend away at Dewsbury they will be in the semi-final for the third consecutive season. However, Hull had their first away success in the league when they travelled to bottom club Widnes although some

extremely peculiar refereeing decisions nearly cost them dearly.

The conditions were far from ideal as the teams took the field and they continued throughout the game with driving rain plus thunder and lightening. Kevin Gray was tackled into the corner flag on Hull's first raid, but the pressure told and Mark Hewitt landed an angled penalty. Widnes continued to make mistakes to give Hull good position and debutante Scott Fletcher could not believe his luck when a huge gap opened and the loose forward slipped under the posts leaving Mark Hewitt an easy goal attempt. Gary Duke was then pulled back for offside when touching down a neat Hewitt kick. For once Hull then failed to clear their own half in their set of six and with the aid of a penalty Widnes scored a neat try with some quick handling in the left corner. Hull then went behind to a controversial try which even amazed the home crowd. Hull

ACADEMY FIRST DIVISION FIXTURES

2.30pm	Saturday, 23 October	LEIGH	HOME
2.30pm	Saturday, 30 October	HALIFAX	Away
2.30pm	Saturday, 6 November	HULL KR	HOME
2.30pm	Saturday, 13 November	WARRINGTON	Away
2.30pm	Saturday, 20 November	LEEDS	HOME
2.30pm	Saturday, 27 November	WAKEFIELD	Away
2.30pm	Saturday, 4 December	SALFORD	HOME
2.30pm	Saturday, 11 December	ST HELENS	Away
2.30pm	Saturday, 18 December	CASTLEFORD	Away
7.30pm	Wed, 22 December	WIGAN	HOME
7.30pm	Tuesday, 4 January '94	BRADFORD	Away

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LIST OF EVENTS:

October 27th: Darleys Hesse. Dinner; Guests Radio Humberside: Dave Gibbins, D. D. Davidson, Ian Wise. Tickets £13.50.
November 25th: The Circle Hull, Sportsmans Dinner. Tickets £14.
December 10th: The Noriad: Testimonial Night.
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OLDHAM IN PROFILE

LAST SEASON'S PERFORMANCE

Oldham returned to the top flight after a two year absence. Finishing runners-up to Champions Featherstone Rovers. In the unusual fixture system of playing other sides four times the Roughyeds completed a 28 match league campaign with 20 victories and a draw though just one success over Featherstone prevented any championship ambitions. Oldham also made their mark in cup football, disposing of First Division Leigh and Warrington before crashing out 8-48 to star-studded Wigan at Central Park. In the Regal Trophy Castleford proved too strong in a first-round tie at the Watersheddings and it was a similar story in the games Premier Trophy, the Challenge Cup as Oldham disposed of London Crusaders and Huddersfield before going down to a heavy home defeat by Bradford Northern. The biggest disappointment for Oldham followers was the surprise exit in the Premiership Trophy to Third Division Dewsbury in a 14-14 draw at the Watersheddings being followed by an 18-20 defeat in the replay.

MANAGEMENT

Currently at the helm at the Watersheddings is Aussie Peter Tunks, now in his third season in charge of the Roughyeds. Tunks took over in April 1991 from former player John Fieldhouse who had taken over the reins from Tony Barrow, Tunks a former Australian Test prop and skipper at the Canterbury Bankstown Club which won the 1988 Grand Final, has certainly stamped his own identity on the Oldham set-up and can feel highly satisfied that his side is holding its own in top flight football. One of Tunks finest achievements came in 1991/92 when he steered Oldham to an Old Trafford Divisional Premiership Final with Sheffield Eagles after having his side decimated by the departures of Paul Lord, Paul Round, Mike Ford, Leo Casey, Charlie McAlister, John Fieldhouse, Andy Ruane and Brett Clarke.

Sadly the Eagles lifted the trophy with a 34-10 success but Tunks had made his mark in the coaching field.

TRANSFER ACTIVITY

Peter Tunks has been a busy man in the transfer market recently totally reconstructing his promotion winning outfit. From the amateur circles he has acquired Martin Holden, John Clarke and Alf Goulbourne whilst Oldham supporters were thrilled to see former skipper Andy Goodway return to the Watersheddings after experiencing life at the top with Wigan and then enduring difficult times with Leeds. Another former Loirer and New Zealand international Mike Kuiti is relishing a return to top flight football after a spell with Rochdale Hornets. Former St Helens hooker Paul Groves arrived in an exchange deal which saw Tommy Martyn go in the opposite direction and Tunks negotiated another player exchange with speedy wing man David Jones coming from Wakefield Trinity and Gary Christie and Mark Shields departing for Belle Vue. Former Wigan hooker Richard Russell took on a new challenge at Castleford with centre Shaun Irwin and former Hull FC favourite Paul Fletcher joining Tunks at Oldham and Charlie McAlister rejoined former team mate Goodway after a spell away with Whitehaven. John Fogerty was acquired from Huddersfield on a free transfer whilst a £25,000 fee brought Leigh's talented full back Paul Topping to the Watersheddings.

Oldham's biggest capture came late in the Summer with the signature of Australian Test forward Bob Lindner. The classy loose-forward Lindner twice toured Britain with the 1986 and 1990 Kangaroo squads and with over 20 test appearances for Australia is one of the most capped Australian forwards of the modern era. He began his career with Brisbane Souths, later winning a Brisbane Premiership with Wynnum. Manly before joining Wilfield Cup football for Paramata, Gold Coast and Wests, in addition to separate

spells with Castleford in 1986 and 1987. Lindner has already become a favourite with Oldham supporters and has appeared in the last 12 Anglo-Australian matches, being outstanding in 1990.

LAST TIME AT THE BOULEVARD

The last occasion Oldham visited the Boulevard was for a league fixture in December 1990 when the success starved Airlie Birds bounced back from a torrid run of four defeats in five games to comprehensively crush Oldham.

Hull strengthened their grip on the top of the First Division table with a spectacular second half performance which saw them run in 25 points to completely demoralise Oldham.

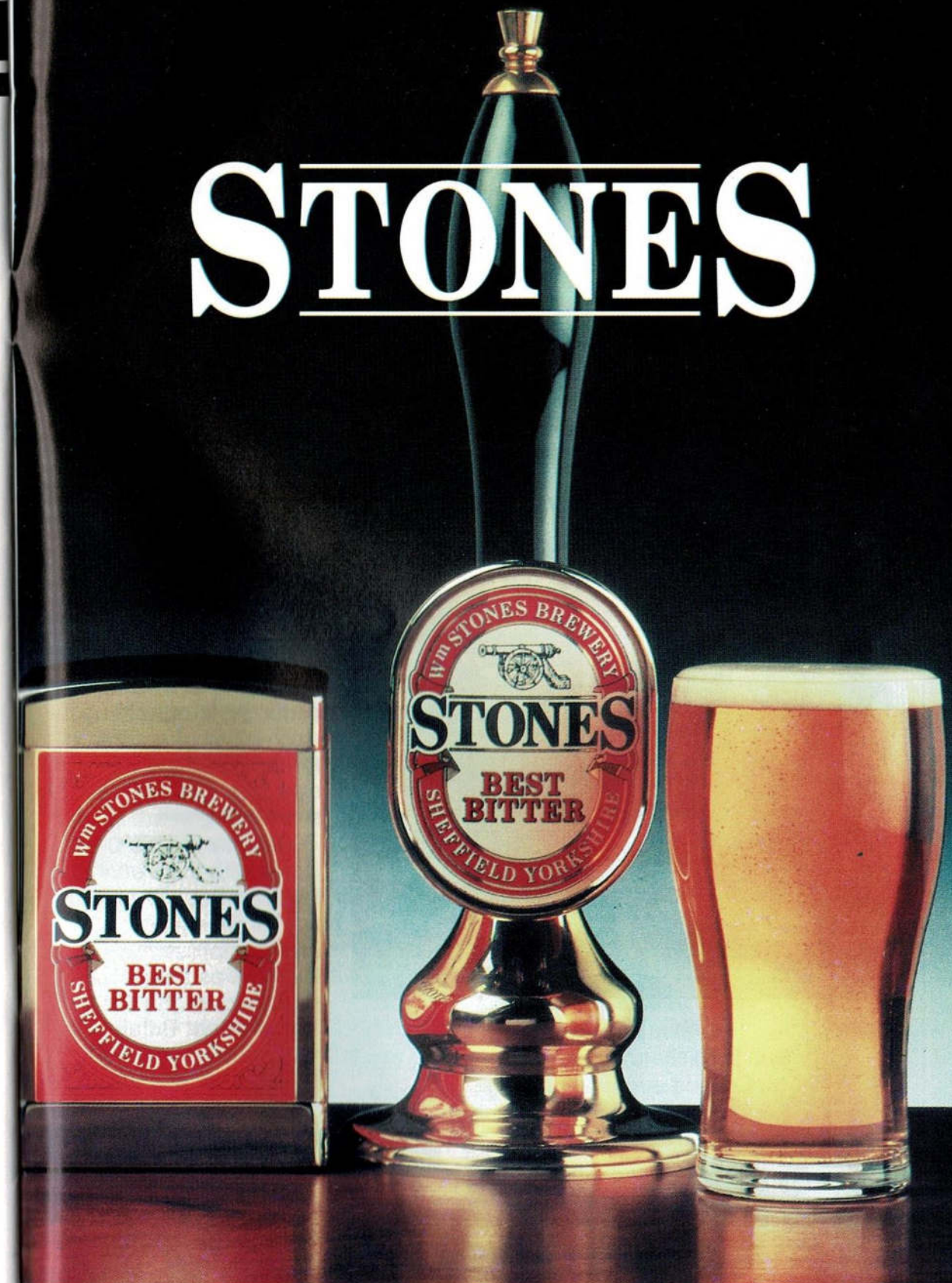
The Lancastrians made a spirited start in their efforts to erase the memory of a shock Regal Trophy defeat by Batley and went ahead when Paul Lord raced in for a try. Gradually though Hull's pack began to dominate with Test prop forward Karl Harris and second-rower Ian Marlow both outstanding. Harrison broke the Oldham line on numerous occasions and found supporting players with shrewd passes, while Marlow was always ready to make up the running and in a great performance caused Oldham countless problems with his strong running.

Behind the pack half-backs Patrick Entat and Greg Mackey turned the screws with some delightful football. Entat returned from international duty with France against the Australians to produce a stirring performance and was involved in three of his side's five tries.

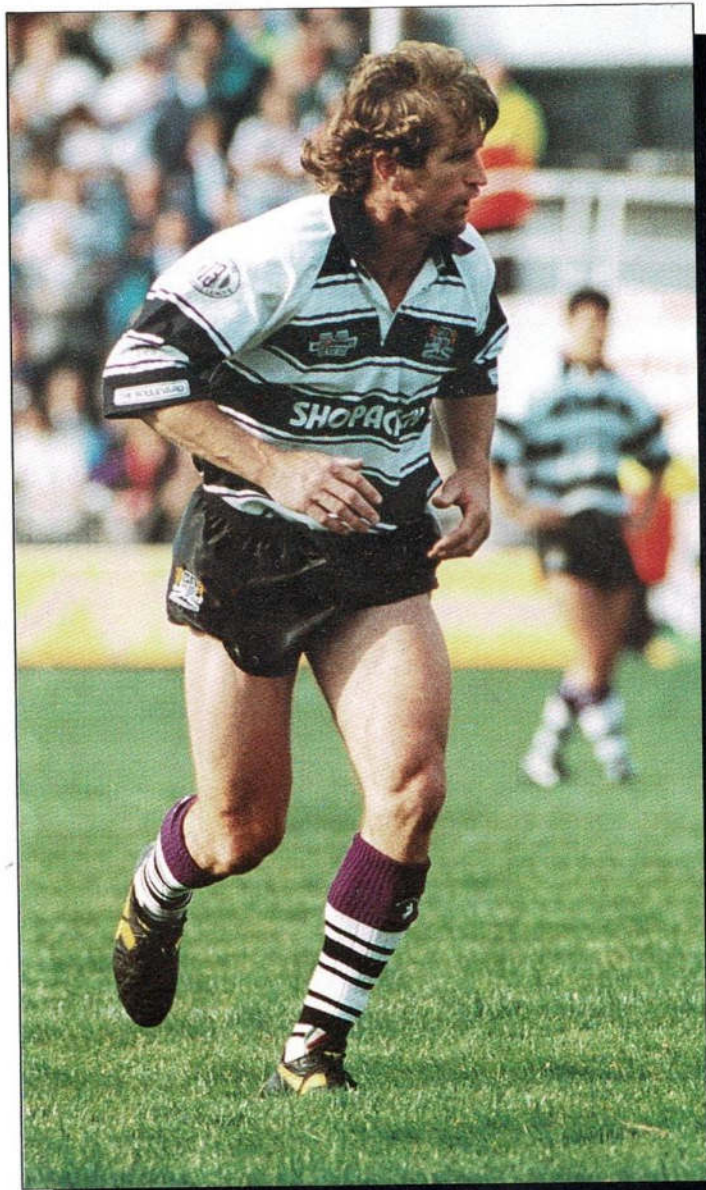
Mackey provided the leadership and steadying qualities Hull needed when things looked bleak in the early stages and then exploded into action as Hull slipped into top gear.

The turning point came in the 21st minute when Entat superbly created a vital try for Harrison. Paul Eastwood's conversion gave Hull a 6-4 interval lead and then in the second half they went inf for the kill. Five minutes after the re-start

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Des Hasler

WHEN ROYCE Simmons ran his five marathons in five days during the summer, few people understood why he had gone to such lengths merely to bring yet another Australian player over to Hull.

His target was Des Hasler and as all Hull fans now know, Des is not just another player.

For years at the very top level of Rugby League, Des Hasler has produced an incredibly high level of consistency, thrilling the crowd with his electrifying pace and unique style of running which more often than not, ended in a memorable try.

Des started his career with the Penrith Panthers but went on to play for Manly just in time to impress the selectors as they chose the squad for the 1986 Tour of Great Britain.

For those of us who remember the 1982 tourists and the way they totally destroyed anything that stood against them in Rugby League, it was hard to contemplate that a better squad could be put together especially as Great Britain had by now improved their own game dramatically.

The Kangaroos known as the "Invincibles" lived up to their name by winning every single game on English and French soil.

If we contemplate that the squad included such players as Peter Sterling, Brett Kenny, Mal Meninga, Gene Miles, Ray Price, Royce Simmons, Gary Jack and of course Mr Versatility himself, Des Hasler.

Throughout his career, Des has performed at the very top level in both half-back position, loose forward, in the centres and as he did at the Boulevard in 1986, on the wing. In that match Des scored 2 tries and helped the mighty Australians to a 48-0 victory over the Black and Whites.

In 1987, he was a member of the successful Manly team to win the Winfield Cup which is the ultimate prize in Australian Rugby League.

Des played on numerous occasions in ferociously contested State of Origin matches and again toured with the Kangaroos in 1990.

Throughout this period, Des had every opportunity to play in English League, most notably when the mighty Wigan

attempted to lure him to Central Park to join the highly successful squad.

Des was the number one target for Brian Smith, former Manly team mate Noel Cleal and of course in latter days Royce Simmons.

Airlie Birds supporters who had come to worship the name of Peter Sterling, waited for years for his promised return and although numerous high-class No. 7's have graced the black and white jersey, including Fred Ah Kuoi and Craig Coleman, the ghost of Peter Sterling has lived on.

At long last the Hull fans have a player of at least equal stature and all those painful miles which Royce trod on his mammoth runs, can be seen to be worthwhile.

It was ironic that as the man of the match for the recent Widnes game was selected, that the name of Sterling was nominated. This was quickly corrected and Des justifiably received the accolade. It was obviously the flowing mane of blonde hair, the non-stop performance and total involvement which triggered the error.

Des Hasler came to these shores with a reputation of being the most professional and fittest Rugby League player in the toughest competition in the world. We can see that this was no exaggeration, and let us hope that he wears the famous black and white jersey for more than just the coming season.

TODAY'S TEAMS ...

HULL

COACH: ROYCE SIMMONS
Black & White Irregular Hoops
Purple Flashes/Black Shorts

- 1 Richard Gay
- 2 Paul Eastwood
- 3 Jeff Doyle
- 4 James Grant
- 5 Paul Sterling
- 6 Rob Danby
- 7 Des Hasler
- 8 Mark Jones
- 9 Mike Dixon
- 10 Steve McNamara
- 11 Daniel Divet
- 12 C. Jackson
- 13 Jon Sharp
- 14 Jeremy Cassidy
- 15 Rob Nolan

Final Score

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OLDHAM

COACH: PETER TUNKS
Red & White Hoops
Red Shorts

- 1 Wall Gibson
- 2 David Jones
- 3 Shaun Irwin
- 4 Paul Topping
- 5 Nigel Heslop
- 6 Martin Strett
- 7 Steve Kerry
- 8 Tony Solomona
- 9 John Clarke
- 10 Ian Sherratt
- 11 Bob Lindner
- 12 Mike Kuiti
- 13 Andy Goodway
- 14 Charlie Macalister
- 15 Ivean Green

Penalties

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

Scrums

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MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee:
R. A. SMITH (CASTLEFORD)
Touch Judges:
A. Pickett/T. Moran

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