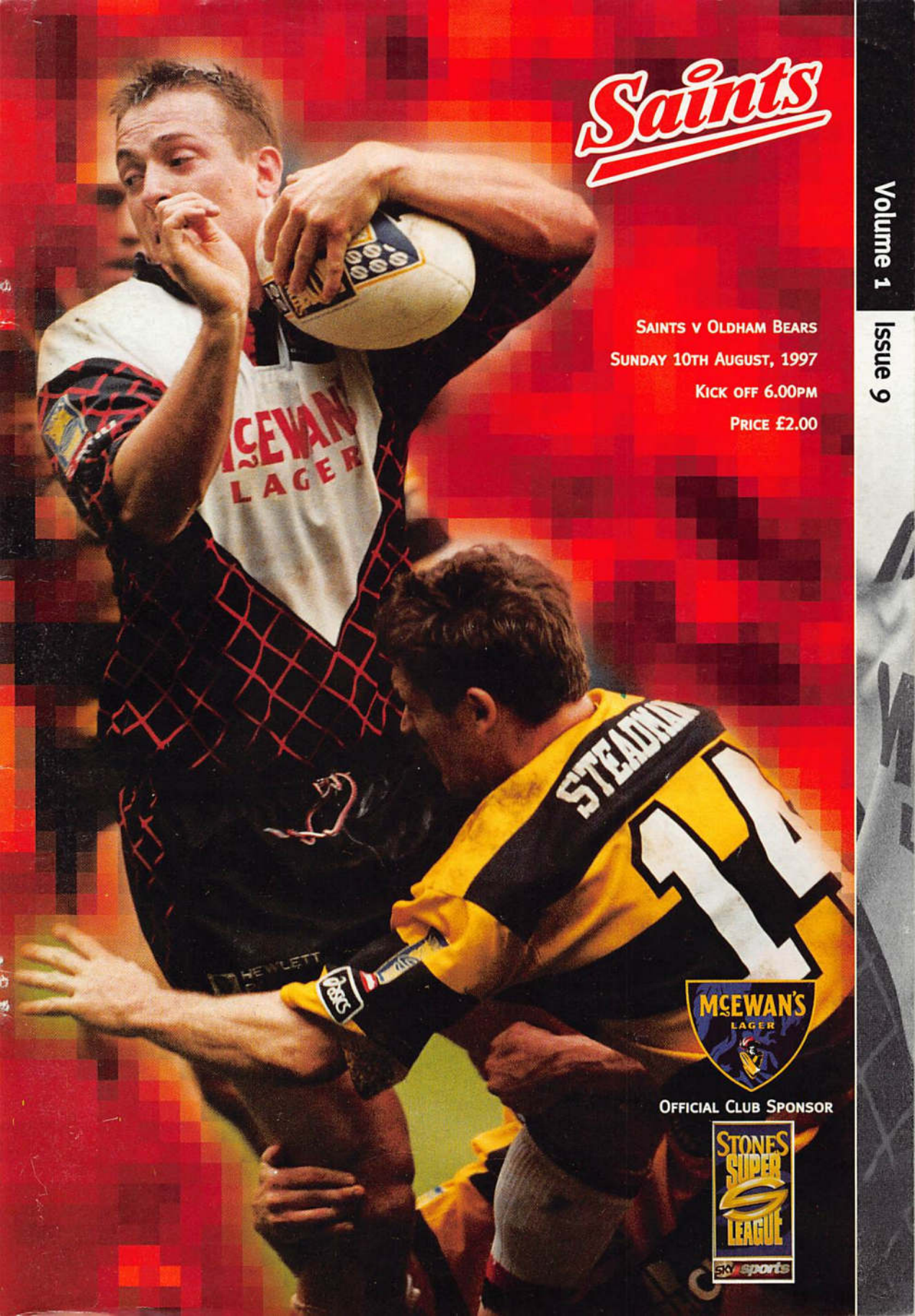




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Who says miracles can't happen? Well on Monday, we witnessed one. Yes, Saints, up against it to say the least, defied the critics - and the form book - to keep their World Club Championship hopes alive.

Written off by everyone in the media, they came up with the goods when it mattered most - and although they lost 32-26 to a classy Penrith outfit - they are still in with a shout.

Now I'm not saying they are now going to go on and win it - but funnier things have happened.

First they have got to plaster Paris on Wednesday and (taking as red we do) then there is the small matter of travelling to

Australia to face the mighty Brisbane Broncos. But who

knows what can happen? October is a long time away. Brisbane may have an injury nightmare and by then Saints will have had far more time to recover - and hopefully learned the lessons of their first phase education.

A win there would be sensational, but it NOT beyond the realms of possibility. On Monday, there were some welcome signs returning to Saints' game - and if they can improve on that performance, Brisbane will be in for a game.

Against the Panthers, they have played with passion and the intensity needed to survive - and most importantly - the will to push these super human Aussies all the way.

The Panther are a top outfit - but on Monday, Saints showed their true grit. They looked dangerous with the ball and their defence kept shape - and that was the most pleasing aspect.

They could have capitulated at 30-10 down - but they came back.



championship

MIRAC

Apart from Wigan's win over Canterbury, no English side has gone over there and came as close to a win. And the players must take full credit for that. Everyone of Shaun McRae's men put in the graft to keep the dream alive - and if they play with that passion in their remaining Super League matches, the oppositions will be in for a rough ride.

Man for man, Saints possess a top quality outfit and on their day can match any side. Even in the Australian Super League, not many sides will score 26 points at Penrith.

So with brisbane looming, we should look at that game with optimism.

Okay, with Steve Renouf, Wendall Sailor, Kevin Walters, Alfie Langer and Co the task is monumental.

But as I say, miracles can happen.

I MUST say I have been disappointed with the coverage of the game on our national newspapers.

Last season, there was column inches galore.

But what has

happened this time?

Bog standard match reports

- and that's

it! Last

summer,

one of the

tabloids

produced

a Monday

Super

League pull-out every week - but that has only appeared a few times this season.

Now I know the pressures of space for stories - and how much needs to be allocated where - but this year you can blame football for robbing the fans of some real coverage.

There has been no close season - and as a result, RL and the fans have suffered.

It just makes you glad that the game is now played in summer. Because what would happen in the winter when football has well and truly kicked in?

Add to that the 'other' oval ball game's mega exposure - the answer would be not much.

SHAUN McRae had never been as pleased with a defeat before. But after the Saints - Penrith reverse, you had to spare a thought for the Panthers.

Played six, won six - and out! Life's not fair - but coach Royce Simmons was not complaining - he knew the rules beforehand.

But it seems a shame that the likes of multi-talented Ryan Girdler and Sid Domic will play no further part in the championship.

Girdler is a class act to say the least and his personal points tally passed over the ton over the six games.

He is definitely a star of the future and when the Kangaroos come over this Autumn, he will be one to watch - that's for sure.

Great Britain - you have been warned!!!

By Alastair McIntyre,

sports journalist at the Sentinel Newspaper,

Stoke-on-Trent



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welcome to OLDHAM BEARS

Saints opponents for this evening's Super League encounter are Oldham Bears. The Bears are currently bottom of the Stones Super League table. Tonight's game is the first of four very vital encounters for Saints against each of the bottom four outfits. On Wednesday third bottom Paris St Germain visit Knowsley Road in the World Club Challenge play off. Next Sunday Saints visit 2nd bottom Castleford at Wheldon Road and the following weekend visit 4th bottom Warrington at Wilderspool. Each game will be very difficult - with Saints unable to afford to slip up.

At present the Bears have three wins and a draw for a total of 7 points from their 17 Super League matches. They are only one point adrift of Castleford Tigers and Paris St. Germain and three points behind Warrington and Wolves. With only 5 games remaining and only one for the drop each of the Bears remaining games are of vital importance for them. They have had a disappointing season to date but this must be put behind them during the Super League run in if they are not to be relegated.

Oldham's victories have been over Paris St. Germain 19-18 and Salford Reds 19-10 at Boundary Park and Sheffield Eagles 18-14 at Don Valley Stadium. Their draw was a 12 all effort at home to Castleford Tigers. The Bears losses have been against Bradford Bulls 18-30, London Broncos 22-32, Halifax Blue Sox 29-30, Leeds Rhinos 26-43, St. Helens 30-34 and Sheffield Eagles 20-21 on their home ground and on their travels at Leeds Rhinos 22-32, Salford Reds 26-35, Warrington Wolves 18-28, Wigan Warriors 10-44, Bradford Bulls 28-42, Castleford Tigers 20-25 and London Broncos 28-36.

In the World Club Challenge Oldham have been eliminated. They did win a match though - beating North Queensland Cowboys at home 20-16. Their losses were 2-18 at home to Adelaide Rams and 16-54 at the Cowboys and 14-42 at the Rams.

In coach **BOB LINDNER** Oldham have one of Australia's finest players. He took over from a former Gt. Britain star **ANDY GOODWAY** mid way through the campaign. Bob is very shrewd and knowledgeable and his coaching skills are ever so slowly coming to the fore during the games. The Bears are competitive. They are an entertaining outfit. They need to learn how to win however - how to kill a game. Three of their Championship losses have been by less than 4 points whilst a further 6 defeats have been by 10 points or less. Their squad for this evening's game are as follows:-

Occupying the last line of the Bears defence is outstanding full back **PAUL ATCHESON**. A former Blackbrook Amateur, Paul joined Widnes in 1990 before joining Wigan and then Oldham in June 1995 for £50,000. Patch's main strengths include his speed and strength together with his eye for a

gap. Having represented Gt. Britain at Academy and U'21 level he is also a full Welsh international.

AFI LEUILA is the Bears tough tackling winger. Needs little introduction to the St. Helens faithful as he spent a rather frustrating time at Knowsley Road during 1994. Became a Bear following spells at Counties Manukau in New Zealand and North Queensland. Afi, noted for his phenomenal strength whilst in possession of the football and his intelligent support play played Rugby Union for Tonga. With injuries to **DARREN ABRAM** and **VINCE**

FAWCETT, the Bears have struggled somewhat in the centres during the last couple of months. Darren has always been a prolific try scorer with Oldham whilst Vince crossed for a hat trick of tries for the Bears against Saints at Boundary Park earlier in the season. **HOWARD HILL**

has answered the call and in the centre position has turned in some fine displays. Equally at home in the Back Row, Howard joined Oldham from Hensingham ARLFC in July 1994 following **BARLA** international honours. A Great Britain U'21

representative, Hill could be destined for full international honours in the future. **LUKE GOODWIN** is equally at home in the three quarters as well as at half back. It is in the centre position however where he has recently been playing. At 24 years of age Luke is a matchwinner who



joined the Bears last November from Perth Reds. A clever ball player and magnificent place kicker, Goodwin has previously played for Canberra, Penrith, Parramatta and Canterbury. Also in competition for a position in the centres this evening are MIKE NEAL the former Parkside and Wigan St. Patricks Amateur who joined the Bears from Wigan in 1985. PAUL TOPPING the former Leigh threequarter noted for his prolific points scoring and JIMMY COWAN who is just making his name at 1st Grade.

On the left wing is likely to be DAVID JONES. David is another former Wigan St. Patricks Amateur who joined Oldham from Wakefield Trinity in 1993. He is very fast and a big favourite amongst the crowd. David has spent the last two summers playing in Townsville, Australia and last winter back

at Wigan St. Pats. The other wingers competing with AFI LEUILA and DAVID JONES are SCOTT RANSON, the Bears former Lion's prolific try scoring wing who hails from Thatto Heath ARLFC, and former Warrington star ROB MYLER.

FRANCIS MALONEY is Oldham Bears stand-off and positional kicker. A product of the St. John Fisher Amateur club in Dewsbury, Francis joined Leeds in 1990.

He moved onto

Featherstone Rovers in 1992 and won Gt. Britain U'21 honours whilst with the Post Office Road outfit. He joined Warrington in 1994 but did not settle so he moved onto Oldham for £50,000 in July 1995. He is now in addition to being the Bears main play maker, the club's no. 1 goalkicker, who has been their top scorer over the last couple of seasons.

Scrum half, captain and orchestrator of most of Oldham's attacking moves is MARTIN CROMPTON. Former Warrington and Wigan star, who joined the Bears in September 1993 for a bargain £35,000, Martin has become one of the side's main players. A brilliant organiser and tactical kicker, Martin has been a regular in the Irish team over the last couple of years and played for Gt. Britain in the World Nines earlier this year.

In the forwards the Bears are also very competitive. Due to an unfortunate knee injury sustained last week during training by main prop forward BRETT GOLDSPIK which rules him out for the rest of the Super League campaign. IAN GILDART and JASON TEMU will face Saints this evening. Ian is a very hard working lad who is a workhorse of the Bears pack. A former Wigan and Wakefield Trinity favourite he joined Oldham in August 1995 for £45,000. A Great Britain U'21 international, Jason hails from New Zealand. At 25 years of age he joined the Bears from Counties Manukau. At 16 stone 6 lbs he is a huge man who is a very powerful running prop forward. The king of the big hitters, Jason has become a firm favourite with the Oldham crowd.

In competition for the hookers jersey are JOHN CLARKE and DAVID STEPHENSON. John is the Bears current no. 1 hooker. A former East Leeds Amateur he joined Oldham in May 1993. Excels in the dummy half role. John's main assets are his distribution skills, his broken field running from acting half back and his tenacious defence. Clarke toured Australia with BARLA in 1993 and represented Gt. Britain U'21s against the touring 1974 Kangaroos. David is equally at home at hooker or in the Back Row. At 25 years of age he is a versatile player who always gives 100%. At present David plays most of his 1st Team rugby off the bench and has proven to be a more than useful impact player. He joined the Bears in February 1992 from Queens Park juniors in Leeds.

In the 2nd Row for the Bears PAUL DAVIDSON is currently enjoying a fine run of form scoring a brace of tries in the recent World Club Championship win over North Queensland Cowboys and in Oldham's narrow Super League loss at Castleford Tigers. A very hard-working player, Paul is at his best when making his very strong powerful runs out wide amongst the three quarters. A product of Hensingham ARLFC in Cumbria, Davidson signed pro for Widnes in 1990, before joining Oldham in 1994 for £17,000. Paul's Second Row partner will be JOE FAIMALO. An ever present during Super League in 1996, Faimalo is a product of the Eastern Suburbs club in New Zealand. He had brief spells at Workington Town, Oldham and Swinton during 1991-92 without doing anything special. He returned home and enjoyed success with Hawkes Bay which prompted his return to Oldham in 1994. His determination and stamina since then have made him one of the mainstays of the Roughyed pack.

With DAVID BRADBURY currently unavailable for selection new signing IAN RUSSELL and MATT MUNRO are in competition for the loose forwards jersey. Ian hails from Australia. He is a very tough and uncompromising player who always gives 100%. Possessing a fine pair of hands, once he settles into the Oldham outfit, Ian will establish himself as one of Super Leagues finest Back Row Forwards. Matt is equally at home playing in any of the Back Row positions. A very fast forward, Matt has a terrific workrate. Hailing from Australia Munro joined the Bears from Sydney Tigers at the start of the 1996 season and has quickly established himself as one of Oldham's most consistent performers week in and week out.

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THE SAINTS INTERNET SITE

It has been a busy couple of weeks for the Saints Internet site as fans around the world have logged in to monitor Saints progress in the World Club Championship. Fans from Italy, Singapore and Canada have been among the thousands of visitors to drop by. Many rugby fans from Australia and New Zealand have also been using the site to find out about the club and the players prior to the games. Today's game sees a return to European Super League action and the Oldham Bears, like Saints, have showed the initiative to set up their own official presence. The Bears web site can be found at <http://www.zen.co.uk/oldhambears/>. The Saints Internet Site is the most interactive and most popular European Super League site on the Web. It offers fans a whole host of features including a chat room, a message board, a guest book and a mailing list. Not forgetting the online merchandising store and the weekly Apollo Perelini interview! The site offers everything the online Saints fan could want. That all important address is:

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For further details about the site contact Saints Marketing Executive Mike Callaghan at the Club or Nick Gribben who can be contacted through the Club via email on nick@saints.merseyworld.com

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In modern-day Super League, where the emphasis is centred upon attack courtesy of the ten metre rule, we tend to find the preponderance of tries

becomes rather over-bearing. Yet occasionally comes a touchdown which really brings the crowd to it's feet and what better than a four-pointer scored by a flying wingman.

We witnessed such a try in the League match against Halifax at Knowsley Road...a real virtuoso effort from Anthony Sullivan. Receiving a long pass from Alan Hunte, Sully showed tremendous pace as he cut inside and took the Halifax cover completely by surprise, beating several defenders like a streak of lightning before going under the posts. This was a try worthy of any of the great wingers seen at Knowsley Road over the years. 'Just like the Van' shouted one excited

spectator, and I am not afraid to admit it! Now Sully on current form is certainly amongst the top five wingers in the world of Rugby League and a place in the Great Britain squad to face the Aussies is beckoning. I wonder in

twenty years time if people will greet a piece of fine wing-play with cries of 'Just like Sully'? At this rate you daren't bet against it!

One Step Forward Three Steps Back!

The Saints began the second phase of their World Club Championship campaign Down Under with a spirited performance against Cronulla.

Unfortunately two errors cost us the chance of victory, both from the full back position. Yet it was heartening to see the effort put in by the forwards. Chris Joynt followed on from his hard-working performance against Halifax to look the best forward on the field. His powerful burst enabled Paul Newlove to cross the whitewash for a fine second half touchdown. Joynt was closely followed by Kieron Cunningham, who put in a fine performance in the loose. Yet the side still failed to control the ball in far too many sets of sixes to come

away with a win. Cronulla also made much better use of the deeper in-goal areas than the visitors, whereas the Saints' kicking lacked punch. One pleasing aspect was the way in which Tawera Nikau was shackled for the



Anthony Sullivan
scoring that try against Halifax

majority of the contest. We looked forward to much better things in New Zealand.....but it was not to be! We watched the Auckland match in a bar in Playas de Muro, Alcudia, a place with links with the St. Helens club. Former Chairman Charles Martin is buried in the local cemetery, who led out the team at Wembley on two occasions...in 1972 and 1976. No sooner had we settled down than the first try had been scored. It looked distinctly like a two-man tackle to me as the ball was knocked out...but the referee waved play on and Auckland were off to a dream start! The second try should also have been disallowed courtesy of a blatant obstruction earlier in the movement. Yet you got the feeling that the Saints were not going to get anything out of this match as once again they were pulled back for offside. This fellow seemed to be pulling us back twelve metres. Compare this to the much more realistic 8/9 metres in the London/Brisbane match and you wonder whether we will ever get consistency. Alan Hunte was subjected to a most dangerous tackle, which went totally unpunished. Most tackles which end up as 'spears' are totally unintentional. So what! It is still dangerous play and should be penalised without hesitation. Please don't get the impression that I am looking for excuses for our team's performance. I most certainly am not! Two heavy defeats, against Wigan and Auckland have put a massive dent in

player - and spectator - confidence for the rest of the campaign. As we first feared, meeting overseas opposition has not been a particularly easy exercise. Make a mistake and you concede a try. Simple!

Unfortunately modern rugby is largely about taking advantage of the other team's misfortunes. Yet the main difference for me has been in defence. The Aussies seem to be light years ahead of us!

Stayin' Alive!

The game against Penrith gave the side it's last chance to qualify for the latter stages of the competition. Once again, one-to-one defence was the key to success - especially on the zero tackle! Yet this was much more like the old Saints...playing as a team, supporting each other and controlling the ball. There were some outstanding performances from Cunningham, Leatham and Sean Long, who played the game of his life! Make no bones about it, this performance did much to erase the horrors of Auckland. There were some excellent four-pointers. What about Sully's from Danny Arnold's initial offload, carried on by Newlove and Long? Then there was Long's 'Human Dart' spectacular, followed by a miraculous cover tackle shortly after which kept our hopes alive! Magic! Let's also not forget the travelling army of Saints' fans who made themselves heard during all three matches. Your support was a credit to the club! Have we turned the corner? Let's hope so!



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Now the Bears have to rely on their gates and what few commercial activities they can work up because they no longer have their own income streams.

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While Saints have their own financial

headaches - doesn't every club in the league these days - they are spared Oldham's situation.

Without sufficient cash the Bears cannot afford the players the need to challenge for the top in Super League while they have been perennial strugglers both in First Division and Super League regimes.

It is a great shame because Oldham is a 'rugby town' and their position at the bottom of the Super League is starting to look very serious. But there is a message for other clubs in the Bears' troubles. Financial problems can hit anybody and once you are on the slippery slope it is very difficult to pull back.

That is why clubs such as Salford Reds and Hull Sharks were so excited when they earned promotion to Super League as First Division champions. Besides playing at the top level they have the greater financial rewards from News Corporation cash and the ability to raise more money from sponsorship and related activities.

Just look what is happening down the road at Naughton Park where the Widnes Vikings appear to be in serious trouble following their relegation to the Second Division. They are the perfect illustration of what can happen when things start going wrong for your club.

Australian coach Jack Gibson once said that a successful club starts with a good front office. And his words are coming back to haunt many a British club who find themselves at odds with the bank manager. On the field it is back to square one and many a well-paid player should be looking to himself after European clubs just won eight matches in the qualifying rounds.

The Rugby League has played its part in the in-depth self examination by asking its Technical Director to investigate why Down Under players look better than ours.

I say look because there is a school of thought that our players are mentally cowed by the Australian players even before the kick off. Whether I subscribe to that theory I'm not prepared to say. Let's just say the results speak for themselves.

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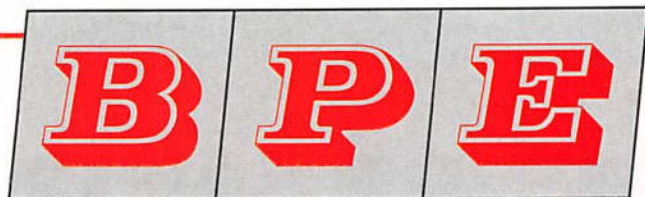
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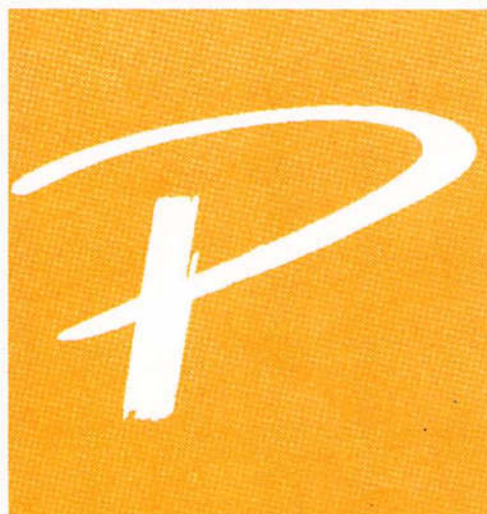
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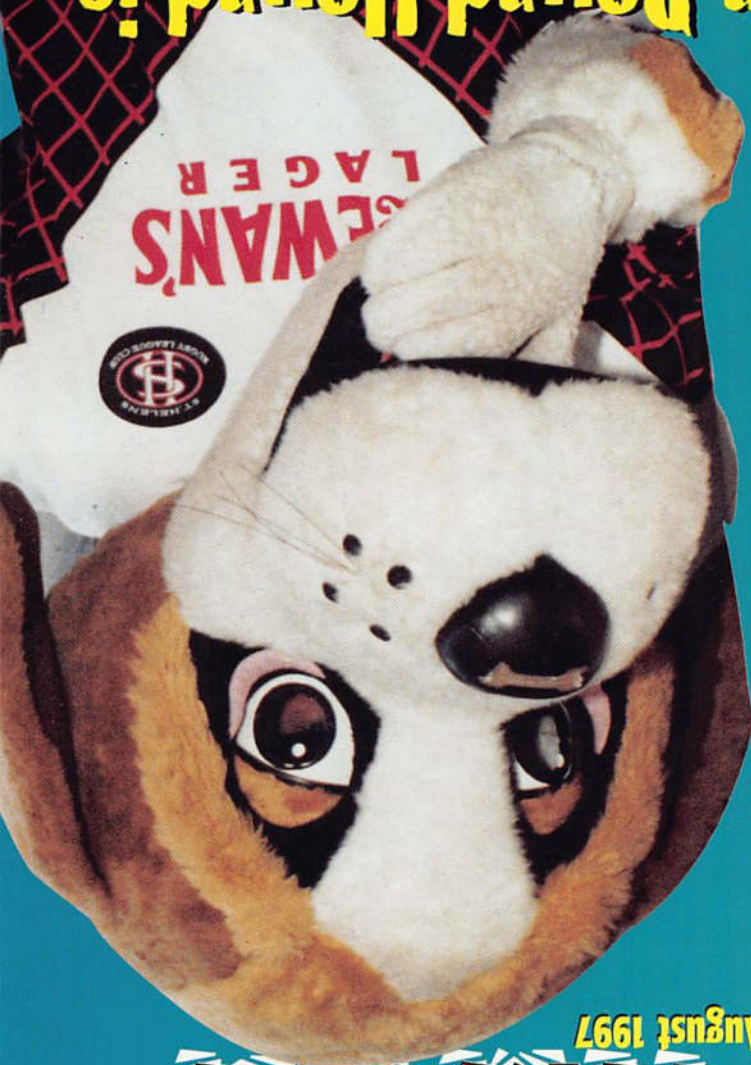
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St. Bernard

Hi ya folks, St. Bernard here!

Well, I've had a month off just relaxing and catching up with a few old friends and now it is back to business against the Oldham Bears. I wasn't invited in the trip to Australia something about pets not being allowed on aeroplanes and my mum told me that I couldn't dye my hair blonde, so I would have felt out of it anyway.

The first week after the match against Halifax, I had to go to the doctors because I wasn't feeling very well. I said to the doctor, "Doctor, One minute I feel like a Wig Wam and the next I feel like a tepee, then I'm a Wig Wam again and then a tepee yet again!" The Doctor said, "Don't worry Bernie, you're just two tents."

Then, my Auntie was in a car accident and she lost her left arm and her left leg. I took her radio to her hospital so she could listen to

some tunes. I flicked it on and "Alright Now" came on, I didn't know whether to laugh or cry. I spent most of my time visiting me old pals in certain zoos around the

country. A week before I went to see my mate Lenny the Lion, a new zookeeper had started. On his first day he was in the aviary with the birds when one just dropped dead. He thought that if anyone found it, he would be sacked so he threw it into the lion's cage. Anyway, next day he was cleaning out the monkeys cage and again one just dropped dead. He thought he would get the sack if anyone saw it so he threw it into the lion's cage. Next day he was out mowing the lawns when the lawnmower went out of control and mowed over all the beehives. He would get the sack if anyone saw so he threw the mess into the lion's cage. I saw Lenny the next day and said, "how you enjoying it here?" he replied "Yeh, it's alright." I said, "What about the food?" and he replied "It's been great recently, why in this last week we've had Finch, Chimps and Mushy Bees!"

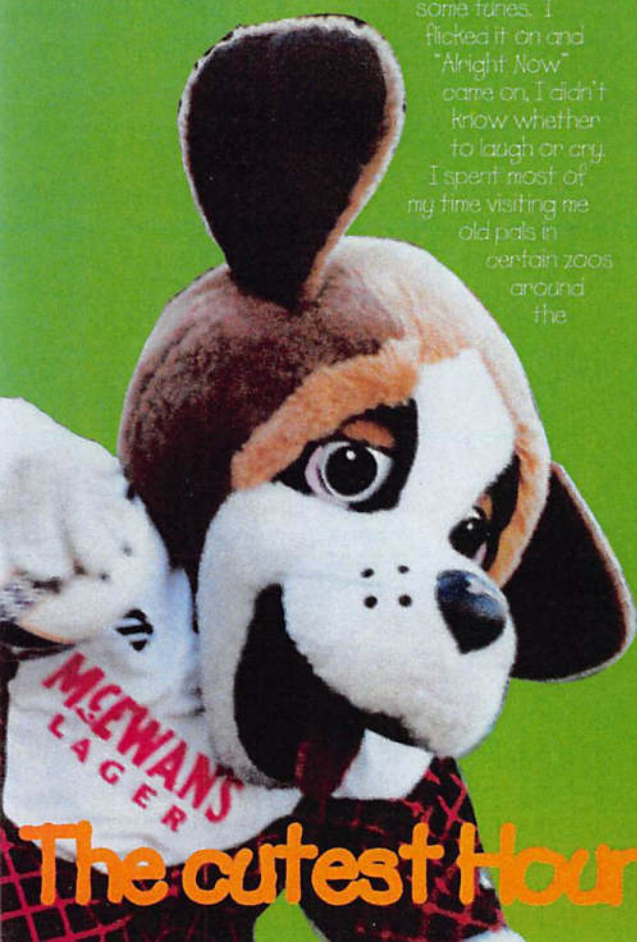
Then I went to see my friends Bob and Christian, in the agri-park, they are both prawns. Anyway, Bob said, "I'm fed up being a prawn all we do is swim all day and wait for some big shank to come and eat us. I tell you what Christian, I want to be a shank." As he said it in a flash he became a shank and of he swam. After a couple of hours Bob wasn't feeling happy. He was a big killer that everyone was scared of and nobody liked. He went to Christian's house and knocked on the door. "Let me in Christian" said Bob, "No, you're a shank and you're gonna eat me!" Bob was upset and said to himself, "I wanna be a prawn again", in a flash he had turned back into a prawn. He knocked on the door and said, "Let me in, Christian," he replied, "No, you're a shark!" Bob said, "No I'm not I'm a Prawn-again Christian."

I told you last time about my thick cousin. Well, I received a phone call from him just last week and he said that his thick friends had been in an accident. They were out walking in the country and came across some tracks. A furious argument ensued with one of them saying that the tracks were that of a moose and the other saying that they were the tracks of a deer. They were still arguing when they were hit by a train.

I'm really going to enjoy this one because I haven't ran around Knowsley Road for a while.

From the dog with the nice hair whose gonna beat the Oldham Bear.

St. Bernard



The cutest Hound in the ground

St. Bernards spotlight

I sat down and thought to myself the other day, who deserves the opportunity to grace these pages in the interview section. All the players got a trip to Aussie, did I? NO. Therefore I am gonna take five minutes out to interview the most influential person at the club. Mel

Name: St Bernards

Age: 2 (1 in dog years)

What was the last CD you bought?

I bought a load recently. The only music I bought recently. The only music I bought recently.

Classical music. I like Bach, but music I'm obviously well into Shoen Doggy Dog but Pop Music is my favourite and the last single I bought was the Fun Loving Criminals and 'Seaboy Snacks'.

Any song with Seaboy in the title is alright with me.

Best moment of your career

Dancing with the Spice-Is Girls would be up there.

Playing the drums at the years homecoming would also be a good one and winning my two Westley medals and the Super League title.

Worst moment of your career

Being attacked by four Arabians in the 1998 Challenge Cup semi at Wigan. And being attacked by some of the players at the homecoming this year. I will have my revenge.

What would be the first thing you would do if you were made Prime Minister?

Introduce better rights for dogs. I would also lower the price of Pedigree Chunks. It is getting way too expensive you know and make the damn thing easier to open. Do you know how hard it is to use a can opener with only three fingers?

What is your best item of clothing?

As well as being sponsored by Majestic Windows, my clothing outside

the ground is still sponsored by Doggy and Gabbanna. I love my Saints kits as well, they show off my delicious dog figure to the most. What do you like and dislike about yourself? There is a lot to like about myself but if I had to pick one thing it would be my eyes, they're damn sexy. I still don't like my waist line, I have worked out a lot and I am not the fittest mascot around. Just look at the Bull, he is one fat cow. I need to loose two more pounds and then I get to do a contract in E!s magazine as the hunkiest Hound.

Yeah but, won't the lothens, what would be the first you would buy?

The Spice Girls. All of them could live with me in the mansion kennel. I would also buy. Sporty Spice could work out with me. Sporty Spice could score away the position because I'm fed up with doing that. Baby Spice could give me loads of sweets. Posh Spice could teach me how to speak properly because I still can't do it and Gem could just sit there.

Your best Rugby League player of all time and your current number one

Adam Faggerty was my favourite, we had the same prapage. Now it's Kari.

Harmond, he is just class.

What is your favourite film of all time?

Ruff Justice. Cool, fast and very interesting. Just like me.

What are you afraid of?

Mozzie Lindsay. No reason, I just am.

What would be your perfect day?

Up with the lads on a run with Sporty Spice.

Dinner at twelve whilst watching Saints win the World Club Challenge and then out with the lads to the 'Dog and Gen' then come up in the kennel for some sleep.

Where do you hangout the most?

The washing line, where else would I do my hanging out?

What newspapers and magazines do you read?

The Daily Scaggle is delivered every morning and FDM (For Dogs Magazine). I also get La Jorrie.

There's a French paper I can't understand, French but it's got loads of pages and lines the Pool on my kennel very nicely.

If you could have dinner with any three people who would it be?

Seaboy Doo, a hero and a true god of



st. bernards TOP ten

RUGBY PARTS OF THE BODY

- 1 Tahi REARhana (Bradford)
- 2 Scott NAILor (Salford)
- 3 Lee BrEARS (Warrington)
- 4 Julian O'KNEEL (Saints)
- 5 Derek McVEIN (Saints)
- 6 Paul SKULLthorpe (Warrington)
- 7 Joe THIGHmalo (Oldham)
- 8 Shaun HEADwards (London)
- 9 TOE Kohe-Love (Warrington)
- 10 Grant HANDerson (Castleford)

LONDON PEOPLE

Why did the person from London drown?
Because someone had put a Scratch and Sniff card on the bottom of the pool.

What do you call someone from London with half a brain?
Gifted

doggress. He had it all cool and two women who used to follow him around everywhere.

What more could you want?

Sporty Spice, she's well nice. Lassie, so is she.

Favourite Spice Girl.

Mel C, the Sporty One. I think she's the tops.

Some say she's a dog but that would suit me even better.

Best Mascot in the World.

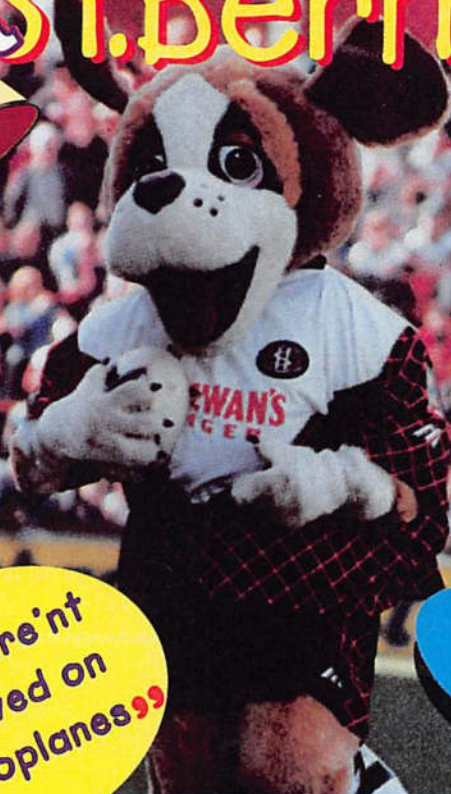
Me. I don't have to give a reason cos everyone knows it.

St. Bernard's spotlight

St. Bernard



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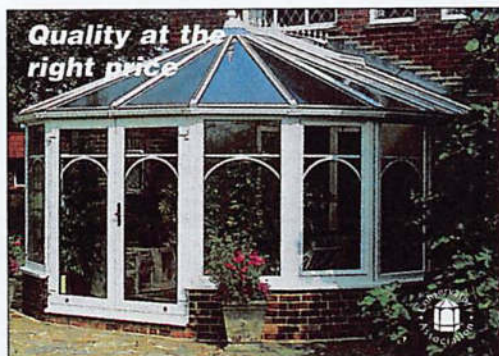
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Whose Loin: Derek McVey

Ten Toughies:

1. Keiron Cunningham
2. Van Vollenhoven
3. Neil Cowie

4. Four

5. Ian Pickavance

6. Pickavance

7. Two (Northey/Perelini)

8. Prescott and Hayes

9. Billy and Bluey

10. 21.11.93 O'Donnell

I've had a full month to think up these fantastic little teasers, so you better have your thinking caps on and concentrate, the next ten questions could be the hardest thing you ever attempt to complete. If you know the answers to this week's questions, pop them on a postcard and send them to the club and you'll have the chance to win a signed photo of me as well as another mystery prize.

Ten Toughies

You may be clever, you may be bright,
But I still don't think you'll get them right.

1. Who scored the last try for Saints in the match against Warrington on the day we collected the first Super League trophy?
2. Who holds the Saints record for most goals in a season?
3. How many tries did Paul Newlove score last season in all club and representative matches?
4. Against which team have we run up the biggest half time lead this season?
5. Against who did we achieve our highest gate of the season so far?
6. How many points did Steve Prescott score to equal the England record for points in a match?
7. The 1992-93 top try scorers chart had two current Saints in it. Who?
8. Which two teams had a better defensive record than us last season?
9. How many goals did Bobbie Goulding kick in all rounds of the Challenge Cup this year?
10. We played Salford in the Challenge Cup semi this year but who did we play last year?

Bernie's Brainbusters



Dear Bernard

Well, in the past month, your problems have kept my kennel full to the rim and they have taken up a heck of a lot of my time but in true Bernie fashion, I answered each and every one. I hope I helped some of you, remember, I am the big hound with the big heart. If you have any problems don't hesitate to send them to me. For now, here are just a few of the questions you sent in to the Proud Problem solving pooch.

LUNAR TUNES

Dear Bernard,

I've been interested with space and the moon ever since I can remember. Then, just recently, I read in a magazine that it was probably not true that the Americans had got to space in the first place and that the pictures of Neil Armstrong on the moon were really fakes. Please say it ain't so St. Bernard.

Wendy, St. Helens.

 Well Wendy, I can tell you for a fact that people have landed on the moon. I know this because I was in facty the first dog on the moon. I went up there with a load of astronauts. We went to a restaurant on the moon, lovely food but there was no atmosphere.

GET DOWN

Dear Bernard,

I have been getting really bored lately and a friend of mine suggested that perhaps I should take up a really cool new hobby. I've thought about bungee jumping or paragliding. What do you think?

Derek, Ashton.

 I think it is a smashing idea but these sports do have risks. I took up Scuba Diving once. I got on all the gear and that oxygen mask and everything, it cost me just over £100 and I

jumped into the sea. Anyway I got really deep down and there was this bloke in normal swimming gear and low as I was and he was kicking his legs and arms about and going lower and lower. I thought, I've paid £100 for this stuff and he hasn't paid a penny. I grabbed him and took him to the surface. I said: "How can you do that without any wet suits or oxygen when I've just paid £100 for the lot?" He said: "I was drowning you fool!" Oops. So be careful.

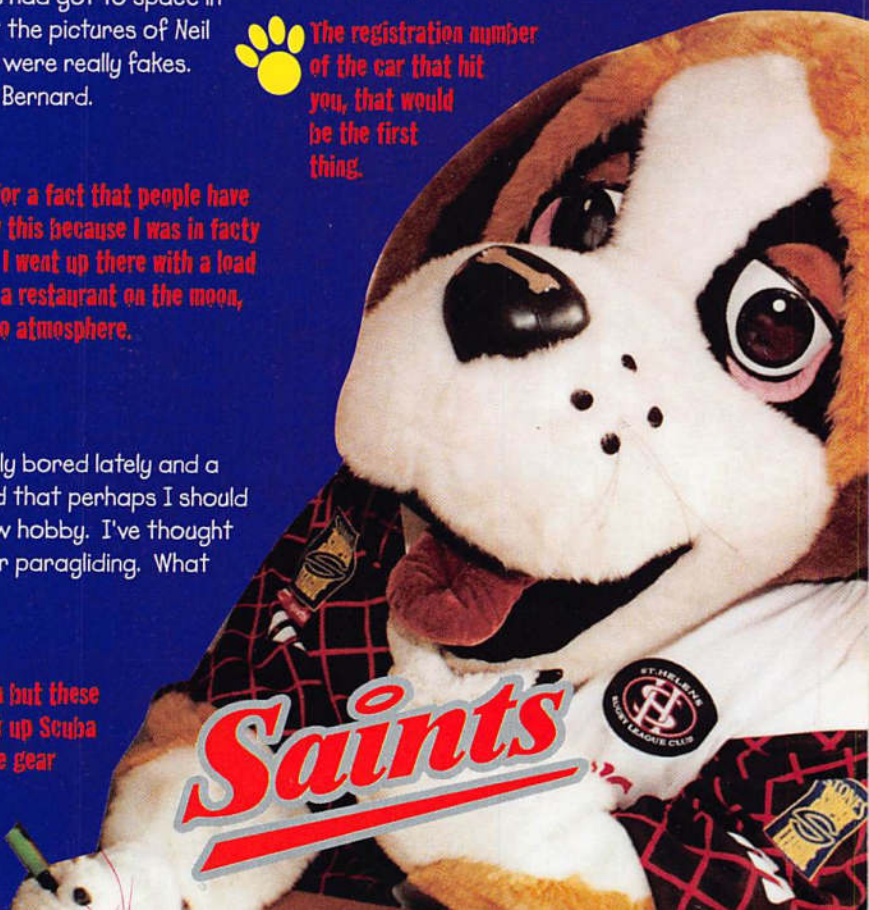
UNDER PRESSURE

Dear Bernard,

I am a very hard worker and have been all my life. What's the best thing to take when you are run down?

Bob, Newton-Le-Willows.

 The registration number of the car that hit you, that would be the first thing.



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DISASTER FOR DEAN



The team may have had its ups and downs, but there is one ill-fated Saints' star who would have moved heaven and earth to have been on the club's World Club Challenge

venture to Australia and New Zealand.

Spare a thought for back-row forward Dean Busby, who had to forego his trip of a lifetime due to suffering a broken leg after being on the field just two minutes at Oldham - and only a fortnight before Saints jetted out to Sydney. The sickening injury is the latest in a catalogue of misfortune that has dogged 24 year old, 6ft 1in 15 stone Dean since being transferred from Hull to Knowsley Road in readiness for the launch of the Centenary Season in 1995.

For he was destined to break a bone in his hand on his 'A' team debut but he bounced back into action, only to then endure medical ligament damage to his knee in Saints' Silk Cup win at Castleford on the day Shaun McRae took charge.

This meant a 12-week spell on crutches and with it intensive physiotherapy and rehabilitation for the popular 'Buzz' - as he is known to his team mates - before he was ready to resume playing once more when the Warrington Alliance side visited Knowsley Road. It is now a matter of painful history for luckless bachelor Busby that tragedy reared its ugly head once more when he snapped the cruciate ligaments of the other knee after 10 minutes and that, as they say, was that for the remainder of the 1996 campaign.

Never a man to submit easily, Dean spent last winter yet again travelling the often-rocky road back to full fitness, and his perseverance was rewarded when, after several reserve team games, he found himself on the first team bench against Auckland Warriors and Cronulla Sharks.

Busby also starred for the full 80 minutes when short-handed Saints won at Halifax but, being naturally anxious for regular Super League rugby, he requested a transfer and a fee of £75,000 was placed on him, but a proposed deal with Salford failed to materialise.

However, given such an encouraging return, it appeared that the playing fortunes of Humberside-born Dean were finally enjoying an



Dean Busby... "It's been a difficult two years for me at Knowsley Rd"

upsurge, as indeed they were until that traumatic - albeit innocuous - tackle in the 76th minute at Boundary Park.

The diagnosis was that the ankle was dislocated and the fibia fractured, which meant Dean Busby was well and truly 'plastered' from foot to thigh and was refused permission to travel on medical grounds, and his reservation on Singapore Airlines Flight No. SQ377 to Australia went to teenager Jason Johnson. Small wonder that Great Britain Under-21 star Busby, who has also played for England against Wales in 1992 and was then, conversely, in the Welsh World Cup squad, wonders when the tide will turn on a Saints' career so far decimated by an injury jinx.

"It's been a difficult two years for me at Knowsley Road, with missing out on successive Wembley triumphs among my greatest disappointments," said former building worker Dean who has made 18 full appearances and nine substitutions, scoring three tries en-route. "But there is little point in being a doom-and-gloom merchant and I am keeping my fingers crossed that I steer clear of further injury in 1998 in order to show supporters what I am really capable of."

We'll drink to that! 



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Dear Nick,
Just a short note of sincere thanks to yourself, Scott, Tony, Dale and Kel for coming all the way to Leyland to give our 7, 8 and 9 year olds a wonderful mornings training. Every single one of them thoroughly enjoyed themselves as did all the parents and grandparents who watched. It was really special to actually touch the Challenge Cup and maybe one day one of them may be fortunate enough to lift the cup in a game situation.

I have enclosed two cuttings from the local newspapers - very good photographs - sorry

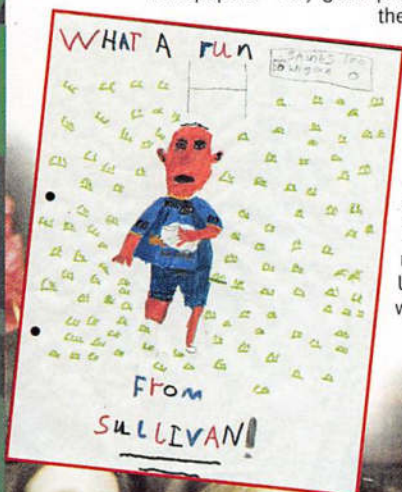
they haven't got much right in the Lancashire Evening Post regarding yourself. I enclose some drawings from the children regarding what St. Helens means to them. Unfortunately as we

are not in a sort of school situation where I can sit them down and say do a drawing to send on to Saints I haven't got back as many as I would have liked, let's hope they have all been too busy playing out practicing rugby instead. Neil said he would send you some of our teams newsletters, which I enclose for the last three seasons as U7 - U9's. A brief history of the Club is attached. Thanks once again. I hope to speak to you soon.
Janet



Young players meet their rugby heroes

YOUNGSTERS from Leyland Warriors got a treat when their idols dropped in to one of their training sessions at the Moss Side Fields. St. Helens players Scott Barrow, Scott Stewart, Kelvin Peel and Dale Holdstock brought along their impressive Challenge Cup to give the children a taste of sporting success. Anyone interested in playing for the Warriors should contact Dave Shaw on 456583. St. Helens development officer and coach Nick Hallett shows eight-year-old Warrior Mark Quinn some of the silverware. (19/3/95)

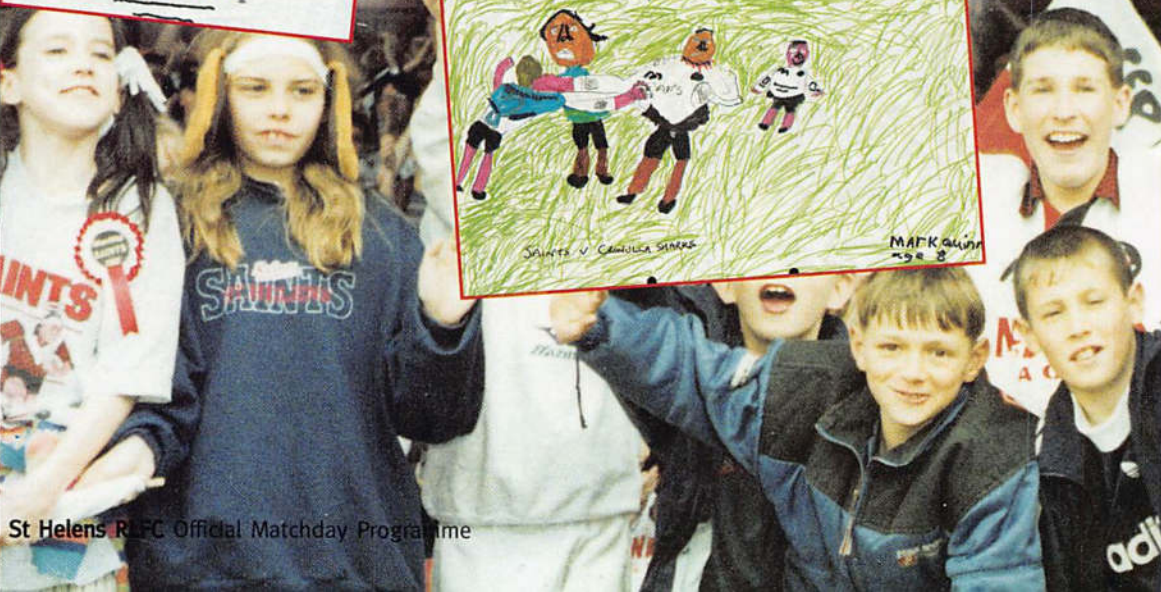


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U13s. The number of teams has increased each season and will probably be 9 in the 97/98 season. In 1994 it was decided, after consultations with the local council and leagues, to change the name to Leyland Warriors to reflect the area represented.

In 1996 the local council, South Ribble Borough Council, was awarded one of the largest grants from the Lotteries Commission for

Rugby League, to drain pitches and build changing facilities for use by the Club at our home base of Moss-side.

It is hoped that the club will continue to grow as Super League prospers and brings rugby league via Sky T.V. into more and more homes and one day will field open age as well as junior teams.

We are only on the border of the traditional rugby league area, schools don't play the game but we are determined to develop the love of this great game wherever and whenever we can.



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SAINTS 26

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PIMBLETT'S JUNIOR SAINTS

The next meeting is on **TUESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER AT 6.15PM IN SAINTS BANQUETING ROOM**

Anybody collecting Super League stickers please bring your swaps.

Anybody wanting to train with Nick Halafihi, please bring rugby or hockey boots if you have them. (There will be a limited number). YOUNG PEOPLE WISHING TO TRAIN MUST BE AGE NINE OR OVER.

A COLLECTION WILL BE TAKEN AT THE LEEDS MATCH ON AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY IN AID OF JUNIOR SAINTS. VOLUNTEERS TO HELP TAKE THIS COLLECTION ARE NEEDED.

IF YOU ARE WILLING TO HELP PLEASE CONTACT AUNTY FRED A ON 602253. You can also contact Aunty Freda about any Junior Saints matters.

PIMBLETT'S JUNIOR SAINT BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to **Jessica Friar, Michael Hasty, Andrew Mills, Melanie McGowan, Danny Simms and Donna Finney.**

Belated Birthday greetings to **Kayleigh Ashby, Laura Leslie and AUNTY FRED A**

Congratulations to **Shirley and Gerry Moore** for their 39th Wedding Anniversary on 2nd August, love from All the Family. (Shirley must have the patience of a Saint!!!)

Welcome back to **Graham Evans** after his illness. Love from family and friends.



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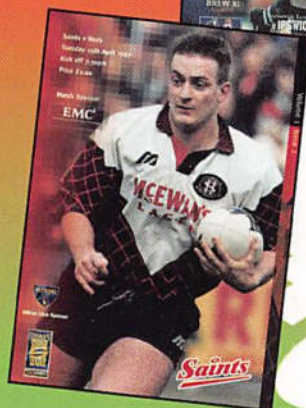
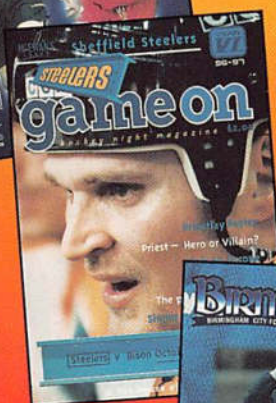
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ALLIANCE

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St Helens

Alliance update

Since the last programme notes were written Saints Alliance side have lost their three Championship fixtures, at Halifax and Featherstone and at home to Castleford. On the whole they performed credibly in each game but were beaten in all but the Halifax game by the better team. At Thrum Hall Saints deserved to win. They outscored Halifax by three tries to two but still somehow found themselves losing by 15 points to 12 - the main difference in the end being the fact that Saints three tries were all out wide whilst Halifax converted one of their tries from in front of the posts and kicked two simple penalty goals.

Saints front row of **SIMON BOOTH**, **JOHN HAMILTON** and **DANNY SMITH** are worthy of a mention following sound solid no frills performances as was the back row combination of **JAMES ARKWRIGHT** and **SCOTT BARROW**. **WARREN BARROW** (Scott's brother) who was making his Saints debut from the bench following his on loan signing had a memorable night scoring two fine second half tries. Saints other score coming from **ALAN CROSS**.

At Featherstone, the home team deserved their 32 points to 16 win. Saints were always going to be up against it as Fev included Derek Fox, Neil Summers, Danny Baker and Lee Maher in their side who have considerable 1st Team experience. They outscored Saints by seven tries to three despite a plucky display. For Saints **DANNY SMITH** was outstanding. He was ably supported by **JAMES ARKWRIGHT**, **BRIAN CAPEWELL**, **JOHN HAMILTON** and **ALAN CROSS**. Saints tries were scored by **PAUL HAIGH**, **TONY STEWART** and **JAMES BRIERS** with **BRIAN CAPEWELL** adding two conversions. In Saints home defeat by Castleford Tigers, it was a similar story. Despite one of their best displays of the season Cas ran out winners by 36 points to 18. Castleford like Featherstone the previous week played four players who have considerable 1st team experience - Simon Middleton, Diccon Edwards, Ian Tonks and Ian Smales and Saints were simply out gunned. Saints ball control was excellent but the visitors uncompromising defence linked to some great attacking play saw Saints beaten. Their try scorers were **DANNY PIMBLETT**, **BRIAN CAPEWELL** and **MIKE BENNETT** with **BRIAN CAPEWELL** adding three goals.

Remaining Fixtures

Aug 15	Leeds Rhinos	A	7:30
Aug 20	Warrington Wolves	H	7:30

STONES ALLIANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts
LEEDS RHINOS	18	15	-	3	576	284	292	30
HULL SHARKS	20	12	-	8	534	424	110	24
WIGAN WARRIORS	15	10	-	5	520	310	210	20
CASTLEFORD TIGERS	18	10	-	8	480	349	131	20
ST. HELENS	19	9	-	10	473	455	-18	18
OLDHAM BEARS	18	9	-	9	376	427	-51	18
SALFORD REDS	18	9	-	9	344	514	-170	18
BRADFORD BULLS	16	8	-	8	425	327	98	16
FEATHERSTONE ROVERS	18	8	-	10	417	494	-77	16
HALIFAX BLUE SOX	18	7	-	11	385	501	-116	14
HULL KR	19	6	-	13	326	450	-124	12
WARRINGTON WOLVES	17	4	-	13	332	653	-321	8

ALLIANCE APPEARANCES & SCORERS 1997

	APP	SUB	T	G	DG	Pts
PAUL ANDERSON	4	2	5	1	-	22
JAMES ARKWRIGHT	13	-	3	-	-	12
PAUL BAILEY	1	-	1	-	-	4
SCOTT BARROW	7	4	1	2	1	9
WARREN BARROW	2	1	2	-	-	8
MATT BATEMAN	18	-	5	-	-	20
MIKE BENNETT	1	2(2)	1	-	-	4
SIMON BOOTH	7	-	2	-	-	8
JAMES BRIERS	7	2	4	-	-	16
LEE BRIERS	1	-	-	-	-	-
NEAL BROUGH	1	2	-	-	-	-
DEAN BUSBY	7	-	3	-	-	12
BRIAN CAPEWELL	7	9	4	5	-	26
ALAN CROSS	14	4	9	-	-	36
NICK DEVINE	1	2	1	-	-	4
IAN GORE	-	6	2	6	-	20
ANDY HAIGH	2	2	6	-	-	24
PAUL HAIGH	11	3(1)	1	-	-	4
STEVE HALL	9	3	-	-	-	-
JOHN HAMILTON	6	5	1	-	-	4
JOEY HAYES	1	1	2	-	-	8
DALE HOLDSTOCK	-	2	-	-	-	-
DAVE HOLDSTOCK	2	2	-	-	-	-
CRAIG HYLAND	1	1	-	-	-	-
JASON JOHNSON	11	2	8	-	-	32
ANDY LEATHEM	7	-	1	-	-	4
PAUL MATHISON	6	3	1	-	-	4
DAVE McCORMACK	-	1(1)	-	-	-	-
MARK McCULLY	1	-	-	-	-	-
CHRIS NEWALL	14	4	3	-	-	12
KEVIN O'LOUGHLIN	13	-	2	-	-	8
DANNY PIMBLETT	14	1	7	-	-	28
GARETH PRICE	-	3	-	-	-	-
DANNY RIGBY	1	1	-	-	-	-
JOHN RILEY	2	1	-	-	-	-
KEVIN SHAW	-	1	-	-	-	-
RICHARD SHEIL	11	-	2	-	-	8
DANNY SMITH	4	-	-	-	-	-
JOHN STANKEVITCH	3	-	1	-	-	4
MARK STEPHENSON	2	1	1	-	-	4
ANTHONY STEWART	18	-	4	-	-	16
JOHN WATERWORTH	12	1	5	42	-	104
PAUL WELLENS	3	-	-	4	-	8
TOTAL	247	72(4)	88	60	1	473

Saints

ACADEMY NEWS

Since Saints last played a 1st team match here at Knowsley Road, Saints young Academy outfit has had rather mixed set of results. In their 5 matches - they have had three fine wins but have suffered two rather disappointing losses. When Halifax visited Knowsley Road Saints turned out their most inexperienced line up to date this season. They still should have been more than capable of winning this game, but sadly this wasn't to be as the visitors ran out rather easy winners by 28 points to 20, in a very disappointing showing. Saints try scorers were **STEVE HALL**, **KELVIN PEET**, and **JOHN STANKEVITCH** whilst **KELVIN PEET** kicked 4 goals. The following weekend it was a much improved display from **NICK HALAFIHI'S** boys in their sound win at Wakefield Trinity by 24 points to 20. Saints competed well during the game and thoroughly deserved their two points following some smart football which saw possession of the football respected. To date this was the hottest game of the season - both teams deserving a pat on the back for the level and standard of play in the difficult conditions. Saints try scorers at Wakefield were **GARETH PRICE (2)**, **DAVE RALPHSON**, **MIKE BENNETT** and **CHRIS HYLAND** with **PAUL WELLENS** kicking two goals.

On July 23rd - only three days after the game at Wakefield, Saints visited Featherstone Rovers at Post Office Road and produced probably the best technical display of the season. They controlled the football and varied their on field moves, taking the right options - playing intelligent rugby league. The final margin of victory was 32 points to 16. Saints try scorers were **GARETH PRICE (2)**, **MARK EDMUNDSON**, **JOHN HAMILTON** and **KELVIN**

PEET with **PAUL WELLENS** kicking 6 goals. One other plus from a fine display which saw both **JOHN HAMILTON** and **MARK EDMUNDSON** outstanding was the return following long term injury from prop forward **CRAIG BURGESS**.

At Salford, Saints looked fatigued. Playing their third away match in 8 days they never really got going against a side who were on average one to two years older than Saints. Seven of Salford's team were A-Team squad members and Saints were comprehensively turned over by 34 points to 4. The only real plus from a largely disappointing game was **MIKE BENNETT'S** early try. Salford looked impressive as they became the second team (after Wigan) to inflict a Championship double over St. Helens.

Last Sunday it was back to winning ways with a great 50 points to 14 win over Warrington at Knowsley Road. Within a week Saints had suffered their heaviest defeat of the season followed by their biggest win. This was Saints best attacking display of the season and the enthusiastic crowd were well entertained from a great Saints display. Star performer was hooker **JOHN HAMILTON** who seems to get better each game he plays in and he was ably assisted by fine displays from **GARY BURGESS**, **MIKE BENNETT**, **DALE HOLDSTOCK**, **CRAIG HYLAND** and **PAUL BAILEY**. Saints try scorers were **JOHN HAMILTON (2)**, **MARTIN GASKELL (2)**, **TONY STEWART**, **MIKE BENNETT**, **PAUL BAILEY**, **DALE HOLDSTOCK** and **DAVE McCORMACK** with **PAUL WELLENS** adding 7 goals.

Remaining Fixtures

Aug 10	Featherstone R	H	4.00
Aug 17	Castleford T	A	1.30

SUPER LEAGUE TOP GUNS



TOP GOAL SCORERS

	SL	Oth	Total
1. STEVE McNAMARA (Bradford Bulls)	77	31	108
2. ANDY FARRELL (Wigan Warriors)	84	31	104
3. MARK ASTON (Sheffield Eagles)	56	23	79
4. STEVE BLAKELEY (Salford Reds)	56	19	75
5. BOBBIE GOULDING (St Helens)	48	17	65
6. IESTYN HARRIS (Warrington Wolves)	49	10	59
7. GREG BARWICK (London Broncos)	39	16	55
8. LEE BRIERS (Warrington Wolves)	34	21	55
9. MARTIN PEARSON (Halifax Blue Sox)	41	5	46
10. FRANCIS MALONEY (Oldham Bears)	29	12	41



TOP TRY SCORERS

	SL	Oth	Total
1. ANTHONY SULLIVAN (St Helens)	12	11	23
2. ALAN HUNTE (St Helens)	13	9	22
3. NIGEL VAGANA (Warrington Wolves)	15	5	20
4. SCOTT ROSKELL (London Broncos)	7	10	17
= TONY SMITH (Wigan Warriors)	15	2	17
= PAUL STERLING (Leeds Rhinos)	12	5	17
7. JASON ROBINSON (Wigan Warriors)	11	3	14
= DARREN ROGERS (Salford Reds)	8	6	14
9. DANNY ARNOLD (St Helens)	12	1	13
= PHIL BERGMAN (Paris St Germain)	11	2	13
= NICK PINKNEY (Sheffield Eagles)	7	6	13



STONES SUPER LEAGUE TABLE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts
BRADFORD BULLS	17	17	-	-	605	316	289	34
LEEDS RHINOS	17	12	1	4	456	346	110	25
LONDON BRONCOS	16	11	2	3	467	273	194	24
ST. HELENS	17	10	1	6	467	393	74	21
WIGAN WARRIORS	16	10	-	6	512	289	223	20
SALFORD REDS	17	9	-	8	334	383	-49	18
HALIFAX BLUE SOX	18	7	1	10	438	440	-2	15
SHEFFIELD EAGLES	17	6	-	11	315	474	-159	12
WARRINGTON WOLVES	16	5	-	11	324	541	-216	10
PARIS ST GERMAIN	17	4	-	13	283	449	-166	8
CASTLEFORD TIGERS	18	3	2	13	260	445	-185	8
OLDHAM BEARS	16	3	1	12	337	450	-113	7

ACADEMY CHAMPIONSHIP

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	Pts
LEEDS RHINOS	19	18	-	1	726	231	495	36
WIGAN WARRIORS	18	15	-	4	666	449	217	30
LONDON BRONCOS	18	11	1	6	503	439	64	23
ST. HELENS	18	10	2	6	503	454	49	22
SALFORD REDS	18	9	-	9	336	370	-34	22
BRADFORD BULLS	18	8	-	10	432	471	-39	16
FEATHERSTONE ROVERS	19	8	-	11	373	494	-121	16
WARRINGTON WOLVES	19	7	1	11	497	551	-54	15
WAKEFIELD TRINITY	18	7	1	10	367	471	-104	15
HULL SHARKS	20	7	-	13	434	499	-65	14
CASTLEFORD TIGERS	19	5	-	14	386	623	-237	10
HALIFAX BLUE SOX	19	4	1	14	308	439	-131	9

ACADEMY APPEARANCES & SCORERS 1997

	APP	SUB	T	G	PG	PTS
DAVE ABRAHAM	3	-	-	-	-	-
PAUL BAILEY	8	-	6	-	-	24
SCOTT BARROW	12	2	7	8	2	46
MIKE BENNETT	19	-	9	-	-	36
NEAL BROUGH	8	6	-	-	-	-
GARY BURGESS	4	-	-	-	-	-
DANNY BUTLER	18	1	5	-	-	20
GARETH CHAMBERS	1	-	-	-	-	-
ALAN CROSS	1	-	-	-	-	-
RICK DARWIN	-	-(1)	-	-	-	-
GARETH DAVIES	3	-	-	-	-	-
STUART DICKINSON	6	-	4	-	-	16
MARK EDMUNDSON	6	2	4	-	-	16
MARTIN GASKELL	12	1	9	-	-	36
IAN GORE	8	2	3	11	-	34
STEVE HALL	10	-	3	-	-	12
JOHN HAMILTON	17	-	9	-	-	36
STEWART HILL	1	-	-	-	-	-
DALE HOLDSTOCK	18	-	4	-	-	16
DANNY HORNBY	2	1	-	-	-	-
CRAIG HYLAND	17	3	2	-	-	8
KEVIN HYLAND	2	-	-	-	-	-
NEIL IRELAND	1	-	-	-	-	-
JASON JOHNSON	1	1	2	-	-	8
PAUL JUKES	-	6	-	-	-	-
DAVE MCCONNELL	1	7(1)	-	-	-	-
DAVE MCCORMACK	2	8	3	-	-	12
MARK MCQUILLEY	12	1	-	20	-	44
DAVE NORBURN	-	1	-	-	-	-
KELVIN PEET	6	4	3	7	-	26
GARETH PRICE	1	8	5	-	-	20
DAVE RALPHSON	5	1	3	-	-	4
DANNY RIGBY	5	6	2	-	-	8
MARK SHAW	4	1	-	-	-	-
DANNY SMITH	1	5	-	-	-	-
NICK SMITH	1	-	-	-	-	-
JOHN STANKEVICH	11	3	5	-	-	20
MARK STEPHENSON	3	6	3	-	-	12
ANTHONY STEWART	2	-	1	-	-	4
LUKE TAYLOR	8	-	1	-	-	4
PAUL WELLES	18	1	8	30	3	95
TOTAL	260	78 (2)	100	76	5	557

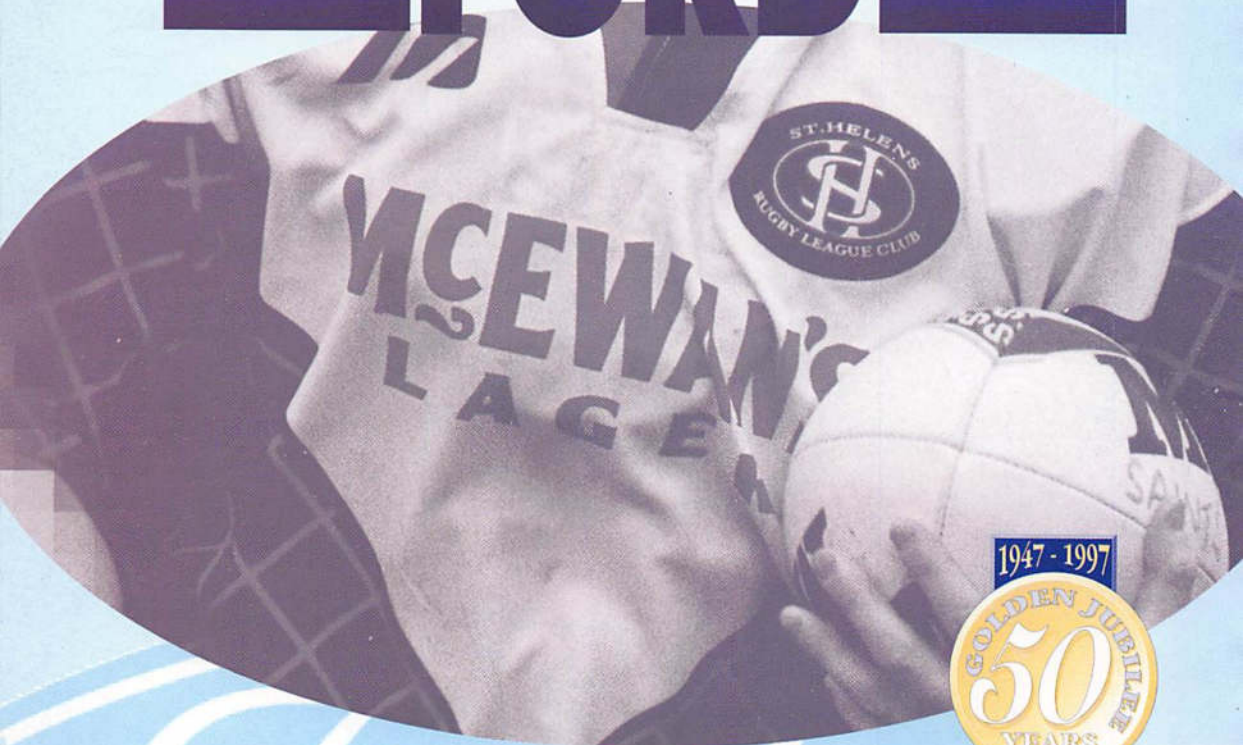
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Feb 8	Wigan Warriors (SCCC4)	H	10-10	26-12	12262				T	T	T	3G	T												2G	T										
23	Hull Sharks (SCCC5)	H	24-2	54-8	10251				3T	2T	T														2G	2T		T			T 5G					
Mar 9	Keighley Cougars (SCCC6)	A	14-0	24-0	7845				T	T	T														T									2G		
16	London Broncos	A	16-12	28-24	6949				A	16-12	28-24	6949							T							T								4G		
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31	Sheffield Eagles	H	22-6	32-12	10334				T		T															3T										
April 5	Paris St Germain	A	16-6	44-6	8542	T				T		6G	T			T				T					2T	2T										
11	Leeds Rhinos	A	8-12	12-13	12683							T 2G																								
15	Salford Reds 7.30	H	8-6	19-12	10213	T						3G DG														T	T									
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16	London Broncos 7.30	H	10-16	22-22	7147				T		T	T 5G																								
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26	Wigan Warriors	H	0-37	12-65	10566					T		2G										T														
June 1	Halifax Blue Sox 6.35	A	22-0	26-18	4126					2T		2G								2T																
6	AUCKLAND WARRIORS	H	8-20	14-42	8911					T		2G														T										
16	CRONULLA SHARKS	H	2-30	8-48	8039			2G																		T										
22	PENRITH PANTHERS	H	10-36	30-50	6671	T		5G		2T				2T																						
29	Oldham Bears 3.00	A	16-18	34-30	4575			5G						2T	T					3T																
July 2	Sheffield Eagles 7.30	A	8-2	12-14	3200				T	T																T										
6	Bradford Bulls 6.35	H	8-20	20-38	10,277		T	T2G												2T																
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21	Cronulla Sharks (WCC)	A	4-14	12-28	7721				T			2G		T																						
28	Auckland Warriors (WCC)	A	0-36	6-70	18354			G																		T										
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1	STEVE PRESCOTT	20	-	6	-	-	24
2	JOEY HAYES	-	6	1	-	-	4
3	SEAN LONG	9	-	3	15	-	42
4	PAUL NEWLOVE	21	-	12	-	-	48
5	ANTHONY SULLIVAN	28	-	23	-	-	92
6	KARLE HAMMOND	26	-	12	-	-	48
7	BOBBIE GOULDING	17	-	2	64	1	137
8	APOLLO PERELINI	19	-	3	-	-	12
9	KEIRON CUNNINGHAM	27	-	7	-	-	28
10	IAN PICKAVANCE	7	18	3	-	-	12
11	CHRIS JOYNT	23	1	4	-	-	16
12	SIMON BOOTH	2	3	-	-	-	-
13	DEAN BUSBY	1	6	-	-	-	-
14	DANNY ARNOLD	28	-	13	-	-	52
15	JULIAN O'NEILL	27	-	1	-	-	4
16	DEREK MCVEY	9	6	-	-	-	-
17	ANDY LEATHAM	9	1	1	-	-	4
18	ANDY HAIGH	15	4(1)	3	-	-	12
19	KEVIN O'LOUGHLIN	-	3(1)	-	-	-	-
20	TOMMY MARTYN	12	-	10	5	-	50
21	ALAN HUNTE	22	-	22	-	-	88
22	VILA MATAUTIA	15	12(1)	-	-	-	-
23	ANDY NORTHEY	1	16	2	-	-	8
24	CHRIS MORLEY	16	9	-	-	-	-
25	PAUL ANDERSON	1	17(4)	3	2	-	16
27	LEE BRIERS	6	-	1	24	-	52
30	ALAN CROSS	-	1	-	-	-	-
34	SCOTT BARROW	1	1	-	-	-	-
33	RICHARD SHEIL	-	1	-	-	-	-
35	JASON JOHNSON	2	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	364	105(7)	132	110	1	749

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PAUL ANDERSON	2	18	3	2	-	-	16
DANNY ARNOLD	57	8	48	1	-	-	194
SCOTT BARROW	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
SIMON BOOTH	33	9	6	-	-	-	24
LEE BRIERS	6	-	1	24	-	-	52
DEAN BUSBY	18	9	3	-	-	-	12
BRIAN CAPEWELL	-	2	-	3	-	-	6
ALAN CROSS	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
KEIRON CUNNINGHAM	98	-	31	-	-	-	124
NICK DEVINE	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
BOBBIE GOULDING	100	-	22	486	12	-	1072
ANDY HAIGH	39	26	20	-	-	-	80
KARLE HAMMOND	73	1	39	-	2	-	158
JOEY HAYES	31	8	27	-	-	-	108
ALAN HUNTE	234	4	184	-	-	-	736
JASON JOHNSON	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
CHRIS JOYNT	161	1	53	-	-	-	212
ANDY LEATHAM	29	5	2	-	-	-	8
SEAN LONG	9	-	3	15	-	-	42
TOMMY MARTYN	61	12	47	40	11	-	279
VILA MATAUTIA	34	37	19	-	-	-	76
PAUL MATHISON	-	3	-	-	-	-	-
JOHN MCATTEE	4	3	-	-	-	-	-
DEREK MCVEY	27	10	6	1	-	-	26
CHRIS MORLEY	35	34	5	-	-	-	20
CHRIS NEWALL	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
PAUL NEWLOVE	53	-	51	-	-	-	204
ANDY NORTHEY	39	29	21	-	-	-	84
KEVIN O'LOUGHLIN	1	6	-	-	-	-	-
JULIAN O'NEILL	27	-	1	-	-	-	4
APOLLO PERELINI	82	11	29	-	-	-	116
IAN PICKAVANCE	68	58	23	-	1	-	93
STEPHEN PRESCOTT	115	2	52	66	-	-	340
RICHARD SHEIL	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
ANTHONY SULLIVAN	178	4	132	5	-	-	538

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1. Steve Prescott
2. Joey Hayes
3. Sean Long
4. Paul Newlove
5. Anthony Sullivan
6. Karle Hammond
7. Bobbie Goulding
8. Apollo Perelini
9. Keiron Cunningham
10. Ian Pickavance
11. Chris Joynt
12. Simon Booth
13. Dean Busby
14. Danny Arnold
15. Julian O'Neill
16. Derek McVey
17. Andy Leatham
18. Andy Haigh
19. Kevin O'Loughlin
20. Tommy Martyn
21. Alan Hunte
22. Vila Matautia
23. Andy Northey
24. Chris Morley
25. Paul Anderson
26. Anthony Stewart
28. Danny Pimblett
29. John McAtee
30. Alan Cross
33. Scott Barrow
34. Richard Sheils
35. Jason Johnson

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FB		18	Andy Haigh
RW		14	Danny Arnold
RC		21	Alan Hunte
LC		4	Paul Newlove
LW		5	Anthony Sullivan
SO		3	Sean Long
SH		7	Bobbie Goulding
PF		17	Andy Leathem
H		9	Keiron Cunningham
PF		15	Julian O'Neill
SR		11	Chris Joynt
SR		22	Vila Matautia
LF		6	Karle Hammond
sub		2	Joey Hayes
sub		10	Ian Pickavance
sub		24	Chris Morley
sub		25	Paul Anderson

MASCOTS



Name: Stephen Owen
Age: 11
School: Sutton High
Hobbies: Playing Rugby for Blackbrook Royals
Favourite players: Apollo Perelini
Keiron Cunningham
Vila Matautia



Name: Liam Speakman
Age: 4
School: Our Lady's Primary School
Hobbies: Watching Saints, playing Rugby and watching cartoons
Favourite players: Bobbie Goulding, Paul Newlove, Steve Prescott

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