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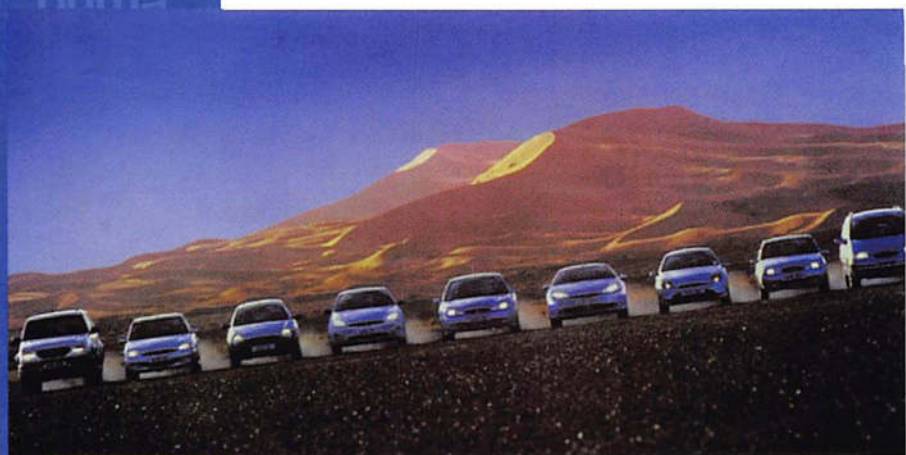
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May I extend a very warm welcome to everyone attending today's game, with a really special welcome to Chris Hamilton and all from the Oldham club.

Today's game is vitally important to both clubs, as we jockey for a top eight position, Batley Bulldogs of course, lost a golden opportunity last week to move nearer to the top eight with a very narrow defeat by Barrow by 25-28 but we should be encouraged by the way we came back into the game after being down 24-6 at half time. So we have everything to play for.

We at Batley are sorry to see the departure of RL Chief Executive Neil Tunnicliffe and wish him well in whatever he eventually decides to do with his life.

Hopefully when the dust settles we can appoint a person who can and will unite the game as one body that of THE RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE. Bringing things nearer home, we the Board are desperate to sort out

our own bar facility - be it in the Taverners or on the ground and hopefully we can start making headway, an approach has been made to Stephen Ball, and we hope to hear in the not too distant future.

May I say congratulations to the 'A' Team with some really fine performances in the past few weeks with a fine 18 all draw at Leigh, a great home win against second placed Widnes by 19-9 and then they were outstanding up at Barrow when they recorded a fine win by 44-11, well done to Stoz and his men - keep up the good work.

The Chairman has been on holiday to Seattle, hopefully the family have had a nice time and he can come home today to witness a great game - and hopefully a win.

*Enjoy the game
Kevin Nicholas*

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WARDY'S WORDS

I have sympathy for Neil Tunnidclife who departed from the Chief executive position at RLHQ last week. A thankless position to have, trying to steer the game forward through the worse period of internal politics the game has ever seen.

Above all else in life you must have job satisfaction and I wish him well in his future career.

But who's going to take the bull by the horns now - I do hope it is somebody who can unify the game quickly from the top to the bottom. Bring back trust and strong leadership qualities so we can ALL follow and strengthen the game to everybody's satisfaction.

perhaps this poem I came across in 1996 will add light to the situation.

THE STATE OF THE GAME

I woke up this morning after a night of killing pain.

I went to the practice field to deal with it again.

My coach tells me 'fight hard and be a man'.

But with his chalk board theories we all wonder if he can.

So knock em down hit em hard and strive to win the fight.

I wonder why they're so concerned is it economic plight.

The battle in the trenches won and lost and who does realise.

But the gladiator in the midst whose soul in anguish cries.

What keeps him in the arena but these fine and great ideals.

But its just become a business what matters how I feel.

The battle fought the game is won and victor duly glorified.

But the sad fact is businessman in the sporting soul has died.

In the end, retrospect, what's glorified and gained.

But the almighty 'pound' not the spirit of the game.

David Ward

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CRAIG BARKER Local lad who was with the Bears before signing for the Roughyeds. A stand off half with a neat pair of hands, this product of the Waterhead amateur club is still awaiting the opportunity to command a regular team place.

KEITH BRENNAN A late entrant to the pro ranks, Keith played for Higginshaw and Shaw Rhinos before impressing as an amateur for Oldham towards the end of 1999 season. An extremely accomplished scrum half who was expected to push player coach Mike Ford all the way until he picked up a serious knee injury in the Cup defeat at Rochdale.

MARK CAMPBELL One of the 16 new boys brought to the club by Mike Ford during the first two months of the player coach's reign. Formerly with Leeds and Keighley Cougars, this 21 year old hardworking back row forward is studying at Leeds University for a degree in chemical engineering.

LEO CASEY A tough prop who played for the former Oldham club, Featherstone Rovers, Swinton and Rochdale Hornets before signing for the Roughyeds for the 1999 season. Captained the side and, at the age of 32 became a firm favourite of the crowd. Recently returned from a three match suspension after being sent off at Rochdale during the Silk Cut Challenge Cup.

JASON CLEGG A product of Littleborough RL Club, this heavyweight prop turned pro for the Bradford Bulls and had a stint at Batley before signing for Oldham shortly after the club was formed. Made the first team place his own in 1999 and earned selection for the West of Pennines side against an East side coached by Mike Ford. Voted player of the month for February this year.

PETER FERRIS Another former Higginshaw player and another late recruit into the pro ranks. Toured Australia with BARLA u19s and represented BARLA under 23s but left the game to play Rugby Union. It was here that he was spotted by Mike Ford and invited him to join Oldham.

KEVIN FITZPATRICK A fullback who made his name at Saddleworth Rangers before signing for Oldham. He is studying for a degree in journalism and the media. Hopes to make headlines as well as write them.

MIKE FORD A scrum half who has been making the right sort of headlines all his sporting life. Played for Wigan at Wembley when only 19. Also starred for Leigh, Oldham, Castleford, Warrington, Wakefield and South Queensland Crushers. Toured down under with GB in 1988. Coached Bramley to mid table respectability in 1999 before landing the job of coaching Oldham. Still a key player with an excellent kicking game.

ANTHONY GIBBONS One half of the twin combination which played for Leeds Rhinos and Bramley before joining Oldham at the start of the 2000 season. Playing consistently well at centre but also helped out at scrum half against Rochdale in the cup.

ANDY PROCTOR This former Saddleworth, Wakefield Trinity, Oldham and Bramley prop forward, won the Man of Steel award while with Trinity, and has built a reputation as a players' player, who performs well above his weight.

PAT RICH A native of the North East, played regular rugby for Keighley during 1999, whilst studying for a law degree at Leeds. Can play centre or back row.

WES ROGERS A strong second row forward, previously played for Widnes and Swinton. Hot property as a teenager, he was signed for Widnes by Doug Laughton.

MARK SIBSON An exciting full back and goal kicker, played for Loughborough University for four years before turning out for Castleford's Alliance side. Played for Bramley and became an instant hit, also had loan spell at Huddersfield Giants. An elusive attacker has been a key player this season.

IAN SINFIELD Local lad who played Super League with Salford before joining Oldham in '98. Had a stint in France before returning to the club in '99. A back row forward who tackles hard and uses the ball intelligently wide out.

WARREN BARROW Recently signed from St Helens Alliance side. Made his debut at Leigh. A regular try scorer at Saints he can play on either wing or centre.

DAVID GIBBONS The other twin. became a household name at Headingley and played more than 20 senior games, including several in the first Super League season of '96. Former captain of Bramley.

DANNY GUEST This 22 year old, 18 stone prop was an up and coming youngster with the Bears. Also played for Keighley and Lancashire Lynx before returning to Oldham.

JOEY HAYES Made his name with St Helens but also played 11 Super League games for Salford City Reds last season.

Turning into a real crowd favourite at Oldham and is certainly one of the most exciting wingers in the NFP.

CHRIS HOLLAND Chris has played for England and GB students and took the Man of the Match award in England's defeat by New Zealand at Hull in the last World Cup. Equally at home in centre or back row.

JOHN HOUGH Has had two cracking seasons in '98 and '99, when he took the Player of the Year award. Been in tremendous form this season.

KEVIN MANNION Kevin is a ball playing loose forward, who made his debut with Rochdale Hornets when only 16. Played for England and GB Students, for whom he has toured Australia and played in France. Has put in some good performances so far this season.

JOE McNICHOLAS Broke his leg for the Roughyeds in the new club's first league game at Workington and missed the rest of the '98 season. A pacy winger, Joe bounced back to hold down a regular spot on the right flank in '99.

SHAYNE McMENEMY Recent recruit to the club. Began the season at Rochdale Hornets where he caught the eye of Mike Ford. Hard working second row forward this Australian made his debut 48 hours after arriving from Sydney.

CHRIS NAYLOR A young prop with the Academy sides at St Helens and Salford. Chris played for England in the last Students World Cup. Played for the first team until picking up a serious shoulder injury which he is just returning from.



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Club Records 1894 to Date

RECORD ATTENDANCE

23,989 v Leeds (H) 14.3.25 (Gate receipts £1,693. 11s 3d)

RECORD SCORE

78-22 v Leigh (H) 26.3.95

64-0 v Nottingham City (A) 10.11.91

GOALS

GAME S. Wilson (13) v Leigh 26.3.95

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CAREER W. P. DAVIES (458) 1896-1912

TRIES

GAME

J. OAKLAND (5) v Bramley (H) 19.12.08

T. BRANNAN (5) v Swinton (H) 17.3.20

J. WALE (5) v Bramley (H) 4.12.26

J. WALE (5) v Cottingham (H) RL Cup 1st Round 12.2.27

T. OLDROYD (5) v Highfield (A) 6.3.94

SEASON

J. TINDALL (29) 1912-13

POST WAR TRIES IN A SEASON

D. MOXON (27) 1993-94

CAREER

W. P. DAVIES (122) 1896-1912

POINTS

GAME S. WILSON (30) v Leigh (H) 26.3.95

SEASON R. PRICE (308) 1997

CAREER W. P. DAVIES (1288) 1896-1912

APPEARANCES

SEASON J. ETTY (44) 1950-51

CAREER W.P. DAVIES (448) 1896-1912

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS

GREAT BRITAIN

F. GALLAGHER 1922-26

J. OLIVER 1928-9

N. FIELD 1963-4

C. GIBSON 1985-6

GREAT BRITAIN TOURISTS

F. GALLAGHER 1924

J. OLIVER 1928

ENGLAND

F. HILL 1909

G. DAVIDGE 1924

F. GALLAGHER 1923-27

J. OLIVER 1928

G. BROWN 1945

W. HUDSON 1946-7

J. ETTY 1946-7 (Reserve to travel v France)

W.R. RICHES 1946-7 (Reserve to travel v France)

G. PALMER 1950-1

BRITISH EMPIRE

J. ETTY 1950-51

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS Contd.

GREAT BRITAIN UNDER 24s

S. GITTINS 1969

WALES

W. T. DAVIES 1909

F. WILLIS 1921

B. WILLIAMS 1921-2

H. REES 1923-5

I. J. FOWLER 1926

OTHER NATIONALITIES

F. WILLIS 1921

B. WILLIAMS 1921

I. J. FOWLER 1926

ENGLAND UNDER 21s

P. M. BATESON 1953-54

G. GRAHAM 1953-4

YORKSHIRE APPEARANCES (POST WAR)

W. R. RICHES 1946-52

W. HUDSON 1946-7

S. HARGREAVES 1946-7

D. BURNELL 1947-8

J. W. ETTY 1947-50

N. FIELD 1963-4

P. DOYLE 1969-70

J. NAYLOR 1972-3

C. GIBSON 1985-6

CLUB HONOURS

RL CHALLENGE CUP WINNERS 1896-7, 1897-8 & 1900-01

YORKSHIRE CUP WINNERS 1912-13

YORKSHIRE CUP RUNNERS UP 1909-10, 1922-23, 1924-25 & 1952-53

YORKSHIRE RUGBY UNION CUP WINNERS 1884-85

YORKSHIRE RUGBY UNION CUP RUNNERS UP 1892-93

YORKSHIRE SENIOR CUP RUNNERS UP (A TEAM) 1981-82

RUGBY LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP WINNERS 1923-24

TRANS PENNINE CUP WINNERS 1998

DIVISION TWO PROMOTION 1998

STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION 2 RUNNERS UP 1994-95

YORKSHIRE LEAGUE WINNERS 1898-9 & 1923-24

YORKSHIRE LEAGUE RUNNERS UP 1899-1900, 1908-09, 1921-2 & 1925-6

ALLIANCE DIVISION 2 EAST CHAMPIONS (A TEAM) 1991-2

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BULLDOGS FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES

(Up to and including Barrow Border Raiders(A) 9/4/2000)

N.B. Games played include sub appearances referred to in brackets

	Career					1999 / 2000 Season				
	Played	Goals	D/Goals	Tries	Pts	Played	Goals	D/Goals	Tries	Pts
C BARKER	0 + (1)					0 + (1)				
G BARNETT	9		2	1	5	105 + (14)		9	30	129
S BARNETT	8 + (2)					8 + (4)			1	4
M CASS	1 + (13)			1	4	153 + (37)		6	43	178
J CLARKE	11			1	4	24 + (11)			4	16
W FLYNN	14			4	16	40 + (2)			10	40
P GLEADHILL	14			6	24	64 + (1)			29	116
P HARDWICK	1 + (3)					2 + (13)				
P HICKS	10 + (3)					10 + (3)				
S JACKSON	9 + (4)	2	1	4	21	40 + (21)	3	4	15	70
D KIMMEL	9 + (2)			1	4	9 + (2)			1	4
C LINGARD	12 + (2)			4	16	19 + (24)			17	68
D LUCKWELL	14					14				
C McWILLIAM	5					104 + (5)		1	13	53
G MIDDLETON	10 + (1)			2	8	78 + (33)			16	64
G MIERS	8 + (3)					44 + (8)			6	24
D MOXON	11 + 1			2	8	143 + (18)			56	224
R PADGETT	0 + (7)					0 + (8)				
R PRICE	13	35	2	2	58	107	294	2	49	786
D ROURKE	0 + (2)					0 + (2)				
N SIMPSON	9 + (3)			3	8	13 + (13)			5	20
R SIMPSON	10			2	4	90 + (1)			40	160
C STEVENS	0 + (3)					0 + (8)	1			2
A WRAY	4 + (6)					20 + (19)			5	20

ALLIANCE 2000 FIRST DIVISION

JANUARY	5	Keighley Cougars	A	7.30
	15	WORKINGTON TOWN	H	2.30
	19	Hunslet Hawks	A	7.30
	26	Widnes Vikings	A	7.30
FEBRUARY	5	BARROW BORDER RAIDERS	H	2.30
	10	Rochdale Hornets	A	7.30
	26	OLDHAM	H	2.30
MARCH	11	FEATHERSTONE ROVERS	H	2.30
	15	Leigh Centurions	A	7.30
	25	WIDNES VIKINGS	H	2.30
APRIL	1	Barrow Border Raiders	A	2.30
	8	ROCHDALE COUGARS	H	2.30
	13	Oldham	A	7.30
	22	WHITEHAVEN WARRIORS	H	2.30
MAY	6	Whitehaven Warriors	A	2.30
	13	KEIGHLEY COUGARS	H	2.30
	20	Workington Town	A	2.30
	27	HUNSLET HAWKS	H	2.30
JUNE	10	LEIGH CENTURIONS	H	2.30
	15	Featherstone Rovers	A	7.30
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Versus Oldham

Played	77
Batley Wins	28
Oldham Wins	41
Drawn Games	8
Points scored in all games (Batley)	662
Points scored in all games (Oldham)	1018

Versus Oldham Roughyeds

Played	2
Batley Wins	1
Matches Drawn	1
Points scored in all games (Batley)	50
Points scored in all games (Oldham Roughyeds)	20

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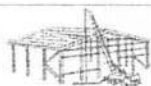
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			Craig Lingard	1	Mark Sibson			
			Wayne Flynn	2	Joey Hayes			
			Nick Simpson	3	Anthony Gibson			
			Roger Simpson	4	Pat Rich			
			Paul Gleadhill	5	Warren Barrow			
			Richard Price	6	David Gibbons			
			Gary Barnett	7	Mike Ford			
			Dave Luckwell	8	Jason Clegg			
			John Clarke	9	John Hough			
			Paul Hicks	10	Leo Casey			
			Darren Moxon	11	Phil Farrell			
			Grant Miers	12	Shaun McMenemy			
			Simon Jackson	13	Mark Campbell			
			Mark Cass	14	Neil Rodden			
			Davy Kimmell	15	Lee Doran			
			Andy Wray	16	Chris Holland			
			Steve Barnett	17	Ian Sinfield			

Progressive Score

BULLDOGS													
ROUGHYEDS													

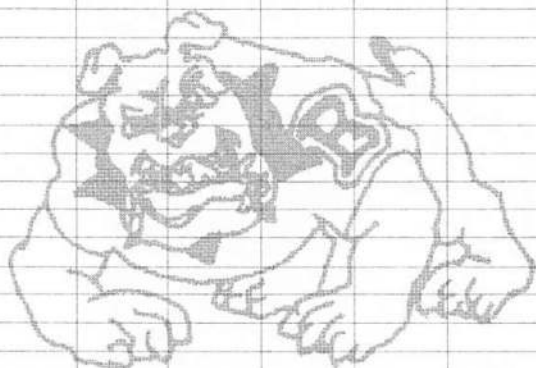
TODAY'S OFFICIALS	REFEREE: MR. C. MORRIS	TOUGH JUDGES: MR. F. ROYALIS, MR. P. GRIMSHAW
	RESERVE	
	REFEREE: MR. S. ADDY	



Northern Ford

BULLDOGS · SCORERS · APPEARANCES · RESULTS · ATTENDANCES

December	Att.	Rslt.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
26 DEWSBURY RAMS	H 12.00	2381	L8-18	S.JACKSON	W.FLYNN	D.KIMMEL	R.SIMPSON	PGLEADHILL (1)	R.PRICE (2g)	G.BARNETT
January										
2 Doncaster Dragons	A 3.00	1768	L42-8	S.JACKSON	W.FLYNN	D.KIMMEL	R.SIMPSON (1)	PGLEADHILL	R.PRICE (2g)	G.BARNETT
9 KEIGHLEY COUGARS	H 3.00	1260	L18-28	C.LINGARD	W.FLYNN (1)	D.KIMMEL	R.SIMPSON	PGLEADHILL	R.PRICE (2g) (dg)	G.BARNETT (dg)
16 Sheffield	A 3.00	1612	W12-22	C.LINGARD	W.FLYNN	D.KIMMEL	N.SIMPSON	PGLEADHILL	R.PRICE (3g)	G.BARNETT (1)
23 HUNSLET HAWKS	H 3.00	748	L18-27	C.LINGARD (1)	W.FLYNN	D.KIMMEL	N.SIMPSON	PGLEADHILL (1)	R.PRICE (3g)	G.BARNETT
30 SCCC Round 3 ST. ANNES	H 3.00	601	L0-10	C.LINGARD	W.FLYNN	D.KIMMEL	N.SIMPSON	PGLEADHILL	R.PRICE	M.CASS
February										
6 York	A 3.00	701	W8-10	C.LINGARD	W.FLYNN	D.KIMMEL	R.SIMPSON	PGLEADHILL	R.PRICE (2g) (dg)	S.JACKSON (1) (dg)
20 Swinton Lions	A 3.00	885	W16-32	C.LINGARD (1)	W.FLYNN (1)	D.KIMMEL	R.SIMPSON	PGLEADHILL	R.PRICE (1) (4g)	S.JACKSON (21)
March										
5 HULL KINGSTON ROVERS	H 3.00	1027	L14-32	C.LINGARD (1)	W.FLYNN	D.KIMMEL (1)	R.SIMPSON	PGLEADHILL (1)	R.PRICE (g)	S.JACKSON
12 Featherstone Rovers	A 3.00	1084	L38-16	C.LINGARD	W.FLYNN (1)	N.SIMPSON	R.SIMPSON	PGLEADHILL (1)	S.JACKSON (1) (2g)	G.BARNETT
19 ROCHDALE HORNETS	H 3.00	464	W24-12	C.LINGARD	W.FLYNN (21)	N.SIMPSON (1)	R.SIMPSON	PGLEADHILL (1)	R.PRICE (1) (4g)	G.BARNETT
26 Widnes Vikings	A 3.00	3001	L30-10	C.LINGARD (1)	W.FLYNN	N.SIMPSON	R.SIMPSON	PGLEADHILL (1)	R.PRICE (g)	S.JACKSON
April										
2 Trans Pennine Cup Final										
2 LANCASHIRE LYNX	H 3.00	324	W34-16	C.LINGARD (21)	W.FLYNN	N.SIMPSON (1)	R.SIMPSON	PGLEADHILL (21)	R.PRICE (5g)	G.BARNETT (1)
9 Barrow Border Raiders	A 3.00	1530	L28-25	C.LINGARD (1)	W.FLYNN	N.SIMPSON	R.SIMPSON (1)	PGLEADHILL	R.PRICE (6g)	G.BARNETT (dg)
16 OLDHAM	H 3.00									
21 Dewsbury Rams	A 7.30									
24 DONCASTER DRAGONS	H 3.00									
May										
1 WORKINGTON TOWN	H 3.00									
7 Leigh Centurions	A 3.00									
10 Whitehaven Warriors										
14 Keighley Cougars	A 2.45									
21 SHEFFIELD	H 3.00									
26 Hunslet Hawks	A 7.30									
29 YORK	H 3.00									
June										
4 SWINTON LIONS	H 3.00									
11 Hull Kingston Rovers	A 3.00									
18 FEATHERSTONE ROVERS	H 3.00									
25 Rochdale Hornets	A 3.00									
July										
2 WIDNES VIKINGS	H 3.00									



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Premiership

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8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
D.LUCKWELL	S.BARNETT	PHICKS	D.MOXON	G.MIDDLETON	G.MIERS	C.LINGARD (1)	M.CASS (10)	C.BARKER (7)	N.SIMPSON (13)
D.LUCKWELL	S.BARNETT	D.MOXON	PHARDWICK	G.MIDDLETON	G.MIERS	C.LINGARD (13)	M.CASS (7)	N.SIMPSON (12)	PHICKS (11)
D.LUCKWELL	J.CLARKE	PHICKS	D.MOXON	G.MIDDLETON (21)	S.BARNETT	M.CASS (9)	G.MIERS (11)	R.PADGETT (1)	A.WRAY (8)
D.LUCKWELL	J.CLARKE (1)	PHICKS	D.MOXON (1)	G.MIDDLETON	S.BARNETT	S.JACKSON	M.CASS (1)(9)	A.WRAY (10)	R.PADGETT (12)
D.LUCKWELL	J.CLARKE	PHICKS	D.MOXON (1)	G.MIDDLETON	S.JACKSON	M.CASS (9)	G.MIERS (7)	R.PADGETT (8)	A.WRAY (10)
D.LUCKWELL	J.CLARKE	C.McWILLIAM	D.MOXON	G.MIERS	S.JACKSON	C.STEVENS (4)	R.PADGETT (12)	PHICKS (8)	A.WRAY (10)
D.LUCKWELL	J.CLARKE	C.McWILLIAM	PHICKS	G.MIERS	D.MOXON	C.STEVENS (9)	M.CASS (7)	D.ROURKE (8)	A.WRAY (10)
D.LUCKWELL	J.CLARKE	A.WRAY	PHICKS	G.MIERS	D.MOXON	C.STEVENS (7)	M.CASS (8)	D.ROURKE (3)	N.SIMPSON (1)(12)
D.LUCKWELL	J.CLARKE	C.McWILLIAM	PHICKS	G.MIERS	D.MOXON	M.CASS (7)	S.BARNETT (13)	A.WRAY (18)	G.MIDDLETON (11)
D.LUCKWELL	J.CLARKE	A.WRAY	PHICKS	G.MIDDLETON	S.BARNETT	M.CASS (8)	D.KIMMEL (13)	G.MIERS (11)	R.PADGETT (12)
D.LUCKWELL	J.CLARKE	C.McWILLIAM	G.MIERS	G.MIDDLETON	S.BARNETT	M.CASS (8)	S.JACKSON (12)	PHICKS (10)	R.PADGETT (8)
D.LUCKWELL	S.BARNETT	C.McWILLIAM	PHICKS	G.MIDDLETON	D.MASON	M.CASS (7)	D.KIMMEL	PHARDWICK (10)	R.PADGETT (11)
D.LUCKWELL	J.CLARKE	A.WRAY	PHICKS	G.MIDDLETON	D.MOXON	M.CASS (9)	S.JACKSON (13)	S.BARNETT (11)	PHARDWICK (10)
D.LUCKWELL	J.CLARKE	A.WRAY	G.MIERS	G.MIDDLETON	S.BARNETT	M.CASS (1)(7)	S.JACKSON (13)	S.BARNETT (17)	PHARDWICK (10)

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Winger GEORGE GABRIEL appeared 101 times in Batley's colours scoring 50 tries for a total of 150 points, during the period 1944/45 to 1947/48.

Legendary FRANK GALLAGHER represented the club on 142 occasions scoring 16 goals, 36 tries (a total of 140 points), between 1922/23 and 1927/28. He also made 8 Yorkshire County appearances, 7 England appearances and toured Australia with the British Lions in 1924, making 3 GB appearances during his spell at the club.

Fullback ARTHUR GARNER made 185 appearances, scoring 3 goals and 1 try between the years 1895/96 and 1901/02. He also holds the distinction of appearing in all 3 of the clubs Northern Union Challenge Cup Finals.

Prop forward JIM GARTH had 2 spells with the club between 1895/96 - 1899/00 and 1908/09 - 1913/14. He made 210 appearances (33rd in the all time appearance chart), was dismissed from the field of play twice, amassing 7 goals 33 tries for a career tally of 113 points.

Second row forward PAUL GEAREY represented the club during the period 1987/88 - 1991/92 scoring 50 tries and was sent off twice in his Batley career. He also scored 22 tries in 2 consecutive seasons (1988/89 - 1989/90), which still remains a record number of tries for a Batley forward in a season!

Stand off half IAN GELDARD appeared during the seasons 1958/59 to 1967/68, totalling 228 appearances (27th in the clubs all time appearance chart), scoring one goal, 10 drop goals and 42 tries for a career tally of 148 points.

The club's most recent GB international player CARL GIBSON appeared for the club in 2 separate spells between the period 1981/82 - 1985/86 and also season 1997 and 1998. He represented Yorkshire (whilst playing at Batley) on 2 occasions, scoring one try, and his GB appearance was against France in 1985/86. In total he made 145 appearances, scoring 86 tries (8th place in the club's all time scoring chart), amassing 328 points (15th in the points chart). He was also dismissed from the field of play on one occasion.

First and Last Encounters versus Oldham

The first meeting between the 2 clubs took place on 5th October 1895 at the 'Watersheddings' and ended in an 11-0 victory for today's visitors.

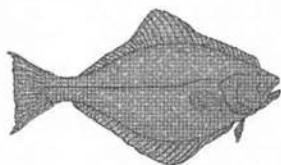
Batley were represented by A Garner, JB Goodhall, Fozzard, I Shaw, Joe Naylor, Joe Oakland, T Eliker, R Spurr, P Munns, M Shackleton, J Littlewood, C Stubbley, JR Lowrie, Haigh and Welsh.

Batley's biggest win against Oldham took place at Mount Pleasant on 26th April 1924 and was a Play Off Semi Final encounter, Batley winning by 38-0. The team on that occasion was J Robinson, B Williams, G Davidge (2t), E Rees, H Murray (2t), H Rees (7g 1t), I Fowler, G Douglas, Leeming (1t), G Ramsbottom, F Carter (1t), A Brook and S Smith (1t). Batleys biggest reversal against Oldham took place at Mount Pleasant on 22nd November 1987, in a John Player Special Trophy Round 2 match. Oldham winning

by 44-0 having led 16-0 at halftime before a crowd of 2808.

Batley were represented by P Storey, G Snell, J McLeary, P Bartle, M Agar, S Wilson, N Pickerill, M Spendler, R Sowden, M Speight, M Stott, J Carroll, M Fortis, Subs:- J McGowan, P Ratcliffe. The last meeting between the 2 sides took place at Rochdale's Spotland ground on 18th June 1999 and Oldham Roughyeds and Batley Bulldogs fought out a 20-20 draw in a Northern Ford Premiership Division One fixture. Oldham led 16-8 at halftime before a crowd of 1013.

Batley's team was J Dyson, L Bargate, W Flynn (1t), R Simpson, P Gleadhill, R Price (2g), G Barnett, D Moxon, J Clarke, C McWilliam, N Simpson, G Miers, P Harrison (2t), Subs:- C Lingard (1t), S Jackson, A Lippiatt, N Bradbrook.



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The 'A' Team seem to be putting things together over the past few weeks and turned in three good performances. Leigh away, Widnes at home and Barrow away. Team spirit is good and people are working well in training, which is reflected in our results.

Places are tight and some of the lads have had to wait for a chance to prove what they are capable of. People like Andrew Adamson, who grows in confidence with every game and Neil Clarke, who had a massive game at Barrow. These lads are only young and along side the other under 21s, will, one day, be the future of the club. We have also recruited the services of the ex Castleford Tiger, Martin Williams and Huddersfield's on loan full back Chris Beaver - who boost our under 21 contingent.

Over the last few games we have been averaging nine to ten under 21s and with people like Neil Hartley, Tony Walton, Lee Bargate, Davy Kimmel, Steve Cowling, Neil Velly, making the rest of the team up the blend has proved to be a good one.

The goal we have set ourselves for the season is to reach the play offs, which I feel is a reasonable target, after our poor start to the season, and if the attitudes and efforts remain the same throughout the season, I feel we will make the target. Look forward to your future support

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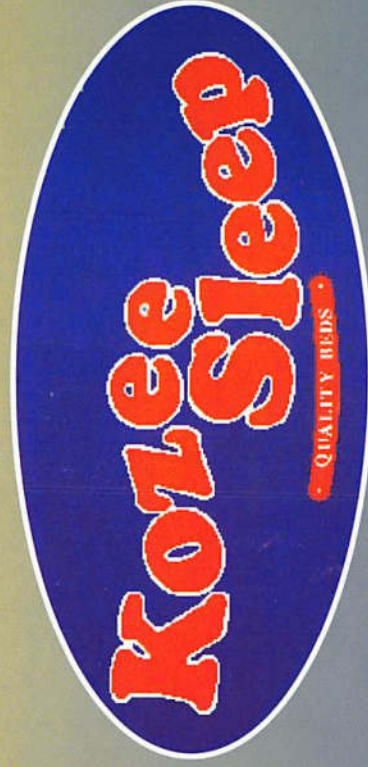
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