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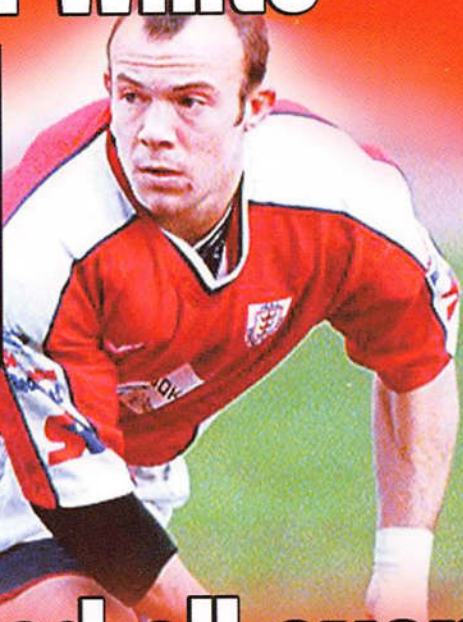


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Wilko's view

'It only serves to underline how special our fans are'...

A very big welcome to Mike Ford and his boys to Craven Park for what promises to be a cracking game.

Problems regarding ground safety at their new home, Ashton United, means that this is in fact Oldham's first game of the season - so I'm sure Mike will have his troops fired up and ready for battle.

On our part it is important that we keep focused and continue to improve on a game by game basis. Our victory at Swinton last week was a pleasing one from the point of view that we never panicked when we were reduced to eleven men in the second half, in fact we even looked the more controlled side during this period.

I must also take my hat off to the travelling Red & White army of fans, the way they kept lifting the lads

throughout the game was simply tremendous and we are extremely grateful for the contribution they made in ensuring we secured the desired win.

I've always thought that starting the season at the beginning of December was a bad decision, given the fact that finances are always tight at this time of the year. Having said that, it only serves to underline how special our army of fans are - to the team and the club in general by still turning out in force (compared to the majority of other clubs) and cheering us on to a more optimistic future.

Enjoy the game...

Gary Wilkinson

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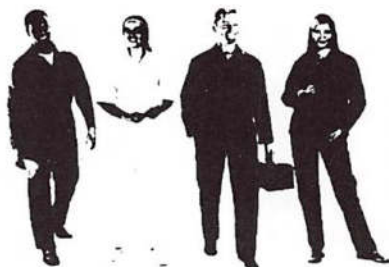
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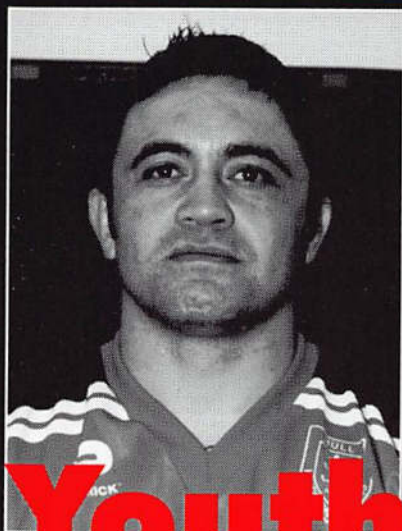
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Kia-ora - (Hello)

As they say in New Zealand. Welcome to Mike Ford and his team plus all their supporters to Craven Park. Mike has done exceptionally well with his team since his time at Oldham.

Like us he has a mixture of experience and youth and today's match will be a tough encounter for both teams, to say the least. On the Development front I am currently planning for Community schools programme to start after Christmas which I'm hoping the local amateur clubs will get involved in. Either by nomination certain schools and help deliver Rugby League or coach and develop existing teams already set up.

Another project I'm working is a reward scheme for schools. This will consist of a number of children from a particular school being rewarded for behaving well. They will arrive at Craven park on a match day be greeted and given a tour of the stadium, watch the game, given lunch at half time and then watch the match. After the game they will meet some players and get autographs etc. finally leaving Craven Park with a big bag of goodies and a good insight into Hull K. R. This scheme will hopefully encourage kids to behave well at school and become a life long supporter. On a different note I do feel for Heath Cruikshank who has been denied a work permit to play for Huddersfield (although this is obviously good from our playing point of view). I can also elate to this because my wife is also having problems getting a visa to get in the country. We went home to New Zealand in August and I returned in



Youth DEVELOPMENT with Whetu Taewa

October to start pre-season training and even now the process of her application is still going on. Needless to say I am a little bit annoyed about this but hopefully my wife will be here for Christmas and we can both look forward to the new year with more than a degree of anticipation. Finally a big thanks to our Barmy Army for the great support last week, we are very grateful... Keep it up. Catch ya!

WHETU

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GARETH BARBER - 20 year old Oldham born stand-off who was reared on rugby with his best pal, the Leeds and Great Britain forward Kevin Sinfield. When Sinfield signed for Rhinos, Barber signed for Warrington, but returned 'home' to Oldham before the start of last season. Seven Roughyeds first team appearances behind him. Played for the NFP under 21s at Widnes in the autumn.

PAUL NORTON - Journeyman forward and former Lancashire Lynx stalwart, who played in 31 of Oldham's 34 games last season. A hard worker and value-for-money performer, 'Knocker' will be missed in the first few weeks of the new season while he recovers from a groin operation.

JOE McNICHOLAS - One of the original 1997 Roughyeds, wingman Joe made a first team spot his own midway through last season and went on to score eight tries in 14 consecutive appearances. Fast off the mark and good on his feet.

DANNY GUEST - another of the Roughyeds 'originals' who returned to the club two seasons ago. A big prop, he is expected to be a force in the NFP this season after signing a new, one-year deal.

JASON CLEGG - Second biggest forward at the club, behind Guest, Jason is a former Bradford (Northern, not Bulls) forward, who has had four good seasons with Oldham. Powerful on the break, he is a people's favourite, who regularly picks up Junior Roughyeds player of the year awards.

ANTHONY GIBBONS - formed a reliable centre partnership last season with goalkicking Pat Rich, who has now left the club to go on a 12 month world tour. Looks certain to be first-choice centre again, although he will miss the first two league games of the new campaign because of suspension.

DAVID GIBBONS - Anthony's twin. The brothers have moved around together throughout their rugby league careers with Leeds, Bramley and now Oldham. Vice-captain last season, stand-off David has been appointed one of TWO Oldham captains this term (now that's a turn up for the books) and is sure to be one of coach Mike Ford's leading lights.

MARK SIBSON - quick fullback who loves nothing better than to attack from deep. Joined Oldham on a 2 year contract when he left Bramley at the same time as boss Mike Ford, the Gibbons boys and Andy Proctor, and has recently signed a new one year deal.

introducing... **today's** **VISITORS** **Oldham**

PHIL FARRELL - the 'other' Oldham captain in a new move that Ford believes will work well to the benefit of the entire squad. Phil, younger brother of Wigan and GB's Andy Farrell, didn't miss a match last season and, in his two seasons with the Roughyeds, has a remarkable record of consistency. Played for the NFP under-21s against their Super League counterparts at Widnes.

NEIL RODEN - a clever half-back who joined Oldham from Wigan, with Farrell, a season and a half ago. Has only missed a couple of games since. Can play stand-off or scrum-half and was a key figure in Oldham's run through to the NFP Grand Final last summer. A knee injury kept him out of the pre-season warm-up games, but he is sure to be a regular performer in the long and testing 2002 campaign.

BRYAN HENARE - Joined Oldham midway through last season from St Helens on loan. A Kiwi back-rower who has played for Auckland Warriors, Henare played a prominent role in Oldham's surge to the Grand Final in July 2001 before signing permanently for the club for 2002 on a one-year contract.

GAVIN JOHNSON - a young centre or wing, or occasional back-row forward, Oldhamer Gavin spent two seasons at Odsal in the Bradford Academy side and made the occasional appearance for the Bulls in the Alliance Championships. Spent almost a season earning his Oldham spurs in the Alliance team before signing a two-year deal last September.

KEVIN MANNION - a former Rochdale Hornets and Great Britain students forward from Wigan. Kevin has had two good seasons with the Roughyeds, despite being unlucky with injuries. He missed the start of last season with a pulled hamstring,

received in training and he is again on the sidelines now after damaging a shoulder in pre-session gym work. He should be ready by the end of January. **SIMON KNOX** - one of a handful of new recruits for 2002. Simon made his name with Bradford Bulls and Widnes Vikings before signing for the Roughyeds in September. He was an outstanding player for Widnes against Oldham in the

senior citizen on the Oldham dressing room, Leo played for Oldham (the Bears variety), Featherstone, Swinton and Rochdale before rejoining his hometown club three seasons ago. Has just signed a new one-year deal.

WILL COWELL - a 21 year old from Warrington, this Cumbrian utility back is equally at home at full-back, wing or centre. Played 18 Super League games

Roughyeds

**one
TO
WATCH**

Grand Final at Scotland last July and it was soon after the final that Mike Ford started the overtures to sign him.

KEITH BRENNAN - a versatile half-back or hooker, local lad Keith shot to prominence last season when his form was so good that, for a time, he kept John Hough out of the No 9 shirt. A natural footballer with good hands, he damaged a hamstring in the pre-season Law Cup game with Rochdale and is unlikely to be ready for a few more weeks yet.

TOMMY HODKINSON - much travelled and vastly experienced back-row forward, Tommy joined the Roughyeds from Widnes a week after his Auto Quest Stadium team mate Simon Knox had followed a similar path. Did well in the Oldham warm-up games and is expected to be a key figure in Ford's plans.

GAVIN DODD - A local youngster who is learning the ropes under Ford's tutelage. A wing or full-back, the 20 year old Gavin played for the NFP under-21s at Widnes and is sure to be pushing for a regular spot this season, either as competition for Mark Sibson at full back or as a lively winger, who knows how to get to the line.

LEE DORAN - Another young player in whom Ford has a lot of confidence. A Wiganer, Lee has worked his way through the Oldham academy and alliance sides and is now on the verge of breaking through to the first team on a regular basis. Showed up well for the NFP under-21s, one of five Oldham players in the squad.

LEO CASEY - Goes better with keeping, as the old saying goes. Aged 36, and the

JOHN HOUGH

JOHN was the first player to sign for his home town club when the new Roughyeds were formed by Chris Hamilton and his fellow directors in the autumn of 1997. Before the start of last season, he had played in 87 of the club's 90 matches and had scored 32 tries, a phenomenal record for a hooker. He didn't enjoy one of his better seasons in 2001, but a change of job, and less travelling, should see him back at his best in 2002.

for Warrington after signing from Kells, the Whitehaven amateur club. Recommended to Ford by former Wolves boss Daryl van de Velde, Cowell is keen to kick-start his career in the NFP. **JOHN BRADDISH** - signed from St Helens on long-term loan. Top goal kicker in the Alliance Championships last season and also leading points scorer in that competition. Wanted a change of club because of limited senior opportunities at Knowsley Road and he turned down several other offers to join Oldham where he can develop his half-back skills under Mike Ford. **JON GODDARD** - a 19 year old and the youngest member of the squad. Cas lad Jon joined Oldham on loan from Castleford thanks to the old pals act. Graham Steadman is a firm friend and former team mate of Ford and 'Steady' is looking to his old mate to bring Goddard along and develop his skills in the NFP.

Today we entertain Oldham here at Craven Park, where links between our two clubs seem to have been intertwined since the last world war. The focal points being the three cup semi finals in 1964 when after three tremendous matches the Robins finally got through to Wembley by beating Oldham 12 points to 2 in the final match at Huddersfield's old Fartown stadium.

This after much heartbreak and disappointment for both sets of supporters as at times, both clubs looked to have booked their places at Wembley during these three epic encounters.

One of the all time greats in our sport commenced his career at Craven Park before moving on to the Watersheddings, Oldham's traditional home, before ending his career with Wakefield Trinity. The man in question was of course Derek (Rocky) Turner who signed for Hull Kingston Rovers in 1951 from Ossett and made his debut for the club under the guise of A.N.O in a early evening fixture at Bramley on the 5th

September 1951, which the Robins lost by 6 points to 2. Rovers due to injuries put a very weak team out that night but it is still interesting to note the players on duty in Turner's debut match, they were: Sutton; Briggs, Lewis, Payne, Cornforth; Butler, Daddy; Palframan, Tong, Moore, Foster, Scholes and A.N.O (Turner). Derek Turner made a total of 141 appearances for the Robins scoring 27 tries. His last match in the famous red and white jersey was the away match at Leeds on the 24th August 1955 in a 30 points to 11 defeat. He was transferred to Oldham on the 27th August 1955 for a fee in the region of £2,500.

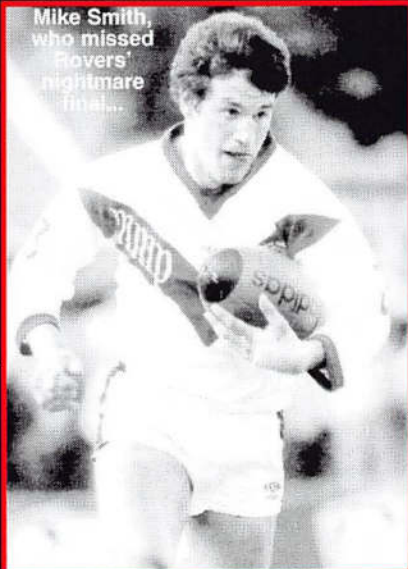
He went on to play a total of 131 games for our visitors and was part of the successful Oldham side of the late 1950s before being transferred to Wakefield Trinity for £8,000, and finishing his career there. He again played a major part in their triumphs of the early 1960s.

He played a total of 213 games for the Belle Vue club scoring 45 tries, before retiring from the game at the end of 1966 to run his own haulage business. Among other well known players to have played for both clubs were Welshman Bryn Goldswain who was part of that famous Rovers back three in the early post-war years of Atkinson, Goldswain and Docker. Two of our 1980 cup-winning side, Clive Sullivan and Brian Lockwood, both moved

to Oldham for the start of the 1980/81 season although neither stayed with the Lancashire club very long. At that time Geoff Clarkson who was a valuable squad member of our 1978/79 first division championship-winning squad was also with Oldham. Two other ex-players from Craven Park to have had a spell with today's visitors were Terry Clawson and Terry Ramshaw. As to matches between our clubs, apart from the above cup semi

finals of 1964 which were covered in detail in an earlier programme against Oldham, one also recalls the Second Division premiership final of 1990, which was played at Old Trafford. The Robins had won the Second Division title but in their three league defeats that season two had been against Oldham losing 12 points to 4 at the Watersheddings in October and then succumbing 9 points to 6 at Craven Park the following January. The Robins had arrived at Old Trafford by comprehensively beating Fulham (as London Broncos were then called) 40 points to 6 and Dewsbury by 36 points to 8, both matches being played at Craven Park. The down side however was that captain Mike Smith was declared unfit to play with an Achilles tendon injury and that half-backs Wayne Parker and David Bishop were both still carrying knocks going into the game.

Mike Smith, who missed Rovers' nightmare final...



The match looked sewn up in Rover's favour at halftime with the Robins leading by 23 points to 8 and when Des Harrison scored a further try which, with Mike Fletcher's conversion his 199th goal of the season made it 29-8 shortly after the interval it looked all over. However Oldham had other ideas and five second half tries, only one of them improved, put them in front 30-29 and secured them an amazing victory, despite late Rovers pressure which threatened to rescue the game.

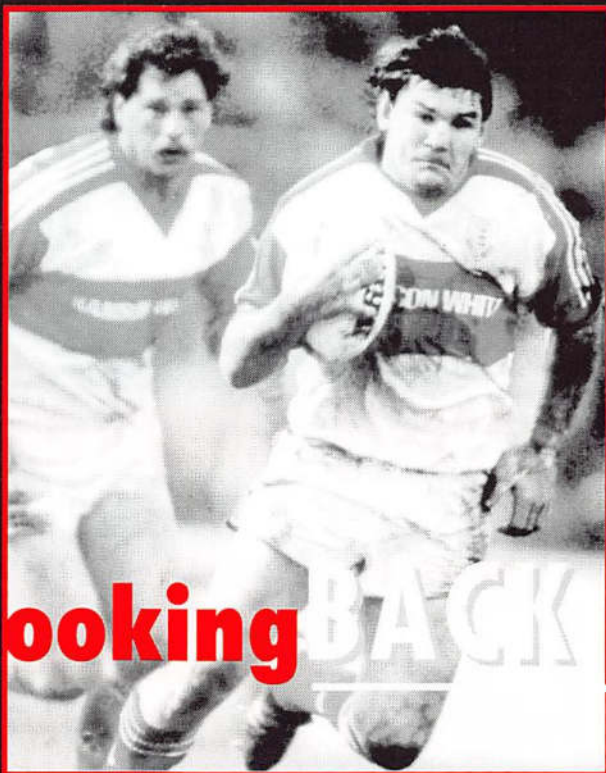
The sides that day were Hull Kingston Rovers: Lightfoot, Clark, Fletcher, Austin, Sullivan, Parker, Bishop, Niebling, Rudd, Ema, Harrison (D), Thompson and Lyman. Subs: Irving and Armstrong. Oldham: Platt, Irving, Hyde, Henderson, Lord, Clark, Ford, Casey, Ruane, Fieldhouse, Round, McAllister and Russell. Subs Martyn and Newton. The Robin's scorers were Parker (2), Clark, Lyman and Harrison with tries, Fletcher landing 4 goals and Parker scoring a drop goal. For Oldham-Lord, Henderson, Ford, Irving, Ruane and Martyn all crossed the whitewash with Hyde managing 3 goals. Mr. R. Whitfield of Widnes controlled the match.

Another clash worth recalling is the First division fixture played at the Watersheddings on the 11th November 1984. Rovers were on their way to winning the championship, but at the time the match was played Oldham led the table, and the Robins were going into the match on the back of three straight defeats. The game attracted an attendance of nearly 8,000; this was Oldham's best league gate for nearly 20 years and marked the debut of Gavin Miller the Robins' Australian loose forward.

The result on this occasion was never in doubt as Rovers turned on a terrific display of open football to win the match by 31 points to 5.

The two teams were - Oldham: Caffrey, Nadirole, Parish, Foy, M. Taylor, P. Taylor, Kirwan, Morgan, McCurrie, Goodway, Platt, Phelan and Worrell.

The match marked the debut of Rovers' new Australian loose forward **Gavin Miller.**



Looking BACK

Gavin Miller with Andy Kelly in support

Rovers: Fairbairn, Clark, Robinson, Prohm, Laws, Smith (M), Harkin, Broadhurst, Watkinson, Ema, Burton, Kelly and Miller. Subs Lydiat and Hogan.

The Referee was Mr K. Spencer of Warrington. Mike Smith was adjudged to be Rovers best player but Gavin Miller also had a very impressive debut. Rovers had tries from Prohm (2), Smith, Kelly and Harkin with Fairbairn landing 5 goals and Harkin adding a drop goal, whilst Oldham had a try from Mike Taylor and a drop goal from Parish.

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WELL done lads! I suppose I'm supposed to be impartial, but there are times when you feel simply good about the team you are writing about - and Sunday was just one of those days.

It was a good job I was away from the radio bunch, but then DDD does go on a bit. Who needs loudspeakers?

I was urging Ally to come inside just before the final whistle, along with those wonderful Robins fans to my left who made Gigg Lane their own, and like most of the "barmy army" who crossed the Peninnes I had my fingers, legs and everything else crossed when the side was down to 11 men. Good to see and good on the fans who were good to hear. But it is early days and injuries are already becoming a factor. However we do have people to step into the breach this time. Lads like Craig Farrell, (pictured) who was not all that far from being man of the match. Strong on defence and making yards on attack.

Whetu looks like a new man without the worries of captaincy, and looking at the pack there must be more than a few NFP coaches not looking forward to taking on our version of The Famous Five. I suppose the coming weeks with Oldham, Rochdale and Leigh looming will give us some idea of how we are shaping. But Oldham should be ring rusty, Rochdale have not looked too impressive so far, and we owe Leigh one. And ain't it good to see Charlie on top of the goal kicking and combined points table ahead of Neil Turley. Yes, I know it's early days, but

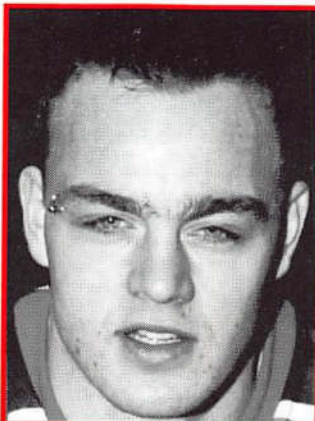
at least the side has the incentive to do well from the top of the heap rather than desperately fighting its way into a decent position at the end. Ah well! All will be revealed in 10 months.

DO you remember what happened when you were a kid and you did something wrong? If you're of a certain age you will recall that often you got a clip from the local bobby and then another one when you got home. What happens nowadays? How about this? Police this week launched a £1 million scheme which will see teenagers issued with "smart" cards which measure their behaviour. The microchip cards will record points for good behaviour like school attendance which can then be redeemed for rewards like tickets to sports matches and theatres. Well-behaved school pupils will also get time in a mobile Internet cafe, thought to be the only one of its kind in the U.K. The "Karrot" scheme, which is to be run among 11 to 15-year-olds in Southwark, London, was launched by local school pupils and senior police officers including Metropolitan Police Commissioner

Sir John Stevens. Karrot, which is mostly Government funded, is expected to save around £1.5 million in its first two years by cutting time spent by police and other agencies on crime and the fallout from crime. More than 50 commercial organisations are involved including London Knights Ice Hockey, London Broncos Rugby League, Bubble Theatre Company, Millwall Football Club, London Towers Basketball and Surrey County Cricket Club. Does it make you wish you'd been bad, or feel like doing something daft. Would it not save a lot more money if parents made sure their kids behaved in the first place?

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REPORTER

Chris LEAK



HELLO Sailor! It's not taken Wendell the wonder very long to make his mark on the rah-rah scene. Australian Sevens coach Julian Gardner has revealed that Sailor is available for selection for the Brisbane World Rugby Sevens in February. The Queensland Rugby Union, who financed the flying winger's switch from rugby league, have given the go-ahead for his inclusion in the squad for the tournament at Ballymore.

Still I suppose the poor old Aussies don't have any other half decent players for their own code to keep him out.

Let's face it, a few more

defeats from the England side, and they'll be putting out a whole rugby league side to try and halt the slide. Funny how people like Stuart Barnes and his cronies say there are no decent league players, and how many of them have already forgotten that Billy Whizz ever played our 13-a-side game? AND from Sailors to Tailors... soccer star David Beckham was this week voted Britain's best-dressed man - and kicked his wife into touch in the style stakes. The Manchester United star, named BBC sports personality of the year on Sunday night, beat stars such as Robbie Williams and Jude Law in the poll by readers of Heat magazine. I wonder if clothes do really make the man? Certainly he is more deserving of his fame than he used to be. But I can't help wondering if his clothes cost more than Gary Wilkinson has had to spend on players this season.

Not that there's anything wrong with our boys, but we could do with one or two more. So how about selling a whistle or two Dave me old mate, and letting Rovers have the proceeds?

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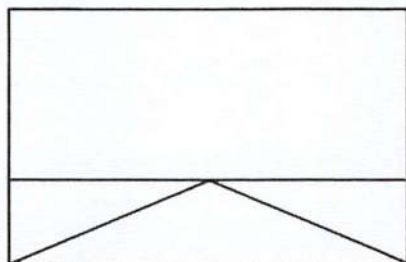
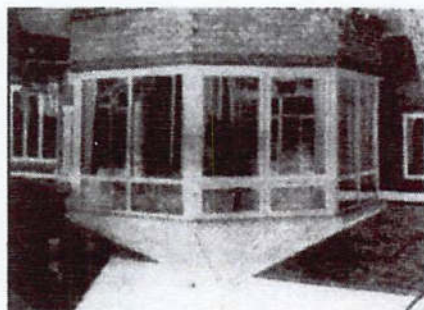
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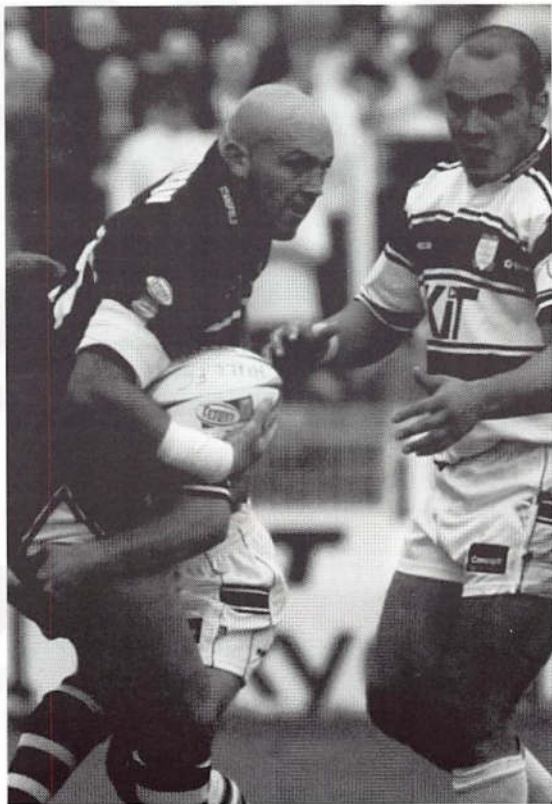
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1. Who is today's opponents, Oldham Roughyeds, coach?
2. And what is the Roughyeds temporary home venue?
3. Before today's game how many goals had 'Charlie' kicked this term?
4. What is Paul Fletcher's nick-name?
5. What is David Luckwell's 'other' occupation?
6. Who is KR's Commercial Manager?
7. And who is KR's physio?
8. On the 6th January next year Rovers opponents are Leigh Centurions, who is their coach?
9. What is the Capital of Papua New Guinea?
10. Warrington Wolves home venue?
11. Who is the ex-Super League forward (pictured left)?
12. And which NFP club has he recently signed for?



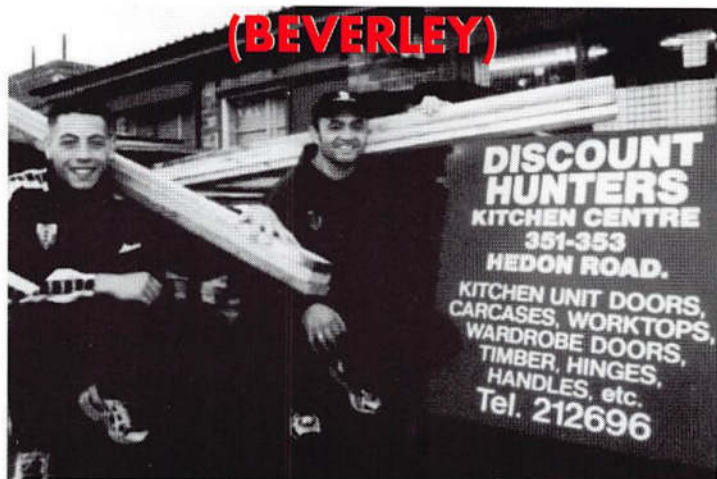
The answers to our last quiz were:

1. Brad Fittler, 2. Newcastle Knights, 3. Leo Epifania, 4. Derwent Park, 5. Lynton Stott and Craig Farrell, 6. Tim Street, 7. Cheshire, 8. Roy Sampson, Dewsbury Rams, 9. Belle Vue, 10. Hull FC, 11. Huddersfield Giants, 12. St. Helens, 13. Rochdale Hornets, 14. Henry Paul's new club is Gloucester.

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Clive with the 1980 Challenge Cup

Anthony Sullivan's book 'The Flying Sullivan's' is now available from the club shop priced £7.99.

From Anthony Sullivan - With Thanks

I would first like to take this opportunity to thank everybody involved in bringing both Hull F.C. and Hull K.R. together for the Clive Sullivan Memorial Trophy. I can say without hesitation how honoured and overwhelmed my father would be, as are all the family that this match is to be undertaken in his name. I think his biggest problem would be with whom to cheer for. Both of these great clubs held a special place in my father's heart and were part of what made him the person he was.

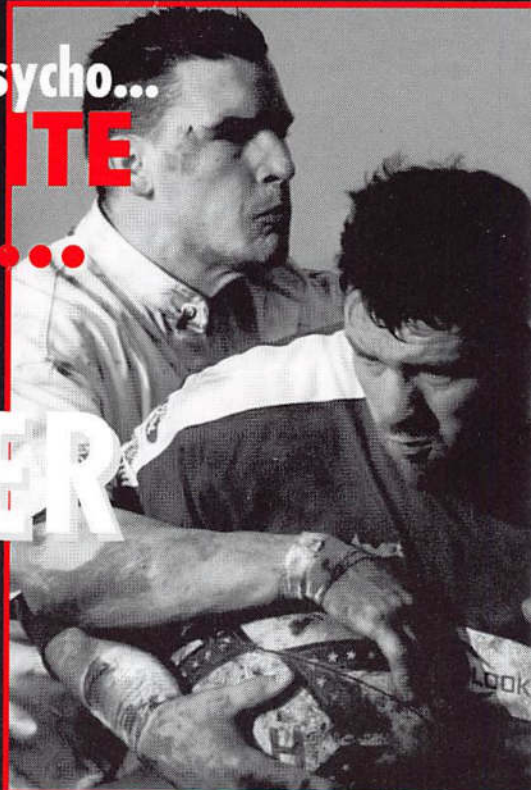
Speaking for myself as a spectator, I have cheered for both teams while following my father's career and shared with him the successes that he enjoyed with both clubs. However, as a player I can honestly say that my support is for those here at Craven Park. It is here that I have the clearest and happiest memories of my father's career and not only that it was this club that gave me my first opportunity in professional rugby. To be able to play in the same team, with some of the same players and in the same position as my father had done made me immensely proud. I thoroughly enjoyed my time at Craven Park and derby games were always tough games that everybody looked forward to and I think its great that the Christmas derby game has been resurrected. I sincerely hope that both Hull and Hull KR can benefit from this game and go on and have strong seasons and enjoy the success that supporters of both clubs certainly deserve. Good luck to both teams for the game and for their respective seasons and on behalf of my father, a huge thank-you.

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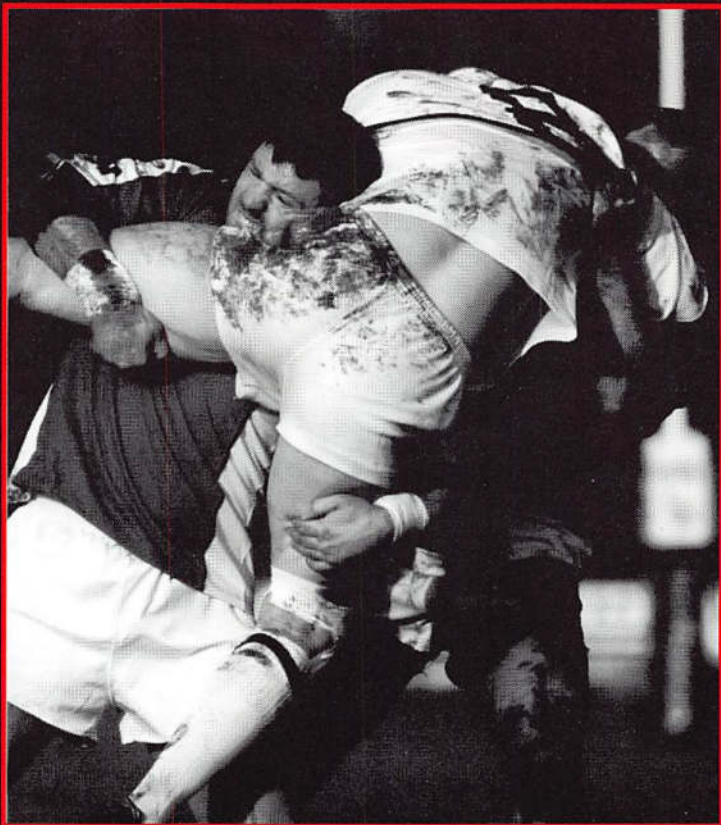
**Still crazy after all
these years...**



When Paul Fletcher romped between the posts to score Rovers' final try against Hunslet in their opening league game a fortnight ago, he didn't look like a man starting his fifteenth season at the club. But amazingly Paul is now easily Rovers' longest serving player... We managed to catch up with him last Monday - after the Swinton game. He was feeling a little worse for wear with an painful injury to his sternum, but true to form he was only too happy to reminisce a little about his fifteen years of service at Hull Kingston Rovers. 'Fifteen years at one club Paul, that's a tremendous achievement, are Rovers planning to honour you?' 'Well Don's said he's going to arrange something so I'll let him organise it, I'm sure knowing Don he'll want to do something special' It must be difficult to remember fifteen years of matches, but can you think back to your debut, did you enjoy the experience?

"I think it was Gordon Smith's last game in Rovers colours and my first. The opponents were Bradford Northern (yes that's right Northern and not Bulls). We lost 40-4 unfortunately and the game was broadcast on the 'Scrumdown' programme. Even though I got a full game I eventually ended up on the wing covering for an injured Steve Smith. It was great to get a first team start and a try scoring one at that" You have built up a reputation over the years as a player that doesn't take a backward step, so you must have come up against like-minded players, does anyone spring to mind? "I've had one or two tussles over the years and I'm sure that former FC player Tim Street and myself have had a few words, but then again so have others"

What games stand out as special to you? 'There's been many stand out games obviously, but there's three that hold special memories. The last game at the old Craven Park against Widnes. Beating Hull Sharks at Boothferry Park when the other 'Fletch' scored in the dying seconds, then of course there's the Wembley Plate Final, which gave both players and supporters a sense of achievement.' You have played alongside many great players, who would you say has had the biggest influence on your own career?



'David Bishop...now there's a character.'

'Yes there have been many greats since I've been at the Club. I'm sure that all the players I've played alongside have influenced me in some way. Among those who I'd like to think I've learnt from, I'd include Bryan Niebling, Phil Lowe, Gavin Miller and particularly Sam Stewart. Also one of the most charismatic people I've ever come across was a certain welshman called David Bishop... now there's a character.'

Being the 'senior member' of the squad you are in a position to assess how this squad would have fared against others?

Paul shows his usual uncompromising style against the

'That's a difficult one, though to be fair I think that the current squad certainly has a tremendous spirit and is very fit. The new conditioner Matt Gregg from Hull University has seen to that, but it's always difficult trying to envisage earlier teams playing against the current version. I'll not sit on the fence though so I'll say the current squad would edge it!'

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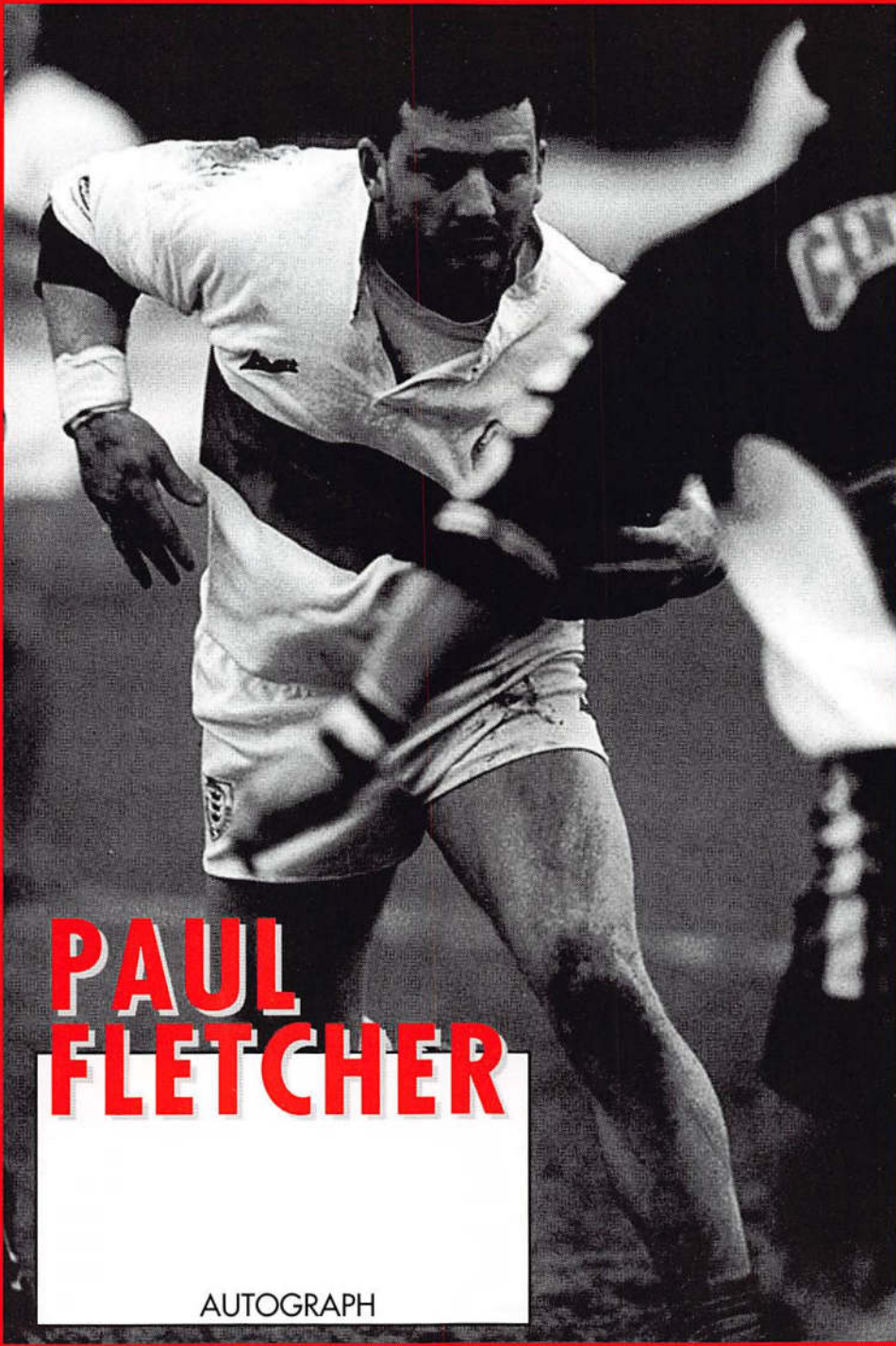
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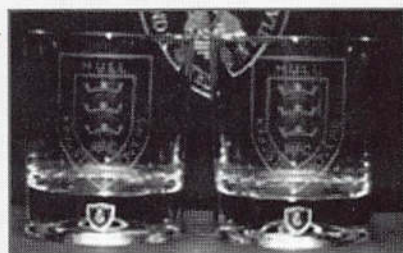
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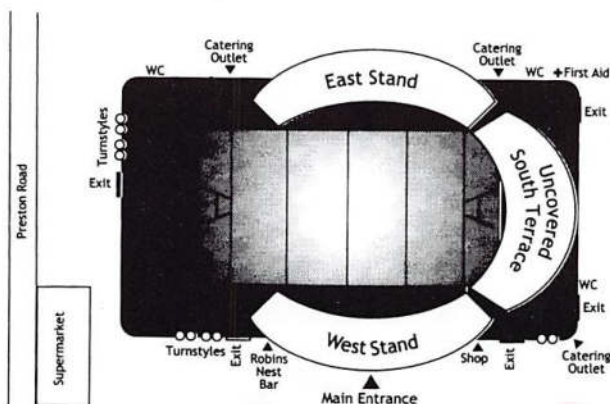
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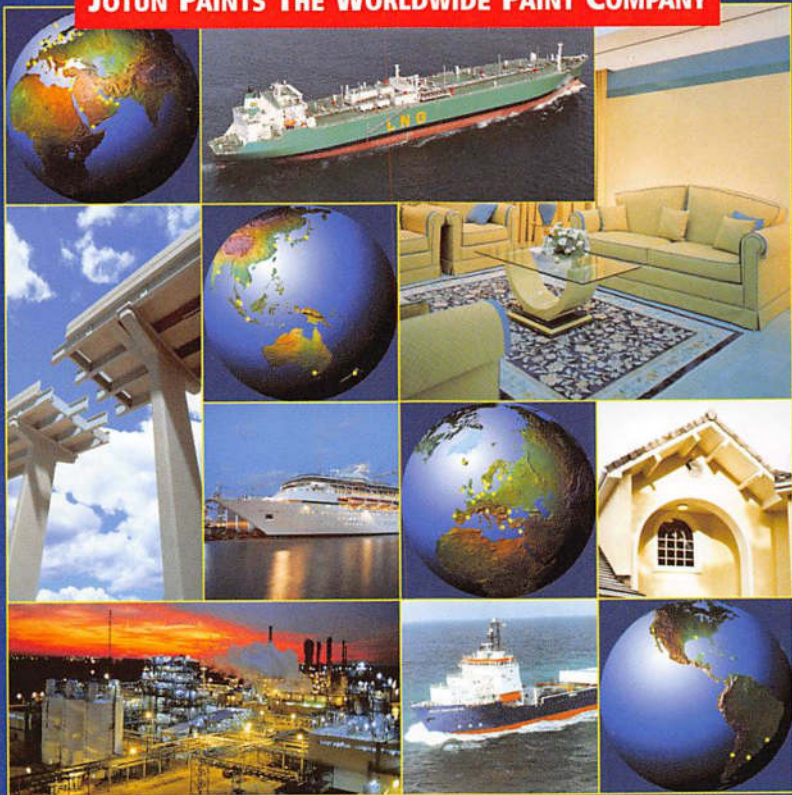
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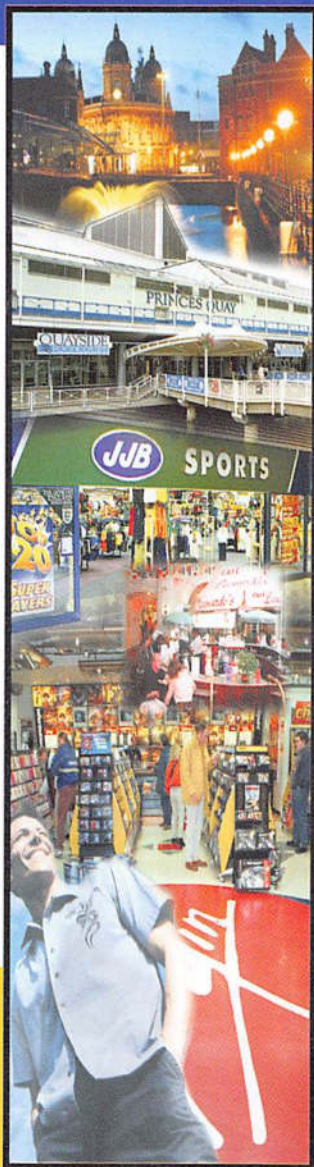


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