

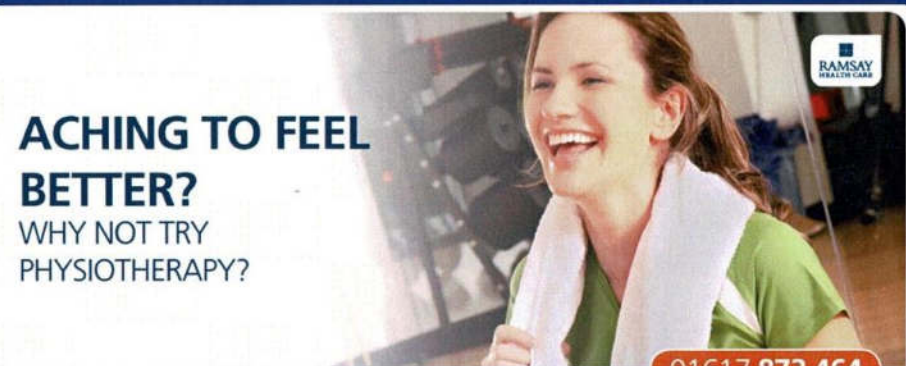
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cheque to the club's marketing manager Julie Cleave, who has been instrumental in setting up the new partnership.

Said Caroline: "As the store's community champion, it is my job to see that Tesco become better neighbours in the community.

"I am passionate about pushing positive activities for young people and, as such, I was delighted to get involved with the Roughyeds' summer camps on Tesco's behalf.

"We are delighted to forge this partnership with Roughyeds and it may be the start of more initiatives with the club in the future.



"We hope to get involved with youth activities across the borough of Oldham and we wish Roughyeds and their summer camps all the best for a successful venture."

The two camps will be held at the Roughyeds' training base at Chadderton FC. The week-long camps are aimed at children aged between eight and 16 and will be delivered by members of the Roughyeds' playing squad.

They start on Monday, August 3 and Monday, August 17 and each camp will run from 10am to 2pm on Monday to Thursday inclusive and from 10am to noon on the Friday.

Each participant will receive a Roughyeds Rugby fun and fitness certificate; a free tee-shirt; a ticket to the Roughyeds' Co-operative Championship 1 game with York City Knights at Boundary Park on August 23; and signed photographs.

The camps will feature guest appearances by the Roughyeds stars and participants will be involved in an on-field presentation to the crowd at the York game.

Cost of each course is £40 per child. Two children can be booked on to a course for £70 and any child attending both courses can do so for £70 (please note that a separate registration form is required for each child).

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**Another pink game on TV, so
let's make Thursday a night to
savour**

by ROGER HALSTEAD



Flashback to last year

ROUGHYEDS have released details of a unique fund-raiser for local charities, built around the televised Co-operative Championship 1 game against London Skolars at Boundary Park on Thursday night (August 6), kick-off 7.30pm.

The two beneficiaries will be the Link4Pink Appeal, raising money to upgrade patient facilities at the Royal Oldham Hospital's breast-care unit, and Dr

Kershaw's Hospice.

**ON THE NIGHT OF THE GAME OLDHAM WILL
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"We hope we don't get a stampede by half-time!" said a tongue-in-cheek Roughyeds chief executive Christopher Hamilton.

The nominal charge for "release" will be a minimum £1, but there will be lots of collecting buckets for additional contributions which will be split equally, as will all the "release" takings, between Dr Kershaw's and Link4Pink, the Appeal which has set itself a target of £250,000 to upgrade patient facilities at the Royal Oldham Hospital's Victoria Unit.

Fans attending the game, to be televised live by Sky and screened across the nation, will be asked to wear something pink to raise awareness of the charities which will benefit directly from their attendance.

Said Mr Hamilton: "It is no secret that the club is passing through difficult times, both financially and otherwise, but even in the current economic climate Roughyeds are fully committed to supporting these two very worthy local charities.

"This will be the third year in a row that the club has demonstrated its support for worthy causes by linking a televised game to a one-off fund-raiser. Each time, we have tried to come up with something different to highlight the work we are doing and to put the spotlight on the charities we are supporting."

He added, again with tongue in cheek: "This year, given recent results and happenings at the club, we felt it would be appropriate to let people in for free... but charge them to get out! That way, we should raise a lot of money if we can get numbers into the ground in the first place!

"Seriously, the game has a very important meaning to all the people in Oldham and Rochdale who are affected by breast cancer and to all those patients who come under the care of the dedicated team at Dr Kershaw's Hospice.

"We hope the people of Oldham, regardless of

whether they are Roughyeds fans or not, will back this event by coming to the game and, if possible, by wearing something pink."

Brian Hurst, Appeals Manager at Dr Kershaw's, said: "The last 12 months have been very hard for us because of the recession, and we are not over the hill yet.

"All charities have been hit hard by the credit crunch, as have sports clubs like Oldham Roughyeds, but the club has never wavered in its support for us --- this is the third year in a row they have come up with something like this --- and their backing is much appreciated.

"From Dr Kershaw's comes a big thank-you to Chris and the club and the hope that the people of Oldham will rally round the club and the team and support what they are trying to achieve on our behalf."

Rita Bottomley, chair person of Link4Pink's volunteer fund-raising committee, said: "The club has adopted Link4Pink as one of its charities for the year, and we are extremely grateful to them for that.

"There are eight ladies on our committee, all volunteers, and we have recently been joined by Mr Hamilton.

"The people of Oldham have been fantastic in all they are doing to raise money for the Appeal, but it should be pointed out that the facility is also for the use of breast-care patients from Rochdale and other areas as well.

"The dedicated team at the Victoria Unit do fantastic work and they are keen to improve the facilities for patients. That's where we come in as volunteer fund-raisers. Every penny raised goes directly to the Appeal and we trust the public will support the club, Link4Pink and Dr Kershaw's on an important night for all three next Thursday."

Club officials, as well as officials of Link4Pink and Dr Kershaw's, hope all Roughyeds supporters will make a special effort to back this event in front of a nationwide television audience and also to encourage friends, family, neighbours and workmates to put in an appearance too.

It isn't every day you can watch a pro rugby league game at this level for as little as £1 and at the same time make valuable contributions towards the fabulous work being done on behalf of the community by Dr Kershaw's Hospice and by the breast-care Victoria Unit at the Royal Oldham Hospital.

Please give generously into the collecting buckets (no matter what name is on any particular bucket ALL proceeds will be divided equally between the two charities) and please do your best to wear pink with pride.

Let's together make Thursday night another memorable Roughyeds occasion here at Boundary Park.

View from the inside...



Hello and welcome back to Roughyed Stadium for another vital game against our near neighbours and rivals Hornets RL.

Last week we had what was a very difficult game away against unbeaten league leaders Dewsbury and after four players left the club to join Barrow and with the current list of injuries it became almost impossible as we had very little time to bring players in either permanently or on loan.

Having said that I must applaud everybody who pulled on a Roughyeds shirt last Sunday for their effort, commitment and determination. Particular mentions must go to Andy Boothroyd who joined on loan from Sheffield late on Friday, trained with the lads for the first time on Saturday and who worked his socks off in the game. Martin Roden also put himself forward to help the club not only by registering as a player due to the injuries but by then coming off the bench to put in two big efforts during the game. There was also another major plus in the match as Ben Heaton made his competitive First Team debut and did extremely well. To say that Ben was nervous in the dressing room before the game was an understatement and as luck would have it (bad luck obviously as it is Oldham!) Paul O Connor suffered an injury that threw Ben on early in the game. He responded magnificently and did nothing wrong throughout the rest of the match and you could see him grow in confidence as the game went on and I am sure the experience will serve him well in the future.

We will have been working hard to bring in more players this week but any signings will have taken place after these notes were written.

You can be assured that nobody has written off this season and we will be just as determined to do well as we have been all year.

Tony Benson, Martin Roden and John Hough also deserve a lot of credit for the way they

have knuckled down to prepare the teams as best they can and as people have always said to me over the years it is all character building!

The fans support at Dewsbury was excellent once again and you saw how much the players appreciated it at the end of the game when we all applauded them for their efforts.

We need your support more than ever right now and I hope that you will all get behind the lads today as we again face very dangerous opponents in Hornets RL who are starting to find their feet as a club again and as ever in a local derby will need no motivation prior to the game.

We then follow this match up with another home fixture against London Skolars on Thursday in front of the SKY cameras and this is again going to be our charity match for two very worthy local causes - Dr Kershaw's Hospice and Link 4 Pink, the breast care unit at the Royal Oldham Hospital.

We are again trying to raise as much money as possible for these two charities and the Skolars game will be a "dress in pink" night as well which we hope all of our fans will but into and come along with something pink on!

As ever please enjoy the game today and get behind the lads.

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OLDHAM RESERVES

Oldham 24, Dewsbury 26
HT: Oldham 8, Dewsbury 20

Referee: Andrew Smith (Salford)

Oldham scorers: Goals: Chris Hough (2); **Tries:** Jamie Knight (2), Jamie Harrison, Darrel Rowlands, Matty Ashe.

Dewsbury scorers: Goals: Jake Wilson (1), James Walker (2); **Tries:** Morgan Starkey, Jake Wilson (2), Martin Woodhead, Tom Wandless.

Oldham: Ross Coates; Darrel Rowlands, Michael Ward, Jamie Knight, Jamie Harrison; Chris Hough, Matty Ashe; Alex Eyres, Todd O'Brien, Jacob Kinney, Michael Arrowsmith, Mark Smith, Austin Barraclough. **Subs:** Dale Lowe, Danny Knight, Declan Foy, Simon Moores.

Dewsbury: Martin Woodhead; Morgan Starkey, Ryan Denton, Simon Cook, Gavin Stead; Andrew Tillotson, Tom Wandless; James Walker, Matthew Tebb, David Murgatroyd, Jake Wilson, Alistair McMaster, Josh Tonks. **Subs:** Dean Cawthorn, Sam Dalby, Adam Mason, Sean Simpson.

Despite being hit by first-team calls, Oldham Reserves produced a three-tries-to-one second-half fightback to run Dewsbury Rams close at Sedgley Park on Saturday.

"We were off colour in the first half, but we played much better after half time," commented Roughyeds coach John Hough. Indeed, the home side came close to snatching victory near the end but with Rams reeling and defending desperately on their own line, Oldham were penalised for a faulty play-the-ball and the chance was gone.

Rams dominated the first half with rangy second-row man Jake Wilson scoring twice down Oldham's right side.

Despite two tries by centre Jamie Knight, Oldham trailed 20-8 at half time but they were the better side in the second half when the forwards rolled up their sleeves and gave halfbacks Chris Hough and Matty Ashe the opportunities to stamp their mark on the game.

The experienced Hough used an intelligent kicking game not only to give Oldham territorial advantage but also to set up three of his side's five tries, while his partner Ashe nipped through a wrong-footed defence to score the try that put Roughyeds only two points down with 20 minutes still left to play. Reserves were due to play Widnes Vikings at Sedgley Park yesterday (August 1) and their remaining four league fixtures are as follows:

This coming Wednesday (August 5) v Keighley Cougars at Sedgley Park (7.30 pm); Saturday, August 8 v Barrow Raiders (away), 2.30pm; Saturday, August 15 v Leigh Centurions (away), 2.30pm; Thursday, August 20, v York City Knights (away), 8.00pm kick-off.

WHERE AND WHEN WE PLAY



Date	Comp	Opponents	V	Time	Res	Score	Att
Fri, Feb 13	NRC	Widnes Vikings	A	7.30pm	W	22-20	2,783
Wed, Feb 18	NRC	Rochdale Hornets	H	7.30pm	W	54-4	1,028
Sun, Feb 22	NRC	Sheffield Eagles	H	3.00pm	L	22-34	1,173
Sun, Mar 1	NRC	Hunslet Hawks	A	2.00pm	W	32-14	582
Sun, Mar 8	CCC3	Sharlston Rovers	H	3.00pm	W	26-8	800
Sun, Mar 15	CC1	Blackpool Panthers	H	3.00pm	W	36-18	880
Sun, Mar 22	CC1	Keighley Cougars	A	3.00pm	L	26-34	1,021
Sun, Mar 29	CC1	Workington Town	H	3.00pm	W	66-14	819
Sun, April 5	CCC4	Lézignan	H	3.00pm	W	60-30	863
Fri, April 10	CC1	Rochdale Hornets	A	3.00pm	W	26-18	1,249
Sun, April 19	CC1	Dewsbury Rams	H	3.00pm	L	12-36	1,147
Sun, April 26	CC1	Swinton Lions	H	3.00pm	W	52-36	1,010
Sat, May 2	CC1	London Skolars	A	3.00pm	W	78-10	273
Sat, May 9	CCC5	Gateshead Thunder	A	3.00pm	L	16-34	929
Sun, May 17	CC1	Hunslet Hawks	H	3.00pm	W	22-16	1,136
Sun, May 24	CC1	Swinton Lions	A	3.00pm	W	44-26	705
Sun, June 7	NRCQF	Featherstone Rov.	H	3.00pm	L	18-32	853
Thurs, June 25	CC1	York City Knights	A	7.30pm	L	18-20	3,106
Sun, July 5	CC1	Workington Town	A	3.00pm	W	60-6	514
Sun, July 19	CC1	Keighley Cougars	H	3.00pm	L	22-24	848
Sun, July 26	CC1	Dewsbury Rams	A	3.00pm	L	8-38	1,080
Sun, Aug 2	CC1	Rochdale Hornets	H	3.00pm			
Thurs, Aug 6	CC1	London Skolars	H	7.30pm			
Sun, Aug 16	CC1	Blackpool Panthers	A	3.00pm			
Sun, Aug 23	CC1	York City Knights	H	3.00pm			
Sun, Sep 6	CC1	Hunslet Hawks	A	3.00pm			

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IRISH EYES WERE SMILING WHEN WAYNE RUBBED SHOULDERS WITH THE STARS

PLAYER PROFILE No 12 WAYNE KERR

Roger Halstead talks to a man whose rugby league dream is coming true

WAYNE Kerr, the Roughyeds prop, still has to pinch himself and bring out his scrapbook of memoirs to convince himself that he really did

feature with some of the best players on the planet on a November day in Australia last year.

It was on Wednesday, November 5, 2008, at Parramatta Stadium, that this true-blood Irishman - born in Dublin, raised in County Kildare - turned out off the bench to play his part in Irish RL's finest hour when the men in green beat Samoa 34-16 in arguably the

biggest upset of the last World Cup. The win took Andy Kelly's boys into a semi-final qualifier and shattered the hopes of Samoa, whose squad looked like a who's who of Pacific Islands greats and included George Carmont, Willie Talau, Frances Meli, Nigel Vagana, Ali Lauititi, Harrison Hansen and David Solomon.

Ireland, who led 16-12 at half-time, had a record-breaker in winger Pat Richards whose 22 points from three tries and five goals eclipsed Steve Prescott's 14 points against Samoa eight years earlier.

The Irish lined up like this: Michael Platt; Damien Blanch, Sean Gleeson, Stuart Littler, Pat Richards; Scott Grix, Liam Finn; Eamon O'Carroll, Bob Beswick, Gareth Haggerty, Ben Harrison, Lee Doran, Simon Finnigan. Subs: Michael McIlorum, Karl Fitzpatrick, WAYNE KERR, Ryan Tandy.

Merely to travel Down Under as part of that squad was a massive achievement for Kerr, his then London Skolars team mate Stevie Gibbons and two more "real" Irishmen who went as unknowns, Ross Barber and Brendan Guilfoyle.

Of the four only Kerr got a game - around ten to 15 minutes as a substitute in Ireland's greatest-ever triumph. Even more remarkable was the fact that he and Gibbons had only been playing rugby league for little more than two years after taking it up as a way of keeping fit in the summer during their annual close-season break from the union code.

Wayne started playing union aged eight and remained with his home-town club of Cilldara (Gaelic for Kildare) until he was 20 when he moved to a senior club, Carlow, and spent two years at senior level as a hooker or back-row forward. Aged 18, he had represented Leinster at youth level as a hooker, but he never played prop in the 15-a-side game and, since turning to league, he has never played anywhere else but in the front-row. The boy who, within two years, was to wear the green of



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Ireland in the cauldron of World Cup rugby league, tells a remarkable story of how he became hooked on the brand of rugby that was imported from England.

"Stevie Gibbons, myself and another two guys from the Carlow RU squad used to play touch rugby in the summer just for a spot of fun and to keep fit. We had seen League on TV, and we liked what we saw. "We didn't take it seriously at all in those early days but Stevie got a few more lads interested as well and he formed Carlow Crusaders. It was just a fun thing for us, but we entered the Irish comp and reached the Grand Final, in which we played Limerick.

"Unknown to us, a Kiwi who had settled in Ireland, Damian Welland, had a lot to do with the growth and development of League over there, and he was at our Grand Final. He asked me if I would like to play for Ireland 'A', and from that moment on I got well and truly involved with league, and I was soon taking it very seriously indeed."

Coincidentally, current Roughyeds team boss Tony Benson was also despatched to Ireland by the RFL about that time to supervise the progress and development of the many young Irishmen, who were starting to make their way in the game.

Damian and Tony picked a party of promising young Irish players to make a three-game visit to New Zealand and it was in the summer of 2007 that Wayne Kerr found himself flying across the world for the first time to play RL for Ireland at three venues in New Zealand's North Island, including Bay of Plenty of Auckland.

Back home, he was making meteoric progress in his new code of rugby. Representing Ireland 'A' in a four-nations tournament, he scored a try in a win against England 'A' at Leigh; missed the drawn game with Wales 'A' because of injury; but scored again in Ireland's win over Scotland.

Ireland finished second to Wales on points difference, but more importantly for the continued progress of Kerr he had done enough to earn selection for the full Irish squad and to earn his first Irish cap in Russia, of all places.

"I'll never forget that one," recalled Wayne. "It was surreal. It happened to be Barrie McDermott's last game for Ireland. There were a lot of Super League players in our squad, and I was rubbing shoulders with players whom I had only ever seen on television. It was crazy." He got his second cap against Russia in Ireland and his third in another World Cup qualifier against Lebanon at Dewsbury. The match ended in a draw, but Ireland went through.

Shortly afterwards, in January, 2008, Tony Benson was appointed coach of London Skolars and the ambitious Kerr jumped at the opportunity to move to London and to break into professional rugby league in England.

For a country boy from Ireland, it was a life-changing move. Swapping the quiet, laid-back culture of the Emerald Isle for the hustle and bustle of North London, Wayne had to adapt to a new lifestyle as well as adapt to life as a part-time pro.

"I shared a house in White Hart Lane, not far from Tottenham's ground, with a couple of Fijian guys and a Kiwi," he said. "It was a culture shock, but my rugby league was developing and that was the main thing.

"It was tough, though, real tough. If we were travelling any distance to play Union in Ireland we would go the day before the game. At Skolars we had to travel north every second week and we always went there and back in the day, even to places like Barrow and Workington when we would leave at 6am and get back around 3am the next day.

"It was crazy really, but it was great experience and I'm glad now that I went through it."

Wayne scored ten tries in that 2008 season in a struggling team, and with three Irish caps already on his CV he dare hardly dream that he might have a chance of a World Cup call-up later in the year.

"Playing for Skolars you are hardly in the spotlight," he said, "but with ten tries to my name, Tony's (Benson) connections with the Irish set-up and the fact that they were talking of taking one or two true-blood Irishmen for the experience I thought I might have had a chance of going for the ride.

"Even when I was picked I never thought I would get a game. To be picked as a

sub against Samoa - my fourth cap - was a dream come true. I was playing for Ireland in the World Cup only two years after first learning of rugby league. It was unbelievable.

"I was on the field for about quarter of an hour. It was different to anything I had ever been used to. Talk about a shock to the system. I was playing with and against some of the best players in the world, and a lot of players go through a full career without experiencing anything like that."

Wayne was still in Australia when he signed for Oldham to follow Tony B to the Roughyeds -- and it was a move he has never regretted. He has a younger sister, Jade, and a girl friend of seven years in Claire, whom he met at school in Ireland and who now lives with him in Leigh. She was the girl-next-door--- not literally, but as Wayne put it "from just down the street."

And the future?

"My goal is simple," he said. "I just want to keep on improving and enjoying my rugby. Being realistic, I think I came into league far too late to ever make it to Super League, but I would love to play in one division higher, hopefully with Oldham.

"Beyond that, I would love nothing better than to add to my four Ireland caps and to play the game at the highest level I can ever attain." To that end all Roughyeds fans will wish Wayne the very best of luck... the luck of the Irish, of course!



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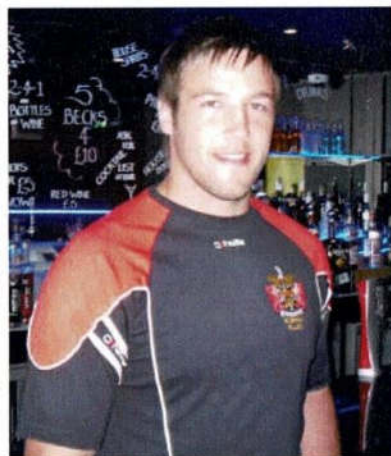
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PLAYER-OF-THE-MONTH AWARD

Workaholic back-row forward Chris Baines has been a man in the Roughyeds' spotlight in the past few days, not only winning the latest Spindles and Town Square Shopping player-of-the-month award, but also earning the support of the town's hottest new nightclub, Lush in Yorkshire Street.



Chris took time out from doing Roughyeds development work in local schools the other day to meet his new sponsors at Lush, which is open Thursday-Sunday until 4am with resident DJs playing everything from R and B, dance and bassline to chart, disco and 80s. In the other picture Chris is being presented with his player-of-the-month cheque by Mike



Flanagan, manager of Spindles Town Square Shopping, which sponsor the club's player of the month and player of the year awards.
To get involved with any form of sponsorship at the Roughyeds, either for the late-season run-in this year or looking ahead to the 2010 season please contact the club's commercial and marketing manager Julie Cleave on 0161 628 3677.

EX-PLAYERS TAKE A TRIP DOWN MEMORY LANE

FANS will give a big Roughyeds welcome today to the many former players of the club who will be introduced to the crowd at half time.

Members of the Players' Association, which continues to go from strength to strength, will be here in numbers, headed by their president, Phil Woolas MP, their chairman Martin Murphy, and one of their life members, Joe Warham.

Joe, now in his eighties, played at Oldham in the late 1940s and early 1950s and later became player-coach and manager of Rochdale Hornets, so it is fitting that he should be present on this derby-day occasion when Oldham's former players will have a contingent of Hornets old boys as their guests.

In addition to the many locally-based former Watersheddings men here today there will be several who have travelled distances to take part in the reunion - men like Joe Warham, Bob Mordell, Cliff Hill, Ian Taylor, Brian Lord and Jimmy Reynolds.

The Rochdale party will include ex-Oldham player and coach Graham Starkey; two who played for both clubs, Johnnie Hammond and Norman Brelsford; and other Oldham-born Hornets such as Mick Crocker, David Taylor and Steve McGiffen.

About 50 ex-players in total will be entertained in the Corner Flag suite.

As man-of-the-match sponsors, they have allocated the six places they get in the other hospitality suite as part of the sponsorship package to two apiece to representatives of local amateur clubs Saddleworth, Waterhead and St Anne's.

This is a thank-you to the amateurs for allowing the Players' Association to use their social facilities for their monthly meetings.

HEROES!



COACH Tony Benson heaped praise on the 17 players who battled heroically against all odds at Dewsbury - and then looked forward to carrying the same spirit of togetherness into today's clash with Rochdale Hornets.

"Hopefully we have built on the Dewsbury performance", said the Kiwi, "and are fired up for today's game. I've been looking forward to it all week. I suppose that after all that has gone on at the club in the past two weeks we are starting again. Dewsbury was a good start. I was proud of the lads, and hopefully it will continue today.

Talking of the Dewsbury game he said "We were down on manpower and

considering the week we'd had, the players battled magnificently to come out of it with pride intact. They showed plenty of character, but to beat a strong team like Dewsbury on their own small field you need more than that."

"Inevitably, there came a time when we were running on empty tanks. Our performance showed all the signs of fatigue - things like high tackles, running poor lines etc - but I was very proud of all the boys for their terrific commitment and effort in the face of great adversity.

"They were really downhearted afterwards because they genuinely believed before the game that they were going to win, and all credit to them for that. Ben Heaton did really well in just about the toughest assignment he could possibly have had on debut. The same can be said for Andy Boothroyd.

"Martin Roden put in a fantastic effort, given that he has not played at this level since 2006 when he had a few games at Leigh. His last full season was 2005 and also Luke Sutton, who turned out despite not having been able to make training of late.

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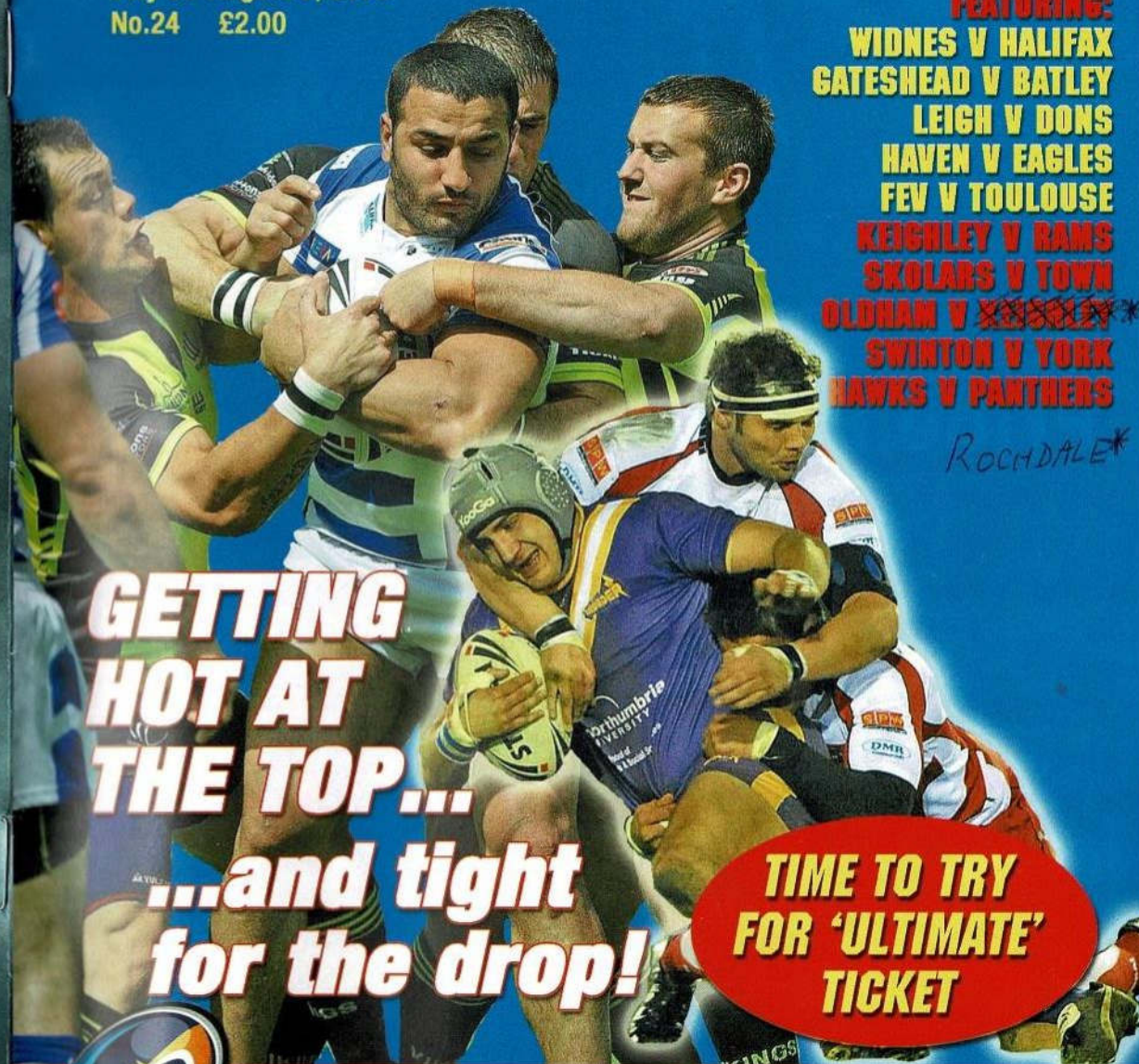
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The 'ultimate' ticket

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And now with the days ticking down to the big day at Wembley, fans across the game are getting the opportunity to win what must surely be the GREATEST rugby league prize ever!

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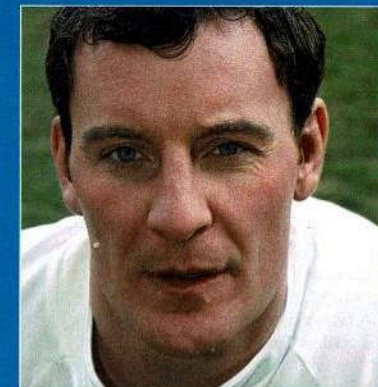
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Oldham's answers

OLDHAM fans were hoping for answers from owner Bill Quinn in midweek after the shell-shocked club called a public meeting in the wake of four star players heading north to Barrow.

High scoring Andy Ballard has moved to the south Cumbrian club permanently, while Jame Coyle, Danny Halliwell and David Allen have left on loan, being joined at Barrow by sacked ex-captain Rob Roberts (pictured).

Quinn, who has said he will no longer fund the Oldham club, is rumoured to be discussing an investment in the Barrow out-



fit and was pictured on the field with chairman Des Johnston at Barrow's home match with Leigh. Coming in at Boundary Park meanwhile is Sheffield's on-loan hooker Andy Boothroyd.



HALIFAX have launched their bid for a 2012 Super League licence with their 'Destination Super League' campaign.

Fax Chief Executive Graham Clay said he has had some very useful meetings with the RFL and has been inspecting progress on The Shay which is central to the West Yorkshire club's aspirations.

Halifax meanwhile have let utility man Dwayne Barker sign for title rivals Featherstone - who duly beat them last weekend. The merry-go-round sees Joe Hirst leave the Chris Moyles Stadium on loan to Sheffield.

IN OTHER player movements BLACKPOOL have snapped up LEIGH youngster Sam Reay, while new HUNSLET coach Paul March has lured his former player Danny Ekis from YORK on loan. Rams boss Warren Jowitt meanwhile is more worried that other coaches are scouting his talent.

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Hot on Halifax's tails...

THE CHASING pack now have a scent of leaders HALIFAX after FEATHERSTONE pulled off a fantastic win at The Shay, pulling back an 18-0 half-time deficit to pip Matt Calland's men 22-20.

A last gasp try from hooker Jack Lee was goaled by nerveless Stuart Dickens to get the win. Coach Calland was less than impressed and left it to his assistant Damian Ball to remark: "We came up short tonight and obviously there's some work for the coaching staff to do and the players need to reflect on their performances as well."

Injury hit Halifax also lost full back Miles Greenwood early on.

But Rovers boss Daryl Powell was naturally delighted. "At half time you wouldn't have given us any money in the world to win that game," he said.

"The boys were outstanding in that second half, we dug in defensively and were much better, much tougher and we were able to clinch the game at the end."

"I think it's a big step up for us in terms of mentality in the way we approached that second half and I'm just really pleased for the boys and the way that they applied themselves."

Moneybags BARROW, apparently snapping up anyone who can find their way up to Cumbria, welcomed their latest new signings from Oldham and one of them, James Coyle, said hello with four

'Unbeatable' Rams can wrap it up

ANYONE can beat anyone else in the Championship 1 it seems – except invincible DEWSBURY who keep on sailing serenely along at the top of the competition, still unbeaten.

Warren Jowitt's men can be crowned champions if they beat Keighley in this week's Thursday night TV game, after they sent troubled OLDHAM away with a 38-8 defeat.

Oldham arrived at the Tetley's Stadium still reeling from the loss of four of their top players to Barrow, but still knuckled down to make it difficult for the champions elect.

Rams coach Warren Jowitt had the luxury of rotating some of his troops and saw blockbusting second rower Andy Bostock pick up a couple of tries.

All eyes were on the Huntingdon Stadium where fireworks were expected

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tries in the 74-6 demolition of struggling LEIGH.

With new coach Steve Deakin at the helm after a turbulent week across the Championships, Coyle led the Centurions a merry dance with ex-Super Leaguers Zeb Luisi and Net Catic battering the visiting defence.

It meant Jamie Rooney could take a prolonged rest after banging over seven goals from as many attempts before just under 2,000 fans. It leaves Barrow just two points behind the leaders though Fax still have a game in hand.

They didn't get a win, but a bonus point for DONCASTER was great cause for celebration as they made WHITE-HAVEN battle all the way for a 19-10 win.

Tony Miller could take massive heart from the gritty performance of his men at the Keepmoat, returning after a long enforced absence, although the lowly crowd of 337 must be cause for concern as the Dons continue to seek investment.

Miller commented: "With a bit more composure with the ball we could have come away with a win today, but when you consider we have brought in ten players in the last month we have done really well."

"After the Widnes game I said that was our lowest ebb and we must build on it, and to get a bonus point today is a massive step. We know we are relegated and

we will probably have another nine points deducted in the next fortnight, so it is now building for next season.

"We can't bring in any more players now this season, so these are the lads I have to work with, and there is definitely something to work with, several of the debutants made big impressions today."

Down in the South of France the Widnes Vikings added to the ongoing woes of Toulouse who are finding it difficult to stay the pace, especially without playmaker Nathan Wynn. Rory Bromley however is playing his socks off in the losing run of late.

Olympique's play-off hopes appear to be fading after three home defeats on the bounce, while for Widnes flying machine Kevin Penny is showing the form that earned him rave reviews at Warrington, scoring a brace on this occasion.

In the Thursday night Sky game, SHEFFIELD EAGLES saw off an ill-disciplined GATESHEAD THUNDER 46-30.

At one point the penalty count was 13-1 against Gateshead and coach Steve McCormack commented: "It all boils down to the next five games now – it's points we need. I don't want Gateshead to be known as a 'nice' team. We can learn from Sheffield because they are a very resilient team. If they get beat they are right in there and it's very close – ourselves if we get beat, we get beat."

"Sheffield keep grinding away whether they are winning or losing. If we are going to get out of the bottom two we have to do it collectively – but for the next five games I intend to make sure the team do that."

saw the red mist. But you can only play what's in front of you and I have to say our defence was very good.

"To come here and get a win is a massive achievement."

March has really rejuvenated the Hawks and they are in the mix for a play-off place as the season winds down to the business end.

The record breaking BLACKPOOL PANTHERS are on the crest of a wave and were hot favourites to see off LONDON SKOLARS which they duly did 46-22.

The Panthers are enjoying their best ever run of victories but face a testing trip to March's men at the South Leeds Stadium as they press their own play-off credentials. Credit however to a much improved Skolars who played their part in an exciting game.

A tight battle was expected at Spotland and HORNETS and SWINTON duly delivered, the return of Lions star Graham Holroyd not enough as Liam McGovern's 74th minute penalty settled a scrappy derby 24-22.

the world according to WILKO

In this instalment read about Jon's thoughts on the current state of rugby league in the UK and how he feels the game is going to progress into the future...

I think the sport needs a plan to make sure it doesn't become a niche sport. If you look at rugby league at the moment within the sporting world, it sits within football, cricket and rugby union. We are in fourth place really, and I think it needs to make sure it doesn't slip and become more of a niche sport and not just restricted to the towns of the North of England.

For the future of the game, it needs a sort of mission statement, or a direction for it to go in. But we need to look at ways that we can improve the sport. We are getting to a stage where a few teams are playing a similar style, slowing the ruck down, and as a result you do get some less attacking games.

I've witnessed some attritional games, and this is probably the first year that I have turned on the TV and watched a rugby game and thought 'this is not as exciting as yesteryear'. We've got to be careful that we don't slow it down too much that people don't want to watch it.

I know that to be successful at international level you need to play like that sometimes, but I like the way we play the game in this country.

We also need to be careful to look after the reputation of the Championship clubs and the leagues below that and make sure they have got a sustainable future as well.

We do need to spread the game but I don't think that should be at the cost of all the teams that have been around for so long. I suppose the lesson to be learned is that if it doesn't always work in the areas it's being played in now, what's to say it's going to work in the areas it's not?

Catalan was a region that already had a rugby league base. It's got clubs down there that already play the game; it's not a place that has no rugby league infrastructure. The south of France has always been a hot bed for rugby league and when you talk about South Wales, it has been a place that has produced rugby league players through a rugby union system.

Just look at Scott Gibbs, John Devereux and Jonathan Davies who are all Welsh, but came to play rugby league. I know there is support for rugby league down in South Wales, I just don't know whether there is an infrastructure there to support a team.

I think we should leave the end of season play-offs as the top six, rather than the top eight. If you finish half way down the table, or even just after, you can still win the whole league which is ridiculous.

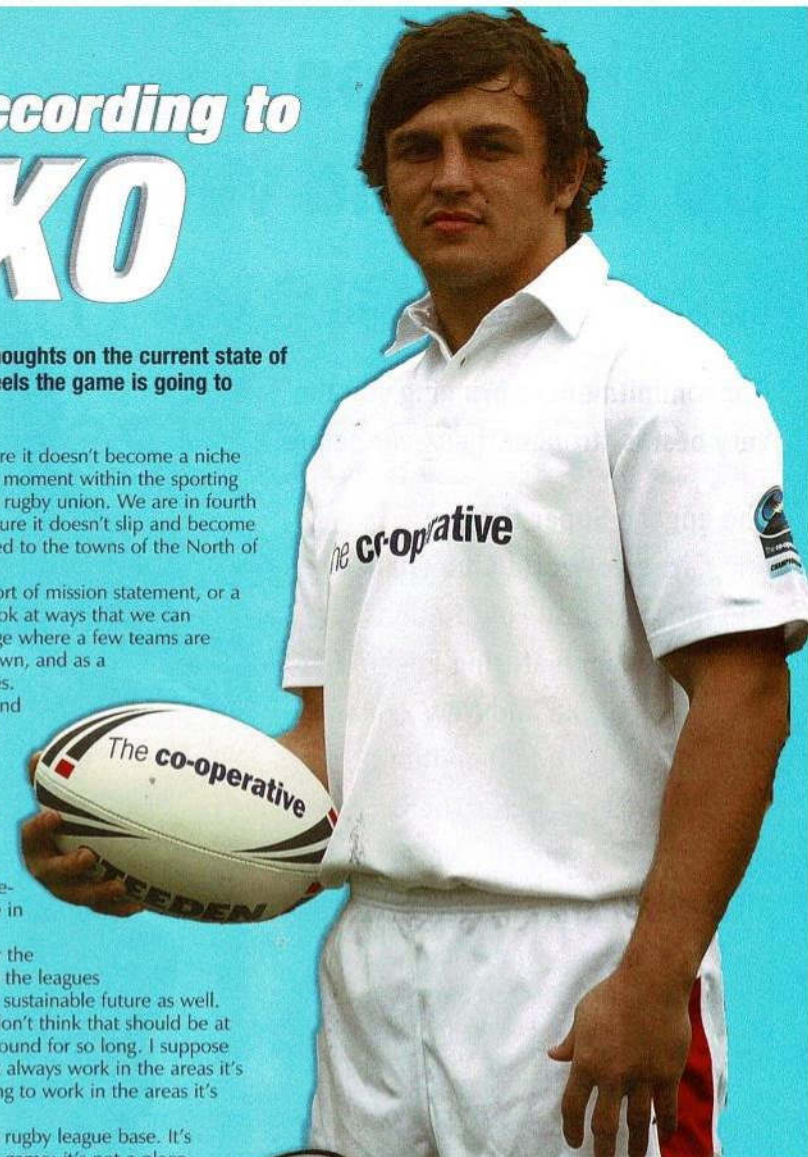
All sports are driven by the elite – in golf people try and catch Tiger Woods, tennis players try to beat Roger Federer and football teams are trying to get to Manchester United's standard.

What that does is inspire people to get to that level whereas sometimes in rugby league there's a push to get everyone on a similar level and make it exciting and competitive. But in all sports you need champion teams.

If you look at Wigan in the 1980s and 1990s, they inspired teams to get better. So with a top eight, it gives teams who have had a pretty unsuccessful season the chance to win the competition and get all the accolades, which is bizarre really.

It's up to the lower teams to make themselves better, rather than bringing the top teams down and meeting in the middle. Let the top teams drive the competition forward and let other teams catch up to them!

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It pays to weigh up where best odds are

This could be the weekend where Widnes prove their value, says MIKE OXLEY



I received an interesting email from a P. Cook from Dewsbury who said that he has been punting my selections since the fifth week of the Game On magazine, and he checks all the bookmakers online to see which is the best handicap rather than using one particular bookmaker and finds that by doing this he always finds the best value.

That is a good point by Mr Cook – always look for value and the best handicaps. A couple of good sites that I would advise people to use on the internet are www.bestbetting.com and www.oddschecker.com, and most handicaps for games come out around two days before the game is due to kick off.

I have also been asked how I decide what handicap is right for each rugby game, especially so early in the week before a team has been announced.

Each week I have a rating for each team that is updated after the round of games are played. I also add four points on to the team that is playing at home, as in most sports you have to take into account the home advantage.

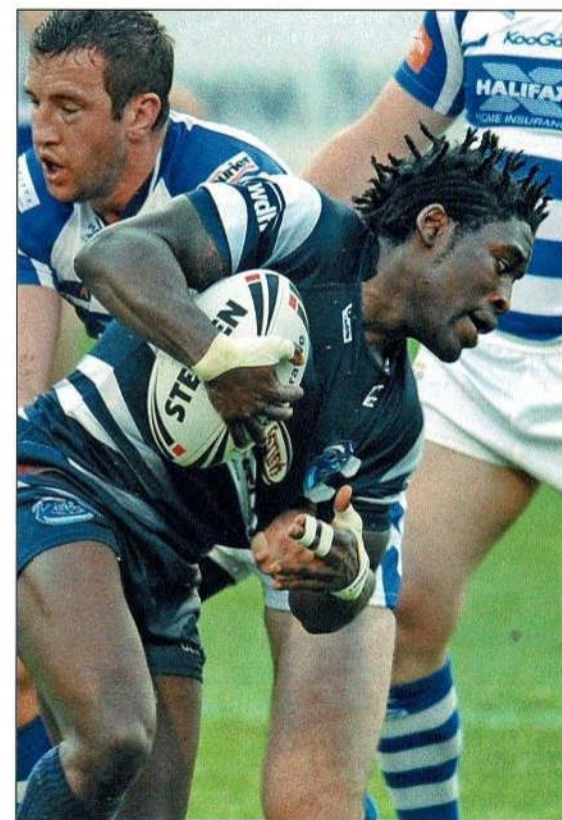
My provisional handicaps are done on a Monday morning, and then throughout the week I look for important team news that might have an effect on the handicap. A team might go into administration or release a load of players like Doncaster did early on in the season and that can have a drastic effect on the handicap, but overall the handicap will only change a couple of points on general team news.

I have mentioned in recent weeks Widnes's price for the Grand Final, and I am amazed that after last weekend's results where Widnes won and Halifax were beaten by Featherstone at home, that Widnes's price for the Grand Final has been pushed out by skybet to 3/1 from 11/4.

The clash of the weekend is Widnes at home to Halifax, and after this game I think it will be all there for people to realise that Widnes are the best team in the division.

I think the bookmakers will make this a scratch game but on recent form and of course with Widnes having home advantage I think Halifax should be receiving a small start. So if they bookmakers come out with scratch then certainly Widnes should be punted.

In Championship 1 this week the game I fancy there being an



Halifax came a cropper against Featherstone last week

upset in is Swinton at home to York. York lie third in the table, four places higher than this week's opponents, but I just feel that York, after their home defeat by out of form Hunslet last week, are hitting a dodgy patch, whereas the majority of Swinton's points have come from their home matches at Sedgley Park.

My view on this game is giving York a start of four, but I can see the bookmakers not doing their homework on this one and just looking at league standings and possibly going scratch – or they might even decide to give Swinton a start.

So good luck this week and remember to take a bit of the 3/1 on offer for Widnes before it is too late.

Contact Mike at michaeloxley@msn.com



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FEATHERSTONE ROVERS

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Peter Smith Motorcycles	1 Tom Saxton
Bev Coleman	2 Waine Price
Patrick & Gemma McNeil	3 Ian Hardman
The Buccaneers Club	4 Andy Kirk
Mark Hutchinson	5 Jon Steel
Maureen Tennant-King	6 Iestyn Harris
& Emily Harris	
Shindigz	7 Andy Kain
Terry King	8 Tony Tonks
Charlie Robinson &	9 Jack Lee
Lynne Whitehouse	
Vic & Sue Johnson	10 Stuart Dickens
Doug & Barbara Wilford	11 Matt Dale
Blue Lagoon Bar	12 Jamie Field
Susan Parker	13 Richard Blakeway
Blue Lagoon Bar	14 Tommy Haughey
Study Rovers	15 James Houston
Gary Crompton	16 Joe McLocklan
Howard Lawton	17 Joe Hirst
John Lycett	18 Tim Spears
Peter Smith Motorcycles	19 Sean Hesketh
Rovers Scholarship	20 Stuart Kain
Hollie Bennett	21 Steve Dooler
Charlie Watson	22 Matt Handforth
	23 Gareth Swift
	24 John Fallon
Capro Contracts	25 Scott Wilson
Chelsey, Charlie & Megan Large	26 Sam Smeaton
	27 Ian Bell
	28 Kyle Briggs
	Ross Divorcy
Lorne Mosley	MASCOT Bluebeard

COACH: DARYL POWELL

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLWLWW
 LAST SIX HOME: LLWWWW
 TRIES: Andy Kain 17, Jon Steel 13,
 Tommy Haughey 13, Ian Hardman 9,
 Tommy Saxton 8, Matt Dale 8.
 GOALS: Stuart Dickens 68, Iestyn
 Harris 19. DGs: -
 MAN TO WATCH: Andy Kain

TOULOUSE OLYMPIQUE

No.	TODAY'S TEAM	No.	SPONSOR
	Full back	1 Rory Bromley	SN Diffusion
	Right Wing	2 Sebastien Payan	Dynadoc
	Right Centre	3 Sebastien Planas	Ermes Prestations
	Left Centre	4 Damien Couturier	Demathieu et Bard
	Left Wing	5 Joris Cantons	France Boissons
	Stand off	6 Constant Villegas	Prosegur
	Scrum half	7 Nathan Wynn	Copy Sud
	Prop	8 Brendan Worth	Immodulair
	Hooker	9 Martin Mitchell	Gentlemen du Déménagement
	Prop	10 Mathieu Griffi	Groupe Cailleau
	2nd row	11 Timothy Wynn	Groupe Carrère
	2nd row	12 Mathieu Almarcha	SNC Latitudes - Golf de Seilh
	Loose forward	13 Eric Anselme	Aux Docks du bureau
	Interchange 1	14 Antoni Maria	Transports Sarrazain
	2	15 Jerome Gout	Renault Etats-Unis
	3	16 Olivier Pramill	Citroën Etats-Unis
	4	17 Yohan Barthau	Océanis
		18 Adrien Viala	Siemex
		19 Nicolas Delgal	Inovans
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	Tries		
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	Pens		
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COACH: GILLES DUMAS

LAST SIX RESULTS: LWLWLL
 LAST SIX AWAY: LWLWL
 TRIES: Rory Bromley 11, Damian
 Couturier 10, Constant Villegas 6,
 Martin Mitchell 5.
 GOALS: Nathan Wynn 58, Damian
 Couturier 12. DGs: -
 MAN TO WATCH: Rory Bromley

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Rovers on a high, on and off the field

TOULOUSE come to the Chris Moyles at arguably the optimum point in the season. Rovers beat them in the South of France in some style, and defeated top club Halifax at the Shay. Whatever the outcome it should be some game.

Toulouse have made an immediate impact on the Championship, transforming it into a true European competition. They play good football and seem to know how to attract the fans. A visit to a Toulouse game is a bit special as all those who went to the game will tell you.

Rovers performed superbly against Olympique and seem to have carried that form into our game against Halifax, with a fine display of character to fight back into a game that could have slipped through our grasp.

Last Monday the club held its Annual General Meeting. It went well and I'd like to thank Paul Coventry and Steve Evans for their contribution to the club over

ANDY PROUT Chief Executive

many years, as they stand down from the board. I'm sure Paul and Steve will continue to have a big contribution to make to Rovers as we go forward.

There were three new directors voted onto the Board; Ian Large (now recovered from his trauma!), Lee Bowkitt and Kevin Preston. Welcome aboard and I'm sure we can all look forward to their contribution to our continued success.

Finally Rovers' continuing quest to improve the squad has brought second row forward Dwayne Barker to the club. Dwayne, who joins us from Halifax, is well known to Daryl Powell from the days when they were both at Leeds Rhinos.

The work done in our community and education sections continues to go from strength to strength.

Last week 'Study Rovers' completed a

thoroughly enjoyable programme of sporting fun for adults with learning disabilities. Each session ended in the club house with a convivial and healthy lunch. Assistant Coach Ryan Sheridan and winger Jon Steel were at the heart of this project, hugely beneficial for all.

The scheme was funded by Awards for All, for which we thank them.

If you are a regular visitor to the Chris Moyles Stadium's clubhouse aka 'The Atrium', you will notice one or two changes. Chris Westwood, ably assisted by Terry Jones, has just completed a time-line of the club's achievements covering two walls. It doesn't just look good, it serves a useful educational purpose also. The staircase to the Atrium now features an exhibition of photos and drawings from the club's archives.

Soon Chris and Terry will be embarking on a new project - 'The International Lounge'.

Great for our confidence

HAVING lost out in the last two minutes to Barrow in the semi final of the Northern Rail Cup it was very satisfying to come out on top in a nail-biter last week against Halifax.

Our win against the league leaders strengthens the players' belief in their collective ability and gives us great confidence leading into the latter part of the season.

This game also got a bit of a monkey off our back this season, when we have been behind in games previously we have gone on to lose without a bonus point. Having been down 18-0 at half time it took a massive mental effort from the players to chip away at the score and just have enough time at the end to get the result.

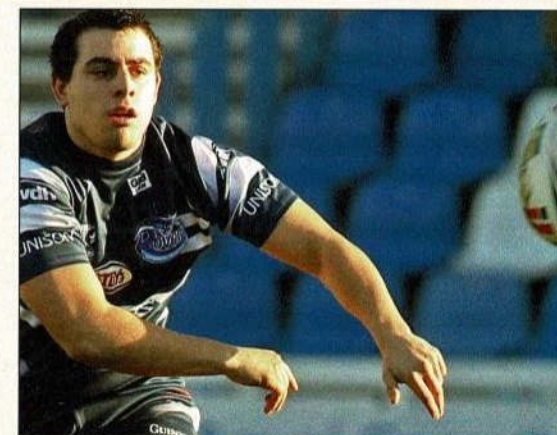
I was really pleased for the support we took to Halifax, their vocal effort and patience with our first half performance got what it deserved in the end.

Today we play the club whose initial introduction into the league was met with widespread disapproval at our level, however they have shown that they can compete very strongly and are within striking distance of the play-offs in their first season which would be a huge achievement.

The trip over the channel has also been a big highlight for travelling fans and having been there the other week I feel this has been one of the RFL's better decisions of late.

There are some key decisions being made at the moment regarding the development structures within the game and I hope the Rugby League get them right at our level, as it could have a large bearing on our ability to develop players at Featherstone.

My main concern is the possible decision to change reserve grade to under 20s; we have got some late devel-



Jack Lee - got the late try at Halifax that Stuart Dickens converted

opers in our team who can do well in rugby league at a later age than the restriction will allow. There is also going to be a number of players dropping down from Super League clubs as a result of them changing their system to under 20 from now on. It makes sense for us to continue with reserve grade at open age so these players who come down from Super League have an opportunity to develop further - if they aren't quite good enough for first grade at our level they will struggle to play. I hope sense can prevail.

The game today will be a tough challenge for us,

Toulouse have some real quality in their team and nothing less than our best will be good enough.

There are six games to go in the regular season with four at home and two away. It is important though that we focus on one at a time starting with today's challenge.

In my experience, heading into play-offs toughened up and consistent gives you the best opportunity of success and we have a great chance to do just that - but every game is huge for us at this stage.

**Daryl Powell,
Head Coach**

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PCL Travel	9 Andrew Henderson
More Than Mortgages	10 Tabua Cakacaka
Thunder Storm	11 -
David Spencer Ltd	12 Michael Knowles
The National Blood Service	13 Russ Aitken
Peters Super League Pies	14 Ryan Clarke
John Bloomfield	15 Matt Barron
Independent Financial Advisor	16 Puna Rasaubale
Quayside Bar	17 Chris Parker
O'Brien Sandwiches, Team Valley	18 Robin Peers
	19 Nick Youngquest
	20 Dave Vernon
	21 Ryan McBride
	22 Jamie Russo
	23 Jonny Scott
	24 Paul Franze
	25 Kris Kahler
	26 Crawford Matthews
	27 Scott Woods
	28 Mark Dack
	29 Rhys Clarke
	30 Stephen Welton
	32 Jamie Cording (loan)
	33 Liam Watts (loan)
	34 Nathan Massey (loan)
	35 Anthony England (loan)

COACH: STEVE MCCORMACK

LAST SIX RESULTS: LWLWLW
LAST SIX HOME: WWLLWW
TRIES: Stewart Sanderson 18, Luke Branighan 17, Dylan Nash 12, Ben McAlpine 12.
GOALS: Michael Knowles 75.
DGs: Neil Thorman, Rhys Clarke
MAN TO WATCH: Paul Franze

No.	TODAY'S TEAM	No.
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MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: P. Brooke
Touch: B. Armstrong, G. Wallace
Fourth official: S. Kilpatrick

BENNETT'S BET

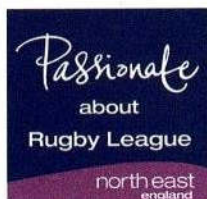
"Thunder can do it if they tighten up defence - Gateshead by 8"

No. PLAYER	
1 Ian Preece	Hopkins family
2 Ben Feehan	Mavis, Mac & Jack
3 Dale Cardoza	Wayne & Pauline Aston
4 Danny Maun	Fletcher family
5 Johnny Campbell	Laurie & Andrew Grailey
6 Mark Barlow	Batley Rock & Roll
7 Paul Mennell	Batley Nash
8 Byron Smith	Kev & Brian
9 Kris Lythe	The Benson family
10 Luke Stenchion	Leyland Paints
11 Kevin Crouthers	Brian Hooley
12 Mark Toohey	George & Mary Gomersal
13 Ash Lindsay	Study Centre
14 John Gallagher	
15 Anthony Henderson	RSM Carriers
16 Jon Simpson	Benson family
17 Craig Potter	Protec Security
18 Jermaine McGilvary	Gary Tingle & Lorraine Richardson
19 -	
20 Dave Tootill	George & Alan Wainwright
21 Nathan Armitage	Kirsty, Gemma, Nix, Laura & Karen
22 Nat Browne	Stanningley U-14s & U-17s
23 Chris Buttery	Flanagan Transport
24 -	
25 Glen Reid	
27 Jamie Aitchison	John Miller
28 Darryl Cardiss	
29 Gareth Greenwood	
30 Paul Handforth	
33 Danny Samuels	

COACH: KARL HARRISON

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLWWLW
LAST SIX AWAY: LLLLWL
TRIES: Jermaine McGilvary 18, Danny Maun 8, Ian Preece 7, Jon Simpson 7, Paul Mennell 6.
GOALS: Paul Mennell 41.
DGs: Paul Handforth
MAN TO WATCH: Jermaine McGilvary

Getting behind Gateshead...



CLUBCALL

Gateshead v Batley

A great game in prospect

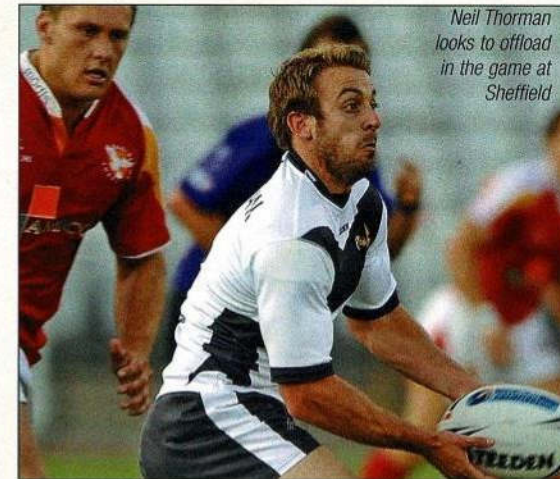
Welcome to what promises to be a cracking game against the Batley Bulldogs.

Both teams have had some tremendous performances over the last couple of months and today's game promises to be a tight contest.

Both clubs have made a few changes on and off the field this season and it has made an interesting and challenging end to the campaign.

Our last home performance against Widnes was excellent and we proved that if we play together as a team and play to our full potential, we are a match for anybody.

We came up with a very professional performance and it is important that we continue to produce games like that



Neil Thorman looks to offload in the game at Sheffield

on a consistent basis. Last week's performance at Sheffield Eagles was the complete opposite and we

came away from Sheffield very disappointed. With five games to go we have given ourselves a

chance of moving up the table, however we all know that we need to keep improving if we are to achieve our end of season goal.

Our main focus is making sure that our work ethic, enthusiasm and preparation is as good as possible.

We can't afford to rely on two or three individuals to get us the wins, we are a team that has to work together and I am sure the players are ready for the next few weeks.

Finally, welcome to the directors, coaching staff, players and supporters of Batley Bulldogs. I am sure the Thunder Army will make you very welcome as always.

Steve McCormack,
head coach

Positives galore as 'home' part of season nears close

Welcome to Batley's players, coaches, staff, Directors and fans. Anyone who saw our away match at Mount Pleasant on Sky TV earlier in the season will remember a cracking match that went right to the last minute, 20-20 at the end and the only draw so far in the Championship.

That shows how evenly the two teams have been all season and we are only separated by four points with both clubs looking to secure their future in the Championship. Without the bonus points for close defeats the table would be even tighter.

Thunder now have only two home games this season - today and Leigh at 3pm on Sunday 23 August.



ROD FINDLAY
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Claire and Sam - great work

sions with a number of companies about corporate social responsibility programmes in the coming months.

Thunder has seen its fan base and partnership portfolio increase over the season and this shows the massive potential that rugby league and Gateshead Thunder has in the North East.

Perhaps partly influenced by our match at Darlington or our home game against St Helens or perhaps just attracted to Thunder's attacking rugby league, we attract fans to every home game from all over the North East. Thunder is a club for the whole of the North East. Support your team!



Leigh v Dons

Sunday August 2nd, 2009. Kick off 3pm. LEIGH SPORTS VILLAGE



LEIGH CENTURIONS

DONCASTER RLFC

SPONSOR	No. PLAYER
LISA	1 Stuart Donlan
Professor & Mrs Dale	2 Dave Alstead
Warburtons	3 Steve Maden
Super-Leigh Lottery	4 Tony Stewart
Hattons Solicitors	5 Nick Stanton
	6 -
C&S Tyres	7 Ian Watson
David Lloyd, Bolton	8 Andy Hobson
Dr Doublet-Stewart	9 Dave McConnell
O'Neils Sportswear	10 Mike Morrison
Ask Platt Office Supplies	11 Dave Armitstead
Brick Design	12 James Taylor
David Lloyd, Bolton	13 Aaron Smith
Professor & Mrs Dale	14 Ian Mort
LISA	15 Adam Higson
Civil Solutions Ltd	16 Chris Hill
Warburtons	17 Lee Marsh
David Lloyd, Bolton	18 Sam Reay
David Lloyd, Bolton	19 Adam Rudd
Padken Steel Erectors	20 John Cookson
	21 -
JR's Taxis	22 Jamie Smith
	23 Martyn Ridyard
	24 Dean Hutton
Ask Platt Office Supplies	25 Adam Thomas
	26 Jamie Durbin
	27 Anthony Rourke
	28 Danny Meekin
Hamilton Fabrication	29 Lee Wingfield

Not allocated a squad number: Andy Ainscough, Danny Jackson, Danny Meekin, James Richies, Macgraff Leualai, Ryan Powell

COACH: PAUL ROWLEY

LAST SIX RESULTS: LWLWL
LAST SIX HOME: WLLLWL
TRIES: Jamie Durbin 13, Ian Mort 10, Stuart Donlan 9, Steve Maden 6, Ian Watson 6.
GOALS: Ian Mort 62, Martyn Ridyard 10. DGs: Martyn Ridyard.
MAN TO WATCH: Jamie Durbin

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SCORERS

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No.	PLAYER	SPONSOR
1	Lisiate Iafa	
2	Dean Colton	Green Energy Solutions
4	Shaun Leaf	Pipers Car Sales
5	Chris McNamara	
6	Matt Handforth	
8	Steve Hall	
10	Alex Benson	Jane Speakman
12	Craig Lawton	Everlast Waterproofing
13	Josh Weeden	Andy Booker
14	Scott Jones	Martins Famous Fish Market
15	Mark McKinley	
16	Craig Jones	
17	Danny Flintoff	
18	Craig Holt	RTN Motor Spares
19	Ryan Steen	
20	Michael Coady	Jill Scarrow
21	Garry Ellery	FGH Systems
22	Andy Speake	
23	Scott Smith	Sue Walford
24	Jake Bassinder	
25	Alex Palmer	
26	Gareth Carey	
27	Albert Rounding	
28	Jamie Bovill	
29	Matthew Carbutt	Luffe (The Great Dane)
30	Wayne Opie	
33	David Bates	
35	Carlos Sanchez	
	Kyle Keswick	
	Danny Stanley	

COACH: TONY MILLER

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LAST SIX RESULTS: LLLLLL
LAST SIX AWAY: WLLLLL
TRIES: Michael Coady 5, Ross Divorty 4, Gareth Carey 3, Ryan Steen 3.
GOALS: Josh Weeden 12, Andy Speake 8. DGs:
MAN TO WATCH: Josh Weeden

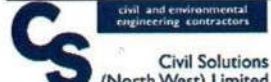
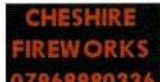
MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: G. Dolan
Touch: I. Curzon, T. Bell
Fourth official: R. Jones

BENNETT'S BET

"Desperate Centurions to see off battling Dons - Leigh by 26"

We're supporting Leigh!



CLUBCALL

Leigh v Doncaster



Stuart Donlan and Dave Armitstead track Zeb Luisi in the home match with Barrow - far closer than last week!

Highs and lows - but we need pride in the shirt

Good afternoon and welcome to Leigh Sports Village for this afternoon's Co-operative Championship game against Doncaster.

Doncaster have been through the wars this year and have seen their team decimated due to going in to administration, however recent results are showing improvement and they gave a good account of themselves against Whitehaven last week.

Unfortunately we saved our worst performance of the season until last week, and to say that we were poor at Barrow is an understatement. The players certainly owe the spectators one and we need to show strength of character not just for this game but for the remainder of the season.

We have four games at home now against today's visitors Doncaster, Toulouse, Halifax and Whitehaven with a tough away trip to Gateshead in between.

ALLAN ROWLEY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

In my opinion we need to win three of the five to avoid relegation and if we are to do that then we need 100% commitment from everyone.

I noted with interest this week that the RFL have warned Castleford, Wakefield and Salford that their Super League places may be in jeopardy if their plans for new stadia do not advance. The other two clubs that they wrote to were St Helens and Celtic Crusaders but they are certain to move to new grounds.

What baffles me is that the Celtic ground passed the criteria last year to get a Super League franchise so one can only think that it has deteriorated badly in the last 12 months?

What would happen if Saints hit problems with their new ground would they

seriously consider kicking them out of Super League?

There is a meeting organized for Wednesday 19th August to discuss the licensing process for 2012 and all clubs who already have or believe that they will achieve the qualifying standard are invited to attend.

Leigh Centurions and Wigan MBC are totally focused on achieving Super League status, we already have the stadium, the scholarship set up and the home grown players ratio required so we now need to demonstrate that we can compete with the best in the Championship on the field of play.

This process has started with Ian Millward's appointment and some high profile names are set to follow him, however we need to get back to winning ways today and put some pride back in the shirt.

Enjoy the game.



Widnes v Halifax

Friday July 31st 2009. Kick off 7.30pm. STOBART STADIUM HALTON



WIDNES VIKINGS

HALIFAX RLFC

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No. PLAYER

1-
2 Dean Gaskell
3 Richard Varkulis
4 Toa Kohe Love
5 Danny Mills
6 Anthony Thackeray
7 James Webster
8 Iain Morrison
9 Mark Smith
10 Jim Gannon
11 Lee Doran
12 Richard Fletcher
13 Lee Paterson
14 John Duffy
15 Tim Hartley
16 Gavin Dodd
17 Ben Kavanagh
18 Matt Strong
19 Michael Ostick
20 Sam Thompson
21 Scott Yates
22 Paddy Flynn
23 Shane Grady
24 Josh Simm
25 Anthony Mullally
26 Steve Bannister
27 Brett Robinson
Kevin Penny (loan)
Jon Grayshon (loan)

No. TODAY'S TEAM No.

Full back
Right Wing
Right Centre
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Left Wing
Stand off
Scrum half
Prop
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2nd row
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Loose forward
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SCORERS

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Pens

DGs

COACH: PAUL CULLEN

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LAST SIX RESULTS: WWWLWL

LAST SIX HOME: WLWWW

TRIES: Paddy Flynn 13, Gavin Dodd 10,
Richard Varkulis 10, Kevin Penny 10
Anthony Thackeray 10.

GOALS: Scott Yates 33, Tim Hartley 27,
Gavin Dodd 19. DGs: Craig Hall

MAN TO WATCH: Kevin Penny

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: J. Leahy

Touch: K. Povah, M. Beadle

Fourth official: S. Daniel

BENNETT'S BET

"Vikings are finding impressive form
- Widnes by 6"

No. PLAYER

1 Miles Greenwood
2 Lee Paterson
3 Jon Goddard
4 Shad Royston
5 James Haley
6 Dwayne Barker
7 Ben Black
8 Matt James
9 Sean Penkywicz
10 Dana Wilson
11 Dave Larder
12 Paul Smith
13 Bob Beswick
14 Mark Gleeson
15 Mark Roberts
16 Said Tamghart
17 Frank Watene
18 Andy Bowman
19 Mick Govin
20 -
21 Neil Cherryholme
22 David Wrench
23 Rob Worrincy
25 Anthony Bowman
Dominic Maloney (loan)
Stephen Bannister (loan)

SPONSOR

Halifax Independent
Supporters Trust
Laura Fairbank
Duncan Mitchell
Chadwick Lawrence
Chadwick Lawrence
Neil Lomas
Roger & Sue Harvey
Megaman Energy Saving Lamps
Riley & Co Accountants
Liz Smith (Matthew Walker)
Windsor Yarns
Halifax Past Players Association
Complete Building Materials
David/Terry Kendall
Steve Shurety - EMB Ltd
Sue Illingworth
Complete Building Materials
Calderdale Service Area
Chadwick Lawrence
AA Moving Solutions,
A Mogford
Elizabeth Posner
Calderdale Service Area

COACH: MATT CALLAND

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLLWWL

LAST SIX AWAY: WWWLWL

TRIES: Shad Royston 20, Ben Black
17, Miles Greenwood 16, Sean
Penkywicz 14, Rob Worrincy 12.

GOALS: Paterson 94, Govin 24,
Black 12. DGs: -

MAN TO WATCH: Dominic Maloney



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CLUBCALL

Widnes v Halifax

Building up to a climax

Paul Cullen, Head Coach

TONIGHT'S game against Halifax is as big as they come with just six points separating the top six teams in the Co-operative Championship and all to play for as the season draws to an exciting climax.

I have been very impressed with the standard of rugby league in the Championship and I'm sure it's going to get better as the play-offs draw nearer.

For ourselves a tough game in Toulouse saw us back to winning ways following the disappointment at Gateshead, but we will certainly need an improvement across the field if we want to take the points this evening.

We are currently in the middle of a tough run of fixtures and although we're still in July this is our penultimate home game with trips to Featherstone and Barrow to come before we welcome Whitehaven on August 22nd.

With a break for the Carnegie Challenge Cup Final and then the second of our 'bye' fixtures a week later, it will be three or possibly four weeks before we get back into action in the play-off series and that's when a whole new competition starts.

We will be doing everything possible to achieve our second goal of the season - winning the Grand Final.



John Duffy will be missing tonight after breaking his jaw at Gateshead

Another thriller awaits tonight

Good evening and welcome to the Stobart Stadium, Halton for what promises to be another exciting encounter with Halifax. To date our games have been edge of the seat stuff and I'm sure we'll be in for more of the same tonight.

Since our last meeting we've both had mixed fortunes with our Northern Rail Cup victory followed by a defeat at Gateshead before we got back to winning ways at Toulouse. Halifax also won in Toulouse before a surprise defeat at home to Featherstone giving them even more incentive to get back to winning ways tonight.

With regards to Toulouse, on behalf of the club I would like to thank all the fans who travelled to France last weekend for the game. In what are trying times financially and playing during the holiday sea-

Alex Bonney, Chief Executive

son it wasn't a cheap trip and credit should go to the numbers that made the journey, in particular the seven fans who drove down, leaving Widnes on Friday afternoon and returning on Monday - a great effort!

Finally, as it's our first home game since the Northern Rail Cup Final it would be remiss of me not to mention Blackpool.

It was a great day out and a great victory but unfortunately spoilt by a minority of spectators who took it upon themselves to come onto the playing area.

The RFL and ourselves along with the Blackpool authorities are currently investigating this and will take whatever action is necessary to ensure the sport is not brought into disrepute.



Vikings came out on top last time



Whitehaven v Sheffield



Sunday August 2nd, 2009. Kick off 3pm. RECREATION GROUND

WHITEHAVEN

SHEFFIELD EAGLES

SPONSOR	No. PLAYER
LLWR	1 Craig Benson
Tim Knowles	2 Ade Adebisi
Richard Woodhall	3 Rob Jackson
Tugiri-Kacey-Keelan	4 Derry Ellbeck
Internet Support Group	5 Craig Calvert
Alan Dixon	6 Carl Rudd
Internet Support Group	7 Leroy Joe
Haven Joinery	8 Marc Jackson
L&G Taxis	9 Greame Mattinson
Barry Richardson	10 Karl Edmondson
B&H Motors	11 Howard Hill
Cameron Wood	12 Spencer Miller
Dick Raaz	13 Scott McAvoy
GMB	14 Danny Barker
Internet Support Group	15 Ryan McDonald
Whitehaven RL Support Group	16 Andy Gorski
	17 -
Shakers	18 John Patrick
Finnigans Chip Shop	19 Kyle Amor
Internet Support Group	20 Marc Bainbridge
	21 -
Seascale Pharmacy	22 Matt Tunstall
Rob Collins	23 Marc Shackley
Clive Hornsby	24 Greg McNally
Whitehaven RL	25 Jamie Theoharous
Support Group	
	28 Chris Smith
	31 Dexter Miller
Stobbarts	32 Paul Ballard (loan)
	33 Soni Radovanovic
	34 Tane Manihera
	Rachid Ahlalou

COACH: GED STOKES

LAST SIX RESULTS: LWLWWW
LAST SIX HOME: LLWWWW
TRIES: Gregg McNally 25, Craig Calvert 11, Ade Adebisi 10, Andy Gorski 6.
GOALS: Gregg McNally 72, Carl Rudd 7, Marc Jackson 5.
DGs: Carl Rudd 1
MAN TO WATCH: Craig Calvert

No. TODAY'S TEAM
Full back
Right Wing
Right Centre
Left Centre
Left Wing
Stand off
Scrum half
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Hooker
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2nd row
2nd row
Loose forward
Interchange 1
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MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: R. Hicks
Touch: S. Barrie, J. Farrell
Fourth Official: C. Waywell

BENNETT'S BET

"Home advantage the key factor for Haven
- Whitehaven by 14"

No. PLAYER	SPONSOR
1 Jonny Woodcock	AMCO
2 Bolu Fagborun	Tolent
3 Menzie Yere	OSI
4 Mike Roby	Jim Hawksworth, Suzanne Atkin
5 Ashley Thackeray	Anne Collins
6 Brendan Lindsay	Pennine Business Forms
7 Gavin Brown	Sheaf Telecom
8 Jack Howieson	Hanlon & Wright
9 Grant Edwards	Barnsley Industrial Training College
10 Mitchell Stringer	Jayne Whaling
11 Alex Szostak	Jack Smith
12 Ged Corcoran	Hanlon & Wright
13 Dane McDonald	Bethany, Ian & Jackie Swain
14 Andrew Boothroyd	G4S Events
15 Sam Barlow	Redbrook Business Coaching
16 Trevor Exton	Albion Detection Systems Ltd
17 Tom Buckenham	Buckingham Insurance
18 Saqib Murtza	Zeenat Restaurant
19 Kyle Wood	OSI
20 Matty Brooks	Walkabout Sheffield
21 Aaron Groom	AMCO
22 Ryan Hepworth	Village Shop, Oughtibridge
23 Tangi Ropati	HAS Consultants Ltd
25 James Morrow	Corus Infrastructure Services
26 Nick Turnbull	Hancock & Todd
27 Tommy Trayler	Modis
28 Damian Gibson	Richard & Andrea Brook
29 Peter Green	Vice Presidents
30 Michael Haley	
32 Danny Mills	Edge Telecom
33 Joe Walsh	
34 Craig Cook	Jack & Laura London
35 Dan Hawksworth	Mr & Mrs Lee

COACH: MARK ASTON

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWWLWW
LAST SIX AWAY: LLWLWL
TRIES: Damian Gibson 13, Tangi Ropati 11, Menzie Yere 11, Sam Barlow 8, Jonny Woodcock 8, Brendon Lindsay 8.
GOALS: Jonny Woodcock 87. DG:-
MAN TO WATCH: Menzie Yere



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Whitehaven
RLFC



CLUBCALL

Whitehaven v Sheffield

Crunch time in our efforts to progress

Welcome to the Recreation Ground. Once again we find ourselves in a 'crunch' match - to maintain our standings in the run to the play offs.

More importantly, we need to establish the internal credibility that we can compete with the very best in the co-opera-

tive Championship League.

Sheffield will be no easy challenge and every player and every fan will need to bring their efforts up a notch.

I do want to thank our match sponsors Coquet Island Shellfish led by Director Ralph Calvin for their support along with

match ball sponsors Tom Foy, GMB and Brian's Taxis - regulars with us.

The future of the club is getting brighter every day, and we thank everyone who has come to help us to another day of success. Enjoy the day.

Dick Raaz, chairman

Oh what a night as the crowds came out for TV

Chairman Dick asked for the Recre to be rockin' for the Barrow match on Sky and it certainly was.

Thanks to everyone who joined in with the pink theme and helped us raise £10,700 for the Henderson Suite at Whitehaven hospital.

It was the best crowd for two seasons with many new supporters who I hope are back today with us.

Thank you to the two bands, two dance groups and four youth teams who entertained the crowd and enhanced the atmosphere.

Most importantly to the players and coaches who put up a superb performance on the pitch with some outstanding tries.



The picture (above right) shows Chairman Dick Raaz handing over the cheque to nurses at the Henderson Suite with General Manager Nigel Beaty left, player Jamie Theoharous and organiser Billy Rudd

Family Day

The last home league fixture is Batley on Sunday 16th August with a 3pm kick off.

This will be a family day - there is lots planned for all the family, and a CFM DJ will be joining us as we help raise

money for cash for kids.

The story group are sponsoring children's activities including bouncy castle, bungee run, face painting, balloon jester, mini dumper trucks and diggers.

There's also FREE ice cream

for under 11s until stocks last!

We hope to raise lots of money for CFM Cash for kids. The highlight will be a Mascot race - Pride taking on CFM Courage the Cat, the Pink Panther and the Batley Bulldog!

Bobby our mascot tells me he has not won a race yet so you might not want to put any money on him!

Have an enjoyable day - and thank you for your support.

Words from the boss...

I was pleased to secure some back-up in the centres before registration deadline day with 21-year-old Andrew Thornley joining us from Wigan. Top amateur Scott Lofthouse also joins us on trial. We picked up a few knocks in the win over Doncaster so they may get a chance

earlier than planned. Sheffield will be tough opposition but if we repeat the last home match performance when we won against Barrow and are able to maintain our discipline (the penalty count against us at Sheffield was 16 - 4!) a crucial win could be ours.

**GED STOKES,
COACH**

**NIGEL BEATY,
GENERAL MANAGER**



Hunslet v Blackpool



Sunday August 2nd, 2009. Kick off 3pm. SOUTH LEEDS STADIUM

HUNSLET HAWKS

SPONSOR	No. PLAYER
Elliot and Ewan Boiston Green	1 Nathan Larvin
Healthcare at Home Ltd	2 Scott Childs
Adie and Ron Jinks	3 Tom Sheldrake
Eric Simon	4 Michael Brown
GMB Union	5 John Richardson
Gary Martin-Selby Road Tyres	6 Darren Robinson
	7 Stuart Young
	8 Joe Helme
Paul Gray	9 Richard Chapman
Kenny Sykes	10 Ben Lawton
Phil Ogg	11 Joe Howey
South Leeds & Hunslet Cars	12 Jason Hart
Eric Simon	13 Mark McKinley
	14 Chris Redfearn
	15 Andy Robinson
	16 Mark Moxon
	17 Steve Brook
	18 Ayden Faal
	19 Ben Walkin
	20 Antony Thewliss
	21 Dan Cook
	22 Scott Watson
	23 Jonny Wainhouse
	24 Charlie Wabo
	25 Michael Mark
	26 Nico Slain
	27 Gareth Firm
	28 Steve Dooler
	31 Tony Williams
	Wayne Reitte

Leonard Van Voorthuysen
Craig Fawcett

PLAYER/COACH: PAUL MARCH

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLWWL
LAST SIX HOME: LWWWWL
TRIES: Ayden Faal 10, Michael Mark 8,
Scott Watson 8, Michael Brown 6.
GOALS: Darren Robinson 33, Tom
Sheldrake 15. DGs: Richard Chapman,
Darren Robinson.
MAN TO WATCH: Paul March

BLACKPOOL PANTHERS

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No.	PLAYER	SPONSOR
1	Johnny Leather	Blackpool Supporters
2	Damien Munroe	Derek Way Roofing
3	Tom Woodcock	Clover Tech of Wigan
4	Mark McCully	Chorley Supporters
5	Chris Mogan	Morris and Oxley
6	Simon Svabic	S. Beilby and Family
7	Chris Forster	Blackpool Supporters
8	Peter Fairhurst	ACM Scaffolding Services
9	John Clough	Seabridge Freight Services
10	John Hill	Robert Yates Design
11	Paul Alcock	Interbake Ltd
12	Kris Ratcliffe	Paul Wilson
13	Rob Draper	Clark Draper Family/ Sheperds Inn, Lowton
14	Martin Keaveney	G&M Building Contractors
16	Ian Hodson	Rema Tip Top
17	David Llewellyn	Morris Bakers
18	John Boland	S. Beilby and Family
20	Tom Wild	
21	Andy Marsh	Morris and Oxley
22	Kelron Tucker	
28	Gareth Langley	John Chadwick Insurances
29	Scott Winstanley	John Chadwick Insurances
30	Carl Forber	S. Beilby and Family
31	Simon Bissell	Meyer Group Ltd
33	Dean Thompson	Morris and Oxley
34	Nick Royle	John Chadwick Insurances
37	Jay Duffy	John Chadwick Insurances

COACH: MARTIN CROMPTON

LAST SIX RESULTS: LWWWWW
LAST SIX AWAY: LLLWLW
TRIES: Johnny Leather 15, Damien
Munroe 11, Mark McCully 6,
Llewellyn, Langley, Hatton, Keaveney
all 5. GOALS: Johnny Leather 37.
DGs: Leather, McCully 1
MAN TO WATCH: Johnny Leather

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: C. Leatherbarrow
Touch: L. Fellows, N. Aspey
Fourth official: M. Craven

BENNETT'S BET

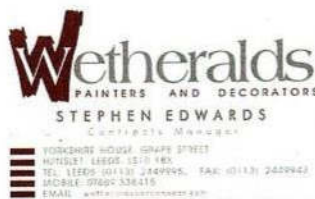
"Panthers have confidence to keep climbing
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Hunslet v Blackpool

Marching on with a chance of top four spot

Charlotte Ball Press Officer

Graeme Hallas's departure and the arrival of Paul March were significant events in Hunslet's season. Graeme did a good job in extremely difficult circumstances when he joined the club, yet it was correct to have a new influx of energy and direction following some disappointing performances. Whilst never really threatening Dewsbury, the performance was solid and the emergence of a dogged team spirit was evident.

The potentially awkward fixture against York away was always going to be examined in depth. Beaten by York only a month before at home 6-34 was a real low point. Any result should have been analysed with that scoreline as a backdrop.

Hunslet's loud travelling fans were treated to a surprise 20-8 victory. New player coach, Paul March, celebrated his 30th birthday in some style including his own individualistic try.

It is believed Paul's appointment will be to the end of the season, whereupon the whole club structure will be reviewed.

Crippling debts and uncertain future income streams will ensure equally tough times ahead.

With three home matches and one away, we have set our sights on a top four finish.

With Dewsbury already certainties for promotion, Hunslet will be in the shake up at the end of the season.

We need everybody fit and playing and the belief of the supporters being transferred into actions on the field.

The two forthcoming games against Blackpool and Swinton will prove a true barometer as to how far we have progressed in recent games.

Let us hope we will be marching on as one club with a clear vision for winning games.



Last week's win was revenge for the earlier defeat at home to Leigh

Paul's had a great impact from the off

After our recent upheavals, it was nice to get back to winning ways at York. The win avenged our recent reversal against the Knights and was a timely boost for everyone at the club.

Paul March has made an immediate impact, and his contribution to the win at the Knights cannot be overstated.

Our defence near the line was terrific at times and frustrated the York attack throughout the game.

Today's opponents Blackpool are currently enjoying one of their more successful seasons and will be a tough nut to crack.

Their success at the recent Northern Rail 9s was fully deserved and shows they have plenty of pace in the backs.

On current form there seems little to choose between the two of us, so we should be in for an afternoon of top rugby and entertainment.

On that note can I take this opportunity to thank the students from Cockburn High School for the magnificent entertainment they provided for us at the last home game versus Dewsbury.

Everyone has commented on how much they enjoyed their efforts, some saying it was the best display they have witnessed, including Super League. Well done to all concerned, and thank you.

Alan Stephenson
Chief Executive



Keighley v Rams



Thursday July 30th 2009. Kick off 7.30pm. COUGAR PARK

KEIGHLEY COUGARS

DEWSBURY RAMS

SPONSOR	No. PLAYER
Cutting Jungle Hairdressers	1 George Raynor
Dolphin Stairlifts	2 Sam Gardner
The Clarksons	3 Dan Potter
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J&M Fisher	5 Gavin Duffy
Joyce Barret Hairdressers	6 Jon Presley
Phoenix Trophies	7 Danny Jones
Mr & Mrs Philips	8 Andy Shickell
D & M Procter	9 James Feather
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	23 James Hutchinson
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	25 Wayne Sutcliffe
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	Dan Belcher
Mike Aitchison	James Haythornthwaite
	Tim Bibby
Fresh Radio	Tom Hall
Cougar Cubs	Ben Sagar
	Jack Copperwaite
The Cox family	Karl Gunney

COACH: BARRY EATON
(sponsored by the Cox family)

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWLWWW
LAST SIX HOME: WLWWW
TRIES: Jon Presley 21, Lee Mapals 11, Daley Williams 8, Gavin Duffy 7, Carl Hughes 7, Dan Potter 7.
GOALS: Danny Jones 82.
DGs: Danny Jones, Jon Presley.
MAN TO WATCH: Jon Presley

No.	TODAY'S TEAM	No.
	Full back	
	Right Wing	
	Right Centre	
	Left Centre	
	Left Wing	
	Stand off	
	Scrum half	
	Prop	
	Hooker	
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	2nd row	
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	Loose forward	
	Interchange 1	
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No. PLAYER	
1 Tom Colleran	Herbal Life
2 Morgan Starkey	
3 Lee Lingard	John Sawyer
4 Craig Bower	Joe G Fitness
5 Andrew Tillotson	
6 Ryan Smith	Sue Walford
8 Jimmy Elston	Ken & Elizabeth Crabtree
9 Mike Emmett	Rams Study Centre
10 Luke Haigh	The Three Gs
11 Adam Robinson	Subway
12 Taron Wildey	The Three Gs
13 Pat Walker	Mount Tabor Church
14 Ian Tonks	Peter Brooke/David Kirby
15 Bryn Powell	Peggy & Sam Hill
16 Austin Buchanan	The Buzz Room
17 Alex Bretherton	Steve Johnson
18 Chris Spurr	The West Riding
19 Liam Finn	John Calvert
20 Rob Spicer	Jack Addy/Pat Heywood
21 Andy Bostock	The Grayson Family
22 Kane Epati	Vivien Calvert
23 Keegan Hirst	Peter Brooke/David Kirby
24 Simon Cook	Rams Cheerleaders
25 Gary North	
26 Jake Wilson	
27 Chris Grice	J. Addy Talent Scout
28 Liam Crawley	Rams Travel Club
29 Allister McAllister	Rams Squadbuilder
30 Chris Hall	Lauren & Lucy Hall
32 Martin Woodhead	KBSP Associates
33 James Walker	Ken & Pat Humphrey
34 Josh Tonks	Eric France Scrap Metal
35 Adam Hayes	Elaine & Peter Holyoake
41 Loz Wildbore	
42 Tom Wandless	

COACH: WARREN JOWITT

MATCH OFFICIALS
Referee: R. Laughton // V.Ref: R. Hicks
Touch: AT Smith, S. Johnson
Fourth Official: D. Tindall

BENNETT'S BET
"Rams can win promotion here and will keep focus - Dewsbury by 20"

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWLWWW
LAST SIX AWAY: WWLWW
TRIES: Andy Bostock 20, Kane Epati 18, Liam Finn 15, Bryn Powell 12, Austin Buchanan 11, Chris Spurr 10.
GOALS: Pat Walker 119, Liam Finn 15
DGs: Liam Finn 2.
MAN TO WATCH: Andy Bostock

CLUBCALL

Keighley v Dewsbury

Exciting times all round

Ever since we first found out that we had been given a home Sky game this season everyone at the club has been really looking forward to the occasion. It is a long time since Keighley Cougars last featured at home on live TV so it really is a big day for the club. It would be fantastic if we could get a big crowd down to Cougar Park tonight to create a great atmosphere in front of the cameras.

We are in a good position in the league as we enter the final five games of the season so we all really need to focus on giving our all every week to give ourselves the best possible chance of finishing the year off successfully. Every team is jostling for places in the league as we enter the run in and I am sure the intensity levels and performances from all teams will raise a notch or two as the play offs get ever closer.

Head coach
Barry Eaton

It is proving to be a very competitive competition with lots of twists and turns in terms of results and that makes it a very exiting concept as each set of supporters can turn up to watch their team each week with realistic hopes of seeing their team get a win.

I know that everyone who attends the game tonight will receive a very friendly welcome and will enjoy the experience as this club always has, and will look after their visitors. I hope that the families who are maybe taking in their first experience of a Keighley Cougars game will enjoy the occasion enough to want to come back again. Enjoy the game, Baz

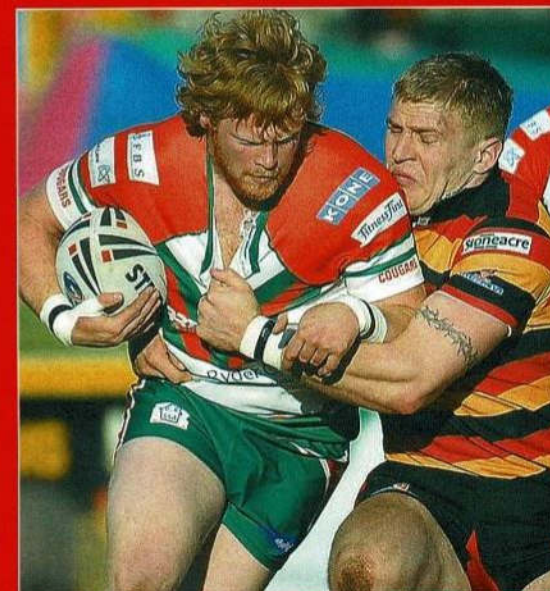
A big night for Keighley!

HELLO and welcome to tonight's Sky televised game against league leaders Dewsbury Rams. It's a massive game for us after securing 2nd spot with our win at Oldham, so tonight should be a great game with both sides having lots to play for.

I would like to welcome all the players, directors and fans from Dewsbury and I hope you enjoy your evening with us at Cougar Park.

I would also like to welcome today's match sponsors' our Main Match Sponsor today is Incommunities, who are the area's leading housing association and who have also joined us as partners of Sporting Chance which I will talk about in more detail later. Associate Match Sponsors are Fresh Radio, who are great friends of ours and I hope you enjoy your night with us, while tonight's Matchball Sponsor is British Thornton.

Gary is a new sponsor to the club and we met due to the fact I pinched his accounts assistant! Sharon used to work at British Thornton on South Street, who manufacture educational and scientific furniture. So thanks for giving me Sharon and I hope you enjoy your evening with us! Gary is also holding a bucket collection today to raise funds for the jamfund, a charity he set up



Scott Law takes on the Rams' top try scorer Andy Bostock in the last meeting of the teams, also on Sky TV.

after his grandson died at just five-years-old from Acute Lymphoblastic Leukaemia. Please support this charity and for more information go to www.jamfund.co.uk. Our Man of the Match Sponsors tonight are again new sponsors to the club and they are Capacity Business Solutions who specialise in online business solutions. John Tait and his guests are here and I hope they enjoy their first Cougar matchday

experience with us. One of the main events that has happened since the last home game is the launch of the Sporting Chance initiative. We have teamed up with Incommunities again, who have become fantastic partners of the club, to fund a full time youth worker in Keighley and the surrounding district to work with young people who are at risk from being forgotten or those who feel they have no chance in life.

We have employed our very own try scoring ace Jonny Presley who is studying for his degree as a social worker so Jonny fit the bill completely. The scheme is set up to work with partners that will enable us to offer young people the opportunity to work towards an accredited award which can help them get into further education or the employment or apprentice system.

I am extremely excited about Sporting Chance and the opportunities it will give our young people.

We have plenty on offer to keep you entertained tonight so I hope you all enjoy the music from Haworth Brass Band and the face painting, plus I would like to take this opportunity to wish the girls in both Settle teams lots of luck when they go down south to play in the Champion Schools Finals in August.

I would like to sign off by saying a massive thanks to the guys who have worked hard in making tonight a success, Dean and Tom have been working non stop as have Hannah and Sharon, and I have to say a special thanks to Gail and Jo who have been out in the town promoting the game for us. See you soon and enjoy the game!

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Skolars v Workington



Sunday August 2nd, 2009. Kick off 3pm. NEW RIVER STADIUM

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No.1 City Road Bar & Grill	5 Austen Aggrey
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	25 Jaroslaw Obuchowski
	26 Olu Iwenofu
	Keir Bell
	Bernard Rule
	Jy-Mel Coleman
	John Paxton
	Jeremy Girauld
Sportstraders	Assistant coach: Kevin Reith

COACHES: JERMAINE COLEMAN
AND ROSS ANTONIOLLI

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLLLLL
LAST SIX HOME: LLLLLL
TRIES: Matt Thomas 10, John Paxton
4, Austen Aggrey 3, Olu Iwenofu 3,
Olly Fountain 3, Jeremy Girauld 3.
GOALS: Paul Thorman 27
DGs: -
MAN TO WATCH: Jeremy Girauld

WORKINGTON TOWN

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	Left Wing	
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	Scrum half	
	Prop	
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No. PLAYER	SPONSOR
1 -	
2 Neil Frazer	
3 Andrew Beattie	
4 Jason Mossop	
5 Jamie Marshall	
6 -	
7 Steve Roper	
8 -	
9 Jack Pedley	
10 Dean Burgess	
11 Mike Whitehead	
12 Craig Hodgson	
13 -	
14 -	
15 James Robinson	
16 -	
17 Peter Dobson	
18 Kris Coward	
19 Scott Burgess	
20 Stephen Dawes	
21 Mark Routledge	
22 Patrick Coupar	
23 Martyn Wilson	
24 Jarrad Stack	
25 Harry Kaufman	
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Marc Shackley (loan)	
Marc Bainbridge (loan)	
Joe McKenna (loan)	

TRIALISTS: Keith Campbell, Alex Daprille
and Adam Ramsden

COACHES: GARY CHARLTON
AND MARTIN OGLANBY

LAST SIX RESULTS: LLLLLL
LAST SIX AWAY: LLLLLL
TRIES: Stephen Dawes 8, Tommy
Brindle 3, Andrew Beattie 3.
GOALS: Marc Bainbridge 5, Steve
Roper 2.
DGs: Steve Roper 1
MAN TO WATCH: Stephen Dawes

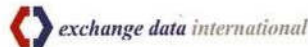
MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee:
Touch:
Fourth Official:

BENNETT'S BET

"Skolars have it in them to claim unlikely
'double' - London by 2"

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CLUBCALL

Skolars v Workington

Much improvement shown

AFTER the disappointing performance against Rochdale, I was pleased with the attitude and application of the side against Blackpool. We played with a lot more enthusiasm and desire.

However, when we were pushing Blackpool hard in the second half and found ourselves six points behind with a quarter of an hour left, we lacked the

experience of being in that position.

We needed to keep our structure and continue what we'd been doing. We failed to do that and let Blackpool control the game.

Our loan players put in good performances. Jeremy Girauld put in his best performance for the club so far and was unfortunate not to score a hat-trick.

Jermaine Coleman, Coach
COLEMAN CALLING

I'd like to thank all of you that ventured up to the Fylde coast last weekend to cheer us on.

It really raises the guys hearing you and I know they appreciate that support. Hopefully we will give everyone something to cheer about today.

Enjoy the game,
Jermaine

Pride is at stake in Wooden Spoon battle

Welcome to everyone today, especially to our visitors from Workington. It's another key game this weekend, with the losers likely to pick up the wooden spoon at the end of the season.

That threat certainly raises the stakes this afternoon!

Our trip up north last weekend saw us keep up our run of scoring more tries away from home than we do at New River. Hopefully we can change that today, but I know that Workington will be keen to impress their new coaching team.

Disappointingly the Mx9s are not taking place today. A few drop outs made the competition impossible, but we will regroup for 2009.

The invitational tournament here today may be less intense, but hopefully should be an enjoyable event for spectators and participants. Thank you to everyone taking part today.

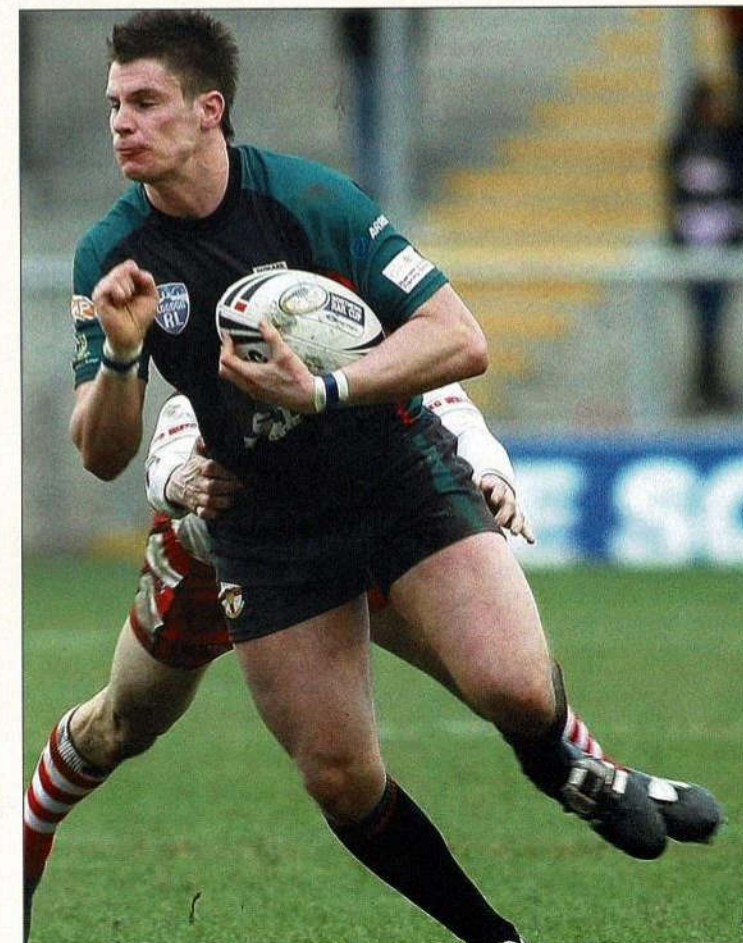
On a positive note we take to the streets again over the next few weeks. Urban Rugby moves to Enfield this year and we hope it is just as successful as it has been in Haringey over the last three years.

Our first team also takes to the road for the next few weeks. This is our penultimate game at home, with our last game being our Friday Night Lights event.

We break new ground on Thursday with our first appearance in front of the Sky cameras when we take on Oldham. That should be a big experience for everyone involved and hopefully we will go into that game with a win under our belts.

Enjoy the game,

Terry Browne
Chairman



The Skolars' Oli Bloom in action from earlier in the season



Oldham v Hornets



Sunday August 2nd 2009. Kick off 3pm. BOUNDARY PARK

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No. PLAYER

1 Paul O'Connor
3 Danny Halliwell
4 Paul Reilly
5 Lee Greenwood
6 James Coyle
7 Thomas Coyle
8 Paul Highton
9 Gary Sykes
10 Jamie l'Anson
11 Dave Allen
12 Tommy Goulden
13 Rob Roberts
14 Richard Mervill
15 Jason Boults
16 Wayne Kerr
17 Craig Robinson
18 Neil Roden
19 Craig Littler
20 Simeon Hoyle
21 Lucas Onyango
22 Phil Joseph
23 Chris Baines
24 Marcus St Hilaire
25 Luke Menzies
26 Luke Sutton

No. TODAY'S TEAM No.

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SCORERS

Tries

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MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: D. Merrick
Touch: D. Tindall, M. Woodhead
Fourth Official: J. Downham

BENNETT'S BET

"Smarting Roughyeds will come out firing –
Oldham by 18"

No. PLAYER

1 Chris Giles
2 John Gillam
3 Mick Fogerty
4 Casey Mayberry
5 -
6 Martin Ainscough
7 -
8 David Best
9 Janan Billings
10 Paul Raftery
11 David Cunliffe
12 Ian Sinfield
13 Wayne Corcoran
14 Adam Thomas
15 Martin McLoughlin
16 Mark Brocklehurst
17 Andy Isherwood
18 -
19 Craig Johnson
20 Dale Cunliffe
21 Tommy Gallagher
22 Paul Anderson
23 Liam Grundy
24 Chris Hough
25 Dayne Donaghue
26 Leroy Rivett

32 Liam McGovern
33 Matt Strong
34 Brett Robinson
35 Dave Houghton

COACH: DARREN SHAW

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLLWW
LAST SIX HOME: WLLWW
TRIES: Martin Ainscough 14, Casey Mayberry 9, Mick Fogerty 6.
GOALS: Liam McGovern 38, Chris Giles 20.
DGs: McGovern 1, Ainscough 1
MAN TO WATCH: Casey Mayberry

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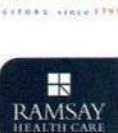
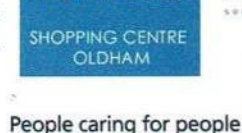
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COACH: TONY BENSON

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLLWLL
LAST SIX HOME: WLLWLL
TRIES: Andy Ballard 17, Lee Greenwood 10, James Coyle 10, Thomas Coyle 9, Marcus St Hilaire 9.
GOALS: Andy Ballard 93.
DGs: -
MAN TO WATCH: Lee Greenwood



CLUBCALL

Oldham v Hornets

Fighting on together

Well what a couple of weeks it's been for Oldham RLFC. It just shows how volatile the rugby environment is.

One minute things are ticking along nicely, the next minute your feet are kicked out from under you. Losing five top players and an assistant within hours of an important game is a severe thump for any team.

In saying that no one guaranteed that it was going to be easy this season and there were always going to be challenges. I honestly feel we are going to come out the other side of this a better team, and a better club, simply because we are Oldham RLFC.

It isn't how you fell that's important it's how quickly you get up again.

With the hard-working, dedicated people at our club who have toiled to hold things together we are already back up and building fast.

When it would have been easy to walk away Chris Hamilton, his loyal office staff and our ever present volunteers have put their hands up and worked tirelessly around the clock to ensure this club remains as strong and professional as it always has.

The players have also stood tall, all offering to help in any way they can whether it be finding new players, organising game day, or on the coaching front

and of course brushing adversity aside playing their hearts out.

And of course our loyal supporters – your positive response at the Dewsbury game meant the world to us. We really appreciate your support which has inspired all of us to dig deep and continue our push through the play-offs, to our ultimate goal of promotion.

I am very proud to be part of this group and humbled by all the people who make this club great, and it's very clear to me now that together nothing can beat us. Upward and onward for the mighty Oldham!

Tony Benson, Coach

Hornets' derby visit will help the boys maintain focus

Welcome to the players, directors and fans from Rochdale who have made the short journey for what is always an intense local derby.

Although the result last week at Dewsbury wasn't what we had hoped for, all credit must go to every one of the players who turned out and made every effort to make a game of it, following what was a very difficult week for everyone concerned with the club.

A special mention must go to Ben Heaton who made his first team debut and put in a creditable performance after overcoming his initial nerves. Well done Ben.

This week we must pick ourselves up and push on with the job of getting the three points from this game that will help secure a good position in the final table for the play-offs.

Rochdale are another club who have had their ups and downs this season but from a playing perspective have stuck in there and concentrated on picking up points at a steady rate.

Make no mistake they will be up for the fight today and we will have to be focused to ensure that we come away with a win.

The form book goes out of the window when it comes to an Oldham-Rochdale derby. Obviously we have been disappointed with some of our performances of late, but there is no better time to start the ball rolling for the final push than a local derby.

With regard to last week's events we now have to put all this behind us; as players we have to focus on things we can control like performances on the pitch and move on from here.

Enjoy the day,
Highton.



Paul Highton

Battling on towards the play-offs



Swinton v York



Sunday August 2nd, 2009. Kick off 3pm. SEDGLEY PARK

SWINTON LIONS

YORK CITY KNIGHTS

SPONSOR

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Northline Business Consultants 30 Andy Saywell

COACH: PAUL KIDD

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWWLL

LAST SIX HOME: WLLWWL

TRIES: Dave Hull 14, Carl Sneyd 7,
Gary Hulse 6, Andy Saywell 6.

GOALS: Carl Sneyd 66, Graham
Holroyd 10. DGs: Craig Ashall,
Graham Holroyd

MAN TO WATCH: Graham Holroyd

No. TODAY'S TEAM No.

Full back		
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SCORERS

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No. PLAYER

1 Danny Ratcliffe
2 Steve Lewis
3 John Oakes
4 Dave Clayton
5 Johnny Waldron
6 Adam Mitchell
8 Danny Eks
9 Paul Hughes
10 Adam Sullivan
11 Rob Kelly
12 Tom Haberecht
13 Richard Knight
14 Tom Hodgson
15 Chris Clough
16 Jordan Ross
17 Scott Woodcock
18 Steve Grundy
19 Kris Peacock
20 Adam Jones
21 Dave March
22 Tom Stancliffe
23 Adam Endersby
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LAST SIX AWAY: WLWLWL

TRIES: Paul Hughes 14, Danny
Ratcliffe 13, Tom Haberecht 11, John
Oakes 10.

GOALS: Adam Mitchell 62.

DGs: -

MAN TO WATCH: Gareth Moore

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: M. Thomason

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Swinton v York

Time to turn on the style for play-off run

SWINTON LIONS RLFC

GOOD afternoon and a warm welcome to Park Lane for this afternoon's visitors the York City Knights.

Our previous two matches have produced two disappointing results for ourselves.

The Blackpool home fixture possibly produced our worst forty minutes of the season in the second half.

Last week on our travels to the Hornets there were positives that came out of the game, however we need to be far smarter over the full eighty if we are to produce the win that is much needed against a strong York side.

So far this season has produced an extremely competitive Championship and Championship 1.

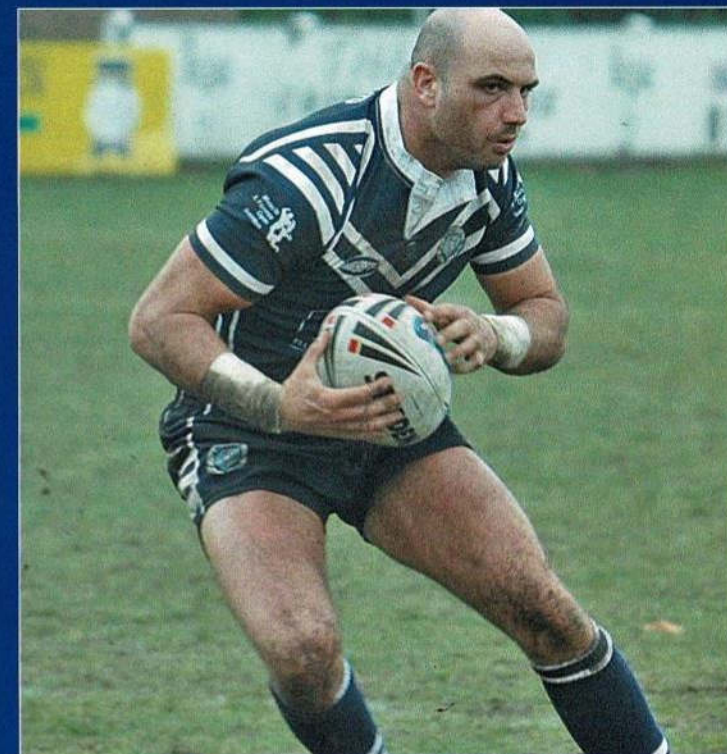
It looks as though it is going to stay that way right up to the final day of the season.

With the exception of table topper Dewsbury, there are six teams in the chasing pack with little to choose between them, looking favourites to complete the line up for the play-off positions.

We at Swinton currently find ourselves currently occupying seventh position.

It is vital that in the remaining four fixtures we look towards playing at our very best in order to secure a favourable playoff position, and we would ask all supporters to get behind the team in these crucial final stages of the season.

It is very pleasing to welcome our sponsors today Salford City Council and Premier Building Services. We would like to thank both parties for



Holly is back, and the Lions need their playmaker on song!

their continued support and look forward to seeing them again in the future.

Our next home fixture will see us host London Skolars.

This fixture is our final home League fixture of the year and we are holding our Family Fun Day which should be a great time for all.

There will be bouncy castles, Fire Engines coming along, with face painting and much more on the day.

There will also be two games of junior RL taking place.

This promises to be a fantastic full day's entertainment and we urge all our supporters to come along and bring their friends and family.

Today's match in association with...



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GET YOUR FIX...

THURSDAY, MARCH 12
CHAMPIONSHIP
Widnes Vikings 70 Toulouse Olympique 0

SATURDAY, MARCH 14
CHAMPIONSHIP
Barrow Raiders 34, Doncaster RLFC 14

SUNDAY, MARCH 15
CHAMPIONSHIP
Batley Bulldogs 8, Featherstone Rovers 34
Sheffield Eagles 22, Leigh Centurions 23
Whitehaven 42, Gateshead Thunder 18

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Oldham 36, Blackpool Panthers 18

THURSDAY, MARCH 19
CHAMPIONSHIP (TV)
Halifax RLFC 24, Widnes Vikings 14

SATURDAY, MARCH 21
CHAMPIONSHIP
Toulouse Olympique 12, Sheffield Eagles 18

SUNDAY, MARCH 22
CHAMPIONSHIP
Featherstone Rovers 26, Whitehaven 52
Gateshead Thunder 14, Barrow Raiders 38
Leigh Centurions 28, Batley Bulldogs 34

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Workington Town 21, Hornets RL 14
Blackpool Panthers 34, Hunslet Hawks 26
Dewsbury Rams 28, York City Knights 2
Keighley Cougars 34 Oldham 26
London Skolars 16, Swinton Lions 66

THURSDAY, MARCH 26
CHAMPIONSHIP (TV)
Batley Bulldogs 20, Gateshead Thunder 20

SATURDAY, MARCH 28
CHAMPIONSHIP
Whitehaven 40, Toulouse Olympique 26

Barrow Raiders 24, Halifax RLFC 26
Widnes Vikings 28, Sheffield Eagles 20

SUNDAY, MARCH 29
CHAMPIONSHIP
Doncaster RLFC 18, Leigh Centurions 24

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Hornets RL 31 Dewsbury Rams 33
Swinton Lions 36, Keighley Cougars 28
York City Knights 22, Blackpool Panthers 20
Hunslet Hawks 71, London Skolars 0
Oldham 66, Workington Town 14

THURSDAY, APRIL 9
CHAMPIONSHIP
Sheffield Eagles 22, Doncaster RLFC 23
Halifax RLFC 72, Batley Bulldogs 0

FRIDAY, APRIL 10
CHAMPIONSHIP
Gateshead Thunder 2, Featherstone Rovers 23
Barrow Raiders 18, Whitehaven 12
Widnes Vikings 8, Leigh Centurions 10

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Hornets RL 18, Oldham 26
Workington Town 16, Hunslet Hawks 24
Blackpool Panthers 12, Swinton Lions 16
Dewsbury Rams 70, London Skolars 0
Keighley Cougars 13, York City Knights 12

MONDAY, APRIL 13
CHAMPIONSHIP
Featherstone Rovers 20, Sheffield Eagles 12
Leigh Centurions 16, Barrow Raiders 25
Batley Bulldogs 22, Toulouse Olympique 60
Doncaster RLFC 18, Widnes Vikings 24
Whitehaven 18, Halifax RLFC 24

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Swinton Lions 42, Workington Town 28
York City Knights 44, Hornets RL 14

Hunslet Hawks 21, Keighley Cougars 18
London Skolars 10, Blackpool Panthers 48

THURSDAY, APRIL 16
CHAMPIONSHIP (TV)
Gateshead Thunder 41, Sheffield Eagles 36

FRIDAY, APRIL 17
CHAMPIONSHIP
Widnes Vikings 40, Batley Bulldogs 18

SATURDAY, APRIL 18
CHAMPIONSHIP
Toulouse Olympique 46, Leigh Centurions 10

SUNDAY, APRIL 19
CHAMPIONSHIP
Halifax RLFC 44, Doncaster RLFC 12
Whitehaven 16, Featherstone Rovers 44

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Oldham 12, Dewsbury Rams 36

THURSDAY, APRIL 23
CHAMPIONSHIP (TV)
Leigh Centurions 16, Featherstone Rovers 30

SATURDAY, APRIL 25
CHAMPIONSHIP
Barrow Raiders 52, Batley Bulldogs 0

SUNDAY, APRIL 26
CHAMPIONSHIP
Halifax RLFC 72, Gateshead Thunder 28
Doncaster RLFC 18, Toulouse Olympique 48
Sheffield Eagles 20, Widnes Vikings 22

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Hornets RL 46, London Skolars 8
Workington Town 6, York City Knights 36
Dewsbury Rams 30, Hunslet Hawks 10
Keighley Cougars 42, Blackpool Panthers 22
Oldham 52, Swinton Lions 36

THURSDAY, APRIL 30
CHAMPIONSHIP (TV)
Featherstone Rovers 26, Halifax RLFC 39

FRIDAY, MAY 1
CHAMPIONSHIP
Widnes Vikings 6, Barrow Raiders 27
Gateshead Thunder 45, Doncaster RLFC 42

SATURDAY, MAY 2
CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
London Skolars 10, Oldham 78

SUNDAY, MAY 3
CHAMPIONSHIP
Toulouse Olympique 38, Whitehaven 12

MONDAY, MAY 4
CHAMPIONSHIP
Batley Bulldogs 16, Leigh Centurions 18

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Swinton Lions 22, Dewsbury Rams 35
York City Knights 24, Keighley Cougars 22
Blackpool Panthers 24, Hornets RL 12
Hunslet Hawks 28, Workington Town 12

THURSDAY, MAY 7
CHAMPIONSHIP (TV)
Whitehaven 26, Widnes Vikings 22

THURSDAY, MAY 14
CHAMPIONSHIP (TV)
Leigh Centurions 23, Widnes Vikings 16

SATURDAY, MAY 16
CHAMPIONSHIP (TV)
Toulouse Olympique 22, Barrow Raiders 14

SUNDAY, MAY 17
CHAMPIONSHIP
Featherstone Rovers 68, Doncaster RLFC 12
Gateshead Thunder 34, Whitehaven 38
Halifax RLFC 26, Sheffield Eagles 40

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Hornets RL 36, York City Knights 30
Dewsbury Rams 42, Blackpool Panthers 16
Keighley Cougars 32 Swinton Lions 16
Workington Town 18, London Skolars 24
Oldham 22, Hunslet Hawks 16

THURSDAY, MAY 21
CHAMPIONSHIP (TV)
Doncaster RLFC 4, Halifax RLFC 36

SATURDAY, MAY 23
CHAMPIONSHIP
Sheffield Eagles 58, Toulouse Olympique 12
Widnes Vikings 46, Gateshead Thunder 30

SUNDAY, MAY 24
CHAMPIONSHIP
Barrow Raiders 44, Featherstone Rovers 12
Batley Bulldogs 48, Whitehaven 24

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Swinton Lions 26, Oldham 44
Workington Town 14, Dewsbury Rams 76
Blackpool Panthers 26, Keighley Cougars 30
Hunslet Hawks 56, Hornets RL 30
London Skolars 6, York City Knights 80

THURSDAY, MAY 28
CHAMPIONSHIP (TV)
Featherstone Rovers 30, Leigh Centurions 24

SATURDAY, MAY 30
CHAMPIONSHIP
Barrow Raiders 26, Sheffield Eagles 18

SUNDAY, MAY 31
CHAMPIONSHIP
Batley Bulldogs 40, Widnes Vikings 34
Whitehaven 50, Doncaster RLFC 12

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Swinton Lions 23, Hornets RL 22
York City Knights 18, Dewsbury Rams 24
Keighley Cougars 58, Workington Town 6
London Skolars 18, Hunslet Hawks 34

CHAMPIONSHIP
Gateshead Thunder 16, Toulouse Olympique 62

THURSDAY, JUNE 11
CHAMPIONSHIP ONE (TV)
Dewsbury Rams 46 Keighley Cougars 6

SATURDAY, JUNE 13
CHAMPIONSHIP
Widnes Vikings 46 Featherstone Rovers 22
Sheffield Eagles 28 Whitehaven 24
Toulouse Olympique 32 Batley Bulldogs 24

SUNDAY, JUNE 14
CHAMPIONSHIP
Halifax RLFC 30 Barrow Raiders 24
Leigh Centurions 12 Gateshead Thunder 40

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Workington Town 18 Swinton Lions 26

Hunslet Hawks 6 York City Knights 34

CHAMPIONSHIP
Doncaster RLFC 6, Batley Bulldogs 70

THURSDAY, JUNE 25
CHAMPIONSHIP ONE (TV)
York City Knights 20, Oldham 18

SATURDAY, JUNE 27
CHAMPIONSHIP
Toulouse Olympique 16, Featherstone Rovers 32

SUNDAY, JUNE 28
CHAMPIONSHIP
Batley Bulldogs 46, Barrow Raiders 16
Doncaster RLFC 8, Sheffield Eagles 78
Gateshead Thunder 34, Halifax RLFC 28
Whitehaven 36, Leigh Centurions 22

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Swinton Lions 42, Hunslet Hawks 16
Blackpool Panthers 46, Workington Town 18
Keighley Cougars 44, Hornets RL 16
London Skolars 0, Dewsbury Rams 64

THURSDAY, JULY 2
CHAMPIONSHIP (TV)
Barrow Raiders 30, Toulouse Olympique 22

FRIDAY, JULY 3
CHAMPIONSHIP
Sheffield Eagles 30, Batley Bulldogs 4
Halifax RLFC 48, Leigh Centurions 16

SATURDAY, JULY 4
CHAMPIONSHIP
Widnes Vikings 78, Doncaster 4

SUNDAY, JULY 5
CHAMPIONSHIP
Featherstone Rovers 56, Gateshead Thunder 40

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Hornets RL 41, Hunslet Hawks 22
Workington Town 6, Oldham 60
Blackpool Panthers 49, York City Knights 36
Dewsbury Rams 36, Swinton Lions 8
Keighley Cougars 60, London Skolars 28

THURSDAY, JULY 16
CHAMPIONSHIP (TV)
Whitehaven 28, Barrow Raiders 4

SATURDAY, JULY 18
CHAMPIONSHIP
Toulouse Olympique 16, Halifax RLFC 54

SUNDAY, JULY 19
CHAMPIONSHIP
Batley Bulldogs 56, Doncaster RLFC 12
Gateshead Thunder 34, Widnes Vikings 18
Leigh Centurions 32, Sheffield Eagles 24

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Swinton Lions 18, Blackpool Panthers 33
York City Knights 46, Workington Town 20
Hunslet Hawks 6, Dewsbury Rams 24
London Skolars 4, Hornets RL 62
Oldham 22, Keighley Cougars 24

THURSDAY, JULY 23
CHAMPIONSHIP (TV)
Sheffield Eagles 46, Gateshead Thunder 30

FRIDAY, JULY 24
CHAMPIONSHIP
Halifax RLFC 20, Featherstone Rovers 22

SATURDAY, JULY 25
CHAMPIONSHIP
Barrow Raiders 74, Leigh Centurions 6
Toulouse Olympique 24, Widnes Vikings 32

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Blackpool Panthers 46, London Skolars 22

SUNDAY, JULY 26
CHAMPIONSHIP
Doncaster RLFC 10, Whitehaven 19

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Hornets RL 24, Swinton Lions 22
York City Knights 8, Hunslet Hawks 20
Dewsbury Rams 38, Oldham 8

THURSDAY, JULY 30
CHAMPIONSHIP ONE (TV)
Keighley Cougars v Dewsbury Rams 19:30

FRIDAY, JULY 31
CHAMPIONSHIP
Widnes Vikings v Halifax RLFC 19:30

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1
CHAMPIONSHIP
Featherstone Rovers v Toulouse Olympique 18:00

Gateshead Thunder v Batley Bulldogs 19:00

SUNDAY, AUGUST 2
CHAMPIONSHIP
Leigh Centurions v Doncaster RLFC 15:00
Whitehaven v Sheffield Eagles 15:00

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Swinton Lions v York City Knights 15:00
Hunslet Hawks v Blackpool Panthers 15:00
London Skolars v Workington Town 15:00
Oldham v Hornets RL 15:00

THURSDAY, AUGUST 6
CHAMPIONSHIP ONE (TV)
Oldham v London Skolars 19:30

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8
CHAMPIONSHIP
Toulouse Olympique v Gateshead Thunder 20:00

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9
CHAMPIONSHIP
Halifax RLFC v Whitehaven 15:00
Batley Bulldogs v Sheffield Eagles 15:00
Doncaster RLFC v Barrow Raiders 15:00
Featherstone Rovers v Widnes Vikings 15:00

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Workington Town v Keighley Cougars 15:00
Hornets RL v Blackpool Panthers 15:00

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14
CHAMPIONSHIP
Sheffield Eagles v Halifax RLFC 20:00

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15
CHAMPIONSHIP
Leigh Centurions v Toulouse Olympique 18:00
Barrow Raiders v Widnes Vikings 18:30

SUNDAY, AUGUST 16
CHAMPIONSHIP
Doncaster RLFC v Featherstone Rovers 15:00
Whitehaven v Batley Bulldogs 15:00

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Hornets RL v Keighley Cougars 15:00
Blackpool Panthers v Oldham 15:00
Dewsbury Rams v Workington Town 15:00
Hunslet Hawks v Swinton Lions 15:00
York City Knights v London Skolars 14:00

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19
CHAMPIONSHIP
Leigh Centurions v Halifax RLFC 20:00

SATURDAY, AUGUST 22
CHAMPIONSHIP
Widnes Vikings v Whitehaven 18:00
Toulouse Olympique v Doncaster RLFC 20:00

SUNDAY, AUGUST 23
CHAMPIONSHIP
Batley Bulldogs v Halifax RLFC 15:00
Featherstone Rovers v Barrow Raiders 15:00
Gateshead Thunder v Leigh Centurions 15:00

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Swinton Lions v London Skolars 15:00
Workington Town v Blackpool Panthers 15:00
Dewsbury Rams v Hornets RL 15:00
Keighley Cougars v Hunslet Hawks 15:00
Oldham v York City Knights 15:00

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27
CHAMPIONSHIP
Sheffield Eagles v Featherstone Rovers 20:00

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28
CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
London Skolars v Keighley Cougars 18:30

MONDAY, AUGUST 31
CHAMPIONSHIP
Barrow Raiders v Gateshead Thunder 18:00

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
CHAMPIONSHIP
Halifax RLFC v Toulouse Olympique 18:00

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
York City Knights v Swinton Lions 18:00

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6
CHAMPIONSHIP
Doncaster RLFC v Gateshead Thunder 15:00
Featherstone Rovers v Batley Bulldogs 15:00
Leigh Centurions v Whitehaven 15:00
Sheffield Eagles v Barrow Raiders 15:00

CHAMPIONSHIP ONE
Hornets RL v Workington Town 15:00
Blackpool Panthers v Dewsbury Rams 15:00
Hunslet Hawks v Oldham 15:00

KNOW YOUR STUFF

Try out our super RL teasers...

CO-OPERATIVE CHAMPIONSHIP QUIZ

- 1 Mitch Stringer joined Sheffield Eagles from which club?
- 2 Which Championship One club has Halifax director of rugby Martin Hall previously coached?
- 3 Who coached Leigh Centurions to Northern Rail Cup glory in 2006?
- 4 Which Championship side are often known as the Marras?
- 5 Who became player coach of Keighley Cougars in 1995?
- 6 Swinton signed veteran Mike Wainwright from which club?
- 7 Said Tamghart played for which club before moving on to Halifax?
- 8 Barrow's Ned Catic (pictured right) played for which two clubs in Australia's NRL?
- 9 In what year was Thrum Hall sold by Halifax RLFC? (1998)
- 10 Which Championship One club shares a home with a speedway team known as the Comets?

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

- 1 Which French club are nicknamed the Donkeys?
- 2 For which club did ex-GB international Kelvin Skerrett play before signing for Wigan in 1990?
- 3 Who were crowned champions of Super League VII?
- 4 Which club is planning a new stadium in Glasshoughton?
- 5 Who are the last team to have beaten St Helens in the Challenge Cup?
- 6 Which New Zealander holds



Castleford's record for most goals in a game, set in 1996?

7 Who captained Bradford Bulls to the Super League title in 2005?

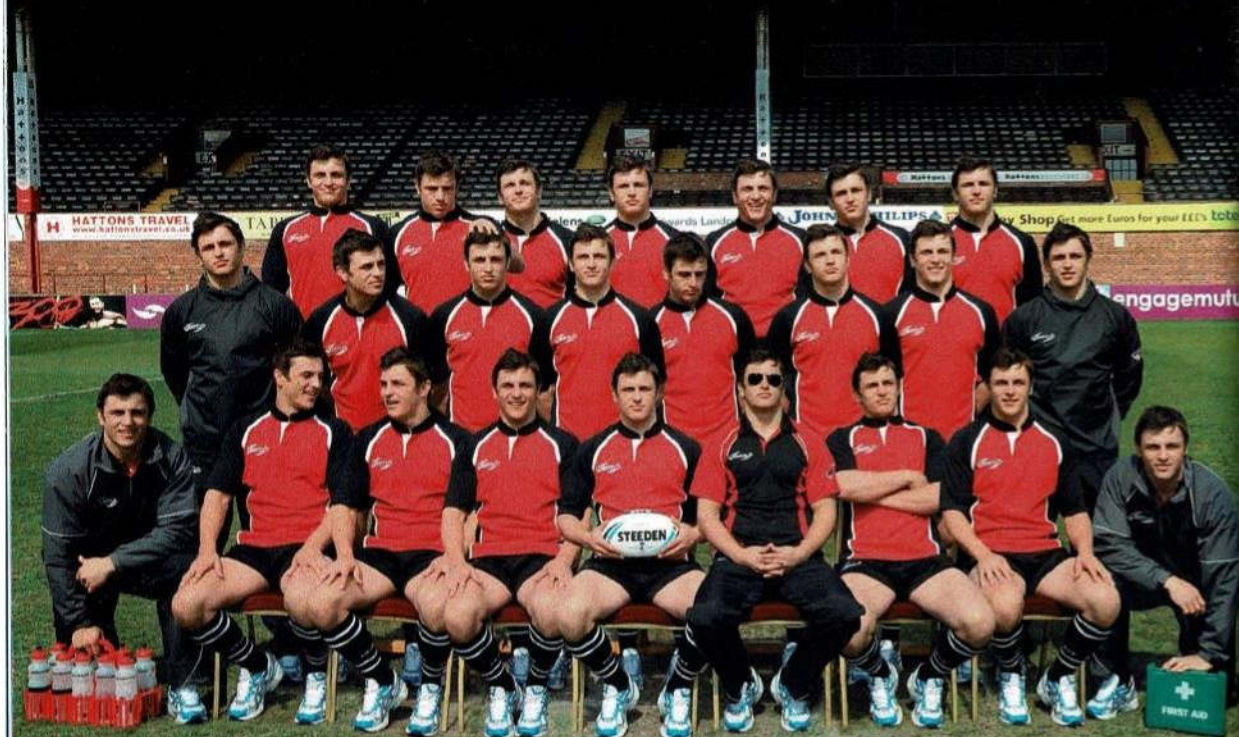
ANAGRAMS

Rearrange the following phrases to form the names of three Championship or Championship One players.

- 1 BRANDY CAKE (Barrow)
- 2 YO THUG MAYHEM (Featherstone)
- 3 YODEL WOK (Sheffield)

ANSWERS
CHAMPIONSHIP QUIZ: 1. Salford City Reds, 2. Rochdale Hornets, 3. Tony Benson, 4. Whitehaven, 5. Daryl Powell, 6. Leigh Centurions, 7. Oldham, 8. Penrith Panthers and Sydney Roosters, 9. 1998, 10. Derwent Park.
GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: 1. Pia, 2. Bradford Northern, 3. St Helens, 4. Castleford Tigers, 5. Hull FC, 6. Franco Botta, 7. Jamie Peacock.
ANAGRAMS: 1. Andy Bracek, 2. Tommy Haughey, 3. Kyle Wood.

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LEADING POINTS SCORERS

PLAYER/CLUB	T	G	DG	Ps
Andy Ballard (Old/Barrow)	17	93	254	
Pat Walker (Dewsbury)	4	119	254	
Gregg McNally (White)	25	72	244	
Lee Patterson (Halifax)	8	94	220	
Jonny Woodcock (Sheff)	8	87	206	
Danny Jones (Keighley)	3	82	1177	
Michael Knowles (G'head)	6	75	174	
Ian Mort (Leigh)	10	62	164	
Carl Sneyd (Swinton)	7	66	160	
Stuart Dickens (Feath)	2	68	144	
Adam Mitchell (York)	3	62	136	
Johnny Leather (Black)	15	37	1135	
Nathan Wynn (Toulouse)	4	58	132	
Paul Mennell (Batley)	6	41	106	
James Nixon (Barrow)	24		96	
Paul Noone (Barrow)	1	45	94	
Ben Black (Halifax)	17	12	92	
Liam Finn (Dewsbury)	15	15	92	
Liam McGovern (Hornets)	3	38	1 89	
Darren Holt (Barrow)	1	40	2 86	
Darren Robinson (Hunslet)	5	33	1 87	
Jon Presley (Keighley)	21		1 85	
Luke Branighan (G'head)	17	8	84	
Scott Yates (Widnes)	4	33	82	
Andy Bostock (Dewsbury)	20		80	
Shad Royston (Halifax)	20		80	
Gavin Dodd (Widnes)	10	19	78	
Carl Forber (Blackpool)	4	31	78	
Jermaine McGilvary (Bat)	18	1	74	
George Flanagan (Batley)	7	22	72	
Stuart Sanderson (G'head)	18		72	
Andy Kain (Feath)	17	2	72	
Kane Epati (Dewsbury)	17		68	
Craig Hall (Widnes)	1	31	1 67	
Miles Greenwood (Halifax)	16		64	
Andy Ellis (Barrow)	16		64	
Tim Hartley (Widnes)	2	27	62	
Chris Giles (Hornets)	5	20	60	

RESERVE TEAM DIVISION ONE

Barrow (10) 20, Leigh (10) 36
Oldham (8) 24, Dewsbury Rams (20) 26
Sheffield 22, Featherstone 62
Whitehaven (14) 40, Doncaster (12) 18
York 38, Hunslet 12
Keighley (6) 24, Widnes (18) 42

2009 Reserve Team First Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	PD	PTS
Featherstone	13	11	0	2	571	243	328	22
Leigh	13	10	0	3	589	281	308	20
Hunslet	12	8	0	4	444	252	192	16
Whitehaven	13	8	0	5	322	356	-34	16
Widnes	11	7	0	4	446	265	181	14
Barrow	13	7	0	6	382	294	88	14
Keighley	11	6	0	5	257	384	-127	12
York	13	5	0	8	339	474	-135	10
Sheffield	10	4	0	6	235	406	-171	8
Oldham	11	3	0	8	240	334	-94	6
Dewsbury	11	2	0	9	234	428	-194	4
Doncaster	10	0	0	10	176	478	-302	0

CO-OPERATIVE CHAMPIONSHIP

	P	W	D	L	B	F	A	PD	PTS
Halifax	14	11	0	3	2	543	278	265	35
Barrow	15	10	0	5	3	450	272	178	33
Widnes	16	9	0	7	5	504	340	164	32
Featherstone	14	10	0	4	0	445	347	98	30
Whitehaven	15	9	0	6	3	435	374	61	30
Sheffield	15	7	0	8	8	472	331	141	29
Toulouse	15	7	0	8	3	426	450	-24	24
Batley	15	6	1	8	2	406	478	-72	22
Leigh	15	6	0	9	3	280	467	-187	21
Gateshead	15	5	1	9	1	426	567	-141	18
Doncaster	15	1	0	14	4	213	696	-483	7

CO-OPERATIVE CHAMPIONSHIP ONE

	P	W	D	L	B	F	A	PD	PTS
Dewsbury	14	14	0	0	0	582	153	429	42
Keighley	13	9	0	4	3	411	301	110	30
York	14	8	0	6	4	412	282	130	28
Oldham	13	8	0	5	3	470	296	174	27
Blackpool	13	7	0	6	3	394	330	64	24
Hunslet	14	7	0	7	2	356	329	27	23
Swinton	14	7	0	7	1	399	396	3	22
Rochdale *	13	5	0	8	5	366	357	9	11
Workington	13	1	0	12	3	197	546	-349	6
L. Skolars	13	1	0	12	0	146	743	-597	3

*Deducted 9 points for going into administration

CO-OPERATIVE CHAMPIONSHIP

Doncaster	10	quest 3. G: Knowles 3 Half-time: 26-16, Att: 1,410.
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CO-OPERATIVE CHAMPIONSHIP 1

T: Amor, Rudd, Calvert. G:		
McNally 3. DG: Rudd.	Dewsbury	3

Half-time: 6-12. Att: 337	T: Bostock 2, Powell, Lingard, Emmett, Finn.
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Barrow 74	G: P Walker 7
T: Nixon 3, Coyle 4, Ellis,	Oldham

Broadbent, Harrison, Larkin 2, Catic. G: Noone 4, Rooney 7	T: Greenwood 2 Half-time: 22-4. Att: 1,080
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Leigh	6	
Tr: Durbin. G: Mort.	Hornets RL	2
Half-time: 22-2. Att: 1,884	T. M. Sneyd, Brocklehurst,	

Hall-time: 36-0. Att: 1,934	1: McGovern, Brocklehurst, Mayberry 2. G: McGovern 4
Tanderson	24 Swinton Lions

Toulouse	24	Swinton Lions	2
T: Mitchell, Bromley, Viala 2.		T: Holroyd, Tyrer, Saywell.	
G: Couturier 4		G: Sneyd 5	

LEADING TRY SCORERS

25	Gregg McNally (Whitehaven)
24	James Nixon (Barrow) 24
21	Jon Presley (Keighley) 21
20	Shad Royston (Halifax) 20
20	Andy Bostock (Dewsbury) 20
18	Stuart Sanderson (Gateshead)
18	Jermaine McGilvary (Batley)
17	Andy Ballard (Oldham)
17	Kane Epati (Dewsbury)
17	Luke Branighan (Gateshead)
17	Ben Black (Halifax)
17	Andy Kain (Featherstone)
16	Miles Greenwood (Halifax)
16	Andy Ellis (Barrow)
15	Liam Finn (Dewsbury) 15
15	Johnny Leather (Blackpool) 15
14	Sean Penkycwicz (Halifax)
14	Martin Ainscough (Hornets)
14	Paul Hughes (York)
14	James Coyle (Old/Barrow)
13	Tommy Haughey (Feath)
13	Jon Steel (Featherstone)
13	Dave Hull (Swinton)
13	Danny Ratcliffe (York)
13	Jamie Durbin (Leigh)
13	Damian Gibson (Sheffield)
12	Dylan Nash (Gateshead)
12	Ben McAlpine (Gateshead)
12	Rob Worriancy (Halifax)
12	Paddy Flynn (Widnes)
12	Paul March (York/Hunslet)
12	Bryn Powell (Dewsbury)
11	Lee Mapals (Keighley)
11	Said Tamghart (Halifax)
11	Austin Buchanan (Dewsbury)
11	Tangi Ropati (Sheffield)
11	Tom Haberecht (York)
11	Damian Munroe (Blackpool)
11	Menzies Yere (Sheffield)
11	Rory Bromley (Toulouse)
11	Craig Calvert (Whitehaven)
10	Spurr (Dewsbury), Faal (Hunslet), Mort (Leigh), Cook (Dons/Sheffield), Thomas (Skolars), Couturier (Toulouse) Adebisi (Whitehaven), Dodd, Thackeray, Varkulis, Penny (all Widnes Vikings), Greenwood (Oldham), Youngquest (Gateshead), John Oakes (York)