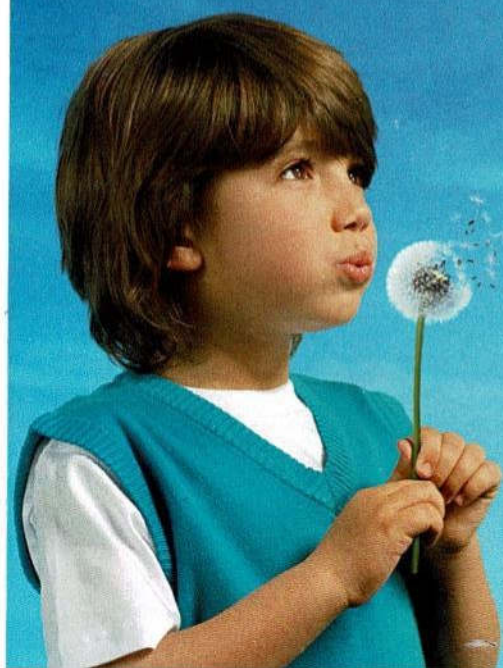


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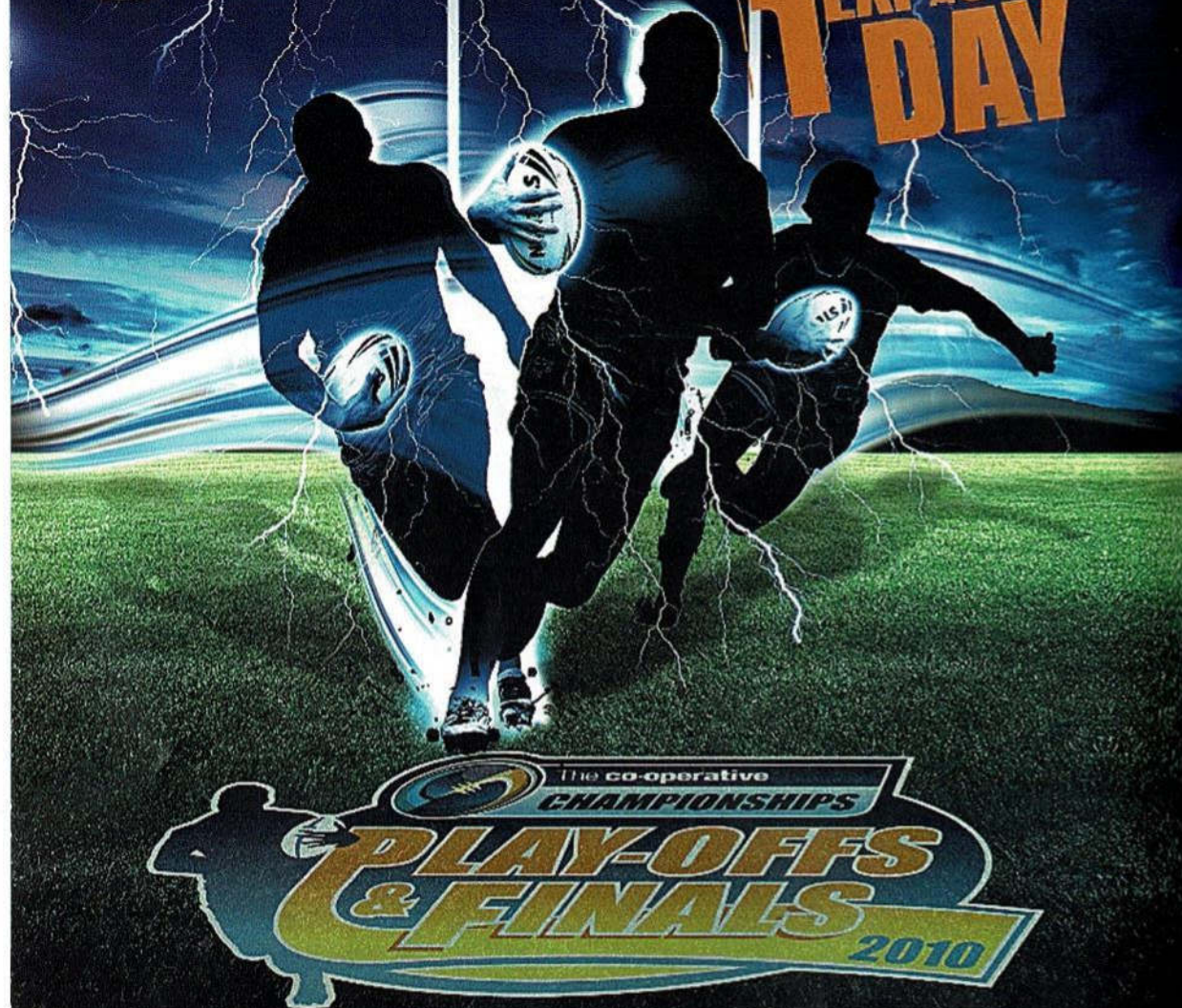


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Twists and turns aplenty in store

After an enthralling finish to the Northern Rail Cup final a fortnight ago, you could have been forgiven for thinking last weekend's Co-operative Championships wouldn't be quite so dramatic.

Sometimes it's good to be wrong because we were treated to some enthralling action and yet more twists and turns in the chase for glory and survival.

The clash of the weekend was arguably the Championship game between bottom-of-the-table Keighley Cougars and Toulouse Olympique in which Danny Jones slotted a last-minute drop-goal to secure victory by 27-26 and complete an impressive comeback for the Cougars.

With the Northern Rail Cup secure in their trophy cabinet, Batley struggled to shake off their post Blackpool hangover and were out-smarted by local rivals Dewsbury Rams, losing 36-16 in a hotly contested Heavy Woollen Derby.

After suffering defeat at Mount Pleasant at the start of the season, Dewsbury were happy to regain some local bragging rights although Batley still sit above their neighbours in the league table.

Widnes, Batley's opponents in the final, continued their poor run of form as they suffered defeat at the hands of Leigh Centurions. The Vikings looked to have recovered from their last-gasp defeat to Batley in the Cup as they went into half-time level with Leigh at 18-18. However, Widnes never got into it during the second half and Leigh eased home with a 20-point winning margin.

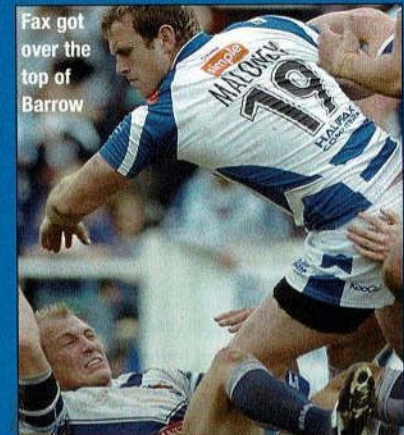
Runaway leaders Featherstone continued to show their class with a comprehensive victory against Whitehaven, a victory which has almost secured the League Leaders Shield for the Rovers.

In Championship One, pacesetters Hunslet outclassed Gateshead by a winning margin of 70 points, with Waine Pryce crossing the whitewash for a try hat-trick.

After a close-fought victory against Blackpool, Oldham will be looking to put the pressure on top-placed Hunslet when they face the South Wales Scorpions. Oldham know victory will take them level on points with the current league leaders and set up a dramatic end to the season.

Elsewhere the mid-table clash between Workington Town and Rochdale Hornets could be one to watch as they both aim to secure a play-off position.

Nathan Clarke, RFL Media Executive



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Consistency key for the continually improving Rovers

Featherstone coach Daryl Powell is taking nothing for granted as his team look to lock-up top spot in the Co-operative Championship, as BEN COLLINS learned

W E ENTER the final month of the regular season this weekend yet Featherstone Rovers are showing no sign of letting up in their quest for Championship glory.

Despite the arrival of Iestyn Harris and former Leeds coach Daryl Powell ahead of last season, Rovers had to make do with the final play-off spot.

Even then they were one step from the Grand Final after overcoming Sheffield and Widnes.

This season things have really clicked for Rovers, though. They soon established themselves as the team to beat this year and while their challengers have gradually fallen away, 'Fev' have managed to maintain their momentum so that heading into Sunday's visit of Sheffield they've lost just one of their 17 league games.

"We've done well to be as consistent as we have," said Powell. "We've had a couple of ups and downs along the way in terms of performances."

"We had a real tough game against Keighley the other week and were able to win it while not playing right at the top of our game. But any team that does well throughout a campaign is going to have situations like that and it's a big pat on the back for the players that they've been able to get out of a couple of scrapes along the way."

"When you're on top of the pile, everybody's shooting for you and team's tend to raise their levels against you."

"It's something that we've handled well and we need to continue that, but I'm confident it won't be an issue. Most of the guys have got their feet on ground, they're a pretty solid bunch."

There has been plenty of attention on Featherstone over the last couple of years but now Powell's men have shrugged off the weight of expectation and are living up to the hype.

Rovers are seemingly destined to head into the play-offs as league winners and Powell is eager to ensure they finish the job.

"I think Featherstone, as a club, has a massive history, and we're looking to develop that," he said.

"Expectations are always high at a club like Featherstone



Daryl Powell – steering Rovers in the right direction

and we're looking to meet them all the time. But we've not won anything yet so it's important we don't get too carried away."

"It's crucial we finish top. You want to be consistent going into the end of the season when a play-off series is looming. We're conscious of that but you can only play one game at a time and that's the way we try to focus."

"If we keep getting our performances right then the results will take care of themselves. We'd like to finish top of the pile but we're not taking anything for granted."

Consistency has been the key and Powell has put that down to both the new arrivals at Post Office Road during the close-season and a much-improved defence.

"The personnel we were able to recruit made a big difference," he said. "We've got a real strong group of people at the club, first and foremost, and they're quality players as well."

"The consistency we've been able to deliver this year



Rovers have sailed through the league campaign with just one reversal so far – at home to Toulouse

has been a big step up from last year. We just need to hold our nerve and continue to be strong."

"Defensively we've been much better this year. We talk about our defensive standards all the time and that's been a significant improvement. If you get that right then it gives you a good platform to build your attacking game on."

And Powell's half-back pairing have sure done that in recent weeks. Kyle Briggs has picked up the mantle following Iestyn Harris's retirement while Liam Finn has impressed after rejoining Rovers having helped Dewsbury win Championship 1 unbeaten last season.

"They've been outstanding," Powell said. "They've had a real controlling influence on the way we've played the game. Kyle's goal-kicking has been fantastic, he's got a high percentage, and I was confident Liam would come and slot in well."

"He's got great control of the game and he's a real composed individual who doesn't get rattled too much. He's certainly lived up to the expectations we had of him."

"We work pretty hard from a team perspective and everybody's contributed. Our forward pack has been excellent because we're not the biggest team. We're a fit bunch with a tough mentality, but I'd pick those two out as being significant."

Featherstone's title challenge has also been aided by some relative good fortune in terms of injuries, which has allowed Powell to play a settled team.

"Credit to Dave Downs and Carl Chapman, our physio," he said. "The way they've managed the group from a physical and injury prevention point of view has been exceptional."

"You try to keep as consistent a team on the field as

possible and if we don't have too many injuries, then that helps. We lost Tommy Saxton for a while and Iain Morrison for the season, but touch wood, we've been ok with injuries and we'll keep working hard to keep guys fresh."

But it should be noted that Featherstone are not putting all their efforts into just securing on-field success. There are ambitious stadium plans afoot while the club is also looking to boost its community and youth programmes ahead of a proposed Super League application.

"Everybody at the club's worked really hard to develop the business and what we do in the community," said Powell.

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"We've got eight players working in the local community now, delivering all sorts of programmes, and Ryan Sheridan's managed that excellently."

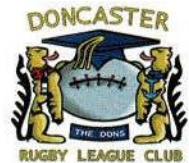
"We're looking to grow as a club in every department, year on year. I have to give everybody credit for the way we've gone about things and we can get even better, there's no question about that, and we're aware of where we need to improve. But we have to focus on getting this year right."

That effort will continue with Sunday's visit of Powell's former club.

"We've had some pretty tough tussles against Sheffield since I've been at Featherstone and I don't expect that to be any different," he said. "They've been improving recently and they've got plenty of quality players so they're a dangerous team."

"They've make a strong push to be in the six at the end of the season so it's really important we focus on ourselves and get our game right. It's certainly going to be a tough challenge for us."

Just like the good old days



Doncaster have come back from the brink and will celebrate in true nostalgic 50s style

Report by Ben Collins

THEY'RE about to get all nostalgic over at the Keepmoat Stadium. Doncaster have been working hard to make sure they have stayed in the black this year after last year's financial problems.

And to celebrate, the Dons are going back to the 50's for their final league game of the season against Workington on August 22.

"We got a grant from the National Lottery Heritage Fund, which runs till September, so for the last game we've decided to go for a 50's theme," said chief executive Carl Hall.

"We'll play in the 1950's kit, it'll be 50p entry and for one day only season tickets for next year will be just £50.

"Then after the game we'll auction the 17 shirts so it'll be a real exciting project, and the reason we're doing that is a thank you to the fans for sticking with us.

"Last year they paid good money for their season tickets then halfway through they're watching a bunch of amateurs play.

"It's possibly the first time in the club's history we've finished with 'plus' in the bank so we wanted to give something back to the supporters, and hopefully it'll attract some of the older ones to come have a look."

After last year's turmoil, winning back the trust of the fans has been as important as balancing the books to Hall, who has led the effort to get the club back on its feet since he took over last October.

As well as boosting the club's community programmes, Hall was keen to restore a sense of its heritage and invited back Doncaster stalwart Ray Green.

"The Heritage Fund grant was for a 12-month project on the history of Tattersfield and the Dons, which comes to a close in September," said Hall.

"That was one of the reasons we were able to bring Ray back to the club and he's now running the community side as well.

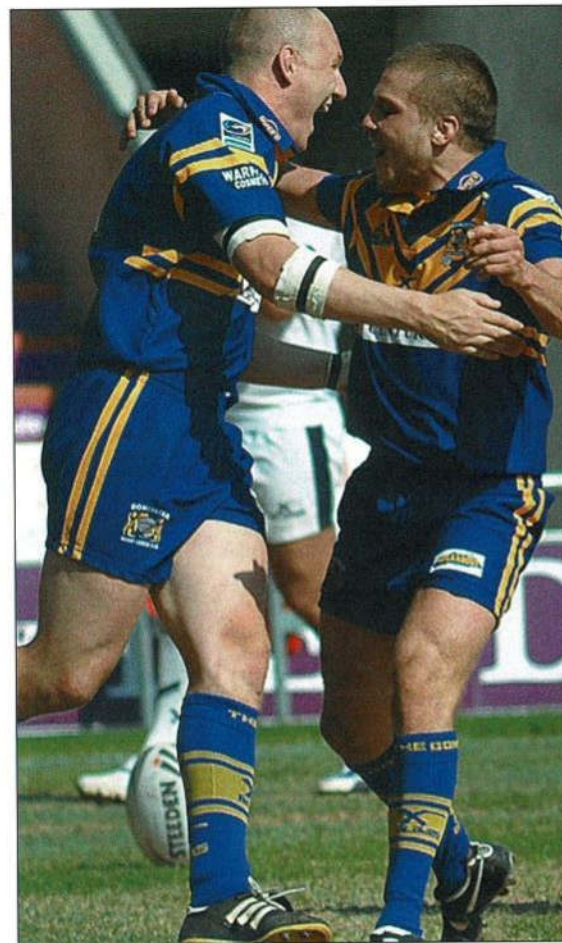
"His wife, Jackie, works full-time at the club in admin, and their son Pete is an ex-captain who now plays for Sheffield so the family's Doncaster rugby league through and through and I needed people like that at the club.

"The biggest thing we had to do was to earn the trust and respect back off the fans and the town," added Hall.

"When I took over, we sat down with the advisory group and said we wanted to go through the whole year without any financial murmurs. I've had to be very tight with the money but we've done that.

"People might have been saying, 'in 12 months' time they'll be back in the same position'. But we've managed to batten down the hatches and have a good go, and we'll finish the season with a significant amount of money in the bank.

"We've had a year to really look at the business and see how the finances go, and I can assure everyone we can only



After some tough times the Dons have reasons to smile

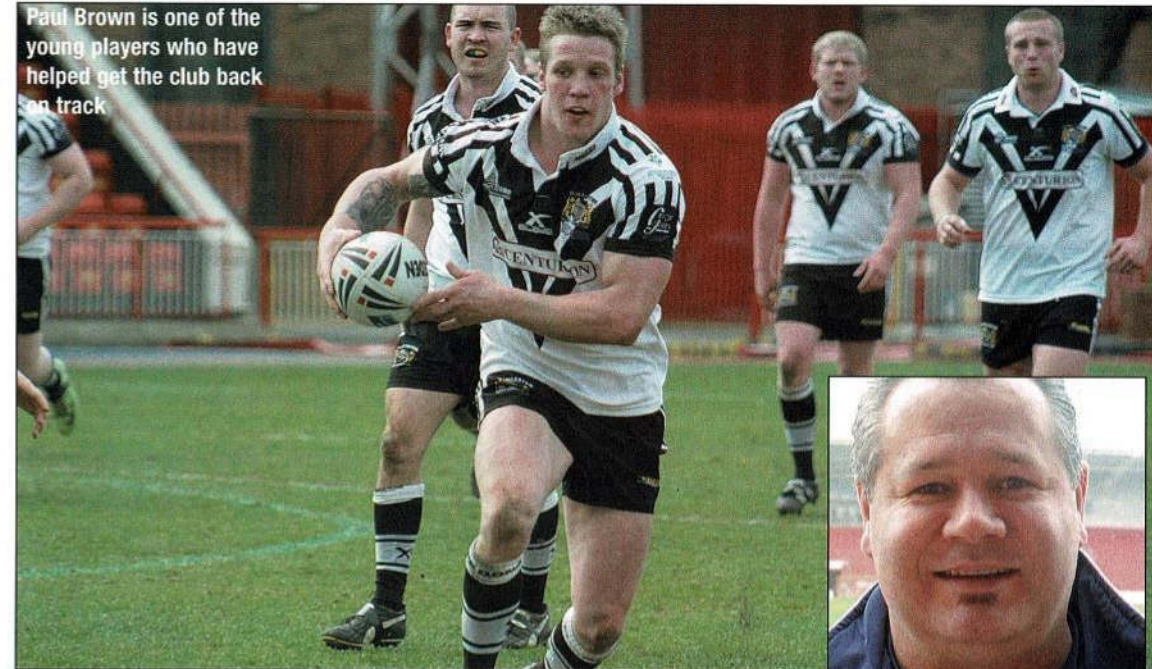
progress on an off the field. Everything at Doncaster rugby league is onwards and upwards."

Hall has gone back to basics in a bid to get the club running on an even keel, which has meant not being able to sign players on contracts this season.

"We only pay win and lose money and we'll continue to do that for the next year or so," he said. "I have to tip my hat to the players because they came for two or three months pre-season, three nights a week, and didn't earn a penny. We're getting people at the club who want to play for the club, and everyone's buying into the idea we can only pay what we've got.

"We're also strengthening our links with all the local amateur clubs Rossington, Moorends, Doncaster Toll Bar,

Paul Brown is one of the young players who have helped get the club back on track



Bentley. Everything we do has got to include the community. Our development officers now go out twice a week with Active Doncaster and Positive Futures, so we're really grasping that side of things.

"I may own the club in principle but as far as I'm concerned, the whole of Donny owns this club. Our focus is having a club here for the next 10 or 20 years."

Given he's an ex-player himself, Hall appreciates more than most what Tony Miller's squad are doing for the club.

He came over from New Zealand to play for Doncaster in 1988 and later played for Bradford and Leeds before finishing his career back with the Dons.

"I then worked a proper job in immigration for a while then (former owners) Shane Miller and Craig Harrison brought me back and now I've ended up holding the baby, haven't I?" Hall joked.

"This club contributed a helluva lot to my life and I'm not one to forget things like that.

"I feel I owe the club a lot and I'm proud of what we've managed to achieve this year."

Playing matters have taken a back seat this year but even so, Hall has been pleased with the team's progress under Tony Miller.

Having won at London Skolars last week, the Dons are aiming for back-to-back wins against Gateshead, before which there'll be a Masters game dedicated to Kevin Parkhouse, the former Doncaster player who passed away in a road accident in 2006.

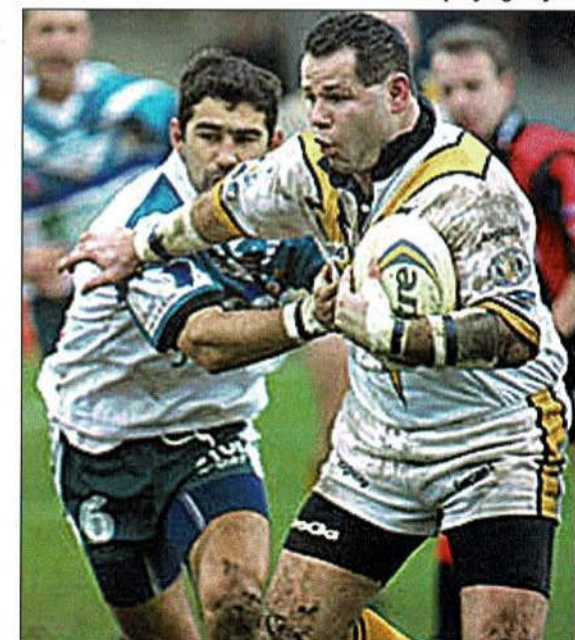
"The playing side has not been the priority this year but we've done what we wanted to do on the field," said Hall.

"There's a great team spirit, we've got better as the season's gone on and we can still make the play-offs.

"Everyone said we'd be lucky to win two or three games

but we could finish the season winning eight or nine, which I don't think is a bad return for a club paying just win and lose money."

Chief exec Carl – and (below) in his playing days!



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KEEP AN EYE ON THE BALL



Danny Lockwood

I WAS checking out eBay at the weekend under the section for 'sporting goods'. Try as I might I could not find a section that might cover "Super League licence qualification for sale".

Tut, tut, imagine Batley Bulldogs chairman Kevin Nicholas missing a trick like that! If a place at the top table is beyond the Gallant Youths, I'd have expected their astute chairman (which is a very polite way of saying 'money conscious', which is in itself another way of saying 'tight-fisted') to find a way to cash in on the Rugby League equivalent of one of Willie Wonka's Golden Tickets.

For clubs like Leigh and Featherstone – as yet at least – all of the good work in the community, with development structures, and with their stadia, is pie in the sky without the all-important on-field qualification. Of course the worth of a trophy win like Batley's in the Northern Rail Cup is about so much more than that. There was a definite swagger in the step of local folk over the past week or two that hadn't been seen in quite some time, and even if the old enemy won the last set of bragging rights until Boxing Day, the Bulldogs faithful could with good reason put a big asterisk against the result – as in "we don't care because the lads had only slept about eight hours in the past week."

What was tremendously encouraging was the crowd of almost 2,000 at the Tetley's Stadium last Sunday, which just goes to show what some of our more modest Co-operative Championship clubs can achieve with a fair wind at their backs.

Within many parts of the game there is still a feeling that Widnes are front and centre of the queue for Super League, and the fact that the RFL said at least one club would go up is now sharply in focus, especially as the decision-making process has been brought forward a few months to next spring.

I made just that point last week in the company of former Featherstone Rovers chairman Richard Evans who – as you would expect – took mild umbrage at the mere notion that anyone could take anything so important for granted.

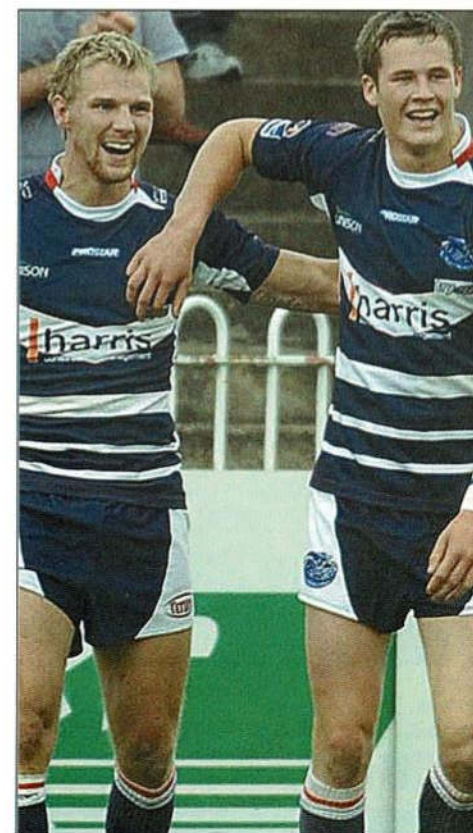
The idea, for instance, that neighbours Wakefield and Castleford automatically have better cases for a licence (in the event that Featherstone qualify through the Championship Grand Final) was pure anathema.

That is entirely understandable. The pride that beats in every heart, under every shirt, at clubs like Leigh, Barrow, Halifax, Featherstone (and elsewhere!) is what makes our game so very special.

Looking further ahead, it means that come next spring when the big decisions are made, there is going to be joy in one particular camp, relief in several more (most probably) and wails of anguish from at least one current Super League club and, I suspect, from more than one current Championship club who will feel terribly hard done by.

That's the nature of sport, as simple as. But it does mean we are in for some fireworks on the field between now and September!

Rovers – will expect serious consideration if they tick the boxes



**Danny Lockwood writes in
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XIII QUESTIONS



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1. Former Fev international scrum-half Steve Nash moved on to which famous club in the 1970s?
2. The Hawks signed many players from York City Knights for this season. They also picked up at least six players from which other Championship side?
3. Hawks' Luke Haigh joined from which Australian club?
4. Which Championship team did both Richard Chapman and Haigh play for previously?
5. Oldham's free-scoring fullback Paul O'Connor comes from a town which has a top Championship club. Which is it?
6. Which championship club signed Stephen Bannister from Salford?
7. Who was the top-class stand-off from York who went on to star at Castleford and play international rugby?
8. In the play-offs in Championship 1 who does the top club play first?
9. Which French city does referee Mo Drizza come from?
10. Four Championship goalkickers have passed the century mark already this season. Who are they?
11. Which top amateur RL club did York points machine Lee Waterman play for?
12. Barrow is one of the oldest RL clubs. In which year was it founded?
13. Damien Reid scored a hat-trick of tries for Rochdale in their last match. Which city does 'Damo' come from?



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(1) Salford, (2) Featherstone, (3) Wests Illawarra, (4) Dewsbury, (5) Widnes, (6) Widnes, (7) Graham Steadman, (8) 2nd, (9) Montpellier, France, (10) Lee Paterson (Halifax), Jamie Rooney (Barrow), Gareth Moore (Bale), Kyle Briggs (Featherstone), (11) Skirlaugh, (12) 1875, (13) Leeds.

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Calland has eye on glory in Carnegie 9s challenge

HALIFAX coach Matt Calland is relishing the chance to fly the flag for the Co-operative Championships when his side compete in the Carnegie Floodlit 9s on Wednesday August 25.

Victory in the Northern Rail 9s at Fylde 10 days ago secured Halifax entry into the Carnegie Floodlit 9s, where they will go up against Super League opposition at Headingley Carnegie Stadium.

"Everybody at the club is really looking forward to it, we had a great day out in Blackpool and we thoroughly enjoyed the day and the atmosphere," said Calland.

"Now we're all looking forward to testing ourselves at a higher level against other clubs and the players can't wait.

"It will be a big challenge as it comes on the back of a trip to France for us; we play Toulouse in the last game of the season on the Saturday. It will be a quick turnaround but we will be taking a full strength squad, so we are really going for it."

Halifax have put in a few extra hours of 9s training in preparation for their experience at Headingley.

"We had a nine against nine training session before the Northern Rail 9s, so we will probably do the same again before the Floodlit tournament," explained Calland.

"We are playing on the Saturday so we will just have a look at the rules and have a run through, playing with fewer men."

Calland is also looking forward to travelling to Headingley to play at one of Rugby League's top grounds.

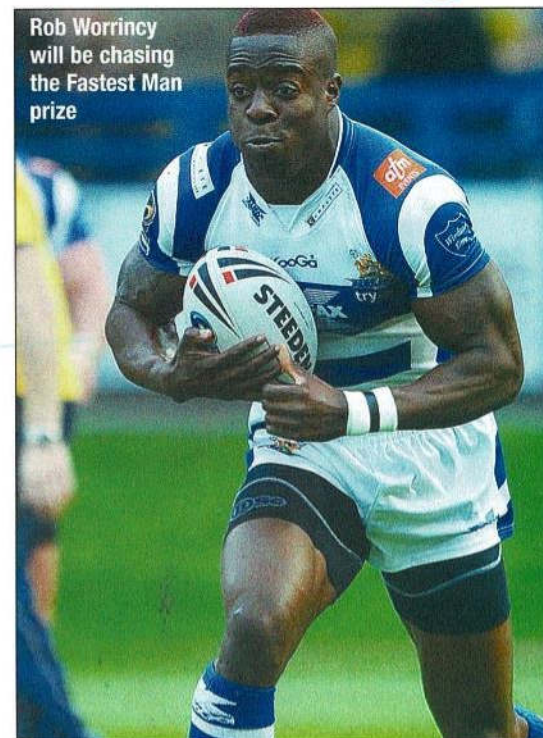
"It's a great place to go, I hadn't been there for a long time but I watched the Huddersfield game against Leeds and I couldn't believe how much the stadium had developed," he said.

"The atmosphere was fantastic so it will be a great occasion for the players, the club and the fans."

Not only will Calland's squad be able to test themselves against some of the best players in Rugby League, but with £10,000 in prize money available to the winning side, they may also be able to strengthen the club's financial position.

"Obviously all the clubs are struggling at the moment and it would be a great boost for the club if we were to get the £10,000, but I'm sure the other clubs will have a lot to say about that too."

Rob Worrincy
will be chasing
the Fastest Man
prize



Halifax will also have a player taking part in Rugby League's Fastest Man competition, with Calland choosing winger Rob Worrincy to represent the team.

"Rob is a really good athlete, he's quick and he's strong and he'll definitely be going all out to win it," said Calland. "With the prize money being £1,000 he'll definitely be up for that."

Yes you! You're never too old for Masters

SKY Sports presenter Mike 'Stevie' Stephenson rolled back the years on Tuesday night when he turned out for a London Select side in a Rugby League Masters game against the touring Australian Masters team.

Masters is a strictly social version of Rugby League for players aged 35 or over with the rules slightly modified to cater for older participants - many still turn out in their 60s or even 70s!

Stevie said: "I was a touch stiff the following morning but had a great time although I never thought I would pull on the boots ever again - I had to borrow a pair!"

"I encourage anyone wanting to play this Masters game, it was a fantastic feeling just running - well, more like hobbling and walking - onto the pitch and being involved once again in the

greatest game of all."

There are no winners, no champions and no Cup finals in Masters Rugby League which is enjoying a huge increase in the number of participants across the country.

It is all about the spirit of the game and the most important rule is that everyone has to buy a drink for their opposite number.

RFL League for All Officer Pete Longbottom said: "We're seeing a big increase in the number of Rugby League clubs around the country setting up Masters teams, which is fantastic."

"Masters is a great way to stay involved in Rugby League and to continue playing whatever your age and the social aspect is very important."

Medway Dragons hosted the Australian Masters side in their final fix-

ture of a tour of Great Britain which has seen them play five games in total, including one full Test Match against Great Britain.

The evening kicked off with a four-team Touch Rugby League tournament made up of teams from the local Medway community and was thoroughly enjoyed by all players and spectators present.

Masters in London has gained great momentum over the past 10 months and now there are five clubs with a Masters setup with a view to expand this even further.

If you interested in playing Masters Rugby League or would like any more information please contact Pete Longbottom for more details at peter.longbottom@rfl.uk.com or call him on 07515 754053.

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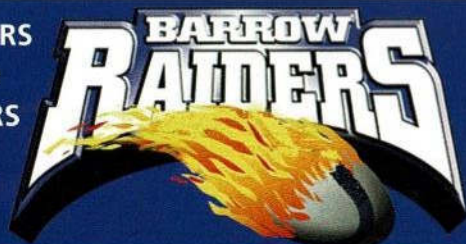
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MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: W. Turley
Touch: S. Moss, M. Beadle
Reserve Referee: S. Bennison

THE INSIDE TRACK

Toulouse are tough to predict but Barrow
need this win. Raiders by 8



EXECUTIVE BOXES

- 1: FURNESS BUILDING SOCIETY
- 2: TRELLEBORG ENG
- 3: GLOBAL COMBAT SYSTEMS
- 4: INFINITE WEB SOLUTIONS
- 5: ME SAUNDERS
- 6: LONG LANE GARAGE/SNAP ON TOOLS
- 7: TONY BAYLIFF
- 8: CAREFREE TRAVEL

No.	PLAYER	SPONSOR
1	Rory Bromley.....	Copy Sud
2	Sebastien Payan.....	Bugbusters
3	Sebastien Planas.....	André Raynal - Déménagements
5	Carlos Mendes Varela.....	Gallego
6	Constant Villegas.....	Prosegur
7	Nathan Wynn.....	ICA Patrimoine
8	Brendan Worth.....	Transports Sarrazain
9	Martin Mitchell.....	Renault Etats-Unis
10	Matthieu Griffi.....	Ernes Prestations
11	Timothy Wynn.....	Océanis
12	Simon Worrall.....	Siemex
13	Eric Anselme.....	Inovans
14	Antoni Maria.....	Compass Group
15	Jerome Gout.....	Leroy Merlin
16	Sylvain Houles.....	Aux Docks du Bureau
17	Cedric Gay.....	Force Distribution
18	Yoan Tisseyre.....	La Mutuelle du rempart
19	Romain Mencarini.....	IPS Publicité
20	Bruno Ormeno.....	La Dépêche du Midi
21	Nicolas Faure.....	bonsplan31.com
22	Clement Bienes.....	Bourdarios
23	Kevin Larroyer.....	Errea
24	Andrei Olari.....	Cimpa
25	Teli Pelo.....	Hôtel Latitudes Golf de Seilh
26	Yohann Gigord.....	Clear Channel
	Maxime Herold.....	Socotrap
	Mourad Kriouache.....	IFB
	Cyril Moliner.....	Sporting Finances
	Antoine Reveillon.....	Paru vendu
	Jocelyn Vauvelle.....	Citroën Etats-Unis
	Remi Vigneau.....	Elffage
	Geoffrey Zava.....	Equalliance
	Tony Gigot.....	
	William Barthau.....	

COACH: GILLES DUMAS

LAST SIX RESULTS: LWWWLL
LAST SIX AWAY: LWLWWL
TRIES: Bromley (14), Mitchell, Duport
(9), Planas (7)
GOALS: Wynn (68)
DROP GOALS: None
MAN TO WATCH: Rory Bromley

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Barrow v Toulouse

Good luck, Jermaine!



Jermaine McGillvary, right, tries to outflank the cover in the Raiders match against Toulouse earlier in the season

GOOD evening and welcome to everyone to the Furness Heating Components Stadium here in Barrow.

Today we welcome the Toulouse Olympique side who are to date still the only side to have turned Featherstone over this season in the league.

What makes that statistic even better is that it was away from home that the victory took place. So our boys will need to be on the very best of form from the kick-off to ensure we can claim the double over them this season.

Last time out was, to the neutral viewer on television, a spectacle that contained everything. Good fast rugby, resolute defence, articulate moves resulting in try-scoring efforts and generally good team play. Well that described Halifax in the first half. Where we were was anyone's business.

You would have thought we were the travelling side and left our game plan on the bus for the first 40 mins. To the credit of the team they did mount a second-half challenge and contributed to an exhibition of free-flowing Rugby League and were the higher points scorers in that second period. But, at the end of the day, the game is 80 minutes long and to give a team of the

calibre of Halifax a 24 point start is just not the required platform for success. If we approach the 80 minutes ahead of us here tonight with the same lethargic attitude then there will be troubled times ahead.

It was interesting to note the performance posted by our current dual registered player Jermaine McGillvary last weekend. He was part of our team that turned Toulouse over earlier in the season and his performances have always been ones executed in a professional manner. During his time here he has endeared himself to the crowd and if we are no longer to see him in the Blue & White of Barrow Raiders I would like to take this opportunity of wishing him well and offer good luck from the Barrow faithful.

When you look at the amount of wingers Huddersfield have on their books you can appreciate Jermaine grabbing his opportunity with both hands.

Well, may the best team win tonight and we will see you in the bar after the contest and make all those tackles and score those tries once more.

Jon Livesey
Vice Chairman

GOOD evening and welcome to everyone to the Furness Heating Components Stadium for our game with Toulouse.

Tonight's game is vital for both teams after last week's performances and I am sure both will provide another exciting game for the supporters to enjoy.

From our point of view last week's performance probably summed up our season. In the first half we were lacking in all aspects of our performance. However in the second we were excellent. Throughout 2010 we have had some tremendous performances both here at Craven Park and also away from home.

We are very aware that consistency is important throughout the season and that is something we need to put right quickly.

Our injury situation certainly isn't helping our performances but it definitely isn't an excuse. I still believe that the players here at Barrow are a tremendous bunch of professionals and with everyone pulling in the same direction, both on and off the field, we can still have a successful season: five games to go with all to play for.

Finally, welcome to Toulouse's directors, coaching staff, players and supporters to Craven Park

Get behind the team, as always, and enjoy the game.

Steve McCormack
Head Coach

Batley Bulldogs v Keighley Cougars



Sunday August 1, 2010. Kick off 3pm. MOUNT PLEASANT

SPONSOR	PLAYER	No.
Hopkins Family.....	Ian Preece	1
Leyland Paints.....	Lee Greenwood	2
Batley Rock'n Roll.....	Mark Barlow	3
Stephen & Mandy Fletcher.....	Danny Maun	4
Gary Tingle & Lorraine Richardson.....	Johnny Campbell	5
Brian Hooley.....	Paul Handforth	6
Batley Nash.....	Gareth Moore	7
Study Centre.....	Byron Smith	8
Benson Family.....	Kris Lythe	9
Mick Lockton.....	Sean Hesketh	10
Eddie Toronczak & Family.....	Tommy Gallagher	11
George & Mary Gomersall.....	Mark Toohey	12
Amy Fletcher.....	Ash Lindsay	13
Hicks Funeral Services.....	John Gallagher	14
	Anthony Henderson	15
Paul & Dianne Goodhall.....	John Simpson	16
Johnstone Paints.....	Craig Potter	17
Tracey Grundell & Katie Penn.....	Jack Watson	18
Tracey & Brian Winner.....	Eddie Kilroy	19
Cellar Bar.....	Dave Toothill	20
Mary Hughes.....	James Martin	21
Tracey Grundell & Katie Penn.....	Josh Griffin	22
RSM Carriers.....	Chris Buttery	23
Tracey & Brian Winner.....	Alex Brown	24
Benson Family.....	Kyle Wood	25
Paul Hinchcliffe.....	Jason Walton	27
Peter's Foods.....	Waterboy	
Revive.....	Physio	

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MATCHBALL: Batley ex-players

COACH: KARL HARRISON

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLLWWL

LAST SIX HOME: LWWLLW

TRIES: Campbell (22), Walton (10), Maun (9), Moore, Preece (8),

GOALS: Moore (101)

DROP GOALS: Handforth, Moore (1)

MAN TO WATCH: Paul Handforth

No.	TODAY'S TEAM	No.
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MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: G. Hewer

Touch: D. McNeice, C. Dean
Reserve Referee: M. Mannifield

THE INSIDE TRACK

Have 'Dogs got over their Cup knees-up? Should have - Batley by 6

No.	PLAYER	SPONSOR
2	Craig Moss.....	Mr & Mrs Bardgett
3	Tom Burton.....	Rob Weir Property Maintenance
4	Daley Williams.....	David Padans
5	Gavin Duffy.....	Mr & Mrs Fisher
6	Jonny Presley.....	Joyce Barrett Mobile Hairdresser
7	Danny Jones.....	Phoenix Trophies
8	Andy Shickell.....	Frank Atkins
9	James Feather.....	Mr & Mrs Procter
10	Scott Law.....	Mr & Mrs Fisher
11	Will Cartledge.....	Mr & Mrs Rothera
12	Oilly Pursglove.....	Mr & Mrs Glover
13	Carl Hughes.....	Mr & Mrs Rothera
14	Jamaine Wray.....	The Clarksons
15	Greg Nicholson.....	M Croft & T Pycroft
16	Brendon Rawlins.....	Cougar Pride Centre
17	Ryan Benjafield.....	Owens Barbers
18	James Haythornthwaite.....	The Cox Family
19	Sam Crowther.....	Go Colour
20	Dan Belcher.....	Phoenix Trophies
21	Richard Jones.....	The Bayliss Family
22	Ben Sagar.....	Skipton Body Repair Centre
23	Chris Baines.....	Phil Lund Ltd
24	Tom Hall	
	Jamie Shepherd.....	Collett International Transport
	Tom Sheldrake	
	James Hutchinson	

COACH: BARRY EATON

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWWLLW

LAST SIX AWAY: WLLWWL

TRIES: Duffy (10), Presley, Jones (7)

GOALS: Jones (74)

DROP GOALS: Jones (3)

MAN TO WATCH: Jonny Presley



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Batley v Keighley

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IT WAS a most enjoyable weekend in breezy Blackpool.

I have been supporting Batley Bulldogs for 70 years, but the weekend of the 17th/18th July will stay in my memories for the rest of my days.

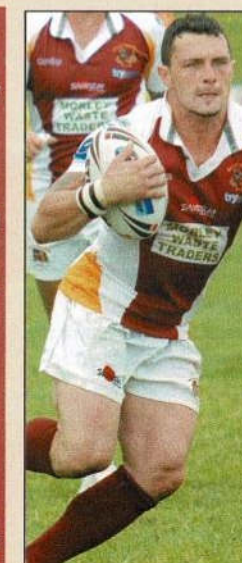
The weekend started with a nice meal at the White Tower Pleasure Beach hosted by the Northern Rail on Saturday, then back to Batley.

On Sunday I travelled with the team to Blackpool. I must admit I felt so emotional all day. Great celebrations were to follow.

A great match fit to grace any final. What a finale. At long last we had won the Northern Rail Cup. What a great feeling of excitement and fulfillment and a great night to finish off the day at Batley Frontier Club attended by hundreds of supporters.

Many thanks to Northern Rail for being great hosts and... Yes!!! We won the Cup!

**Ron Earnshaw
President**



None typifies the Bulldog spirit better than Ash Lindsay, above

Summer fun with Bulldogs

As a result of the Bulldogs winning the NORTHERN RAIL CUP the club will be holding a summer camp from Monday 2nd to Friday 6th Aug 2010.

We are holding one week of Summer Celebration activities at the rugby club during the Summer holidays for children aged 8 to 12.

Activities will include movie-making, cup collages and posters, a player interview and many outdoor games to promote teamwork and confidence. Children can be dropped off at 8:30am and collected at 2pm.

Breakfast will be provided on arrival but children must bring their own packed lunch with a drink. This Summer Celebration programme is £40 for the whole week or £10 a day! (25 places - on a first-come, first-served basis) Book a place by contacting Paul Harrison on 07870851555 or Dan Winner on 07815063184.

Featherstone Rovers v Sheffield Eagles



Sunday August 1, 2010. Kick off 3pm. BIG FELLAS STADIUM

PLAYER	No.
Ian Hardman	1
Tommy Saxton	2
Sam Smeaton	3
Liam Welham	4
Jon Steel	5
Kyle Briggs	6
Andy Kain	7
Iain Morrison	8
Liam Finn	9
Stuart Dickens	10
Matty Dale	11
Jon Grayshon	12
Jamie Field	13
Danny Allan	14
Jessie Joe Parker	15
Dane Manning	16
Tony Tonks	17
Tim Spears	18
Ross Divorty	19
Tommy Lynch	20
Michael Coady	21
Jack Lee	22
Jodie Sheriffe	23
Larsen Marabe	24
Gareth Swift	25
Zak Hardaker	26
Aaron Dobek	27
Thomas Carr	28
Gareth Williamson	29

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COACH: DARYL POWELL

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWWWWW

LAST SIX HOME: WWLWWW

TRIES: Parker (17), Briggs (16), Hardaker (13), Welham, Finn (12)

GOALS: Briggs (101)

DROP GOALS: Finn (1)

MAN TO WATCH: Zak Hardaker

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: R. Hicks

Touch: G. Evans, L. Fellows

Reserve Referee: R. Dolan

THE INSIDE TRACK

Rovers in no mood to slip up now. Expect a home win, by around 10

COACH: MARK ASTON

LAST SIX RESULTS: LLWLWW

LAST SIX AWAY: WLWWWW

TRIES: Cook (18), Ropati (11), Stringer (10), Yere (9)

GOALS: Stringer (31), Bergin (16)

DROP GOALS: Cook (1)

MAN TO WATCH: Brendon Lindsay

No.	PLAYER	SPONSOR
1	Jonny Woodcock	AMCO
2	Danny Mills	Edge Telecom
3	Menzie Yere	OSI Ltd
4	John Coleman	Jim Hawksworth & Susan Atkin
5	Ashley Thackeray	Anne Collins
6	Brendon Lindsay	Pennine Business Forms
7	Aaron Groom	AMCO
8	Jack Howieson	Hanlon & Wright
9	Craig Cook	In Memory of Jack London
10	Mitch Stringer	OSI
11	Alex Szostak	Jack Smith
12	Ged Corcoran	Hanlon & Wright
13	Peter Green	Everlast Waterproofing
14	Kyle Kesik	
15	Sam Barlow	Redbrook Business Coaching
16	Trevor Exton	Airborne Eagles
17	Alex Rowe	Buckingham Insurance
18	Michael Haley	Premier Kia
19	Joe Hirst	Stewart & Liz ELFLet
20	Matty Brooks	Jayne Whaling
21	Dane McDonald	Bethany, Ian & Jackie Swain
22	Ryan Hepworth	Elaine, Simon & Stephen McGuire
23	Tangi Ropati	Albion Detection Systems
24	Misi Tualapapa	Modis International
25	Jason Mossop	
26	Tim Bergin	
27	Richie Barnett	Steve & Samantha Rendi
36	Eddie Battye	Jill Swire
37	Mark Renshaw-Smith	Insign Signage & Digital Imaging
38	Dan Hawksworth	Mr & Mrs Lee
	Andrew Henderson	

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Featherstone v Sheffield

Rovers bringing on a crop of young stars



Zak Hardaker, one of Featherstone's promising youngsters, touches down against Leigh earlier in the season.

I HAVE been delighted with how our club has developed both on and off the field over the past two seasons.

We now have eight players working in the local community delivering excellent programmes and Dave Downs works with young people with behavioural problems.

Our reserve team have done well to develop under the quality coaching provided by Danny Evans and Steve Armitage, being very competitive in their competition.

Featherstone has been an outstanding club over many years with regard to youth development and the progression of local talent through to 1st team level.

I met with rugby league officials this week to put forward an application for an under 18 academy for next season. We have to have this level of football available to our young players to give them the best chance of growing as players.

There are some key elements need-

ed to be put in place in order for us to be successful in our aims, but we are confident that we are in a position as a club to do this and follow in Widnes' footsteps in playing under 18s rugby against Super League teams.

Last week was a strong effort from our players. To go away to Cumbria and win handsomely takes some doing, even if Whitehaven are facing a difficult time.

I have always enjoyed going up to Whitehaven and have some good friends up there. This year has been a difficult one for the town for different reasons. I hope their rugby league team can regain its past glories in the near future.

I thought the way their fans conducted themselves after the game was outstanding and I wish their club all the best in the future.

Today promises to be a really tough encounter.

Sheffield have had a couple of weeks' break and will be fresh and

looking to drive their top six aspirations. This is the third time we have played them this season and we have never had an easy ride against them.

They are well coached and have a number of very talented players who we need to look after.

Having said that we are confident of playing well and are looking forward to the game.

I have been delighted with our backline recently.

The average age is around 20 and shows great promise for the future. In particular Sam Smeaton has been excellent and alongside Zak Hardaker shows just what our scholarship system can deliver.

We are approaching the sharp end of the rugby league season and really looking forward to it, I know you all are too - enjoy the game.

Daryl Powell
Head Coach

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Halifax RLFC v



Widnes Vikings

Thursday July 29, 2010. Kick off 7.30pm. THE SHAY

SPONSOR	PLAYER	No.
Fax Supporters Trust.....	Miles Greenwood	1
Windsor Yarns.....	Lee Paterson	2
Vision Express.....	Jon Goddard	3
Chadwick Lawrence.....	Shad Royston	4
Chadwick Lawrence.....	James Haley	5
Chadwick Lawrence.....	Luke Branighan	6
Harvey's Department Store.....	Ben Black	7
Also Wines.....	Makali Aizue	8
Riley & Co Accountants.....	Sean Penkywicz	9
AA Moving Solutions.....	Neil Cherryholme	10
Windsor Yarns.....	Dave Larder	11
Howard Posner.....	Stanley Gene	12
Complete Building Materials.....	Bob Beswick	13
David/Terry Kendall.....	Mark Gleeson	14
Steve Shurety - EMB Ltd.....	Mark Roberts	15
Liz Smith (Matthew Walker).....	Said Tamghart	16
Complete Building Materials.....	Frank Watene	17
The Kietly Family.....	Dylan Nash	18
Glenda Shaw.....	Dom Maloney	19
Glenda Shaw.....	Paul White	20
Calderdale Service Area.....	Anthony Bowman	21
Glenda Shaw.....	Dave Wrench	22
Griffin Sport & Work Wear.....	Rob Worrincy	23
Glenda Shaw.....	Stephen Bannister	24

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COACH: MATT CALLAND

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWLLWW
LAST SIX HOME: WWWLW
TRIES: Royston (22), Worrincy (19)
Branighan (12), Black (10)
GOALS: Paterson (110)
DROP GOALS: None
MAN TO WATCH: Rob Worrincy

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: M. Drizza
Touch: T. Crashley, A. Sweet
Reserve Referee: M. Kidd

THE INSIDE TRACK.

Halifax too strong for inconsistent Vikings today. Fax by 12

COACH: PAUL CULLEN

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLWWL
LAST SIX AWAY: WLWLW
TRIES: Thackeray (18), Grady (13), Gardner (10)
GOALS: Grady (97)
DROP GOALS: Coyle (1)
MAN TO WATCH: Shaun Ainscough



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Halifax RLFC v Widnes



The Fax defence 'nilled' Barrow during the first half of last week's win in Cumbria

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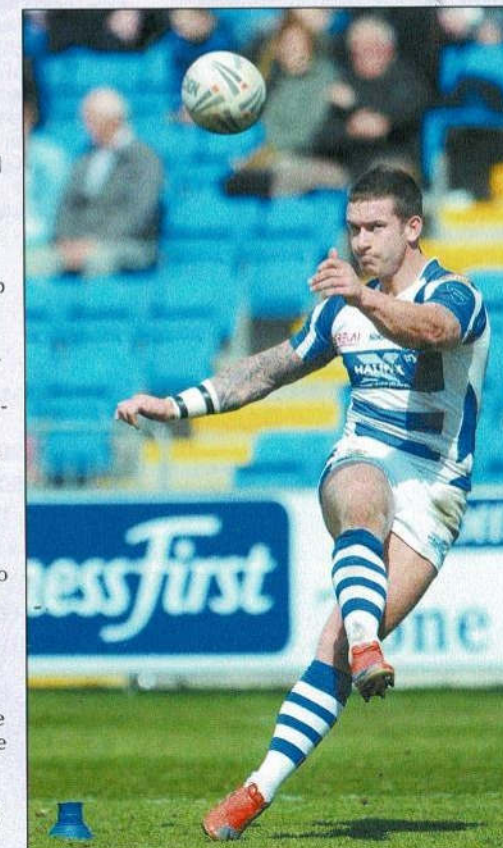
ANOTHER week, another Thursday in front of the Sky cameras.

In my last contribution to 'Game On', I commented that the season was far from over, and a succession of unexpected results have proved me right. After last week's brilliant first half and nervous second half at Barrow Raiders, 2nd place in the Co-operative Championship is within our grasp. But to take it we need victories all the way home, and that is not a certainty in this exciting season.

Apart from our own contribution to the league excitement, the club has enjoyed success in the Northern Rail Nines. As I said a year ago, in the context of the plate competition, if you would rather not be in a competition, that is no reason not to win it. Of course we envy, and congratulate, Batley, but the 9s has its own reward.

For a number of reasons I can't wait to see the Carnegie 9s on 25th August, in which we now represent the Co-operative Championship clubs.

I expect us to give a very good account of ourselves, and you never know... There isn't a Super League point at stake, but the bragging rights can't do any harm.



Lee Paterson heads the Championship goal-kick-list with 110 successful attempts

Our friends from Widnes have had a bad couple of weeks. They made a noble contribution to what was a magnificent Northern Rail Cup final, but I'm sure they expected to win, and to lose dramatically and late, was a shock. Now, with a visit to Barrow as a game in hand, they need every point they can generate to earn a place in the play-offs. They will not lack incentive to produce a victory.

In the first two seasons of Thursday night National League coverage, the biggest audience figures were for Halifax v Widnes games. I would not be surprised if this match produces a similar response from the armchair fans. My big regret is that on a Sunday the physical audience could have been much larger. But I do hope to welcome many Super League season ticket holders. I'm sure they will be impressed with their first sight of the completed East Stand, and we hope to welcome them back as paying customers, soon.

Meanwhile I thank them for their contribution to Overgate Hospice, which needs a staggering £5,000 a day to keep its marvellous work going.

Michael Steele
Chairman

Leigh Centurions v Dewsbury Rams



Sunday August 1, 2010. Kick off 3pm. LEIGH SPORTS VILLAGE

SPONSOR	PLAYER	No.
L.I.S.A.	Stuart Donlan	1
Corlett Electrical Engineers	Steve Maden	2
Prof & Mrs Dale	Dave Alstead	3
C&S Tyres UK Ltd.	Mick Nanyin	4
Hamilton Fabrications	Nicky Stanton	5
Ken Bates Associates	Tim Hartley	6
Corporate Club	Robbie Paul	7
Civil Solutions Ltd.	Chris Hill	8
Hattons Solicitors	John Duffy	9
Corporate Club	Ricky Bibey	10
Brick Design	James Taylor	11
TWS Removals	Macgraff Leuluai	12
Ask Platt Office Supplies	Dave Armitstead	13
Dr Doublet-Stewart	Tommy Goulden	14
Mr John Lawton	Dave McConnell	15
O' Neills Sportswear	Mike Morrison	16
Padken	Stephen Nash	17
Message Board	Adam Higson	18
Ask Platt Office Supplies	Danny Meekin	19
Prof & Mrs Dale	Ian Mort	20
Ask Platt Office Supplies	Jamie Durbin	21
Integrated Control Solutions	Martyn Ridyard	22
Wilmar Engineering Ltd.	Dale Cunliffe	23
SuperLeigh Lottery	Andy Ainscough	24

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COACH: IAN MILLWARD

LAST SIX RESULTS: LLWLLW
 LAST SIX HOME: WWWLLW
 TRIES: Nanyin (16), Donlan (12),
 Alstead, Ridyard (11)
 GOALS: Nanyin (95)
 DROP GOALS: None
 MAN TO WATCH: Stuart Donlan

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: R. Laughton
 Touch: S. Mikalauskas, K. Povah
 Reserve Referee: S. Kilpatrick

THE INSIDE TRACK

Rams in good nick, but Leigh have too much class. Home win by 8

COACH: WARREN JOWITT

LAST SIX RESULTS: LWWLLW
 LAST SIX AWAY: LLLLWL
 TRIES: Turner, Powell (9), Bostock
 (6), Brambani, Robinson (5)
 GOALS: Walker (37), Brambani (21)
 DROP GOALS: Brambani (1)
 MAN TO WATCH: Dominic Brambani

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Leigh v Dewsbury



Chris Hill had a big game for Leigh when they just won the Sky game at Dewsbury earlier in the season

Blackpool Panthers v London Skolars



Saturday July 31, 2010. Kick off 2pm. WOODLANDS MEMORIAL GROUND

SPONSOR	PLAYER	No.
Sue Walford.....	Jonny Leather	1
Derek Way Roofing.....	Damien Munro	2
TLC UPVC Double Glazing.....	Casey Mayberry	3
John Barlow - Timekeeper.....	Mark McCully	4
Norris & Oxley.....	Tom Woodcock	5
Blackpool Supporters Club.....	Carl Forber	6
The Colonial Hotel.....	Tom Hemingway	7
Brennan & Best Joinery & Const.....	Dave Best	8
Chorley Supporters.....	John Clough	9
Shelf Village Bakery.....	Andy Hobson	10
Interbake.....	Paul Alcock	12
John Chadwick Insurances.....	Lee Marsh	13
Morris's Quality Bakers.....	Martin Keavney	14
AGS Mortgage Solutions.....	Paul Anderson	15
Rema Tip Top.....	Simon Svabic	16
RR Yates Drafting & Design Services.....	Kris Ratcliffe	17
Recruitment Solutions.....	Martin Ainscough	18
John Chadwick Insurances.....	Adam Thomas	19
John Chadwick Insurances.....	Marlon Miller	20
RR Yates Drafting & Design Services.....	Peter Fairhurst	21
Paul & Lucy Breeze, Fyde Internet Radio.....	Dave Llewellyn	22
John Chadwick Insurances.....	John Boland	23
Blackpool Supporters Club.....	Paul Ballard	24

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COACH: MARTIN CROMPTON

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLWWWL

LAST SIX HOME: WWWWWL

TRIES: Munro (23), Mayberry (16),

Ainscough (15), Ballard (10)

GOALS: Hemingway (87)

DROP GOALS: Leather (1)

MAN TO WATCH: Paul O'Connor

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: G. Dolan

Touch: N. Aspey, S. Daniel

Reserve Referee: T. Owen

THE INSIDE TRACK

Improving Skolars face too big a task here.

Panthers by 20

No.	PLAYER	SPONSOR
1	Joshua Welsh	
2	Dave Arnot	
3	Matt Thomas.....	Fresh Fit UK Ltd
4	Jason Cook.....	Code XIII Sports Media
5	Austen Aggrey.....	Alan Greenwood
6	Jermaine Coleman	
7	Paul Thorman	
9	Gareth Honor.....	Lanes Coaches
10	Tony Williams	
11	Oliver Purslow.....	Canavan Builders
12	Matthew Carter	
13	Stephen Ball	
14	Luke May.....	Code XIII Sports Media
16	Oliver Bloom	
17	Chad Isles.....	One Personal Training
18	James Simon	
19	Liam Prescott	
20	David Williams.....	Woodlands PH
21	Jamie O'Callaghan	
22	Curtis Cunningham.....	Canavan Builders
23	Olu Iwenofu	
24	Lamont Bryan.....	Stag Sports
25	Smokie Junior.....	Optimal Life Fitness
26	Jamie Boston	
27	Aran Quinn	
28	Ben Jones.....	Woodlands PH
30	Ade Adebisi.....	Ann & Steven Morgan
	Jaroslav Obuchowski	
	John Paxton	
	Michael Sykes	
	Neil Thorman	
	Sam Gee	
	Kris Hodson	

COACH: JAMES MASSARA

LAST SIX RESULTS: LLLWLL

LAST SIX AWAY: LLLLLL

TRIES: Adebisi (11), Thomas (6)

GOALS: Thorman (42)

DROP GOALS: None

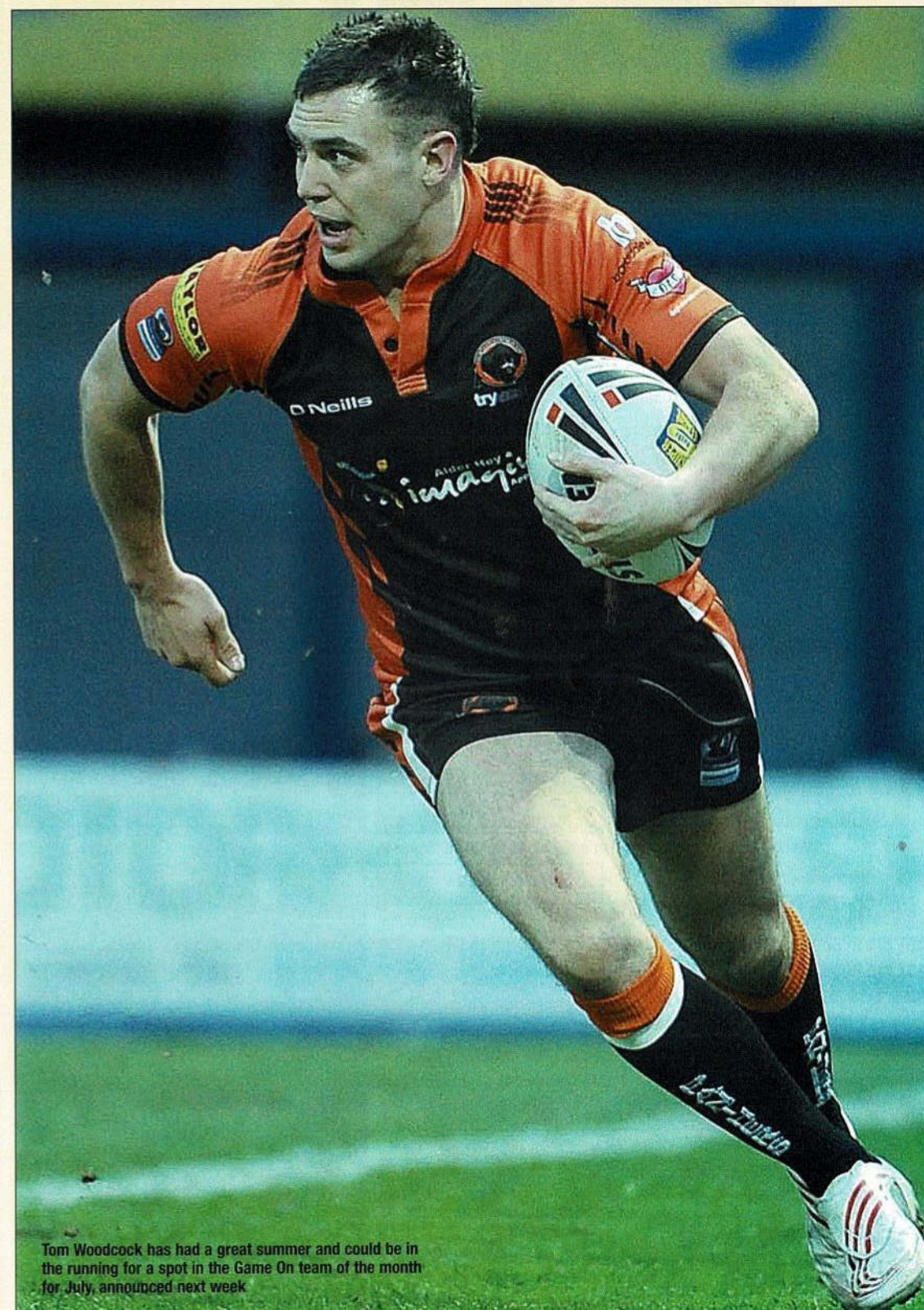
MAN TO WATCH: Ade Adebisi

**Northern Rail 9s
Winners
2009**



CLUBCALL

Blackpool v Skolars



Tom Woodcock has had a great summer and could be in the running for a spot in the Game On team of the month for July, announced next week



Doncaster RLFC v Gateshead Thunder

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SPONSOR	PLAYER	No.
G.P. Transport	Tommy Griffiths	1
	Aaron Henry	2
Sue Walford	Lee Gomersall	3
Dons Supporters Club	Shaun Leaf	4
	Ben Collins	5
Fullex Security	Simon Brown	6
	Craig Fawcett	7
	Scott Johnson	8
	Paul Brown	9
P. Bird, France	David Bates	10
	Liam Brown	11
A.Y. Logistics Ltd	Ryan Steen	12
	Grant Edwards	13
	Jake Bassinder	14
	Danny Stanley	15
	Paul Shaw	16
	Jarryn Osborne	17
	Garry Ellery	19
	Jack Ely	20
	Scott Howlett	21
	Scott Wilson	22
	Jamie Bovill	24
	Chris Spurr	25
	Gary King	26
	Matthew Carbutt	27
	Paul Hughes	28
	Liam Crawley	29
	Dean Colton	30
	Mick Butterfield	31
	Kyle Kesik	32
	Scott Watson	33
	Rob Lunt	34

COACH: TONY MILLER

LAST SIX RESULTS: LLWLLW

LAST SIX HOME: LLWLWL

TRIES: Leaf (9), Ely (8), Griffiths (7), Gomersall (6)

GOALS: S Brown (38)

DROP GOALS: None

MAN TO WATCH: Shaun Leaf

No.	TODAY'S TEAM	No.
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	Left Wing	
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	Scrum half	
	Prop	
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SCORERS

TRIES

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Pens

DGs

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: C. Leatherbarrow
Touch: A. Fossett, D. Tindall
Reserve Referee: R. Lowery

THE INSIDE TRACK

Dons can add to their points tally here.
Home side by 14.

No.	PLAYER	SPONSOR
1	Kevin Neighbour	Querido & Davidson Opticians
2	Robin Peers	Lome Campbell/More Than Mortgages
3	Tom Wilson	Dean Taxis
4	Michael Brown	The Schooner
5	Joe Brown	O'Briens (Team Valley)
6	Liam Duffy	Rob Gardener (Matthew Wells)
7	Rod Attard	The Schooner
8	Jason Payne	Brack Office Solutions
9	Ryan Clarke	The Wheatsheaf
10	Tabua Cakacaka Foe	Rob Gardener (James Wells)
11	Johnny Scott	Neil & Christine Hutchinson
12	Rhys Clarke	CLA Risk Solutions
13	Matt Barron	Accent Magazine/North East Times
14	Will Bate	GMC Transport
15	Dan O'Sullivan	Sampson Hall Ltd
16	Mark Dack	Monitor Coatings
17	Chris Parker	John Bloomfield IFA
18	Stephen Welton	Peters Pies
19	Crawford Matthews	La Gabbia Restaurant
20	Phil Wall	ERW Joinery
21	James Hall	Gateshead Fit for a City
22	Rob Harvey	Gateshead College
23	Karl Brandt	Hilton Newcastle Gateshead
24	Mark Walker	IT Guide
25	Gareth Barron	Back Group
26	David Cash	St Wilfrid's School
27	Luke Watson	Go Beyond Training/Peterlee Pumas
28	Jason Elliott	NHS
29	Jimmy Atkinson	North-East Rugby League
30	Richie Humphries	Jordan Engineering
31	Matt Garside	Evening Chronicle Sunshine Fund
32	Ade Aderiye	Newcastle Gateshead Initiative
33	Josh Stoker	NESLC

COACH: CHRIS HOOD

LAST SIX RESULTS: LLLLLL

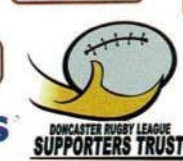
LAST SIX AWAY: LLLLLL

TRIES: Wilson (7), Neighbour (5)

GOALS: Neighbour (10), Clarke (9)

DROP GOALS: None

MAN TO WATCH: Tom Wilson



CLUBCALL

Doncaster v Gateshead

This is a must-win game for the Dons

**Carl Hall,
Chief Executive Officer**

I WOULD like to welcome Rod Findlay, Chris Hood and their Gateshead team to the Keepmoat for what should be a real entertaining game.

The last time we met it was very close. Gateshead came back at us in the second half like an express train and nearly pinned it in the end.

Gateshead are a bit like ourselves in only paying their players match terms. They are trying real hard to get it right up in Gateshead and I applaud them for this and wish them every success in the future.

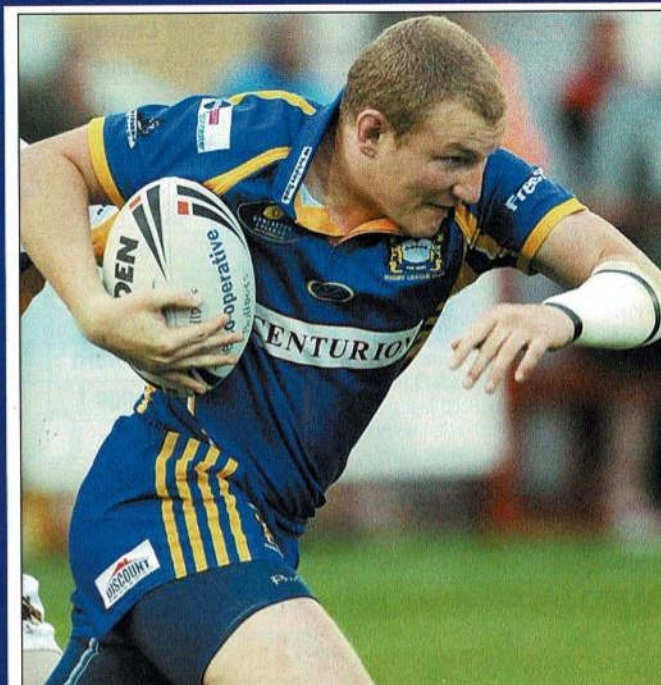
I would also like to welcome all my Kiwi brothers here today and thank Marty Moana and Arnie Hemi in particular for sorting the Kiwi Masters v GB Masters and a few ex-Doncaster players to play a curtain-raiser before our game.

The Kiwi team will have ex-Dons legend Vila Matautia in their side so welcome home. I'm sure you will get your usual reception, and I would like to also thank the community department and Robbie Paul for organising and teaching the 50 or so kids that are here to do the Haka with the Kiwi team and to perform it to the crowd before the main game.

But today's game is all about one man, ex-player and legend big Kevin Parkhouse who we lost a few years back. All the Parkhouse clan will be in attendance today so a big welcome to you all. You know you're always welcome. Just a bit about the man himself - from my point of view I had great pleasure in playing in the same team as Kev. When Kev was in the team you always felt protected even though he was a gentle giant and always played with a smile on his face.

I used to give the opposition some right verbals and if they started I would always run behind Kev who would just grin at them with his missing tooth and that would be the end of that dispute. God Bless you Kevin.

Enjoy the game and look out for something real special we are doing for our last game. Come On U Dons!



Above: Shaun Leaf put in a top performance at London Skolars.

A warm welcome to Gateshead Thunder for today's must-win encounter

Gateshead are having a difficult time at the moment and I can sympathise with them. Their coach Chris Hood is a good bloke who is 100% committed to Gateshead

We need to win our remaining three games to give us a chance of getting in the play-offs, but our focus for today is Gateshead.

Against London I thought our first-half performance was the best defensively we have been all year. We should have won more convincingly but we made too many individual errors in the second half and kept inviting them back into the game.

Having said that it is a different

London side from a few weeks ago and they kept coming for the full 80 minutes so full credit to them. There were some excellent performances against London: Aaron Dobek, Dean Colton, Scott Watson, Ben Jones and Shaun Leaf all had big games and I thought Craig Fawcett controlled the game well.

We are on with retaining some familiar, and bringing in a few new, faces for next year. By the next home match we will be able to let you know more information. This will be the first time in a long while that we have been able to do this and will give us an advantage on previous years.

**Tony Miller
Head Coach**



Oldham RLFC v South Wales Scorpions



Sunday August 1, 2010. Kick off 3pm. WHITEBANK STADIUM

SPONSOR	PLAYER	No.
Mack Video Services.....	Paul O'Connor	1
Rob the Gardener.....	Lucas Onyango	2
Jack Fogerty & Family.....	Mick Fogerty	4
Nigel Marland.....	John Gillam	5
Xpress Solutions.....	Neil Roden	6
Peter & Maureen Woodhead.....	Matty Ashe	7
Clayton Green Brewers Fayre.....	Jason Boults	8
Cagney & Lacey.....	Martin Roden	9
ikreative.....	Dave Ellison	10
John & Lynda McAndrew.....	Kashley Watkins	12
Mick Harrop.....	Joe Chandler	13
Sue & Spanish Roughyeds.....	Craig Robinson	15
Mark Bates & Sons.....	Wayne Kerr	16
AMP Wire.....	Danny Whitmore	17
Paul Whalley & Kyle Cook.....	Chris Clarke	18
Willscraft.....	Ben Heaton	19
John Barrett.....	Mark Brocklehurst	20
Whittles Pub.....	Valu Bentley	21
Pizza Hut, Oldham.....	Paul Reilly	22
Sharpflex.....	Ben Mellor	23
Levers Fish & Chip Restaurant.....	Marcus St Hilaire	24
Oldham RLFC Players Association.....	Scott Mansfield	25
Oldham RLFC Players Association.....	Ian Hodson	26
Howarth Flooring Contractors.....	Jamie l'Anson	27
Oldham RLFC Players Association.....	Luke Sutton	28
AMP Wire.....	Goal Kicker	
	Gregg McNally	

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MATCH BALL SPONSOR:

DOUGHTY'S GYM (SHAW)

COACH: TONY BENSON

Sponsor: G&G Carpets and Bed Centre

LAST SIX RESULTS: LWWWWW

LAST SIX HOME: WLWLWW

TRIES: Fogerty (18), O'Connor (17), Onyango (16), Gillam (10)

GOALS: Ashe (60), McNally (27)

DROP GOALS: None

MAN TO WATCH: Paul O'Connor

No.	TODAY'S TEAM	No.
	Full back	
	Right Wing	
	Right Centre	
	Left Centre	
	Left Wing	
	Stand off	
	Scrum half	
	Prop	
	Hooker	
	Prop	
	2nd row	
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	Loose forward	
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SCORERS

Tries

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Pens

DGs

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: C. Halloran

Touch: M. Laing, G. Hodgson

Reserve Referee: T. Mahar

THE INSIDE TRACK

Oldham going strong and Scorpions having a wobble. Home side by a dozen

No.	PLAYER	No.
1	Craig Richards	
2	David James	
3	Lee Williams	
5	Ashley Bateman	
6	Loz Wildbore	
7	Steve Parry	
8	Lewis Mills	
9	Joe McLocklan	
10	Gil Dudson	
11	Christian Roets	
12	Neil Dallimore	
13	Aled James	
14	Jamie Murphy	
15	Andrew Gay	
16	Joe Burke	
17	Barrie Phillips	
18	Matt Hutchings	
19	Lewis Reece	
20	Geraint Davies	
21	Sam Studley	
22	Curtis Cunningham	
23	Alan Pope	
27	Dalton Grant	
29	Harri Greville	
31	Elliot Kear	
33	Lloyd White	
34	Ben Flower	
	Casey Bromilow	
	Jamie Thackray (on loan)	

COACH: ANTHONY SEIBOLD

LAST SIX RESULTS: LWLLWL

LAST SIX AWAY: LWLILL

TRIES: Parry (16), Roets (6), Richards, Williams, Gay, Dudson (5)

GOALS: White (33), Wildbore (22)

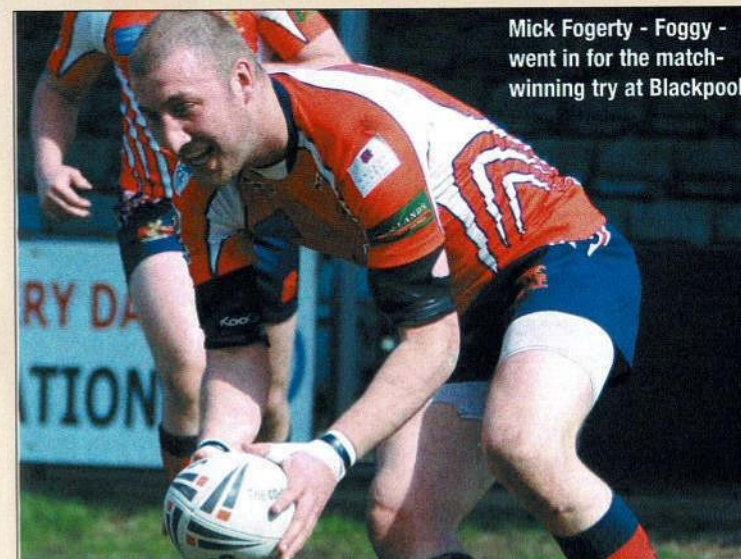
DROP GOALS:

MAN TO WATCH: Steve Parry



CLUBCALL

Oldham v Scorpions



Mick Fogerty - Foggy - went in for the match-winning try at Blackpool

Victory with 2 seconds to go!

Chris Hamilton Chief Executive

WHAT an ending to last week's big clash at Blackpool!

Sat near the timekeepers there was literally two seconds to go when Foggy touched down for the winning try and what a finish to a game that lived up to its billing with a bit of everything in there!

As Tony Benson stated, it would have been very rough justice if we had not won that game but we came very close to not doing so and no doubt after the euphoria of Sunday Tony will have had the lads working hard on certain aspects of our game this week.

One thing we know here at Whitebank is that the fans will get right behind the team and that was again in evidence as our supporters travelled in large numbers last week to make the Blackpool game like a home game and the support the team got was absolutely fantastic throughout the match. The scenes at the end of it certainly made the hairs on the back of your neck stand up.

We realise there is still an awful long way to go this season and that as a team and a club we have to keep working hard and staying focused but no one can take away the achievements this group of play-

ers have already registered.

South Wales provide the opposition today and despite only having a limited amount of time to get ready for this season they have acquitted themselves well and have certainly laid down a platform to build on.

They have some dangerous players and will provide a threat this afternoon.

It can't be easy trying to build and establish a club in what is not in a heart-land of the game and everybody connected with them is to be applauded for their efforts so far which have seen them gain some superb results.

Another marker that we are heading into the business end of the season is the increased competition between the players for the 17 shirts on a Sunday as nobody wants to miss out on any matches. That is a good thing not only for the squad but also for the coach as it increases the focus of everybody at training and obviously increases the rivalry for places.

We feel we have come a long way as a club in the last eight months and the momentum we have at the minute is great with a real 'feel good' factor about the place and we want to keep that going.

Nobody knows more than us that things can go wrong and that's another incentive for us to work even harder between now and the end of the season and let's see where that takes us.

Fantastic day at the seaside...

ANOTHER week on and another hard-fought win for the Roughyeds.

Although it was only one game and there is still plenty of the season to go we celebrated over the win against Blackpool last week-end for a number of reasons.

There was a certain amount of relief after an intense build-up over the week because although it was the final game in our block of goals the Blackpool game had a huge significance for the possible outcomes for our season.

We also knew that although we had beaten a quality side we are still well off our best game and we are prepared to continue to work hard for improvements.

For players who have never played in a final that game was about as close as it gets with high intensity rugby in front of a large and vocal Oldham support.

To everybody who took the trouble to get up there and get behind us with so much enthusiasm, thanks so much for making Sunday July 25 a very special day.

We now face our last block of four games for the regular season, each one of them a huge challenge but a challenge we have been training for since November, and as a group we are enjoying the cut and thrust of the week-in-week-out excitement and pressure that comes from sitting towards the top of the table.

It's a constant source of satisfaction to the boys who were thrown together very late in the scheme and given no chance of a play-off spot.

Finally may I offer a warm welcome to our friends from Wales. I'm sure Anthony and the Scorpions will be travelling up here with a simple goal after a defeat at Spotland last weekend setting up what I believe will be a fantastic encounter.

**Tony Benson
Head Coach**



Swinton Lions v York City Knights



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SPONSOR	PLAYER	No.
Heatland M27	Richie Hawkyard	1
Brian Ellam Accountants	Darren Bamford	2
Premier Building Services	Sam Reay	3
Dave Roberts	Carl Sneyd	4
Mike Tyldesley	Dave Hull	5
In Memory of Jim and Doris Gettins	Jan Watson	7
Burrow and Humphreys	Paul Southern	8
Sporting Image/Michael Bradshaw	Phil Joseph	9
O'Rourke Glass/Kevin O'Rourke	Danny Heaton	10
Lethbridge & Co	Tommy Grundy	11
Phil Walker (in Memory of Peter Walker)	Paul Smith	12
Geoff Hewitt USA	Arron Smith	13
Accrington Panthers RLFC	Gary Hulse	14
Joseph Ryan	Lee Wingfield	15
Carousel Entertainment	Dana Wilson	16
Lethbridge & Co	Andy Isherwood	17
Premier Building Drainage Division	Bruce Johnson	18
Chris & Viv Tyldesley	Neil Rigby	19
Junior Lions	Chris Hull	20
Physio2	Chris Tyrer	21
John Spellman	Alex McClurg	22
Billy Ryan	Rob Foxen	23
Moorside Auto/John Hunt	Gavin Dodd	24
Redsentinel Studio LLP	Barry Hamilton	25
Peter Kidd	Dave Newton	26
Ray Bowdler	Tony Stewart	27
	Ian Sinfield	28
	Wayne Corcoran	
	Neil Cherryholme	

COACH: PAUL KIDD

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWDLLL
LAST SIX HOME: WLWDL
TRIES: Foxen (13), Joseph (10),
Wilson, Dodd (7)
GOALS: Dodd (46)
DROP GOALS: Holroyd (1)
MAN TO WATCH: Phil Joseph

No.	TODAY'S TEAM	No.
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	Left Centre	
	Left Wing	
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	Scrum half	
	Prop	
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SCORERS

Tries

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DGs

COACH: DAVE WOODS

LAST SIX RESULTS: LWWWLW
LAST SIX AWAY: WLWWL
TRIES: Waterman (22), Ratcliffe
(12), Lineham (9)
GOALS: Waterman (88)
DROP GOALS: None
MAN TO WATCH: Jack Lee

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: D. Merrick
Touch: J. Darbyshire, S. Matthews
Reserve Referee: J. Callaghan

THE INSIDE TRACK

A close one in prospect. Lions to defend
their den by 4.

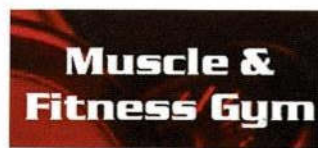


We're with the Lions

Brian Ellam & Co
Accountants



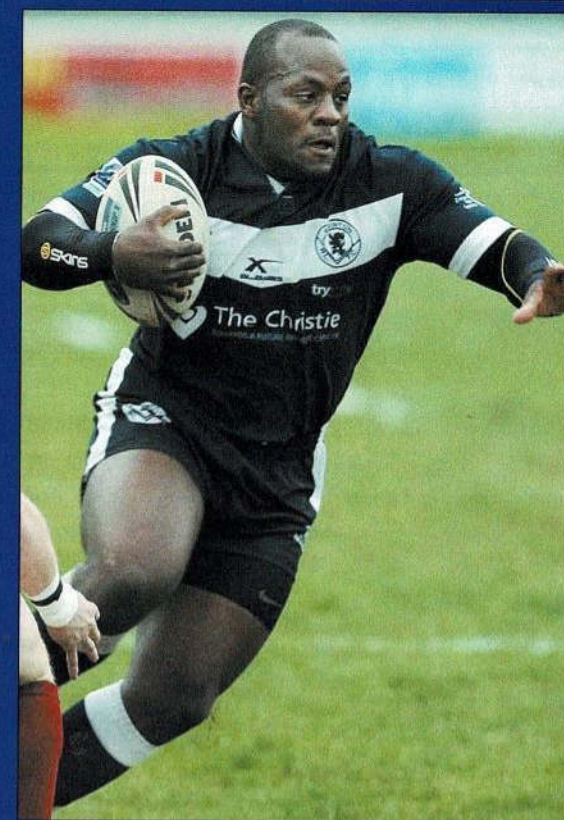
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TOWARDS A FUTURE WITHOUT CANCER



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Swinton v York

The Nines gave our players a morale boost ahead of York visit



Phil Joseph has been in outstanding form in the summer

GOOD afternoon and welcome to Park Lane for this afternoon's game with the York City Knights.

It seems like a long time ago since we played a home game with us being on the road at Oldham then the Blackpool Nines and of course a blank weekend last week.

In the Oldham away fixture we produced a very satisfying performance but unfortunately not the result we were looking for. However that performance has given the players plenty of much needed confidence to take with us into the remaining four League games.

The Blackpool Nines was also a fantastic confidence and morale boost for everybody there. Speaking with a few of our supporters who made the trip to the Nines also indicated to me that they all enjoyed the day.

Now it is back to the real business with a massive three points at stake with our play-off rivals.

York have had a great season and look in a good position to push for a home spot in the play-offs. However, we are in a different position looking to cement a place actually in the play-offs.

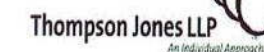
Judging by our game earlier in the season with the Knights you all could be in for a great afternoon's entertainment.

Finally we would like to thank our sponsors Salford City Council, Burrow Humphries Insurance, The Supporters Trust and Premier Building.

Once again this season our pre-match restaurant will be very busy and don't forget after the game we have a Corporate Race Day commencing at approximately 5pm. Feel free to join us!!!

Paul Kidd
Head Coach

Salford City Council



Workington Town v

Hornets RLFC



Sunday August 1, 2010. Kick off 3pm. DERWENT PARK

PLAYER	No.
John Lebbon	1
Mike Backhouse	2
Andrew Beattie	3
James Finch	4
Brett Carter	5
Liam Finch	6
Scott Kaighan	7
Lee Dutton	8
Jack Pedley	9
Kris Coward	10
Mike Whitehead	11
Jarrad Stack	12
Darren King	13
Jamie Marshall	14
Aaron Low	15
Scott Burgess	16
Neil Frazer	17
Martin Wilson	18
Joe McKenna	19
James Robinson	20
Paddy Coupar	21
Ryan Campbell	22
Phil Hewitt	23
Dean Bragg	24
Stewart Rhodes	25
Darren Holt	
Ryan McDonald	

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COACHES: GARY CHARLTON & MARTIN OGLANBY

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLLDWL
LAST SIX HOME: WLLWLW
TRIES: Kaighan (12), Low (10), Stack, Marshall (9)
GOALS: Kaighan (47), Holt (27)
DROP GOALS: None
MAN TO WATCH: Scott Kaighan

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee:

Touch:

Reserve Referee:

THE INSIDE TRACK

A cracker on the cards with two competitive sides. Town to prevail but only just - by 4

No.	PLAYER	SPONSOR
1	Craig Johnson	Aztek Safety
2	Andy Saywell	The Three B's
3	Dean Gorton	Lion Springs
4	Adam Bowman	Waldorf Business Services
5	Bolu Fagborun	SG Mortgage Solutions
6	Dale Bloomfield	Brian & Irene Edwards
7	Steven Roper	Dave & Sue Butterworth
8	Gareth Hayes	Mr & Mrs Jordan
9	Phil Wood	The Loyalists
10	Paul Raftery	Steve Goodall
11	Mark Hobson	Grant & Dougie McEndoo
12	Danny Smith	
13	Craig Ashall	Heywood Magic Market
14	Liam Bostock	
15	Dayne Donoghue	Shaw Mitchell & Co Accountants
16	Danny Samuel	Stephen Holt
17	Michael Ostick	
18	John Cookson	
19	Ryan McPaul	
20	Semisi Cocker	
21	Jay Duffy	
22	Damien Reid	
23	Wayne Corcoran	
24	Paul Crook	
25	Andy Hore	
26	Andy Taylor	
27	Craig Tunstead	
28	Chris Hough	
29	Ryan Powell	
30	Dean Hatton	
31	Adam Wayne	
32	Wayne English	John & Julie Clarke
	Liam McGovern	

COACH: JOHN STANKEVICH

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWLLLW
LAST SIX AWAY: LWLLL
TRIES: English (13), Johnson, Gorton (10), Samuel, Saywell (8)
GOALS: Crook (43)
DROP GOALS: Crook (2)
MAN TO WATCH: Damien Reid

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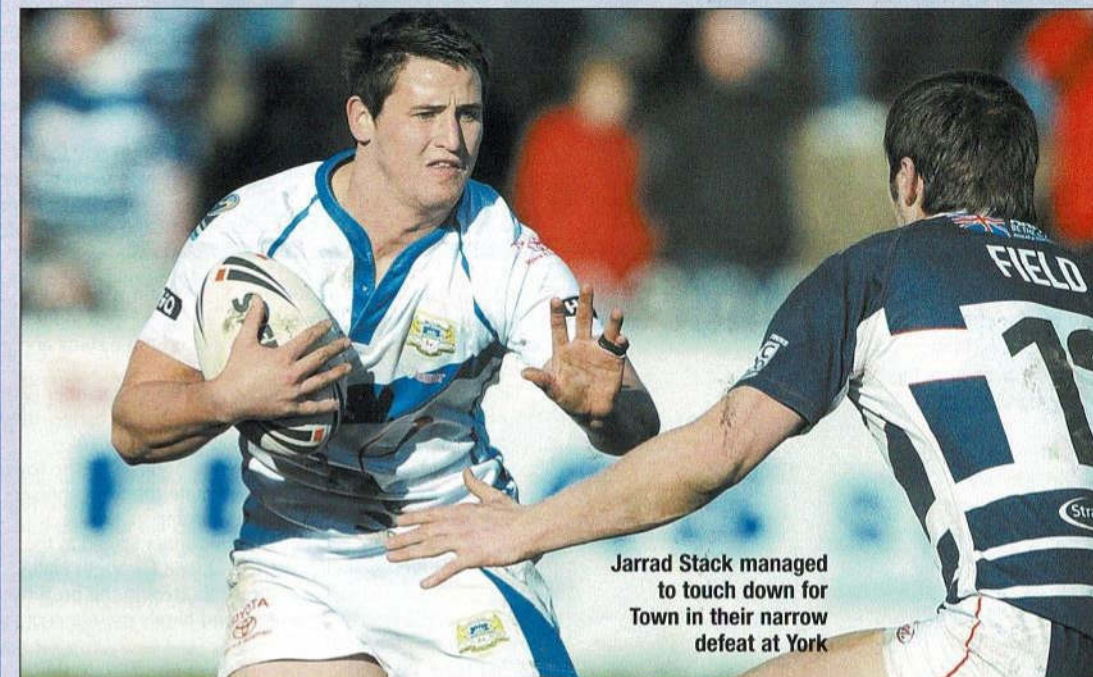
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Workington v Hornets RL

Can Town claim that fourth place?



Jarrad Stack managed to touch down for Town in their narrow defeat at York

WE WISH a warm welcome to the Hornets for another important fixture in determining the play-off positions.

We were all frustrated following last week's narrow defeat away at York.

To have led most of the game and then lose out to a try in the closing minutes was extremely disappointing.

Nevertheless it was a fine display, especially in defence, and should give the squad great heart, and help us build momentum, as we entertain one of our play-off rivals this afternoon.

A look at the Co-operative Championship league table shows just how tight the table is.

Even at this stage, with four games left, a fourth place is still achievable if we can put a decent run together and avoid major injury problems.

Dave Bowden Chairman

Alternatively a poor run of results could put us out of the reckoning altogether.

Therefore I think we can all look forward to exciting games with a "cup tie atmosphere" all the way in now - I'm sure today will be no exception.

On another note everyone at the club was delighted to hear that Craig "Butch" Barker was awarded the title of National Coach of the Year, for his work with the Championship winning West Cumbria U18s.

Craig is steadily honing his coaching skills across a wide variety of levels and his contribution to our club is very much appreciated. Well done Craig!

Good 'd' effort

Hi AND welcome to Derwent Park for this Championship 1 match against Rochdale Hornets.

Last week's performance at York was one of the best defensive stints that we have put together all year but we still came away losing because of the inability to put the game to bed. We never took our chances when they arose and let York back into the game with errors and penalties.

We need to cut them out of our game today or Rochdale will punish us like York did.

Rochdale are well drilled and will be a hard team to beat, they have a good work ethic and play for each other but I'm sure if our lads put their best foot forward we could grab that win that we need to keep us in the race for a play-off place.

Enjoy the game,
Gary Charlton, Coach

THE RISE AND RISE OF RUGBY LEAGUE RETRO SHIRTS

Focus on SUPPORTERS DIRECT,
the organisation bringing a new
perspective to running clubs

One question I'm often asked by the supporters trusts I work with in rugby league, is how best to raise money for the trust.

It's a difficult question, especially in the economic climate the country has recently faced so being able to come up with innovative ideas is key to ensuring the trust has the resources available to fulfil its aims.

In recent years, Rugby Oldham has come up with a fantastic idea that both raises funds and celebrates their club's great history. I chatted to Geoff Cooke and Ian Wilson, both board members at the trust, to find out more.



LAURA HARRISON

How long have you been a supporters trust for? What are your aims?

Rugby Oldham formed in May 2005, in response to the demise of the old Watersheddings ground. The club had to play matches outside of Oldham due to difficulties with Oldham Athletic and we wanted to secure a new dedicated RL ground within Oldham that could also be used by the entire community.

More recently, following advancements in the club's circumstances, we've altered our focus and dedicated much of our resource to supporting all rugby league within our area from the junior and amateur game right up to the professional level.

What made you decide to produce a retro shirt?

In conjunction with Oldham Rugby League Heritage Trust, we identified a gap in the market for RL memorabilia in the

lead up to Christmas and felt that a retro shirt which celebrated the club's fine history could be a great idea to fill the gap. In the last four years we've produced three shirts and a polo shirt.

First came a shirt in black and amber hoops together with the original Oldham Football Club 19th century badge, these being the original colours of the club founded in 1876.

Next came the classic red and white hoops with the town coat of arms and embroidery to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Oldham winning the Championship in 1957.

This tied in with a gala celebration dinner staged at the town's most prestigious venue, the Queen Elizabeth Hall, which was attended by over 400 supporters in the presence of surviving members of the team and family members of those who had passed away.

The following year saw the launch of an all white shirt with the town coat of arms and the dedication "Lancashire Cup Winners 1957-1958-1959", recognising the club's triple feat in each of these games.

Finally, last Christmas saw the release of a polo shirt in the club's traditional red, white or blue. The polo shirt carried a new badge which was a copy of the programme cover badge from the 50s and 60s with the legend "Oldham Football Club".

How successful has it been? Is it something you would recommend to other trusts?

All of the items we've produced have been very well received and popular amongst our members and the wider rugby league public of Oldham.

They've helped to raise the profile of the supporters trust and earned valuable publicity for us as well as raising much needed funds.

There's definitely a big market out there for nostalgia and retro goods and it's certainly something we'd recommend to others.

Going back to being a supporters' trust, how do you feel it makes you stronger than if you were a supporters club?

The main benefit is the strength in numbers we gain from being part of the membership of the much larger Supporters

Direct organisation.

We're also aided by the fact that we're a properly constituted legal trust so we can't just disappear and there are a clear set of rules we have to follow.

What support have you received from outside organisations like Supporters Direct?

Supporters Direct is a terrific resource as it is a national organisation to fall back on for ideas, advice and support.

It is also a campaigning group with the ability to create pressure at the top level of football and rugby administration and also at government level.

Would you recommend this route to other supporters who might be worried about the future of their own club?

There's no doubt that the current business model of Directors who fund the running of clubs cannot be sustained.

Too much instability is created when anyone pulls the plug on their contributions and this has been demonstrated on several occasions already in rugby league.

At the end of the day there is only one constant in the game and that is the fans.

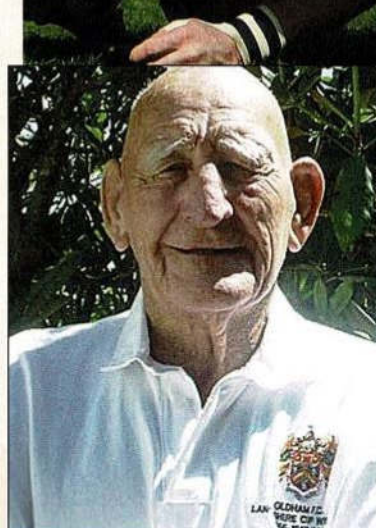
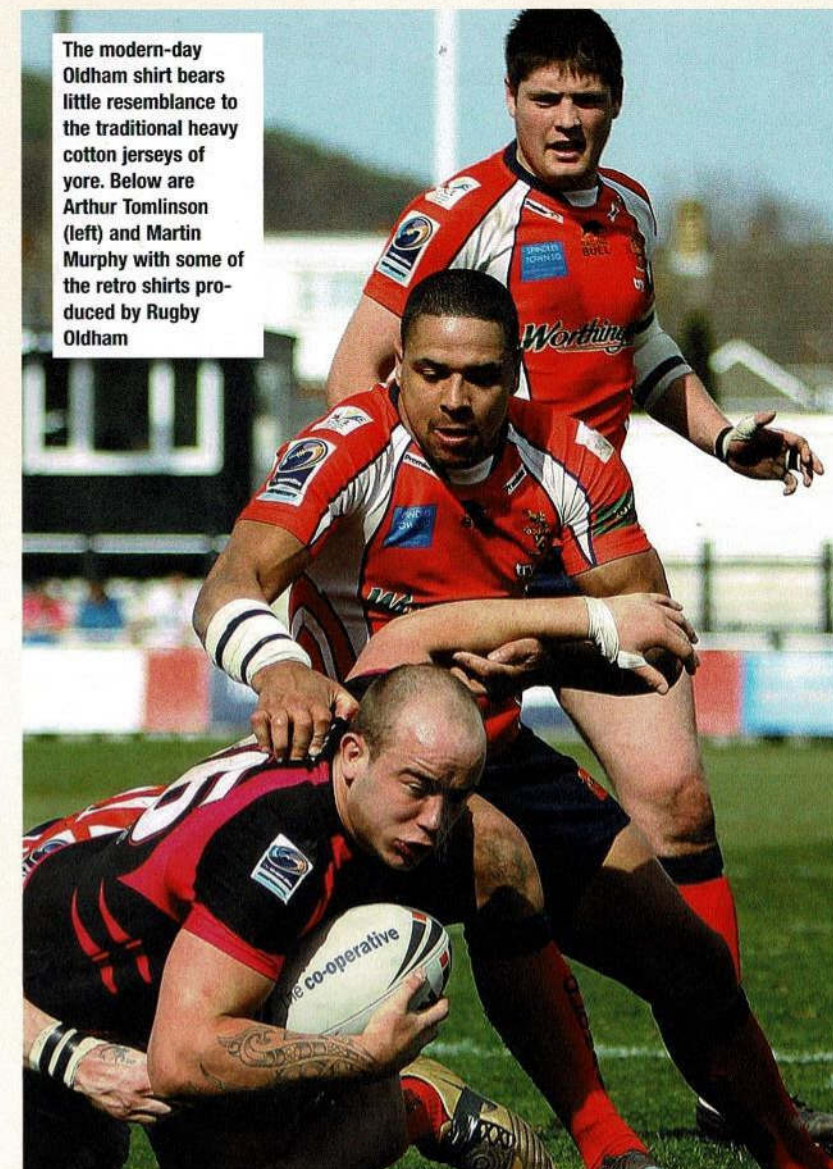
In the long-term fans have to take responsibility for their club by at the very least gaining a stake and influencing the running of the club through a transparent and democratic organisation like a supporters trust.

The German Football League has rules that all clubs must be at least 51% owned by fans and they have one of the strongest leagues in the world so if it can work there, it surely must be worth looking at in rugby league.

Thanks to Geoff and Ian for their time. If you'd like to know more about Rugby Oldham, you can visit their website at www.rugbyoldham.org. Alternatively you can visit the Supporters Direct website at www.supporters-direct.org

LAURA

The modern-day Oldham shirt bears little resemblance to the traditional heavy cotton jerseys of yore. Below are Arthur Tomlinson (left) and Martin Murphy with some of the retro shirts produced by Rugby Oldham





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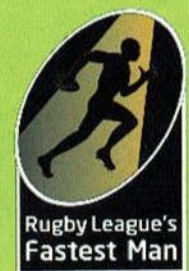
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The 'fat lady' getting read to sing for Fev

FEATHERSTONE Rovers are edging closer to the Co-operative Championship Minor Premiership prize after a comprehensive win at Whitehaven.

Daryl Powell's team went ahead from their first attack with Zak Hardaker claiming the try. There was no let-up with the Rovers going on to cross the Haven line nine more times in the 48-0 victory.

Rovers face Sheffield Eagles on Sunday - see the interview with Daryl Powell on page 4/5 today.

For Whitehaven the drop into Championship 1 looms - quite a turnaround for a club that finished last season in fifth place.

Halifax are the only side that can mathematically catch



Rovers and they kept in the hunt with a 42-34 win at Barrow Raiders. The game was live on Sky Sports and the TV chiefs might have thought they had made the wrong choice as Fax dominated the first 40 minutes to take a 24-0 lead.

Raiders made it a thriller after the restart as they came back to narrow the margin to 34-36 before a try from winger Rob Worrincy, a minute from time, sealed the three points. The game produced 13 tries, scored by 13 different players.

With the play-offs on the horizon it's not a bad time to start finding your form. Leigh Centurions can't now overtake Featherstone but after a mid-season dip in form have come back well and held on to second spot with a 38-18 win at Widnes Vikings.

The Vikings managed to pull the score back to 18-18 at one point but Leigh were in dominant form with full back Stuart Donlan scoring two tries.

It's worrying times for Widnes Vikings fans as their team struggles to turn the games they had in hand over their play-

COMING UP...

FEATHERSTONE Rovers coach Daryl Powell is sure to be an interested watcher of the Thursday night live Sky Sports game.

The Championship Minor Premiership title will be Featherstone's if Halifax fail to beat Widnes Vikings at the new Shay.

With the Vikings seeking to revive their faltering hopes of a top-six finish it looks like a cracker.

A win for Halifax will add an extra twist to the clash with old team-mate Mark Aston's Sheffield Eagles at the Bigfella's Stadium three days later.

Rovers can set the celebrations going with a win or draw but Sheffield desperately need the three points as they chase a play-off place.

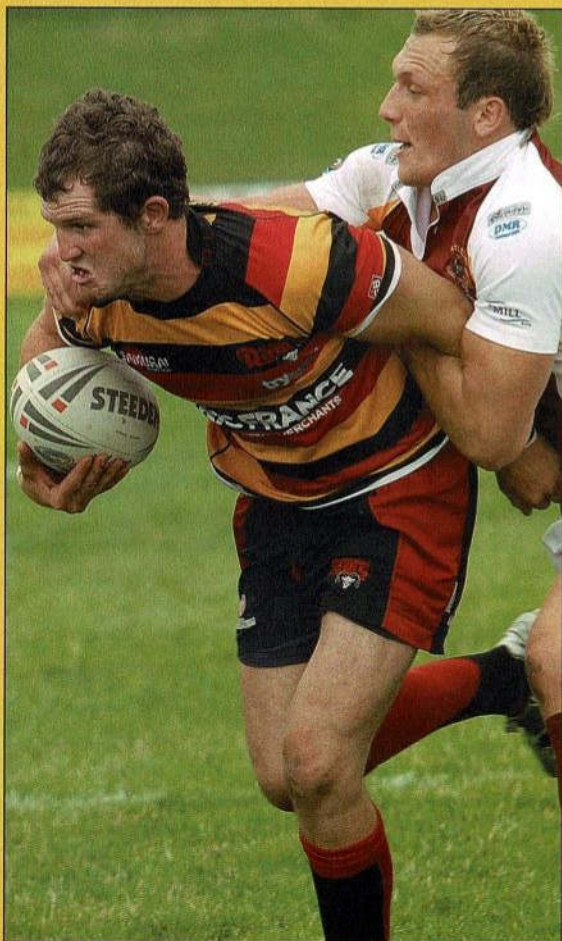
Barrow Raiders will seek to bounce back with a win over Toulouse Olympique on Saturday evening.

Resurgent Dewsbury Rams make the trip to in-form Leigh Centurions and Batley Bulldogs can boost their play-off hopes when they entertain Keighley Cougars.

In Championship 1 leaders Hunslet Hawks have a weekend off giving second-placed Oldham the chance of drawing level on points.

Oldham are at home to South Wales Scorpions whose play-off hopes are under pressure. Swinton Lions could move above the Scorpions if they win at home over York City Knights.

Workington Town face a tough home clash with buoyant Rochdale Hornets and Doncaster will seek to keep their play-off hopes alive when they entertain Gateshead Thunder.



James Lockwood was in-form for the Rams against Batley

off rivals into points.

The failure to get a bonus point means the Vikings lost sixth place to Toulouse Olympique. The French side got the one-point consolation as they were edged out 27-26 on their visit to Keighley Cougars.

A Danny Jones field goal gave bottom club Cougars the win, but with the handicap of a nine-point deduction for going into administration, their survival hopes are slim.

Dewsbury Rams continue to enjoy the second half of the season as they moved away from the bottom two with their third win at the expense of local rivals Batley Bulldogs.

Dominic Brambani claimed two tries as the Rams took the bragging rights over the Northern Rail Cup winners.



THE LEAGUE leaders title race in Championship 1 and the prize of automatic promotion looks set to go down to the wire.

Hunslet Hawks are out front and boosted their already impressive points 'for' haul with an 86-16 win at struggling

Gateshead Thunder.

Winger Waine Pryce claimed a hat-trick of touchdowns with the Hawks scoring 16 tries as the Thunder's resistance crumbled after a good start by the home team.

Oldham stay in second place after an important 24-22 win at third-place Blackpool Panthers.

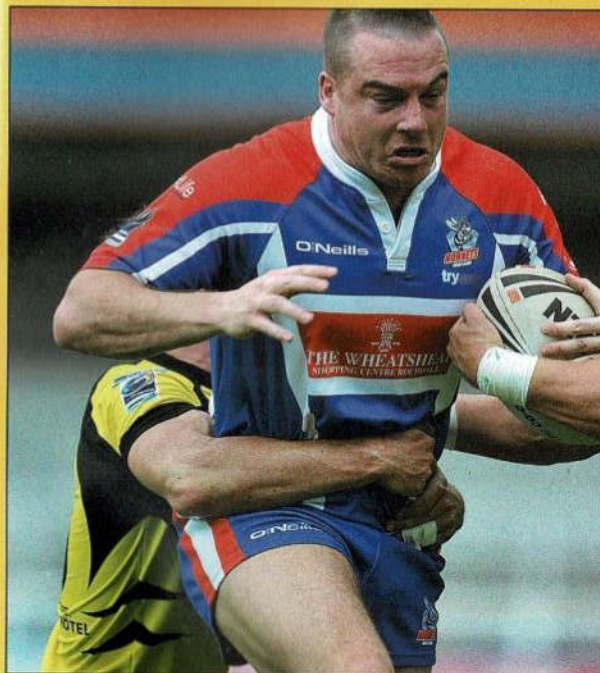
A try in the final minute from centre Mick Fogerty was the match-winning score for the visitors. Oldham boss Tony Benson admitted it was a "big relief" and a "fantastic result".

York City Knights were another team to gain an important narrow result with a 18-14 win over Workington Town.

A win would have taken Town level on points with York but they had to settle for a bonus point after a try by Jack Lee edged the home side in front with three minutes to play.

Rochdale consolidated their place in the play-offs with a 46-14 win over South Wales Scorpions with centre Damien Reid claiming a hat-trick of tries.

Doncaster kept their outside chance of a play-off place alive with a 38-26 at London Skolars. The Dons were always ahead but had to withstand a late rally by the Skolars.



Hornets' Damien Reid has a Scorpions defender in tow as he drives on

Whitehaven (0) 0
Featherstone (30) 48
T: Z Hardaker 2, S Smeaton 2, K Briggs 1, L Finn 1, T Tonks 1, S Dickens 1, A Kain 1, I Hardman 1. G: K Briggs 2, L Finn 2. Att: 825

Widnes (18) 18
T: S Marsh 1, K Haggerty 1, S Ainscough 1. G: D Craven 3.
Leigh (18) 38
T: S Donlan 2, M Nanyan 2, N Stanton 1, J Duffy 1. G: M Nanyan 7. Att: 3,356

Dewsbury (16) 36
T: J Craven 2, B Powell 1, D Brambani 2, L Stenclion 1. G: D Brambani 6.
Batley (10) 16
T: J Griffin 1, M Toohey 1, P Handforth 1. G: G Moore 2. Att: 1,935

Keighley (18) 27
T: G Duffy 1, T Burton 2, J Hutchinson 1, B Rawlins 1. G: D Jones 3.
DG: D Jones 1.
Toulouse (12) 26
T: C Varela Mendes 1, S Payan 1, N Wynn 1, T Gigot 1. G: N Wynn 5. Att: 736

Barrow (0) 34
T: L Harrison 1, A Bauer 1, J Rooney 1, M Knowles 1, K Carlile 1, M Ostler 1.
G: J Rooney 5.
Halifax (24) 42
T: S Royston 1, R Worrincy 1, D Nash 1, J Goddard 2, D Wrench 1, S Barlow 1. G: L Paterson 7. Att: 1,707

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Dif	B	PTS
Featherstone	17	16	0	1	599	256	343	1	49
Leigh	17	11	1	5	508	328	180	4	39
Halifax	16	12	0	4	548	423	125	2	38
Barrow	15	10	1	4	471	304	167	1	33
Sheffield	16	8	1	7	408	419	-11	3	29
Toulouse	16	8	0	8	410	487	-77	3	27
Widnes	15	7	0	8	465	380	85	5	26
Batley	16	6	0	10	363	394	-31	6	24
Dewsbury	17	3	0	14	331	483	-152	8	17
Whitehaven	17	2	0	15	216	619	-403	4	10
Keighley	16	4	1	11	306	532	-226	3	8

* Keighley deducted 9pts for going into administration

Blackpool (6) 22
T: D Munro 1, C Mayberry 2, D Halliwell 1. G: T Hemingway 3.
Oldham (14) 24
T: P O'Connor 3, M St Hilaire 1, M Fogerty 1. G: G McNally 2. Att: 780

Rochdale (24) 46
T: D Bloomfield 1, D Gorton 1, D Reid 3, D Donoghue 1, D Smith 1, J Cookson 1. G: P Crook 3, S Roper 4.
South Wales (14) 14
T: L Williams 1, J Murphy 1. G: A James 1, L White 2. Att: 471

York (0) 18
T: M Mitchell 1, J Lee 1, S Lewis 1. G: D Ratcliffe 3.
Workington (8) 14
T: J Pedley 1, J Stack 1. G: D Holt 3. Att: 612

London Skolars (4) 26
T: A Adebisi 1, S Junor 1, J Coleman 1, P Thorman 1, O Purslow 1.
G: P Thorman 3.
Doncaster (20) 38
T: S Leaf 2, C Spurr 1, C Fawcett 1, P Hughes 1, S Watson 1, R Steen 1. G: A Dobeck 5. Att: 271

Gateshead (6) 16
T: M Brown 1, R Clarke 1, T Wilson 1. G: R Clarke 2.
Hunslet (28) 86
T: S Kain 2, M Mark 2, W Pryce 3, P March 1, R Chapman 1, J Houston 1, C Wabo 1, T Haughey 2, N Lowe 1, G Raynor 2. G: D March 11. Att: 405

	P	W	D	L	F	A	D	B	Pts
Hunslet	17	15	0	2	742	243	499	1	46
Oldham	16	14	0	2	545	346	199	1	43
Blackpool	16	12	0	4	623	274	349	2	38
York	17	10	0	7	533	443	90	3	33
Rochdale	16	9	0	7	564	394	170	5	32
Workington	16	7	1	8	428	384	44	5	28
South Wales	16	7	0	9	472	386	86	5	26
Swinton	16	7	1	8	386	487	-101	2	25
Doncaster	17	6	0	11	398	554	-156	4	22
London Skolars	17	1	0	16	318	776	-458	4	7
Gateshead	16	1	0	15	204	926	-722	1	-2

* Gateshead deducted 6pts for going into administration

DIARY 2010

KEY TO DIARY:

**NORTHERN RAIL CUP
CHAMPIONSHIP
CHALLENGE CUP**

NORTHERN RAIL CUP

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31 - ROUND 1

Dewsbury Rams 50, London Skolars 4
Leigh Centurions 24, Oldham 12
Blackpool Panthers 22, Keighley Cougars 24

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2 - ROUND 1

Widnes Vikings 50, Gateshead Thunder 0

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7 - ROUND 2

Barrow Raiders 34, Blackpool Panthers 8
Batley Bulldogs 30, Widnes Vikings 30
Featherstone Rovers 18, Sheffield Eagles 18
Halifax RLFC 24, Dewsbury Rams 0
Keighley Cougars 17, Whitehaven 10
Gateshead Thunder 12, Workington Town 28
London Skolars 12, Hunslet Hawks 60
Swinton Lions 30, Doncaster RLFC 20
York City Knights 13, Leigh Centurions 12

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8 - ROUND 2

Oldham 22, Hornets RL 14

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10 - ROUND 1

Whitehaven 20, Batley Bulldogs 34

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14 - ROUND 3

Batley Bulldogs 46, Swinton Lions 10
Keighley Cougars 38, Workington Town 10
Leigh Centurions 36, Featherstone Rovers 6
Sheffield Eagles 40, York City Knights 10
Whitehaven 54, Doncaster RLFC 10
Widnes Vikings 22, Barrow Raiders 20
Blackpool Panthers 74, Gateshead Thunder 0
Hunslet Hawks 28, Oldham 14
London Skolars 0, Halifax RLFC 60
Rochdale Hornets 12, Dewsbury Rams 48

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Sheffield Eagles 10, Halifax RLFC 6
Doncaster RLFC 0, Barrow Raiders 60
Hornets RL 12, York City Knights 36
Workington 16, Swinton 19

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Swinton Lions 12, Widnes Vikings 36
Workington Town 16, Whitehaven 14

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Oldham 22, Sheffield Eagles 24

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Featherstone Rovers 56, Hornets RL 10

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3

Dewsbury Rams 22, Leigh Centurions 44

THURSDAY MARCH 4

Hunslet Hawks 6, Featherstone Rovers 68

WEDNESDAY MARCH 10

York City Knights 34, London Skolars 10

WEDNESDAY MARCH 17

Gateshead Thunder 4, Batley Bulldogs 100

SUNDAY MARCH 21

Halifax RLFC 36, Hunslet Hawks 42

WEDNESDAY 24 MARCH

Doncaster 20, Blackpool 40

CO-OPERATIVE CHAMPIONSHIPS

THURSDAY, 25 FEBRUARY

Leigh Centurions 20, Barrow Raiders 20

SUNDAY, 28 FEBRUARY

Toulouse Olympique 26, Dewsbury Rams 22
Featherstone Rovers 36, Batley Bulldogs 10
Halifax RLFC 32, Sheffield Eagles 26

Widnes Vikings 72, Keighley Cougars 10
Hunslet Hawks 40, Gateshead Thunder 12
Hornets RL 56, Doncaster RLFC 24
Swinton Lions 20, Oldham 38
South Wales Scorpions 22, Workington Town 20
York City Knights 36, London Skolars 8

THURSDAY, 11 MARCH

Batley Bulldogs 24, Halifax RLFC 34

FRIDAY MARCH 12

Blackpool Panthers 36, Hornets RL 14

Hunslet Hawks 16, Oldham RLFC 29

SATURDAY, 13 MARCH

Whitehaven 34, Toulouse Olympique 20

SUNDAY, 14 MARCH

Dewsbury Rams 10, Featherstone Rovers 40
Keighley Cougars 12, Leigh Centurions 34
Sheffield Eagles 30, Widnes Vikings 44
Doncaster RLFC 8, South Wales Scorpions 18
London Skolars 16, Swinton Lions 52
Workington Town 32, York City Knights 22

THURSDAY, 18 MARCH

Widnes Vikings 28, Halifax RLFC 30

FRIDAY, 19 MARCH

Sheffield Eagles 22, Dewsbury Rams 10

SATURDAY, 20 MARCH

Toulouse Olympique 34, Keighley Cougars 26
Barrow Raiders 6, Featherstone Rovers 20

SUNDAY, 21 MARCH

Leigh Centurions 44, Whitehaven 12
Gateshead Thunder 24, London Skolars 18
Rochdale Hornets 32, Workington Town 24
Swinton Lions 36, Doncaster RLFC 30
York City Knights 25, South Wales Scorpions 34

THURSDAY, 25 MARCH

Keighley Cougars 12, Batley Bulldogs 22

SATURDAY, 27 MARCH

Toulouse Olympique 16, Barrow Raiders 48

SUNDAY, 28 MARCH

Dewsbury Rams 30, Widnes Vikings 36
Featherstone Rovers 54, Whitehaven 18
Halifax RLFC 10, Leigh Centurions 48
Blackpool Panthers 54, Swinton Lions 6
Doncaster RLFC 40, York City Knights 24
Hunslet Hawks 44, Rochdale Hornets 8
South Wales Scorpions 48, London Skolars 6
Workington Town 44, Gateshead Thunder 0

THURSDAY, 1 APRIL

Whitehaven 8, Barrow Raiders 19

FRIDAY, 2 APRIL

Featherstone Rovers 44, Halifax 4
Keighley Cougars 16, Sheffield Eagles 16
Toulouse Olympique 6, Leigh Centurions 36
Batley Bulldogs 22, Dewsbury Rams 8
Hunslet Hawks 54, Doncaster RLFC 12
London Skolars 18, Blackpool Panthers 42
Rochdale Hornets 16, Oldham 22
York City Knights 72, Gateshead Thunder 14

MONDAY, 5 APRIL

Barrow Raiders 50, Sheffield Eagles 4
Dewsbury Rams 10, Keighley Cougars 42
Halifax RLFC 50, Toulouse Olympique 6

Leigh Centurions 26, Batley Bulldogs 4
Widnes Vikings 48, Whitehaven 18
Blackpool Panthers 27, York City Knights 14

Doncaster RLFC 38, London Skolars 28
South Wales Scorpions 12, Hunslet Hawks 52
Oldham 16, Workington Town 14

THURSDAY, 8 APRIL

Halifax RLFC 40, Keighley Cougars 20

SATURDAY, 10 APRIL

Widnes Vikings 38, Toulouse Olympique 42
Barrow Raiders 56, Batley Bulldogs 10

SUNDAY, 11 APRIL

Dewsbury Rams 12, Whitehaven 20
Sheffield Eagles 16, Featherstone Rovers 40
Gateshead Thunder 28, Doncaster RLFC 32
Hunslet Hawks 46, Swinton Lions 12

South Wales Scorpions 16, Oldham 22
Rochdale Hornets 68, London Skolars 10
Workington Town 12, Blackpool Panthers 32

FRIDAY APRIL 16

CARNEGIE CHALLENGE CUP 4th ROUND

Swinton 4, Halifax 56

SATURDAY 17 APRIL

Limoux 20, Leigh Centurions 32

Sheffield Eagles 34, Wigan 50

St Helens 56, Toulouse Olympique 16

SUNDAY 18 APRIL

Blackpool 24, Whitehaven 18

Castleford 28, Barrow Raiders 34

Dewsbury 0, Bradford Bulls 50

Hunslet 42, Oldham 12

Siddal 2, Batley Bulldogs 34

Warrington 48, Featherstone 24

York City Knights 8, Crusaders RL 58

THURSDAY, 22 APRIL

Widnes Vikings 44, Lezignan-Corbieres 24

Featherstone 76, Keighley Cougars 12

SATURDAY, 24 APRIL

Barrow Raiders 34, Dewsbury Rams 240

Oldham 64, Gateshead Thunder 10

SUNDAY, 25 APRIL

Leigh Centurions 36, Sheffield Eagles 20

Whitehaven 10, Halifax RLFC 28

Batley Bulldogs 24, Widnes Vikings 32

Blackpool Panthers 48, Doncaster RLFC 12

London Skolars 8, Hunslet Hawks 46

Swinton Lions 20, South Wales Scorpions 14

York City Knights 36, Rochdale Hornets 34

THURSDAY, 29 APRIL

Dewsbury Rams 14, Leigh Centurions 30

FRIDAY, 30 APRIL

Widnes Vikings 8, Featherstone Rovers 9

SATURDAY, 1 MAY

Toulouse Olympique 20, Batley Bulldogs 12

MONDAY, 3 MAY

Keighley Cougars 10, Barrow Raiders 40

Sheffield Eagles 64, Whitehaven 24

Doncaster RLFC 26, Oldham 46

Rochdale Hornets 50, Gateshead Thunder 12

South Wales Scorpions 24, Blackpool Panthers 28

Workington Town 16, Hunslet Hawks 30

York City Knights 30, Swinton Lions 36

THURSDAY, 6 MAY

Featherstone Rovers 24, Toulouse Olympique 26

FRIDAY, 7 MAY

CARNEGIE CHALLENGE CUP 5th ROUND

Bradford Bulls 58, Leigh Centurions 16

Leeds Rhinos 70, Blackpool Panthers 22

SATURDAY, 8 MAY

Widnes Vikings 10, Wigan 64

Gateshead Thunder 8, South Wales Scorpions 50

Swinton Lions 22, Rochdale Hornets 33

SUNDAY, 9 MAY

Barrow Raiders 42, Hunslet Hawks 24

Halifax v Batley Bulldogs PP

Whitehaven 12, Keighley Cougars 22

London Skolars 28, Workington Town 44

Oldham 28, York City Knights 34

WEDNESDAY, 12 MAY

Sheffield Eagles 22, Batley Bulldogs 10

THURSDAY, 13 MAY

Leigh Centurions 30, Widnes Vikings 16

SATURDAY, 15 MAY

Sheffield Eagles 38, Toulouse Olympique 24

Blackpool Panthers 132, Gateshead Thunder 0

SUNDAY, 16 MAY

Halifax RLFC 46, Barrow Raiders 24

Batley Bulldogs 54, Whitehaven 6

Oldham 46, London Skolars 12

Workington Town 34, Doncaster RLFC 20

York City Knights 10, Hunslet Hawks 46

TUESDAY, 18 MAY

Leigh Centurions 16, Featherstone Rovers 24



Keighley's Carl Hughes manages to offload despite the attention of several Toulouse defenders in the Cougars' tight win

WEDNESDAY, 19 MAY

Swinton Lions 6, Batley Bulldogs 58

THURSDAY, 20 MAY

Dewsbury Rams 20, Sheffield Eagles 22

SATURDAY, 22 MAY

Toulouse Olympique 28, Featherstone Rovers 34

SUNDAY, 23 MAY

Keighley Cougars 32, Halifax RLFC 46

Whitehaven 8, Leigh Centurions 12

Widnes Vikings 16, Batley Bulldogs 35

Doncaster RLFC 16, Swinton Lions 0

Gateshead Thunder 24, Workington Town 42

Oldham 4, Hunslet Hawks 60

London Skolars 22, South Wales Scorpions 70

Rochdale Hornets 44, York City Knights 34

THURSDAY, 27 MAY

Sheffield Eagles 24, Keighley Cougars 25

SATURDAY, 29 MAY

CARNEGIE CHALLENGE CUP QUARTER FINALS

St Helens 32, Barrow Raiders 12

Batley Bulldogs 12, Catalans Dragons 74

SUNDAY, 30 MAY

Featherstone Rovers 36, Dewsbury Rams 32

Leigh Centurions 40, Halifax RLFC 46

Doncaster RLFC 20, Hunslet Hawks 30

Gateshead Thunder 6, Rochdale Hornets 64

Swinton Lions 56, London Skolars 28

Workington Town 16, Oldham 28

York City Knights 24, Blackpool Panthers 22

THURSDAY 3 JUNE

NORTHERN RAIL CUP QUARTER-FINALS

Widnes 28, Barrow 12

SUNDAY 6 JUNE

Keighley Cougars 32, York City Knights 0

Batley Bulldogs 28, Sheffield Eagles 16

Hunslet Hawks 6, Leigh Centurions 42

Halifax 28, Dewsbury Rams 8

Oldham 40, Blackpool Panthers 26

Gateshead Thunder 12, Swinton Lions 34

TUESDAY, 8 JUNE

Barrow 30, Whitehaven 0

THURSDAY, 10 JUNE

Halifax 16, Featherstone 26

SATURDAY, 12 JUNE

London Skolars 12, York City Knights 44

SUNDAY, 13 JUNE

Keighley Cougars 16, Dewsbury Rams 20

Whitehaven 14, Sheffield Eagles 24

Widnes Vikings 20, Barrow Raiders 24

Batley Bulldogs 32, Leigh Centurions 12

Oldham 28, Doncaster RLFC 18

Rochdale Hornets 28, Hunslet Hawks 22

South Wales Scorpions 12, Swinton Lions 16

Blackpool Panthers 24, Workington Town 10

THURSDAY 17 JUNE

NORTHERN RAIL CUP SEMI-FINALS

Leigh Centurions 4, Batley Bulldogs 25

SUNDAY, JUNE 20

Keighley Cougars 18, Widnes Vikings 48

Swinton Lions 30, Workington Town 30
Hunslet Hawks 28, Blackpool Panthers 12
South Wales Scorpions 30, Hornets RL 25

TUESDAY, 22 JUNE

Gateshead Thunder 12, York City Knights 60

Doncaster RLFC 30, Rochdale Hornets 20

SATURDAY, 26 JUNE

Toulouse Olympique 34, Whitehaven 12

Featherstone Rovers 30, Widnes Vikings 22

Leigh Centurions 36, Keighley Cougars 18

Hunslet Hawks 60, London Skolars 16

Swinton Lions 6, Blackpool Panthers 28

Workington Town 38, South Wales Scorpions 24