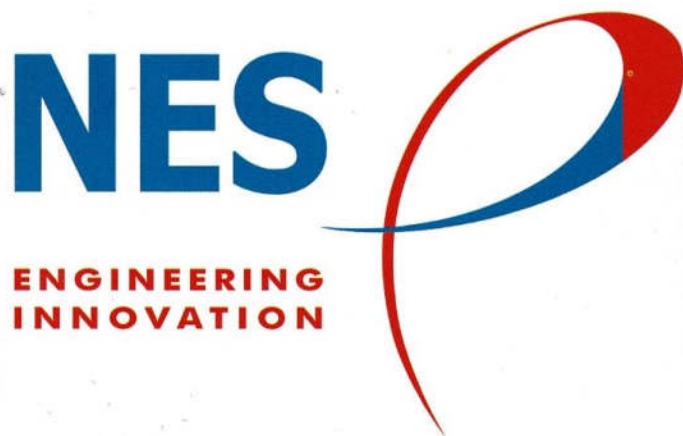


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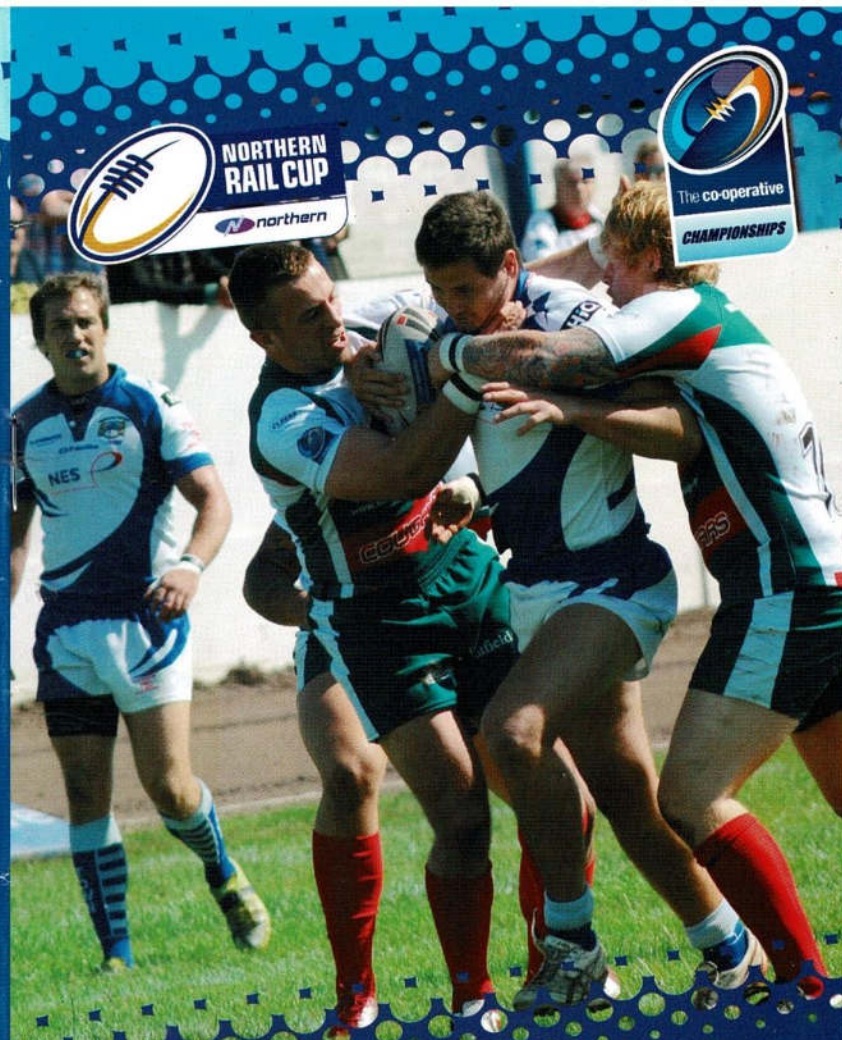


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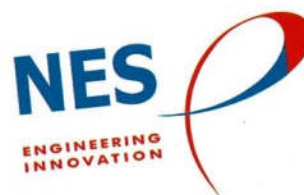
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Welcome everyone to our last league fixture of the season, and particularly to players, officials and supporters who have made the journey from Oldham this afternoon.



Although I enjoyed the Challenge Cup Final at Wembley (great to see Jason Mossops brother, Lee, pick up a winners medal) in many ways I didn't want our season interrupted. We have hit a rich vein of form and a huge win at Doncaster was proof of that. The players were simply magnificent that day. Depending on Keighley's result a win today could propel us into 2nd place and a home game to go straight to the play off final.

Oldham really are past masters of the final run in and despite our narrow victory at Oldham recently we must not underestimate them, I have said it all season this is the tightest league I can remember with any team capable of winning against any other. This is our last and most important game of the season now and we need to display the qualities shown in the last four wins if we are to make it 5 successive victories.

Finally on behalf of everyone at the club, both players and officials, could I thank you not only for your fantastic support so far this year, but also your friendship.

Now then - lets get to this final!

David Bowden



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The season's end is upon us, and we have achieved phase one of this season's aims, which was to finish higher than last season and improve more as a team.

I think it's safe to say we have now surpassed that, and are now looking forward to the play-offs with renewed vigour following some fine displays of late.

The season is 20 games long, and we have proved over the 20 games that we can live with the best in this division. Today's opponents Oldham have been one of our most difficult opponents, and we fully expect them to come out all guns blazing to cement their own play-off hopes.

The Keighley v Whitehaven game also taking place today could have a real bearing on the final league position for both clubs. If Oldham win today and Keighley defeat Whitehaven, then Oldham could finish in sixth place. Likewise, if Whitehaven defeat Keighley and we can somehow overturn a 23 points difference, then we could grab the coveted runners-up spot.

Our season has in some ways a case of 'what if'. We have taken points from all the teams in this league, and have dropped points in games we should have had in the bag. The 34-30 defeat by Doncaster, 22-20 v Rochdale and nailbiting 30 all draw v Whitehaven spring to mind. Those games were points lost, which had we won them could have seen us crowned champions instead of Swinton.

Today gives us the chance to finish the season on a high. We have players returning after injury to put pressure on the starting XIII who have performed so admirably in recent weeks. Props Marc Shackley and Ryan McDonald are both back in training so will add much need depth to the squad.

Our support this season has been fantastic, and we sincerely hope we can round off the season with an entertaining game today to maintain our end of season momentum.

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Charlie & Oggy

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Good afternoon and welcome to today's final home game of the regular season against Oldham.

The sponsors lounge is full again this afternoon, and I'd like to thank Graham Caton from Dutton International, who are sponsoring their second game this season, and Kent Walker and friends who are also here for their annual visit.

I'd also like to thank our assistant coach Craig Barker who has opened his new shop 'Mad for Rugby' in Curwen Street for stocking our merchandise. He's sold a number of items over the last few weeks, so anyone looking to buy merchandise can either contact ourselves direct, or have a look in Craig's new shop, which also sells a wide range of rugby apparel, or Brush & Comb, who also stock our merchandise.

Dependant on results and how we go in the playoffs, this could be our last home game this season and if that is the case, I would like to take the opportunity to thank everyone down at the club for their help and support during my first season, the hardcore of supporters who have followed us through thick and thin, the players for their efforts on the pitch and all of our sponsors. These are the people who ensure the club continues to thrive.

If anyone has any suggestions or comments regarding commercial activities at the club you can email me at barry.scholey@townrlfc or call me on 07739 461 383.

Enjoy this afternoon's game, and let's hope the results go our way and we secure 2nd place for that all important home playoff.

Barry Scholey

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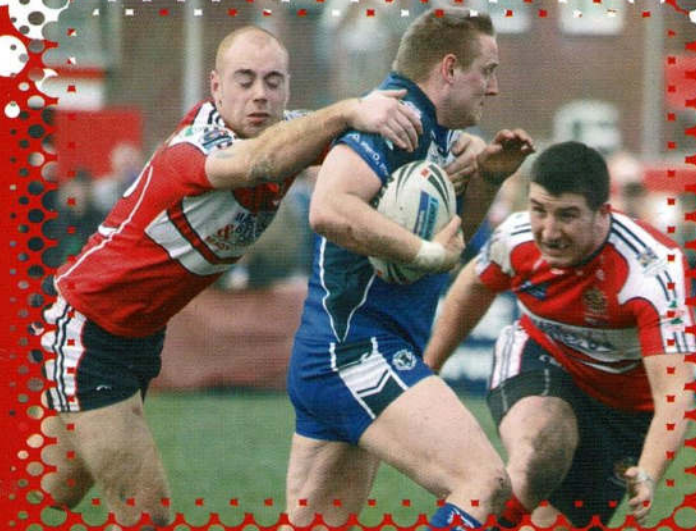
Oldham

A cursory glance at the Championship One table could easily fool the average supporter into thinking that today's game would be a guaranteed win for the home side; after all, Oldham are sitting in seventh place, with Town riding high in third. But, as any chameleon will tell you, 'appearances can be deceptive!'

On closer inspection you would see that although Oldham are indeed in seventh place, Town have only won one more game than the Roughyeds, showing just how important the bonus point has been for Town this season. We are all aware that today is arguably the most important game for Town in recent seasons. If results go our way and we defeat Oldham, we could finish runners-up and claim a home draw in the play-offs, giving us a chance to make the Grand Final at the first attempt.

The club is buzzing at the minute, due to the end of season form which has seen us record six straight victories, defeating our nearest rivals along the way. However, a note of caution, our closet victory was against Oldham, where we eventually won a very tight game by 24-22. Winning breeds confidence, and we should go into today's game in the highest spirits, with several players returning from long term injuries, we appear to be hitting form at the right time.

Oldham new boy David Cookson may make his senior Roughyeds debut at Workington on Sunday. The 22-year-old former Oldham St Anne's and Great Britain under-23s amateur international, who signed pro forms last week after a string of impressive performances in the reserves, trained with the first team last night and was then told to keep Sunday free. A native of Rochdale, Cookson plays equally well at centre or second-row and has built a reputation in John Hough's high-flying reserve.



Rugby club chiefs have been in talks with council leader Jim McMahon in a bid to seal their future at Whitebank Stadium. Now a deal has been struck with Oldham Council after a series of complex negotiations with landowners. The news comes after Roughyeds chairman Chris Hamilton revealed in the Chronicle this week how rumours of another potential groundshare with Oldham Athletic were way off the mark. It follows years of uncertainty for the Co-operative Championship One play-off chasers, who moved to Limeside in May, last year.

Rumours have been rife in the town, that the Roughyeds could be moving back to Boundary Park, but these rumours are way off the mark. Oldham Council have now acquired the Freehold interest in 4.85 acres of land owned by Molson Coors Brewery Company (UK) Limited and sealed an agreement to lease the adjacent 2.28 acres of land owned by Enville Estate. Council leader Jim McMahon

said: "This deal not only gives the Roughyeds security of tenure — and ensures they stay within the borough — but also enables them to look ahead with renewed optimism. "It was vital for us to be able to find a solution to what has been a long-running problem that has held back this club's development for around 14 years."

Fans will breathe a sigh of relief that the club has a permanent home, something it has not lay claim to since the demise of Watersheddings in the 1990s. A long-term lease agreement will now be signed by the council and club in the coming days. This will mean the club can now seek out grants to enable the development of the stadium in the future. Roughyeds chairman Chris Hamilton said: "The problems the club has endured have been documented on many occasions, so to have secured the long-term future of the club in the town is an achievement of which I am personally very proud.

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Keighley Cougars	19	12	0	7	635	392	243	40
Workington Town	19	11	1	7	639	419	220	40
Rochdale Hornets	19	11	0	8	618	470	148	37
Doncaster RLFC	19	11	0	8	493	419	74	37
Whitehaven	19	13	2	4	546	397	149	35
Oldham RLFC	19	10	0	9	617	513	104	33
South Wales RLFC	20	6	0	14	536	674	-138	22
London Skolars	20	5	1	14	433	678	-245	21
Gateshead Thunder	19	0	1	18	254	1056	-802	2

Date	Opponent	Venue	K.O.	Comp.
6th February	Whitehaven	W	18-28	NRC
13th February	Gateshead Thunder	W	82-0	NRC
20th February	Hunslet Hawks	L	0-30	NRC
27th February	Leigh Centurions	L	12-42	NRC
6th March	Rochdale Hornets	L	24-22	CC
13th March	Swinton Lions	L	10-22	CC1
20th March	Oldham	W	31-12	CC1
27th March	Doncaster	L	16-26	CC1
3rd April	South Wales Scorpions	W	38-24	CC1
10th April	Northern Rail Cup Quarter Final	-	-	NRC
17th April	Gateshead Thunder	W	0-64	CC1
22nd April	Whitehaven	D	30-30	CC1
25th April	Keighley	L	38-18	CC1
1st May	Rochdale Hornets	H	3pm	CC1
8th May	Challenge Cup Round 4	-	-	CC
15th May	London Skolars	W	33-12	CC1
22nd May	Challenge Cup Round 5	-	-	CC
29th May	Doncaster	L	32-34	CC1
5th June	South Wales Scorpions	W	46-28	CC1
12th June	Gateshead Thunder	W	84-12	CC1
19th June	Northern Rail Cup Semi Final	-	-	NRC
26th June	Whitehaven	L	22-10	CC1
3rd July	Swinton Lions	W	36-16	CC1
10th July	Rochdale Hornets	L	45-20	CC1
17th July	Northern Rail Cup Final	-	-	NRC
24th July	London Skolars	W	41-14	CC1
31st July	Oldham	W	22-24	CC1
14th August	Keighley	W	35-18	CC1
21st August	Doncaster	W	6-37	CC1
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In the end we ran out comfortable winners by 54 - 0 scoring some fantastic tries though Sam Forrester (2), Chris Thomlinson (2), Karl Dixon, Craig Foster, Leon Crellin, Gary Tierney and Dan Fiddler (all of which were duly converted by Stephen Clarke) in the process, but to be fair to York they never gave up. Some ill discipline from us kept presenting York with attacking opportunities in our half, but our defence was able to hold strong every time.

The final 'Sportzone Scholar of the Month' award went to Liam Wood for his fantastic attitude and excellent performance in the above mentioned game against York.

On that note I'd like to thank Paul McGlennon from Sportzone for sponsoring the award this season, and also Malcolm Allison, Garry Mounsey, and Brian Patterson, who is also coming to the end of his own career, for their help and giving me the opportunity to coach this season, as well as the lads themselves who have been committed throughout. They have improved as a squad culminating in the most satisfying win in the last game where the hard work put in during the training sessions came to fruition.

Jonty Gorley



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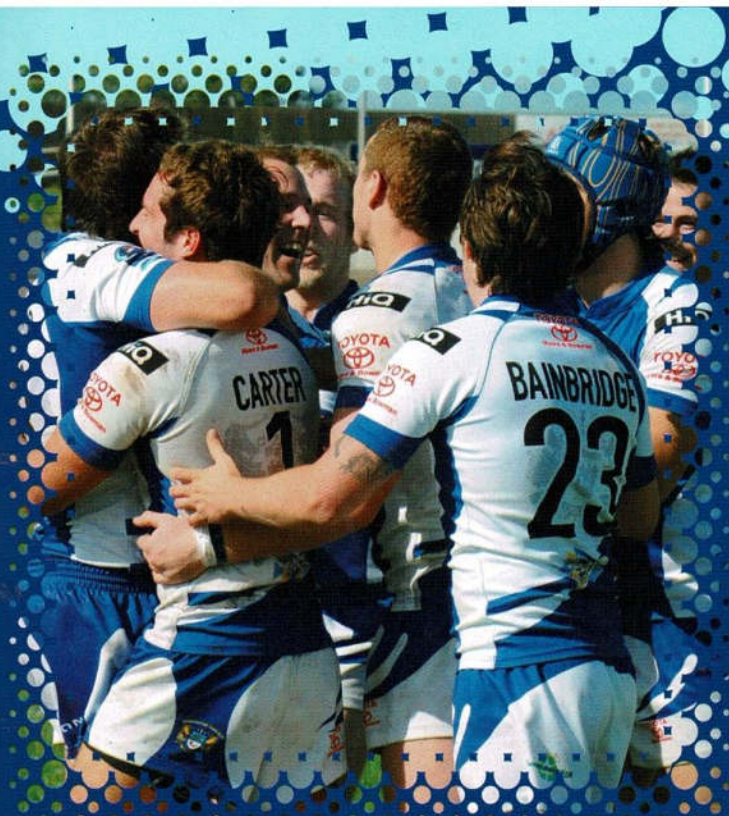
Over the last few days we've been running summer camp activities today will see the unveiling of the children's art work which will take pride of place in derwent park for years to come there are some interesting views of workington town and our history we hope you all enjoy taking a look at them.

Next week sees the start of the school term and the beginning of our partnership with NMP to work with children with reading difficulties to support and mentor them to help improve their reading ability.

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Rugby News

The RFL can confirm that Toulouse Olympique will not play in the Co-operative Championship and are to return to the French domestic competition in 2012.

The decision was reached following full consultation between the RFL, the French Federation and Toulouse, who will continue to face regular competition against British opposition in both the Carnegie Challenge Cup and Northern Rail Cup.

Toulouse have been guaranteed a place in the Northern Rail Cup for 2012 and automatic entry into the Challenge Cup for the next three seasons.

The absence of Toulouse, allied to Widnes Vikings' success in securing a three-year Super League licence from the 2012 season, means that the Co-operative Championships are expected to comprise two 10-team competitions next year.

The RFL is currently in the process of finalising the structure of the Championships for 2012 and is awaiting an application to participate in the Championship from Crusaders.

Should Crusaders be accepted into the Championship as the displaced Super League club, two clubs will be relegated from the Championship – the clubs which finish ninth and tenth – and two clubs, Championship One champions Swinton Lions and the Play-off Final winners, will be promoted.

Should Crusaders not be accepted into the Championship, one club – the club which finishes 10th in the 2011 Championship – will be relegated and two clubs, Swinton Lions and the Championship One Play-off Final winners, will be promoted.

In the absence of a second Welsh club, Championship One will run as a nine-team competition in 2012.

Promotion into the Co-operative Championship will be dependent on clubs meeting minimum standards for that competition.

Crusaders have been given until 5.00pm on Friday September 2 to submit their application to join the Co-operative Championship in 2012 to enable the RFL Board of Directors to finalise the competition structure prior to the commencement of the play-offs next week.

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RESPECT

Rugby League is passionate and prides itself on being a family game. Please behave responsibly at all times.

ANTI-RACISM POLICY

The RFL's 'Tackle It' policy states it will not tolerate racism of any kind and will take specific action against spectators who engage in racist chanting, abuse or intimidation. Rugby League is a great family sport and, with this in mind, action will also be taken against spectators who use foul and abusive language.