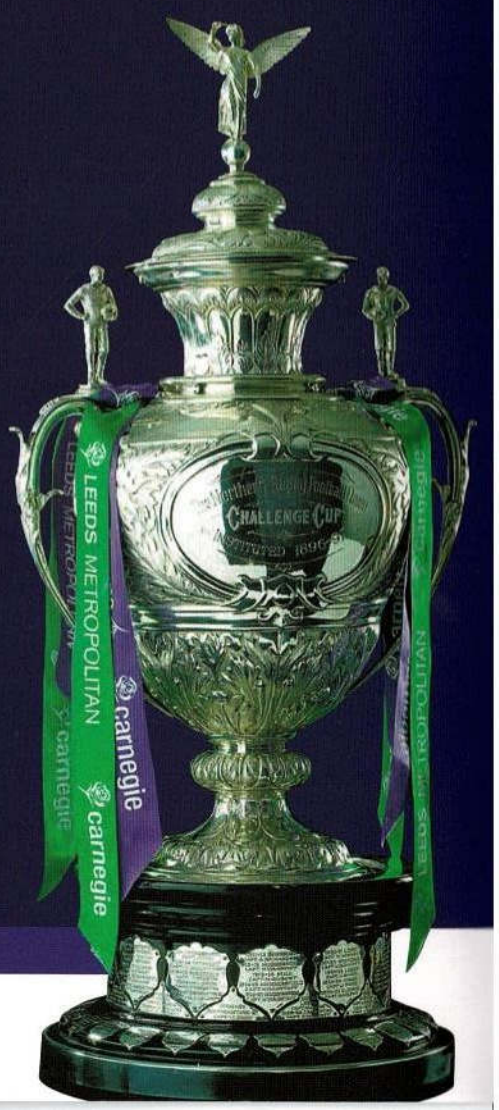
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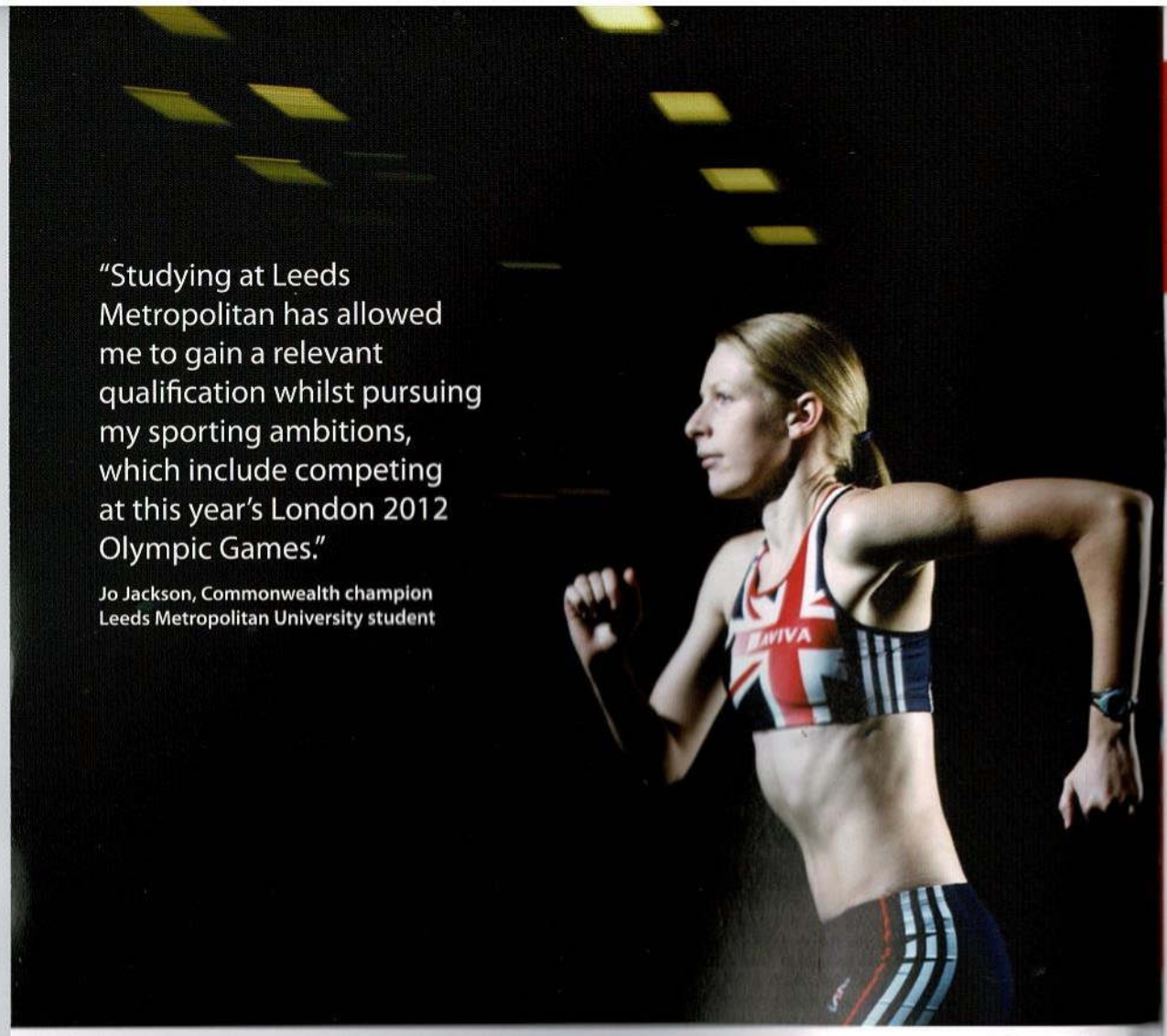
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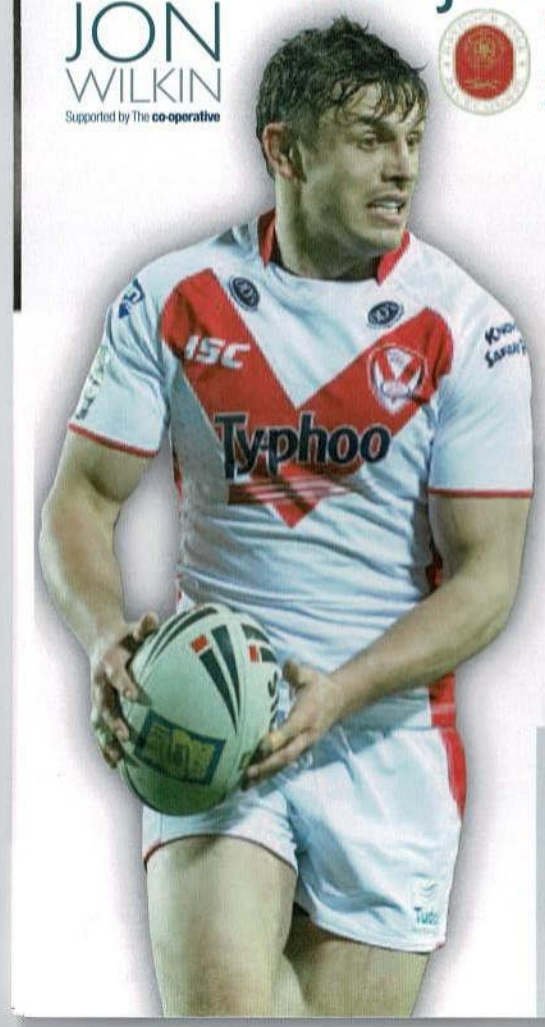




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EAMONN McMANUS
CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

WELCOME TO OLDHAM ROUGHYEDS AND TO THEIR SUPPORTERS ON THEIR FIRST VISIT TO LANGTREE PARK. I HOPE THAT IT WILL BE AN ENJOYABLE AND ENTERTAINING EXPERIENCE.

The Challenge Cup is still the rugby league competition which has both historic and global standing. The trip to Wembley and the lifting of that iconic British sporting trophy is still the pinnacle of every professional rugby league player's career and gains truly international profile and status – a commodity in too short a supply these days for our sport and therefore all the more reason why every supporter should get fully behind this great competition at every stage, and not just at the final.

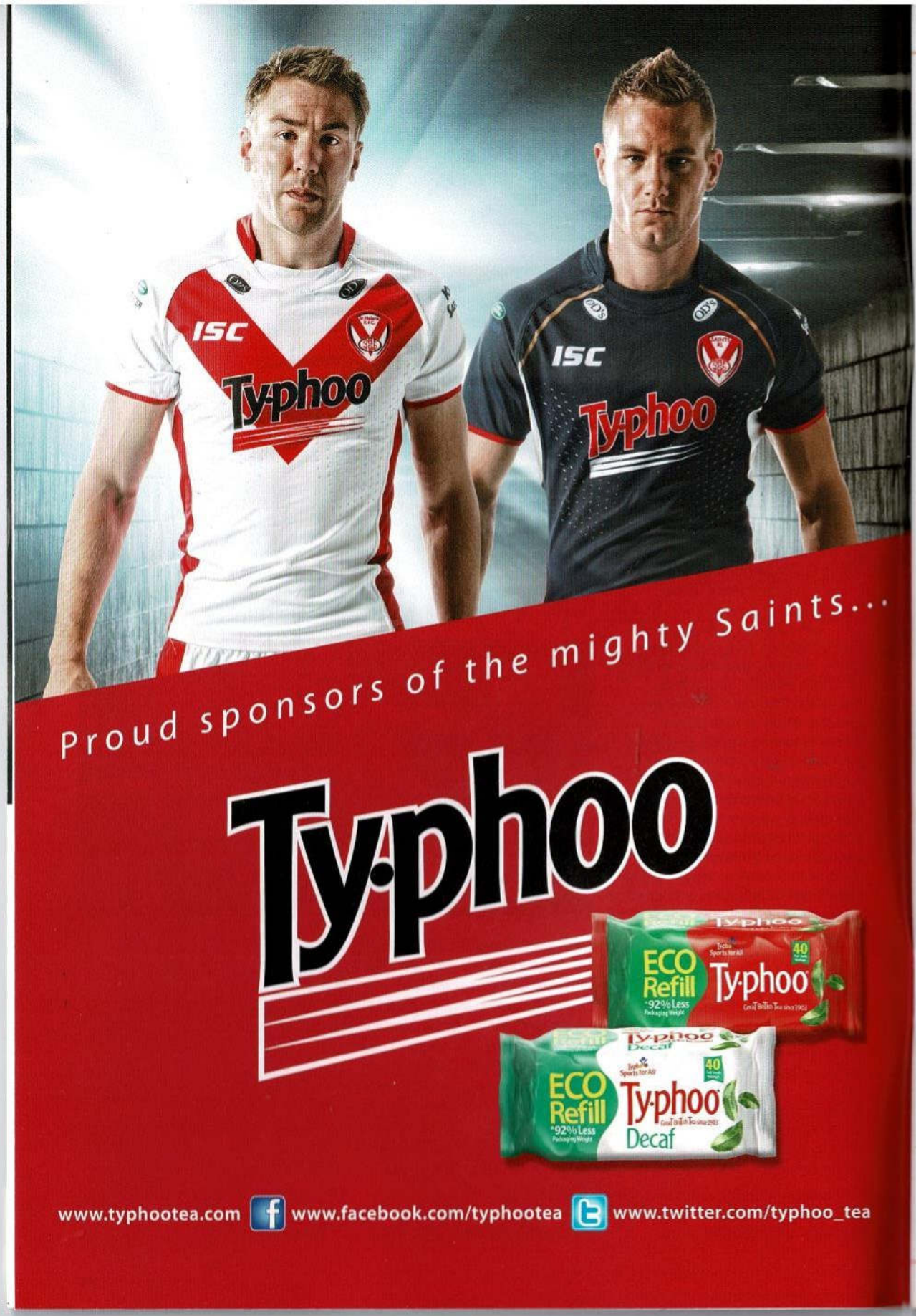


We were all comforted by our performance against Widnes Vikings last Friday. A lesson was certainly absorbed, and an appropriate reaction gained, from the fright which we imposed on ourselves in the Challenge Cup against the same opposition the previous week. It was a professional and ruthless performance and one which Mike Rush, Keiron Cunningham and Paul Wellens all asked for and got.

Our season is improving and consolidating and there is no doubt that at least one piece of silverware remains our clear and achievable objective. You can only aim for what is next achievable and the next silverware available is the Challenge Cup. We have a beautiful trophy cabinet in our impressive new boardroom but with a glaring space in it which needs to be filled. We need you the fans to be as determined as the players are to bring the cup back to St.Helens this year and get behind us in numbers at each of our cup games this year.

Do not underestimate the effect your live support has on the players and upon their performance.

Finally, I would like to express my sense of pride in being made a Freeman of St.Helens at a special service at the St.Helens Parish Church last week. Being my home town, and a town which means so much to me, it was an overwhelming and emotional honour. I would like to thank the Borough Council for bestowing this honour upon me and I would like to thank also the fans of this Club and the people of this town who have supported me in my work over the last ten years.



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MIKE RUSH
ACTING HEAD COACH

APART FROM THE PHENOMENAL FIRST HALF AGAINST LEEDS, I THOUGHT OUR PERFORMANCE ON FRIDAY WAS THE BEST SINCE MYSELF AND KEIRON CUNNINGHAM TOOK OVER.

You are always happy when you nil a side as it shows good attitude throughout the team.

But we also did a lot of good things offensively and I was pleased that Anthony Laffranchi bagged two tries – which is great for a front rower – and we looked powerful on the edges.

The things we have been practising on the training field came through too. It's good to know that the players are taking notice of those little things we are doing in training and bringing them to game day.

The players were disappointed with their performance in the Cup at the Stobart Stadium and wanted to put things right. They did that, and we must now continue to build momentum and continue the good work in the next few weeks.

Tonight we welcome Tony Benson and his Oldham side to Langtree Park. It is the magic of the cup for them and I'm sure they will be giving it everything they have.

Nothing is given in Rugby League and we need to make sure we put pressure on them and turn up in the right frame of mind and be prepared. Without that, like any other game, it could become a real dogfight.

I am not a fan of resting players and we won't be doing so today. We are still getting combinations on the field to work and you can't do that by making wholesale changes. We have some big games coming up and need consistency in our performances.



Some players will get a rest in the week of the Exiles game but if you ask them, they want to play most weeks. It seems silly to stand them down when they want to play and we want competition for places in the squad.

The attitude over the last six weeks has been excellent and both myself and Keiron are impressed with how the squad has coped with the adversity. I have said enough times there are good senior players here that lead the group. They have a lot of pride too; they want to aim up every week and want to be in the big games at the end of the year.

It has been a difficult time for the younger players but they have adapted very well. We have thrown Josh Jones and Adam Swift into the mix and they have done brilliantly as did Carl Forster at the weekend.

Having youngsters in the squad that can step up is good for competition and puts pressure on the older players. We had some success in that last season.

Their job now is to keep their feet on the floor and stay grounded. They need to stay away from big statements and rash comments and work hard.

If they do that they will achieve.

Enjoy the match.

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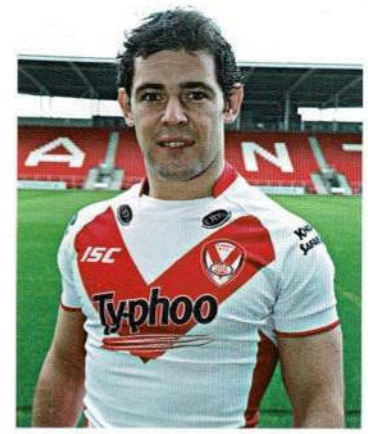
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PAUL WELLENS
CAPTAIN'S CORNER

BEFORE THE WIDNES GAME, WE SPOKE ABOUT PUTTING THINGS RIGHT AFTER OUR PERFORMANCE IN THE CHALLENGE CUP AT THE STOBART STADIUM.

Whilst we were pleased to progress to the next round of the cup – and set up tonight's match with Oldham – we were not happy with the performance.

We wanted to make sure our attitude was spot on when we faced the Vikings on Friday and we did just that.

When we got into a commanding position we didn't take our foot off the gas and took nothing for granted. All successful sides have a ruthless streak in them and that is something we need to develop at Langtree Park.

That was epitomised when there was a kick through towards the end of the match and three of our players chased back to hold one of their guys up over the line.

Our commitment and desire shone through and that was lacking the week previous.

Perhaps the Challenge Cup match has given us a kick up the backside to refocus our efforts. We must now take that forward into tonight's match.

A few of our players had a run out against Oldham in pre-season and I know it was a tough match in pretty bad conditions.

Most people will be expecting us to win tonight and we can't shy away from that, but we know we cannot underestimate our opponents. They will come here, will be looking forward to it and have a few St Helens lads in their ranks – Paul Clough's brother John for one – wanting to do well.



We need to turn up, be professional and go about our business.

After I missed a few games at the beginning of the season, I'm pretty pleased with my own form. It took a couple of games for me to get back up to speed but I'm happy with the way things are going. I am comfortable in the team, know my role and I know playing with good players helps!

As a squad we are under no illusions as there are plenty of areas of focus on and improve.

We have turned things around in the last five or six weeks after a poor start to the season and now we have to build on that, starting this evening.

Enjoy the match and sing loud.

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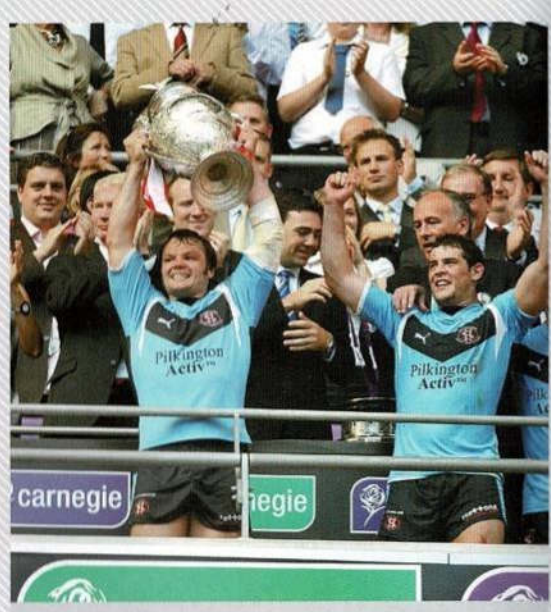




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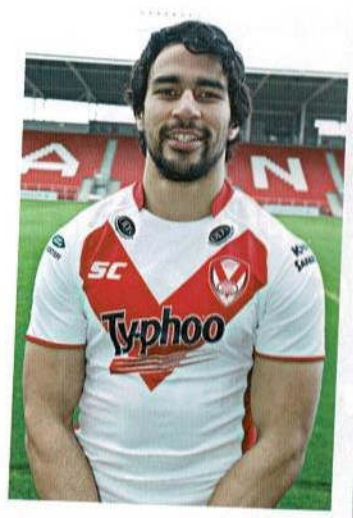


ADE GARDNER

A DECADE AT THE TOP

WORDS: **LOUISE FILDES**

Ten years' service to one club is special for any player. But to play at the top of Super League for a decade, for one of the best Super League teams around is a special achievement that not many players can say they have done.



But Ade Gardner has just joined that elite club and this year, as his festivities come to an end, he is focused on adding more years to his service at St Helens.

LF: You're coming to the end of your Testimonial year, how much have you enjoyed all of the events?

AG: It's been brilliant, so fantastic. When I got injured last year I didn't really have too much to do, I had a big boot on my foot, you can't do too much with that so this has kept me really busy. It's been very overwhelming; I'm a lad from Barrow who has been here for ten years. To have the support I've had from people, a lot who I've never even met before, some have literally come to every single event. There was one lady who travelled up to Barrow after flying in from America that morning. But it's coming to an end now, it has been hard work but looking back now it has been worth it.

LF: Looking back ten years, did you ever see yourself being at the club for this long?

AG: I remember making a statement saying I didn't even know what a Testimonial was; I think it was Chris Joynt who explained it all to me. But I said to myself I can safely say I won't be getting a testimonial! Ten years on and I've got another year left on my contract so by that time it will be twelve years in a Saints shirt, a dream come true for a Barrow lad.

LF: A major part of a Testimonial is having that interaction with your fans, how have you found spending time with them.

AG: Yeah definitely and that's the main thing really. You turn up and everyone is so friendly and all turn up for a good laugh. The lads take to it too, especially the likes of Louie McCarthy-Scarsbrook, his language is colourful to say the least, but you get really good value for money. It's also good for the fans to come and see the players in a nice relaxed atmosphere and you can ask those burning questions. ▶





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LF: The support from the club and the players must be humbling as well?

AG: The lads have been fantastic, they try and dodge me when I ask them to sign shirts and balls but they've been more than accommodating. There have been times when some of them haven't been able to do it and at the drop of a hat I've been able to ring somebody else and the answer is yeah no worries I'll be there. Not only them, but the club, the people in the shop and upstairs, they couldn't do enough for you.

LF: Can you pick out any highlights from your celebratory year?

AG: Highlight, erm there have been so many, the darts night a couple of weeks ago was really good. But I'll never forget Louie's cockney accent, he just swears all the time! Every step of the way has been great; the whole year has been a great laugh and so much fun.

LF: What about a highlight of 10 years here at Saints?

AG: The first five minutes after winning my first Grand Final in 2006, we were the best team that year. Hull had a good side going into that game but we knew we were a good team. It was the biggest relief after we won that game, we knew we were the best; we just had to prove it and prove that we were the best Super League side that has ever been. I might be biased saying that but I do believe we were the best. It was such a special year; the team was filled with my best mates.

LF: You've had a great start to the season, but are now injured what's the latest?

AG: It's not as bad as first thought. It was a pretty depressing 24 hours afterwards, but last year with my Achilles it was different because as soon as I did it I knew what I had done. I never had a knee injury in my life so it was a little bit scary and it thought it could be a six month cruciate layoff, but thankfully it's just the medial. Luckily I'm a good healer so I'm pinpointing four weeks (from last weekend) to being fit. That's my goal so if it's after that so be it.

LF: Do you have the ambition to stay and play on past your current contract?

AG: I want to play as long as I can as long as my form is good. You can always say I did twelve years at Saints but I don't want to look at it that way. I thought I was playing my best rugby at the start of last year until I got hurt and again this year. So I just want to continue with that, hopefully get another contract, I love the club, I love being here, why would you want to leave? I couldn't speak more highly of the boys, they've been incredible throughout my ten years here.

LF: What are your thoughts on Nathan Brown taking over at Saints from next season?

AG: I'm really happy about it. I was a big fan of Royce, he was a really nice fella who came to the club at a time when I wasn't getting in the side, I didn't get picked for the Grand Final which was a real down time for me, so all I wanted to do for Royce was get back in the team. He said if you train well you'll get picked every week, he stood by his word and I played and I thought I played hard. So it was sad when he left but with Nathan coming in it's a fantastic pedigree, Huddersfield have performed well under him, he transformed them and changed their work ethic. He's a great defensive coach and I'm looking forward to being coached by him.

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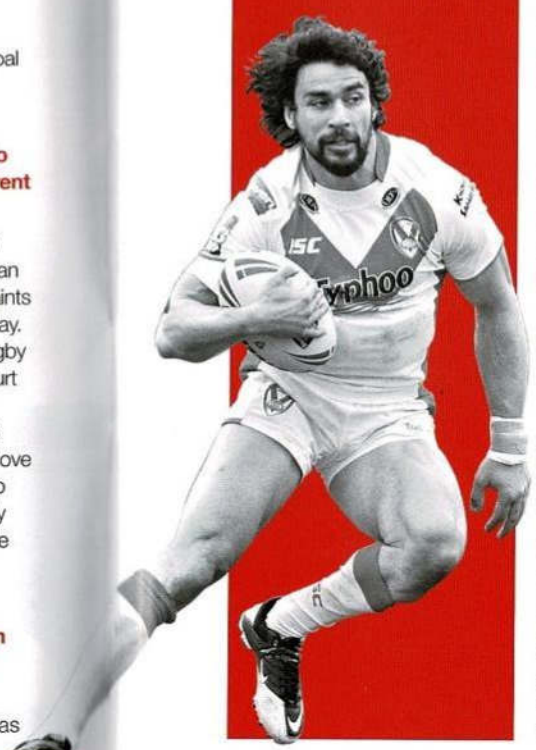
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@FrancoFellini: Do you have any ambition to play in the world cup next year?

AG: Yeah definitely, I fell out of International rugby a few years ago, I was in there and didn't do myself justice and dwelled on it a bit too much. Once I got it out of my mind I used it as motivation rather than a hindrance, but it's something I'm definitely looking forward to and pushing for.

@RamMan118: Do your short shorts help you play better?

AG: See I don't think they are short shorts

LF: They are!

AG: Oh ok, I think I've just got long legs, yep I've got long legs, that's what I say…*laughs*

@helenrylett_11Why don't you take part in the warm up at the start?

AG: I don't know, I've just got my little thing now, rituals, I do it for a little bit then I just… if you notice, I sprint out first, so I'll get that out the way, then I stretch for a bit, then I'll do the warm up and then do my own little thing. It's more me being OCD than anything really.

LF: You have become a dad again recently to little Evelyn-Maria, back to sleepless nights!

AG: Yeah, she was born last Thursday, she's perfect, sleeping well at night so it's not too bad, but she is fantastic! ■

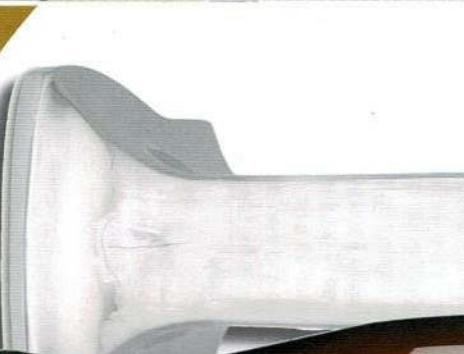
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OLDHAM ROUGHYEDS

OUR THOUGHTS TODAY RETURN TO THE CHALLENGE CUP COMPETITION AS OLDHAM ROUGHYEDS VISIT THE LANGTREE PARK FOR THIS EVENING'S FIFTH ROUND TIE.

It is incredible to think that it is almost 15 years since Oldham last visited St. Helens. That occasion was a Super League II match played at Knowsley Road on August 10 1997.

They were then known as the Oldham Bears and St. Helens won the match by 36 points to 26. Since then Saints have won two World Club Challenges, four Super League Grand Finals and five Challenge Cups. The contrast with Oldham's fortunes couldn't have been greater. The 'Bears' folded at the end of that 1997 campaign and were replaced a completely new club. The Oldham (Roughyeds) began their life in the third tier (Division 2) of English Rugby League and ended their first season in fifth position in that league. At the end of 1998 the two divisions merged into one league and the Roughyeds played in this competition until they were relegated in 2006. Oldham have remained in this league (now known as Championship One) since.

The Roughyeds have also led a nomadic existence. They have played their home matches at Boundary Park, Oldham, Sedgley Park Rugby Union Club, Spotland, Rochdale and Hurst Cross, Ashton Under Lyne. They have also played at Staleybridge Celtic, Chorley and Bloomfield Road, Blackpool. They finally moved into their own ground, the Whitebank Stadium in Oldham in May 2010.

Head Coach, Tony Benson is now in this fourth season with the club having originally come to England to coach Leigh in 2006. He has led Oldham to two Grand Final appearances and whilst at Leigh, he ended his first season by leading the Centurions to a National League Cup final triumph against Hull KR. In between his coaching spells with the Centurions and the Roughyeds, Benson was Head Coach at London Skolars in 2008.

Oldham qualified for this evening's match by winning a potentially tricky Third Round Challenge Cup tie at the Recreation Ground in Whitehaven where they defeated Cumbrian Amateurs' Egremont Rangers by 22 points to 14. They then disposed of Barrow Raiders at the Whitebank Stadium 26-14. Oldham are currently lying in fourth position in Championship One having won three and drawn one of their five matches for a total of 12 points.

The Roughyeds more than anyone will be glad that there a four promotion places available in Championship One this season. They have been banging on the Championship door since they dropped into National League 2 at the end of the 2006 campaign. Last year was a disappointing one for Oldham. They had an injury plagued season that saw them slip to seventh place in the Championship One table and they saw their run of four consecutive Championship One Grand Final appearances end in the play offs at Rochdale. At various times during the campaign Oldham suffered long term injuries to Chris Clarke, Lucas Onyango, Dave Ellison, John Gillam, Bruce Johnson and Mick Fogarty and the disruption these losses led to, decimated their campaign. They won eleven of their twenty Championship One matches for a total of 36 points.

SUPER LEAGUE RECORD

YEAR	POS	P	W	D	L	FOR	AGST	PTS
1996	8th	22	9	1	12	473	681	19
1997	12th	22	4	1	17	461	631	9
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Highest Home Win	66-18	1996
Highest Away Win	54-18	1996
Highest Home Defeat	0-38	1908-09
Highest Away Defeat	10-48	1923-24
Biggest Marginal Home Win	50-2	1971-72
	66-18	1996
Biggest Marginal Away Win	43-0	1969-70
Biggest Marginal Home Defeat	0-38	1908-09
Biggest Marginal Away Defeat	10-48	1923-24

During the off season, they prepared well and enjoyed promising pre season performances against Whitehaven and St. Helens Reserves. They have only made a few of minor changes to their squad as they hope that, should they stay relatively healthy, they have a squad that is good enough earn promotion to the Championship.

Joining the Roughyeds for 2012 are, Miles Greenwood & Paul Smith (both Halifax), Neil Rigby (Swinton Lions), Danny Heaton (unattached), Jamie Acton (Wigan Academy), Matty Syron (Leeds Rhinos – dual registration) and Graham Holroyd (Preston Grasshoppers RU).

Ben Heaton (Halifax), Andrew Isherwood & Marcus St. Hilare (both retired), Tom Wood Hulme (Rochdale Hornets), Ben Wood, Mick Diveney, Tom Woodcock, Jack Bradbury and Neil Rigby (each released) and Carl Forber (Workington Town) have left the club.

Oldham drew at Whitehaven 22 all in their first pre season run out. They then played host to a St. Helens Reserves Team that included, Ade Gardner, Josh Perry, Chris Flannery, Josh Jones, Adam Swift and Carl Forster. The Roughyeds beat Saints 28-18 with St. Helens' lad, John Clough (brother of Paul) scoring the game clinching try. Featherstone Rovers visited the Whitebank Stadium in the first round of Northern Rail Cup fixtures. Featherstone are one of the Championship's strongest teams and the hammered Oldham 68-0. The Roughyeds picked up what was to be their only Northern Rail Cup point the following week in a highly entertaining 36-36 draw at South Wales Scorpions. Oldham lost their final two Northern Rail Cup ties by 28-30, at home to Dewsbury Rams and 12-26 at Keighley Cougars.

The Roughyeds won their first two Championship One fixtures. The visited Workington Town and ran out 24-14 winners. Gateshead Thunder were Oldham' visitors seven days later and their comprehensive 40 points to 14 triumph saw them sit proudly on top of their league. The Roughyeds then knocked Egremont Rangers out of the Challenge Cup before winning third successive Championship One match when they enjoyed a fine home victory over Barrow Raiders by 32 points to 26.

Oldham's only league defeat this season came at Spotland, Rochdale on Good Friday. Rochdale Hornets took the spoils in a bad tempered match by 18 points to 10. Two Oldham players were suspended by the Rugby League's Disciplinary Committee in the aftermath of this match. Danny Whitmore received a one match suspension whilst John Clough copped a two match ban and thus misses tonight's Cup tie. The Roughyeds then knocked Barrow out of the Challenge Cup before drawing 20-20 at London Skolars, last Sunday.

Four of Oldham's squad are former St. Helens' players. Miles Greenwood, Liam Gilchrist, Bruce Johnson and Mark McCully each began their careers in the Saints' Academy and will need little incentive to perform well tonight.

This evening's match will be the 212th meeting between the two sides. Saints have won 108 of these encounters to Oldham's 97, with six matches drawn. At the old Knowsley Road ground, the teams met on 102 occasions with Saints winning 65 matches to Oldham's 37. The clubs last met on February 10 2002, in a Fourth Round Challenge Cup tie played at Staleybridge Celtic, in quite appalling weather conditions. The then Cup holders' St. Helens won the match by 40 points to 6. In 1953, 1972, 1976, 1978, 1987 and 2002 Saints have defeated Oldham on route to reaching Challenge Cup Finals. As previously stated, Saints' last home victory over Oldham was a 36-26 Super League II, Round 18 success on August 10 2007 whilst Oldham's last win in St. Helens was by 30 points to 26 on April 17 1994. This win occurred over 18 years ago and was the last time Oldham defeated Saints.

DIVISION ONE CHAMPIONSHIP

YEAR	POS	P	W	D	L	FOR	AGST	PTS
1999	17th	28	5	2	21	449	999	12
2000	6th	28	19	1	8	734	513	39
2001	4th	28	21	0	7	780	416	42
2002	9th	27	13	3	11	748	553	29
2003	5th	18	7	2	9	404	500	16
2004	4th	18	10	0	8	482	503	20
2005	7th	18	6	1	11	455	545	13
2006	10th	18	0	0	18	220	944	0
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DIVISION TWO CHAMPIONSHIP

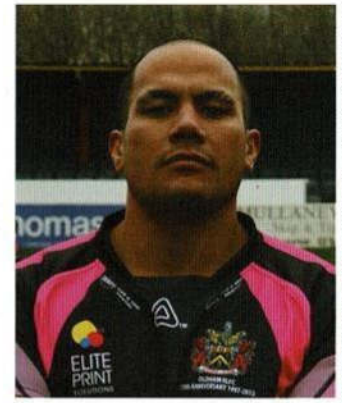
YEAR	POS	P	W	D	L	BP	FOR	AGST	PTS
1998	5th	20	10	1	9	0	399	383	21
2007	4th	22	16	0	6	5	661	420	53
2008	3rd	22	17	0	5	1	716	456	52
2009	4th	18	10	1	7	3	618	449	35
2010	2nd	20	17	0	3	1	694	438	52
2011	7th	20	11	0	9	3	641	533	36
2012	3rd	4	3	0	1	1	106	72	10
Total		**126**	**84**	**2**	**40**	**14**	**3835**	**2751**	**259**

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PREVOUS LEAGUE ENCOUNTERS	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	84	54	0	30	1466	969
Away	87	31	5	51	963	1288
Neutral	171	85	5	81	2429	2257
Total	238	84	12	142	3030	3925

ALL MATCHES (EX. FRIENDLIES)	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	102	65	0	37	1800	1217
Away	105	41	6	58	1196	1486
Neutral	4	2	0	2	53	32
Total	211	108	6	97	3049	2735

ACTON Jamie: (19), second-row/centre, a Londoner released by Wigan Warriors and signed only last week. Yet to make his debut in Oldham's senior side but that could be sooner rather than later.



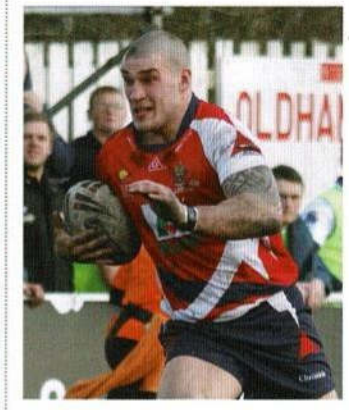
BENTLEY Valu: (29), back-row forward in his third season at Oldham. Spent much of his career in France where he grew up, although born in New Zealand.

BOULTS Jason: (28), prop, in his sixth year with Roughyeds, for whom he has played more than 100 senior games. Formerly with Bradford Bulls and Halifax.

BROCKLEHURST, Mark: (26), utility back, equally at home at full-back, centre or wing. Oldham-born, Waterhead reared and formerly with Wigan Warriors Academy, Rochdale Hornets and Swinton.

CLARKE, Chris: (23), back-row forward who can also play up front. Another local lad who has come up through the Reserves after signing from Oldham St Anne's.

CLOUGH, John: (27), hooker, a St Helens lad and brother of Saints' Paul. Made his name with Salford City Reds and had three years at Blackpool where he won player-of-the-year awards. One of five 'squad leaders' with special responsibility on and off the field.



COOKSON, David: (23), Rochdale-born, but reared at Oldham St Anne's where he won amateur honours. Strong-running centre in his first season of senior rugby after starring for last season's Oldham under-23s, who won the league title.

DALLIMORE, Jamie: (23): Goalkicking half-back, Ex-Wigan St Cuthbert's and BARLA Great Britain. Like Cookson, starred in last year's reserves side and is now doing equally well at first-team level.

ELLISON. David: (30), prop, in his third season with Roughyeds, having previously played for Wigan Warriors. Had a spell with London Skolars while working in the south and joined Oldham on his return to the Greater Manchester area. Former centre with a step and a turn of speed.

FOGARTY, Matthew: (20), youngest member of the squad

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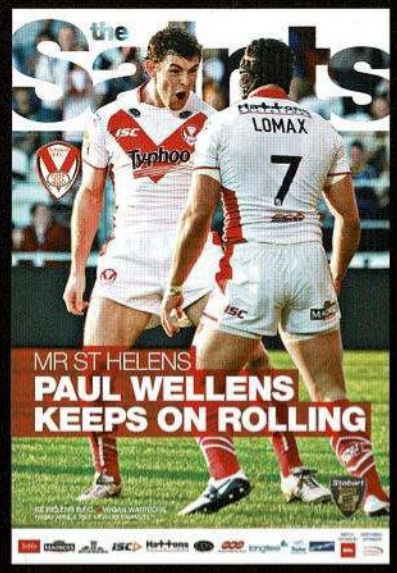
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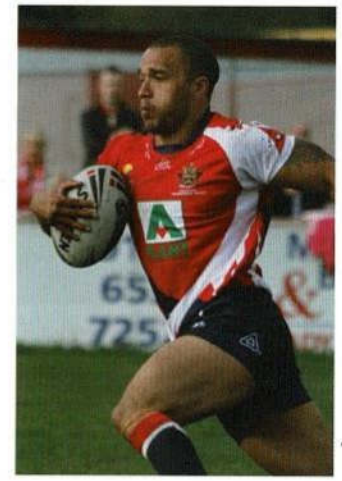
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--- and one of the strongest. Highly-rated Oldham-born centre who was previously with Salford City Reds.

GILCHRIST, Liam: (23), will need no introduction to Saints' fans. Former Academy player in Knowsley Road days and a current GB Students' international. Sponsored by ORSA, the Oldham Rugby

GILLAM, John: (27), another local from Oldham St Anne's. Previously played for Rochdale and Blackpool, a tasty winger with an impressive try-per-game scoring ratio, but currently out injured.



GREENWOOD, Miles: (24): Another ex-Saints junior, cousin of Kyle Eastmond. Played also for Leigh and Halifax. In his first year with hometown Oldham where he has made the full-back position his own.

HOLROYD, Graham: (36), the squad's senior citizen. Well-known former Leeds Rhinos, Salford City Reds, Halifax and Swinton stand-off with more than 150 Super League games on his CV. Signed only last week on a short-term deal and made his debut last Sunday in the 20-20 draw at London Skolars.

JOHNSON, Bruce: (28), prop, formerly with Widnes Vikings and Swinton Lions. Helped the reserves to trophy-winning triumph last season and then promoted to the senior squad on the strength of some rousing displays in the under-23s.

McCULLY, Mark: (32), vastly-experienced centre in his second year at Oldham. Arrived midway through last season and scored three tries in nine outings. Rochdale Hornets and Leigh among his former clubs.

NOONE, Paul: (31), coach's 2011 player of the year with an ever-present 27 appearances in his first season. Former Warrington Wolves second-row stalwart who had a couple of years up at Barrow before signing for the Roughyeds.

ONYANGO, Lucas: (31), recently completed 100 appearances, scoring more than 70 tries after signing in March, 2007. The popular Kenyan was at Widnes before coming to Oldham where he has become a real fans' favourite on the right wing.

ROBINSON, Shaun: (22), made the other wing spot his own during John Gillam's injury absence. Amateur international and once with Saddleworth Rangers. Strong, pacy and knows the way to the line.

RODEN, Martin: (32), player, assistant coach and conditioner all rolled into one. Man of many parts. Ex-Wigan and Leigh hooker. Arrived at Oldham as conditioner, but came out of retirement to help out the club in an emergency, and hasn't looked back since --- and that was two years ago.

RODEN, Neil: (32), Martin's cousin and a half-back with 'Roughyeds' running through his blood. More than 280 games and 110 tries for Oldham under his belt. Signed in March, 2000 from Wigan and has been at the club since apart from two seasons away with Batley and Leigh.

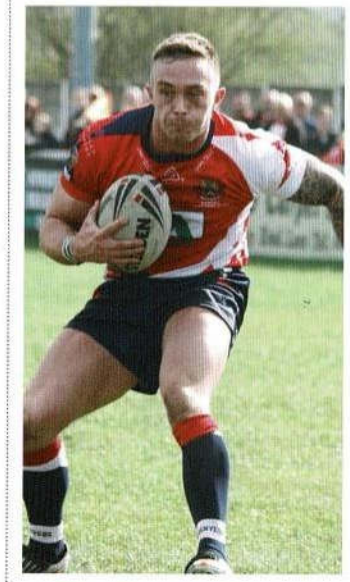
SMITH, Paul: (34), new to Oldham this year after a long career with Rochdale, Huddersfield Giants and Halifax. Another member of the squad's five-strong brains trust. Hard-working second-rower

STENCHION Luke: (26), no-nonsense prop of the old-fashioned type with plenty of experience at Batley Bulldogs and Dewsbury Rams. Seriously damaged his wrist at Whitehaven in a pre-season game but is ready to return and can't wait. Sponsored by Maureen and Peter Woodhead.

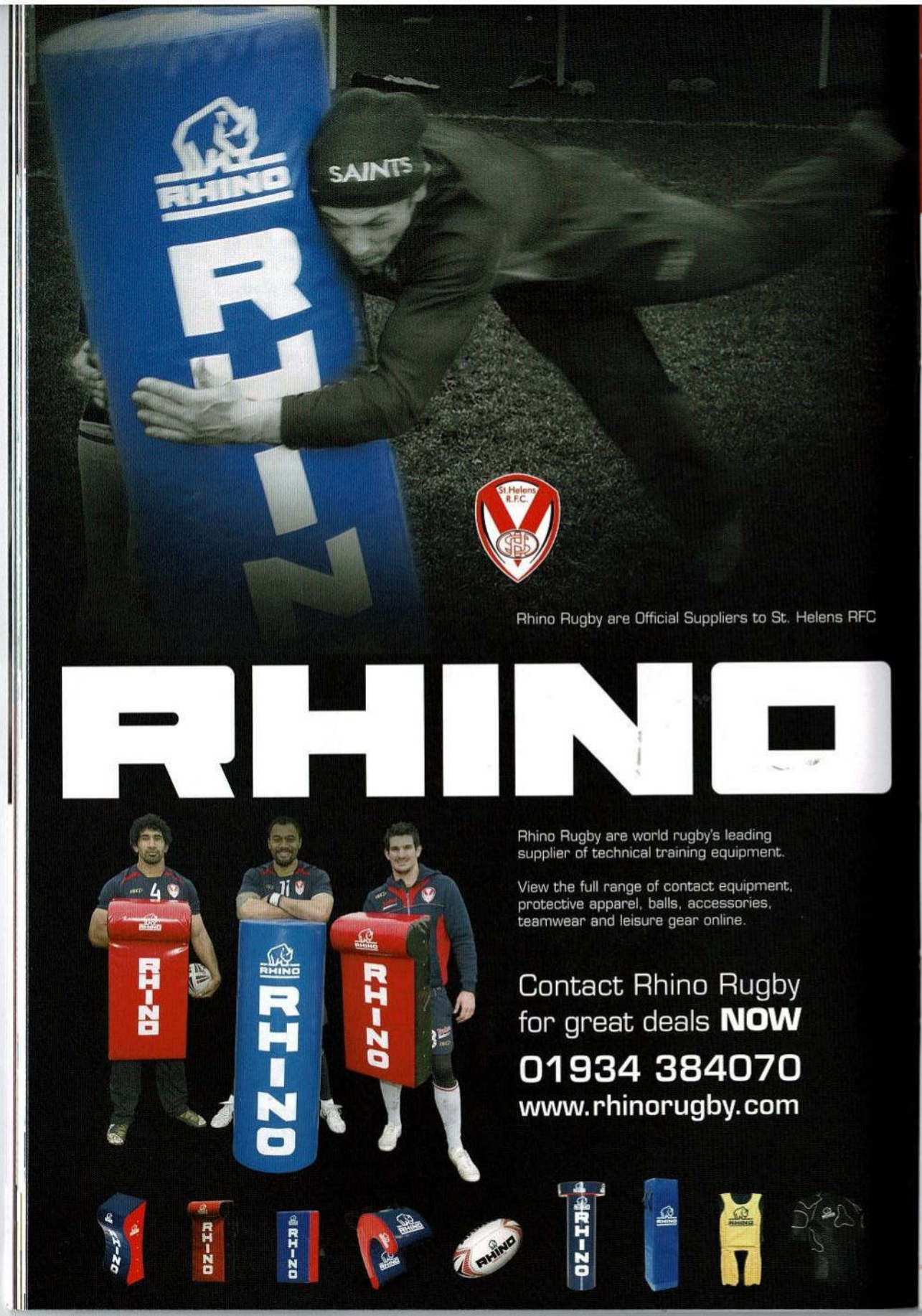
SYRON, Matty: (21), young prop on a dual-registration signing from Leeds Rhinos. Joined Roughyeds on the recommendation of a certain Barrie McDermott, and he is living up to his billing.

THOMPSON, Alex: (22), talented young forward who is equally at home at loose or hooker. Came to Roughyeds from Warrington Wolves, starred in the reserves last year alongside Cookson and Dallimore, and is now performing equally well at first-team level.

WARD, Michael: (21), back-rower who can also turn his hand to centre. Local boy who came up through the reserves and played a key role in last year's under-23s championship win.



WHITMORE, Danny: (23), hooker, local lad, brought up in rugby at Waterhead, played for the Academy set-up at both Bradford Bulls and Salford City Reds before joining Oldham for the start of the 2010 campaign. ■



HAMILTON: CUP MAGIC



CHRISTOPHER HAMILTON, CHAIRMAN OF OLDHAM, HAS SPOKEN OF THE MAGIC OF THE CARNEGIE CHALLENGE CUP AS THEY GET READY TO TAKE ON THE SAINTS THIS EVENING.

He writes: "Tonight the magic of the Carnegie Challenge Cup competition really comes to life for everybody connected with the Oldham club.

"To outside observers and even a lot of the Saints fans the prospect of our part time players coming up against a full time, successful and highly entertaining team like St Helens will seem like mission impossible and not something that somebody in their right mind might look forward to!

However the players are really excited by the prospect of the opportunity of pitting their skills against some of the household names in our fantastic sport and it is an opportunity that might never present itself again either for these lads.

"In addition to that for the fans it is also an occasion where they can, as usual, wear their colours with pride and show to a bigger audience what great support we enjoy week in week out.

"Although over the years the fortunes of the two clubs have changed markedly there have been many times where Oldham/Saints matches have been great spectacles and we are naturally delighted to be on the same pitch as Saints.

"Don't for one minute think we will be standing back and showing Saints too much respect because we certainly won't be falling into that trap but we are realistic and know the size of the task we face for sure.

"The backdrop to tonight's match will be what I consider to be a fantastic stadium in Langtree Park and it is a tribute to the unstinting support that Eamon McManus, in particular, has brought to this great club.

"I know from personal experience how lonely the position of Chairman can be and you are faced with pressure on a daily basis to some degree or another. In the light of that and the financial burdens that everybody faces in these unprecedented financial times it is even more remarkable that this stadium has not only been delivered but, through his own massive financial commitment , without debt to the club. That should never be forgotten.

"Everybody at Oldham is looking forward to savouring the whole experience tonight and that starts from the moment we travel across and we do so in hope – not only for the team to play as well as it can – but also to show our club at all levels in a light befitting of the professionalism that we strive to meet every day in all things we do.

"Thank you to Saints for all their assistance in regards to tonight's match and to the Oldham fans for their support in what is a very important year for us as a club. Lets hope the help we have been given extends to the Saints players on the pitch!!!

"Enjoy the game."

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THE TIPSTER RETURNS!

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FEATHERSTONE LIONS V WIGAN WARRIORS
TIPSTER: The big red hot favourites of the round take on the giant killers on the slope at Post Office road. It will be blood and thunder and Featherstone will give everything they have. I think Wigan will have too much for them though.
WIGAN BY 32
GARDNER: WIGAN BUT THERE WON'T BE MUCH IN IT BY 16

SALFORD CITY REDS V LEEDS RHINOS
TIPSTER: Salford fell asleep in the game against Wakefield and suffered as a result, yet on home soil and with the canny coaching team they have there, are well capable of beating Leeds. But I think Leeds have too much big game experience and that will see them through.
LEEDS BY 20
GARDNER: I THINK IT COULD BE AN UPSET, I'M GONNA GO SALFORD BY 4

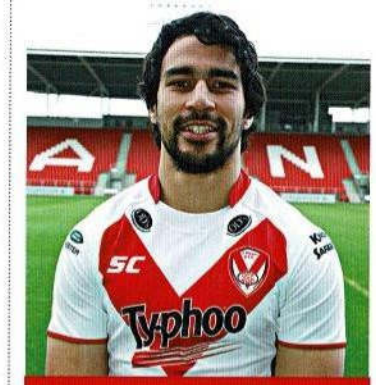
BATLEY BULLDOGS V LONDON BRONCOS
TIPSTER: This will be a very close game and could be decided by a single error. I have no doubt the Batley fans will be well up for this and I'm not sure the overseas stars of the Broncos will have experienced somewhere like Batley before!
BATLEY BY 4 POINTS
GARDNER: LONDON BY 10

LEIGH CENTURIONS V HALIFAX
TIPSTER: A real cup tie between to evenly matched teams and Championship rivals. Halifax look the stronger of the two though, and they'll need to be as Leigh have home support.
HALIFAX BY 14
GARDNER: HALIFAX BY 10

HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS V SWINTON LIONS
TIPSTER: Huddersfield are on fire at the moment and even though some of the youngsters will get a game, they will be too strong for Swinton.
HUDDERSFIELD BY 72
GARDNER: HUDDERSFIELD BY 60

CATALAN DRAGONS V SHEFFIELD EAGLES
TIPSTER: It's a tough ask for any club to travel over to Catalan and take on a big and mobile Dragons. It's even tougher when you're a division below.
CATALAN BY 32 POINTS
GARDNER: CATALAN BY 40

WARRINGTON WOLVES V BRADFORD BULLS
TIPSTER: Many people would expect Warrington to run away with this, but it could be a close one if Bradford can get in the faces of the Wolves early.
WARRINGTON BY 10
GARDNER: WARRINGTON BY 22



ST HELENS V OLDHAM ROUGHYEDS

TIPSTER: Saints were irresistible last week at home to Widnes to put to bed the poor show in the final 10 minutes at the Stobart. After this game was switched to Langtree Park, it became a lot harder for the part-timers to compete. They will be red hot against Saints for 20 minutes but realistically there is only one winner here.
SAINTS BY 42
GARDNER: SAINTS BY 50

SCORES ON THE DOORS!

ROUND	TIPSTER	SAINTS
Week 12	3	Soliola 9
Week 10	9	Wellens 6
Week 8	9	Wheeler 3
Week 6	5	Flanagan 6
Week 4	11	Laffranchi 9
Week 2	9	Hohaia 3
TOTAL	46	36

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OLDHAM GREETINGS!

WORDS: **SEAN JENKINS**

Welcome all Oldham fans I hope you enjoy your night at Langtree Park.

Oldham third in the Co-op Championship 1 League.

St Helens seventh in Super League with a silverware history as long as your arm.

Isn't it magic that these two teams square up tonight in the Challenge Cup when under normal circumstances it would never happen. Whether it be the FA Cup or the Challenge Cup it's the unpredictable nature that the very thought of an upset happening has everyone frantically chewing the finger nails to the bone!! It's always a nervy 80 minutes whoever you play. It's the cup, it's why we love it!!

I don't want to come across as being ignorant but I don't know an awful lot about Oldham Rugby League Club and their history so I did a bit a research on them. Did you know that they actually won the Challenge Cup before we did? I didn't! Way back in 1899 they won it by beating Hunslet 19-9. We had lost the very first final to Batley 10-3 in 1897 and had to wait right up until 1956 to win our first one! What a day that must have been for the travelling Saints fans to watch us beat Halifax 13-2, in that long period Oldham had won it on another two occasions 1925 and 1927.

So you could say that on that basis had we played them and beat them during those early years would that have been classed as a cup shock? It's funny how times have changed over the years isn't it. Swings and roundabouts is the term that comes to mind. Should Oldham beat us tonight the result would go down in the club's history as their finest to date and the rugby media world would have their headlines for weeks/years to come and Mike Appleton would be working plenty of overtime!!

Looking at the overall cup final wins Oldham have won it five times Saints have won it 12 times so on paper this should be a walk-over but remember this is the Challenge Cup. I apologise if I've made you even more nervous than you were before kick off! COYS!!

Harold Swift MBE what a man! It's always sad to hear when a member of the St Helens family passes away. It's men like Harold, who take time to nurture a youngster's talent and who provide the foundations of big clubs with their youth team players, that we are always indebted to.

A man who quietly goes about his business, at the same time he's preparing the future of many players for what lies ahead of them both in life and on the field of play. I'm sure Blackrock ARLFC wouldn't be where it is today without the guidance and help from Mr Swift. Paul Wellens, James Roby and James Graham I'm sure have fond memories of their time at the club as a youth coming through the amateur ranks. And how fitting a tribute was that of his grandson Adam to score a hat trick in last week's game against Widnes. I'm sure his granddad was looking down on him feeling rather pleased with himself. Well done Adam.

Personally for me I think MBE's these days are handed out like cheap confetti to all the wrong people (sorry Ma'am). Bringing kids through various levels of achievement in any sport either amateur or professional is hard work. I'm doing it right now with my young contenders at my boxing club and I would love nothing more than to see them progress and achieve their dreams in their sporting lives. But you can't achieve anything on your own especially in sport without people behind you guiding you.

Heroes like Mr Swift are heroes to people like me when I see them rewarded with an honour bestowed upon them by the Queen for years of service to the sport we love. It's inspiring! So for once, a piece of cheap confetti landed on the shoulder of a worthy person.

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FLANNERY: BEST FOR A YEAR



CHRIS FLANNERY RECKONS THE 62-0 WIN OVER WIDNES VIKINGS WAS THE MOST "COMPLETE PERFORMANCE" HE'S BEEN PART OF OVER THE LAST 12 MONTHS.

"It was great," he said. "We wanted to bounce back after the poor ten or so minutes we had at the Stobart. We spoke about that in the build-up to the game and spoke about putting in an 80 minute effort. We did that and were solid from 1 to 17.

"Adam Swift did well and we are all happy for him. When you are going through tough times like he is sometimes the best thing you can do is get back out amongst your teammates and not be sat at home. For him to come out here and score three tries has no doubt lifted the spirits of all his family."

Turning his thoughts to tonight's match with Oldham, Chris played in the pre-season friendly up at Whitebank and is expecting a tough clash.

He continued: "We have to approach the game like every other one. Although you look at them and see they are a couple of divisions below you can't take it for granted you will progress. I actually played them in preseason up at Whitebank and they beat us that night.

"They are a good side with a good half back. Miles Greenwood at full back is very sharp. We have to come out with good intensity and do our job as we only get one chance.

"We don't want a repeat of the Widnes game – we score, you score – and we don't want to go backwards from what we did on Friday night."

QUIRKS OF THE SAINTS

THE FLYING CURATE MAKES A 'MULL'

It seems appropriate in this Olympic year, that we remember one Saints' player who took part in the first London Olympics in 1908 at the White City stadium.

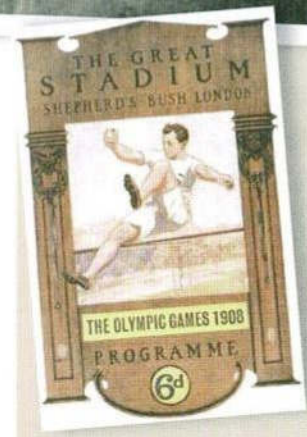
Christopher Chavasse attended Trinity College, Oxford and was an accomplished rugby player and athlete. He entered the heats for the 400 metres, with his twin brother Noel. Alas, neither made it to the semi-finals, with Christopher narrowly beaten in his heat by an American athlete called William Prout. Ironically the Saints played their first-ever game of floodlit rugby league at the White City stadium many years later – but that's another story!

As for Christopher, he became the Curate at St. Helens Parish Church and wanted to play rugby league, to empathise with his parishioners. He played six First Team matches, scoring three tries. Yet his biggest moment was to end in total embarrassment! When Saints played Wakefield Trinity, on Saturday 21st January 1911 the fans only counted twelve players on the field. There was no Chavasse! The game kicked off, with Saints putting reserve Sam Daniels onto the field. After half an hour a figure in a blue and black jersey vaults over the fence and rushed onto the field – it was Chavasse! The referee sent him off and later reported him for ungentlemanly conduct, not having sought the referee's permission to enter the field of play! To make matters worse, Wakefield won 18-8.

Christopher later explained the situation to the local press: "The whole thing was a fearful mull on my part….and I accept full responsibility for it. I had been up the previous night preparing a sermon and after lunch I sat in my chair before the fire running through it….when I dozed off. I rushed to Headquarters to find the dressing room doors locked and everyone gone to the match. I obtained the keys and sent for a cab while I dressed, but they had to harness the horse and when I reached the ground it was only to find I could not play…."

Christopher later became the Bishop of Rochester [1940-1960] and he always kept in touch with the fortunes of his former team, sending them letters of encouragement before major finals until he died in the early 1960s.

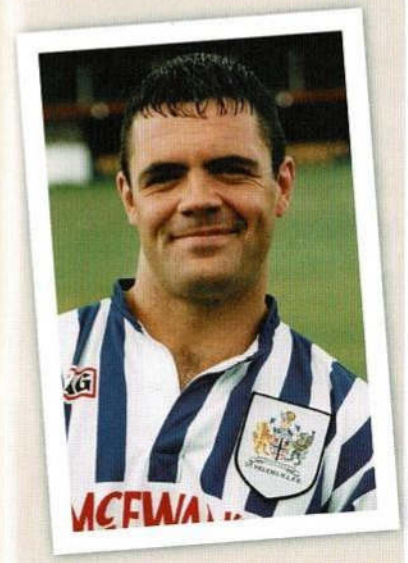




(Top) Christopher Chavasse in his Oxford blazer

(Bottom) Programme for the 1908 Olympic games





(Right) Chris Joynt

(Inset top & Bottom) Paul Atcheson & Tommy Martyn

PLAYED FOR BOTH

CHRIS JOYNT

In the early 1990s, we used to go to Oldham and admire the progress of a young second-rower, born in Wigan, called Chris Joynt.

So too did the St. Helens Directors, who signed him up for the start of the 1992-93 campaign. It was money well spent indeed! Chris soon developed into a wide-running second-rower of international pedigree. In his first season at Knowsley Road, he won the Harry Sunderland trophy, after Wigan were defeated at Old Trafford and his career took off from there.

In Super League, Chris won the lot, including the World Club Challenge against Brisbane at the Reebok when he scored a crucial try. He captained the team to two back-to-back Grand Final successes and a Challenge Cup victory against Bradford Bulls at Twickenham in 2001. Chris represented Lancashire, England, Great Britain and Ireland with distinction and gained a reputation as a workaholic forward with a penchant for scoring vital tries, none more so that the famous 'Wide-to-West' four-pointer in 2000 at Knowsley Road. It seemed as though the team could crumble if he was taken off for a 'breather' and he was soon back on the paddock inspiring and cajoling his team-mates to victory. Chris played 382 times for Saints all-told from 1992-2004 and was an automatic choice in the Club's Greatest 17 selection in 2010.

Other familiar names who have played for both include John Donovan from the 1960s; Neil Holding and Shaun Allen from the 1980s and Paul Atcheson, Paul Davidson and Tommy Martyn from the Super League era.

For more details log on to the Saints' Heritage website www.saints.org.uk



THE FIRST TIME

WE WON THE LANCASHIRE CUP

ST. HELENS 10
ST. HELENS RECS 2
DATE: 20TH NOVEMBER 1926
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ATTENDANCE: 19,430

We cannot imagine it today – the town of St. Helens divided by cup fever and bragging rights up for grabs. The Recs had joined the league just after the First World War and had actually won the Lancashire Cup in 1923-24, with their much older rivals still waiting for their first trophy success! The county final at Warrington was played in what may best be described as wet and soggy conditions. Saints' Chairman Jim May had a very scientific piece of advice for his team: "Do as the stamp did – stick it to the end!"

They did exactly that, maintaining an intensity that made life difficult for their famous rivals in red, amber and black. George Lewis kicked a first-minute penalty for the Saints and, following a set scrum, stand-off wizard Leslie Fairclough ran rings round Recs' second-rower Albert Fildes before touching down under the posts. Lewis converted and the Saints were in the driving seat. Just after the half-hour it was Alf Ellaby's turn to shine, when he got a pass from Lewis, kicked over his opponent's head and dribbled over the line to score. Jim Pyke reduced the deficit just before half-time with a welcome penalty for the Recs.

No further scoring took place in the second half and the Saints were victorious by 10-2. There was untold joy at Wilderspool on the final whistle, as thousands jumped over the terrace wall to congratulate their heroes and wait for the presentation of the cup in front of the grandstand. Second-rower Fred Roffey thus became the first captain to lift a major trophy for the Saints in their rugby league existence. Ironically, the club had to wait almost 30 years before their next success in the competition, against Wigan in 1953. Some might say it was definitely worth the wait!



(Inset) A brilliant stand-off and a member of Saints' Greatest 17, Les Fairclough scored the crucial second try in the Lancashire Cup final.

Trivia footnote: The Recs later got their revenge at the end of the season with a sensational 33-0 victory in the Championship semi-final at City Road. Two Saints players – Groves and Houghton – were sent off, together with Bill Mulvanney of the Recs in what was a feisty encounter to say the least!





(Main) It's ours at last! The Saints line up with the Lancashire Cup in 1927.

(Inset) Thanks to Stephen Maylor, of Oldham, a rare copy of the 1926 Lancashire Cup final programme is on view in the club's Heritage Alcove – a real 'must-see' item!

TEAMS
St. Helens: Crooks; Cotton, A. Frodsham, G. Lewis (2G), Ellaby (1T); Fairclough (1T), Groves; Atkin, Simm, Houghton, Clarey, Roffey (Capt), Shaw
St. Helens Recs: T. Dingsdale; Wilson, Bailey, Pyke (1G), Wallace; Greenall (Capt), Halsall; Higgins, Dolan, Highcock, Smith, Fildes, Mulvanney

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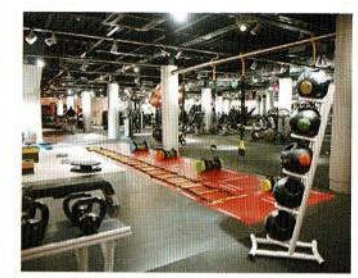
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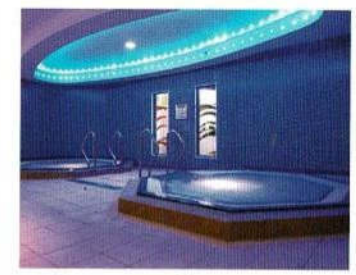
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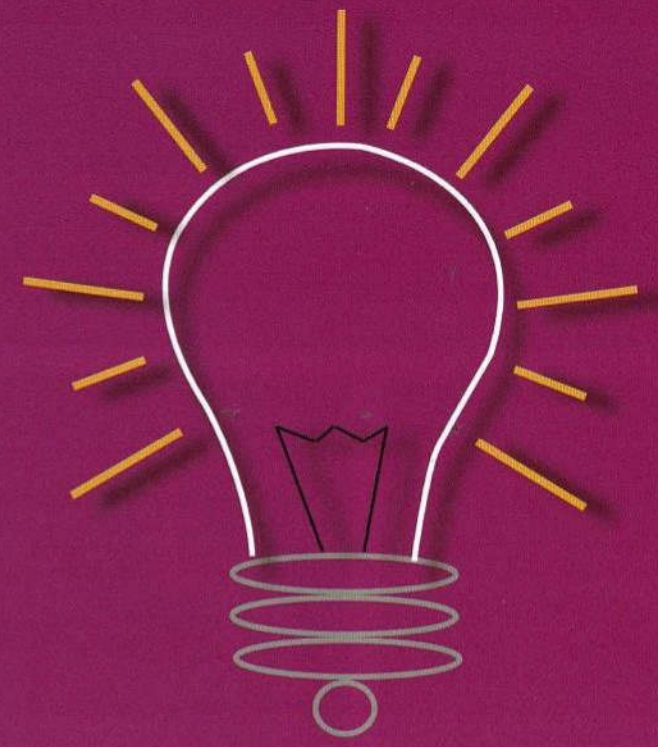
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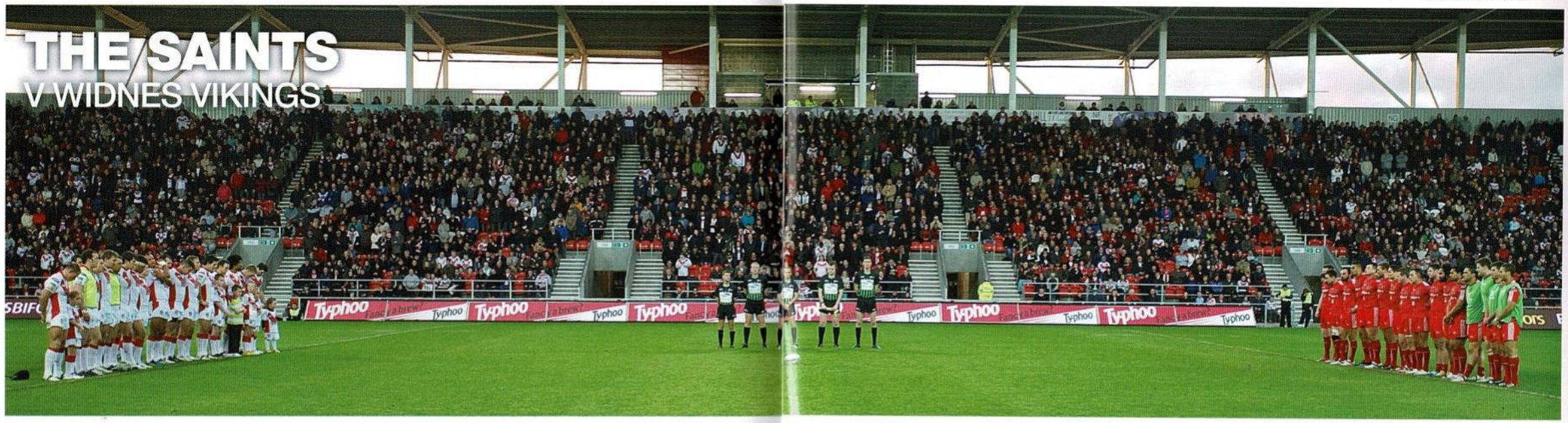
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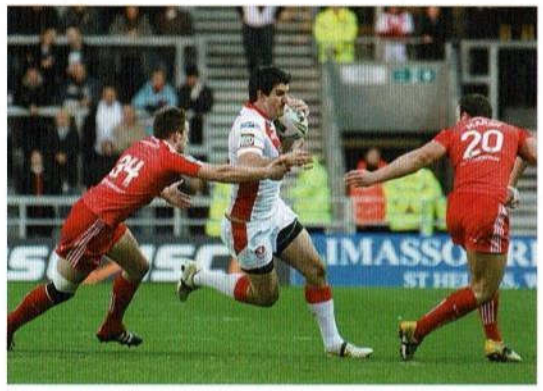
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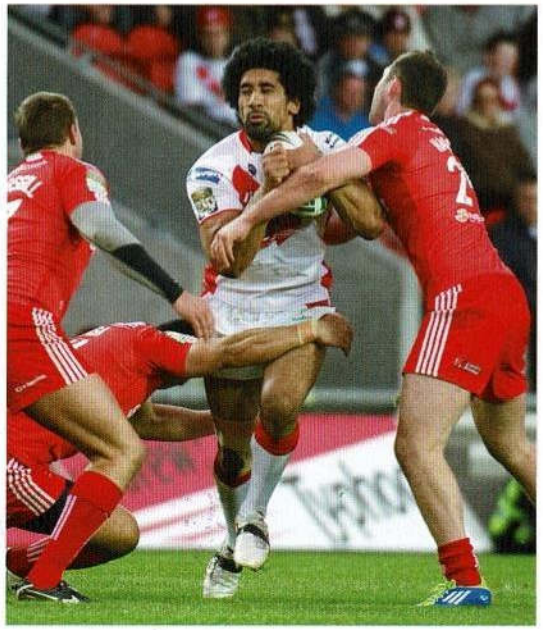




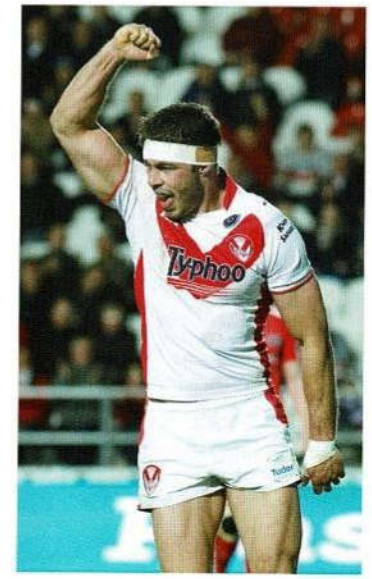


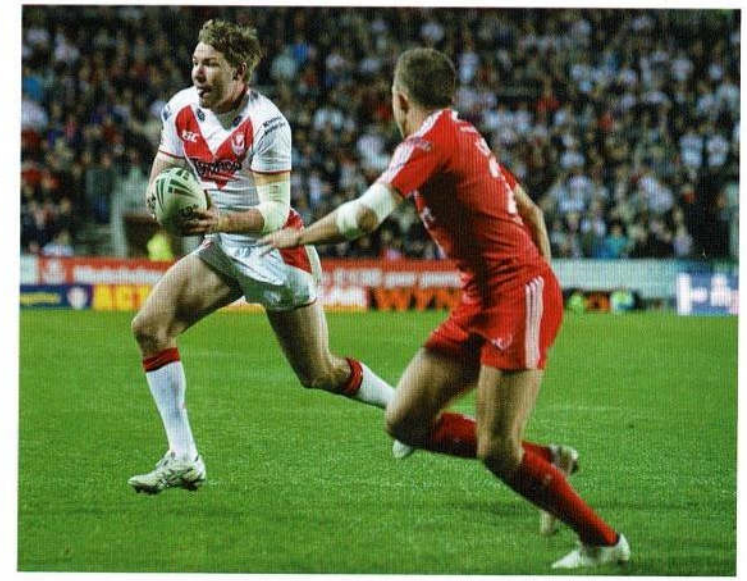


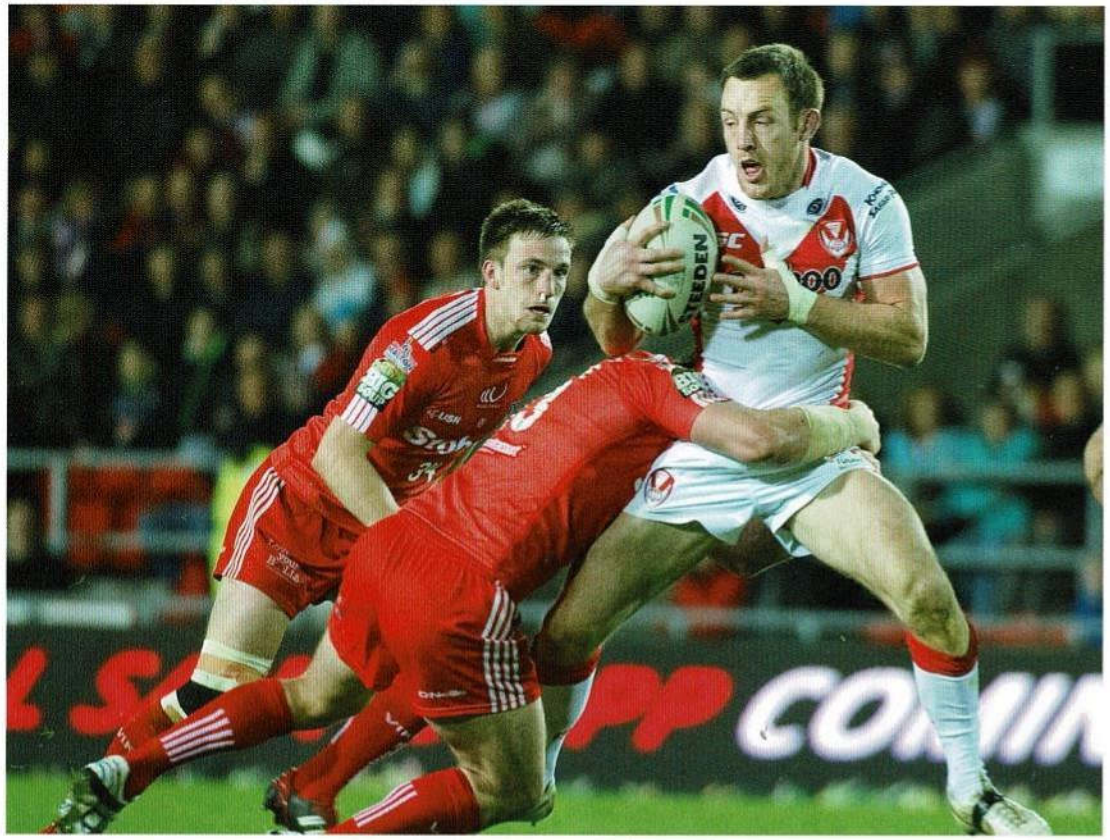


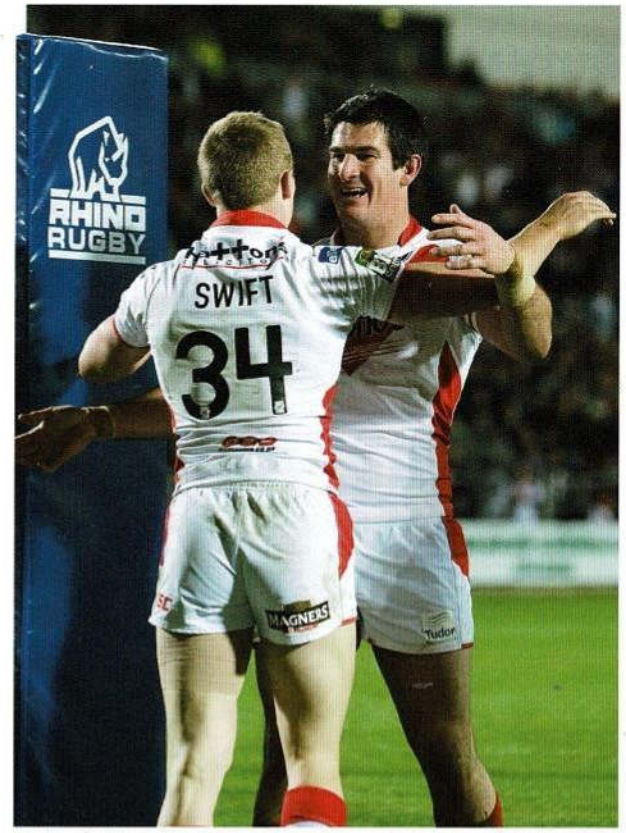


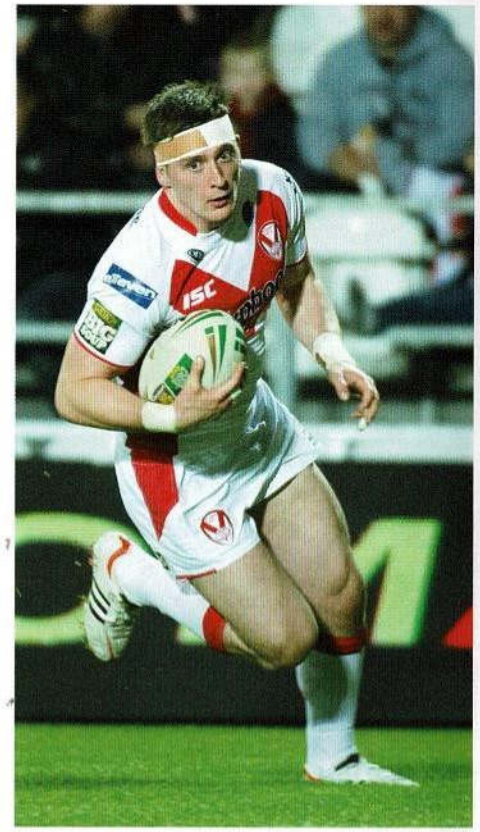




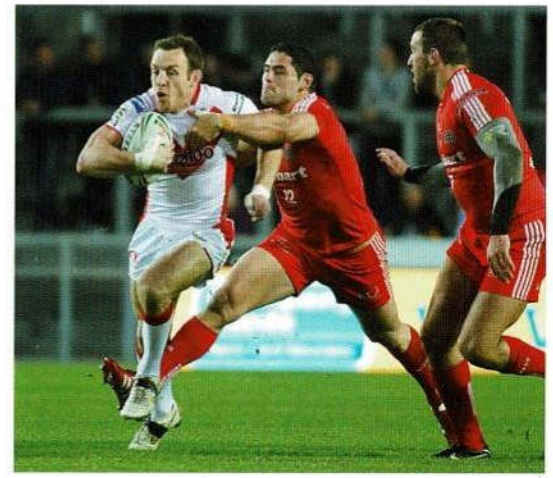





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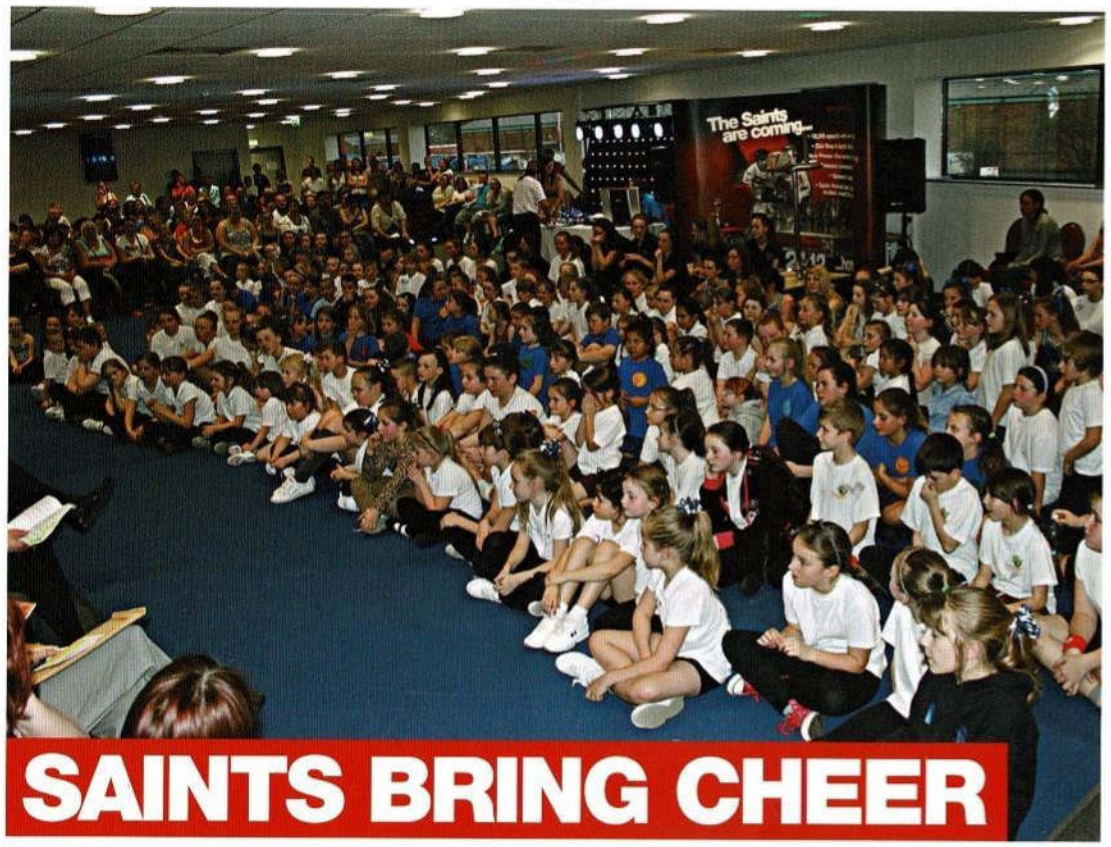

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SAINTS BRING CHEER

LANGTREE PARK HOSTED ITS FIRST CHEER FESTIVAL RECENTLY WITH 260 YOUNGSTERS INVOLVED.

Run by SCDF coach Nicola Penketh the event, in partnership with The Sutton Academy and Sutton Tornado Cheerleaders, attracted a wonderful crowd as proud family members watched their children take part.

Pupils created their own cheer routines and chants as cross-curricular links were encouraged.

The honours on the night went to St Anne's Primary School; they won the 'Cheer Spirit' award for best team spirit & performances.

Nicola said: "The event was the first of its kind at the new stadium and I'd like to thank all the children involved and their parents for their wonderful support."

Mums are now getting involved in the action with the new 'Cheer Mums' session up and running. The class, for adults only, takes place on Thursday evenings at The Sutton Academy Art Centre, 6.30pm-7.30pm.

As well as being great fun, the class is excellent exercise as it's a pom dance focusing on aerobics and toninght.

OFF THE BENCH CONTINUES SUCCESS

The latest generation of budding sports coaches in Liverpool are now training to deliver Rugby League coaching.

Each year Saints Community Development Foundation hold the Liverpool Schools Sports Partnership Off the Bench programme.

29 new graduates trained with the club for a week and earned their Rugby League Leaders award.

Working with coaches Adam Daniels, Paul Foster and Gareth Friars trained the teenagers in the basics of the game. Thankfully they quickly learned the ropes and were able to deliver their own training sessions to Year 8 pupils at Cowley International College.

Gordon Pennington, Saints Community Development Foundation, said: "We would like to thank the Liverpool School Sports Partnership and the schools involved including Cardinal Heenan, St John Bosco, De La Salle, North Liverpool Academy, Archbishop Beck and Fazakerley – for the outstanding support they have given their students and the game of Rugby League."



TOUCH RUGBY BRINGS IN NEW FANS

RUGBY League in Knowsley continues to gain popularity with a recent festival attracting more than 60 young players.

All Saints Catholic Centre for Learning hosted a Primary School Touch Rugby League Festival in late March with six schools in action. The majority of the youngsters involved are regular football players, so the touch format allowed them to transfer some of their basic sporting skills. The footwork, teamwork, pace and handling on show was very encouraging. It's now hoped more youngsters continue their development in the game with local community club – Kirkby Cougars.

The festival was organised by Michael Cummings SSCO for All Saints Catholic Centre for Learning and assisted by St.Helens R.F.C. Saints Community Coach Paul Foster opened the festival with a warm up before the action started.

Fine sunshine proved the perfect conditions for running rugby as St. Laurence Catholic Primary School swept to glory.

A great aspect of the day was seven trained league leaders from the high school delivering skills sessions before the festival and helping with its running.

This community aspect to the game in Kirkby ensures that rugby league can be sustainable thanks to the work of teachers, coaches and volunteers.

Paul Foster said: "The festival was a great success with all teams competing for top honours. I was very impressed with the attitude and confidence of the new rugby leaders.

"It was also encouraging to have many of the players asking where they could play more Rugby League."

Training for young Rugby League players in Knowsley takes place at Kirkby Cougars Community at St Laurence Primary School. Sessions run from 4.30-5.30pm on Wednesday. For further information please contact Paul Foster at scdf@saintsrlfc.com or call 01744 455074.



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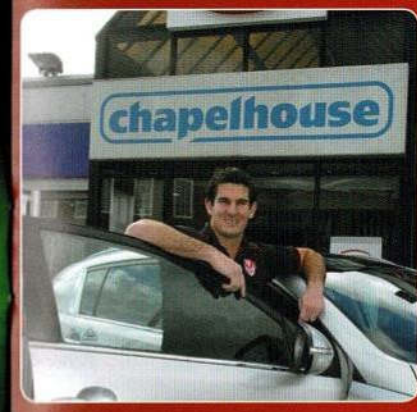
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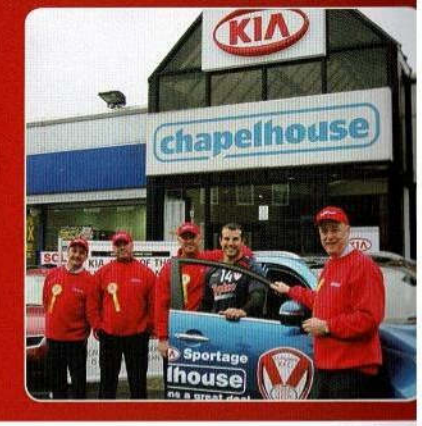
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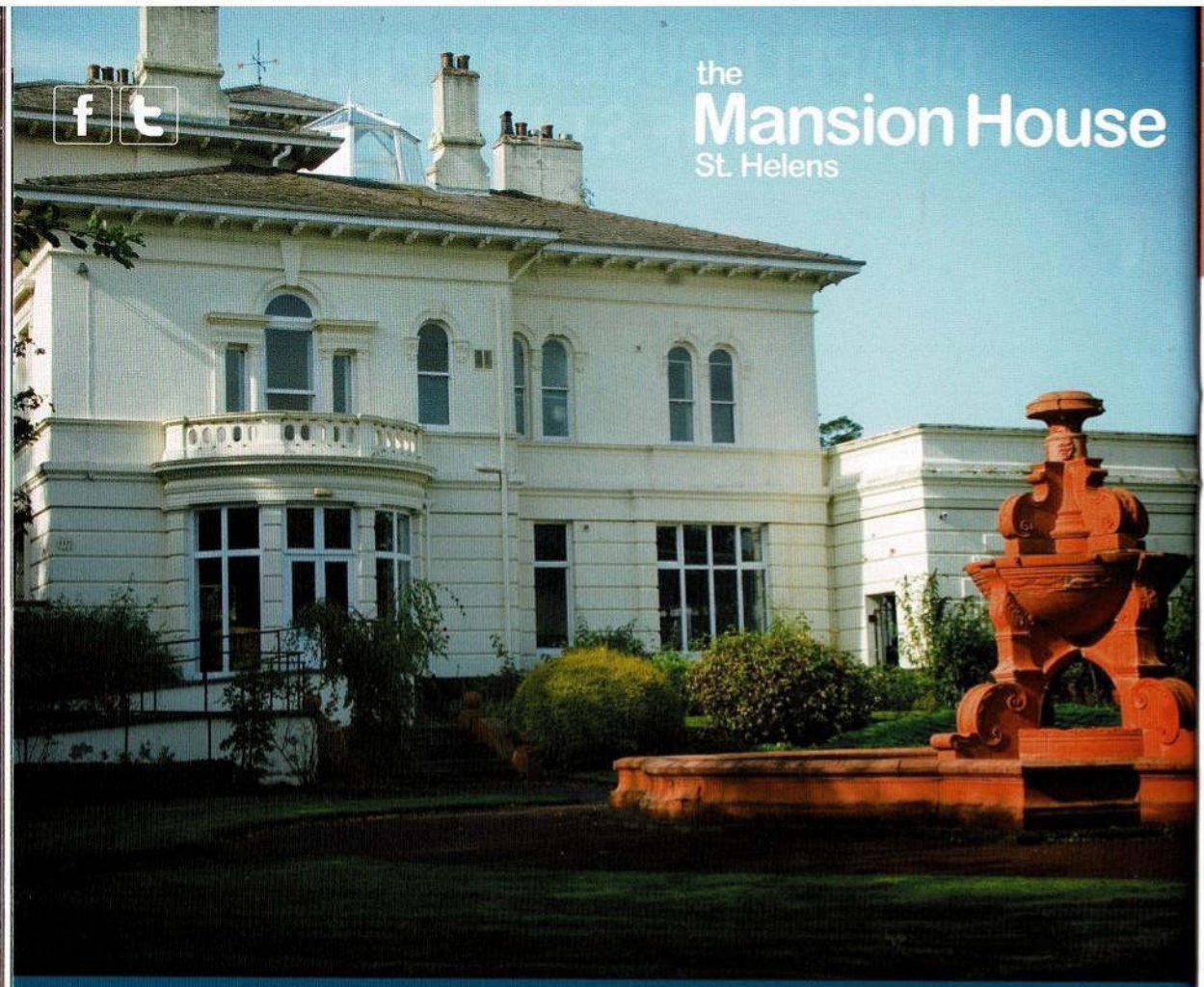
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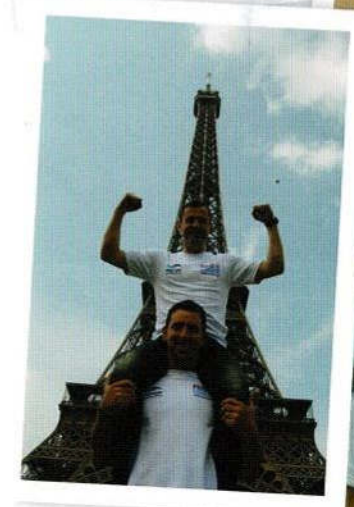
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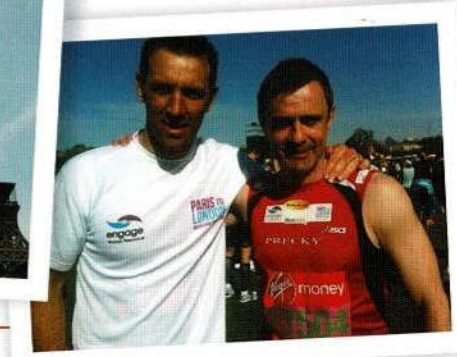
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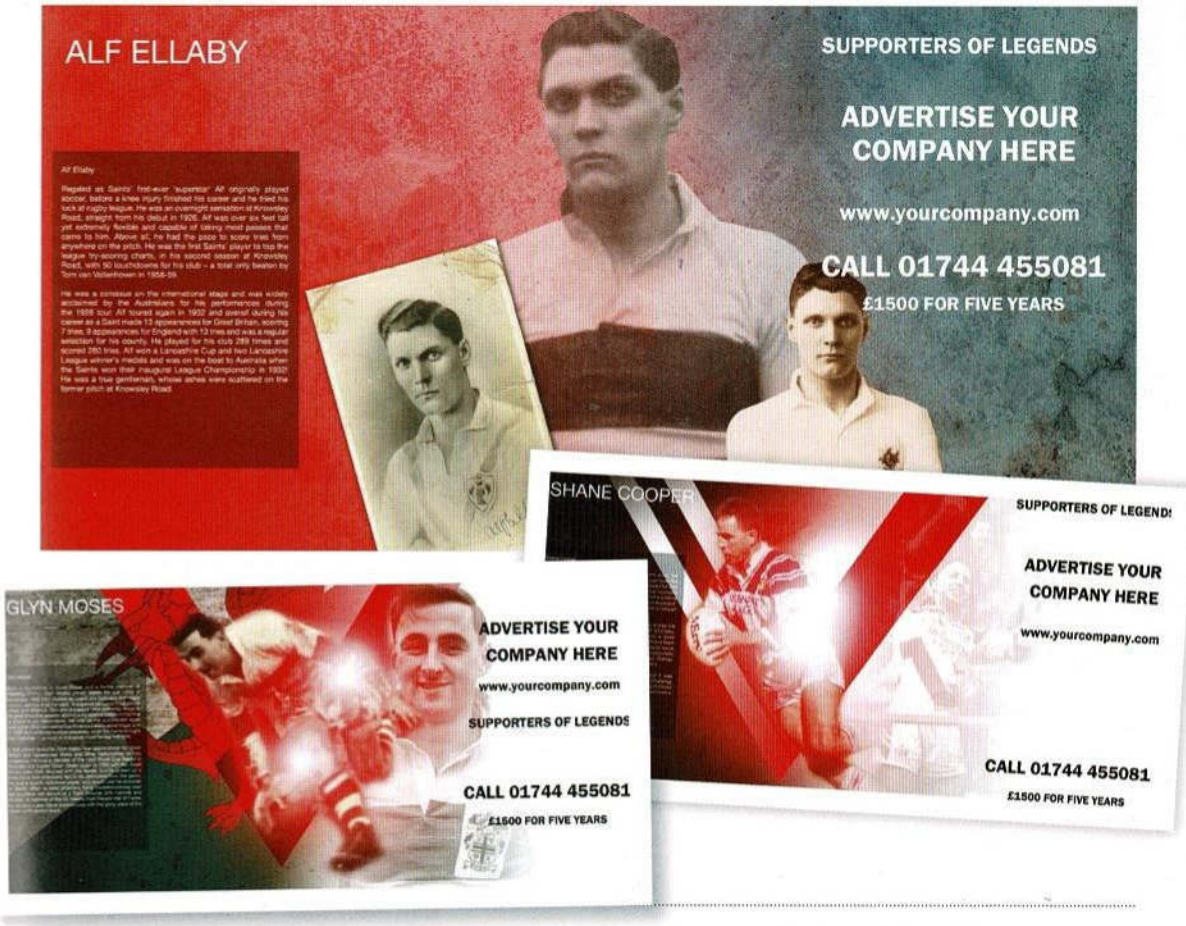
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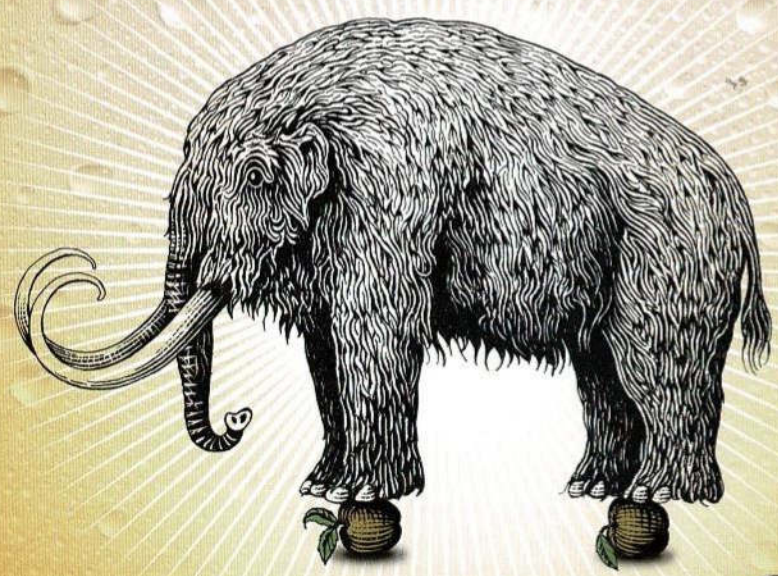
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THIS WEEK WE ASKED... SAINTS HAVE WON FIVE FROM SIX NOW AND ARE STARTING TO GET SOME MOMENTUM UP AND RUNNING. WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR HIGHLIGHT OVER THE LAST SIX WEEKS?

Gavin M Harrison Leeds and Warrington matches, big shame bout Wigan match but the ref was there best player in that! Futures bright, futures red and white!

Craig Flaherty Friday against widnes.

Johnny Wright Swifty and putting Warrington in their place in their own gaff

Darren Leonard The unexpected turnaround against Leeds! Awesome!

Kevin Archer Seeing Adam swift get a start

@Aaron1smith can we pick three. 1.The demolision off the Rhinos 2.The Rush roll and finally 3.Adam Swift's Hat-trick last friday night #COYS

Brian Agger Leeds was amazing, both players and supporters

Kerry Bethom Best games leeds,wire,widnes at home on friday,that how we play 62-0

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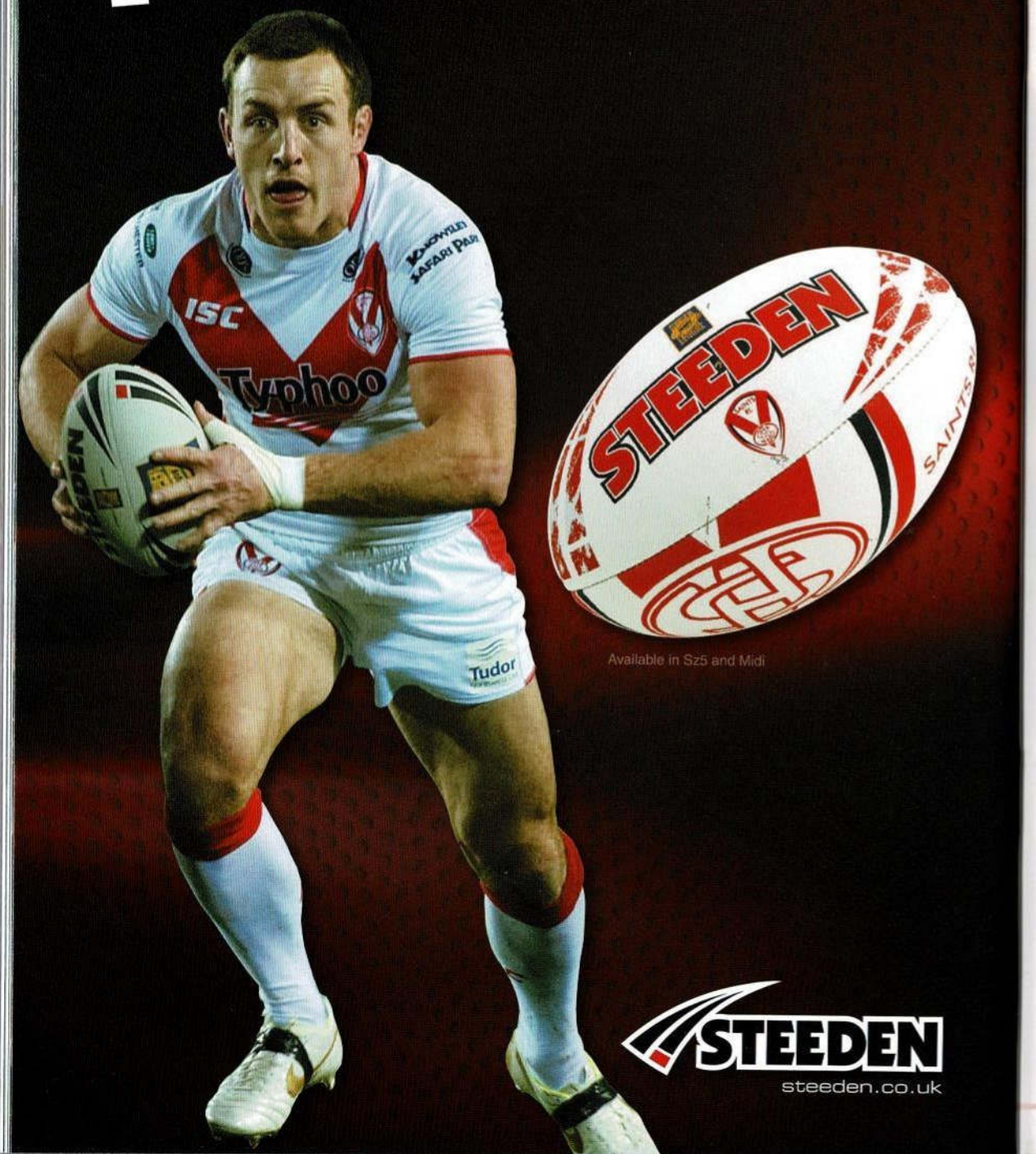
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SUPERSTITIOUS TIMES

I was really pleased when Saints' name came out of the hat with that of Oldham.

It is not that I expect the Roughyeds to be a soft touch and therefore provide a safe passage through to the quarter-finals – although everyone but the most hyper-optimistic of Oldhamers will expect the latter.

Nor is it simply the fact that I have a soft spot for Oldham as a proper rugby league town, especially given the number of top players that this XIII-man code hotbed has produced and continues to do so despite not having a team in the top flight.

Warrington would give their eye-tooth to have a record of producing a list of internationals to match that of Oldham – Barrie McDermott, Iestyn Harris, Paul Sculthorpe, Kevin Sinfield and Kyle Eastmond. Give it a while and we may well be throwing our own Mark Flanagan on there too.

And it is not even that I am glad we could give the Roughyeds a decent pay day – as Saints probably still owe them big time for helping nurture two of the finest players to ever grace a Saints shirt in the modern era – Tommy Martyn and Chris Joynt.

No, it is more one of superstition. Invariably when we play Oldham in the Challenge Cup we usually go all the way to the final – that was certainly the case in 1976, 1978, 1987 and 2002. The only game spoiling the stat is 1981 where Kel Coslett's team fell at the semi-final hurdle after winning at the Watersheddings in the last eight.

Two of those games were absolute blinders – demonstrating the compelling nature of the Challenge Cup.

In March 1981 the quarter final tie between the sides was as close as it gets – and what an atmosphere.

The Watersheddings was absolutely jam-packed to the rafters with a crowd of around 9,000 on and you could barely move around the ground made up of old wooden stands.



The game was close with only a Peter Glynn drop goal separating the two sides at half time and again at the final hooter.

Oldham made a real game of it, taking the lead with a 14th minute try from big Welsh prop Gareth Owen. A try from hooker Graham Liptrot try cancelled that out, then Glynn nudged Saints in front. The second half remained nailbitingly scoreless, but the crowd was so packed that you swayed with every tackle and every ball carry.

Saints held on – but there was no place to hide in the semis where they lost to Hull KR.

Another classic at the most picturesque ground in rugby league came on Valentine's Day, 1987.

Oldham, who were bossed by former Saints skipper Frank Myler, came into the game cock-a-hoop after a late Paddy Kirwin try had knocked Wigan out in the previous round.

It was another bitterly cold day at Watersheddings and straw had been scattered across the pitch to keep out the frost.

The Roughyeds led 8-6 at half time leaving the Saints fans, packed up behind the back of the posts, shuffling nervously in anticipation of suffering the same fate as Wigan.

However, Oldham had hooker Ian Sanderson sent off for a high tackle on Neil Holding. (Blimey, remember when players actually got dismissed for high shots!) Saints moved the ball about a lot more in the second half, and used the one-man advantage to send Kevin McCormack and Paul Forber over for good tries. Holding then scored a peach of a try - after taking the ball from the scrum, he dummied to the invisible man on the wing, beating the former Great Britain full back Mick Burke for pace to score.

The intensity of the first half and prospect of losing had made the victory even more pleasing. Raucous cries of 'We're on the march with Murphy's Army!' repeatedly rang around the ground, each time rising in volume.

That year Saints did go all the way to Wembley, where they suffered a heartbreaking one-point defeat by Halifax.

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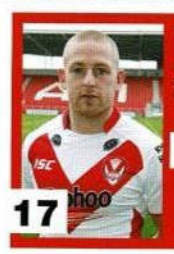
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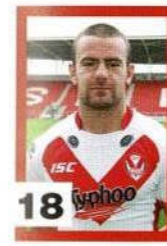
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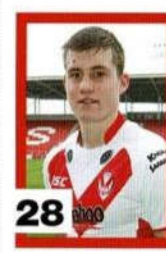
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SERVICE AREA UPDATE



WORDS: **STEVE LEONARD**

Another crucial Cup game takes place this week and by the time you are reading this we will know if we have a representative in the Carnegie National Schools competition semi-finals.

Our last remaining team, St Cuthbert's Year 7, play against St Peter & Paul of Widnes. I know you will all be looking out for the result as much as I will and wish the team well as they too strive to reach Wembley.

ST HELENS SCHOOLS RUGBY LEAGUE CUP FINALS 2012

TUESDAY MAY 15 2012

- Year 10 final, (New Ellison Cup) Eric Chisnall Cup - kick off 4PM

Cowley International College on Saints Training Pitch

Finalists to be confirmed

WEDNESDAY MAY 16 2012

Years 7 & 11 finals

- Year 7, (Pennington Cup) Paul Wellens Cup - kick off 6PM

Hope Academy V St Cuthbert's

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- Year 11 (Walsh Cup) Alex Murphy Cup - kick off 7PM

DLS V St Cuthbert's

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THURSDAY MAY 24 2012

- Year 8 (Keiron Cunningham Cup) - kick off 2PM
- Year 9 (H.Dunn Cup-Marsden) Jim Forshaw finals - kick off 4PM

Thatto Heath Crusaders

Admission charge of £2 adults & £1 concessions will help cover costs.

Last weekend saw our Community Coaches, led by Gaz Friar, start the first of our Cubs Camps. Pictured are the boys and girls who came along to Eccleston Lions on Saturday Morning.

It was a really enjoyable experience for the children and has helped form the base of the new under 7s side for next season. This is on the back of the great work the committee completed in partnership with Saints and the St Helens and Merseyside Service Area bringing Junior Rugby league to their Community last year.

The committee decided the time and structure were right for the introduction of a Junior Rugby League section within the club and applied to us to hold a cubs' camp last Summer. The rest as they say is history as the U7s are competing in the North West Counties Leagues and another St Helen's junior Rugby league section is born.

Enjoy the game and thanks to everyone within the St Helens and Merseyside Service Area for their continued support.

DEAN McGILVARY

SUPER LEAGUE NUMBER 117



Who introduced you to Rugby League?

I began playing Rugby League at the age of seven. It was after watching Saints really; I went along to local Community Club Blackbrook Royals with a few friends.

Who was the biggest influence on your career as a youngster?

I would have to say my dad. He really supported me and encouraged me. He has always been my biggest critic which helped me improve as a player.

How did your signing for Saints come about?

I started at Saints when I was 15. I was selected for Service Area team. I was then selected for a scholarship, progressed to the 18s, then 21s and then the First Team.

What are your memories of your debut?

It was a week before the Challenge Cup Final and we were in Catalan. Many of the first team players were being rested. It was an absolutely awesome experience.

Which teams did you most look forward to playing?

Obviously as a St Helens lad I looked forward to playing against Wigan Warriors.

What players did you most enjoy playing with?

It was a surreal experience to play at Knowsley Road with Saints Legends I had grown up watching like Keiron Cunningham and Paul Sculthorpe.

Name three career highlights with the club...

Signing for my home town Club Saints; My first team debut versus Catalan; My first try for the first team away at Huddersfield.

How would you describe Knowsley Road?

She was a great old fashioned stadium with a tremendous atmosphere.

Which ground did you most like playing away at?

I played first team away at Headingley in Leeds and the atmosphere was unreal.

What are you doing now?

Playing for Leigh Centurions and looking to use my degree in Sports Science by training to get into teaching sport in Schools. I also have been asked to assist on Saints Service Area coaching, which I am really enjoying.

U18S & U20S

STATS & FIXTURES

UNDER 18S FIXTURES:

DATE	OPPOSITION	KICK-OFF
31 MARCH 2012	WARRINGTON (H)	38-22
14 APRIL 2012	CASTLEFORD (H)	56-6
21 APRIL 2012	WIDNES VIKINGS (A)	50-6
27 APRIL 2012	WIGAN WARRIORS (A)	6.30PM
06 MAY 2012	FEATHERSTONE ROVERS (A)	2.30PM
12 MAY 2012	HULL FC (H)	1PM
09 JUNE 2012	BRADFORD BULLS (A)	3.15PM
16 JUNE 2012	LEEDS RHINOS (H)	PP
23 JUNE 2012	SALFORD CITY REDS (H)	1PM
7 JULY 2012	WIDNES VIKINGS (H)	11AM
14 JULY 2012	WALES (H)	1.30PM
16 AUGUST 2012	CASTLEFORD TIGERS (A)	7.30PM
27 AUGUST 2012	WARRINGTON WOLVES (A)	2PM
01 SEPTEMBER 2012	HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS (A)	2PM
09 SEPTEMBER 2012	WIGAN WARRIORS (H)	12PM

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NAME	APP	SUB	T	G	DG	PTS
ASHURST, BRAD	2	1				0
CARNEY, DANNY						0
CARR, CHRIS						0
CHARNOCK, LEWIS	3		1	4		12
CLARE, ALEX	2		2			8
COOKE, MATT		2				0
FIELDS, MIKE						0
FOSTER, LEWIS	2		2			8
FOZARD, MATTHEW	1	2	3	6		24
GALBRAITH, LEWIS	3		5			20
HEATON, JORDAN	2					0
HESKETH, ADAM	3		1			4
JONES, JACK	1					0
LEE, COREY	3		2			8
LEWIS, BRANDON		1				0
MARTLEW, JAMIE						0
PARRY, BEN	2	1	2			8
PERCIVAL, MARK	1			3		6
RICHARDS, GREG		2				0
ROBERTS, BEN						0
ROUGHLEY, TOM		2	1			4
SAVELIO, ANDRE	3					0
SCOTT, MIKE						0
SHERIDAN, LEWIS	3		3	3		18
SKUPSKI, NATHAN						0
TATLOCK, LEON						0
THOMPSON, LUKE	2		2			8
TILLEY, JAMES	2					0
TRACEY, JAMIE	1	1				0
WEBSTER, CHRIS						0
WILDE, GREG	3		4			16
WOOD, MATT						0
TOTAL	**39**	**12**	**28**	**16**	**0**	**144**

UNDER 20S FIXTURES:

DATE	OPPOSITION	KICK-OFF
27 JANUARY 2012	OLDHAM ROUGHYEDS (A)	18-28
04 FEBRUARY 2012	LONDON BRONCOS (A)	PP
18 FEBRUARY 2012	HULL KR (A)	20-10
03 MARCH 2012	HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS (A)	68-0
09 MARCH 2012	HULL FC (H)	28-10
15 MARCH 2012	BRADFORD BULLS (A)	40-12
25 MARCH 2012	LEEDS RHINOS (H)	48-10
30 MARCH 2012	WARRINGTON WOLVES (A)	22-36
06 APRIL 2012	WIGAN (H)	34-30
20 APRIL 2012	WIDNES VIKINGS (H)	54-18
04 MAY 2012	WAKEFIELD WILDCATS (H)	5.45PM
12 MAY 2012	WIGAN WARRIORS (A)	2PM
21 MAY 2012	LEEDS RHINOS (A)	5.45PM
22 JUNE 2012	SALFORD CITY REDS (A)	5.45PM
29 JUNE 2012	HULL KR (H)	5.45PM
08 JULY 2012	WIDNES VIKINGS (A)	12.45PM
14 JULY 2012	LONDON BRONCOS	TBC
27 JULY 2012	HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS (H)	5.45PM
06 AUGUST 2012	WARRINGTON WOLVES (H)	5.45PM
11 AUGUST 2012	WAKEFIELD WILDCATS (A)	2.30PM
17 AUGUST 2012	CASTLEFORD TIGERS (H)	5.45PM
31 AUGUST 2012	LONDON BRONCOS (H)	5.45PM

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BARBER, ADAM						0
BATE, JOE		7	1			4
CASE, JORDAN	4	2	2	1		10
CLARE, ALEX		2				0
CROSS, IAN	2		1			4
DIXON, ANDREW	1					0
DWYER, CONNOR						0
FORSTER, CARL	3		3			12
FOSTER, LEWIS		2				0
FOSTER, JAMIE	4		6	30		84
GASKELL, LEE	4		3			12
GREAVES, JOSH						0
GREENWOOD, JOE	7		5			20
HALE, SCOTT	3		1			4
HAND, JORDAN	5	3				0
HILL, JAMES	1		1			4
JONES, DANNY	8		3			12
JONES, JOSH	5		4			16
LEE, COREY	4		2			8
LLOYD, AARON						0
MCCLUSKEY, AARON		2	1			4
MAGENNIS, SHAUN	2		1			4
MAKINSON, TOM	1					0
PERCIVAL, MARK	7		3	13		38
SANDFORD, JAYDON	4		2			8
SPEAKMAN, DOM	8		1	1		6
SWIFT, ADAM	6		3			12
THOMPSON, JAMIE						0
TILLEY, JAMES		3	1			4
TRUMPER, ALEX	2	3	2			8
WALKER, ANTHONY	6	2	3			12
WHEELER, GARY						0
WILDE, GREG	5		1			4
YATES, DANNY	8		5			20
YATES, STE						0
TOTAL	**104**	**32**	**56**	**45**	**0**	**314**

ACADEMY & UNDER 20S ROUND-UP

WORDS: **STEVE MANNING, CITY TALK 105.9 FRIDAY 6.00PM -7.00PM**

U18S CONTINUE TO PROGRESS

THE Under 18s are still unbeaten after their opening three games of the season, although at this age group there will be no league tables or end of season play offs and Grand Final.

Tonight, the side make the short journey to the Orrell Community Stadium to play biggest rivals Wigan Warriors with a 6.30pm kick off.

Recently, they overcame the Widnes Vikings 50-6 after leading 22-6 at the break. The tries came from Lewis Galbraith (2), Lewis Sheridan (2), Matty Fozard (2), Adam Hesketh, Luke Thompson and Tom Roughley with goals from Lewis Charnock (4) and Matty Fozard (3).

Academy Head Coach Derek Traynor gave us his thoughts on that win and tonight's match.

"It was another job well done at the weekend and the side played some good stuff scoring some really good tries to go with those scored in the opening two wins of the season over Warrington Wolves and Castleford Tigers. We are well pleased with their progress.

"The team got themselves in a winning position in the first forty but it's how you carry on in the second half, not switch off, they score, we score. We wanted to have them concentrate on defence and that's what they did to help give us that good scoreline.

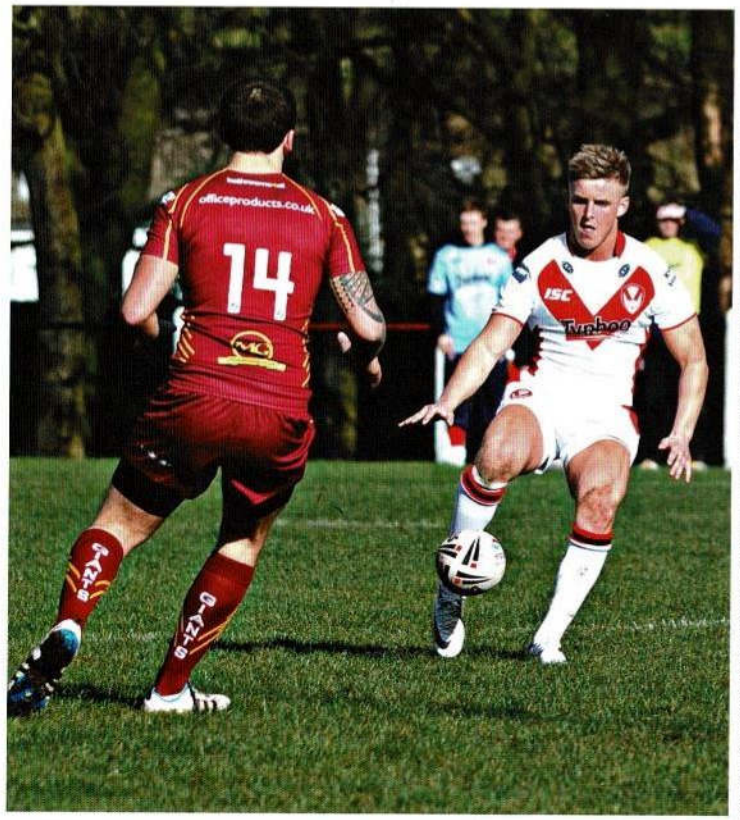
"There were quite a few players who stood out in a very good team performance; Ben Parry on the wing, Lewis Charnock in his first game at loose forward, Luke Thompson, Adam Hesketh, Matthew Fozard, Tom Roughley and Lewis Galbraith.

"It's always a massive test when we go over to play Wigan. We haven't really performed well there for the last two years. I don't know why so we are hoping to perform better there this time. The lads won't need any motivation as this game gets it going itself and being part of it and all the tradition that goes with it."

He continued: "Although there are no league tables we try and instill a winning attitude and that you play in every game to win and obviously with a view to making these players first team players in time. Having this good winning attitude will keep them in good stead for the future.

"A forty man squad has been selected for the England Academy to tour Australia and play the Australian Schoolboys in July this year, which will be whittled down to twenty four for the trip. Congratulations go to Dominic Speakman, Danny Yates, Mark Percival, Greg Wilde, Corey Lee and Luke Thompson who are in the initial squad.

"It's a great testament to the Club and the players to be in the squad. Our six selected players have already played in Australia for our Academy when our team for the first time ever won all four games. So if selected to the final twenty-four they will already have some experience of what they are going into when they get to Australia."



IN THE SYSTEM

Ben Parry, 17, is a winger who lives in Chorley with his parents, stepfather and mum Michael and Barbara Owen. He attended St Laurence Primary School, Parklands High School and Runshaw College.

He is currently a first year student Cowley International College and has begun an AASE (Advanced Apprenticeship in Sports Excellence).

Q: How did you first get involved playing in rugby league?

A: When I was four or five years old I used to play football for Charnock Richard and one of my friends asked if we should go and try out playing rugby league at Chorley Panthers as one of our older friends played there. I took to the sport and we mixed and trained with the year above us. I began playing at six and seven and I stayed at Chorley until the end of the Under 16s season. In the Under 13s we won the North West Counties Division 1 title but were relegated the following season and we then won the Division 1 title again in the Under 15s. I won the club's Players' Player of the Year at Under 11, 13, 15 and 16s. From the age of six to 13 I played at full back, then centre and on the wing.

Q: Who were your coaches?

A: When I was younger Bernard Flannagan and Ian Carr and up to the under fourteen side and for the final two seasons I was coached by Peter Bridge.

Q: Did you play for your Service Area?

A: I played for Lancashire Service Area at Under 14s, was injured the following season, and then played for them at Under 16s and was coached by Frank McMullen. I was selected for the under 16s regional camp but missed out on the national camp.

Q: How did you get picked up by Saints?

A: I was playing for the u15s at Chorley Panthers and Mick Oxley came to see me and asked if I would like to come to Saints. I trained under Mick with the Under 15s and in the Under 16s we had the Scholarship trial games against Wigan, Leeds, Salford, Warrington and Leigh Centurions. On completion of the games I had a meeting with the club and they offered me a three-year professional contract to play for the Under 18 Academy side.

Q: Why did you sign for the club?

A: They are a very successful club and they believe in their youth system and bringing people through to play at the highest level. I have seen over the recent years how the youngsters have been given their chance and I thought that this was the best club to be at to achieve my goals.

Q: Were you also part of the St Helens Academy Squad which went to Australia at the end of last season?

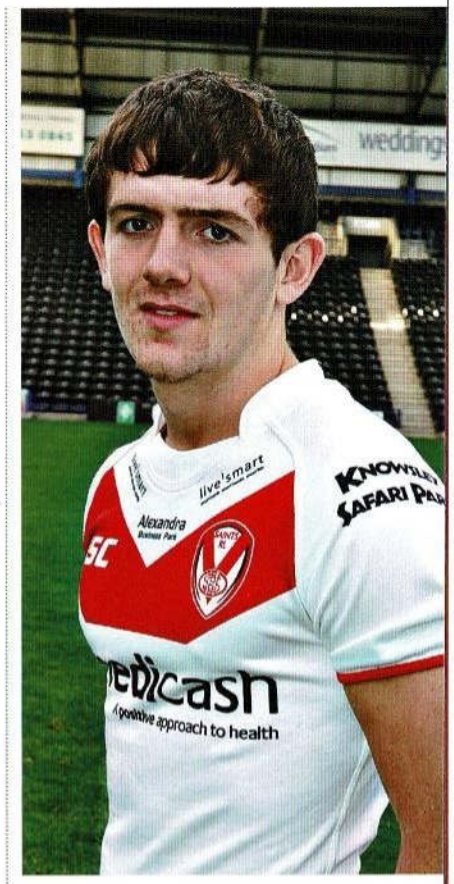
A: Yes. It was fantastic we played and won all our four games against very good NRL sides, the first time the club had won all four games since they began touring there. For me it was a great experience as a sixteen year old and the first time I had been in an experience of training every day in a fulltime environment for the build-up to the games and then playing in the games every four or five days. It was a big step up for me personally and it's pushed forward to wanting to make a career in the game. I played in all the games and was lucky enough to score in the final one against the Penrith Panthers.

Q: What's happened this season?

A: After coming back from Australia I trained during preseason and the Academy season has just begun. We have played three and won three and you can't get better than that... we have a tough game at Wigan though tonight.

Q: Your hopes for the future?

A: To continue to work hard and progress to the best of my ability as a player and to push on in the team and get an opportunity to play for the Reserves. I want to focus to win every single game throughout the season. In the future I would love to play first team rugby for the Saints in Super League and for this to happen I have to continue to work hard, learning the game so that the club will offer me another fulltime contract when this current one comes to an end in two years' time. I want to make a career out of it; it's something that I love. If I am successful with those goals further down the line my ambition is to play for the National side as well.



Q: Role models?

A: Jason Robinson. He was a great rugby league player who won every honour in the game and then moved to rugby union were again he won every honour in the game. He always appeared to be an absolute gentlemen too.

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DATE	OPPONENTS	H/A	V	FT	ATT	POS	FB	RW	RC	LC	LW	SO
FEB												
04	LONDON BRONCOS	A	3.00PM	34 24	4924	5	HOHAIA	MAKINSON	WHEELER	MELI T	FOSTER T7G	GASKELL
10	SALFORD CITY REDS SKY	H	8.00PM	38 10	15547	2	HOHAIA	MAKINSON 5G	WHEELER	MELI T	GARDNER	GASKELL
19	HULL K.R.	A	3.00PM	36 36	7610	2	WELLENS T	GARDNER	SHENTON T	MELI 2T	FOSTER 4G	HOHAIA
24	CATALANS DRAGONS SKY	H	8.00PM	32 34	13108	5	WELLENS	MAKINSON T	SHENTON	WHEELER 2T	FOSTER T6G	GASKELL
MAR												
04	HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS	A	3.00PM	16 17	9194	7	WELLENS	MAKINSON	SHENTON	MELI	GARDNER T	GASKELL T
09	HULL FC	H	8.00PM	10 22	14875	9	WELLENS	GARDNER T	SHENTON	MELI	FOSTER G	GASKELL
17	BRADFORD BULLS SKY	A	5.15PM	8 12	11316	9	WELLENS	MAKINSON	SHENTON	MELI T	FOSTER	GASKELL
25	LEEDS RHINOS SKY	H	6.35PM	46 6	15195	9	WELLENS T	GARDNER 2T	SHENTON	WHEELER 2T	MELI	HOHAIA T
30	WARRINGTON WOLVES SKY	A	8.00PM	28 16	15000	7	WELLENS 2T	GARDNER T	SHENTON	J. JONES	MELI T	HOHAIA
APR												
06	WIGAN WARRIORS SKY	H	2.45PM	10 28	17980	8	MAKINSON G	GARDNER	SHENTON	J. JONES	MELI T	HOHAIA
09	CASTLEFORD TIGERS	A	3.30PM	18 12	6492	8	WELLENS	GARDNER T	SHENTON T	J. JONES	MELI T	WHEELER
14	WIDNES VIKINGS	A	5:30PM	40 38	3069	*	WELLENS 2T	SWIFT	SHENTON	J. JONES 2T	MELI	HOHAIA T
20	WIDNES VIKINGS	H	8.00PM	62 0	14243	7	WELLENS T	SWIFT 3T	SHENTON T	J.JONES	MELI	HOHAIA
27	OLDHAM ROUGHYEDS	H	8.00PM									
MAY												
04	WAKEFIELD WILDCATS	H	8.00PM									
12	CCC6											
21	LEEDS RHINOS	A	8.00PM									
27	WIGAN WARRIORS SKY	A	6.00PM									
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MAX 4G	LAFFRANCHI	ROBY	PERRY	SOLIOLA T	FLANNERY	WILKIN	MAGENNIS	FLANAGAN	CLOUGH	SCARSBROOK
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MAX 6G	LAFFRANCHI	ROBY	PERRY	SOLIOLA	FLANNERY T	FLANAGAN	MAGENNIS	DIXON	CLOUGH	SCARSBROOK T
MAX 9G	LAFFRANCHI 2T	ROBY	MAGENNIS	SOLIOLA T	FLANNERY	FLANAGAN T	FORSTER	DIXON T	CLOUGH	SCARSBROOK T



STATISTICAL ROUND UP



SAINTS FIRST TEAM SQUAD – APPEARANCES, STATS AND TOTAL APPS

	2012 TOTAL						SAINTS CAREER							OTHER CLUBS, REP HONS				GRD
PLAYER	APP	SUB	TRY	GLS	DRP	PTS	APP	SUB	TOT	TRY	GLS	DRP	PTS	CLUB	REP*	SOO	CTY*	TOT
WELLENS	10	0	7	0	0	28	391	25	416	196	40	1	865	0	31	0	4	451
GARDNER	8	0	6	0	0	24	260	15	275	168	0	0	672	30	10	0	2	317
SHENTON	11	0	3	0	0	12	43	0	43	16	0	0	64	153	10	0	0	206
SOLIOLA	10	1	6	0	0	24	44	2	46	11	0	0	44	92	15	0	0	153
MELI	12	0	8	0	0	32	179	2	181	117	0	0	468	110	20	0	0	311
HOHAIA	11	2	2	0	0	8	11	2	13	2	0	0	8	185	29	0	0	227
LOMAX	11	0	4	28	0	72	62	2	64	24	58	1	213	0	0	0	0	64
PERRY	5	5	0	0	0	0	13	9	22	0	0	0	0	211	4	4	3	244
ROBY	11	0	3	1	0	14	116	131	247	68	1	0	274	0	24	0	0	271
McCARTHY-SCARSBROOK	3	8	2	0	0	8	24	18	42	10	0	0	40	97	3	0	0	142
PULETUA	9	0	1	0	0	4	83	14	97	35	0	0	140	211	19	0	0	327
WILKIN	10	0	1	0	0	4	207	34	241	75	0	1	301	39	21	0	0	301
FLANNERY	8	2	2	0	0	8	113	9	122	37	0	0	148	121	0	10	0	253
LAFFRANCHI	12	0	4	0	0	16	12	0	12	4	0	0	16	204	5	4	4	229
FLANAGAN	2	8	1	0	0	4	2	8	10	1	0	0	4	37	0	0	0	47
CLOUGH	2	10	0	0	0	0	55	97	152	21	0	0	84	0	0	0	0	152
WHEELER	6	2	4	0	0	16	33	11	44	18	4	0	80	0	0	0	0	44
MAGENNIS	2	4	0	0	0	0	10	20	30	3	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	30
DIXON	2	6	5	0	0	20	20	35	55	12	0	0	48	0	0	0	0	55
GASKELL	6	0	1	0	0	4	28	7	35	13	0	1	53	0	0	0	0	35
MAKINSON	5	0	1	6	0	16	22	6	28	12	12	0	72	0	0	0	0	28
FOSTER	5	0	2	18	0	44	50	3	53	34	241	0	618	0	0	0	0	53
HALE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	1	0	0	4	5	0	0	0	9
ASHE	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	4	7	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	7
FORSTER	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	6
J. JONES	5	0	2	0	0	8	5	0	5	2	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	5
D. JONES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
GREENWOOD	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
WALKER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
HAND	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SWIFT	2	0	3	0	0	12	2	0	2	3	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	2

*REP: Total GB, ENG, WAL, SCOT, IRE, AUS, NZ, EXILES. Not Inc. 'A' rep games (eg: England A) or Emerging England. Appearance total includes sub apps.
*CTY: Cumbria, Yorkshire, Lancashire etc.

THE OFFICIAL SUPER LEAGUE XVII TABLE

		P	W	D	L	PF	PA	DIF	PTS
1	HUDDERSFIELD	12	10	0	2	351	176	175	20
2	WIGAN	12	9	0	3	430	195	235	18
3	WARRINGTON	12	8	1	3	371	238	133	17
4	CATALAN DRAGONS	11	8	0	3	364	236	128	16
5	HULL	11	7	1	3	276	218	58	15
6	LEEDS	11	7	0	4	310	208	102	14
7	**ST HELENS**	**12**	**6**	**1**	**5**	**338**	**217**	**121**	**13**
8	BRADFORD	12	6	0	6	234	263	-29	12
9	HULL K R	12	5	1	6	294	296	-2	11
10	SALFORD	12	4	0	8	260	348	-88	8
11	WAKEFIELD	11	3	0	8	194	300	-106	6
12	CASTLEFORD	12	3	0	9	208	384	-176	6
13	LONDON BRONCOS	12	2	0	10	258	408	-150	4
14	WIDNES	12	2	0	10	161	562	-401	4

SUPER LEAGUE XVII – TOP STATS *After Round 12*

TRIES:	
JOSH CHARNLEY	13
ZAK HARDAKER	11
LUKE GEORGE	11
RYAN ATKINS	11
RYAN HALL	10

TACKLES:	
DANNY HOUGHTON	469
PAUL AITON	445
DANNY WASHBROOK	418
RHYS LOVEGROVE	396
CHAD RANDALL	393

MARKER TACKLES:	
RHYS LOVEGROVE	85
DANNY HOUGHTON	84
JAMIE LANGLEY	75
ANTHONY LAFFRANCHI	73
PAUL AITON	68

ERRORS:	
GREG EDEN	29
SCOTT DUREAU	22
PATRICK AH VAN	19
CRAIG HALL	19
RYAN ATKINS	18

ASSISTS:	
RANGI CHASE	19
SAM TOMKINS	14
DANIEL HOLDSWORTH	13
MICHAEL DOBSON	12
BRETT FINCH	11

OFFLOADS:	
GARETH HOCK	34
LUKE PATTEN	24
JOEL MOON	23
RYAN ATKINS	21
TRENT WATERHOUSE	21

CLEAN BREAKS:	
SAM TOMKINS	17
RYAN ATKINS	14
RYAN HALL	14
DARRELL GOULDING	13
GREG EDEN	13

PENALTIES:	
GARETH HOCK	16
STEVE PICKERSGILL	15
CHRIS BAILEY	15
BEN WESTWOOD	14
LUKE ROBINSON	14

GOALS:	
DANNY BROUGH	53
SCOTT DUREAU	50
DANNY TICKLE	46
KEVIN SINFIELD	44
PAT RICHARDS	41

ATTACKING KICKS:	
RANGI CHASE	101
MICHAEL DOBSON	82
DANNY BROUGH	69
SCOTT DUREAU	61
BEN JEFFRIES	61

GENERAL KICKS:	
DANNY BROUGH	140
RANGI CHASE	134
MICHAEL DOBSON	120
MATTHEW SMITH	102
SCOTT DUREAU	100

METRES:	
JAMES ROBY	1568
JERMAINE MCGILLVARY	1555
ANDY LYNCH	1491
JEFF LIMA	1482
SAM TOMKINS	1432

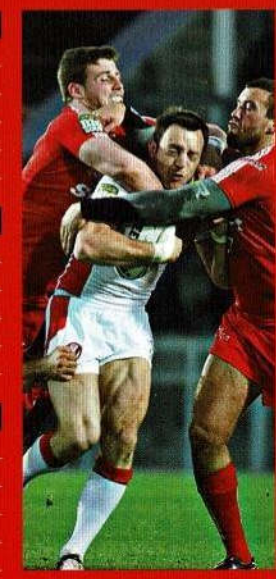
DUMMY HALF SCOOTS:	
JAMES ROBY	318
DANNY HOUGHTON	224
MIKE MCILORUM	178
LINCOLN WITHERS	158
HEATH L'ESTRANGE	151

MISSED GOALS:	
DANIEL HOLDSWORTH	17
DANNY BROUGH	16
SCOTT DUREAU	14
JOSH CHARNLEY	13
KEVIN SINFIELD	11

CARRIES:	
JAMES ROBY	350
DANNY HOUGHTON	278
RANGI CHASE	240
CHRIS BAILEY	236
ANDY LYNCH	235

TACKLE BUSTS:	
SAM TOMKINS	73
WILLIE MANU	43
DANNY BROUGH	39
CHRIS RILEY	38
LUKE PATTEN	35

MISSED TACKLES:	
DAVID ALLEN	35
KRIS WELHAM	32
CON MIKA	31
CRAIG GOWER	28
LEE BRIERS	28



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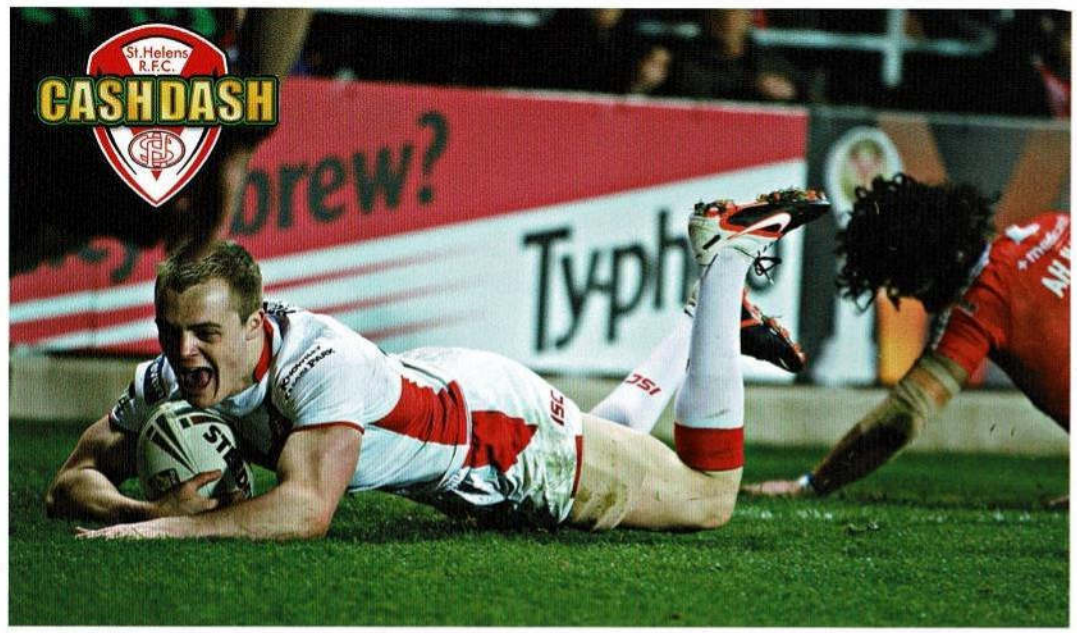


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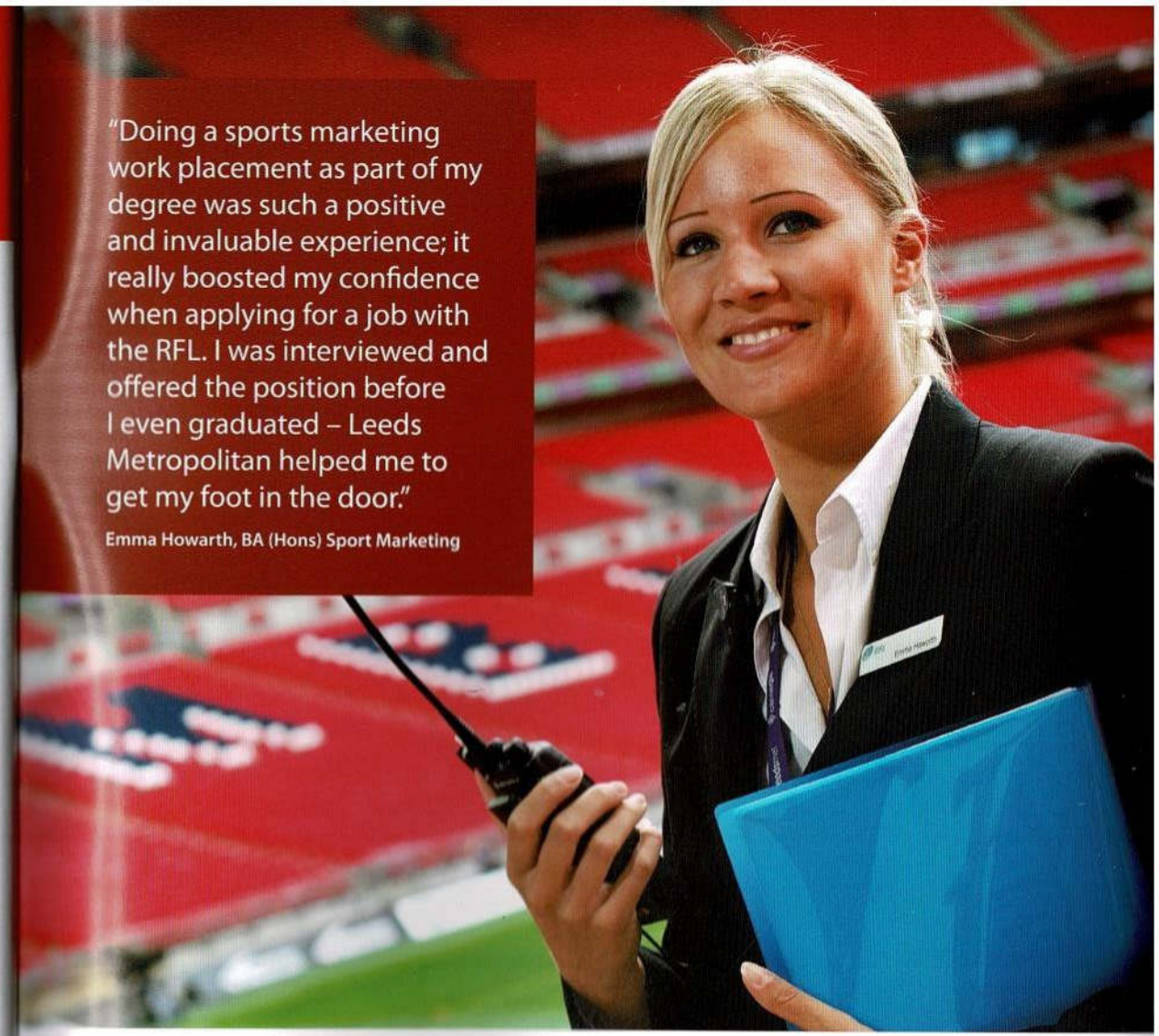
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