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GOOD afternoon and welcome to Bower Fold -again!

The fact that today's fixture is being played here - albeit back among old friends - is symptomatic of the issues we face, as a club, on a regular basis.

The lack of a ground has been our single biggest issue since we re-formed in 1997 and in the following 20 years, at one time or another and for one reason or another, it has made the running of the club so much harder.

If you look at all the other ties being played over this weekend there are none for which an alternative venue has had to be found.

Sadly for us, after our exploits in the same competition two years ago, we won't have the element of surprise as we go head to head against one of the big names in the sport, Hull Kingston Rovers.

Everybody knows what a fabulous day it was for us,

HOW CHRIS SEES IT

two years ago in East Hull, and it is days like that I have often written about over the last 20 years or so whenever we were setting off on another cup trail.

The likelihood of something happening like that, no matter how slim or remote, is the dream that keeps us all going so when it does happen you have to make the most of it.

Chairman Neil Hudgell and everybody at KR will be doing their utmost to make sure Groundhog Day doesn't come about.

After gaining promotion back to Super League last year they are striving to establish themselves again in the top flight and it's a sign of how big a step-up it is that, despite good support and investment in the team, they are still finding their feet.

They have quality players in their ranks and it will be interesting to see how our lads go on against the Rovers' full timers.

We are in no doubt about the size of the task in front of us, but we are equally aware of what we need to do to keep in the game. One thing is for sure; we will give everything for 80 minutes on behalf of the club.

As I mentioned earlier, we are grateful to my friend Rob

Gorski, the Stalybridge Celtic chairman, for his willingness to host this fixture at Bower Fold. I am grateful to him for his help.

After getting back to winning ways against Keighley we are keen to make sure we improve again this week and it will be a good opportunity for our players to impress against their Super League counterparts.

There will potentially be several Oldhamers in the KR team with James Greenwood, Lee Jewitt and Josh Johnson (who played on dual reg for us while at Huddersfield) in their squad. In addition, Jordan Walne and Connor Williams, who both played for us on dual reg while at Salford, are also at KR.

I sincerely hope that Oldham fans will make the effort to support the team today in this big game.

We need all the help we can get and KR fans will no doubt travel in numbers to support their side. Please get behind the lads as we try to make history - again.

Enjoy the game,

Christopher Hamilton
Chairman

Oldham Rugby League
Football Club



VIEW FROM DRESSING ROOM AND DUG-OUT ...

this week head coach SCOTT NAYLOR

HELLO everyone and welcome to today's Ladbrokes Challenge Cup fifth-round tie against Betfred Super League side Hull KR back here at Bower Fold in Stalybridge.

It's strange how rugby league has a way of creating games that have a special meaning because of past history and results.

It's pretty well known now that a couple of seasons ago we played Hull KR at the same stage of the Challenge Cup over at their place and won to produce one of the biggest-ever Challenge Cup upsets.

It was a shock result that created fantastic history, certainly one of the biggest things to happen to this club since it was reformed 20 years ago.

The problem with historic

cup results though is that people remember them; talk about them; refer back to them; and expect the same result if the teams are again drawn together in the same cup competition further down the line.

Hull KR and their fans will also have vivid memories of the Oldham cup-tie at Craven Park, but for very different reasons to ours and I'm sure they will want to take this opportunity to put the record straight.

That means we have to be at our absolute best and give everything on the pitch today and then maybe events will repeat themselves and we can create even more history for this great club.

Many thanks and enjoy the game,

Scott



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Whitehaven RLFC	6	4	2	0	178	94	84	8
Hunslet RLFC	6	4	2	0	139	130	9	8
Workington Town	6	3	3	0	199	133	66	6
Newcastle Thunder	5	3	2	0	158	92	66	6
Oldham RLFC	6	3	3	0	126	98	28	6
Keighley Cougars	6	3	3	0	198	178	20	6
London Skolars	6	2	3	1	166	212	-46	5
North Wales Crusaders	6	1	4	1	120	144	-24	3
Coventry Bears	5	1	4	0	68	214	-146	2
Hemel Stags	6	0	6	0	58	238	-180	0
West Wales Raiders	4	0	4	0	26	288	-262	0

Oldham RLFC Player Stats 2018

Squad No.	Player	Total App	Appearance	Interchange App	Trises	Goals	Drop Goals	Points	Squad No.	Player	Total App	Appearance	Interchange App	Trises	Goals	Drop Goals	Points
1	Kyran Johnson	5	5	0	1	0	0	4	20	Matty Wilkinson	7	4	3	1	0	0	4
2	Dave Eccleston	8	8	0	2	0	0	8	21	Kenny Hughes	7	3	4	0	0	0	0
3	Matt Reid	5	5	0	3	0	0	12	22	Danny Rasool	2	0	2	0	0	0	0
4	Jack Holmes	6	6	0	0	0	0	0	23	Luke Nelmes	8	0	8	0	0	0	0
5	Steven Nield	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	24	Liam Bent	6	4	2	1	0	0	4
6	Paul Crook	8	8	0	1	33	0	70	25	Danny Bridge	8	8	0	3	0	0	12
7	Dave Hewitt	8	8	0	2	0	1	9	27	Joe Martin	2	2	0	2	0	0	8
8	Phil Joy	6	6	0	2	0	0	8	29	Zack McComb	4	4	0	2	0	0	8
9	Gareth Owen	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	30	Ben West	5	5	0	3	0	0	12
10	Adam Neal	7	7	0	0	0	0	0	DR	Ryan Lannon	2	2	0	0	0	0	0
11	Craig Briscoe	5	0	5	1	0	0	4	DR	Levy Nzoungou	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
12	Danny Langtree	8	8	0	5	0	0	20	LO	Luke Hooley	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
13	Jack Spencer	7	3	4	0	0	0	0	LO	Kieran Gill	1	1	0	1	0	0	4
18	Ben Davies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	DR	Daniel Murray	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
19	Adam Jones	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	LO	Lee Kershaw	1	1	0	2	0	0	8

* DR (Dual Registered Player) LO (Player on Loan)

Oldham WILL be at Wembley . . . !

ROUGHYEDS are delighted to announce a fantastic deal for fans built around the Ladbrokes Challenge Cup final at Wembley on Saturday, August 25.

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So win or lose in the fifth round against Hull KR today the Oldham club WILL be going to Wembley and you can be there with us as part of Rugby League's big day.

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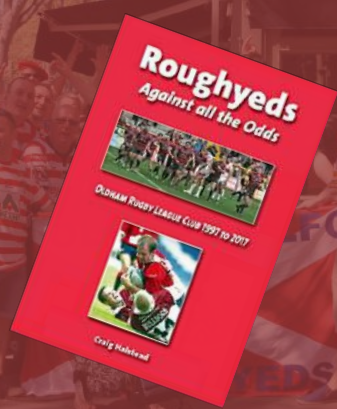


ROUGHYEDS

AGAINST ALL THE ODDS

Oldham Rugby League Club 1997 to 2017

Available at the Oldham Website
roughyeds.co.uk



DEBBIE Abrahams, MP for Oldham East and Saddleworth, has helped the club to mark its 20th anniversary by writing an introductory article in a new book titled, 'Roughyeds - Against All The Odds', that chronicles the club's history.

Debbie, who attended a special gala dinner held at the Queen Elizabeth Hall, Oldham in November, said: "It was such a pleasure to rub shoulders with many great people who've been part of the Roughyeds' story over the last 20 years.

"The atmosphere at the dinner was amazing and it was so much fun listening to the many stories being shared between supporters past and present, who all share a common bond; an absolute love of rugby league.

"As I said in the book, Rugby League is interwoven into Oldham life and adds to our rich

history. It is a part of our community and I very much look forward to the next 20 years and beyond."

Club chairman Chris Hamilton said: "This latest book by Craig Halstead is another cracker. The title underlines the obstacles the club has had to overcome just to exist. And the tales, reminiscences and memories of so many people who have been directly involved with the club will bring our adventure against all the odds back to life for all Oldham RLFC fans.

"It's a great read and a must for Roughyeds fans young and old."

A fascinating insight into the launch of the 'new' club, and its early days, is provided by former director Sean Whitehead, who also has some revealing things to say about Chris, who has had an official and unbroken connection with the club

from day one and is still its chairman and owner.

The book's author, Craig Halstead, said: "It was with great pleasure that I accepted an invitation by Chris Hamilton to tell the story of the club's fortunes over the last 20 years. I thoroughly enjoyed talking, among others, to past and present Oldham players who have worn the jersey with pride and passion.

"Through them, I have attempted to give an insight into what the club has achieved and what it has had to overcome since it was launched in 1997. My thanks to everyone who has contributed and best wishes to the club for the next 20 years. Happy reading. Hope you enjoy the memories!"

'Roughyeds -- Against All The Odds' costs £12.95 and can be purchased at the club (tel: 07904 898177) or on match days or on line via the club website at www.roughyeds.co.uk



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Roughyed Fan Focus:

Pete Hilton

Q How long have you been watching Oldham?

My Dad took me to my first game; A Challenge Cup game at Watersheddings in 1980. We sat in the stand and I can remember the noise of the crowd but being disappointed that we lost.

My Dad was determined that I'd keep on going to games because of my family's links to the club. My great uncle was Herman Hilton and my Grandfather was Clifford Bradley, a committee man in the 1950s and 60s.

Q Have you ever played the sport?

I played junior rugby at Saddleworth Rangers, Newhey and Littleborough.

I had trials at Salford and Rochdale but signed professional forms with Trafford Borough and then Swinton. Tony Barrow Snr helped me with my game and fitness.

When I left the pro game I played for Seddon Panthers before playing for St Annes. Not long after I joined we won promotion to the National Conference Premier league and in 1997 I collected the first team player of the year award.

I had a short spell with Saddleworth Rangers in 1998 before returning to St Annes in the 2000 and 2001 seasons. I ended up playing Rugby Union for Oldham but hung up my boots in 2013.

Q Does any Oldham game stand out in your memory?

The beating of Bradford Bulls in 2017. The try Kieran Gill scored epitomises the



determination which I associate with the game and club.

Also, I'll always remember the comeback in the second-division Premiership Final against Hull KR.

Q Do you have any favourite players over the years?

Adrian Alexander, Mick Worrall and Mal Graham from the Watersheddings Days and then in modern times Sam Gee and David Hewitt.

Q How will Oldham perform in League 1 this season?

Promotion will be very difficult this year. All the heartland clubs are extremely evenly matched and if we do manage to return to the Championship it will be more of an achievement than in 2015.

Q Can we beat Hull KR again today?

I just want the boys to go and enjoy themselves the result for me is secondary because a good performance will help the boys kick on. Having said that, there's no pressure on us therefore we've nothing to lose. Why not!

Q Any funny stories from your time watching the game?

Roger Halstead and my dad were friends and Roger use to take me to away games.

We broke down on M6 going to Workington and the wheel needed changing. It was a Citroen car with special suspension and you needed to have the engine running to lift the car. Luckily Vincent Brown the photographer was with us and knew what to do. We just arrived in time for the game.



Who will ever forget those super Old Trafford finals . . . and Tommy's famous cartwheel

GEORGE COWBURN continues his series in which he looks at Oldham's contribution to big events in RL history

IN 1988, 1990 and 1992 Oldham appeared at Manchester United's Old Trafford Ground on sunny days in May to contest the Second Division Premiership final in a double-header with the First Division final.

In 1988 Oldham finished top of Division Two and faced second-placed Featherstone Rovers in the final.

Roughyeds got there by defeating Keighley 34-24 and Springfield Borough 18-10.

The team that day at the Theatre of Dreams lined up like this:

Mick Burke; Paul Round, Des Foy, Charlie McAllister, Kevin Meadows; Peter Walsh, Mike Ford; Ian Sherratt, Ian Sanderson, Hugh Waddell, Colin Hawkyard, Mal Graham,

Terry Flanagan. Subs: Richard Irving, Gary Warneke.

After 32 minutes Oldham fans could be forgiven for thinking the game was in the bag as two tries from Des Foy and one each for Terry Flanagan and Peter Walsh, plus three Charlie McAllister goals, put Oldham 22-0 in front.

A string of penalties (12-5 altogether) and a 26-point unanswered scoring burst then put Rovers in the ascendancy. With just four minutes left, however, man-of-the-match Foy made a decisive break before passing to Warneke who off-loaded to Kevin Meadows for a try under the posts. A visibly nervous McAllister added the goal and the cup was on its way to Watersheddings.

AFTER 41 minutes of the 1990 final against Hull KR it looked like it was going to be a season of so-near-yet-so-far for Oldham. A 24-16 loss in the Lancashire Cup final and a controversial 10-6 Challenge Cup semi-final defeat -- both to Warrington -- meant the play-off final was the last chance for silverware.

A miserable first-half performance and a Hull KR try in the first minute of the second half left Oldham trailing 29-8 with just a Paul Lord try and goals by Duncan Platt and Gary Hyde to cheer their fans.

A Mike Ford try and a Hyde goal seemed almost irrelevant, but under the scorching sun the big Rovers forwards started to tire.

Oldham just kept rolling forward. Tries by John Henderson, Richard Irving and Andy Ruane, plus a Hyde goal, made it 29-26 to the Robins before 18-year-old substitute Tommy Martyn scored a sensational try to complete the most amazing comeback.





*OH, what joy ! The Oldham team celebrate their 1990 triumph against Hull KR.
Pictures courtesy of the Oldham RL Heritage Trust*

John Fieldhouse

With both subs on by the half-hour mark centre Gary Hyde bravely played on despite a broken bone in his wrist and it was his long pass which opened up the Rovers defence for Martyn to ghost over for the match-winning try, using his winger Irving as a foil.

Old Trafford erupted as Tommy did a cartwheel in celebration before being mobbed by his team mates.

Oldham hearts missed a beat when Robins scrum-half Jimmy Irvine intercepted a stray pass, but somehow the Oldham defence held firm and an unforgettable final was won.

Team: Duncan Platt; Richard Irving, Gary Hyde, John Henderson, Paul Lord; Brett Clark, Mike Ford; Leo Casey, Andy Ruane, John Fieldhouse, Paul Round, Charlie McAllister, Richard

Russell. Subs: Tommy Martyn, Keith Newton.

Skipper Mike Ford took the man-of-the-match award; John Fieldhouse was immense and who would ever forget Tommy's match-winning try and celebration.

WE were back again two years later, facing Sheffield, for the now named Divisional Final. Oldham qualified with wins over Dewsbury (36-18) in which Duncan Platt scored two tries and six goals, and London Crusaders (22-14), the sixth time that season the sides had met.

Oldham: Duncan Platt, Scott Ranson, Vince Nicklin, Iva Ropati, Sean Tyrer; Richard Russell, Tommy Martyn; Ian Sherratt, Richard Pachniuk, Keith Newton, Chris Joynt, Shane Tupaea, Ged Byrne. Subs, Steve Warburton, Tim Street.

Facing them on the Sheffield Eagles side were former Oldham favourites Hugh Waddell and Charlie McAllister. The match was probably decided in the 25th minute when Ian Sherratt was sent off for a high tackle although worse offences in the other final that followed didn't meet with such action.

Down 16-4 at half time (Duncan Platt try) Oldham fought back to 16-all with tries by Ged Byrne and Keith Newton, both goaled by Tommy Martyn

A superb individual try by Scott Ranson levelled the scores again at 20-20 with 10 minutes to go but the effects of playing a man short in energy draining heat and a 10-5 penalty count against took their toll and the Eagles finished up 34-20 winners. Sheffield's Daryl Powell was named man of the match, deservedly so.



MATCH PICTURES



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GARETH OWEN

Happy-to-be-back 'Gilly' off to a try-scoring start

KIERAN Gill, who's back at Oldham for a third time, dedicated his second-half try against Keighley to Roughyeds' fans.

Although his two previous spells under Scott Naylor were at Bower Fold, the young Castleford centre said the Vestacare Stadium, with its new artificial pitch, also felt like home.

"It doesn't matter where we play, Oldham's supporters are noisy and vocal and I appreciate their support for me and their backing for the team," said Kieran.

"It was good to score in my first game back and in my first game since I had the knee operation, so I'm dedicating the try to Oldham fans.

"My knee stood up well, but I'm feeling a few twinges now, although I'm sure that's only because this was my first game in more than ten months.

"I like scoring tries and it was great to get over the line first game back.

"Luke Hooley gave me a good pass. I didn't think either myself or Lee Kershaw, my winger, could squeeze in at the corner so I turned back inside and managed to

get over the line.

"I'm hoping there will be a few more of those while I'm at Oldham because I've always felt really at home here."

The 22-year-old, fully fit again following the reconstruction of his left knee, is back on a month's loan.

It will be his third stint with Oldham, for whom he scored eight tries in 12 appearances in 2016 and five tries in nine outings in 2017.

He then returned to his parent club only to suffer the serious knee injury on a try-scoring Super League debut against St Helens on June 4 last year.

He had a full knee reconstruction and then spent ten months building up to his first game back.

Said Gill: "When I knew there was a chance of going back to Oldham I jumped at it. I didn't hesitate.

"Before all my rehab even started I promised myself I would be back bigger, better and stronger and I'll be out to prove that while I'm here on loan.

"It will be my third spell at Oldham and that in itself



says a lot about what I think of the club.

"They're a great bunch of lads, Scott and the staff are first-rate and the fans are amazing."

Coach Scott Naylor said: "It's great to have Kieran back. He can play centre or wing so he'll add to our options.

"Until last week he hadn't played for a while, but he's been training with a top Super League club so he'll be generally fit and very strong."



Saints and Lions fly the flag for under-10s

THE youngsters of Oldham St Anne's and Limehurst Lions under-10s will be in action today, displaying their skills to what is sure to be an appreciative crowd.

Saints have made a great start to the season, starting where they left off and kicking on even further. The team has been together for four seasons and friendships for life have been formed while playing the greatest game.

Nineteen players are signed on and coaches Steven Leyland, Paul Halliwell and Gareth Dean have a tough job in picking a team each week because of the competition for places.

Fire and passion are in abundance - and Super League beckons !

The under-10s of Limehurst Lions are equally keen to do well and make progress and they are also looking forward to a successful and enjoyable season.

Limehurst Lions under-10s



Oldham Saint Anne's Under 10's



Top row (L to R) Aimee Burgess, Will Austin, Max Halliwell, Declan Winland, Jacob Gartside, Harley Townhill, David Collier, Blake Dean, Dan Flynn, Ethan Longsdon, Jakob Leyland

Front row (L to R) Alfie Hewitt, Travis Snape, Michael Sandiford-Mitchell, Oscar Deakin, Alfie Hague, Oliver Atkinson

Not on picture: Ethan Timlin-Hammond, Shaun Taylor



Oldham Rugby League Heritage Trust Through the Years... Oldham v Hull K.R.



Today, a look at match programmes for Roughyeds v Rovers encounters.

Left: The oldest Oldham v HKR programme in the Trusts' collection from Christmas Eve 1910.

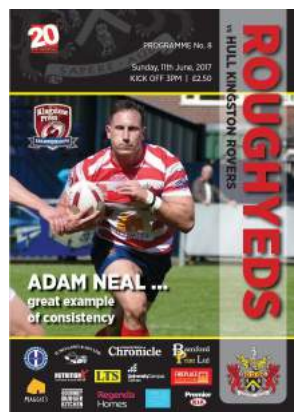
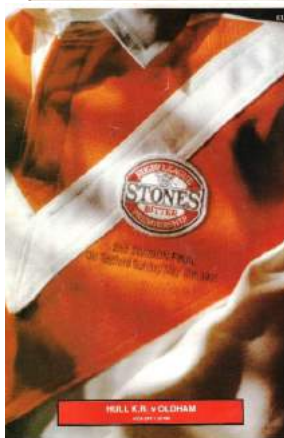
Right: The Challenge Cup Final of 1925 which, for the cover was just a regular Leeds issue.
April 25th 1925.



Above: The twice drawn 1964 Challenge Cup semi-final. The matches were played at: Headingley, April 11th
Station Road, April 15th
Fartown, April 20th.

Left: The 2nd Division Premiership final at Old Trafford. May 13th 1990.

Right: Last season's Championship encounter at Bower Fold on June 11th 2017.



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W. Howard - for all the Saddleworth lads lost in the wars.

In memory of Thomas Steele, John Hogan and Walter Mills - The Oldham VCs.

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Our Visitors

Hull Kingston Rovers



The 2018 season has seen our visitors today, Hull Kingston Rovers, re-establish themselves in the top echelon of British rugby league. Their Super League status was so cruelly taken away by the boot of Gareth O'Brien in the golden point extra-time finale to the 2016 Million Pound Game.

Relegation to the Championship ensued where the proud West Hull club would join the dog fight at the top of the game's second tier. Immediate promotion would not be guaranteed; success would depend on firstly battling for a place in the top four positions thus providing an opportunity to enter the end of season Super 8s competition.

Part one of the promotion plan was complete after 23 games of the 2018 regular season. 19 wins and a draw earned Hull KR 39 points and the League Leaders Shield. London Broncos, Featherstone Rovers and Halifax would join them to take on Super League's bottom placed four clubs in the Qualifiers Super 8s. Widnes Vikings, Warrington Wolves, Leigh Centurions and Catalans Dragons would all be battle hardened in preparation to maintain their Super League status.

The first three games in the Qualifiers, all victories, went to plan but the games were hard-fought and the winning margin fewer than six points on each occasion. A more comfortable round 4 win away at Featherstone Rovers followed by a two points victory at home to Widnes meant that Hull KR would achieve their promotion goal at the first time of asking.

Coach Tim Sheens bolstered his squad to face the challenge of the 2018 Super League season. Tommy Lee from St Helens, Jordan Walne from Salford and Danny Tickle from the relegated Leigh Centurions added strength to the Robins but the stand-out signing of veteran half-back Danny McGuire showed the club meant business. McGuire, a much-decorated Leeds Rhinos hero, would travel east along the M62 for a new chapter in his career to use his wealth of experience in the forthcoming season.

At the time of writing, Hull KR sit in tenth place in Super League with 3 wins from 11 games. A regular season position higher than ninth place would avoid the risk of relegation in the qualifiers; the gap to eight place currently stands at 2 points. As the halfway point

of the season approaches Tim Sheens knows he must garner a few more points out of the second-half of the season, allowing his players, fans and staff to breathe easy for another year.

Today will see Hull KR enter the Challenge Cup competition to face Oldham in a Groundhog Day encounter. Oldham famously took the spoils at the same stage of the competition back in 2016 at the KC Lightstream Stadium. Runners-up in the 2015 competition, the Robins had to endure the ignominy of a defeat to a part-time and newly-promoted Championship side.

Oldham fans will crave another afternoon like the one enjoyed in April 2017. Hull KR fans, gracious on the day of their loss, will want to see their side put the Roughyeds in their place. The bookies will heavily favour our visitors but one wonders how many RL fans will have a flutter on another famous win for Oldham.



Three to watch

Hull Kingston Rovers



Danny McGuire

This dynamic half-back joined Rovers from Leeds Rhinos for the 2018 season.

Captained his home city to Grand Final glory in October 2017 when lifting his eighth Super League trophy and earned his second Harry Sunderland trophy in the process.

Took a wealth of experience and leadership with him to KCOM Craven Park, boasting honours including numerous international caps, three World Club Challenges, three League Leader's Shields and two Challenge Cups.



Mose Masoe

Explosive prop-forward who joined Rovers' push for promotion at the beginning of the Super 8s

The seven-time Samoan international began his NRL career at the Sydney Roosters, where he made 46 appearances, prior to joining the Penrith Panthers in 2013.

Masoe enjoyed his first stint in the UK with St. Helens before heading back to Australia in 2016 with the St George Illawarra Dragons.



Justin Carney

Powerful outside back who has joined Rovers on a contract until the end of the 2018 season.

Carney previously had spells with Canberra Raiders and Sydney Roosters in the NRL before making a big impact in Super League with Castleford Tigers, where he averaged better than a try per game with 72 tries in 67 appearances, and then later with Salford Red Devils.



Rolling back the years with Wally & Aidie



Wally (far right) and Aidie ... down Memory Lane with the fans

IT was good to welcome former players Wally Gibson and Aidie Belle to the Vestacare Stadium for the Keighley game.

Aidie is living in Shaw and Wally, who lives in Australia on the New South Wales coast north of Newcastle, is over here on holiday.

Both were Watersheddings stars in the 1990s and figured prominently in the 1995 Challenge Cup run to the semi-final against Wigan with

wins against Bramley (h), Warrington (a) and Huddersfield (h).

In total Wally played 111 games for Oldham, scoring 37 tries, and Aidie appeared 50 times, scoring 15 tries, including two in the defeat by Wigan in the '95 semi-final at Huddersfield.

Team: Gibson; Belle, Topping, Abram, Ranson; Marsh, Crompton; Sherratt, Stephenson, Temu, Lord, Faimalo, Kuiti. Subs: Bradbury, Richards.

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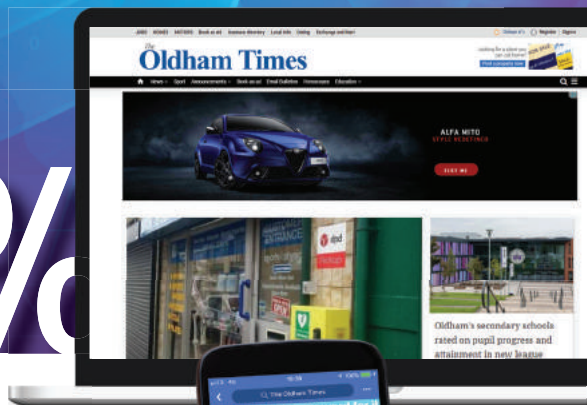
Date	Time	Opponents		Result	Attn.
FEBRUARY					
Sunday 18	3.00pm	Whitehaven RLFC	A	14—0 (won)	785
Sunday 25	3.00pm	Featherstone Lions (Challenge Cup Round 3)	H	42—0 (won)	364
MARCH					
Sunday 4	3.00pm	Hemel Stags	H	Postponed	-
Sunday 11	3.00pm	York City Knights	H	22-24 (lost)	703
Tuesday 20	7.30pm	Halifax (LCC, rd 4)	A	27-6 (won)	688
Sunday 25	2.30pm	North Wales Crusaders	A	30-2 (won)	449
Friday 30	6.00pm	Bradford Bulls	A	12-30 (lost)	4,036
APRIL					
Sunday 8	3.00pm	Hunslet RLFC	H	16-24 (lost)	544
Sunday 15	3.00pm	Keighley Cougars	H	32-18 (won)	530
Sunday 22	3.00pm	Hull KR (LCC) at Bower Fold	H		
Sunday 29	3.00pm	Workington Town	A		
MAY					
Sunday 6	3.00pm	Newcastle Thunder	H		
Saturday 19	3.00pm	West Wales Raiders	A		
Sunday 27	3.00pm	Doncaster RLFC	H		
JUNE					
Sunday 10	3.00pm	Coventry Bears	A		
Sunday 17	3.00pm	London Skolars	H		
Sunday 24	3.30pm	Hunslet RLFC	A		
JULY					
Sunday 1	3.00pm	Workington Town	H		
Sunday 8	3.00pm	West Wales Raiders	H		
Sunday 15	3.00pm	Keighley Cougars	A		
Sunday 22	3.00pm	North Wales Crusaders	H		
Sunday 29	3.00pm	Doncaster RLFC	A		
AUGUST					
Sunday 5	2.00pm	Hemel Stags	A		
Sunday 12	3.00pm	Whitehaven RLFC	H		
Sunday 19	3.00pm	Newcastle Thunder	A		
SEPTEMBER					
Sunday 2	3.00pm	Coventry Bears	H		
Sunday 9	3.00pm	York City Knights	A		
Sunday 16	3.00pm	Bradford Bulls	H		
Sunday 22	3.00pm	London Skolars	A		



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13. Jack Spencer

18. Ben Davies

19. Adam Jones

20. Matty Wilkinson

21. Kenny Hughes

22. Danny Rasool

23. Luke Nelmes

24. Liam Bent

25. Danny Bridge

29. Zack McComb

30. Ben West

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Touch Judge 2: G Jones

In Goal 1: T Ambler

In Goal 2: D Martin

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