

ROUGHYED REVIEW

THE 'VOICE' GETS HIS SHIRT

Our own version of 'THE VOICE' -- that's new Roughyeds' captain MARTYN RIDYARD (left), who has been described by coach Stuart Littler (right) as 'My voice on the field'. A key moment in the build-up to 2022 as coach and captain go through the shirt presentation event.



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A CHAT WITH THE CHAIRMAN

CHRIS HAMILTON

Welcome back to the Vestacare Stadium and this week it is for our first “real” match of the 2022 season.

Despite what seems a long time in some respects, it is only four months or so since last season ended and it is a very different Oldham Rugby League Club you are now looking at.

Massive turnover in playing staff, additional support staff, a new Vice Chair and renewed optimism for the club moving forward despite very challenging times.

Of course, I am long enough in the tooth by now to know that there will be ups and downs throughout this season but that is in no way to take away from what seems to be a very good feeling around the club right now.

Going back to the back end of last year there was a lot of doom and gloom about the club, with some people even apparently suggesting the club was about to fold.

Clearly, my determination to keep this club afloat in the previous 24 years had gone unnoticed !

Some crucial decisions have been made since the end of last season and on the back of that Stuart Littler and John Roddy have come into the club. John, of course was already known to the fans as our main club sponsor but is now Vice Chairman and helping to drive the club forward in a number of ways for which I am very grateful. I wish him a long and fruitful involvement with us.

Mr Littler is not only our new Head Coach but is very passionate about the club and things other than just the first team. That is his focus, clearly, but what he has already brought to the club is an enthusiasm to see the club develop on and off the field that is not only pleasing but very refreshing. It is a long time since I have known someone so passionate about the game of rugby league and it goes without saying that we all wish

him the very best in his role with us.

On the playing side, we have worked incredibly hard to assemble a squad which we feel is capable of matching the ambitions for this season. It is always a worry when there is a turnover of players and it was a concern for me when we had such a big turnover after the end of last season.

With only five players still with us from last year it has probably been the biggest turnover in personnel since year one of the club but, despite the concerns early on, I am pleased with where we have got to and with both the playing quality and the characters we have brought in.

They have all come with the understanding of what we expect on and off the field and with a drive and determination to provide excitement and entertainment for all of you.

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STUART'S WORDS OF WISDOM

Head coach Stuart Littler says it as he sees it

Can I start off by saying hi to all the Oldham fans and express my sincere thanks as to how welcoming you have all been in accepting me into this great club. Our club is currently progressing with pace at a daily rate and everyone is pulling together to get the systems running as efficiently as possible.

The performance team have all been great with their support in building the foundations that will support the playing group to perform at optimum levels.

I would like to thank each of them for all of their help as we are a team and any rewards we will achieve together.

Chris and the board have also been great and very supportive since I was announced as coach back in October time last year.

You fans have also jumped on board and we can feel the excitement levels rising as the season is now upon us.

Last week I was happy with most aspects of our performance against Wakefield. We used every available player who all got some valuable playing minutes. We came through the game relatively unscathed and it allowed us to generate some focus points for the weeks training schedule.

This week we enter competitive action against a well drilled Lock Lane side. Shez and myself went over to watch the last cup match which saw today's opponents run out winners against a strong Thatto Heath outfit.

Personally I know how much it means for the amateur teams to play against a

professional side as I have done it myself early in my career for Leigh Miners in a cup game at Rochdale Hornets.

At the time that was the biggest game I had ever played in. I would like to welcome every player, official and fan from the Lock Lane club and I hope you guys enjoy the game.

From our point of view I expect us to be one week better than last week and we should see us becoming more cohesive because of that.

The fans were exceptional last week in the friendly against Wakefield and really lifted us at times. Same again this week please. Stand proud and sing loud. With every person pulling together we can take this club to where we would like to be.

Enjoy the game,
Stu



LOOKING SHIRTY ! Our new squad on the night the players received their 2021-22 official launch. Jordan Andrade (No 15) was absent on Covid protocol, so his shirt needed to dash off, so his shirt is displayed by Stuart Littler.

Picture: David Murgatroyd.



22 squad numbers and their match playing shirts, watched by fans, at our shirt is held up by assistant coach Brendan Sheridan. Calvin Wellington (No 4)



YOU'RE IN THE ARMY NOW!

The British Army faced the Royal Navy in the second round of the Betfred Challenge Cup after both Services teams completed impressive victories in the first round.

One of the best first-round wins was Lock Lane's notable and impressive 18-10 home win against NCL champions Thatto Heath Crusaders of St Helens.

Crusaders enjoyed a stirring run to round five in 2019, but in this instance they couldn't match the verve and vigour of the Yorkshiremen, who deservedly won the right to play at OLDHAM in round two.

The Navy romped to a 60-0 win at Bridgend Blue Bulls in the first match of the 2022 season and the Army came from behind to secure an 18-10 win at Orrell St James in a tie streamed live by BBC Sport.

Thornhill Trojans denied the Services a clean sweep as they beat the RAF 24-6, to earn a trip to the Eco-Power Stadium to face Doncaster.

The second round also featured a first derby between

London Chargers of the Southern Conference League and London Skolars of Betfred League One, after the Chargers beat Ellenborough Rangers 22-16 in Chiswick.

West's Warriors, the other London community club in the first round, also progressed with a 52-10 win after a long journey to play Jarrow Vikings at Kingston Park.

They travelled north again in round two, to face a York Acorn team who overcame a spirited challenge from Edinburgh Eagles.

Galway Tribesmen, the Irish champions who had the longest journey for their tie against Pilkington Recs in St Helens – with their ferry arriving at 2am on the morning of the match – threatened to cause a major upset when they led 10-8 at half-time.

Pilks stretched away in the second half to win 36-10 and book a second round tie against Siddal, who beat Great Britain Police 28-0 at Chevinedge.

Leigh Miners Rangers won the tightest tie of the day,

22-20 against Milford, and relished the prospect of taking on Anthony Murray's North Wales Crusaders in round two.

Rochdale Mayfield and Wigan St Patricks contested an excellent cup-tie which was streamed live on The Sportsman, with Mayfield worthy 36-22 winners.

St Patricks offered plenty of encouragement to the former Wigan and Great Britain scrum half Andy Gregory following his return to his first community club as coach.

Mayfield faced a tough trip to West Hull in the second round after their 46-6 win against Upton.

Stanningley were the last team to book their place in round two. They beat Bentley 22-16 in a hard-hitting affair, shown live on Our League. It was tough and even in the first half, but the visitors later took control and clinched a trip to Hunslet Club Parkside, who are coached by 2020 Super League Man of Steel Paul McShane.

First Round results: Bridgend Blue Bulls 0 Royal Navy 60, Orrell St James 10 British Army 18, London Chargers 22 Ellenborough Rangers 16, Featherstone Lions 6 Hunslet Club Parkside 56, Jarrow Vikings 10 Wests Warriors 52, Edinburgh Eagles 24 York Acorn 38, Thornhill Trojans 24 RAF 6, Galway Tribesmen 10 Pilkington Recs 36 (at Pilkingtons), Siddal 28 Great Britain Police 0, Leigh Miners Rangers 22 Milford 20, Rochdale Mayfield 36 Wigan St Patricks 22, West Hull 46 Upton 6, Lock Lane 18 Thatto Heath Crusaders 10.

Second Round (ties to be played January 29-30): York Acorn v Wests Warriors, Rochdale Hornets v Midlands Hurricanes (streamed live on BBC Sport, Sunday January 30, 1pm), Doncaster v Thornhill Trojans, British Army v Royal Navy, Oldham v Lock Lane, Pilkington Recs v Siddal, West Hull v Rochdale Mayfield, Hunslet Club Parkside v Stanningley, Hunslet v Keighley Cougars, Leigh Miners Rangers v North Wales Crusaders, West Wales Raiders v Swinton Lions, London Skolars v London Chargers.

OUR PRO-AM CHALLENGE CUP RESULTS SINCE THE CLUB WAS RE-FORMED IN 1997

- 1998: Oldham 36, Heworth 14 (Boundary Park)**
- 1999: Oldham 26, Eccles 7 (Spotland)**
- 2000: Oldham 44, St Jude's 0 (Boundary Park)**
- 2001: Oldham 64, Queensbury 0 (Boundary Park)**
- 2002: Oldham 38, West Hull 4 (Hurst Cross)**
- 2003: Oldham 32, East Hull 6 (Boundary Park)**
- 2004: Oldham 16, Castleford Panthers 8 (Boundary Park)**
- 2004: Oldham 24, Sharlston 4 (Boundary Park)**
- 2005: Sharlston 14, Oldham 46 (away)**
- 2006: Oldham 34, Saddleworth 10 (Boundary Park)**
- 2007: East Hull 10, Oldham 26 (away)**
- 2008: The Army 10, Oldham 56 (Aldershot)**
- 2009: Oldham 26, Sharlston 8 (Boundary Park)**
- 2010: Oldham 80, Blackwood 6 (Sedgley Park)**
- 2011: Oldham 28, Hunslet Warriors 16 (Whitebank)**
- 2012: Egremont 14, Oldham 22 (away)**
- 2014: Egremont 24, Oldham 42 (away)**
- 2016: Oldham 40, Kells 6 (Bower Fold)**
- 2017: Oldham 40, Haydock 12 (Bower Fold)**
- 2018: Oldham 42, Featherstone Lions 0 (Whitebank)**
- 2019: Oldham 80, Haydock 10 (Vestacare)**

FOCUS ON OLDHAM

Our 'unbeaten' tag in these games will count for zilch !

ROUGHYEDS go into this (Sunday) evening's Betfred Challenge Cup second-round tie against amateurs Lock Lane, the pride of Castleford, on the back of a fabulous record of invincibility down the years when coming face to face with the lads who play for what are now known as community clubs.

Of the 21 pro-am ties involving Oldham since the current club was formed ahead of the 1998 season, we have won all 21 and while one is aware of tempting fate or giving Lock Lane additional motivation, the fact remains that it's a record of which we can justifiably be very pleased indeed and one which we shouldn't hide behind for the reasons outlined above.

Our widest margin of victory came in 2010 when we beat Blackwood of South Wales 80-6 at Sedgley Park, but that was threatened three years ago when we also put 80 points on Haydock here at the Vestacare Stadium, but conceded ten.

Castleford Panthers don't have an open-age team these days, but Lock Lane's nearest and dearest gave us our biggest fright in 2004 when we squeezed past them 16-8 at Boundary Park.

We led only 10-8 at half-time and we were then in the RFL's second tier, National League One. By full time we were relieved to win through with an eight-point margin and with this team: Dodd; Cowell, I Marsh, Goddard, Johnson; Barber, Watson; Southern, Hough, McLoughlin, Doran, Morgan, L Marsh. Subs: Brennan, Bunyan, Sharples, Farrimond.

Nick Johnson, Iain Marsh and Will Cowell scored tries, while Gareth Barber landed two goals.

We've had other hairy moments, too - like a 28-16 home win against Hunslet Warriors in 2011 and a tough 22-14 victory up in Cumbria at Egremont in 2012.

On the day we're entertaining Lock Lane, it's perhaps significant that Cas Panthers gave us our biggest scare, given that the little Yorkshire town -- and neighbouring Featherstone and Pontefract -- has always been a hot-bed for rugby league from grassroots to the highest level.

These days Lock Lane are more dominant than the Panthers, as underlined by their stunning win against NCL champions Thatcho Heath of St Helens in the last round and their status as a premier division side in the National Conference.



Owen Restall goes in for his first Oldham try -- and his first as a pro.



You can rest assured that we have left no stone unturned ahead of this cup-tie because we know Lock Lane's strengths and, more than anyone, our head coach Stu Littler is sufficiently experienced to know that our previous record against community clubs will count for zilch when the players take the field in this one.

It's 17 v 17 after all and we know that if Lock Lane can get the better of a crack outfit like Thatto Heath Crusaders they'll certainly fancy their chances of coming over here and roughing a few feathers.

With that in mind, Stuart drove over to Castleford to watch Lock Lane's 18-10

win against Crusaders when they upset the form book and fully earned their second-round appearance here.

A week later, Lock Lane coach Paul Couch was a face in the crowd here when Roughyeds produced a creditable 24-24 draw in a pre-season friendly against a young Wakefield Trinity side. Oldham, for their part, will be keen to build on what they achieved last weekend when they used all 20 available players against Trinity as Littler gave as many players as possible an opportunity to stake their selection claim.



We're all in this together

Young Tom Grierson, an 18-year-old second-rower, has asked to be released from his contract due to work commitments, thus leaving Littler and his No 2, Brendan Sheridan, with a squad of 25.

For various reasons, five of them couldn't play against Trinity so Roughyeds went into that game without experienced forwards Jordan Andrade and Emmerson Whittel as well as former Waterhead youngsters Callum Cameron and Brad Jinks plus young Yorkshireman Kian Morgan.

Andrade and Whittel, who were following Covid protocols, will be back in contention for the cup-tie, but Cameron is still ruled out, having been given a five-match ban while playing for his former club. He will be free after this one.

Whether the injured Jinks and Morgan have made it remains to be seen but Littler can only play 17 in this one so he and 'Shez' (Sheridan) will have had some tough decisions to make this week.

Tom Spencer and Jack Coventry, at prop, both looked good against Trinity, while there were also pleasing performances by workaholic ex-amateurs Dom Newton and Ethan Ferry.

Young Sean Slater looked good at half-back, as did stylish, two-try fullback Owen Restall, but there's no substitute for class and stand-off Martyn Ridyard provided it when he looked to be one of the most influential players on the field.

His four goals from four attempts went a long way to securing the draw for Roughyeds, for whom Restall scored two tries in the first 16 minutes. Other tries were scored by Joe Hartley and Calvin Wellington, the Welsh centre who looked strong in defence and enterprising in attack.

Martyn Ridyard, incidentally, is just four goals short of a career 1,000 in cup and league -- a major milestone which he will be keen to reach as quickly as possible.

Warm-up time ahead of the new squad's first game together against a young Wakefield Trinity side in the pre-season friendly



Getting the tackling right



FOCUS ON LOCK LANE

First-round win against Crusaders set Yorkshire tongues wagging

For years now, the go-ahead Lock Lane community club has had a big reputation, not only in Castleford, but all over Yorkshire. And the men from 'down the Lane' again did the White Rose proud when defeating Thatto Heath Crusaders (St Helens) 18-10 in the first round of the Betfred Challenge Cup to earn this evening's tie here in Oldham.

Our head coach Stuart Littler and his No 2, Brendan Sheridan, himself a Yorkshireman, were over in Castleford to watch and Brendan, particularly, must have been impressed at the way his fellow Tykes went about their business to give the highly-fancied Crusaders the cup heave-ho.

"They certainly upset the form book," said Littler. "They're a strong team with a lot of togetherness and I have no doubt at all they will come here at their very best."

Phil Hodgson, the well known, highly respected League Express expert on the community game, picked out Lock Lane's stunning first-round win as the performance of the round and when you consider Mayfield's 36-22 win against Wigan St Pat's or the British Army's 18-10 triumph at Orrell St James, that was some accolade.



Ben Mawson's vital second-half try

It was 6-6 at half-time, but Lock Lane eventually won with tries by centre Craig Duncan, sub forward Ben Mawson and hooker Craig Savage. The three conversions were added by Nathan Fozzard.

Wrote Hodgson: "Lock Lane pulled off the result of the opening stage with a stunning 18-10 victory over reigning National Conference League champions Thatto Heath Crusaders."

"The Castleford outfit, whose own hopes of lifting the title will certainly be bolstered by this success, were never

behind in a game in which loose-forward Dan Maskill excelled."

The son of former Leeds Rhinos hooker Colin Maskill, Dan is an influential player at Lock Lane, as are captain-prop Chris Siddons, hooker Craig Savage, full-back Lewis Price and centre Craig Duncan.

Savage has represented BARLA; Siddons has played for England Community Lions; and even though Savage, Siddons and Maskill are NOT in the 20-man squad for Oldham - injured surely? - the Yorkshiremen still fancy their chances.



ACTION MAN -- Craig Savage

It's all over ! Danny Holmes (left) and Callum Butler (right) enjoy the moment.



With those three out, 14 members of the team that beat Crusaders are in with a shout of playing against Oldham, plus the following six -- Mason Hare, Joe Oldfield, Luke Tagg, Kyle Crannswick, Morgan Punched and Harry Philipson.

The side that pulled off the win against Crusaders lined up like this:

Price; Bloomer, Duncan, Newbould, Moon; Fozzard, Butler; J Crannswick, Savage, Siddons, Backhouse, Holmes, Maskill. Subs: Herczeg, Robinson, Mawson, Smith.

They are coached by Paul Couch, a 46-year-old steeped in the sport who has established Lock Lane as an NCL premier division club, and has signed former Oldham player Shaun Pick for the 2022 season, although the former 1895 Cup winner with Sheffield Eagles is not included in this evening's squad.

Paul has coached Castleford Academy, Yorkshire open-age and England Community Lions under-23s, so he should know what he's talking about.

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ACTION MAN -- Nathan Fozzard

He said of that win over Crusaders: ***“We were buzzing as soon as the draw was made. It isn’t every day you get the chance to play the NCL champions in the Challenge Cup. It was always going to be a big game for us, but we were quietly confident.***

“It was a big ask, but everything seemed to click into place on the day. We are under no illusions about going to Oldham, but we are looking forward to it as massive underdogs.”

He knows personally several of the Oldham players, most of whom happen to be Yorkshiremen and two or three of them, like centre Will Cooke and prop Jack Coventry, are actually from Castleford.

Indeed, he coached Cooke at Castleford under-19s and our winger Liam Copland at Yorkshire open-age level.

It will be a massive game for Cooke, who has lived in Castleford all his life and was reared in rugby league at Castleford Panthers -- Lock Lane’s local rivals.

Furthermore, he works at the local High School, Castleford Academy, with Lock Lane player Danny Holmes.

This evening’s tie has been the talk of the school, certainly among the older boys, since the draw was made.

Said Will: ***“The lads at school who have a lot to do with Danny and who will be rooting for Lock Lane have told me to expect a tough time . . . sir ! They reckon I’m going to get a battering.***

“It will be a big game for a lot of us. I’m just hoping I’m going to be playing.”

Some of the Lock Lane officials, like chairman Mick Wildey, have seen it all before. Mick has a 40-year unbroken association with his beloved Lock Lane club, for whom he played in the under-14s.

He’ll be 54 the day after the game and he has served the club as player, backroom helper, coaching assistant, committee man, chairman and, as he says, “general dogsbody”.

He said: ***“We’ve got a good record against pro clubs in the Challenge Cup and we won’t be fazed at the prospects of going to Oldham.***

“A lot of our lads have played part-time pro and we know what it’s all about. We’ll come over there and do our best to do what we have to do.

“Over the years I remember us playing teams like Halifax, Workington, Whitehaven, Doncaster and French club Villeneuve and not that many years ago we beat Oxford and Featherstone Lions to reach round five.”

We are indebted for all the Lock Lane pictures to Yorkshire freelance photographer MATTHEW MERRICK, who truly captures what it meant to the Lock Lane lads to earn the right to come to Oldham with their stunning win against Thatto Heath.

Thanks heaps Matt -- great pictures!



Craig Savage seals the 18-10 win over Thatto Heath with his late try.



Happy days ! Try time again !



ACTION MAN -- Lewis Price

Hornets to host the next double draw

Rochdale Hornets will celebrate the centenary of their only Challenge Cup winning year in 1922 by hosting the draw for the third and fourth rounds of the 2022 competition at the Crown Oil Arena on Tuesday.

The draws will be conducted by Paul Sculthorpe MBE and Vicky Molyneux, and shown live on BBC Sport from 6pm.

Paul Sculthorpe, four times a Challenge Cup winner with St Helens, is now a member of Shaun Wane's England coaching team – and will return to the Crown Oil Arena in that role in October when England face Fiji in their last warm-up game before the Rugby League World Cup.

Vicky Molyneux plays for Wigan Warriors in the Betfred Women's Super League, and made an unusual slice of history in 2021 when she was recalled for her second and third England caps 14 years after her debut in 2007.

She is, therefore, in line to play for England in the Women's World Cup competition this autumn – and has retained strong links with Rochdale, her home town, where she has been involved in coaching Women's and Girls' Rugby League.

Hornets, one of the founding members of the Northern Union in 1895, enjoyed arguably their finest hour in April, 1922 at Headingley, when they beat Hull FC 10-9, after victories over Broughton Moor, Leeds, Oldham and Widnes to reach the final.

They are currently in Betfred League One and therefore entered the 2022 Betfred Challenge Cup today at the second round stage against a new name in the competition, the Midlands Hurricanes – a tie that was to be streamed live by BBC Sport.

The winners of that tie will take their place with 11 other second round winners in the third-round draw, with ties to be

played on the weekend of February 12-13.

Sculthorpe and Molyneux will also conduct the draw for the fourth round, when the 14 Betfred Championship clubs enter the competition, including 10 clubs who have previously won the Challenge Cup:

- Barrow Raiders
- Batley Bulldogs
- Dewsbury Rams
- Featherstone Rovers
- Halifax Panthers
- Leigh Centurions
- Sheffield Eagles
- Widnes Vikings
- Workington Town
- and most recently

Bradford Bulls in 2003) Those ties will be played on the weekend of February 26-27.

Steve Kerr, the Hornets chief executive, said: ***"We're thrilled to host the Betfred Challenge Cup draw to mark our centenary since our 1922 Cup win. It was a special moment in the club's history which we are determined to mark this year."***



"It would be great if we could progress and maybe even draw Hull FC in the later rounds of the competition. Cup dreams are always possible, but of course we need to beat the Midlands Hurricanes as our first opponents

- a game we are really looking forward to.

"This is a special competition that every club, fan and player loves to be part of, so I'm delighted to share it with the Rochdale business community and welcome our

special guests Paul Sculthorpe MBE and our very own Rochdale star Vicky Molyneux, who features in the England squad and has been busy coaching and inspiring girls in Rochdale to take up Rugby League."

CUP SCHEDULE

Second Round (12 ties) – January 29-30

Third Round (6 ties) – February 12-13

Fourth Round (10 ties) – February 26-27 – Betfred Championship clubs enter

Fifth Round (5 ties) – March 12-13

Sixth Round (8 ties) – March 26-27 – Betfred Super League clubs enter

Quarter Finals – April 9-10

Semi Finals – Saturday May 7 at Elland Road, Leeds

Betfred Challenge Cup Final 2022 – Saturday May 28 at Tottenham Hotspur Stadium

Chris Hamilton (cont. from page 4)

The support of you, the fans, has been great and people seem to be really engaged with what we are all working really hard on to produce for the club. We need you more than ever this season to keep us going and to get behind the lads in matches.

Last weekend's crowd against Wakefield was really

encouraging and hopefully it will be even better today as our road to White Hart Lane gets underway !

Lock Lane, our opponents, will clearly have something to say about that, especially after a great win in round one against Thatch Heath and we welcome all officials, players, staff and fans to Oldham today.

As ever, please get right behind the lads and keep up your vocal support and hopefully cheer us on to victory.

**Enjoy the game
Christopher Hamilton
Chairman**



IT ALL KICKS OFF IN BETFRED LEAGUE 1 ON MARCH 27

We kick-off our Betfred League 1 campaign with a home game against Keighley Cougars on Sunday, March 27, 2022 followed by a trip to Hunslet the following Sunday, April 3.

Each of the Roughyeds ten home league games is given as a 3pm kick-off on a Sunday, but the RFL warns that fixtures at all clubs are subject to change, both dates and kick-off times.

The venue for Oldham's home games this year will be the Vestacare Stadium, Whitebank Road, Limehurst Village, OL8 3 JH (tel: 07904 898177)

Stu Littler's men go to Rochdale's Crown Oil Arena for the derby clash with Hornets on Good Friday, April 15 (3pm) with the reverse fixture here on Sunday, July 10.

The other derbies against Swinton Lions, when Oldham coach Littler and veteran play-maker Martyn Ridyard face a former team that could potentially include FIVE ex-Roughyeds, are at home on Sunday, June 5 and at Heywood Road on Sunday, August 28.

There will be long away trips to London Skolars on Friday, May 27 (7pm); to Llanelli (West Wales) on Saturday, July 23 (3pm); and to Penryn (Cornwall) on Sunday, August 21 (1pm).

There will be two new clubs, Cornwall, and the re-branded Midlands Hurricanes (formerly Coventry), who will move to a new home venue in Portway, south of Birmingham.

As North Wales Crusaders have relocated from Wrexham to Colwyn Bay since Oldham last played them, Roughyeds will play three games on grounds where they have never played before, first in Colwyn Bay on Saturday, May 14 (5.30pm), then in Portway, south of Birmingham on Sunday, August 7 and finally in Penryn, down near Falmouth in the south of Cornwall on Sunday, August 21 (1pm).

Bear in mind the "subject to change" warning though.

If any of our season-ticket holders want to buy the special offer Premier Sports subscription before they start to televise regular Monday night Championship games tomorrow (Jan 31) we ask them to please ring the Roughyeds office on 07904 898177 to get the code.

Anyone who has bought, or intends to buy, an Oldham season ticket for 2022 will be able to add an ANNUAL Premier Sports fee for only £80 -- an amazing reduction of nearly 40%.

LEAGUE FIXTURES

(all games on Sundays at 3pm unless stated otherwise)

MARCH

27	Keighley Cougars	H
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APRIL

3	Hunslet	A
10	West Wales	H
15 (Good Friday)	Rochdale Hornets	A
24	Cornwall	H

MAY

1	Doncaster	A
8	Bye	
14 (Saturday)	North Wales (5.30pm)	A
27 (Friday)	London Skolars (7pm)	A

JUNE

5	Swinton Lions	H
12	Midlands Hurricanes	H
26	Keighley Cougars	A

JULY

3	Bye	
10	Rochdale Hornets	H
17	Doncaster	H
23 (Saturday)	West Wales	A
31	North Wales	H

AUGUST

7	Midlands Hurricanes	A
14	London Skolars	H
21	Cornwall (1pm)	A
28	Swinton Lions	A

SEPTEMBER

4	Hunslet	H
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01	Owen Restall	Grant and Sheila Somerville	Ryan Backhouse
02	Tommy Brierley	Rugby Oldham	Callum Butler
03	Will Cooke	John and Lynda McAndrew	Oliver Bloomer
04	Calvin Wellington	Grant and Sheila Somerville	James Crannswick
05	Ben Holcroft	David and Val Webster	Kyle Crannswick
06	Martyn Ridyard	Sheddings 107	Craig Duncan
07	Dave Hewitt	Graeme Lee	Nathan Fozzard
08	Luke Nelmes	Robin Highfield	Mason Hare
09	Brad Jinks	ORSA	Joe Herczeg
10	Tom Spencer	David and Val Webster	Danny Holmes
11	Jason Muranka	Mick Harrop	Ben Mawson
12	Callum Cameron	Ginny and Adrian Alexander	Dan Merrick
13	Emmerson Whittel	Pam Taylor	Lucas Moon
14	Sean Slater	247blinds.co.uk	Tommy Newbould
15	Jordan Andrade	YEDS Supporters Group	Joe Oldfield
16	James Thornton	Anne Kearns	Harry Philipson
17	Jack Coventry	Players' Association	Lewis Price
18	Joe Hartley	ORSA	Morgan Punched
19	Dom Newton	247blinds.co.uk	Karl Robinson
20	David Mills	CPD Property Services Ltd	Craig Savage
22	Liam Copland	Oldham RL Heritage Trust.	Chris Sibons
23	Kian Morgan	Sponsorship available	Jack Smith
24	Ethan Ferry	Roberto Longo	Luke Tagg
25	Jamie Pye	Gordon Sedgewick	Head Coach: Paul Couch
26	Ryan Wright	Sponsorship available	
	Stuart Littler	Sponsorship available	
	Brendan Sheridan	Sponsorship available	



Referee: B Milligan

Touch Judge: R Stansfield

Touch Judge: R Cox

4th official: D Maddock