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Date	OPPONENTS	Gr'd	Date	e OPPONENTS (Gr'd
1955			1956		
20—I 23—I 27—I 30—(Oldham (Infirmary Cup) Iuddersfield Oewsbury Whitehaven Oldham	Home Away Home Home	Jan.	14—Belle Vue	Home Away Home
10—I 17—I	Wakefield	Away Home Away Home	Feb.	4—Salford	Away
8—I 15—I 22—I	Widnes Huddersfield Workington Bramley St. Helens	Away Away Home Away	Mar.	25—Wigan	Home Away Home
Nov. 5—V 12—I 19—N	Vijan	Home Home Home Away	4	17—Swinton 24—Widnes 30—Leigh	Away Home Away
10—I 17—V 24—V 27—8	Blackpool Barrow Warrington Workington Balford Warrington	Away Away Home Home	April	2—St. Helens	Home Home Away

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OLDHAM HERE AGAIN

Oldham, last year's Championship finalists, tonight pay their second visit to the Athletic Grounds in just over a fortnight. On August 13th in the annual Law Cup match the Hornets had the satisfaction of recording a win which came from a late rally. It was a grand match to watch, and if we get one as good

this evening the league clash between the teams everyone will be satisfied.

Since the Law Cup tie the Oldham officials have been in spending mood in officials have been in spending mood in an effort to improve their already strong pack. First they secured Jack Rogers from Salford, and during the week-end made another notable capture in signing from Hull Kingston Rovers Derek Turner, loose-forward. Turner was sought by several clubs, but the Hull K. R. officials asked £3,500 for his transfer. Oldham were favoured as buyers, but they dropped out at such a high figure, only to announce two days later that they had completed the deal. completed the deal.

completed the deal.

For their part the Hornets officials have signed Mel Tierney from Belle Vue since the Law Cup match. Unfortunately the Hornets have been handicapped by injuries, finishing four matches with one or more casualties, three with men having left the field. A prominent absentee this evening is Ted Cahill, who has often been in grand form against Oldham and Jim in grand form against Oldham, and Jim Dooney has been ordered to continue to rest the leg which was damaged in the Huddersfield game. Denis Bradley is also out of action with a leg injury.

ONE REVERSE

To date in four fixtures the Hornets have suffered only one reverse. They were surprisingly defeated at Dewsbury a week ago after winning brilliantly over Huddersfield four days earlier. Scores above the average have been recorded— 23 points against Oldham, 24 against Huddersfield, and 26 against Whitehaven in last Saturday's Lancashire Cup tie.

> THE HORNETS WILL MEET WARRINGTON AT ROCH-DALE IN THE SECOND ROUND ON A MID-WEEK DATE TO BE FIXED.

TOP SCORERS

Maurice Gallagher has made a remarkable start to the season by scoring six tries in four games. Les Jones has landed 15 goals in these matches.

NEXT SATURDAY

Next Saturday the Hornest make their second trip into Yorkshire. They visit Wakefield to oppose Trinity who caused the shock of the day in the Yorkshire Cup first round by a comfortable win at Leeds.

"A" TEAM

The Hornets "A" team gained an advantage of 26 points to 20 in the first "leg" of the first round of the Lancashire Combination Shield Competition last Tuesday at Rochdale, and visit Salford on Saturday for the second "leg."

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ONWARD, HORNETS, ONWARD!

INNER WALL-MILE OF PENNIES

The Inner Wall around the playing pitch has now been completed as far as we are able to go just now, but we hope soon to be in a position financially when we can at least link up with the existing fence on the grandstand side of the Athletic Grounds. Our aim, of course, is to complete the circuit this season with the new wall, and we are asking for your help. Only by money-raising efforts are we able to get things done, and we have at the present time a Mile-of-Pennies scheme in operation which can bring in a good amount if all the cards are taken out. Many of our members have filled in several of these cards, on each of which there are eight envelopes attached. When you have made a contribution, you are asked to seal the envelope and initial it.

See the Secretary tonight. He will be pleased to let you have one or two cards—or more—if you feel you can fill them amongst your friends. Wherever you go in company you will find that sportsmen are willing to give you a copper, 3d., 6d., or—as some have done—1s. or even 2s.

and 2s. 6d.

There is, of course, the cost of the printing of these cards to be deducted, as naturally cards with the work in them that our Mile-of-Pennies cards have cost money. Please help us to show a good profit, so that we can finish our wall and then get on with something else.

We are aware of the many improvements that need doing at the Athletic Grounds just as well as anyone else, but

is all a question of finance.

MEETINGS

Will Committee members please note that, as the Secretary is on holiday from September 3rd to 10th, the meetings of

the Hornets Club Committee and the Supporters Club Committee will be held in the following week? All members will be notified.

WEMBLEY TRIP

Mr. Herbert Oldham (Assistant Secretary of the Supporters Club) is taking bookings already for the 1956 Wembley Trip, and you are advised to see him as soon as possible if you wish to join the Hornets Supporters Club party this season.

A rebate of 2s. per person on the lunch served on the Wembley Trip in April last has been received from British Railways, and any person who travelled on the outing can have his or her 2s. from the Secretary or Assistant Secretary. We are giving a closing date for the collection of this money, and application must be made before October 1st.

DARTS TOURNAMENT

The Hornets Supporters Club Darts Team won their first-round game against Uncouth Road Sawmills in the Firgrove Conservative Club Darts Tournament. The second-round match will be played on Thursday night next, September 1st, at the Firgrove Club, when our team will play the R.A O.B., Milnrow Road. We shall be glad of your support on this night.

NEW YEAR'S EVE DANCE

Tickets will be on sale in September for the Hornets Supporters Club Dance at the Town Hall on New Year's Eve. The New Mayfair Orchestra will be playing for dancing, and supper will be served. The price of the tickets is 12s. 6d., and early application must be made to the Assistant Secretary, Mr. Herbert Oldham, 8 York Street, Rochdale. R. D. F.

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