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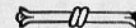


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NAUGHTON PARK NOTES

There was much good football last Saturday and it was not all supplied by the home team. The reserves who stepped up in the Leigh side are to be congratulated on a pleasing display of good, open Rugby, which the fairly big crowd thoroughly enjoyed. It was good to hear the ovation given to Kindon after his superb late try. Visiting players are not always given such generous treatment on Rugby League grounds.

Much of the interest in football today will be at Swinton and Odsal. The experts have tipped Hull to win, and Wigan to annihilate Leigh. The Rovers of Featherstone, and the Kirkhall Laners would not have it otherwise and we take the risk of predicting that these same experts may be wrong in their calculations. Once more the battles may be decided by the hookers, or whoever it is that gains possession from the scrum. We hope the games will be interesting and good advertisements for the game!

TODAY'S VISITORS

Our supporters need no reminding that today's result is of vital importance to our guests from Oldham. The Watersheddings men have been a power in Rugby League circles for more than half a century, and particularly so during the last decade. They have had a habit of "slipping up" at important stages of the season and they have also had more than their share of domestic troubles which, all good sportsmen sincerely hope, are now satisfactory adjusted. The transfer of Ike Southward involved a record fee for any player and we hope to see him on duty today. An overwhelming victory over the City last Saturday put them back in the First Four and to remain there, they must win their remaining matches. For our part, we have the Lancashire Cup-tie defeat to avenge, and a severe League defeat later, not to mention the winning money which is always a worth while incentive to our players. With the Saints not at home today, there should be a good crowd of spectators, for the Oldham fans will be here in their hundreds for certain, and we hope that our numbers and theirs will be augmented from the South-West Lancashire area. Bernard Ganley has been busy making and breaking records and one of our own players is not far from achieving a similar, if somewhat, lesser feat, in the try-scoring department. It would be good to see him do it today, but in view of the strength of the opposition, we suggest that his ambitions will have to be postponed.

However, the stage is set for a rousing game with no "end of the season" flavour, and that is all we ask for. We know we shall have a goodly number of visitors and we fervently hope that they will enjoy the game, and indeed, such hospitality as we are able to offer. To them, the players and the officials of the Oldham club, we extend a sincere and hearty welcome to Naughton Park.

**NEXT SATURDAY AT NAUGHTON PARK
WIDNES A v. WARRINGTON A**

Kick-off 3 p.m.

PERCY DAVIES TESTIMONIAL FUND

The collection last Saturday for the Testimonial Fund realised £40, and on behalf of Percy Davies, we take the opportunity of thanking the volunteers who assisted in its organisation, especially the players who sacrificed their half-time break, and more particularly the Leigh players for their valued help. This latter was a rare sporting gesture and no small tribute to a grand little player whose popularity extends far beyond the boundaries of his own town and club.

CURTAIN RAISER

Today's curtain raiser is an Inter-Town School Competition match appropriately between Widnes and Oldham Schoolboys. These teams are evenly matched and should provide a very entertaining game.

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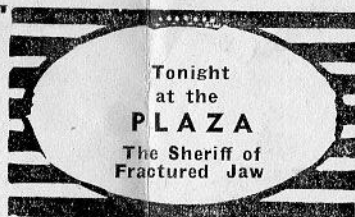
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Mr. J. C. Clapham
(pink flag)

Mr. H. Hyde
(orange flag)

WIDNES

1. PIMBLETT
2. CHISNALL
3. BROOME
4. THOMPSON
5. BRIGHT
6. MYLER
7. KEAVNEY
8. SMITH
9. RIMMER
10. BATE
11. HILL
12. ROSE
13. SHERMAN

OLDHAM

1. GANLEY
2. SOUTHWARD
3. DAVIES
4. ~~NESTOR~~ NOD
5. ~~CRACKNELL~~ NESTOR
6. KELLETT
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NAUGHTON PARK NOTES—Continued

TODAY'S COLLECTION

Today's appeal to our patrons, organised by the Widnes Committee of the Warrington and Widnes Society for the Blind is indeed for a worthy cause which helps to bring a little pleasure into the lives of those who cannot see, and we ask all present today to give as generously as possible.

COMING ATTRACTIONS AT NAUGHTON PARK

Saturday, April 18th: WARRINGTON A Kick-off 3-0 p.m.
Thursday, April 23rd: SALFORD A Kick-off 6-45 p.m.
Monday April 27th: WIGAN Kick-off 6-45 p.m.

PROGRAMME OF AMATEUR RUGBY LEAGUE AT NAUGHTON PARK

Friday, April 17th: WEEKLY NEWS CUP SEMI-FINAL Kick-off 6-0 p.m.
Monday April 20th: WEEKLY NEWS CUP SEMI-FINAL Kick-off 6-30 p.m.
Friday April 24th: WEEKLY NEWS CUP FINAL Kick-off 6-30 p.m.
Saturday, April 25th: UNDER 19 MATCH (details later) Kick-off 3-0 p.m.
Tuesday, April 28th: HOWARD CUP FINAL (under 19) Kick-off 6-45 p.m.
Wednesday, April 29th: OPEN AGE FINAL Kick-off 6-45 p.m.

RE-ARRANGED MATCHES

Next Wednesday evening the first team travel to Salford to fulfil a re-arranged League fixture, and the kick-off is at 6 p.m. If sufficient interest is forthcoming the Supporters' Club will arrange transport and details can be found in the Supporters' Club Notes below.

LANCASHIRE LEAGUE

(Up to and including Saturday April 4th, 1959)

	For						Against				
	P	W	L	D	G	T	Pts.	G	T	Pts.	Pts.
ST. HELENS	24	20	3	1	110	136	628	67	36	242	41
WIGAN	25	20	5	0	129	123	627	70	56	308	40
OLDHAM	23	17	6	0	119	91	511	57	52	270	34
LEEDS	25	16	9	0	79	94	440	73	87	407	32
SWINTON	26	15	10	1	63	74	348	70	65	335	31
WIDNES	24	15	9	0	91	91	455	66	65	327	30
WARRINGTON	26	14	12	0	96	114	534	87	75	399	28
WORKINGTON T.	24	12	11	1	60	71	333	71	64	334	25
WHITEHAVEN	25	11	14	0	69	78	372	83	75	391	22
LEIGH	26	10	16	0	89	61	361	90	77	411	20
SALFORD	24	9	14	1	70	72	358	87	89	441	19
BARROW	25	8	17	0	55	62	296	95	94	472	16
ROCHDALE H.	25	6	19	0	55	54	272	92	93	463	12
BLACKPOOL B	26	0	20	0	77	45	289	111	139	639	12
LIVERPOOL C.	24	5	19	0	83	49	313	126	148	696	10

SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

TRANSPORT TO AWAY MATCHES

Coaches will leave St. Paul's Road for the forthcoming away matches as follows:

Wednesday, April 15th to Salford departing at 5-00 p.m. Fare 5/3

Saturday, April 18th to Bradford departing at 11-00 a.m. Fare 9/9

Saturday, April 25th to Leeds departing at 11-00 a.m. Fare 10/9

Seats may be booked after today's match at Supporters' Club Headquarters or at Yates's, Salisbury Street Garage.