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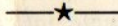
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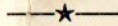


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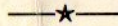
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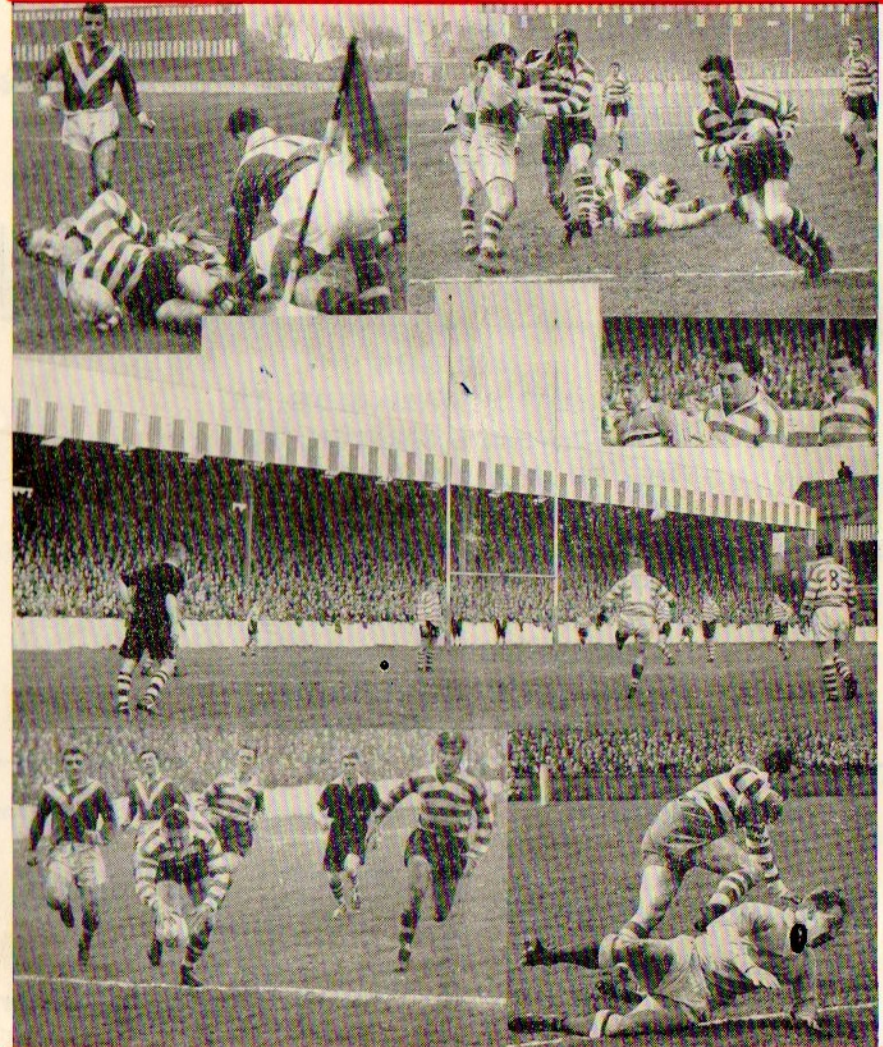
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Date	CLUB	Grd.	F. A.
1960			
Aug. 6	ROCHDALE (Charity)	away
13	ST. HELENS	home
17	WARRINGTON	away
20	LEEDS	away	.....
27	WIGAN, Lancs. Cup 1st Rd.	away	.....
30	LEIGH	home	.....
Sept. 3	FEATHERSTONE R.	away	.....
10	HALIFAX	home	.....
17	ST. HELENS	away	.....
20	FEATHERSTONE R.	home	.....
24	WORLD CUP		.....
27	BLACKPOOL B.	away	.....
Oct. 1	WORLD CUP		.....
8	WORLD CUP		.....
15	HULL K. R.	away	.....
22	WIDNES	home	.....
29	ROCHDALE H.	away	.....
Nov. 5	LIVERPOOL C.	home	.....
12	KEIGHLEY	away	.....
19	SALFORD	home	.....
26	WHITEHAVEN	away	.....
Dec. 3	LEEDS	home	.....
10	WIGAN	away	.....

Date	CLUB	Grd.	F. A.
17	BLACKPOOL B.	home	.....
24	LEIGH	away	.....
26	SWINTON	home	.....
31	BARROW	away	.....
1961			
Jan. 2	WORKINGTON	away	.....
7	HALIFAX	away	.....
14	WARRINGTON	home	.....
21	LIVERPOOL CITY	away	.....
28	WIGAN	home	.....
Feb. 4	BARROW	home	.....
11	R. L. CHALLENGE CUP 1st RD.		.....
18	HULL K. R.	home	.....
25	R. L. CHALLENGE CUP 2nd RD.		.....
Mar. 4	SALFORD	away	.....
11	WIDNES	away	.....
18	WORKINGTON TOWN	home	.....
25			.....
31	SWINTON	away	.....
Apr. 1	WHITEHAVEN	home
3	ROCHDALE H.	home
8		
15	R. L. CHALLENGE CUP SEMI-FINAL	
22		
29	KEIGHLEY	home

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WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS AND VIEWS

Today sees our last match of the league campaign for the season 1960-61 in the visit from Keighley. The season has been one of the mixed variety, we have had our good matches and there have been the other.

We commenced the season in a blaze of glory by victory over St. Helens at home and a fine victory at Leeds, another two wins against Featherstone and Blackpool away, our exit from the Lancashire Cup in the first round at Wigan was an early disappointment. Matches have been lost when we expected victory and victory has come when unexpected.

We have lost four matches in Leigh, Swinton, Wigan and Warrington, matches that could have been won and could have brought further interest in the game at Watersheddings.

Our defeat at Barrow on the last day of the old year was a big surprise to us, how our form has varied, two days later we go and defeat Workington at Workington, when we expected trouble. The season ends today with no honours to add to our past history.

An early exit from the Challenge Cup at Hull must have been another disappointment for our members and supporters losing the match by 2 goals to 1 goal in a match that we consider we were the best team and very unfortunate not to win, no luck came our way in this match and bang went another Wembley year. Like other sports, attendances at Watersheddings are down on the previous season and also our membership.

THANKS

As this is the final programme may we offer thanks to the advertisers who have made this programme possible during the season, May they have profited from their patronage to the Club and we look forward to their assistance next season when we hope to issue a newly designed programme.

OUR VISITORS

Today we welcome Keighley as visitors in our last match of the season. We visited Keighley on 12th November and won the match by 30 points to 2 points. Up to last Saturday our visitors played 34 matches, won 9, drawn 1 and lost 24, scoring 325 points against 528.

Our players must not take things for granted by this record as surprises have been plenty this season and it is up to our team to play the open football we know they are capable of and give us something to talk about as a grand final.

SUSPENSIONS

We are greatly concerned at the number of players that have been dismissed from the field of play this season for incidents that are not in the book of rules. Too much over vigour has been introduced, incidents which have led into brawls which has been a discredit to the game and others have been dismissed from the game through persistent infringements of the rules.

At a recent meeting of the Disciplinary Committee 19 players were suspended and 2 players fined. This does our game no good, it is bad publicity. It is up to Club committees to clean the game up and insist upon their players playing the game as it is intended to be played. One cannot blame the Disciplinary Committee in getting tough and making the sentences more severe in future. R.L. must be protected against these malcontents. One never hears of a club committee taking action against any player who comes under the ban of the referee, it is taken just as a matter of course.

We consider our game the finest in the world and let us live up to this. There is more money to be made in a boxing ring or all-in wrestling for those who enjoy a fight rather than playing football. We as a nation taught the world how to play games, pioneers of how it should be played and conducted, let us keep the good name as an example of good sportsmanship and knowing how to win games and how to be good losers.

LANCASHIRE CUP 1961-62

The draw for next season's Lancashire Cup was made in Manchester on Monday last and our luck is still out and we have to travel once again. The draw is as follows:

Rochdale H. v. Blackpool	Liverpool v. Salford
Workington v. Wigan	Barrow v. Oldham
Widnes v. Whitehaven	Swinton v. Warrington
	St. Helens v. Leigh

Saturday, 2nd September is the suggested date. St. Helens are the present holders of the cup.

GOALS THAT COUNT

What a priceless possession it is to have a super goalkicker in your team, how one man can turn defeat into victory by the added ability that he possesses. How many times have we seen in the glorious past Bernard Ganley bring victory to our team when our opponents have scored more tries than we have.

How priceless these goals must have been from a financial return to the club can only be a matter of guess, golden goals from a player who is gifted in the art of placing goals from impossible positions.

Take the case of Fred Griffiths, the Wigan full back, and the magnificent goals he has kicked this season, goals that have been worth thousands of pounds to his club.

One match that will be remembered was in the Challenge Cup tie at Wakefield this year in the second round which he won the match by 1 goal. This goal has landed Wigan at Wembley.

The return of five cup-ties played by Wigan this season—so far—has been watched by 164,000 spectators who by current rates must have paid somewhere about £24,000.

Yes, goalkickers are in the minority these days and it behoves all teams to possess one if not two players who are adept at the art of goalkicking. Any team that goes on the field without a recognised goalkicker is simply asking for defeat and to lose matches with any regularity means your turnstiles are going rusty and some treasurers of clubs wonder why.

AN APPRECIATION

The Officials, Committee and Players of the Oldham Football Club would like to thank all members and supporters for their support this season. They look forward to your continued support in the 1961-62 Football season. Thank you.

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- 3—FRAIN
- 4—TODD
- 5—SMITH M.
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- 7—BARRON
- 8—HAIGH
- 9—WARING *G*
- 10—PHILLIPS *T*
- 11—CREWDSON
- 12—SEWELL
- 14—WRIGHT

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FORGOTTEN COMPETITIONS OF THE R.L.

Over and over again the question has been asked whether the County League competitions in Rugby League football are really necessary. Well, this is one aspect of a not too-well publicised code which seems to be pushed at one side until late in the season when the final reckonings are made. (writes Cyril Briggs)

While I am one of the first to admit that county competitions are rarely discussed especially when we take the ordinary league games into consideration, it would be folly to drop this tournament. If the Yorkshire and Lancashire Leagues as they are constituted at the present became redundant, then I'm afraid there would be little use printing certain records even in the R.L. official guide.

For many seasons clubs have been attempting to emulate the fine achievements of Huddersfield, Swinton and Hunslet in winning four trophies in a season, but the record has stood the test of time and may never be equalled.

That's quite a sweeping statement to make, but the last time the major trophies went to the same team it was in season 1927-28 when Swinton proved invincible as far as these competitions were concerned.

GREATLY IMPROVED

At one time St. Helens looked as if they might break the long spell but they are not certain to even add one cup to the Lancashire Challenge trophy which they gained in the autumn by beating the greatly improved Lancashire side—Swinton.

However, Swinton have the edge on the St. Helens players at the moment, but they are only one point in front! So much for one of the competitions which we hear so little about. The fact of the matter is that the Lancashire League competition is exciting more interest this season than for a considerable time. Moreover, Swinton who lead the table and present runners up who are St. Helens might easily finish on the wrong side.

Warrington are on their tails, and could beat them both for a cup which St. Helens won last season and are most keen to retain. There are many angles to this season's competition, and while Swinton beat Blackpool Borough at Station Road, their last game of the season—as far as the Lancashire League is concerned—could prove successful or otherwise. Even a draw here could allow the cup to elude their grasp.

RUNNERS UP MEDALS

The County Leagues should be kept abreast with the times. I feel that while R.L. headquarters issue the tables from time to time there could be an arrangement for regular publication of these leagues for the interest of supporters of the code in the three counties.

If newspapers cannot find space to publish these leagues with any frequency, then the next step would be to have them kept up to date in the clubs' official programmes.

Yet another idea to foster interest would be to award medals to the runners up of the competition. Surely a team which is beaten on the post should have some reward. We have medals for runners up in the Northern R.L. play off, the R.L. Challenge Cup and also the county challenge trophy matches. Why not the Yorkshire and Lancashire leagues?

What a travesty of justice if St. Helens, Swinton or Warrington were beaten by a decimal point—point averages will count a great deal—and then received nothing at all even though the official guide for next season may mark them down as runners up.

The County Leagues should insist on a change of rule. The Yorkshire officials might also have their memories jogged by one of my readers about this point. In any case I'll make it my business to mention the point to certain of the Lancashire officials.

It may be argued that the runners up in the county league championships have never received any rewards so why should such a system of medal awards be commenced after such a long period?

WELL FITTED

My reply is simple and straightforward. The County Associations are well fitted to pay for a set of medals for the runners up in the Lancashire and Yorkshire championships. After all runners up in the minor competitions—The Yorkshire Senior Competition and also the Lancashire Combination offer two sets of medals for winners and runners up.

After all the senior teams who are finishing second best in the county leagues have accomplished a greater feat than the beaten finalists in the reserve team tournaments.

The answer to this is in the hands of the clubs themselves. A sum of £50 would provide a set of runners-up medals, and the amount only equals a collection at one of the grounds.

LIST OF FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES AND SCORERS

(League and Cup Matches only—including Law Cup)

Player	A.	T.	G.	Player	A.	T.	G.
Southward	18	14		Kellett	35	18	1
Noon	34	24	19	Mumberson	5	1	
Davies	31	5		Winslade	34	1	
Quinlan	6	3		Goddard D.	4		
Nestor	16	5		Parker T.	6	1	
Pitchford	23	6		Sims	9	1	24
Payne	37	2		Goddard P.	20	3	
McIntyre	20	5		Patterson	22	15	
Dufty	35	7		Hatherall	4		
Warburton	5	1		Lord	12	7	
Robinson	33	6		Parker D.	21	6	
Ganley	24		89	Holden K.	17	8	
Gray	2			Jones	1		
Pycroft	10	1		Rae	6	1	
Parker P.	1			Jackson	1		

LANCASHIRE COUNTY RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

(Up to and including Saturday last)

	Barrow	Blackpool	Halifax	Leigh	Liverpool	OLDHAM	Rochdale	Salford	St. Helens	Swinton	Warrington	Whitehaven	Widnes	Wigan	Workington
Barrow	...	3-3	14-12	2-15	13-13	11-2	15-3	15-0	15-29		2-5	2-13	17-9		5-26
Blackpool	11-2	...	8-8	10-7	14-5	10-11	17-5	7-15	13-24	4-8	2-8	2-15	10-13	12-24	5-20
Halifax	32-0	22-12	...		18-0	9-28	15-5		12-10	4-9	8-4	17-7	15-5	17-10	22-12
Leigh	28-3	16-5	16-9	...	28-5	13-4			13-28	2-13	2-8	6-4	19-7	7-25	18-3
Liverpool	9-14	12-19	9-31	2-10	...	10-28	4-11	22-26	2-52	5-44	3-30		7-16		8-25
OLDHAM	10-3	23-5	17-15	9-12	49-12	...	23-8	37-0	16-4	4-6	16-18	31-7	25-5	5-15	23-13
Rochdale	10-7	13-20	2-37			14-29	...		5-38	4-45	0-27	15-0	9-2	2-37	4-17
Salford	9-0	5-12	11-17	4-17	20-10	7-26	20-9	...	5-17	5-24	13-13		18-9	5-32	20-8
St. Helens				10-4	17-9	26-12	51-4	45-2	...	3-10	7-8	18-8	44-7	11-6	47-2
Swinton	33-9		15-5	6-10	47-3	12-2	43-0	13-5			22-11	36-13	21-5	10-12	30-0
Warrington	33-3	28-2	22-4	3-4	38-5	25-9	25-0	48-4	5-8	9-25	...	45-7	23-12	17-0	42-9
Whitehaven	20-5	12-13	20-7		15-0	2-16	19-4	13-0	11-15	8-8	2-31	...	22-9	14-2	16-3
Widnes	26-13		10-5	4-19	23-0	6-38	28-14	30-9		7-12	10-14	17-6	...	5-3	2-5
Wigan	44-0	16-11	19-12	15-17	20-7	15-8	14-5	47-6	12-2	4-16	5-10		24-5	...	
Workington	11-8	8-17	22-7	11-2	36-5	2-17		21-0	12-11	18-3		36-2	11-8	10-11	...

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