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THE PAVILION - WATERSHEDDINGS

No. 1-Saturday, 17th August, 1963

Kick-off 3 p.m.

#### OLDHAM

versus

#### ROCHDALE HORNETS

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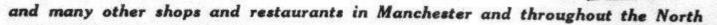
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#### WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS AND VIEWS

Once again we come to the eve of another season in Rugby League Football and our match today against Rochdale Hornets is a prelude to the opening of a season in which all clubs are in an optimistic mood. Saturday next sees the commencement of the second season of two divisions in our game, which is having a trial period of three seasons, the expiration of same will then come under review by all clubs for a further extension or otherwise.

#### OUR VISITORS

Today we entertain Rochdale Hornets in the annual charity match, a match that we are sorry to say is losing much of its popularity and attraction. This is a pity and a retrograde step as our local amateurs and local charities benefit from the net proceeds. Last year we played the match at Rochdale and our share of the gate receipts after expenses amounted to £42/14/4. It was augmented by a donation of £40 from the Wigan F.C., seven-a-side games and a donation of £218 from the Oldham Football Club to make worth while the donations. It is obvious that our finances cannot stand the strain of further donations. Our income has been considerably reduced by way of membership and the income from second division football we await with interest. A winning team can be the only answer to this.

It is obvious that our committee are strengthening the team by the recent signing of three new players in, Frank Dyson as player-coach, from Huddersfield, Kenneth J. Wilson, forward of Gloucester, R.A.F. and England R.U., and Evan Davies (what memories this name brings back), out half of Blaina and Monmouthshire County. We wish all three a

successful time with our club.

At the present time we have 49 registered players on our list and one more new player will see the maximum of 50 players allowed by the Rugby League. It is obvious that some of our surplus players will have to be struck off our list or transferred, to make room for a further influx.

#### POOLS ORGANISATION

We are desirous of increasing our Pools Organisation and require a number of new Agents. If you are interested in becoming an agent, and there are some great advantages offered to you, please contact the Pools Office, situated at No. 2 Clegg Street, (Telephone: Main 2927), or the Secretary's Office in the Pavilion, Watersheddings, when full particulars will be given to you.

#### INJURED PLAYERS

An injured player has become a nightmare with us and we have very soon started, with Alf Mumberson receiving strained tendons of the left index finger, caused in a tackle. The finger has been put in plaster and will remain so for a period of four weeks. Ray Fisher has had a re-occurence of an old injury to his elbow, this is known as a tennis elbow, and he will be out of action for a period, having a course of injections to remove the trouble. Our Consultant reports that no operation will cure this complaint, so we are hoping for the best with reliance upon injections doing the trick.

#### KICK-OFF ALTERATION

During our September holidays of Monday and Tuesday, 16th and 17th, we are due to play Blackpool at Blackpool on the 16th (Monday) and the time of kick-off was scheduled for 6-30 p.m. Please note than any of our supporters attending this match the kick-off has now been altered to 3 p.m., to avoid clashing with the Blackpool v. Manchester United fixture on the same date—7-30 p.m. kick-off.

#### DAILY DRAW TICKETS

To all purchasers of the daily draw tickets. Please note that all claims to be made to the Pools Office, 2 Clegg Street, Oldham in the week following the date on the draw ticket. The Office is open as follows: - Mondays, Thursday and Fridays from 7-30 p.m. to 9 p.m. and on Saturday morning from 10-30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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