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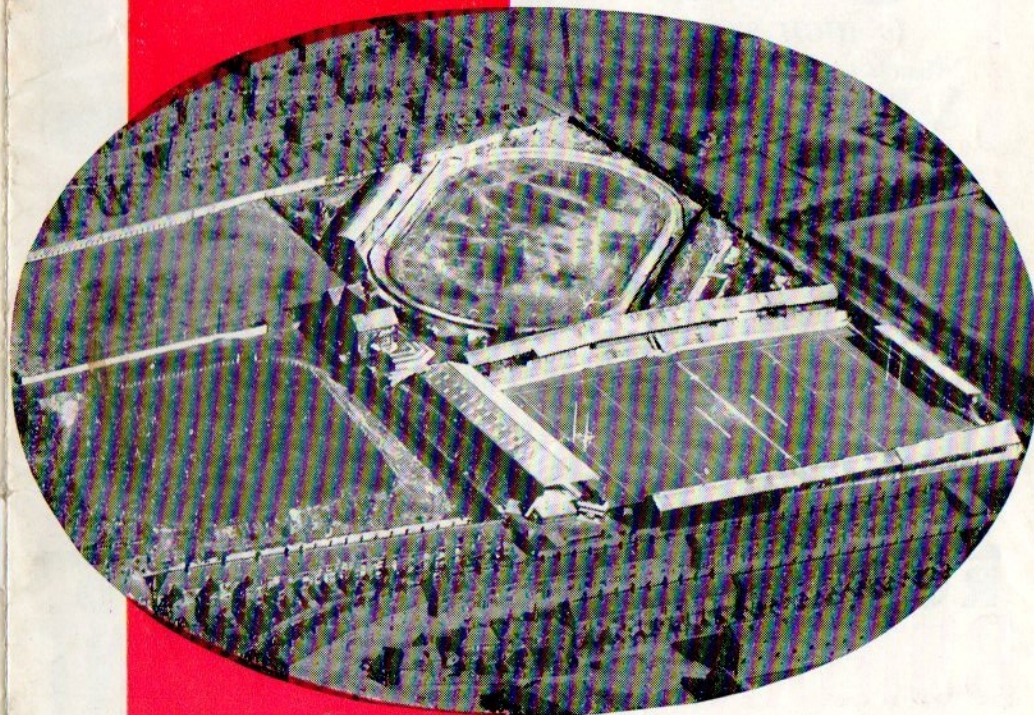
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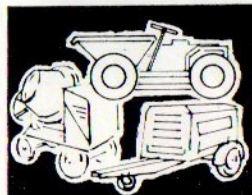
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WELCOME TO THE 'FURNESS' MEN

We welcome Barrow to Watersheddings this afternoon in what we hope will be a revenge match for us. Barrow beat us at Craven Park last Thursday week by 14 points to 9 and we will, of course, be all out for revenge this afternoon.

Barrow are now under the guiding hand of former Warrington centre star Jim Challinor, who took over the job of player coach a couple of seasons or so ago. Jim is a popular guy with the people of Barrow, and is making quite a good job of his player/coach tag.

These notes are being written early on account of the Easter holiday, and consequently we have not yet received a copy of the Barrow side which will be on view this afternoon. At Barrow, their pack had, to say the least, a very inexperienced look about it—on paper. On the field, however, they produced some fiery play and their defence was a mighty wall. For a long period in the second half we were penned in our own '25' and only three brilliant tackles from full-back John Winton saved our line. The Barrow pack read—Graham, Redhead, Oldham boy Hopwood (who has now moved house to Barrow) and the back three were Backhouse, Whitehead and Watson. If the Barrow selection committee plump for the same pack again—and they did for their match against Hull on Saturday—then we shall again have our work cut out to get on top.

Included in their backs they have Dawes, a very reliable full-back and goal-kicker. Tourist Bill Burgess and Powderhall sprinter Murray.

WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS AND VIEWS

Today's game is our last but one home game of the season. We have still to re-arrange last Saturday's postponed game against Workington. Our efforts to get a place in the top eight and a home tie in the play-off received a setback at Barrow and we now have a very difficult task. It would appear that the eighth position is being fought out between Huddersfield, Workington, Hull and ourselves,

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with St. Helens, Wakefield, Wigan, Leeds, Swinton, Castleford and Bradford taking the first seven places.

We travelled to Swinton yesterday to play the 'Lions' for the fourth time this season. Let us hope we were successful in registering a win. We travel to Rochdale on Monday for another tough League encounter and then we have to visit Leigh on a date still to be arranged.

'The Hazards of being famous!' Our coach Frank Dyson was really under the weather over the weekend.

After visiting the Astoria Ballroom on Friday evening to judge the final of the Carnival Queen, Frank, along with his wife, started off on their unenviable task of returning home over the snow-covered Moors. When they reached Stanedge the road was blocked, so they had to spend the night in the car. On the Saturday they hitched hiked back into Oldham and caught the train to Huddersfield. Frank, of course, had to return to the Moors on Sunday in order to 'dig' out his car.

We are pleased to report that the road at the Pavilion end of the ground has now finally been completed, and I am sure that the tarmac surface will be better for everyone.

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Competitors should write for application forms to the Rugby League Offices, 180 Chapeltown Road, Leeds 7, before 20th April, 1966.

W. FALLOWFIELD, Secretary.

CUP FINAL TICKETS

Standing enclosure tickets (under cover) at 5/- each are being sold at the Rugby League Offices, 180 Chapeltown Road, Leeds 7. Stamped and addressed envelopes should be sent with applications. Tickets are going faster this year than for several seasons and supporters wishing to see the match are strongly advised to book their tickets NOW.

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Period 5 — March 21st-May 21st Positions after Matches played on March 26th

	Matches played	Points scored	Average	Points against
1. Leeds	2	57	28.50	13
2. Hull	2	49	24.50	21
3. Featherstone Rovers	1	24	24.00	9
4. Workington Town	1	23	23.00	5
5. Oldham	2	43	21.50	17
6. Bradford Northern	2	41	20.50	18
7. Castleford	1	19	19.00	5
8. Huddersfield	2	38	19.00	23
9. Wakefield Trinity	1	18	18.00	0
10. Wigan	1	17	17.00	8

Main Contest

Positions after Matches played on March 26th

	Matches played	Points scored	Average	Points against
1. Wigan	33	616	18.67	318
2. Castleford	31	498	16.06	245
3. Leeds	32	512	16.00	253
4. Wakefield Trinity	32	497	15.53	230
5. St. Helens	33	493	14.94	239
6. Swinton	33	464	14.06	288
7. Huddersfield	36	469	13.03	272
8. Workington Town	31	399	12.87	279
9. Oldham	32	407	12.72	373
10. Barrow	28	354	12.64	341

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First Team

Date 1965	Opponents	Venue	Result	Date 1966	Opponents	Venue	Result
Aug. 21	(S) Warrington	Home	W 26-14	Jan. 1	(S) Hunslet	Away	W 7-3
" 25	(W) Whitehaven	Away	W 12-0	" 8	(S) St. Helens	Home	W 13-9
" 28	(S) Wigan	Away	W 23-8	" 15	(S) Barrow	Away	P'oned
" 31	(Tu) New Zealand	Home	L 2-5	" 21	(F) Leigh	Home	P'oned
Sept. 4	(S) Blackpool Borough	Home	D 4-4	Feb. 1	(Tu) Hunslet	Home	D 10-10
" 6	(M) Rochdale Hornets	Home	W 12-5	" 5	(S) Halifax	Home	W 13-4
" 11	(S) Barrow (L.C. 1st Rd.)	Home	W 21-14	" 9	(W) Warrington	Away	W 8-4
" 13	(M) Blackpool Borough	Away	W 13-2	" 12	(S) Workington Town	Home	
" 16	(Th) Wigan (L.C. 2nd Rd.)	Home	W 28-13	" 19	(S) Halifax	Away	
" 18	(S) Workington Town	Away	L 7-28	" 26	(S) Swinton	Away	L 5-18
" 25	(S) Salford	Home	W 12-8		(1st Round R.L. Cup)		
Oct. 1	(F) St. Helens	Away	L 17-23	Mar. 4	(F) Leigh	Home	
" 6	(W) Warrington (L.C. Semi-final)	Away	L 10-21	" 12	(S) Liverpool City	Away	
" 9	(S) Huddersfield	Home	W 11-4	" 16	(W) Leigh	Away	
" 16	(S)			" 19	(S) 2nd Round R.L. Cup		
" 19	(Tu) Swinton (Floodlit C.)	Away	L 5-21	" 22	(Tu) Swinton	Home	L 10-12
" 22	(F) Wigan	Home	L 6-16	" 26	(S) Whitehaven	Home	W 33-5
" 28	(Th) Widnes	Away	L 5-49	Apr. 2	(F) Workington	Home	P'oned
" 30	(S)			" 8	(F) Swinton	Away	
Nov. 6	(S) Liverpool City	Home	D 7-7	" 9	(S) Barrow	Home	
" 13	(S) Salford	Away	L 11-12	" 11	(M) Rochdale Hornets	Away	
" 20	(S) Leeds	Home	L 2-10				
" 25	(Th) Castleford	Home	L 4-6				
" 27	(S) Huddersfield	Away	L 6-27				
Dec. 4	(S)						
" 11	(S) Leeds	Away	W 13-10				
" 18	(S) Widnes	Home	W 15-3				
" 27	(M) Swinton	Home	P'oned				
" 28	(Tu) Leigh	Away	P'oned				

Second Team

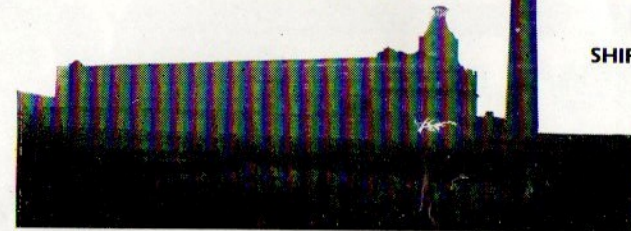
LANCS. COUNTY COMBINATION LEAGUE

Date 1965	Opponents	Venue	Result	Date 1966	Opponents	Venue	Result
Aug. 21	(S) Rochdale Hornets	Away	W 26-7	Jan. 1	(S) Rochdale Hornets	Home	W 18-2
" 28	(S) Blackpool Borough	Home	W 38-11	" 8	(S) St. Helens	Away	L 2-4
Sept. 4	(S) Blackpool Borough	Away	W 51-13	" 15	(S) Whitehaven	Home	P'oned
" 11	(S) Barrow	Away	L 8-24	" 22	(S) Leigh	Away	P'oned
" 18	(S) Workington Town (1st Round L.C.C.S.)	Home	L 5-14	" 29	(S) Widnes	Home	L 22-24
" 25	(S) Salford	Away	W 12-6	Feb. 12	(S) Workington Town	Away	
Oct. 2	(S) St. Helens	Home	L 10-13	" 19	(S) Barrow	Home	
" 9	(S) Warrington	Away	L 2-35	Mar. 12	(S) Liverpool City	Home	
" 16	(S) Swinton	Away		" 19	(S) Wigan	Home	
" 28	(Th) Warrington	Home	L 9-10	" 26	(S) Whitehaven	Away	
Nov. 6	(S)			Apr. 2	(S)		
" 13	(S) Salford	Home	W 17-7	" 5	(Tu) Leigh 'A' (7.30)	Home	
" 18	(S) Wigan	Away		" 9	(S) Barrow	Away	
" 25	(S) Widnes	Away	P'oned	" 13	(W) Leigh 'A' (7.30)	Away	

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