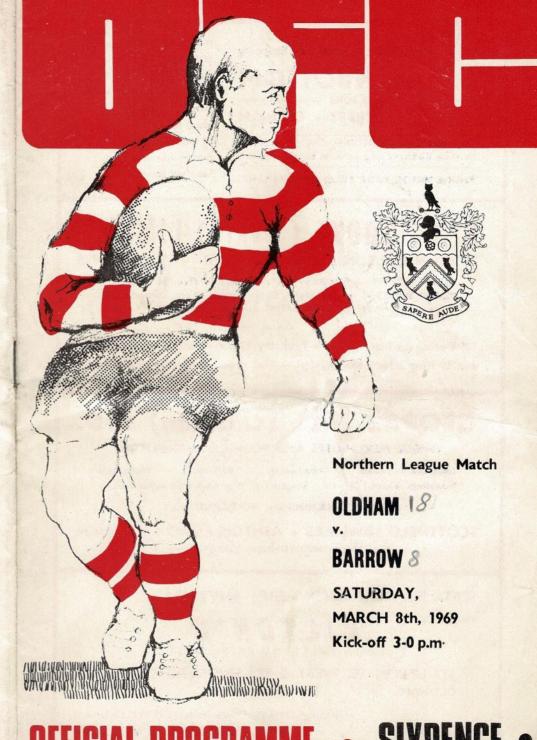


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WELCOME TO THE FURNESSMEN

Barrow are having one of their unpredictable seasons, winning games which perhaps they did not expect to win and then losing games which they were expected to win.

They come here today, however, with a strong looking side and our boys will have to go all out if they are to record their third win in succession.

Dennis Jackson is at present occupying the full back berth at Craven Park and is doing a sound job. Dennis is a local boy and has also played centre and stand off.

Peter Douglas and Mick Murray occupy the No. 2 and No. 5 jerseys respectively. Douglas is the former St. Helens stand off half who has played in almost every back position for Barrow. Murray is the sprinter who three years ago won Edinburgh's Powderall sprint handicap.

Veteran Harry Hughes and former Bingley R.U. man Eddie Shuttleworth fill the centre positions.

Tom Brophy at stand off and Frank Jones at scrum half do not need any introduction. Brophy as we all know is the former England R.U. star and Frank Jones is a local boy who joined Barrow's ranks from Blackpool Borough earlier in the season.

In the forwards Barrow will be bringing several youngsters who have not played in Barrow's first team at Watersheddings, before and consequently are strangers to the Oldham following.

Local boy Harrison packs down at No. 8. This boy is a good strong scrummager, standing 6ft.3in. and weighing 16 stones.

Their hooker, Barlow is on trial from Bramley and at No. 10 Barrow have former Waterloo R.U. and Leigh R.L. player Mick Murphy. Mick joined Barrow from Leigh early in the season.

Peter Ridgway, a R.U. player signed from Ribblesdale and County man Mick Sanderson pack down in the second row with former St. Helens player Joe Robinson at loose forward.

THE LEIGH MATCH

The performance of our team in this game was perhaps one of their best of the season particularly in defence. They set about their task in first class manner, tackling everything Leigh had to offer and then turning on the football skill which left Leigh spreadeagled time and time again.

Our tries from Mike Elliott (2) Phil Phil Larder and Bob Irving, were of the highest standard and the kicking of full back Derek Whitehead was also a highlight.

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Whitehead deservedly won the player of the match award. His sound display in every aspect won him the award and also the admiration of the fans who witnessed the game.

Injuries to Larder, Wilson and Crellin stopped it from being a night for complete celebration, although the injuries to the two latetr players were not serious enough to keep them out of the game today. Larder is hoping to be fit for Tuesday's re-arranged game against Swinton.

RUGBY QUEEN DANCE

The Supporters Club have organised a Rugby Queen Dance which will be held in the Social Club on Thursday April 17th, 1969.

The Rugby Queen competition to be held during the course of the evening, is open to girls (single or married) between the ages of 18 and 24. Anyone interested can apply for an application form to the Supporters Club Secretary, Mr. Alan Craig, 18 Gordon Avenue Oldham.

Dancing will be to Rocky and the Rockyfellas from 8 p.m. to 11-30 p.m. and a bar extension has been applied for.

The dance, which is strictly for Social Club members only, will be run in aid of the Supporters Club new canteen fund.

FIRST TEAM APPEARANCES AND SCORERS

(possible 35)

	A	T	G
Crellin	8	2	
Curry	2	0	8
Larder	28	7	7
Buckley	9		
Donovan (now Bradford)	8	1	
Murphy	25	1	
Briggs	32	21	8
Davies	21	4	
Wilson	30	2	1
Taylor	34	9	
Fletcher	28	2	1
Irving	34	7	- 5
McCourt	32	2	
Hughes (now Warr'ton)	21	3	
Mullarkey	3	1	
Elliott	32	9	
Whitehead	31	2	96
McCormack	17	2	,,
Ogden	9	No. Commercial Commerc	
Maders	4		
Simms	2		
Canning	29	10	1
Dickman	2		
Smith G	3		
Smith C.	3		
Leyland	2		
Payne	3		
Russell	1	1	
Clarke R.	8		
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9-TAYLOR 7

10-OGDEN

11—IRVING 12—McCOURT

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The season 1903-4 was another blank one from the point of view of cups won. Oldham failed to survive the first round of the Cup Competition, being beaten at Batley by 5 points to nil. There was a distinct change for the better in the fortunes of the Club in 1904-5 when Oldham won the Northern League. Normanton (16-3) and Batley (14-10) were Oldham's victims in the Cup tournament, but Bradford, after playing a drawn game at Watersheddings, defeated Oldham at the Yorkshire town by 8 points to 5.

The Lancashire Cup Competition was instituted in 1905, and Oldham, after winning at Salford (10-0), lost at home to Wigan (11-7), who were the subsequent Cup winners. Oldham did

none too well in the Northern Union Cup Competition, being victorious at Pontefract (12-0), but defeated by Halifax (5-2), at Watersheddings. It was rather singular that Warrington got the better of our team in both theCup Competitions in 1906-7. After meeting and defeating St. Helens (17-14) and Rochdale (20-2), Oldham were knocked out of the Lancashire Cup tournament at Warrington by 10 points to 2. Runcorn (5-0), Halifax (10-5), Wakefield (14-10) and Salford (6-0) in the semifinal at Rochdale, all had to bow the knee to Oldham. Warrington, however, sprang a surprise at Broughton in the final, by scoring 17 points to our 3. Oldham were the runners-up for the League Championship, carried off by Halifax.

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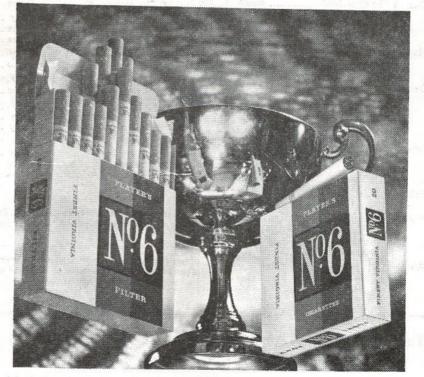
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Aug.	10 17 19 24 28 31	Blackpool (friendly) Huddersfield Blackpool Featherstone R. Rochdale H. Workington T.	home home away	14. 29. 22. 14.	19 5 24 22	Sept.	7 14 21	Workington 'A'	away home away home		
Sept.	6 9 14 21 28	Rochdale (Lancs, Cup) Blackpool B Hunslet Wigan Doncaster	away away home	22 4	10 14 9	Nov.	26 9 16 23	Salford 'A' Whitehaven 'A' Wigan 'A' Warrington 'A' Whitehaven 'A'	home away home		
Oct.	5 12 19 25	Huddersfield	home	12.	9		30 14 21 28	St. Helens 'A' Leigh 'A' Widnes 'A' Warrington 'A'	home away home		
Nov.	11 15 30	Wigan	home	14	10	Jan.	4 11 18	Huyton 'A' Huyton 'A' Salford 'A'	away home		
Dec.	7 20 22 26	Whitehaven Hunslet Widnes Whitehaven Swinton	home away home	30. 5 17.	13 26 7	Mar.	1 8 1 8	Leigh 'A' St. Helens 'A' Workington T. 'A' Barrow 'A'	away away		
Jan.	4 8 11 18	Huyton Warrington Huyton Salford	home away away	5 19 3	13 10	Apr.	21 7 12 19	Swinton 'A'	away away home		
Feb.	1 8	LeighSt. Helens	away home					Times of Kick-off			
Mar.	1 3 8 15	Workington T Leigh Barrow Doncaster	home home	13 20 1.8	7	All Saturday games at home k.o. 3 p.m. Evenin k.o.'s as advertised. All 1st & 'A' team matches				ches	
Apr.	4 7 11	Swinton (G.F.) Rochdale H. (E.M.) Barrow	home	2							

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