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WIGAN v OLDHAM

Tuesday, 11th November, 1969

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Our Visitors

This evening it is our pleasure to welcome our friends from Oldham for their second visit to Central Park, having already played here in a league game. Tonight's game is of course the second round of the BBC 2 television competition. Up to going to press, the Oldham team is still not known, they are currently having problems with three of their players notably Tommy Canning, Wilf Briggs, and Ray Clarke. These players have not played in the last two Oldham games and whether their trouble is settled before this evenings game is still not known. In their backs they have Wigan born players in, utility player Murphy and centre McCormack, whilst in the forwards they have one of our own former players Danny Gardiner who was transferred to Oldham several weeks ago, together with captain Wilson and strong running second row forwards in Irving and McCourt. In their previous league visit to Central Park we defeated Oldham by 40 points to 10, but we anticipate a much harder game this evening.

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Injuries

Along with David Hill (*broken hand*), which we reported in the last programme, we now have his brother Cliff, who had to retire from the Warrington game with a damaged thumb. We also received a further blow when our second row forward, Geoff Fletcher, received a broken elbow. It is not yet known how long Geoff will be out but we certainly hope to see the Hill brothers back in the game inside the next few weeks. At the time of going to press we do not know how Keri Jones came through the 'A' team game against Huyton, and one can only hope that he will soon be fit and well enough to play first team football again.

Official Notes

Warrington who were the first team to break our home record last season came and did the same last Wednesday, this was a game in which neither side lived up to its reputation, but Warrington at times looked much the livelier side. After an early penalty goal by Whitehead, we took the lead through a try by O'Loughlin, and that was the score at half time; 3 points to 2. In the second half Warrington improved and looked like scoring on a number of occasions, but they had to rely on a drop goal and a penalty goal by Aspinall against a Tyrer penalty goal, and with the score at 6 points to 5 with only minutes remaining, Brady, the Warrington prop forward sealed the victory for Warrington with a late try. This was indeed a severe blow to our chances of maintaining a top position in the league. Our players not only played bad on the night, but seemed to lack the enthusiasm and keeness, which one would expect in a derby game between these two teams. We can only hope that we soon regain the form that we showed earlier in the season.

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,, 11th Nov. WIGAN v OLDHAM
,, 18th Nov. HULL K. R. v LEIGH
,, 25th Nov. CASTLEFORD v LEEDS

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1.	LEIGH	196	(2)	16.	OLDHAM	—3	(21)
2.	**WIGAN**	**182**	(4)	17.	HALIFAX	—32	(16)
3.	ST. HELENS	179	(8)	18.	YORK	—36	(13)
4.	LEEDS	147	(3)	19.	DEWSBURY	—39	(17)
5.	SALFORD	141	(6)	20.	BATLEY	—40	(18)
6.	HULL K. R.	90	(7)	21.	WAKEFIELD	—43	(28)
7.	CASTLEFORD	77	(1)	22.	BRAMLEY	—51	(25)
8.	SWINTON	70	(14)	23.	KEIGHLEY	—58	(19)
9.	BRADFORD N.	57	(12)	24.	HUNSLET	—78	(22)
10.	FEATHERSTONE	44	(9)	25.	BARROW	—92	(23)
11.	WORKINGTON T.	36	(10)	26.	DONCASTER	—99	(27)
12.	WHITEHAVEN	32	(5)	27.	HUDDERSFIELD	—110	(26)
13.	HULL	15	(15)	28.	ROCHDALE H.	—153	(20)
14.	WIDNES	11	(11)	29.	BLACKPOOL B.	—193	(29)
15.	WARRINGTON	10	(24)	30.	HUYTON	—275	(30)

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1. ST. HELENS 162 pts. 2. WIGAN 128 pts. 3. LEIGH 110 pts.

PERIOD TWO 1st October to 3rd November, 1969

		pts.			pts.
1	LEIGH	86	16	SWINTON	—6
2	SALFORD	76	17	HULL	—8
3	LEEDS	67	18	OLDHAM	—10
4	FEATHERSTONE R.	60	19	DEWSBURY	—11
5	**WIGAN**	**54**	20	WHITEHAVEN	—16
6	HULL K. R.	38	21	WIDNES	—20
7	WORKINGTON T.	38	22	BRAMLEY	—26
8	ST. HELENS	17	23	HUNSLET	—28
9	CASTLEFORD	11	24	KEIGHLEY	—28
10	WAKEFIELD T.	10	25	BARROW	—30
11	WARRINGTON	10	26	BLACKPOOL B.	—33
12	BATLEY	8	27	YORK	—38
13	BRADFORD N.	1	28	DONCASTER	—50
14	HALIFAX	—2	29	ROCHDALE H.	—78
15	HUDDERSFIELD	—4	30	HUYTON	—88

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BUCKLEY (*Swinton*)	11

POINTS

TYRER (*Wigan*)	85	14	212
MILLWARD (*Hull Kingston Rovers*)	59	13	157
PRICE (*Bradford Northern*)	64	5	143
KELLETT (*Featherstone Rovers*)	61	3	131
DUTTON (*Widnes*)	64	0	128
COSLETT (*St. Helens*)	56	0	112
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	Appearances	Tries
Ashcroft, K.	21	1
Ashurst, W.	9	4
Byrne, A.	1	1
Clarke, C.	18	2
Denley, J.	1	—
Eastham, P.	8	4
Fletcher, G.	18	5
Fogerty, T.	8	1
Francis, W.	15	5
Hill, C.	13	5
Hill, D.	19	18
Hogan, B.	18	2
Jackson, J.	1	—
Jones, K.	6	4
Laughton, D.	21	4
Mills, K.	3	—
Molyneux, J.	1	—
O'Loughlin, K.	22	5
Parr, F.	20	4
Rowe, P.	18	4
Standing, C.	4	—
Stephens, J.	20	4
Tyrer, C.	21	14

	Goals
Denley, J.	3
Fogerty, T.	1
Parr, F.	4
Tyrer, C.	85

NOTE: The part of the match played by substitutes is not recorded for appearance purposes and any tries or goals scored by substitutes are recorded separately.

	Tries		Tries
Ashurst, W.	1	Hogan B.	1
Eastham, P.	2	Standing, C.	1
Fogerty, T.	1		

	Goals
Ashurst, W.	4

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Total number of goals scored: 97

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Aug.	8	WARRINGTON (Ward Cup 7-30)	H	23	12				
	9					Warrington	A	28	17
	12	Blackpool (7-15)	A	21	13				
	13					St. Helens (L.C.C.S. 7-30)	A	21	28
	16	SALFORD (L.C.C.C. 1st round)	H	25	9				
	20	LEIGH (7-30)	H	24	8				
	23	Batley	A	21	10	Swinton	A	7	19
	26	WARRINGTON (BBC 2 F.C. prelim.)	H	22	6				
	29	BARROW (7-30)	H	40	12				
	30					Barrow	A	22	18
Sept.	1	Leigh (7-30)	A	6	14				
	3					ST. HELENS (L.C.C.S. 7-30)	H	6	8
						(Wigan lose on aggregate 27-36)			
	6	Whitehaven	A	5	11				
	10	Salford (7-30)	A	14	4				
	13	OLDHAM	H	40	10	Oldham	A	22	12
	19	Widnes (7-30)	A	11	9				
	20					WIDNES	H	16	13
	22	WHITEHAVEN (L.C.C.C. 2nd round)	H	38	12				
	27	BATLEY	H	47	10				
	29	Warrington (BBC 2 F.C. preliminary)	A	10	15				
		(Wigan win on aggregate 32-21)							
Oct.	3	Barrow (7-30)	A	22	9				
	4					BARROW	H	26	10
	8	Swinton (L.C.C.S. Semi-final)	A	6	9				
	11	WHITEHAVEN	H	44	7	Leigh	A		
	14	HULL (BBC 2 F.C. 1st round)	H	24	5				
	22	ROCHDALE (7-30)	H	23	8				
	18					Rochdale	A	15	25
	25					St. Helens	A	20	30
	28	Leeds (7-30)	A	2	13				
Nov.	5	WARRINGTON (7-30)	H	5	9	Warrington	A		
	8	Huyton	A			HUYTON	H		
	11	OLDHAM (BBC 2 F.C. 2nd round)	H						
	15	Workington	A			WORKINGTON	H		
	22	BLACKPOOL	H						
	29	Castleford	A			ST. HELENS	H		
Dec.	6	HULL K.R.	H						
	13	Oldham	A			OLDHAM	H		
	20	WIDNES	H			Widnes	A		
	26	ST. HELENS (3-0)	H						
	27								
1970									
Jan.	1	Warrington (3-0)	A						
	3								
	9					LEIGH	H		
	10	CASTLEFORD	H			Salford (7-30)	A		
	17	Hull K.R.	A						
	24	LEEDS	H			SALFORD	H		
	31					WARRINGTON	H		
Feb.	7	R.L.C.C. 1st round							
	14	HUYTON	H			Huyton	A		
	21	R.L.C.C. 2nd round							
	28	Rochdale	A			ROCHDALE	H		
Mar.	7	Swinton	A			SWINTON	H		
	14	WORKINGTON	H			Workington	A		
	21	R.L.C.C. 1st Semi-final							
	27	St. Helens (3 p.m.)	A						
	28								
	30	SALFORD (3 p.m.)	H						
Apr.	4	R.L.C.C. 2nd Semi-final							
	11	SWINTON	H			Swinton	A		

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