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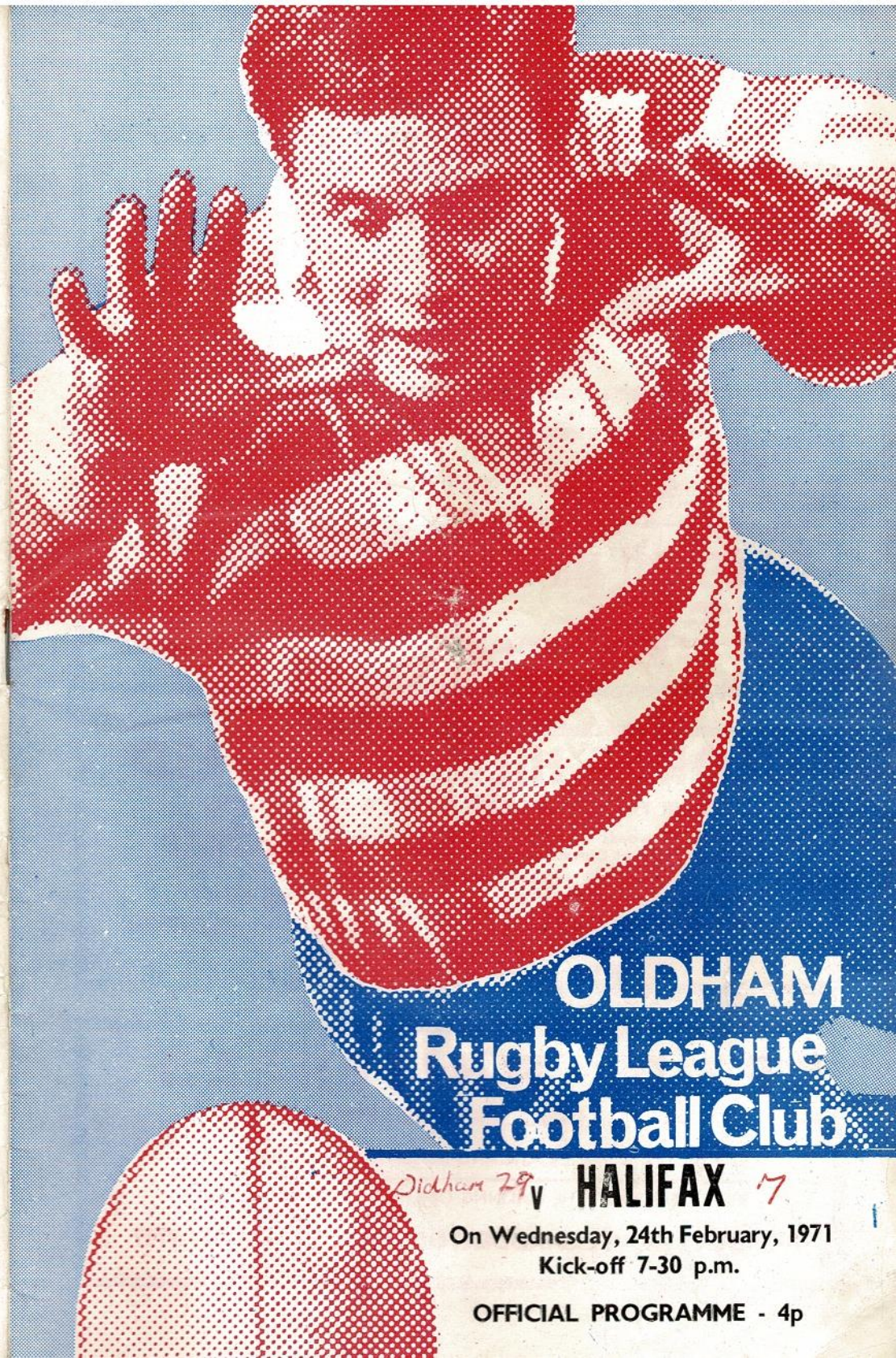
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## WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS AND VIEWS

After a disapopinting display against Warrington we hope that our team will be able to gain a victory against our opponents from Thrum Hall under the floodlights tonight.

This match has been rearranged from Saturday next at the request of Halifax and provides us with our second floodlight match in less than a month.

The loss of form by the first team has highlighted plenty of discussion on the merits of bleeding 'A' teamers and one cannot envy Graham Starkey's problems at this particular time but several 'A' teamers have come strongly into the reckoning for first team places with good performances, notably Johnny Blair and Mick Wilde and, who knows, we may shortly be seeing these two players on first team duty to supplement the picking of Tommy Leyland, John Alchin, Arthur Daley and Jimmy Reynolds, who have all been in the first team quite recently.

Supporters can also look forward to the appearance of coloured Welsh international Terry Michel, who has recently been signed to play a month's trials from Halifax. This boy is a real 'goer' who can be very spectacular. He presented very considerable problems when facing our team in the charity match at the beginning of the season.

## OUR VISITORS

Tonight's match between Oldham and Halifax could be termed something of a decider for each club has recorded a victory over the other this season. Oldham won the pre-season friendly 25-23 after a hectic finish which saw Tommy Davies score a late, winning try. The league fixture last month was played on a heavy ground and although Oldham's forwards were in command Halifax jumped into a 10-0 lead thanks to some clever promptings from Alan Kellett. Oldham recovered to lead 12-10 but a fine try from David Willicombe gave Halifax the edge and they went on to win 16-12. The game was a personal triumph for Oldham's pocket battleship, Ged Smith, who grabbed both Oldham's tries as well as the man-of-the-match award.

At full-back for Halifax is Ronnie James who so far this season has landed 62 goals including one haul of seven against York when he also linked up to score a try. Occupying the centre positions could be two Welsh Rugby League internationals, David Jones and David Willicombe. Both are former rugby union players, Jones being signed from Maestag and Willicombe from Cardiff International Athletics Club. One



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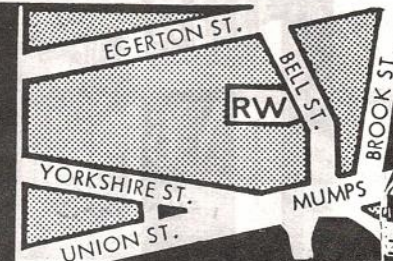
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player who will need no introduction is Alan Kellett. He played many fine games for Oldham, the most memorable perhaps being the 1958 Lancashire Cup Final when he scored a try and dropped a goal in Oldham's 12-2 defeat of Saint Helens before a crowd of 38,000 at Swinton. The following season Kellett scored a hat trick of tries for Yorkshire in the comfortable victory over the 1959 Australian tourists. Halifax's most dangerous forward is Terry Fogarty, a local junior who went to Halifax from Saddleworth Rangers. After a spell with Wigan he returned to Halifax last season for a reported £6,000 fee. He toured Australasia with the Great Britain team in 1966 and in 1965 became the first recipient of the Harry Sunderland Trophy for his outstanding display in the Championship Final.

That was Halifax's third Championship victory and our visitors have also won the Challenge Cup four times, the Yorkshire Cup 5 times and have been Champions of Yorkshire on six occasions. This season, like ourselves, Halifax are fighting for a place in the top half of the table. Both clubs have accumulated 24 points but Oldham have played four more games than the Thrum Hallers, so a home victory is essential if the Watersheddings hope of a top fifteen place and a trip to Majorca is to be attained.

### **OLDHAM JUNIOR SCHOOLS R.L. SEVENS COMPETITION**

Because of the rearrangement of this evening's match and also clashes with school holidays and Player's No. 6 Goal Kicking Competition, the following rearrangements have now been made to bring this very exciting competition to a close. The second semi-final will be played at half-time on March 6th between

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and the final which will be between the winners and OLDHAM PARISH CHURCH will be played as a curtain-raiser to the OLDHAM v. DONCASTER match on the 20th March. Kick-off 2-45 p.m. This will avoid any clash between this and the Player's Goal Kicking Competition which will take place at half-time during this match.

### **THE '200' CLUB**

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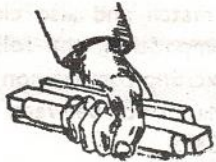
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- 1—MARTIN MURPHY
- 2—RAY CLARK <sup>1 try</sup>
- 3—PHIL LARDER
- 4—CLIFF HILL <sup>1 try</sup>
- 5—TERRY GARRETT <sup>Goals</sup>
- 6—JOHNNY BLAIR <sup>1 try 1 goal</sup>
- \* 7—GED SMITH (Capt.)
- 8—KEN WILSON
- 9—KEVIN TAYLOR
- 10—KEITH ASHCROFT
- 11—TERRY MICHAEL
- 12—DICK BONSER
- 13—JIM REYNOLDS <sup>1 try</sup>

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- 14—MIKE ELLIOTT
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- 3—DAVID JONES
- 4—DAVID WILLICOMBE
- 5—TONY HEPWORTH
- 6—JOHN SANDERSON
- 7—GORDON BAKER
- 8—TERRY DEWHIRST
- 9—TONY MANNING
- 10—DAVID JACKSON <sup>Teal Ferguson</sup>
- 11—TERRY FOGARTY <sup>David Jackson</sup>
- 12—JOHN MARTIN
- 13—DEREK REEVES <sup>1 try</sup>

Substitutes :-

- 14—BRUCE BURTON <sup>1 goal</sup>
- 15—TED FERGUSON <sup>David Colton</sup>

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The Committee have given permission for the above Cup Tie to be staged, weather permitting, at Watersheddings next Sunday. Besides bringing the crack Yorkshire side who for the second time this year won their way to the first round of the Rugby League Challenge Cup to Watersheddings, it will also mark the return of Johnny Noon, now Saddleworth's player-coach, and will also see such players as Dennis Maders, Colin Smith and Tony Finnan, once again playing at 'Sheddings, if they are selected for the Saddleworth side. What a cracking game this should be, and all interested in the game should be able to have a very good afternoon's entertainment. Let's hope that the weather is kind to the enterprising Saddleworth officials who have had the forethought to stage the match on a senior ground.

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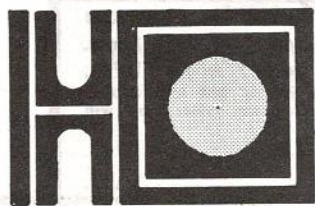
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The bulk of the increased Prize Money will be going towards the Monthly Star Prize, which is a Continental Holiday. The value of the holiday being £100. This means the lucky winner will win a holiday for two of 15 days in the sun with only spending money to find.

We look forward with interest to see who is going to be the first lucky person.

The introduction of 50 I.O.U.s value 50p each means there are nearly 200 prizes to be won each week.

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## FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

Date	Club	Ven.	F	A
Aug. 8	Halifax (Charity)	home	25	23
15	Huddersfield (Ch'ry)	home	4	18
22	York	away	11	24
25	Hunslet	home	54	5
29	Salford (L. Cup Rd. 1)	home	12	35
Sept. 2	Huddersfield	away	4	9
5	Barrow	away	17	23
7	Blackpool	away	11	20
12	Bramley	home	24	8
19	Doncaster	away	14	10
21	Whitehaven	home	15	2
26	Dewsbury	home	16	17
30	Whitehaven	away	15	2
Oct. 3	Workington	away	17	13
10	York	home	24	17
17	Huyton	away	23	10
26	Wakefield	home	15	15
Nov. 2	Blackpool	home	19	3
14	Wakefield	away	2	38
21	Keighley	home	19	12
29	Batley	away	9	9
Dec. 12	Warrington	away	17	25
19	Barrow	home	13	2
26	Rochdale	away	4	4
Jan. 9	Huyton	home	17	2
16	Batley	home	7	10
23	Leeds	away	2	49
30	Halifax	away	12	16
Feb. 6	Keighley	away	8	20
10	Huddersfield	home	9	9
13	Warrington	home	9	23
20	Challenge Cup 2nd Round			
27	Halifax	home	14	7
Mar. 6	Workington	home		
13	Dewsbury	away		
20	Doncaster	home		
Apr. 9	Rochdale	home		
10	Hunslet	away		
17	Bramley	away		

## 'A' TEAM FIXTURES

Date	Club	Ven.	F	A
Aug. 22	Swinton	home	26	17
29	Leigh (Shield 1st leg)	away	10	19
Sept. 5	Workington	home	5	11
14	Leigh (Shield 2nd leg)	home	8	16
19	Salford	away	26	5
26	Leigh	away		
Oct. 3	Wigan	home	19	14
10	Barrow	away	4	7
17	Huyton	home	22	13
24	St. Helens	home	30	8
31	Widnes	away	0	8
Nov. 7	St. Helens	away	3	13
14	Barrow	home	18	5
28	Leigh	home		
Dec. 5	Swinton	away		
12	Warrington	home		
18	Wigan	away		
26	Rochdale	home		
Jan. 9	Huyton	away		
24	Whitehaven	home		
16	Whitehaven	away		
Feb. 13	Warrington	away		
Mar. 6	Workington	away		
13	Widnes	home		
Apr. 10	Rochdale	away		
17	Salford	home		

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