

Salford 18

(Red with white V)

1. PAUL CHARLTON *try*
2. PHIL WARD
3. DAVID WATKINS *3 goals*
4. CHRIS HESKETH *try*
5. MAURICE RICHARDS *try*
6. KEN GILL
7. PETER BANNER *try*
8. GRAHAM MacKAY
9. ELLIS DEVLIN
10. BARRY KEAR
11. DOUG DAVIES
12. BILL KIRKBRIDE
13. COLIN DIXON
14. ALAN GRICE
15. TERRY RAMSHAW

Referee:

Mr. P. GERAGHTY of York

Oldham 10

(Red & White, Blue Shorts)

1. TOMMY DAVIES
2. MIKE ELLIOTT
3. PHIL LARDER *2 goals*
4. TONY WAINWRIGHT
5. NORMAN HODGKINSON
6. CLIFF HILL
7. MIKE McCONE
8. KEN WILSON *try*
9. KEVIN TAYLOR
10. FRANK FOSTER
11. BOB IRVING *try-try*
12. FRED HALL
13. JOHN FARRELL
14. CHRIS O'BRIEN
15. JIMMY REYNOLDS

Touch Judges:

Messrs. E. Glazebrook and P. Halstead

Colin's Clincher

ANOTHER record-breaking vote for back row star Colin Dixon following the Widnes match has almost clinched the Salford Player of the Year trophy for him.

There are still at least three more home games to go, though, and judging from the big increase in the number of votes received it is not yet a one-horse race. After all, look what happened to Crisp in the Grand National!

Leading positions:

Colin Dixon.....	122
Paul Charlton	69
Peter Banner	59
Ken Gill	48
David Watkins	44
Maurice Richards	31
Alan Grice	26
Terry Ramshaw	26
Eric Prescott	24
Johnny Ward	24

TO CAST YOUR VOTE in the Salford Player of the Match competition, simply write on a piece of paper (ideally about a quarter the size of a page of Salford Scene) the name of the team Salford played, your choice of Salford's Player of the Match, and your name and address—one slip per vote, please.

Drop your voting slip in at the Secretary's office on your way home from the game or post it, to reach us not more than a week later, to "Player of the Match", Salford Football Club, Willows Road, Weaste, Salford 5, Lancs.

At the end of the season, the player who has received the most Player of the Match votes will be adjudged Salford Player of the Year.

ALL your voting slips are being kept and the Player of the Year will be asked to draw one when he receives his award.

The lucky voter will receive a £20 cash prize, so don't forget your name and address when you vote—YOU could be on a winner, too.

Further progress reports will appear in future issues of Salford Scene.

Whether we win, lose or draw—VOTE!

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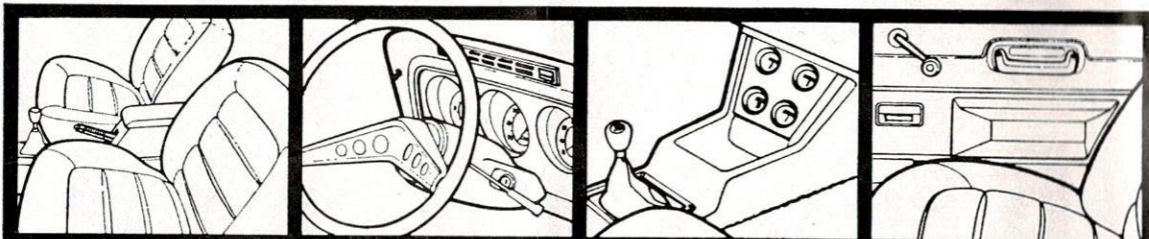
... SAYS skipper Mark Taylor, back in the dressing room after his Salford 'A' team had clinched the Lancashire Shield at Leigh. At his elbow is Mark's brother, John.



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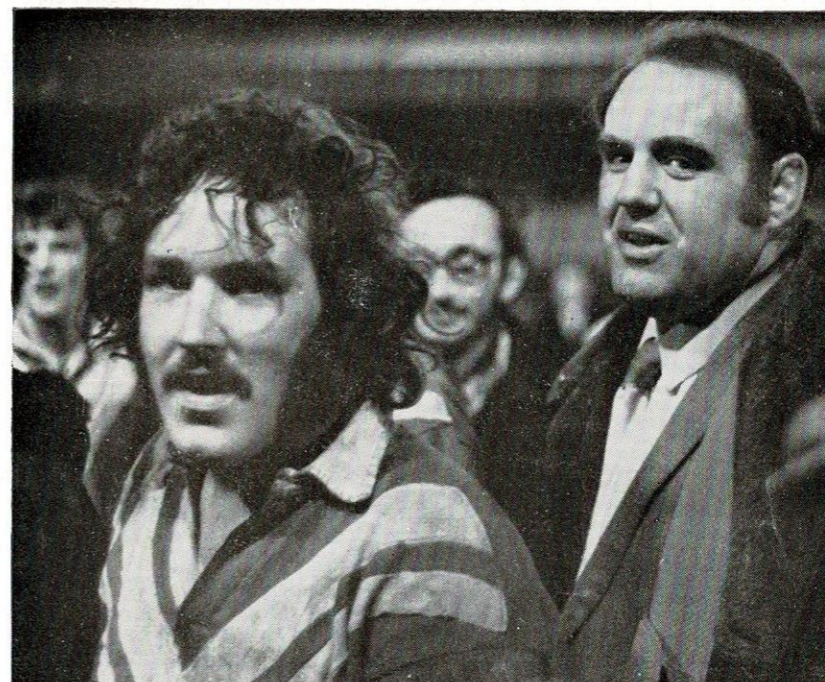
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Congratulations from coach Ken Roberts (right) as 'A' team prop Derek Delves (foreground) and the rest of the team leave the field

OPINION . . .

Stop this row now!

By BERT HUGHES

THE ROW is the one developing between the Rugby Football League and the newly-formed British Amateur Rugby League Association.

The amateurs, on the one hand, want more financial support for the game at their level, and they believe they can get it in subsidies from the national Sports Council, in the way that other amateur sports do.

The R.F.L., on the other hand, are adamant that all organisations in the sport should come under their jurisdiction and that any body which does not have their backing is not playing the game, so to speak, and they refuse to recognise the B.A.R.L.A., claiming that it is an unconstitutional organisation.

Accusations of rebellion and blackmail are being bandied about—charges which get all concerned hot under the collar and cannot do any good at all.

I do not know ALL the ins and outs of this quarrel, but I quote the second bye-law of the

Rugby Football League: "The objects of the League shall be to foster, develop, extend and govern Rugby League football," and urge both sides to fulfil these objects and end this row before it gets to the stage where the game is really brought into disrepute.

Which means getting round a table, and without TOO much prejudice, sorting things out.

NOW!

TRAINING

Scrum-half Selwyn Bridges is fit to start training after knee ligament injury, while there is the possibility of an 'A' team match next week for loose-forward Eric Prescott (shoulder).

Mike Coulman goes into hospital on Monday for his cartilage operation and should be back for the start of next season.

Already in hospital is vice-chairman Mr. Billy Williams, who has been having trouble with his feet. Mr. Williams, a Red Devils prop, is

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JUNIORS' SCENE

Colts Field Day

By IVOR EDWARDS

SALFORD COLTS ran riot against Blackpool Colts on Saturday at Urmston when they ran in 15 tries and kicked seven goals to win 59-3.

It was a game in which Blackpool were constantly on defence due to the supremacy of Paul Carrol's hooking.



WINGER Ian Holland shows off his first medal as a professional after the 'A' team's Shield win at Leigh.

The forwards were in complete control with Lol Barton dictating the play and also scoring four superb tries.

McGreal, Fox, Chris Lawler, Turnbull and Carrol handled and tackled magnificently and the half-backs, Hill and McAtee had a field day, making some fine openings for the backs.

Rawlinson and Pusaskis on the wings scored two grand tries each through centres Dave Potts and Smith making some splendid mid-field breaks.

Horton at full-back had little to do but linked up on several occasions to make the overlap.

Blackpool chief Ces Mountford, who was watching his Colts in action, only had praise for our Colts on their ability all round, and was very impressed with McGreal, Barton and Carrol.

Team and scorers: Horton, Rawlinson (2t), D. Potts (t), Smith, Pusaskis (2t); Hill (t, g), McAtee; Fox (2t), Carrol, McGreal (t, 5g), C. Lawler (2t), Turnbull (g), Barton (4t). Subs: Jarvis, Warren.

FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 18 April (k.o. 8 p.m.):

Salford "B" v French "B"

(Admission free)



THIS YOUNG supporter is pleased with what he sees after asking to view the Lancashire Shield at close quarters.

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OLDHAM SCENE

Battle for home tie

WITH a toe-hold on a top-eight spot, Oldham return to the Willows for the second time this season in search of two valuable League points to help them secure a home match in the first round of the Championship Play-off, writes Bert Hughes.

Though they are three points clear of ninth-placed Hull Kingston Rovers, Oldham are by no means certain of achieving this objective.

The consequences of a defeat tonight are twofold: they will be unable to reach any higher than eighth position, and—even if they win their last two games—there is a possibility of being overhauled by Hull Kingston and/or Dewsbury.

The Crown Flatt outfit, who just pipped Rochdale Hornets on Tuesday, are now lying in

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a member of the County committee and a Lancashire Referees' Society representative. He was conspicuous by his absence from last Friday's match as he went in "dock" that morning.

UNIVERSITIES

Note the new kick-off time of 6.30 for the first England v France university match at the Willows next Wednesday.

This will be followed at 8.0 by a Salford Colts v French Colts game.

Ground tickets for this year's R.L. Challenge Cup final at Wembley are available from the secretary's office at £1 each.

Prop Graham MacKay missed last week's match through a groin injury.

When Mr. E. Robinson of Trafford Street, Salford, filled in his Salford Player of the Match slip he gave his name and address—but forgot to name a player.

While this slip cannot count in the Player of the Match results, Mr. Robinson will get a chance to win the £20 spectator's prize along with all the others who have voted during the season.

'A' WINS

Salford 'A' team chalked up another two wins in the Lancashire Combination in the last week when they visited Widnes (11-8) on Friday and Huyton (22-12) on Tuesday.

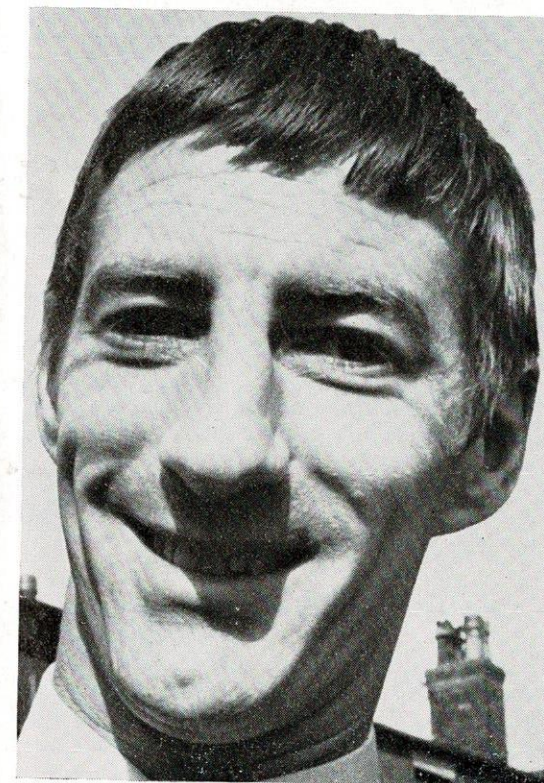
tenth position (36 pts) with two games in hand of Oldham.

Oldham's last visit to Salford was, of course, in the first round of the Lancashire Cup in September, a game which was marred by the sending-off after only 20 minutes of prop Frank Foster after he had floored Bill Kirkbride.

It is debatable whether Foster's presence for the full match would have affected the result, but it is unlikely that the visitors would have conceded as many points as they did in their 17-41 defeat.

Certainly the first League encounter at Watersheddings was a much closer affair (12-14) and there may be some justification in the claims of some that Oldham deserved to share the points.

Still, as the saying goes, there are no lucky losers, and coach Graham Starkey's men will be out for revenge tonight.



OLDHAM coach Graham Starkey
(A Manchester Evening News picture)

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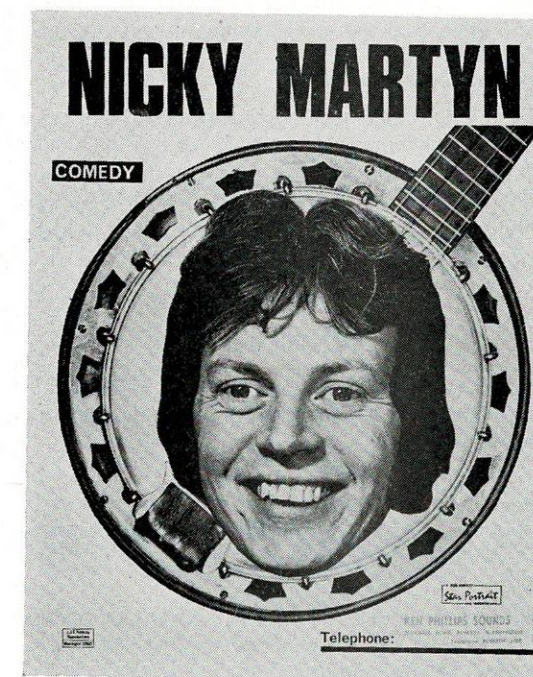
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Batty's Spotlight

Frank Myler, Coach

By BRIAN BATTY

("Daily Mail")

RUGBY LEAGUE has a habit of regularly throwing up a real hardened professional in a sport accepted as mainly part-time by the rest of the world.

Sometimes these men don't always get the recognition they deserve—or it arrives late in their careers.

This was the case with Frank Myler, who recently announced that he's called it a day as a player to concentrate on coaching Rochdale Hornets.

Myler is fast making his mark in this respect although he's a relative newcomer to the coaching ranks.

WESTERN

I believe his success and his bright future is greatly boosted by his rugged and varied playing background.

Myler almost took up golf as a career—he still knocks the ball further than many a professional—but he also reminds me of a character who could have stepped right out of a Western film.

He's mean and hard when it comes to losing, he's quick on the draw when anyone makes the mistake of misjudging Rugby League or a player.

Yet he remains highly popular, with a fine reputation as a sportsman.

Myler was a shock choice as 1970 tour skipper before he went on to win the Harry Sunderland trophy for a memorable display in St. Helens' success over Leeds in the championship final.

SLAMMING

It was his qualities of leadership as much as his playing ability that helped Britain win the Ashes after a disastrous losing start in Brisbane.

He was not afraid to step on a few toes in Sydney shortly before the final Test, slamming the Aussie referees and touch judges but earning Britain a fairer deal.



Frank Myler, player
(A Manchester Evening News picture)

Myler gained the respect of the Aussies as he has done with British players and it was a tragedy that staleness caught up with him and his side in the following World Cup.

But now he is doing a wonderful job for Rochdale, showing the same dedication and determination to succeed as he did when playing.

His retirement with back trouble is a blow to the game but now he can contribute plenty as a coach.

It's a pity so many other players with his qualities and experience are so easily lost to a sport which needs all the help it can get to survive.

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The Facts and Figures page

● All statistics, except where stated, are up to and including Monday 9 April.

RESULT IN DETAIL

Friday 6 April League
SALFORD 3-4-17 WIDNES 1-2-7

Team: Carhlton (2t); Colloby, Watkins (4g), Hesketh, Richards (t); Gill, Banner; Ramshaw, Devlin, J. Ward, Grice, Davies, Dixon. Subs: P. Ward, Kirkbride (both played).
H.T. 7-2. Att. 4,924.

FIRST TEAM RECORD

	P.	Sub.	T.	G.	Pts.
Banner	37(2)	—	5	—	15
Bridges	2	—	—	—	—
Charlton	38(7)	—	29(2)	1	89(6)
Clarke	8	—	1	—	3
Colloby	39(3)	1	22(1)	2	70(3)
Coulman	10	2	4	—	12
Davies	21	12	2	—	6
Devlin	11	—	5	—	15
Dixon	38(1)	—	10	1	32
Eastham	3	2	4	—	12
Frodsham	1	—	—	—	—
Gill	37	—	13	4	47
Grice	24	3	—	—	—
Hesketh	39(4)	—(1)	16(1)	—	48(3)
Hollard	—	2	—	—	—
Kear	2	3	—	—	—
Kirkbride	22	2	3	—	9
Knighton	2	2	—	—	—
MacKay	22	—	2	—	6
Mather	1	1	—	—	—
Orr	3	5	2	—	6
Prescott	17(1)	—	2	—	6
Prosser	3	4	—	—	—
Ramshaw	19	—	—	—	—
Richards	41	—	35	—	105
Stead	3	—	—	—	—
J. Taylor	1	—	—	—	—
Walker	17	—	—	—	—
J. Ward	19	—	3	—	9
P. Ward	3	5	—	—	—
Watkins	41	—	15	201*	447
Whitehead	9	4	1	—	3
Total	533(18)	48(1)	174(4)	209	940(12)

(Friendlies, etc. not included—representative performances in brackets). *Club record.

LEAGUE TABLE

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Warrington	30	26	2	2	727	323	54
Leeds	31	25	0	6	762	274	50
Castleford	31	25	0	6	689	363	50
Featherstone	31	24	0	7	706	412	48
St. Helens	31	22	2	7	582	273	46
Wakefield	31	23	0	8	735	378	46
SALFORD	29	22	0	7	648	322	44
OLDHAM	31	19	2	10	567	317	40
Hull K.R.	31	18	1	12	642	488	37
Widnes	31	18	0	13	562	412	36
Rochdale H.	30	17	1	12	396	401	35
Whitehaven	33	17	1	15	401	512	35
Dewsbury	28	17	0	11	433	297	34
Bramley	31	16	1	14	407	423	33
Leigh	30	15	2	13	405	355	32
Halifax	31	16	0	15	525	534	32
Wigan	31	15	1	15	539	468	31
York	30	15	0	15	508	510	30
Batley	31	14	0	17	507	534	28
Swinton	31	13	1	17	411	399	27
Workington	32	12	1	19	436	445	25
Keighley	30	12	0	18	409	472	24
Huddersfield	31	10	2	19	422	536	22
Hull	29	9	0	20	428	533	18
Bradford N.	27	9	0	18	447	559	18
Barrow	31	6	0	25	305	737	12
Hunslet	31	5	0	26	344	859	10
Doncaster	32	5	0	27	275	871	10
Blackpool B.	31	4	0	27	294	865	8
Huyton	33	2	1	30	231	871	5

R.L. TOP SCORERS

Points—
447—WATKINS (SALFORD)
291—Tees (Bradford N.), Fox (Wakefield T.)
283—Coslett (St. Helens)
268—LARDER (OLDHAM), N. Stephenson (Dewsbury)

Tries—
35—RICHARDS (SALFORD)
34—Atkinson (Leeds)
31—CHARLTON (SALFORD)
29—Topliss (Wakefield T.)

Goals—
201—WATKINS (SALFORD)
141—Tees (Bradford)
140—Coslett (St. Helens)
133—Fox (Wakefield)
116—LARDER (OLDHAM)

Where will we finish?

THAT is the question being posed by all the top-16 contenders. To help YOU to judge, here is Salford Scene's team-by-team rundown on the remaining League games:

BARROW: Blackpool, Swinton (home); Rochdale (away).
BATLEY: Featherstone (h); Hull KR, Hunslet (a).
BLACKPOOL: Leigh (h); Barrow, Warrington (a).
BRADFORD: Doncaster, Hull, St. Helens (h); Bramley, Doncaster, Halifax, York (a).
BRAMLEY: Bradford, Hunslet (h); Leeds (a).
CASTLEFORD: Wakefield (h); Featherstone, Keighley (a).
DEWSBURY: Huddersfield, Hull, Rochdale, Salford, Warrington (h); Huddersfield (a).
DONCASTER: Bradford (h); Bradford (a).
FEATHERSTONE: Castleford, Leeds (h); Batley (a).
HALIFAX: Bradford, Keighley (h); Keighley (a).
HUDDERSFIELD: Dewsbury, Hull (h); Dewsbury (a).
HULL: Hull KR (h); Bradford, Dewsbury, Huddersfield, Wakefield (a).
HULL K.R.: Batley, York (h); Hull (a).
HUNSLET: Batley, York (h); Bramley (a).
HUYTON: Workington (h).
KEIGHLEY: Castleford, Halifax, Wakefield (h); Halifax (a).
LEEDS: Bramley (h); Featherstone, York (a).
LEIGH: Rochdale, Warrington, Widnes (h); Blackpool (a).
OLDHAM: Rochdale (h); Salford, Swinton (a).
ROCHDALE: Barrow (h); Dewsbury, Leigh, Oldham (a).
ST. HELENS: Widnes (h); Bradford, Wigan (a).
SALFORD: Oldham, Wigan (h); Dewsbury, Swinton, Wigan (a).
SWINTON: Oldham, Salford (h); Barrow (a).
WAKEFIELD: Hull (h); Castleford, Keighley (a).
WARRINGTON: Blackpool (h); Dewsbury, Leigh, Widnes (a).
WHITEHAVEN: Workington (a).
WIDNES: Warrington (h); Leigh, St. Helens (a).
WIGAN: St. Helens, Salford (h); Salford (a).
WORKINGTON: Whitehaven (h); Huyton (a).
YORK: Bradford, Leeds (h); Hull KR, Hunslet (a).

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Fixtures

First Team

1972		F	A
Fri.	Aug. 4—Dewsbury (Friendly).....H	14	15
Fri.	11—St. Helens (Friendly).....H	12	12
Sat.	19—Leeds (3.00).....H	10	15
Wed.	23—Featherstone R. (7.00)....A	15	27
Sat.	26—Whitehaven (3.00).....A	32	17
Mon.	28—Swinton (7.00).....H	8	13
Fri.	Sept. 1—Oldham (7.30) (L. Cup)....H	41	17
Sat.	9—Leeds (3.00).....A	10	19
Fri.	15—Rochdale (L. Cup).....H	46	13
Sun.	17—Leigh (3.30).....A	27	16
Sat.	23—Barrow (No. 6).....A	17	2
Fri.	29—Huyton (7.30).....H	62	10
Tue.	Oct. 3—Oldham (F. Cup).....A	8	12
Fri.	6—Wigan (L. Cup).....A	14	2
Sun.	8—Blackpool B. (3.00).....A	37	10
Fri.	13—Blackpool B. (7.30).....H	43	13
Sat.	21—Swinton (Lancs Cup Final)	25	11
Sun.	Nov. 5—Huyton (3.00).....A	34	3
Fri.	10—Rochdale H. (7.30).....H	30	7
Fri.	17—Warrington (7.30).....A	11	16
Sun.	19—New Zealand (3.30)....H	50	4
Fri.	24—Dewsbury (No. 6).....H	19	3
Sun.	26—Workington T. (3.00)....H	27	10
Fri.	Dec. 1—Barrow (7.30).....H	51	10
Sun.	10—Bradford N. (No. 6).....H	39	2
Wed.	13—Oldham (7.30).....A	14	12
Fri.	15—Leigh (7.30).....H	18	2
Sun.	24—Bradford N. (2.30).....A	19	11
Tues.	26—Workington T. (3.00)....A	12	3
Sat.	30—Hull K.R. (No. 6).....A	15	13
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Wed.	Jan. 3—Bradford N. (3.00).....H	30	4
Sun.	7—Rochdale H. (3.00).....A	13	11
Fri.	12—Featherstone R. (7.30)....H	16	12
Sun.	28—Featherstone (C. Cup)....A	11	18
Fri.	Feb. 2—Whitehaven (7.30).....H	25	7
Sun.	11—Barrow (2.30).....A	28	10
Fri.	23—St. Helens (7.30).....H	15	10
Wed.	Mar. 7—Widnes (3.00).....A	18	9
Fri.	9—Dewsbury (7.30).....H	15	7
Fri.	16—St. Helens (7.30).....A	4	21
Sat.	24—Leeds (No. 6 Final).....	7	12
Fri.	30—Warrington (7.30).....H	7	10
Fri.	Apr. 6—Widnes (7.30).....H	17	7
Fri.	13—Oldham (7.30).....H	13	10
Sun.	15—Dewsbury (3.00).....A		
Tue.	17—Wigan (7.30).....A		

Fri.	Apr. 20—Swinton (3.00).....A
Mon.	23—Wigan (3.00).....H

League Championship Play-off:

Sat.	Apr. 28—Top Sixteen Play-off—1st Rd.
Wed.	May 2—2nd Rd.
Sat.	5—Semi-Finals
Sat.	12—R.L. Cup Final
Sat.	19—Championship Final

'A' Team

1972			P
Sat.	Aug. 19—Workington T. 'A' (3.00) A		13
Wed.	30—Rochdale H. 'A' (L.S.).....A	22	13
Sat.	Sept. 2—Swinton 'A' (3.00).....A	19	13
Sat.	16—Workington T. 'A' (3.0) H	33	11
Fri.	22—Rochdale H. 'A' (L.S.)....H	38	5
Sat.	30—Huyton 'A' (3.00).....A	44	0
Fri.	Oct. 6—Widnes 'A' (7.30).....H	30	6
Tues.	10—Swinton 'A' (7.30).....H	7	15
Fri.	17—Warrington 'A' (7.30)....H	17	17
Sat.	28—Oldham 'A' (3.00).....A	17	16
Fri.	Nov. 3—Huyton 'A' (7.30).....H	25	5
Fri.	10—Rochdale H. 'A' (7.30)....A	15	5
Tues.	14—Warrington 'A' (7.30)....H	8	11
Sat.	Dec. 2—Workington 'A' (3.00) H	18	5
Fri.	8—Oldham 'A' (7.30).....H	35	4
Sat.	16—Leigh 'A' (3.00).....A	33	26
Sat.	30—Barrow A' (3.00).....A	27	13
1973			
Fri.	Jan. 5—Rochdale H. 'A' (7.30) H	18	7
Sat.	13—Workington T. (3.00).....A	14	7
Fri.	19—St. Helens 'A' (7.30)....H	18	2
Sat.	27—Huyton 'A' (3.00).....A		P
Fri.	Feb. 2—Widnes 'A' (7.30).....A	21	17
Sat.	10—Barrow 'A' (3.00).....H	27	2
Fri.	16—Warrington 'A' (7.30)....A	20	0
Tue.	20—Swinton (L.S. s/f).....A	18	0
Fri.	23—St. Helens 'A' (7.30).....A		
Tue.	27—Swinton 'A' (L.S. s/f)....H	13	13
Fri.	Mar. 2—Wigan 'A' (7.30).....H	42	18
Fri.	16—Leigh 'A' (7.30).....H	13	19
Fri.	23—Widnes 'A' (7.30).....H	28	22
Tue.	27—Leigh 'A' (L.S. Final)....H	13	9
Fri.	30—Warrington 'A' (7.30)....A		
Tue.	Apr. 3—Leigh 'A' (L.S. Final)....A	11	10
Fri.	6—Widnes 'A' (7.30).....A	11	8
Fri.	13—Huyton 'A' (7.30).....H		
Mon.	23—Wigan 'A' (3.00).....A		

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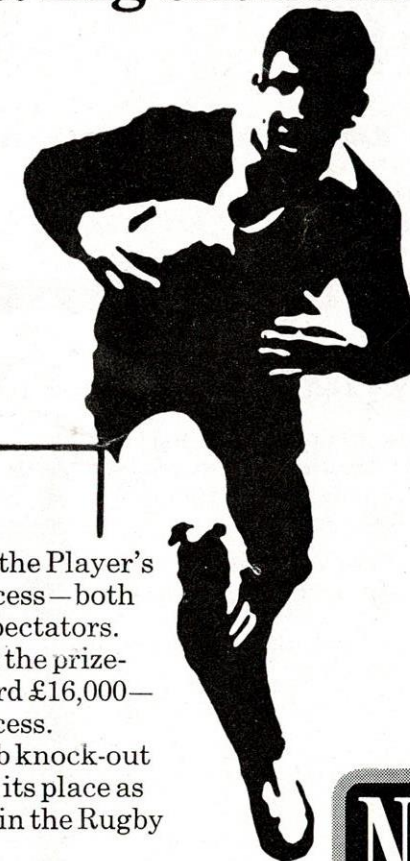
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