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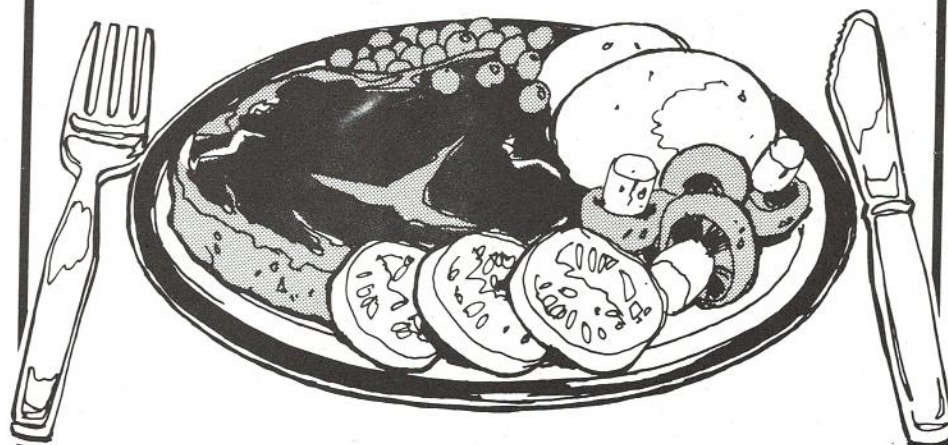
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Today we give a great welcome to the officials, players and supporters from Watersheddings. Oldham are having a great struggle to keep first division status and to be honest it looks at the present time as though they are going to be unsuccessful.

During the past few weeks they have been very busy in the transfer market. They have signed David Hill from Wigan, Alan Whittle from Warrington, Glen Knight from Warrington, and Colin Clarke, former Wigan and Salford hooker joined them a fortnight ago.

We won on each others grounds last season, Oldham winning 14-20 at Odsal and Northern in our best display of the season 39-16 at Oldham. This season we were successful by 20-10 at Watersheddings. Their team besides the men mentioned above are quite an experienced squad. At full back will either be Martin Murphy a brilliant running No. 1 or Chris O'Brien a former Welsh Rugby Union Player.

In the three quarters are long serving Mike Elliot, David Hill, Geoff Munro a local product and top try scorer Steve Lund. With Alan Whittle and Glen Knight at half back is one of our former stars David Treasure, now a Welsh International. David is playing some great football and was a thorn in our side earlier this season. In the forwards are many local players. The front row has Gareth Owen son of that great Prop of former years Stan Owen, and with him are local player Roger O'Mahoney and Colin Clarke who never fails to have anything but a good game against us. In the back row are Kevin Flanagan formerly of Rochdale and two more Oldham born players, Pollard and Ian Taylor, both making their first visit to Odsal.

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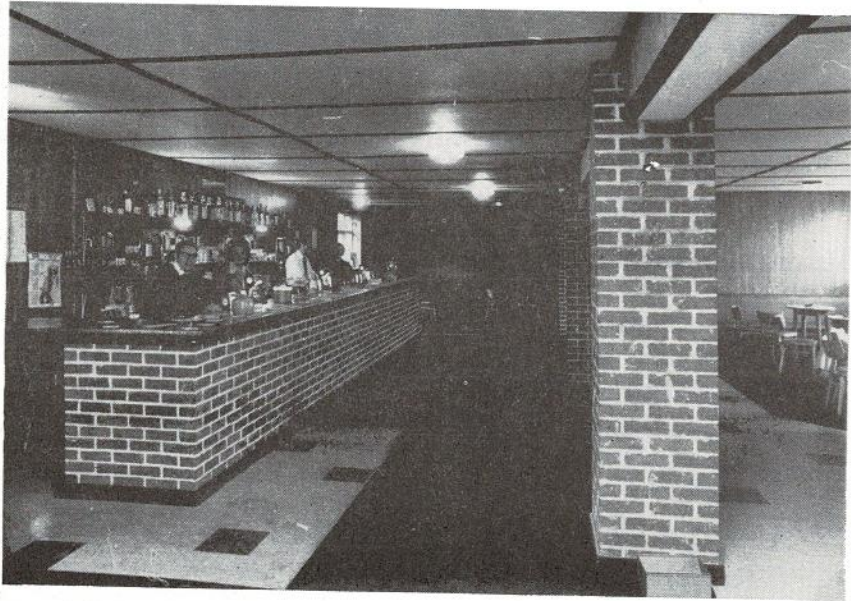
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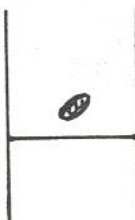
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### COLTS COMMENTS

There is an ever increasing demand on Colts Services at Senior level these days. At most league clubs this is a happy situation for the Colts concerned. But a last minute crisis at Widnes resulted in a none event for us in the cup third round, weekend March 12th.

They, being unable to raise a team, the game was handed to us on a plate. Despite the disappointment we went ahead and worked out the frustration with a friendly seven's.

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The Central Youth Club in Keighley are hoping to join the Bradford Amateur R.L. Under 18 section next season. Peter Roe is taking the coaching of the Youth Club and asks if any young people are looking for a club to join or wanting to learn Rugby League. If so, would they attend the Youth Club on Wednesday 16th April - on that evening recruiting for the club will be in operation. Peter is hoping to have a film from Rugby League Headquarters to show during the evening.

So come along, all you future internationals, and have a first class start to a new venture.

Congratulations to our Great Britain Representatives, Garth Budge, Paul Harkin, Ian Slater and Chris Whitefield on their Avignon victory.

The team is unchanged for the return visit of France in a curtain raiser at St. Helen's Leeds Semi-Final at Wigan, March 26th.

**EUROPA**

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**APPEARANCES AND SCORING RECORDS**

(Appearances as substitute are included)

	This Season				Career			
	App.	G.	T.	Pts.	App.	G.	T.	Pts.
Mumby	20	48	2	102	117	357	12	750
Redfearn (D)	21	-	20	60	206	4	133	407
Clawson	14	19	1	41	153	248	16	544
Seabourne	25	19(9)	1	32	158	75(20)	20	190
Roe	21	-	10	30	35	-	16	48
Slater	14	-	10	30	23	-	12	36
Evans	25	-	11	33	38	-	15	45
Joyce	24	-	6	18	218	3	48	150
Forsyth	18	-	6	18	46	-	12	51
Francis	9	-	5	15	105	-	36	108
Gant	11	-	5	15	84	-	22	66
Haigh	6	-	5	15	6	-	5	15
Wolford	25	-	3	9	40	-	6	18
Astbury	24	2(1)	1	6	29	2(1)	2	9
Fearnley	7	-	2	6	218	-	41	123
Howard	7	-	2	6	7	-	2	6
Murphy	22	-	1	3	64	-	6	18
Carlton	13	-	1	3	81	22	12	80
Sellers	13	-	1	3	47	-	3	9
Trotter	12	-	1	3	87	-	12	36
Blacker	13	-	-	-	187	-	43	129
Pritchard	11	-	-	-	20	-	-	-
Mordue	9	-	-	-	44	-	3	9
Jarvis	7	-	-	-	88	-	25	75
Redfearn (A)	4	-	1	3	18	-	2	6
Garrod	1	-	-	-	16	-	3	9
Bulloch	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
	<u>88(10)</u>	<u>95</u>	<u>451</u>					

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Bill Ryder.

### A Brief History of Bradford Northern at Odsal Stadium (No. 2).

Bradford Northern's third season at Odsal Stadium proved to be a "golden" one as far as Recruiting was concerned, with the signing of Welsh Rugby Union winger Desmond Case, at the time Donald Ward, (elder brother of Ernest Ward) joined the club after playing experience in France. Three more notable signings were made, Ernest Pollard, and later on Bennett and New Zealander Mike Gilbert.

Three of Northern's squad played for their countries in Rugby League Internationals: — Left winger Grange played for England against France in Paris on March 20th 1938. In April 1938, Prop-forward Harold Edwards and Des Case represented Wales at Llanelli, the latter scoring a try in this match, against France.

At the end of this season Northern finished higher in the league, 12th than they ever had since the first World War Emergency League (1918-1919) when they were 11th.

1937-1938: Played 36. Won 20. Lost 12 Drawn 4. Points 44.  
Tries 97. Goals 74. Points for 439. Points against 355.

The following season 1938-1939, saw the arrival of the never to be forgotten Frank Whitcombe from Broughton Rangers, the recruiting of Trevor Foster from Welsh Rugby Union and later in the season, when the war clouds were gathering, Emlyn Walters from the Welsh valleys and perhaps the biggest signing of them all, Willie Davies who had already established himself in Welsh Rugby Union circles for his brilliant partnership with Haydyn Tanner.

On April 1st. 1939, Odsal Stadium staged the Rugby League Cup Semi-final between Halifax and Leeds, when the crowd set up a record for any Rugby League Ground with 66,308 Spectators passed through the Turn-styles. I wonder how many of that vast company present realised that this would be the last normal Semi-final for many years?.

Bradford Northern finished 16th in the league table with the following record.

1938-1939 Played 40. Won 19 Lost 20 Drawn 1. Points 39.  
Tries 109 Goals 83 Points for 493 Points against 392.





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**FIRST TEAM FIXTURES, 1976-77**

Sun. Aug. 22	LEEDS (Esso Yorks. Cup)	H	3-30
Sun. " 29	2nd Round Esso Yks. Cup		
Sun. Sept. 5	WORKINGTON	A	3-00
Sun. " 12	ROCHDALE	H	3-30
Sun. " 19	WAKEFIELD	A	3-30
Sun. " 26	BARROW	H	3-30
Sun. Oct. 3	ST. HELENS	H	3-30
Sun. " 10	WAKEFIELD	H	3-30
Sun. " 17	LEIGH	A	3-30
Sun. " 24	1st Round Player's No. 6		
Sun. " 31	OLDHAM	A	3-30
Sun. Nov. 7	2nd Round Player's No. 6		
Sun. " 14	WORKINGTON	H	2-30
Sun. " 21	FEATHERSTONE	A	2-30
Sun. " 28	SALFORD	H	2-30
Sun. Dec. 5	WIGAN	A	3-00
Sun. " 12	WIGAN	H	2-30
Mon. " 27	WARRINGTON	H	2-30

**"A" TEAM FIXTURES, 1976-77**

Sat. Aug. 21	LEEDS	A	3-00
Sat. " 28	HALIFAX	H	3-00
Sat. Sept. 4	BRAMLEY	H	3-00
Sat. " 11	HUDDERSFIELD	A	3-00
Sat. " 18	Cup Competition 1st Round—		
	KEIGHLEY	H	3-30
Sat. Oct. 2	NEW HUNSLET	A	3-00
Sat. " 9	WAKEFIELD	A	3-00
Sat. " 16	Cup Competition—2nd Round		
Sat. " 23	HULL	H	3-00
Sat. " 30	LEEDS	H	3-00
Sat. Nov. 6	WAKEFIELD	H	3-00
Fri. " 12	KEIGHLEY	A	7-30
Sat. " 20	FEATHERSTONE	H	2-30
Sat. " 27	FEATHERSTONE	A	2-30
Sat. Dec. 4	HUDDERSFIELD	H	2-30
Sat. " 11	HULL	A	2-30

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Sat. Jan. 1	CASTLEFORD	A	3-00
Sun. " 9	WIDNES	A	3-00
Sun. " 16	HULL K.R.	H	2-30
Sun. " 23	ROCHDALE	A	3-00
Sun. " 30	CASTLEFORD	H	2-45
Sun. Feb. 6	BARROW	A	2-30
Sun. " 13	Challenge Cup—1st Round		
Sun. " 20	LEEDS	H	3-00
Sun. " 27	Challenge Cup—2nd Round		
Sun. Mar. 6	WIDNES	H	3-00
Sun. " 13	HULL K.R.	A	2-45
Sun. " 20	FEATHERSTONE	H	3-30
Sun. " 27	OLDHAM	H	3-30
Fri. Apr. 1	ST. HELENS	A	7-30
E.M. " 11	WARRINGTON	A	3-00
Sat. " 16	LEEDS	A	3-00
Fri. " 22	SALFORD	A	7-30
Sun. " 24	LEIGH	H	3-30

Sat. Jan. 1	CASTLEFORD	H	2-30
Sat. " 8	HULL K.R.	H	2-30
Sat. " 15	HULL K.R.	A	2-30
Sat. " 22	BATLEY	H	3-00
Sat. " 29	CASTLEFORD	A	3-00
Sat. Feb. 5	DEWSBURY	H	3-00
Sat. " 12	YORK	H	3-00
Sat. " 19	DEWSBURY	A	3-00
Sat. " 26	BRAMLEY	A	3-00
Fri. Mar. 4	HALIFAX	A	7-30
Sat. " 12	KEIGHLEY	H	3-00
Sat. Apr. 2	BATLEY	A	3-00
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