

**WHITEHAVEN RUGBY LEAGUE CLUB
FIXTURES 1977-78**

AUGUST

21—Blackpool (FLC1) A 24 6
28—Wigan (FLC2) A 8 52

SEPTEMBER

4—Batley A 23 8
10—Rochdale H. H 5 7
18—Keighley A Post.
24—York H 11 11

OCTOBER

2—Rochdale H. A 1 15
4—Salford (Floodlit Trophy
1st Round) H 5 6
9—Halifax 3.30 k.o. A 21 16
15—Batley H 10 6
23—Huddfield No. 6 A 13 33
30—Oldham A 14 17

NOVEMBER

6—Players No. 6 2nd Rd.
12—Halifax H 26 4
20—Huddersfield A Post.
26—Keighley H 6 11

DECEMBER

4—Blackpool A 6 16
10—Huddersfield H 9 5
27—Barrow A 6 12

JANUARY

8—Doncaster A 20 22
15—Leigh H 10 5
29—Huyton H 3 3

FEBRUARY

5—Huyton A 3 7
26—Wakefield (Cup) H 13 21

MARCH

5—York A 7 14
19—Leigh 3-30 k.o. A 2 7
27—Barrow H 9 5

APRIL

2—Swinton H 5 17
5—Blackpool H 15 7
9—Oldham H
16—Swinton A
12—Huddersfield A
23—Doncaster H

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KICK-OFF 3 p.m.

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CLUB NOTES

Good Afternoon Ladies and Gentlemen,

Welcome to the Recreation Ground where today we take on the mighty Oldham team.

It was nice to get back on the winning trail again on Wednesday after a shaky start. Colin Hall sprinted over for excellent tries and Mike McMullen scored his first for the club following excellent work by team mates John Elliot and Gordon Cottier. John McQuire kicked two penalty goals and a conversion to complete the Whitehaven score. A word of praise too, to the Blackpool team, who played some bright open rugby — They made us work hard.

The organisers of the collection held during the Barrow match in aid of the Hospitals Broadcasting Service, have asked me to say a big thank you to all who contributed.

The collection amounted to £45.82 and it will help to ensure that this useful and needed voluntary service continues. The patients at the West Cumberland Hospital appreciate it.

For the record Wednesdays match was watched by 630 spectators.

10 PENCE WEEKLY DRAW

The club are looking for agents to sell just one book of 25 tickets in the Weekly Draw. Generous commission is paid and the agent is included in an agents weekly draw.

If you can help and we really do need your help please contact Mr. T. Todd or Mr. G. Nixon at the Secretaries Office at the Kells end of the ground or Phone Whitehaven 2296.

TODAY'S GAME

Today we take on the high riding Oldham team, who narrowly defeated us at The Water Sheddings on the 30th of October last.

The score that day was Oldham 17 Whitehaven 14 and most press reports said that we were unlucky to lose the game. By all accounts it was a thriller and we expect the same to be true today.

Oldham have been consistent all season, never dropping out of the top four. Like Barrow and Rochdale they were demoted from Division One last season and look like going straight back. This fact would suggest that there is a world of difference between the first and second divisions, because some of last years promoted teams look like returning to division two next term.

With Whitehaven playing inconsistently, the match, on the face of it, looks like it should go Oldham's way. However, part of Whitehaven inconsistency is their ability to lift their standard of play against better class opposition; as for instance against Salford, Wakefield, Barrow and Oldham. Add to this ground advantage and match will be much closer than the respective records of teams suggest.

No forecasts this time, sufficient to say "It will be a good match and the best team, on the day, will win."

YOUR REFEREE FOR TODAY

Mr. Kevin Allatt who comes from Huddersfield takes the position of senior official today.

Mr. Allatt is married with a son and daughter and works as a field sales manager in the packaging industry. He lists keeping fit and sports in general as his main spare time fillers.

He passed his Referees Examination in 1963 and was promoted to Grade 2 in 1970 and Grade 1 in 1972.

His honours include Castleford v Australia in 1973 and Lancashire v Yorkshire in 1975.

He played Rugby League in the amateur ranks before taking up refereeing.

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WHITEHAVEN

	Tries	Goals
1—JACKSON
2—WILKINSON
3—ELLIOT
4—ROSE
5—McMULLEN
6—McQUIRE
7—HALL
8—HETHERINGTON
9—McCURRIE
10—MARTIN
11—JACKSON
12—LITT
13—COTTIER
14—EVANS
15—GAINFORD

Referee: Mr. K. ALLATT, Huddersfield

OLDHAM

	Tries	Goals
O'BRIEN—1
JACKSON—2
LARDER—3
WARD—4
LUND—5
BLAIR—6
BATES—7
CHARLES—8
O'MAHONEY—9
HUGHES—10
HERBERT—11
FORSTER—12
FLANNAGAN—13
—14
—15

Touch Judges: J. E. HAYTHORN, G. L. HOLGATE.

NEXT HOME MATCH
WHITEHAVEN v. DONCASTER
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Name	Apps	Subs	Tries	Goals	DGIs	Pts
K. R. Gallacher	4	—	—	—	—	—
A. Todd	14	1	5	—	—	15
J. Shimmings	13	2	—	—	—	—
J. Stewart	23	—	10	12	—	53
J. McQuire	20	1	3	31	3	74
K. S. Evans	20	3	3	—	—	9
S. Whalley	3	2	—	—	—	—
J. Pringle	3	—	—	—	—	—
A. McCurrie	27	—	13	—	4	43
R. Jackson	26	—	3	—	—	9
G. Cottier	25	1	4	—	—	12
D. Martin	7	2	1	—	—	3
T. M. Gainford	25	1	1	—	—	3
B. Rose	20	1	2	—	—	6
D. Barnes	8	6	1	—	—	3
R. Fletcher	10	2	—	1	—	2
J. I. Litt	13	5	—	—	—	—
C. Hall	22	1	8	—	—	24
J. McLean	10	1	—	—	—	—
J. Elliott	5	8	—	—	—	—
G. Crayston	1	—	—	—	—	—
K. Stewartson	2	4	—	—	—	—
D. Hetherington	16	1	1	—	—	3
K. Hodgson	4	—	2	—	—	6
P. McAloon	1	3	—	—	—	—
T. H. M. Barwise	—	2	—	—	—	—
P. Eilbeck	3	1	—	—	—	—
D. Jackson	12	1	—	—	—	—
P. Charlton	—	1	—	—	—	—
K. Wilkinson	7	—	—	7	—	14
M. McMullen	7	1	1	—	—	3

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