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Teams

SWINTON

(Blue with White V)
Coach: TOM GRAINEY

PAUL MELLOR
GREEN VIGO
ALAN RATCLIFFE
JEFF BROWN
JOHN CLOUGH
ALAN FAIRHURST
JOHN MELLOR
STEVE BREHENY
ALAN DERBYSHIRE
DENIS ASHCROFT
DARRYL PIERCE
ALAN GRICE

LES BOLTON

OLDHAM

(Red and White Hoops)
Coach: FRANK MYLER

ALAN TAYLOR

2 GEOFF MUNROE

BRIAN CAFFERY

MICK PARRISH

5 PHIL WARD

6 ASHLEY McEWEN

7 RAY ASHTON

BRIAN HOGAN

9 ALAN McCURRIE

10 DAVE NICHOLSON

MICK WORRALL

ALAN PLATT

TERRY FLANAGAN

14

15

Referee: Mr. S. HAIGH of Leeds

Touch Judges: Mr. A. J. Brown (Red flag); Mr. P. M. Oliver (Yellow flag)

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SWINTON

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Sunday, 14th February, 1982. Kick-off 3.00 p.m.



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Personally Speaking

BRIAN BATTY Daily Mail

THERE is one thing that the Challenge Cup is guaranteed to produce on the way to Wembleyand that is throw up several ties to capture the imagination every round.

This year's State Express sponsored competition has certainly got off to a great start in that

respect.

If the game's most recent newcomers—Carlisle and Cardiff City-had been left to choose their opponents in the first round they could hardly have bettered the draw.

Carlisle, having climbed to the head of the Second Division under Alan Agar's shrewd guidance, take on Yorkshire Cup winners Castle-

Living almost next door to Wheldon Road, in Featherstone, coach Agar knows almost as much about Mal Reilly's men as he does his own.

And there cannot be much for Cardiff's manager David Watkins to learn about Cup holders Widnes before they arrive for the tie at Ninian Park.

Also in the Second Division there is no doubt at Keighley's delight in landing such attractive opposition as Barrow and Bramley's satisfaction at entertaining Wakefield Trinity.

Swinton's clash with Oldham possesses many interesting features but Salford will not relish the trip to Hull as much as the prospect of a big crowd.

But when it comes down to the bone-jarring crunch of derby encounters then Leigh v Warrington and St. Helens v Wigan have everything to offer.

York have so many links with Headingley that they will be looking forward to the visit of Leeds along with a big attendance.

There is no reason why Halifax and Huddersfield should not pull in the fans as well for their derby clash.

Bradford Northern will have no complaints about having Dewsbury making the short trip to Odsal as they sit back and watch their rivals tackle stiffer ties.

Whitehaven remains one place many teams have learnt to regret visiting and neither Hull KR nor Featherstone Rovers can relish the propsect of travelling there this time.

No doubt all will be revealed this afternoon!



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TODAY we are delighted to welcome our old rivals from Watersheddings. Undoubtedly the most progressive club in the Second Division, Oldham have made several astute signings from the transfer market all of whom appear to be paying rich dividends. Former Swinton skipper Alan Taylor is doing a similar job for Oldham, although from the somewhat unaccustomed roll of full back. Centre Mick Parrish signed from Hunslet has played and scored in every game to date, whilst another former Lion Phil Ward, has recently made his peace with the club and re-gained his position on the wing. New Zealander Ashley McKewan has formed a new half back pairing with ex-Widnes St. Maries' Ray Ashton. Two of Oldham's most recent signings are former Great Britain prop Brian Hogan and hooker Alan McCurrie. On his day Hogan is still one of the best ball playing props in the business, as is McCurrie, a very talented and much underrated hooker and formerly played for Whitehaven and Wakefield Trinity. Completing a trio of ex-Lions is Dave Nicholson whose strong running made him a favourite at Station Road last season. Oldham are indeed fortunate in having four extremely talented youngsters from which to select the back row of their pack. Andy Goodway, Alan Platt, Mick Worral and international Terry Flanagan will be around for a long time to come, and will no doubt go from strength to strength. Utility forward Bob Mordell will need no reminding of his previous visits to Station Road for he has had to leave the field on both occasions due to injury.

Coaches Frank Myler and Peter Smethurst have added the steel and guile to a very talented squad. Having said that, just whether they are talented enough on the day remains to be seen.

Cup tie football is a great leveller, past glories and present league positions mean nothing, a place in the second round of the State Express Challenge Cup will be a little bit special . . . especially for Swinton.

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Lions...

...Insight

We are delighted to welcome to Station Road our latest signing Martin Lee, who joins us from Leigh East. He previously played for the renowned Leigh Miners A.R.L.F.C. where he gained County and International Honours as scrum half.

Swinton were well represented at the recent testimonial evening for Dai Moses in recognition of his twenty five years service to the Salford Club. Former Lions in attendance included Alan Buckley, Derek Clarke and Alan Cartwright, whilst Aussie Daryl Pierce was given a warm welcome as he was introduced from the Willows stage.

Tommy Highton is now back in full training following a severe shoulder injury and could be back in action within the next week, as could Welsh International Danny Wilson. A fluid swelling on the knee has delayed Tony Peters' comeback but hopefully for not much longer.

Rochdale 'A' 15 Swinton 'A' 13

Team: Gorton; Trialist (try); Jones (2 goals); Carsley; Evens (try); Mercer, Lee (try); Clark; Higgins; Derbyshire; Trialist; Cooper; Roberts. Subs: Johnson, Middlehurst.

Congratulations are in order to Colin Mercer who was married last week to the sister of Brian 'Hurricane' Higgins.

A limited number of ground tickets are available at the Secretary's office for this year's State Express Challenge Cup Final which takes place on 1st May. Tickets are £3.50 each.

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SWINTON SPORTING ASSOCIATION

A PROFIT of £3,433 was realised during the inaugural year and obviously satisfied by the efforts of the retiring committee, the members re-elected them en-bloc for 1982 at the AGM.

The officers ror 1982 are: Malcolm White (Chairman), Bill Boardman (Vice-chairman), Derek Whitehead (Secretary), Chris Darbyshire (Asst. Secretary), Roy Toft (Treasurer), Leo Hughes (Asst. Treasurer) and Susan Mottram (Press Officer).

The programme of social events for 1982 was opened last night with the St. Valentine's Disco Party and continues next month with the staging of a Sportsman's Dinner at The Gay Willows Hotel, Clifton on Thursday, 25th

March. This event is a sell-out with a limit of 80 tickets having to be set. Priority for tickets for these events goes to bona-fide members of the association and of course the annual £5 subscription is now due.

The diners will be entertained by both the guest speaker, Johnny Hamp, the Head of Granada T.V.'s Light Entertainment and a new comedian, Venn Tracey. One of the persons who has assisted the association with the securing of interesting speakers from the world of sport at previous dinners is John Maddocks of The Sunday People and the association will be pleased to welcome him as their Guest of Honour in March along with Peter Massey who is doing a highly-impressive job with the Swinton Colts.

Most welcome sponsorship for the evening was forthcoming from Stretford Memorials and Micro-Computer Consultants Ltd. Anyone interested in sponsoring a future dinner should contact the secretary.

SUPPORTERS' CLUB

THIS AFTERNOON, we welcome both local fans and visitors to

ENJOY TASTY SNACKS & DRINKS in the 'Hobson's Choice' Tea-bar sited alongside the railway both pre-match and at half time. Phil Hobson and his stall will also be pleased to serve you from the refreshment kiosk at the top of the steps near the flag-pole throughout the afternoon or while stocks last.

BROWSE in the 'Swap-Shop' adjacent to the tea-bar, where Alan Carline has his splendid collection of programmes and other RL literature on display. Keen collectors can buy items here at most reasonable prices.

TAKE HOME a memento of your visit to Station Road. Alan Marshall and his staff have a full range of souvenirs for you to choose from in the Souvenir Shop near the main Station Road entrance.

PLEASE COME AGAIN on Tuesday, 16th February when the video-recording of today's action will be screened in the Lounge Bar from 8.15 p.m. The fans have the chance of re-living all the thrills and spills of cup-tie rugby and can enjoy mingling with the players in a social atmosphere.

AND AGAIN on Monday, 22nd February when Ian Sherwin, our Social Secretary, will be pleased to offer fans further information on the Presentation Night Social for the Player of the Year and other awards and other members of the committee will bring members up to date with the activities at a General Meeting in the Lounge Bar from 8.00 p.m.

There is more to Rugby League than playing and the fans will be given an insight into other aspects of the game that night as both Norman Brown, Physiotherapist, and Trevor Baxter, RL Sportswriter, have agreed to enter into a Question & Answer session.

JUNIOR LIONS

SATURDAY SPECIAL

FUN-FAIR

BOYS & GIRLS, whether or not they are actually members of the Junior Lions' section of the Swinton Supporters' Club are invited to come along to Station Road on Saturday, 27th February from 11.00 a.m. to 12 noon to take part in competitions and games. Admission 5p. Prizes to be won!

THANK YOU

MR & MRS DAVE DYSON read a 'Personally Speaking' column in an earlier programme which pleaded with the fans to look for ways in which they could help the club. They responded in two ways—Mrs Dyson became an agent for the Lions Lottery and Mr Dyson arranged for some excellent photocopies of the brochure printed as a souvenir for the opening of the Station Road ground in 1929 to be produced. These splendid items will be offered as raffle prizes to raise funds. A million thanks to Mr & Mrs Dyson! Let's hope that even more fans will follow your fine example.

R.L. CHALLENGE CUP

FACTS & FIGURES of the RL Challenge Cup:—Since 1904 until the current season, a number of amateur clubs have qualified for the First Round of the competition. Two of these fixtures produced feats that are as yet unequalled in RL history.

Most Points by a player in a match: 53 by George 'Tich' West (Hull K.R.) v Brookland Rovers (RL Challenge Cup, 4th March 1905). His tally of 11 tries is the highest number recorded in any match and his other points came from 10 goals.

Most Points by one team in a match: 119 by Huddersfield v Swinton Park 2 (RL Challenge 'Cup, 28th February 1914).

In 1908/09, Ebbw Vale were put out of the Cup by Yorkshire amateur side Beverley.

OLDHAM & SWINTON'S CHALLENGE CUP ROLL OF HONOUR

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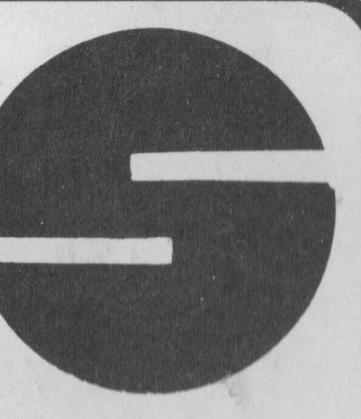
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