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FIRST TEAM

Date	Opponents	F	A	Date	Opponents	F	A
August							
2 Sun	Oldham (Law Cup)	H	15 31	February			
9 Fri	Hunslet (Friendly)	H	18 8	7 Sun	Huyton	H	23 21
16 Sun	Lancs Cup, Widnes	H	8 14	14 Sun	State Express Cup(1)		
23 Sun	Lancs Cup				Doncaster	A	7 6
30 Sun	Doncaster	A	11 28	21 Sun	Cardiff	H	12 12
September							
6 Sun	Huddersfield	H	18 6	28 Sun	State Express Cup(2)		
13 Sun	Batley	A	14 16		Halifax	A	7 28
20 Sun	Keighley	H	9 10	March			
23 Wed	Salford	A	2 7	7 Sun	Dewsbury	A	14 16
27 Sun	Workington	A	2 32	14 Sun	Hunslet	A	10 17
October							
4 Sun	Bramley	H	7 5	17 Wed	Workington	H	7 5
11 Sun	Huddersfield	A	10 7	21 Sun	Hunslet	H	11 14
18 Sun	Bradford N. (JPC 1)		3 19	26 Fri	Carlisle	A	13 34
25 Sun	Huyton	A	8 3	28 Sun	Keighley	A	10 27
November							
1 Sun	John Player Cup(2)			April			
15 Sun	Blackpool	H	16 13	4 Sun	Salford	H	16 20
22 Sun	Bramley	A	13 25	9 Fri	Oldham	A	5 17
29 Sun	Batley	H	9 4	12 Mon	Swinton	A	14 13
December							
6 Sun	Halifax	A	4 15	15 Thu	Oldham (7.30)	H	
January							
3 Sun	Cardiff	A	11 15	18 Sun	Doncaster	H	
24 Sun	Carlisle	H	10 13	25 Sun	Halifax	H	
31 Sun	Dewsbury	H	3 10	28 Wed	Swinton (7.30)	H	

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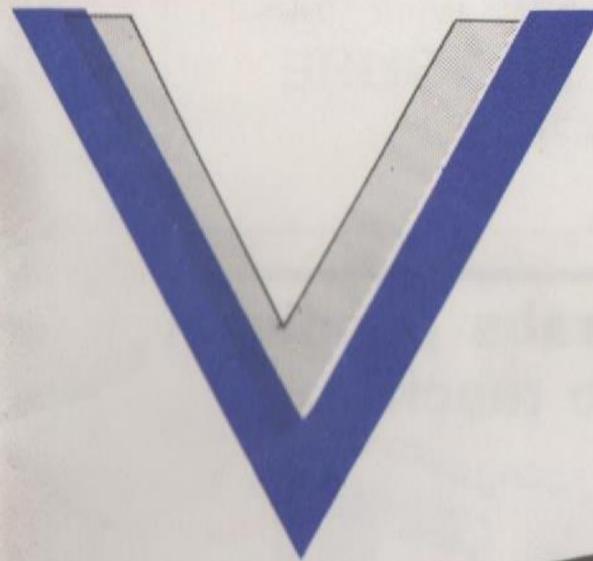
August							
11 Tue	Wigan	H	24 22	January			
18 Tue	Leigh (Lancs CS)	H	13 19	22 Fri	Widnes	A	10 29
28 Fri	Widnes	H	8 28	28 Thu	Leigh	H	9 8
September							
4 Fri	Wigan	A	2 28	February			
12 Sat	Barrow	H	23 16	4 Thu	Swinton	H	15 13
25 Fri	Salford	H	19 10	13 Sat	Whitehaven	H	14 19
October							
9 Fri	Oldham	H	8 14	19 Fri	St. Helens	A	15 21
15 Thu	Warrington	A	14 30	25 Thu	Swinton	A	P
22 Thu	Leigh	A	17 12	March			
30 Fri	St. Helens	H	14 10	6 Sat	Barrow	A*	10 9
November							
14 Sat	Blackpool	A*	15 16	13 Sat	Workington	H*	5 9
December							
4 Fri	Warrington	H	0 12	18 Thu	Oldham	A	P
				31 Wed	Salford	A	

* indicates a 2.30 p.m. kick off
 P indicates a 3.00 p.m. kick off



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CLUB NEWS

Tonights match is the first of four consecutive home fixtures in fourteen days, with the two midweek games being a result of the wholesale postponement of matches during the December/January freeze. In fact with only five matches remaining, we are looking forward to notching as many points as possible in order to finish the season with a bang!

Last Friday's game at Watersheddings showed that it is not an impossible task to beat **OLDHAM** and we trust that our lads will rise to the occasion this evening as they did on Monday in a well earned victory over **SWINTON** at Station Road.

A pleasing feature of recent games has been the return to form of **MICK NOLAN**, the chunky stand off has appeared to have recaptured his zest for the game and his powerful running has earned him three tries in his last three appearances, whilst **SAMMY GILMORE** continues to improve with every match and is now near to the form he showed last season when scoring 17 tries. Local boy **GLEN BANKS** has shown that he will make the most of his chance to prove himself and his forceful runs on the right flank have more than justified his selection.

The injury list continues to be a headache with **GRAHAM GORVIN** being the latest addition with a ruptured tendon in his hand. It would appear that the chances of **JIM MOLYNEUX** and **DEREK MARSH** playing again this season are now slim, but it is encouraging to see **STEVE McGRIFFEN** back in training and he should be raring to go again next season.

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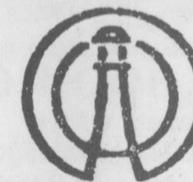
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If the League had attempted to stage-manage the Slalom Lager championships they could not have created a more intriguing finish to the season.

With so much prize money and as well as pride at stake the clubs and their fans are finding that every single result now carries the greatest possible significance.

The situation certainly could not be more tense or tight at the top where Wembley-bound Widnes and Hull are making their bids to land the coveted double.

It all puts a great strain on the playing strengths to say nothing of the nerves.

This is certainly the time when injuries can have such a great bearing on the proceedings.

Lancashire Cup winners Leigh are locked in combat at the top while it would be unwise to completely rule out those other Humberside giants Hull KR.

The title is the target but then those Top Four places are going to prove like gold for the Premiership play off.

Bradford Northern have thrown off the bitter disappointment at their exit from the Challenge Cup to launch a tremendous charge in the League.

They have rocketed up the League table and the Easter programme is going to have quite a say on the battle for top spots.

St. Helens, Leeds, Warrington and Barrow are fighting to establish Top Eight places with a real dogfight in prospect at the lower end of the table.

Featherstone Rovers, Castleford, Wakefield Trinity and Fulham are engaged in a frantic bid to avoid relegation.

In the Second Division Slalom championship we have Carlisle continuing to set a cracking pace with Oldham staying on their heels and Workington Town coming up fast on the promotion rails.

Salford have revived their hopes recently and with Halifax, Hunslet and Keighley are in the hunt for the chance to climb out of the Second Division.

WEMBLEY STANDING TICKETS

Rugby League's showpiece event, the State Express Challenge Cup Final, is to be staged at Wembley Stadium on Saturday, 1st May, 1982.

A limited number of seating tickets have become available. For details of prices, please write or telephone:

The Tickets Office
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OUR VISITORS

We welcome this evening the "Old Enemy" from Watersheddings. Oldham, now coached by ex Hornets favourite **FRANK MYLER**, are having a very succesful season and are already certain promotion candidates although the battle for the Championship will probably not be resolved until they play Carlisle at Brunton Park at the end of this month.

As he did with Hornets 10 years ago, Myler has blended a team of youth and experience with a reputation for open rugby. Currently figuring highly in the points scoring charts is **MICK PARRISH** who has scored in every match this season. Two very shrewd buys have been much-travelled veteran prop **BRIAN HOGAN** and Cumbrian hooker **ALAN McCURRIE**, they have stiffened the middle of the field and assisted promising U/24 International **TERRY FLANAGAN** in creating a sound springboard for exciting half backs **ALAN ASHTON** and **PADDY KIRWAN**. **BRIAN CAFFREY** has made a succesful transition from playing in the Pennine League and ex R.U. stars **ADRIAN ALEXANDER** and **BOB MORDELL** have proved to themselves that he journey North was worthwhile.

POST WAR RECORDS

	P	W	L	D	F	A	W	L	D	F	A
League	65	10	20	2	317	447	5	28		244	581
Challenge Cup	2			1	10	10		1		3	15
Lancs Cup	6		3		14	39		3		13	56
Floodlight	5	2			44	16	1	2		31	40
Total	78	12	23	3	385	512	6	34		291	692

Highest Hornets Score:

Athletic Grounds	1976/77	Hornets won	29-6
Watersheddings	1958/59	Oldham won	22-18

Highest Oldham Scores:

Athletic Grounds	1959/60	Oldham won	45-0
Watersheddings	1961/62	Salford won	53-9

Post war records courtesy of STUART BARLOW

HORNETS

OLDHAM

Ian Holland	1 Full back	Alan Taylor
Glen Burns	2 Right Wing	Geoff Munro
Sammy Gilmore	3 Right Centre	Brian Caffrey
Paul Fitzpatrick	4 Left Centre	Mick Parrish
Iain McCorquodale	5 Left Wing	Clive Hunter
Mick Nolan	6 Stand Off	Ashley McEwan
Mark Sanderson	7 Scrum Half	Ray Ashton
Kel Earl	8 Openside Prop	Brian Holan
Kevin Lowe	9 Hooker	Alan McCurrie
Terry Langan	10 Blindside Prop	Adrian Alexander
Dave Lockwood	11 Second Row Forward	Mick Worrall
Brett Garside	12 Second Row Forward	Andy Goodway
Norman Turley	13 Loose Forward	Terry Flanagan
	14 Substitute	
	15 Substitute	

Scrum	1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10
	11	12	13	14	15
	16	17	18	19	20
Penalties	1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10
	11	12	13	14	15
	16	17	18	19	20

SCORE

HALF TIME

FULL TIME

Scrum	1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10
	11	12	13	14	15
	16	17	18	19	20
Penalties	1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10
	11	12	13	14	15
	16	17	18	19	20

TODAY'S OFFICIALS:

Referee:

T.M. Beaumont (Wakefield)

Touch Judges:

Pink Flag: W. Brown

Orange Flag: P. M. Oliver

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SEASON 1981/82 APPEARANCES & SCORERS

	Apps.	T	G	DG	Points
GLEN BANKS	8	2			6
ALAN BATES	13				
JOHN CANNING	14		5		10
MICK COATES	14	1			3
JOHN CORCORAN	15	1			3
KEL EARL	19	3			9
PAUL FITZPATRICK	13				
TEX FLETCHER	5	1	2		7
BRETT GARSIDE	23	2			6
JOHN GILMORE	14	3			9
GRAHAM GORVIN	16				
JOHN GRIMES	6				
IAN HOLLAND	27	4	2	4	20
RAY JONES	2	1			3
TERRY LANGAN	25	1			3
DAVE LOCKWOOD	21				
KEVIN LOWE	26	1			3
IAIN McCORQUODALE	18	1	49	4	95
STEVE McGIFFIN	8				
DEREK MARSH	14	2			6
JIM MOLYNEUX	12	1			3
MICK NOLAN	20	4			12
JOHN O'DONOVAN	9	2			6
BILLY PRICE	27	4			12
JOHN RAWLINSON	10	1			3
MARK SANDERSON	19	5			15
ALAN SCHOFIELD	4	1			3
URI STONDIN	6	3	9		27
NORMAN TURLEY	20	2	1	3	11
ROY WILTSHIRE	5				

Also Played: Nigel Crabtree (1A pp); Chris Storey (3 App, 5G); Henderson Gill (7 App, 3T); Steve Breheney (1 App); Sean Hoare (3 App 1T); Paul Armitage (1 App); Andy Duffy (1 App); Roy Bucys (1 App); K. Pickavance (4 App); G. Bailey (6 App); C. Deakin (2 App); C. Whitehead (1 App)

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