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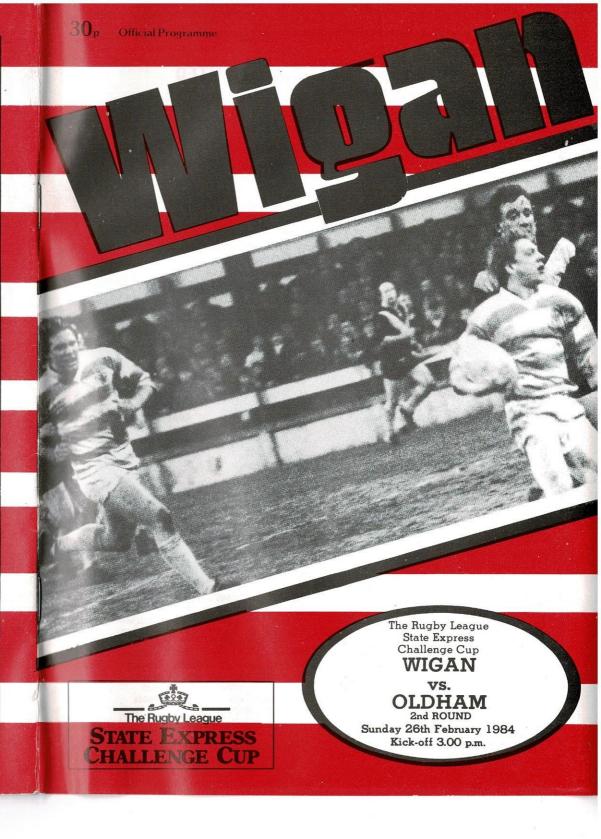
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Every match must be approached with the same spirit, preparation and attitude. The preparation is my responsibility and at the moment we are training three times a week. Before we took the field against Bramley our concentration was so intense that the atmosphere in the dressing room told me everything. There was a meaness in the players I had not seen for a while. I knew at once that we would win. When we are like that we are as good as anybody.

Let's see it today and it's look out Oldham!



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At the present time Oldham are lying in tenth position in the league, but unfortunately in recent weeks their form has not been up to their usual high standard. Oldham, however, have in the past always proved to be a difficult team to beat and with such good quality players in their side like, Ray Ashton, Des Foy, Captain Terry Flanagan, plus the accurate goal-kicking of Mick Parrish.

We will also be striving hard to get a good result and thereby ensure a place in the quarter finals of the Challenge Cup. So we should be able to look forward to an entertaining game of rugby this afternoon.

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- 1. How many games did Keith Elwell play in his record breaking run of successive games?
- 2. What year did Des Drummond sign for Leigh?
- 3. Who are the two players who share the record of playing in four cup winning sides at Wembley?



- 4. What player holds the record for most goals in a Challenge Cup Final?
- 5. What was the name of the player who played his first senior game at Wembley?
- 6. Who was the youngest player ever to play in a Wembley Cup Final?

Answers on Page 25

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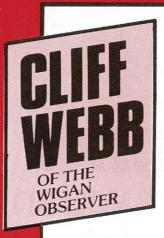
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THIS afternoon's second round Challenge Cup tie between Wigan and Oldham should be quite an interesting match which is sure to draw a big attendance. Both teams have everything to gain from winning, not just for the sake of reaching that distant Wembley final, but to prove to their fans that they are back on form.

For Cidham, like Wigan, have hit a bad patch lately after riding high in the league and putting up their best performances for many years. They certainly have missed the genius of scrum-half Ashton, but even so their recent form has been disappointing.

I think we'll see a big difference today though. It is amazing what the lure of Wembley and a good winning bonus on offer can do to improve a team's play, even if they are struggling a bit in the league.

Wigan themselves have taken some "stick" from fans and media lately, but happily they seemed to regain a lot of their best form in the cup replay against Bramley and it is to be hoped that was an omen of much better things to come.

The big talking point among Wigan fans, of course, has been the form of Mark Cannon at standoff. His display against Bramley from that position had me wondering why Wigan confined him to the pack for so long.

I understand that Cannon is to return home to Australia soon after today's tie and that is surely a matter for regret. No doubt Wigan will make a big effort to have him back at Central Park next season, along with the mighty Kerry Hemsley.

A lot has been written and said of late by people who question the desirability of English clubs importing Australian or New Zealand players. But a lot of this sort of criticism has come from people connected with clubs who don't have any such players, or can't afford them.

Well, I am all for giving local lads a chance, but there is no doubt about it that without the likes of Hemsley, Cannon, Wayne Elvin, Graeme West – and not forgetting big Dan Campbell – Wigan would have really been struggling this season, especially when the injury hoodoo was at its height.





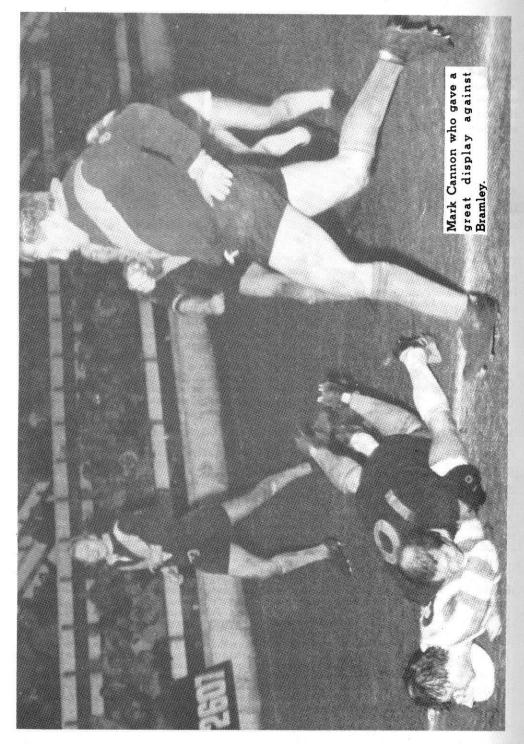
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VIEW FROM THE TERRACES

by Doug Stand

THERE is absolutely no truth in the rumour that Doug Stand went to Twickenham on Saturday.

This correspondent has not been to a rah-rah game since Orrell's dour encounter with Coventry last year, and even that fleeting visit led to him being hauled over the coals by the WSPPRLOSWPW's disciplinary committee.

The WSPPRLOSWPW stands for the Wigan Society for the Preservation and Promotion of Rugby League as the Only Sport Worth Playing and Watching.

It has members all over Wigan, but like Masons, they are hard to spot. You have to know the haunts, the handshakes, the secret passwords.

For instance, you can't just walk into, say, the vault of the Royal Oak or Billy Boston's pub, and ask if anyone is interested in rugby league.

The silence would be deafening, just as if you had walked into a hospital and asked if anyone was interested in getting better.

What you have to do, to identify the members of rugby league's most secret society, is enter the alleged meeting place and ask if anyone is interested in soccer.

Anyone who reacts by falling off his seat, sneezing into his beer or asking for you to be banned, is probably a member of the WSPPRLOSWPW. Inquiring about rugby union is likely to have even more startling effect.

Which brings me back to the time I was accused of going over to the gentlemen's game, and brought up before the dreaded disciplinary committee.

I hardly slept a wink the night before—what with worrying about them confiscating my Yorkshire Good Beer Guide and signed photograph of Alex Murphy—but when the black day came it

wasn't too bad.

The committee seemed impressed by my mitigating plea that I had spent much of the time in the bar, and said that after reading newspaper reports of the match, they considered my attendance at the game was sufficient punishment.

This is not to mock Orrell of course. As far as this column is concerned they are the finest exponents of their code in the North of England.

It is just the code that leaves so much to be desired.

There has got to be something wrong with a spectator sport in which players spend half their time kicking the ball out of play

of play.

When they are not kicking the ball out of play, 28 men try to kick each other out of play, while the two oldest, smallest and cleanest shirted players on the park try to outdo each other in the audacity of their drop goals.

A great game for drop goals, rugby union. There are drop goals from one's own half, drop goals from sitting positions, drop goals from impossible situations, and best of all, drop goals from scrums near the opposition's posts.

Rugby league stand-offs have been known to faint with envy at getting clean possession from a scrum 10 yards out, but the rah-rah men just keep sailing over the drop goals.

But it's time to come off the old hobby horse. This column is not just a platform for sniping attacks on other sports.

No, the above tirade was just to let you know that Doug Stand has far more sense than to go all the way down to London just to go to Twickers.

The only reason I happened to be in London at all last weekend was because I heard there was a match on at Craven Cottage...

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:	Second Round	25th/26th February
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2	Final at Wembley	5th May

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	GRAND TOTAL	£120,000

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LAST DATE FOR RECEIPT OF ENTRIES THURSDAY, 5th APRIL, 1984 **OUESTIONS:**

- 1. Which two clubs hold the record for most Challenge Cup Final appearances at Wembley?
- 2. Which player captained two clubs to victory at Wembley 14 years apart, the second time at the age of 41?
- 3. Which club knocked Widnes out of the State Express Challenge Cup last season, 1982-83?
- 4. The highest score against an amateur side in the Challenge Cup is 119 2 against Swinton Park in 1913-14. Which professional club provided the opposition? **RULES:**
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- 7. Closing date for receipt of entries Thursday 5th April. The winning draw will be made on Friday



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WIGAN 45 WIGAN. Tries: B. Nordgren 4, W. Boston 4, E. Ash-

croft, H. Street, J. Cunliffe. Goals: K. Gee 3, J. Cunliffe 3.

YEARS AGO THIS WEEK 28th February 1959

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WIGAN, Tries: W. Boston 2, K. Holden 2, E. Ashton, F. Collier, M. Sullivan. Goals: P. Griffiths 4. Referee: Mr. G. Philpott.

YEARS AGO THIS WEEK 20th February 1964

WIGAN 20

WIGAN. Tries: J. Stephens, W. Boston, E. Ashton, T.Lake. Goals: J. Winton 4. WIGAN: Winton, Boston, Ashton, Davies, Lake, O'Loughlin, Shillinglaw, Barton, Sayer, McTigue, Stephens, Lyon, Evans.

LEIGH: Risman, Evans, G. Lewis, Rhodes, Leadbetter, Smith, Entwistle, Robinson, J. Lewis, Bishop, Murphy, Martyn, Fletcher. Referee: Mr. T.W. Watkinson. Attendance: 12,000

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YEARS AGO THIS WEEK 22nd February 1969

WIGAN DONCASTER

WIGAN. Tries: K. Jones 4, K. O'Loughlin 2, W.Francis, P. Rowe, J. Denley. Goals: J. Denley 6 WIGAN: Denley, Jones, Ashurst, Rowe, Francis, O'Loughlin, Parr, Gardiner, Clarke, Ashcroft, Stephens, Fogerty, Lyon.

DONCASTER: Goodyear, Denton, Battye (Rushton), Cross, James, Brook, McCone, Sykes, Brown, Holt, Townsend, Fortis, McLean.

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SUPPORTERS' CLUB NOTES

AFTER our disappointing draw at Bramley it was a pleasure to see the team gain a comfortable victory in the replay. We were so much in command that Bramley seldom managed to run the ball past the half-way line, being forced to defend inside their own 25 for most of the match. Were it not for their strong tackling we could easily have run-up another 20 points.

Oldham have been experiencing a lean spell for the last few weeks and so if we can reproduce the form we showed over the Christmas period then we should have an excellent chance of progressing to the third round for the first time since 1973-74.

Oldham too will be keen to make further progress. Despite appearing in four consecutive finals 1924-27 they have yet to make an appearance at Wembley. The same applies to their opponents in the 1926 and '27 finals. Swinton. Swinton were also finalists in 1928 and 1932; they won through to the 1932 final, only for the match to be staged at Wigan!

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PEN FRIENDS WANTED

We have recently received a letter from Dave Hurst, an ex-Wigan supporter now living in Australia. Dave is 37 and would welcome letters from any Wigan supporters, although he states he would prefer someone female between 25 and 40 years old (wouldn't we all!). If you would like to write to Dave, thus considerably improving your chances of seeing the Great Britain tour down-under this summer, his address is: Flat 8/10 Marriott Street, St. Kilda 3182, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia.

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February's Open Rugby is still available, plus many back issues. Our Australian magazines are selling fast but we still have quite a few left.

TEAMS & SCORERS

5.2.84. Wigan 6 Warrington 24 (h-t6-10) Wigan: Hampson, Braithwaite, Ramsdale, Clare, Gill, Edwards, Stephens, Shaw, Kiss, Case, West, Cannon, Wane, Elvin, Scott. Scorers: Clare 3.

Warrington: Hesford, Forster, Bevan, Duane, Ford, Cullen, Kelly, Eccles, O'Mahony, Worrall, Gregory, Fieldhouse, Webb, Blacker, Yates. Scorers: T-Ford 2, Eccles, Gregory; G-Hesford 4.

12.2.84. Bramley 10 Wigan 10 (h-t 3-6) Bramley: Kilner, Dyas, Fletcher, Bullough, Bibb, Lister, Carroll, Hindley, Cook, Garforth, Harrison, Green, Clarkson, Carter, Bowman. Scorers: T-

Lister; G-Kilner 2; DG-Kilner 2. Wigan: Hampson, Ramsdale, Whitfield, Stephenson, Gill, Edwards, Holden, Case, Tamati, Nanyn, West, Scott, Wane, Juliff, Dunn. Scorers: T-Gill, West; G-

Whitfield.
15.2.84. Wigan 34 Bramley 4 (h.t 12-4)
Wigan: Hampson, Ramsdale, Stephenson, Whitfield, Gill, Cannon, Stephens,
West, Tamati, Case, Dunn, Scott, Elvin,
Juliff, Nanyn. Scorers: T-Whitfield, Elvin,
Dunn, West, Cannon 2; G-Whitfield 5.
Bramley: Kilner, Dyas, Fletcher,
Bullough, Bibb, Lister, Carroll, Hindley,
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WIGAN vs. OLDHAM

(Championship Play Off Final, May 1st, 1909 at Salford) WIGAN 7 POINTS OLDHAM 3

WIGAN: J. Sharrock, J. Leytham, B. Jenkins, L. Todd, J. Miller, J. Thomas, E. Jones, R. Ramsdale, R. Silcock, T. Whittaker, H. de Francis, J. Barton, W. Cheetham.

OLDHAM: A. Wood, G. Tyson, S. Deane, T. Llewellyn, G. Smith. W. Dixon, A. Anlezark, A. Avery, J. Ferguson, A. Smith, W. Jardine, H. Topham, J. Owens.

Referee: Mr. Lumley (Leeds). Attendance: 12,000. Receipts: £630

THE FINAL LEAGUE TABLE FOR THE 1908-9 SEASON READ AS FOLLOWS:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts. %
1. WIGAN	32	28	0	4	706	207	56 87.50
2. HALIFAX	34	28	1	5	526	174	57 83.82
3. OLDHAM	32	26	0	6	488	176	52 81.25
4. BATLEY	32	23	3	6	412	176	49 76.56
5. HUDDERSFIELD	34	21	3	10	504	292	45 66.17
6. WAKEFIELD T.	31	20	1	10	471	318	41 66.12

This meant that Wigan played Batley and Halifax played Oldham in the Championship play off semi-finals and true to form Wigan beat Batley by 18 points to 2. The other tie, however, ended in a 3 points-all draw. A replay was held and this time Oldham won by 8 points to

The final proved to be a close run affair with Wigan managing to hold on to a 7 points to 3 interval lead. Dick Ramsdale scored Wigan's try and James Leytham kicked 2 goals. Oldham's points came from a Jardine try.

The 1908-9 season was a very successful one for Wigan apart from

finishing top of the League table and winning the Championship Play off final they also beat Oldham in the Lancashire Cup final, finished top of the Lancashire League and reached the Rugby League Cup semi-finals. Furthermore winger Joe Miller scored 49 tries to finish joint top try scorer in the League with Williams of Halifax. The total was a new R.L. try scoring record.

James Leytham, who kicked 2 goals in the Championship Play off final was the League's 4th top goal scorer with 75 goals, 3rd top try scorer with 39 tries and 2nd top points scorer with 267 points.

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SATURDAY, 3rd MARCH - KICK-OFF 3.00 p.m. WIGAN 'A' v. BARROW 'A' (LANCASHIRE COMBINATION)

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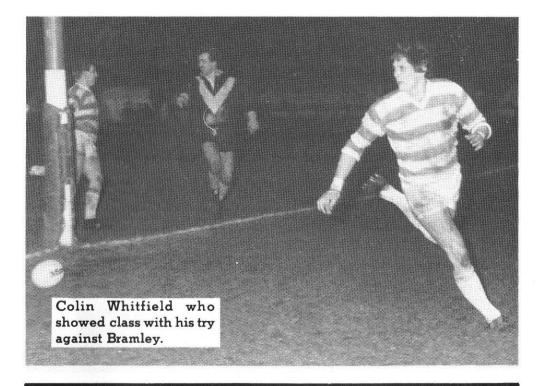
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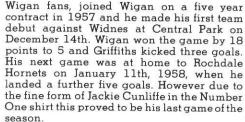


WIGAN R.L.F.C. GREATS

FRED GRIFFITHS

THE Wigan Club has been very lucky throughout its history to be able to field several top class goalkickers. Those that readily spring to mind are the late great Jim Sullivan, Ted Ward and South African Full Back Fred Griffiths.

Fred or 'Punchy', as he was known by the



1958-9 then was Griffith's first full season for Wigan and what a season it proved to be for him. In 39 appearances he kicked 176 goals and scored 14 tries to register a total of 394 points. His goals and points totals were both records for the Wigan Club and they have yet to be beaten. Six of the 176 goals came in the 1959 Rugby League Challenge Cup Final in which Wigan beat Hull by 30 points to 13.

Two more Cup Final appearances for Griffiths came in the next two seasons. In 1960 Wigan reached the Championship Play Off final, despite only finishing 4th in the League table, and again he landed 6 goals as the 'Riversiders' easily beat Wakefield Trinity, who had finished 2nd in the table, by 27 points to 3. His second and final Wembley appearance game in 1961 and he scored all 6 of Wigan's points as his team went down to local rivals St. Helens by 12 points to 6.

Griffiths played his final game for Wigan at Hull on November 24th, 1962 and he signed out on a high note by kicking 8 goals and scoring a try as Wigan won by 34 points to nil. In his 161 appearances for the Club he landed 663 goals and crossed for 43 tries to record a total of 1455 points. Four times he topped the century of goals mark in a season; scoring 176 goals in 1958-9, 126 goals in 1959-60, 128 goals in 1960-1 and 174 goals in 1961-2.

Unfortunately Wigan were not able to offer Griffiths a new contract when his original five year contract ran out in late 1962 so the talented Full Back emigrated to Australia. Not surprisingly he proved to be a difficult man to replace.



Appearances, Tries & Goalscorers (Up to and including the match v. Fulham, away, 19.2.84)

Tries	App	Sub Pld	Sub N/P	League	Locker Cup	Friend-C lies	ueens- land	Lancs Cup	Chal- lenge Cup	John Player Trophy	Total
A.N. Other	1	556	-	-	-	_		-	100		_
L. Bamber		1	_	_	-	-	-	-	-	_	-
R. Braithwaite	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	=	S-3
N. Courtney		1	-	_	_	_	-	-	-	-	_
J. Clare	10	5	-	3) (10	-	-	-	-	-	3
B. Case	24	1	-	2	_	-	-		-	1	3
M. Cannon	6	1	-	1	-	_	_	-	2	_	3
D. Campbell	14	2	1	2	-	1	_	_	-	-	12
B. Dunn	9	7	-	1	-	-	-		1	1	3
S. Edwards	11	-	_	1	-	_				_	1
W. Elvin	6	2	1	-	=	-	-	-	1	***	1
K. Egan	.77	1	1	_	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
M. Foy	5	-	_	1	-	-	-	_		-	1
M. Ford	5	2	-	_	-	1 1-1	-	-		-	-
J. Fairhurst	7	3		_	-	1	_	_	100		1
H. Gill	20	-	-	2		-	-	2	1	4	9
S. Hampson	13	100		1	-	1 -	100	-	_	_	1
K. Holden	12	-		1	_	- 20	122	_	_	_	1
K. Hemsley	11	1	-	1	_	_	-	_	-	-	1
B. Juliff	7	5	-	1	-	_	-	-	-	-	1
N. Kiss	11	-	-		-	1	823	=	-	-	1
M. Nanyn	1	3	-	_	-	-	-	-	· -	-	1.
G. Owen	2002	1	1	122	22	_		-		_	_
J. Pendlebury	10	1	1	-	-	_	-	_	_	-	-
D. Ramsdale	22	-	-	1	-			_	1	-	1
G. Stephens	8	120		1	-			_	72	_	1
D. Stephenson	16	1	_	3	-	-	-	-	_	1	4
G. Shaw	6	1	-		_	-	-	_			
M. Scott	12	10	2	_	_	_	_			_	_
H. Tamati	16		-	1	-		-	-	-	_	1
C. Whitfield	24	-	_	4	-	_	_	1	1	2	8
B. Williams	8	_	_			-	-	_	-	-	-
D. Wood	10	3	-		_	-	-	-		_	_
G. West	27	_		8	1	1	_	_	2	1	13
S. Wane	12	1	-	1	_	_		_		_	1
T. Wilby	3	-		1	_	_		_		_	1
,				37	1	4		3	8	10	63
Goals:				- 01						10	
J. Clare				8	} -	- 3		g 5/2 <u>44-</u>			11
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N.B. Drop goals (in brackets) are included in the principal figures.

WIGAN RUGBY LEAGUE FIRST TEAM OFFICIAL FIXTURE SEASON 1983/84

	SLASON 1963/64			
AUGUST Sunday 21st Wednesday 24th Sunday 28th SEPTEMBER	SALFORD (A) WAKEFIELD TRINITY (A) LEIGH (H)	3.00 7.30 3.00	W L	F. A. 16-14 18-11 12-28
Sunday 4th Sunday 11th Wednesday 14th	COUNTY CUP - 1st ROUND WIDNES	3.00	L	20-36 16-24
Sunday 18th Sunday 25th OCTOBER	HULL (A) WIDNES (H)	3.00 3.00	L	8-24 16-31
Saturday 1st Sunday 2nd Sunday 9th Sunday 16th Wednesday 19th Sunday 23rd NOVEMBER	COUNTY CUP — FINAL (A) WHITEHAVEN (A) LEIGH (A) HULL KR (H) LEEDS (H) QUEENSLAND (H)	3.30 3.30 3.00 7.45 3.00	W L POST W L	24-0 18-24 7 20-6 2-40
Sunday 6th Sunday 13th Sunday 20th Saturday 26th Sunday 27th	JOHN PLAYER SPECIAL TROPHY — 1st ROUND YORK (H) OLDHAM (A) JOHN PLAYER SPECIAL TROPHY — 2nd ROUND (H) JOHN PLAYER SPECIAL TROPHY — 3rd ROUND WIDNES (A) CASTLEFORD (A)	3.00 3.00 3.00 3.30	W L W L POS	30-13 4-8 24-15 15-20
DECEMBER Sunday 4th Sunday 1 1th Sunday 18th Monday 26th IANUARY	WHITEHAVEN (H) BRADFORD NORTHERN (A) HULL (H) ST. HELENS (H)	3.00 3.30 3.00 3.00	W POS: W W	33-11 14-12 12-8
Sunday 1st Sunday 8th Wednesday 11th Sunday 22nd Sunday 29th FEBRUARY	WARRINGTON (A) CASTLEFORD (H) FEATHERSTONE (A) OLDHAM (H) HULL KR (A)	3.00 3.00 7.30 3.00 3.00	POST L POST L	32-12 6-15
Sunday 5th Sunday 12th Wednesday 15th Sunday 19th Sunday 26th MARCH	WARRINGTON (H) STATE EXPRESS CHALLENGE CUP - 1st Rd Bramley (A) STATE EXPRESS CHALLENGE CUP - 1st Rd R Bramley (H) FULHAM (A) STATE EXPRESS CHALLENGE CUP - 2nd RND OLDHAM (H)	3.00 3.00 7.45 3.00 3.00	L D W L	6-24 10-10 34-4 22-10
Thursday 1st Sunday 4th Sunday 1 1th Sunday 18th Sunday 25th APRIL	BRADFORD N. (A) WAKEFIELD T. (H) WIDNES. (A) FULHAM. (H) LEEDS. (A)	7.30 3.00 3.00 3.00 3.00		
Sunday 1st Friday 20th Monday 23rd Sunday 29th MAY	FEATHERSTONE R	3.00 3.00 3.00		
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Date	Opposition	Venue	Kick-off		
Chursday 18th August 1983	Swinton		7.30	W	32-16
Wednesday 31st August 1983 (Lancashire Shield)	Leigh		7.30	POST	02-10
riday 2nd September 1983	Warrington		7.30	L	28-14
Friday 23rd September 1983	Widnes		7.30	Ĺ	38-28
Friday 14th October 1983	Salford	(A)	7.30	w	12-8
Thursday 20th October 1983 (Lancashire Shield)	Leigh		7.30	L	34-12
Wednesday 26th October 1983 (Lancashire Shield)	Leigh		7.30	w	28-2
Wednesday 9th November 1983	Oldham		7.30	W	32-30
Wednesday 16th November 1983	Warrington		7.30	L	8-40
Wednesday 30th November 1983 (Lane Shield)	Leigh		7.30	w	28-12
Saturday 10th December 1983	Barrow		2.30	W	14-12
Thursday 15th December 1983 (Friendly)	Wakefield		7.30	W	30-7
Wednesday 21st December 1983	Salford		7.30	POST	
Chursday 5th January 1984	St. Helens		7.30	w	14-8
Friday 20th January 1984	Oldham		7.30	W	32-18
Wednesday 1st February 1984	Leigh		7.30	w	38-10
Wednesday 8th February 1984	Salford		7.30	POST	
Saturday 18th February 1984	Barrow	(H)	3.00	POST	
Saturday 3rd March	Barrow		3.00		
Wednesday 7th March 1984	Widnes	(H)	7.30		
Chursday 22nd March 1984	Leigh		7.30		
Wednesday 4th April 1984	Swinton	(H)	7.30		
Wednesday 18th April 1984	St. Helens		7.30		
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