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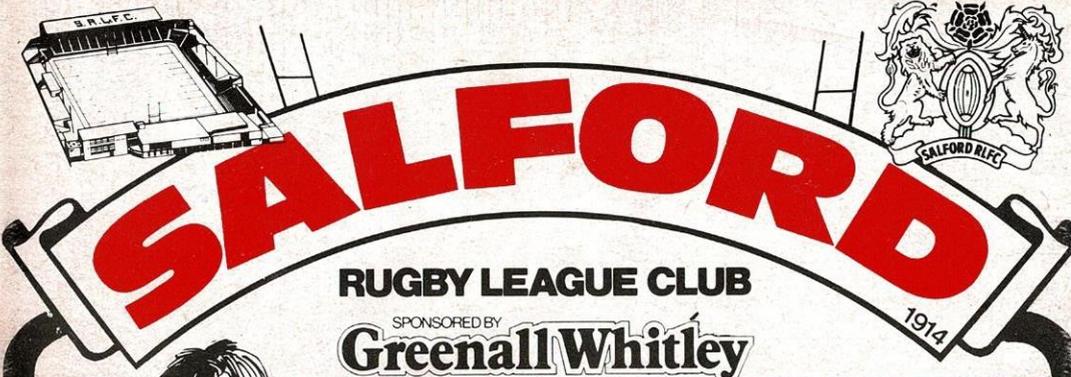
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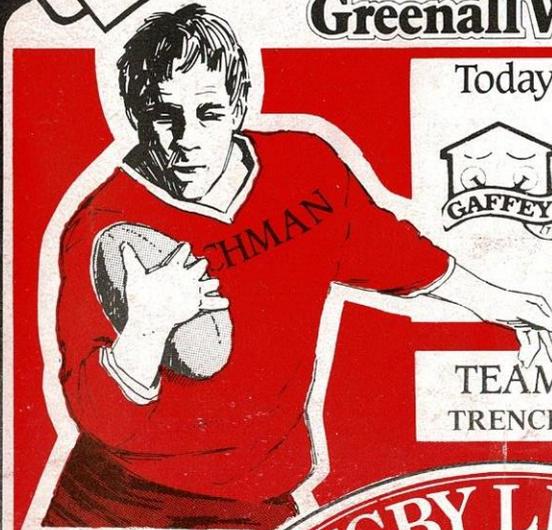
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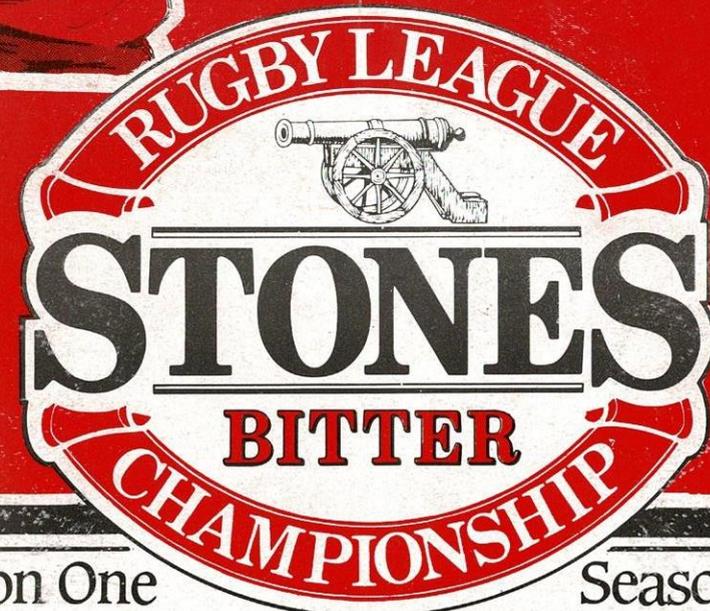
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and: 21 (13 wins, 8 draws) January - November 1886
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Highest Attendance: 26,470 v Warrington, 13th February, 1937
Highest Fee Paid: £16,000 to Wigan for John Pendlebury, December, 1984
Highest Fee Received: £60,000 from Wigan for D. Stephenson, February, 1982



Kevin's Column

I hope all our fans who travelled to Hilton Park for the crucial match with Leigh have now managed to restore their normal pulse rates after our thrilling win. The lads played their hearts out and tackled till they dropped and they more than made up for our hiccup the previous

Sunday at Hull K.R. The match at Craven Park was there for the taking but unfortunately we lost our heads in the second half and suffered the consequences.

However, the team deserve all the credit for the way they got stuck in at Leigh - a game we had to win - they all get full marks from Tom Grainey and myself. As this is my last chance of the season to air my views, I can honestly say that the set up we have at the Willows at the moment is first class. The team spirit is sky high, the team are playing for each other and they want to please you the fans most of all. We all took some stick during our disastrous start to the season but we were prepared to stand by our players who we thought would come through at the end of the day. Once our terrible injury problem was overcome we started to show the R.L. world that we can and will continue to compete with the best. Since the New Year we have won 10 out of 13 league matches, including a rare victory at Hull, our first win at the Boulevard for more than 20 years!

Today's game against Oldham is vital to all concerned with Salford Rugby League Club, a win could be our lifeline to First Division football next season. We need Top flight rugby here at the Willows and I am confident that the lads will not let us down.

KEVIN ASHCROFT

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Congratulations to Kevin Ashcroft on winning the Rugby Leaguer - William Lawson's coach of the Month award for March. During March Salford had league wins against Wakefield Trinity and Halifax at Home plus victories at Barrow and Hull.

Prop STEVE HERBERT is the first winner of the Trenchman Trophy and how well he deserves it (see page 19).

Doris Hall our nominee for the Traveleads Top Fan Award, was one of the Five Finalists at Leeds last week. She did not win, unfortunately, but received a £50.00 Travel Voucher as one of the runners-up.

Unlucky Dave Ruddy has had to quit the game on medical grounds. He joined the club from Orrell R.U. in July 1983 and played 30 first team games. Wigan born Dave suffered a back injury against Wigan last November and although he has had an operation, he has been advised not to play again.

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Wigan	28	26	0	2	875	175	52
St. Helens	28	20	1	7	799	393	41
Warrington	28	20	1	7	700	422	41
Castleford	29	20	0	9	625	409	40
Haifax	27	16	1	10	505	439	33
Bradford N.	28	14	1	13	520	517	29
Hull KR	28	14	0	14	405	517	28
Leeds	28	13	0	15	543	524	26
Oldham	28	13	0	15	518	619	26
Leigh	29	12	1	16	532	600	25
Salford	28	12	0	16	450	614	24
Hull	27	11	1	15	471	621	23
Widnes	26	11	0	15	477	534	22
Featherstone	28	8	1	19	480	700	17
Barrow	29	6	2	21	442	723	14
Wakefield	27	2	1	24	346	881	5

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FIRST TEAM RECORD

	1986-87 SEASON						Total for Salford					
	P	Sub	T	G	D	Pts	P	Sub	T	G	D	Pts
G. Austin	29	1	13	15	1	83	29	1	13	15	1	83
M. Barrett	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
A. Beckett	1	-	-	-	-	-	3	5	1	1	-	5
K. Bentley	4	-	1	-	-	4	39	6	9	-	-	36
I. Blease	5	1	1	-	-	4	18	4	6	-	-	24
D. Bloor	22	1	7	-	-	28	92	15	38	-	2	154
P. Brownbill	-	2	-	-	-	-	7	2	-	-	-	-
D. Bullough	5	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-
G. Byrne	21	-	7	-	-	28	162	5	81	-	-	299
G. Disley	11	7	-	-	-	-	44	10	-	-	-	-
J. Fazakerley	7	-	-	11	-	22	8	2	-	11	-	22
P. Fletcher	26	-	5	-	-	20	157	14	39	40	1	223
M. Foy	3	1	1	-	-	4	6	3	3	-	-	12
P. Glynn	24	3	3	-	1	13	114	6	24	1	5	103
P. Groves	15	6	1	-	-	4	89	6	14	-	-	56
S. Herbert	29	2	3	-	-	12	60	2	6	-	-	24
M. McTigue	23	1	6	-	-	24	130	5	22	-	-	82
D. Major	28	1	2	-	-	8	123	55	9	-	-	35
I. Marsh	11	-	1	-	-	4	47	-	15	-	-	60
M. Moran	14	1	1	-	-	4	14	1	1	-	-	4
S. Morris	2	-	1	-	-	4	2	-	1	-	-	4
S. Moylan	2	1	1	-	-	4	21	1	2	-	-	8
D. Needham	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
K. O'Loughlin	31	-	6	-	-	24	62	-	15	-	-	60
T. O'Shea	19	1	9	49	-	134	19	1	9	49	-	134
J. Pendlebury	7	-	-	1	-	2	55	-	7	35	1	99
D. Ruddy	8	4	2	-	-	8	19	11	4	-	-	16
G. Schubert	5	2	-	-	-	-	5	2	-	-	-	-
G. Selby	19	-	6	-	-	24	19	-	6	-	-	24
R. Smith	2	2	-	-	-	-	64	32	22	102	-	271
M. Wakefield	15	5	2	-	-	8	15	5	2	-	-	8
C. Whiteley	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
R. Wiltshire	15	-	3	-	-	12	29	-	10	-	-	40

RESULTS IN DETAIL

Thursday 9th April

Stones Bitter Championship

LEIGH 1-3-0-10 SALFORD 2-3-0-14

Team: Fletcher; Austin (3g), O'Loughlin, Byrne (t), Marsh; Glynn, Bloor (t);
Herbert, Moran, Disley, Major, Bullough, McTigue. Subs: Needham, Groves
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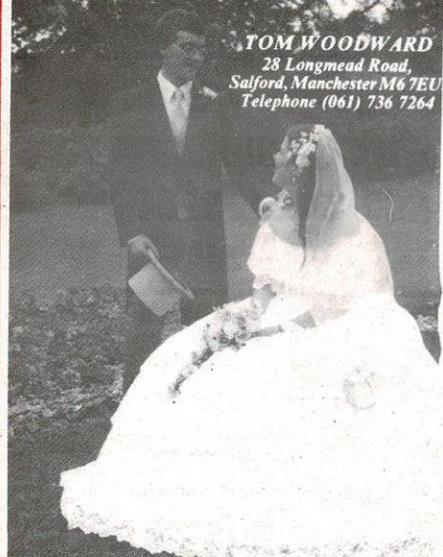
WILLOWS PROFILE

ON.... MARK MORAN

Born: October 15th, 1964
Birthplace: Widnes
Marital Status: Married to Donna
Occupation: Plasterer
Salford Debut: December 26th, 1986
 v Oldham (away)
Signed from: Simms Cross A.R.L.
Other Clubs: None
Representative Hons: G.B. under 19 Barla
 G.B. Amateur open age side.
Best R.L. moment: Playing at Wembley for Widnes under 11 side in the curtain raiser before the 1975 Challenge Cup Final
R.L. Ambition: To tour Down Under
Biggest Influence: My Dad
Favourite Ground: Naughton Park, Widnes
Favourite T.V. Show: Brookside
Which person would you most like to meet: Linda Lusardi
Favourite Music: Any popular music



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VISITORS TO THE WILLOWS....

Oldham

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Mick Burke (full back) Joined Oldham from Widnes just before the cup deadline in January. Former G.B. full back who toured Down Under 1984. Won every award at Naughton Park except league champions.

Hussein M'Barki (winger) Moroccan he began his professional career at Fulham in 1981, then moved on to Warrington before joining Oldham last season. Also played for a spell at full back.

Des Foy (centre) Probably one of the fastest centres in R.L. Signed from Widnes in January 1983. Represented G.B. on three occasions in 1984 and also has appeared for the G.B. under 24 side.

Gary Warnecke (centre) Hails from the Wests Club in Australia and was at Watersheddings last season when he did not miss a game. Dangerous attacker who scored 14 tries last term.

Mick Taylor (winger) Very strong player who was signed from the Britannia Works A.R.L. club (Huddersfield) in March 1983. Practically an ever present since joining Oldham.

David Topliss (stand off) Snapped up by Oldham on a free transfer after being released by Hull prior to last season. Former G.B. half back who has been a professional since July 1968 when he signed for Wakefield Trinity. Joined Hull in May 1981 for a £15,000 fee and became captain there. Won all the honours in the game including the Lance Todd Trophy.

Paddy Kirwan (scrum half) Local lad, who was signed from the Colts side. Whole hearted player who has a good footballing brain. His try knocked Wigan out of the Challenge Cup this season.

Hugh Waddell (prop) Signed for Oldham just before the cup deadline in a £15,000 move from Blackpool Borough. His strong display with the seaisiders earned him an England cap in 1985.

Terry Flanagan (hooker) Played nearly all his rugby at loose forward but has reverted to the hooking role. A full International who has also represented G.B. under 24's. Home grown player who worked his way through the club sides to the very top.

Wally Jones (prop) Great clubman who was a bargain buy from neighbours Rochdale Hornets in October 1982. One of the games underrated players.

Mick Worrall (second row) G.B. International who toured Australia in 1984. One of the tallest players in the game, he is a former Colts player.

Colin Hawkyard (second row) Native of Huddersfield who plays equally well in the centre. A 100% trier who is a great team player.

Ian Sherratt (second row) Local lad who joined Oldham a couple of weeks ago from Bradford Northern in a deal that saw David Hobbs move to Odsal. Began his rugby career with Waterhead before joining Northern as a 17 year old some 4 years ago.

Paul Sherman (utility player) Product of the junior leagues in Widnes who has proved himself to be a good defender. Capable of scoring unexpected tries and he will improve with experience.

Stuart Raper (loose forward) Son of a famous Australian Tourist who tormented G.B. on many occasions in the mid 60's. Plays his rugby with Cronulla back home and under coach Jack Gibson he has matured tremendously.



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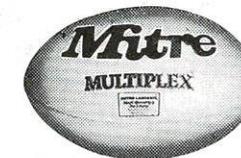
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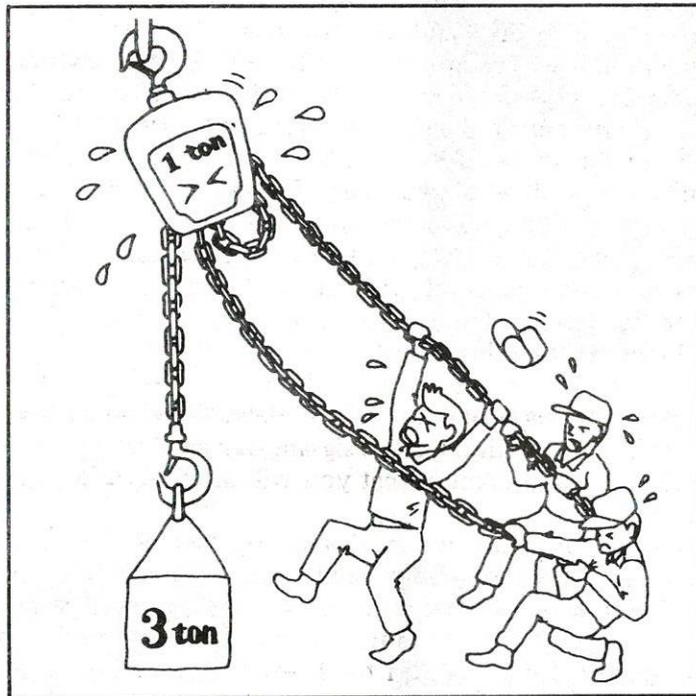
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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN



Today's fixture against Oldham is our last home game of the season but it will probably be the most important one as far as Salford Rugby League Club is concerned.

Following our superb win at Leigh we now know that our future is in our hands and we must continue our momentum if we are to have First Division rugby here at the Willows next season. Everything, here at Salford, is geared up to top flight rugby and we have proved, especially during the latter half of the season, that we can turn in some impressive performances. Kevin Ashcroft and Tom Grainey have worked hard for the club and I would like to place on record that irrespective of where Salford finish in the league, the two of them have always had the full backing of the Board of Directors and their position with the club has never been a problem; Kevin was recently voted as Rugby Leaguer "Coach of the Month" for March and he fully deserves it.

Looking back over the season, I think you will agree that our Australian signings did us proud. Mark Wakefield, Geoff Selby & Greg Austin have all performed admirably. The signing of New Zealander Terry O'Shea was a real bonus and I know that you will all be looking forward to his return next season.

On the home front we have recently signed 17 Years old Andy Burgess, second row Peter Regan and stand off David Needham. Former Fulham player Dave Bullough has now joined us on a permanent basis and he will inject more pace into our pack. But the find of the season has been hooker Mark Moran; I think we have a real gem in this former Simms Cross A.R.L. player.

Seasoned professionals like Keiron O'Loughlin, Peter Glynn and Steve Herbert have made significant contributions and it is a tribute to their fitness that they have played together in nearly every match this season. The team spirit is second to none and in what has been a difficult season my thanks are extended to our loyal fans who have stood by us.

Whatever the outcome of this season, I trust I will see you all again next campaign, hopefully in the First Division.

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Trenchman Trophy

VOTING FOR THE HALIFAX HOME GAME (22-3-87) WAS:-

3pts PETER GLYNN 2pts MICK McTIGUE 1pt TERRY O'SHEA

THE TOP PLACES ARE:- STEVE HERBERT 15 points

DAVE RUDDY 12 points MARK WAKEFIELD 11 points PETER GLYNN 10 points
GEOFF SELBY 10 points MICK McTIGUE 7 points DARREN BLOOR, 7 points;
STEVE'S THE WINNER

Today in the last match for voting and from the table it is clear that Steve Herbert cannot be overhauled. Therefore he will be the first recipient of the Trenchman Trophy which will be presented to him at the end of season social evening on Monday 27th April.

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'LETS TRY AGAIN'. Thats what Referee John Holdsworth appears to be saying during the Salford v Halifax Game (22/3/87) (Photo: K. Platt)



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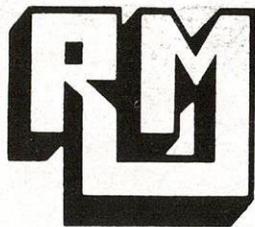
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LEAGUE DIV 1

	P	W	D	L	For	Agst	Pts	
Wigan	20	16	—	4	564	298	32	On reflection, the Alliance team have done considerably better than their middle of the table position would at first suggest. 1st Team call ups, especially during the injury crisis meant that resources became severely drained and all credit should go to coach Bob Welding for his side's performance in the Alliance. Bob is a highly respected member of our coaching staff at the Willows and provides tremendous back up for the first team. His job is made that much harder when you realise that it is almost impossible for him to field the same team two weeks running. WELL DONE BOB.
St. Helens	19	15	—	4	506	285	30	
Warrington	22	14	1	7	621	338	29	
Widnes	21	13	—	8	518	399	26	
Castleford	20	12	—	8	410	371	24	
Hull K.R.	20	11	—	9	384	396	22	
Salford	21	10	—	11	374	336	20	
Halifax	20	8	2	10	318	405	18	
Leeds	21	8	1	12	455	435	17	
Hull	21	8	1	12	336	379	17	
Barrow	23	6	3	14	330	646	15	
Leigh	18	6	—	12	293	459	12	
Wakefield T.	22	3	—	19	300	662	6	

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1986/87

FIRST TEAM

1986		F	A
Sun. Aug. 24	Leigh (Testimonial)	H 18-28	
Sun.	31-Wigan	A 12-42	
Wed. Sep	3-St. Helens	H 4-38	
Sun.	7-Bradford N	H 12-22	
Sun.	14-Warrington (Lancs cup 1)	A 20-28	
Sun.	21-Warrington	A 14-42	
Wed.	24-(Lancs cup 2)		
Sun.	28-Barrow	H 12-24	
Sun. Oct.	5-Leeds	A 10-46	
Sun.	12-Hull K.R.	H 14-34	
Fri.	17-St. Helens	A 14-32	
Sun.	26-Featherstone R	A 6-16	
Sun. Nov.	2-Warrington	H 10-25	
Sun.	9-Wigan	H 0-34	
Sun.	16-Castleford	A 21-20	
Sun.	23-Widnes	H 22-16	
Sun. Nov	30-Hull (J.P.I.)	H 12-27	
Sun. Dec	21-Halifax	A 8-18	
Fri.	26-Oldham	A 18-34	
1987		F	A
Thur. Jan.	1-Leigh	H 20-12	
Sun.	4-Wakefield T.	A 16-10	
Sun.	25-Hull	H 29-18	
Sun. Feb.	1-Leeds	H 0-4	
	(Silk Cut Challenge Cup 1)		
Sun.	8-Widnes	A 12-13	
Sun	15-Featherstone R.	H 26-16	
Fri.	20-Castleford	H 36-10	
Sun. Mar.	1-Wakefield T.	H 36-12	
Sun.	8-Leeds	H 12-14	
Sun.	15-Barrow	A 26-20	
Sun.	22-Halifax	H	
Wed.	25 Hull	A 14-8	
Sun. Apr.	5-Hull K.R.	A 16-20	
Thurs	9 Leigh	A 14-10	
Fri.	17-Oldham	H	
Tues.	21-Bradford N	A	

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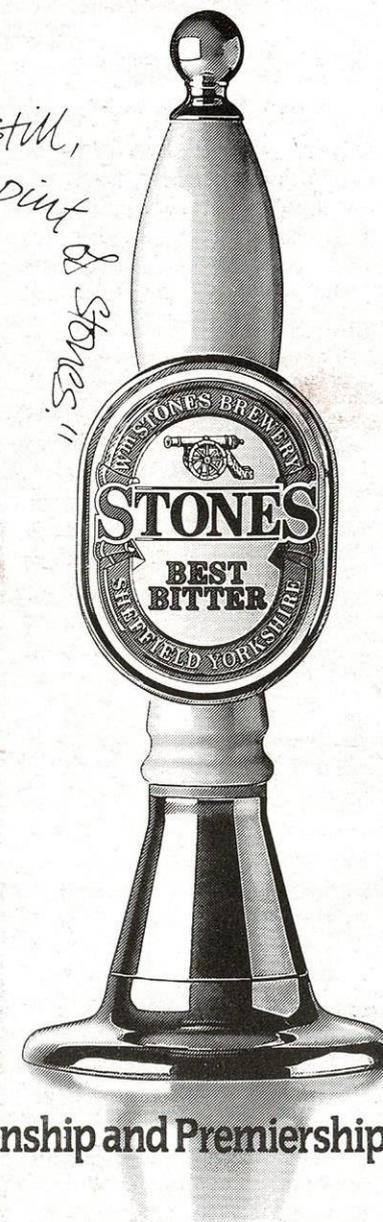
1986		F	A
Fri. Aug. 29	Wigan	H 10-26	
Thur	11-Leigh	A 24-16	
Fri.	19-Warrington	H 20-13	
Sat.	27-Barrow	A 18-16	
Sat. Oct.	4-Barrow (Lancs Shield 1)	A 6-46	
Fri.	17-Lancs Shield Rd 2		
Fri.	24-Leeds	H 30-10	
Fri.	31-Warrington	A 13-30	
Thur. Dec.	4-Wakefield T.	A 14-20	
Fri.	12-Hull	H 26-6	
1987		F	A
Fri. Jan.	2-Wakefield T.	H 36-10	
Fri.	23-Hull	A 14-24	
Sat. Feb	7-Dewsbury (Cup 1)	A 24-6	
Tues.	10-St. Helens	H 16-7	
Sat.	14-Hull K.R.	H 2-22	
Sat.	21-Leigh (Cup 2)	H 14-18	
Fri.	27-Leigh	H 11-18	
Tues. Mar.	3-Wigan	A 12-18	
Tues.	10-Halifax	H 34-10	
Sat.	14-Barrow	H 18-26	
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Tues.	24-Widnes	A 8-20	
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