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Paul Frazer 13  
14  
15

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Kevin Meadows  
Paul Lord  
Brett Clark  
Mike Ford  
A.N. OTHER  
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**REGAL TROPHY**

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# REGAL TROPHY

## COMPETITION 1989-90

Imperial Tobacco, with the signing of a new agreement, are extending their 22-year involvement with Rugby League for another three years. At the same time, they have changed the name of the trophy competition to one of their most prestigious product names - Regal.

This year, the Regal Trophy Competition is worth a record £250,000, of which £150,000 will be in prize money, with £100,000 going to the League's Capital Development Fund. The increased sponsorship over the three years totals £825,000, which takes Imperial Tobacco's support of rugby league since 1967 to over two million pounds.

### THE PRIZE STRUCTURE FOR THIS SEASON'S COMPETITION IS:-

PRELIMINARY ROUND	-	£1,740 each club
FIRST ROUND	-	£1,745 to losers
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PRELIMINARY ROUND	-	19 NOVEMBER 1989
FIRST ROUND	-	WEEKEND OF 2/3 DECEMBER 1989
SECOND ROUND	-	WEEKEND OF 9/10 DECEMBER 1989
THIRD ROUND	-	WEEKEND OF 16/17 DECEMBER 1989
FIRST SEMI-FINAL	-	SATURDAY 23 DECEMBER 1989
SECOND SEMI-FINAL	-	SATURDAY 30 DECEMBER 1989
FINAL	-	SATURDAY 13 JANUARY 1990

**BOTH SEMI-FINALS AND THE FINAL WILL BE PLAYED AT NEUTRAL VENUES.**

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**Hon. Club Doctor:** Dr. M.J. Hall

**Time keeper:** Keith Roberts

**Kitman:** Colin Ellis

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### Facts and Figures

**Founded:** 1879

**First Season:** 1896/97

**Nickname:** The Villagers

**Honours:** BBC 2, TV Floodlit Trophy Winners 1973/74

**Record Attendance** 12,600 v Leeds (League Match) 7th May 1947

### Club Records

<b>Score for</b>	62 pts v Dewsbury 30.10.88
<b>Score Against</b>	92 pts v Australia (Tour match)
<b>Tries In A match</b>	7 by Joe Sedgewick v Normanton 16.4.06
<b>Goals in a match</b>	11 by Barney Ward v Doncaster 1.9.74 (Yorkshire Cup - 1st Rd)
<b>Points in a match</b>	28 by Barney Ward v Doncaster 1.9.74 (Yorkshire Cup - 1st Rd)
<b>Tries in a season</b>	34 by Peter Lister 1985/86
<b>Goals in a season</b>	130 by Johnny Wilson 1961/62
<b>Points in a season</b>	276 by George Langfield 1956/57
<b>Tries in a career</b>	103 by Peter Lister 1980/88
<b>Goals in a career</b>	926 by Johnny Wilson 1953/64
<b>Points in a career</b>	1,903 by Johnny Wilson 1953/64
<b>Appearances in a career</b>	410 by Johnny Wolford 1962/76
<b>Consecutive Appearances</b>	100 by Jim Hainsworth April 1960-December 1964

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Competition for the Rugby League's newest event - The Regal Trophy - starts in earnest this weekend when 16 First Round matches take place.

Although the Trophy is new, its Sponsors, Imperial Tobacco Limited, are certainly not. This will be the 23rd successive season that the Company has supported Rugby League, previously under the banner of the John Player Trophy, making it one of the longest running sponsorships in major British Sport.

The Regal Trophy is worth a total of £250,000 of which £150,000 will go in prize money, including a record £28,000 to the winners. £100,000 will be input to the Rugby League Capital Development Fund to help the Ground Improvement scheme.

First Round losers receive £1,745 but those Clubs still involved will be able to learn of their Second Round opponents by tuning in to BBC Radio Leeds tomorrow morning at 7.45am when the live draw will be made. It will be broadcast simultaneously on local radio in Yorkshire, Greater Manchester, Humberside and Merseyside and networked to other radio stations. national Press.

Preliminary Round ties have already been played and considerable interest was generated by the performance of the three Amateur clubs involved. Each was in the lead at some stage of their match against Second Division opponents and Crosfields of Warrington were only defeated in the last minute by Workington. West Hull gave high flying Batley a real fright at Mount Pleasant before going down 28 - 14 and the Cumbrians from Keels were 2 - 0 up at the interval but could not match the power of Doncaster.

First Round matches began on Friday evening with Sheffield Eagles meeting Rochdale Hornets at Thrum Hall. The BBC Televised game yesterday featured St Helens against Hull KR and the remaining fixtures today are :-

Bradford Northern	v	Keighley
Bramley	v	Oldham
Chorley	v	Castleford
Dewsbury	v	Carlisle
Fulham	v	Halifax
Hull	v	Salford
Hunslet	v	Barrow
Leeds	v	Leigh
Nottingham City	v	Widnes
Swinton	v	Batley
Trafford Borough	v	Featherstone Rovers
Whitehaven	v	Runcorn Highfield
Wigan	v	Doncaster
Workington Town	v	Huddersfield

It is interesting to note that the draw has produced only two fixtures involving all First Division Clubs, Hull v Salford and Leeds v Leigh. You could say that this gives plenty of opportunities for giant killing, but a more realistic viewpoint would be the all the top Clubs ought to make progress without much difficulty. This would then ensure some really tasty Second Round matches next weekend.

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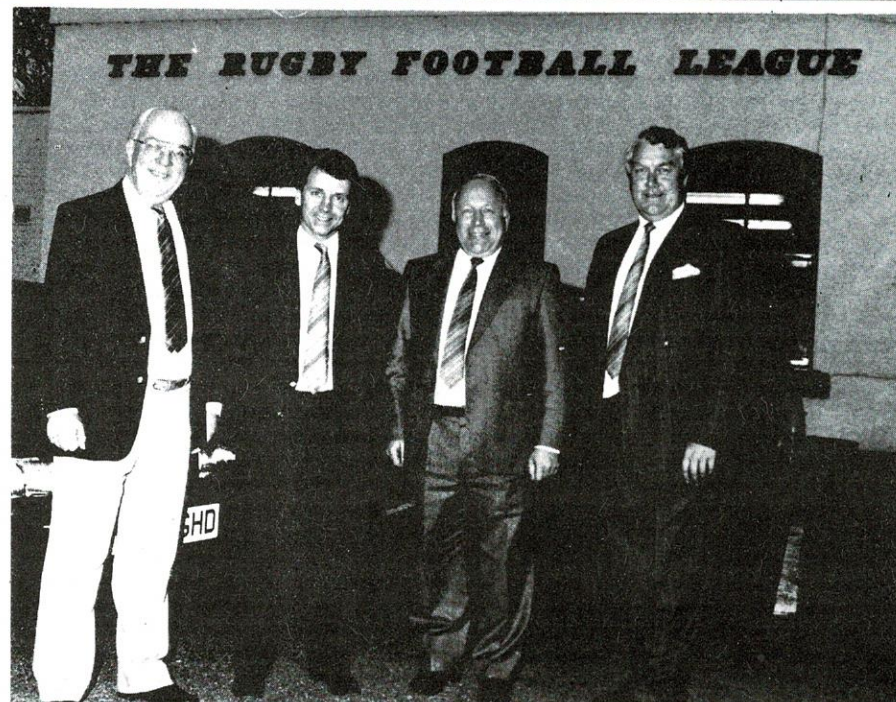
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Sports Minister Colin Moynihan paid a recent visit to Rugby League Headquarters. The Minister met members of the Rugby League Board of Directors and toured the Chapeltown Road building to talk with individual staff members. The MP also walked round the new extension to the Rugby League Headquarters which is currently being developed as an executive suite and extra office accommodation.

The Sports Minister, second from the left, is pictured with Board members, from left to right, Harry Jepson, Bob Ashby (Chairman) and Rodney Walker.

### HALF TIME QUIZ

1. From which Clubs did Oldham sign the following players : -  
a) Gary Hyde b) John Fairbank c) Paul Round d) Charlie McAllister
2. Oldham reached the Challenge Cup semi final in 1986. Who beat them.
3. Who played and scored in every match in a season for Oldham and also in a different season for Hunslet.
4. Which former Oldham player won the Lance Todd Trophy in 1983.
5. To which Clubs did Oldham transfer these players : -  
a) Ray Ashton b) Mick Worrall c) Andy Goodway d) Hugh Waddell
6. Which two Clubs were relegated with Oldham from Division One at the end of last season and which three Clubs replaced them.

Answers below Division Two results column.

## TODAYS VISITORS

Today we welcome to McLaren Field the players, officials and supporters of Oldham for this 1st Round match in the Regal Trophy. It is quite some time since we had the pleasure of their company here at Bramley, as Oldham have spent a couple of seasons in Division One and then the revised fixture format determined that we should not meet in the League.

The name of Oldham RLFC is respected throughout the sport and their famous home at the Watersheddings, perched high on the Pennines, has seen many great games over the years. Oldham is rightly regarded as a "Rugby town" with a tradition going back almost to the start of the Century. The Club played their first game as long ago as 21st October 1876 against Stalybridge and were quickly amongst the Honours.

Oldham were Challenge Cup winners in 1899 and took the Lancashire Cup in 1907 and 1909 as well as being Runners up in 1908, 1910 and 1911. They were First Division champions in 1905 and runners up in 1907, 1908 and 1909, before winning it again in 1910 and 1911.

All this success came before the Great War of course, when Oldham rivalled the famous Huddersfield team of Wagstaff, Rosenfield and Moorhouse in the battle to decide the supreme Champions. Indeed, the Clubs record attendance came on 24th February 1912, when over 28,000 packed the ground for the match between these neighbours from different sides of the Pennines.

The War years intervened and lead to the break up of that fine team, but Oldham were soon back amongst the best and remarkably reached the Challenge Cup final in four successive years, winning in 1925 and 1927, but runners up in 1924 and 1926. These were the years just before the Competition was taken to Wembley and remarkably Oldham have still to make a visit to the Twin Towers, for despite having some great players in the meantime, they have not reached the Cup Final again.

The most famous Oldham team of recent times came in the late 1950s when a formidable pack of forwards was supplemented by classy threequarters and the remarkable boot of Bernard Ganley at full back. This team won the Lancashire Cup in three successive years, 1956, 57 and 58 at a time when there were many fine teams on the other side of the hills. That represented another peak for the Club however, and they have enjoyed only occasional success since.

They were Second Division Champions in 1964, 1982 and most recently in 1988 but cannot quite establish themselves in the Big Time. There were Lancashire Cup finals again in 1966, 1968 and 1986 but Oldham were defeated each time and success continues to elude them.

Many excellent players have worn the famous Cherry and White hoops with Navy shorts but Ganley remains as perhaps the most celebrated. His "Goals in a Season" record of 224, set in 1957 / 58, stood for many years until David Watkins extended it even further and his career total of 2881 remains as a record for the Oldham Club. Other stars of that era were such as John Eddy, Alan Davies and Derek "Rocky" Turner who began his career at the Club before moving on to greater things at Wakefield.

So Oldham are perhaps a "Slumbering Giant" just waiting to regain their former glory. We welcome them to Bramley today and look forward to a fine, entertaining Cup tie.

## VISITORS PROFILES

### OLDHAM

The Oldham club is famed throughout Rugby League for its commitment to the sport and for the strength of the support which it receives from the local people. In the early years of this Century, Oldham produced a formidable side which rivalled even the great Huddersfield "Team of all the Talents" but their most productive era in modern times was during the late 1950s. Then the Watersheddings faithful were able to savour the talents of such as Full Back Bernard Ganley, who kicked 224 goals in 1957/58 and classy Centre Alan Davies, scorer of over 180 tries for the Club. There was great skill at Half Back with the renowned Frankie Pitchford and up front that formidable pack, which included the likes of Winstanley, Little and the young Derek Turner.

Since those heady days, Oldham have not been able to consistently achieve major success but they did reach the Lancashire Cup final in 1986 and won the Second Division Premiership in 1988.

Following relegation last season, the Club have not felt the need to make "panic" buys, but have generally stuck with the same players and the reward has been a successful start to the current campaign, which will surely result in an immediate return to the top flight.

Full back DUNCAN PLATT was a £35,000 buy from Widnes which immediately bore fruit. A consistent goalkicker with a keen eye for try scoring opportunities, he also provides a reliable last line of defence. The Oldham threequarter line possess both pace and power with New Zealander CHARLIE McALLISTER being well known in West Yorkshire, following his exploits with the Bradford and Bingley RU Club. STEVE ROBINSON and KEVIN MEADOWS are speedy wingers with real finishing ability, whilst former St Helens back, SHAUN ALLEN and PAUL LORD must also be carefully watched.

Perhaps the best known of Oldham's current players is Half Back, MICHAEL FORD. He made his name with Wigan and played in their Wembley victory over Hull before moving to Leigh and eventually joined Oldham in a Club record £65,000 transfer deal in January 1988. FORD toured Australia with the last Gt Britain party and his ability to play in either half back position makes him a valuable member of the squad.

In the forwards, JOHN FAIRBANK is one of the famous set of brothers from Elland. He went to Oldham from Leeds as part of the deal which took HUGH WADDELL to Headingley and has been able to learn his trade and make progress away from the pressures and demands of a glamour Club. Hooker ANDY RUANE from Widnes has previous experience with Rochdale Hornets and is a lively character who loves to get on the scoreboard. Big PAUL ROUND came to Oldham from St Helens in a big money transfer and scored plenty of tries last year despite being in a relegated team. He was joined after Christmas by Australian JOHN COGGER in what was an inspired signing by Coach TONY BARROW. COGGER had been well respected around the Second Division circuit whilst with struggling Runcorn but his move into better ranks only served to emphasise his class.

He scored plenty of tries and was quickly made Captain of the team, such was the example which he set. Although eventually his leadership could not keep Oldham in the top flight, the enthusiasm which he generated ensured that heads would not drop and an immediate return should follow.

## DIVISION TWO ROUNDUP

A full programme of Second Division fixtures last weekend produced just one real shock, as results went very much according to form and the more fancied Clubs began to emerge from the pack to take their expected place amongst the promotion hopefuls.

The surprise leaders, Rochdale Hornets, had to work hard for a 26 - 20 victory at Hunslet but Allan Agar's team came with a late burst to maintain their fine start to the season, with 10 wins from their opening 11 games.

The shock was produced by Carlisle, who despite languishing in the bottom three of the Division were too good for promotion favourites Halifax. Their 30 - 20 success included a hat trick of tries from ex BARLA International Steve Rea and a brilliant touchdown by that classy centre Kevin Pape. Halifax have hit a really bad patch in which they have struggled to defeat such as Trafford and Chorley, so perhaps this reverse was not such a surprise. Coach John Dorahy must be a worried man however, for with Rochdale, Huddersfield and Ryedale York showing good form and Hull KR and Oldham looking almost unbeatable, the promotion stakes may not be the 3 Club event that everyone had predicted.

Oldham defeated Doncaster 30 - 8 before almost 5,000 spectators and Hull KR thrashed Dewsbury 54 - 6 also with more than 4,000 in attendance. With just one defeat each, these two seem to be odds on to go up as had seemed obvious at the start of the season. It is good to see Huddersfield going so well and with only two defeats they could also figure strongly. The Fartowners were well organised in winning 14 - 2 here at McLaren Field to stretch their 100% away record to 5 matches. Ryedale York stayed in touch thanks to a 28 - 10 home success over Chorley.

Swinton didn't have a game but stay with the leaders on 16 points along with Dewsbury, Fulham and Batley. The men from Mount Pleasant missed a chance to join the top 4 when they lost at home to Fulham but exciting young centre Andy Williams provided one highlight with their only try in a 12 - 10 defeat. Elsewhere, Trafford defeated Workington 24 - 10, Whitehaven just edged out Keighley 22 - 18 and Nottingham's second win of the season ensured that Runcorn's lengthy losing sequence was maintained in the battle of the bottom two.

Statistically, John Woods of Rochdale extended his try scoring sequence to 6 matches whilst colleague Mark Lord has now scored at least one try in each of Rochdale's last 5 games. Mark Aston made it 50 consecutive point scoring matches for Sheffield Eagles with 4 goals in the 20 - 20 draw at Salford. This game was quite remarkable in that Sheffield trailed by 20 points to nil at one stage but recovered to snatch a draw. Aston's scoring run has brought him a total of 412 points from 200 goals, including 16 dropped goals, and 7 tries. He has scored for Sheffield in every match from the start of last season.

Rochdale and St Helens currently have the longest winning run with 8 matches. The Hornets record involves only League games but Saints began with a narrow victory over the New Zealand tourists followed by 7 Stones Bitter Championship matches.

Runcorn Highfield's 13 - 6 defeat at Nottingham was their 23rd loss in succession. They have gone 34 matches without a win (thanks be to Steve Carroll that we didn't end that sequence !!) including an 8 - 8 draw with Workington and their last success was 20 - 12 at home to Fulham on 30th October 1988. So don't despair Bramley fans - it could be a lot worse !!!

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### TOP TEN TRY SCORERS

1.	Martin Offiah	Widnes	23
2.	Mark Preston	Wigan	19
3.	Andy Goodway	Wigan	14
	Paul Newlove	Featherstone	14
5.	Kevin Iro	Wigan	13
	Brimah Kebbie	Widnes	13
	Owen Simpson	Keighley	13
	Garry Clark	Hull KR	13
9.	David Plange	Castleford	12
	Chris Bibb	Featherstone	12
	Gerald Cordle	Bradford Northern	12
	Andy Williams	Batley	12
	Mark Lord	Rochdale	12

### TOP TEN GOAL SCORERS

1.	Paul Loughlin	St Helens	77
2.	Steve Turner	Rochdale	72
	Mike Fletcher	Hull KR	72
4.	Jonathan Davies	Widnes	59
5.	David Hobbs	Bradford N	52
	Mark Aston	Sheffield	52
7.	Mark Conway	Wakefield	51
8.	Keith Dixon	Keighley	47
9.	Robert Turner	Warrington	43
	Keith Jones	Doncaster	43

### MILESTONES

David Hobbs of Bradford Northern requires just one more try for a career century of touchdowns.

Bradford Northern's attendance of 11,842 for the local derby against Leeds last Sunday was their biggest for a home League match since Two Divisions were re-introduction in 1973, beating the 11,310 who saw them lose 14 - 10 to Wigan at Bradford City's Valley Parade ground on 10th April 1988.

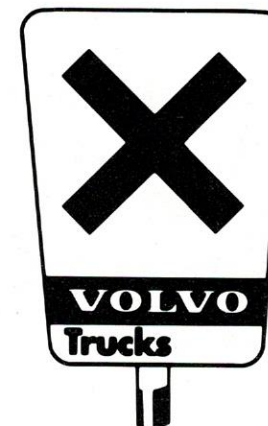
### DIVISION TWO RESULTS LAST WEEKEND

Batley	10	v	12	Fulham
Bramley	2	v	14	Huddersfield
Carlisle	30	v	20	Halifax
Hull KR	54	v	6	Dewsbury
Hunslet	20	v	26	Rochdale Hornets
Nottingham	13	v	6	Runcorn
Oldham	30	v	8	Doncaster
Ryedale York	28	v	10	Chorley
Trafford B	24	v	10	Workington
Whitehaven	22	v	18	Keighley

### HALF TIME QUIZ ANSWERS

1. a) Castleford b) Leeds c) St Helens d) Bradford and Bingley RUFC
2. Castleford
3. Mick Parrish
4. David Hobbs
5. a) Leeds b) Salford c) Wigan d) Leeds
6. Halifax and Hull KR : Leigh, Barrow and Sheffield Eagles

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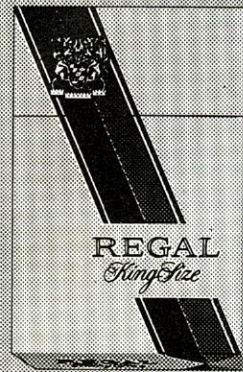
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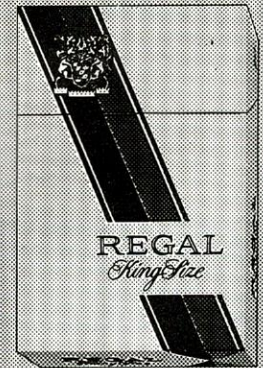
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