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Last week's grim display in front of the Sky Sports cameras gave us ample opportunity to curse our bad luck. First, we were probably the only side this season to face a full-strength Widnes outfit, whilst we spent the whole week getting people like Dave Woods and Geoff Bagnall fit to play. Then the day before the game Richard Slater was rushed into hospital with severe stomach cramps and the doctors not knowing whether it was appendicitis or a burst ulcer. Hardly the best preparation for a tough game, and it all seemed to rub off on the lads' performance, which was way off our best. Credit must be due to Widnes, who tackled their socks off, especially in the second half when we seemed to be pounding for ages on their line but the players and myself all know that we have got to win these sort of games if we are to hold our own in the Big League.



There were also many in the ground who were somewhat baffled when Lee Hanlan's try was disallowed just before half-time, as it seemed that the kick simply rebounded off a couple of Widnes players' legs and Lee picked up the loose ball. It certainly seemed no different to the one Phil Veivers scored against us the week before at Knowsley Road, but it seems that when things are going against you, you never seem to get those marginal decisions.

Having said that, we can play a lot better than we have, though it is not for lack of trying that we have been coming off second best in recent weeks, indeed, team spirit in training has been really good, and the lads have been working at their game really enthusiastically. In particular we have working on controlling the ball better as we have been giving the opposition too much cheap possession in recent games, and one of the positive points about last Friday's game was that we spilled the ball far less than in recent weeks. However, we know we can create chances better than we did against Widnes, and we will be looking to improve on that area of our game this afternoon.

Today's game will be really vital for both teams. Oldham, featuring Trinity old-boy Davind Jones as well as the likes of kangaroo star Bob Lindner, will really fancy their chances of pushing themselves up the table at our expense, whilst we will be going all out to get our first home win to begin scrambling out of the relegation zone.

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Wigan.....	8	7	0	1	235	115	14
Bradford N. ....	8	7	0	1	237	136	14
Warrington .....	8	6	0	2	160	127	12
Castleford .....	8	5	1	2	202	116	11
Halifax .....	8	5	1	2	192	136	11
St. Helens .....	8	5	0	3	196	126	10
Featherstone .....	8	4	1	3	171	192	9
Leeds.....	8	3	1	4	168	157	7
Sheffield.....	8	3	1	4	162	191	7
Oldham .....	8	3	0	5	153	132	6
Hull.....	8	2	2	4	114	146	6
Widnes.....	8	3	0	5	123	176	6
Hull KR.....	8	3	0	5	134	224	6
Wakefield T.....	8	2	0	6	112	189	4
Salford .....	8	2	0	6	116	197	4
Leigh .....	8	0	1	7	111	226	1



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	P	W	D	L	F	A	pts
Huddersfield.....	8	8	0	0	259	106	16
Keighley.....	8	7	0	1	247	122	14
Workington T.....	8	6	0	2	215	110	12
London C.....	9	5	0	4	268	189	10
Ryedale-York .....	8	5	1	2	196	126	11
Barrow .....	8	5	0	3	211	171	10
Whitehaven .....	8	4	2	2	158	124	10
Batley.....	8	5	0	3	176	179	10
Dewsbury .....	8	4	1	3	263	143	9
Carlisle .....	8	4	0	4	146	184	8
Doncaster .....	8	4	0	4	169	210	8
Rochdale H.....	8	3	0	5	197	164	6
Swinton .....	8	1	0	7	132	254	2
Highfield .....	9	1	0	8	125	414	2
Hunslet.....	8	0	0	8	110	251	0
Bramley.....	8	0	0	8	87	212	0

	KO	F-A	ATT	TRIES	GOALS	
<b>August</b>						
29 Warrington	A	3.00	14-32	5000	Christie, Mason	B. Conway 3
<b>September</b>						
5 Wigan	H	3.00	16-40	6682	Fuller, Mason, Woods	B. Conway 2
12 Leigh	A	3.00	10-4	2896	Goddard, Woods	B. Conway
19 Bradford N.	H	3.30	8-13	5386	Goddard	Goddard 2
26 Hull KR	H	3.30	24-34	2939	Forshaw 2, Goddard, Hanlan, Wilson	Goddard 2
<b>October</b>						
3 Sheffield E.	A	3.15	30-20	4087	Brown 2, Bell, Mason, Slater	Goddard 5
10 St. Helens	A	3.00	10-36	7660	Durham	Goddard 3
22 Widnes	H	7.30	0-10	2772	-	-
31 Oldham	H	3.30				
<b>November</b>						
7 Hull	A	3.15				
14 (Regal T Round 2)						
21 Halifax	H	3.30				
28 Castleford	A	3.30				
<b>December</b>						
5 Salford	A	3.00				
12 (Regal T Round 3)						
19 Warrington	H	3.30				
26 Leeds	A	11.30				
<b>January</b>						
2 Featherstone R	H	3.30				
9 Wigan	A	3.00				
16 Leigh	A	3.30				
23 Bradford N.	A	3.00				
30 (Silk Cut CC 2)						
<b>February</b>						
6 Hull KR	A	3.15				
20 Sheffield E	H	3.30				
<b>March</b>						
6 St Helens	H	3.30				
13 Widnes	A	3.00				
20 Oldham	A	3.00				
27 Hull	H	3.30				
<b>April</b>						
1 Leeds	H	3.30				
4 Featherstone R	A	3.30				
Salford	H	3.00				
17 Halifax	A	3.00				
24 Castleford	H	3.30				



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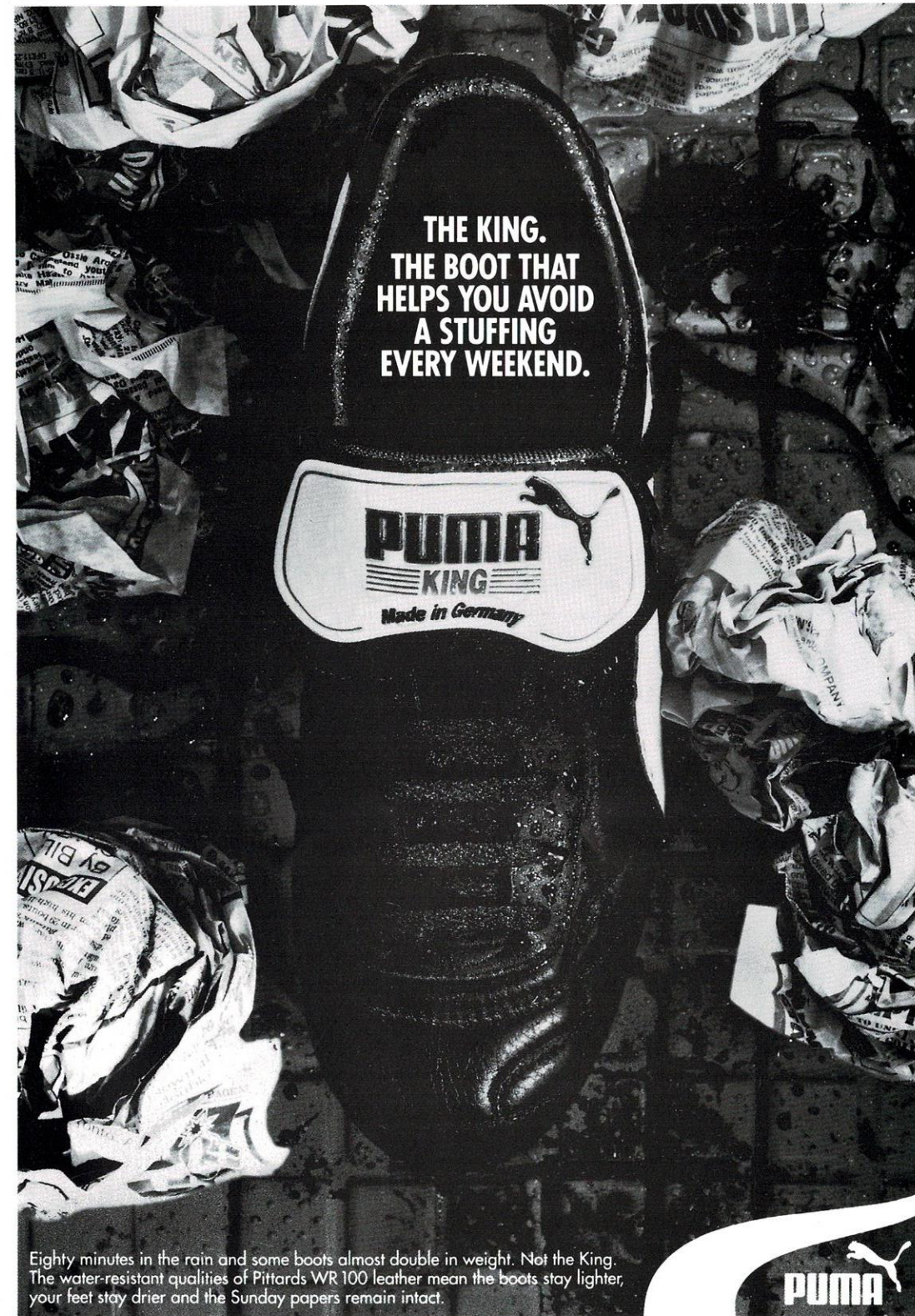
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Wakefield's Alliance side lost their third successive game with this defeat in an entertaining game at Thrum Hall. They had an ideal start with a first minute try from Adam Knighton and Kieran Allen added another before half-time when the scores were level at 8 - 8.

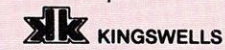
Trinity had plenty of possession in the second half but wasted their chances, Halifax broke away twice to score long-distance tries, one of them to ex-Wakefield star Michael Jackson. Wakefield completed the scoring with a John Hirst try goaled by Billy Conway but the game ended controversially with ex-international full-back Steve Hampson being dismissed for an alleged high tackle in the last minute.

The game saw the return of prop John Glancy and the Wakefield pack, led by John Thompson, played reasonably well. But they need to improve their finishing to get back on the winning trail.

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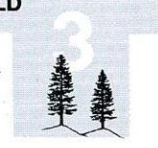
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Due to my commitment with the Supporters Club I wasn't able to see all the match on Friday night. However by all accounts "I didn't miss 'owt." All I can say is what's wrong? When we have players here at Wakefield who we know have the ability to beat even the top sides. There's nothing much else to say but:

Seeing your team win gives you a feeling of pride and elation. Even seeing them lose but knowing they have tried brings satisfaction. However at the moment standing with Wakefield fans on a Sunday afternoon you feel none of these, just a sense of frustration and anger. The fans on the terraces may not know all the finer details involved with playing professional Rugby League, but they do know how to give their all for the game they love. So give them back their Sunday of laughter and cheer, so that once again we can hear the words "Trinity we love you" sang with pride.

On a happier note, Adrian Flynn's performance at Wembley against the Junior Kiwi's earned him a second call up to the Great Britain Academy side. Let's hope that this is only the start of better things to come - progressing to the U 21's and then on to the Great Britain side.

**VISITORS**

Today welcome the players, staff and supporters of Oldham, especially the former Trinity winger David Jones. After impressive wins over Leeds and then Hull last Sunday Peter Tunks team should be on a high. Let's hope Wakefield can break their current losing streak and do to Oldham what they have done to Leeds and Hull.

**MEMBERS DRAW**

There will be a members draw at today's match. The prize has been the new book "When push comes to shove". If you would like a chance to win the next members draw join today by contacting the Hospitality Box. By becoming a member you are also entitled to a 50p reduction on coach fares to away matches.

**SUNDAY CARVERY**

As there have been no Trinity matches on the last two Sunday's I have decided to sample the food on offer at The Coach house. I must say Delia Smith's cooking isn't a patch on mine host Barbara. The food, service and atmosphere is great and for £4.95 for a 2 course meal, you can't go wrong. So if you're free between 12 pm and 3 pm on a Sunday afternoon pop down to The Coach House and have a real traditional lunch.

**DONATION**

A donation of £2,000 was made to Wakefield Trinity by the Supporters Club on 1st October 1993.

**MAN OF THE MATCH**

We rely on your man of the match votes to enable the selection of the supporters Player of the Year. Unfortunately not many supporters are bothering to help at home matches and we need your help. Therefore after today's match there will be someone at the main exit to ask for your votes.

**OLD TRAFFORD**

Sunday 24th May 1994. Prices for this day trip are yet to be finalised. However anyone wishing to book please contact the Hospitality Box.

**WEMBLEY '94**

Once again the Supporters Club will be running a trip to the Challenge Cup Final on Saturday 30th April '94. However due to poor response last season only one bus will be taken. Prices are Adult £42.00, OAP and Juniors £37.00. It is requested that a deposit of £10 accompanies each reservation and the balance to be paid by January 31st '94. Bookings can be made at the Hospitality Box.

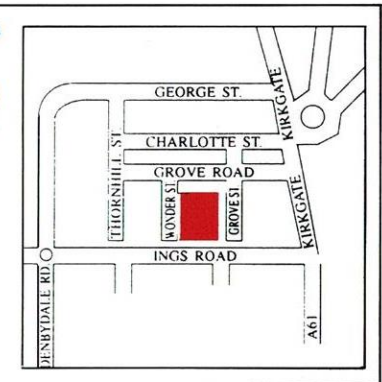
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"More disappointed ramblings from the 16.02 (delayed) out of Sheffield."

It was a particularly black evening as I made my way home, courtesy, in part, to that particular British trait of messing about with the clocks.

I thrust the key into the door, gave it a sharp twist and went inside. The heat blast from the central heating hit me full in the face and before I'd got the door fully closed the flicker of the 'message' light on the answering machine caught my eye. I didn't need to take the message, I knew who it would be. It was Tuesday, I was late, it would be Les. There was nothing else I could do, I had come out from under my little Trinity blues cloud, my programme notes were due in. The show must go on!

**WHERE'S THE FOG WHEN YOU NEED IT?**

From where ever you viewed the game against Widnes it was bad and along with the other couple of thousand 'die hards' I shook my head a lot for the Sky camera's.

But perhaps we should spare a thought for the sports minister/heritage minister (or whatever he's called these days). He travelled from London to catch the game, got stuck in hours of traffic and hold ups and didn't arrive in Wakefield until the 'game' was well and truly over. His reward for such a journey was a quick shuffy round Belle Vue, a sandwich, a piece of pork pie and a chance meeting with me and my mate George. Mind you, we soon cheered him up by pointing out that he'd probably had more fun stuck in the traffic than we'd had watching the game!

**BAGNALL: PART 1**

Talking of my mate George he told me a little tale the other day which I promised not to repeat. Apparently he was sitting on a wall at the end of Agbrigg Road when he saw a Trinity sponsored car, driven by one Geoff Bagnall, hurtling down from Heath Common. As the car got closer to George it started indicating right to turn into The Stoneleigh. After about 30 seconds of frantic indicating to turn right the left indicator suddenly came on and Bagnall shot down Agbrigg Road. A couple of minutes later Bagnall's car came up Agbrigg Road, indicating left and turned down Doncaster Road towards Belle Vue. George was quite bemused, and he assures me that this is true, when another couple of minutes later Bagnall came back down Doncaster Road, indicated left and turned in at the Stoneleigh! "I couldn't believe it Clarkie," exclaimed George. "It was just like watching him on the field."

**BAGNALL: PART 2**

If there is any truth in what we hear then, apparently, we are about to part company with Bagnall in the New Year. He is apparently deserting the sun kissed skyline of Belle Vue for the gloomy surroundings of Canberra, and who can blame him? If only it was an option open to us all, sadly it isn't so come hell or high water (and both will probably descend upon us) we'll still be here flying the flag. Think of us when you're surfing mate.

**EASTMOOR**

As a little treat the Clarkson charabanc had a trip up Eastmoor last Saturday to watch them beat Barrow Island and go to the top of the Conference Second Division. (Congratulations are in order to all involved). But it wasn't until after the game that the full significance of all this really came home. Ian, one of the more pessimistic Trinity supporters, (well, he does sell insurance!) had been on to me a few weeks back but I'd pooh-poohed him at the time. Anyway, this is his theory: If Eastmoor continue as they are doing (i.e. winning) and Trinity carry on as they are doing (i.e. not winning) then **theoretically** it is possible that both teams could be playing, in the **same** league in, two years time! Now if that doesn't stir you up then nothing will.

**RUMOURS**

(Not many rumours this week folks - not enough people at the ground to spread any!)

"Psst, I've heard that there aren't going to be anymore rumours."

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**

If one man say's you're an ass, take no notice. If five do, go out and buy a saddle. Arabian proverb.

Clarkie

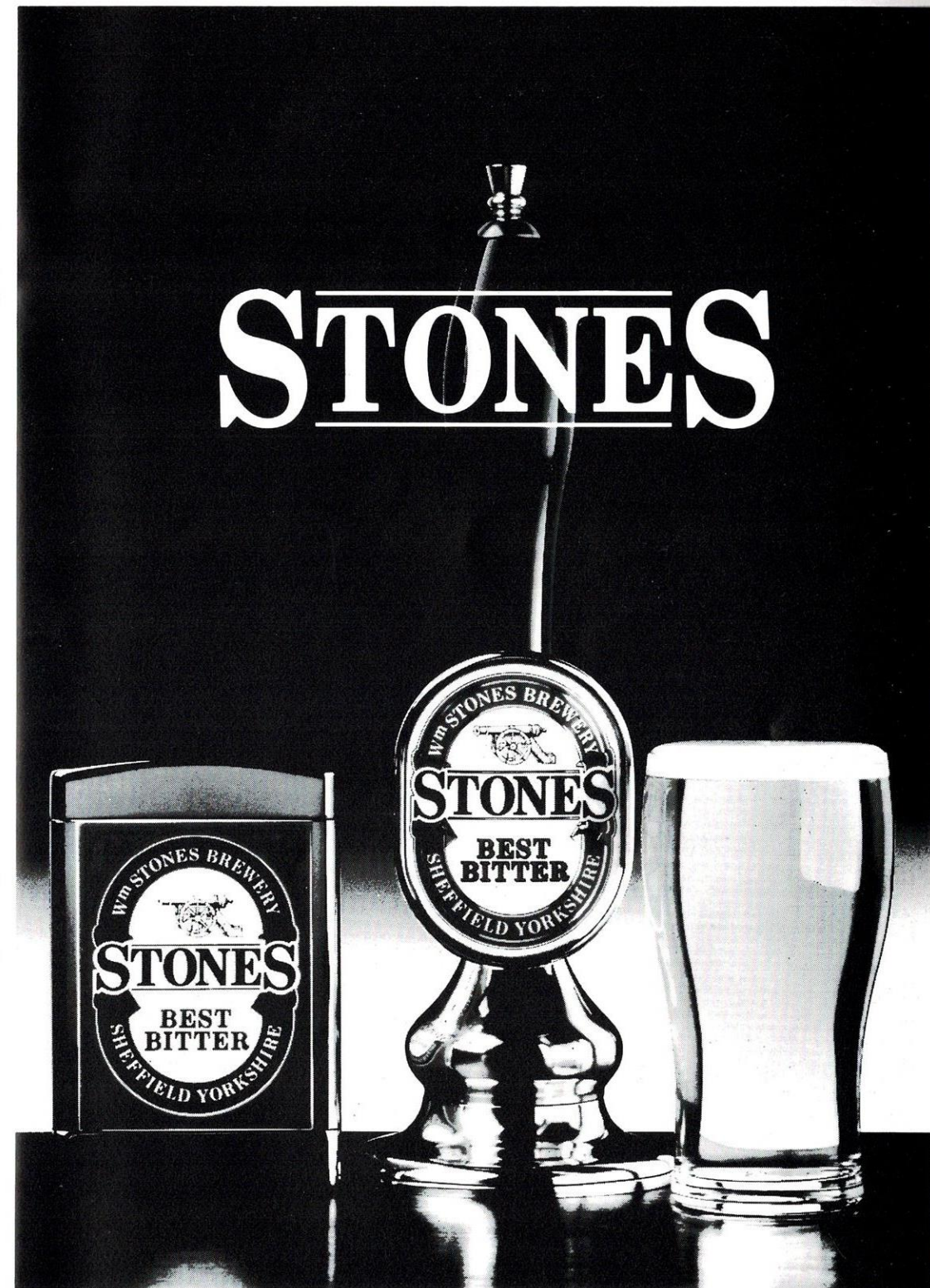
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**SEAN DEVINE:** A 23-year-old scrum-half, whom Oldham boss Peter Tunks also recruited in an exchange. This time it was with St. Helen's, Oldham receiving £50,000, Devine and Backrow Forward Paul Jones for Great Britain Under 21 forward Chris Joynt.

**MARK MEADOWS:** A second row forward, who had seen service with Swinton and Trafford Borough when Tunks snapped him up on the eve of the 1992-93 season from the new Blackpool Gladiators club, who took Sean Allen in a straight swop.

**HUGH GUMBS:** A young winger from Yorkshire, who signed for Bradford Northern when David Hobbs was boss. Had a spell with Batley and then signed for Oldham as a free agent in the summer of 1992. Went to Australia that summer in the students World Cup.

**PAUL JONES:** At 6'3" and 17 stone, Leigh based Jones had more than 60 senior appearances for St. Helen's behind him, albeit many of them as a substitute, when he signed for Oldham with Sean Devine in the Chris Joynt deal.

**BEN OLSEN:** This Danish born forward made a name for himself with London Crusaders and signed for Oldham in the famous swop-shop summer of 1992 with winger Richard Blackman, a Londoner returning "home" to join the crusaders at Crystal Palace.

**TINY SALOMONA:** A Kiwi of Western Samoan origin, "Tiny" signed for Oldham in early 1992 from Widnes, but did not make his debut until the start of the season because of groin trouble. Has had two groin operations since the turn of the year but is playing at the top of his form now and won the man of the match award in Oldham's first round Lancashire cup win against first division club Warrington. Has been selected for International Duty.

**PAUL FLELTCHER:** A first class player who has played successfully with Salford, Hull and Castleford. An excellent full-back and now willing to try to fill the roll of a hooker or scrum-half. An invaluable player to have on one's books.

**MIKE KUITI:** A New Zealand International of great repute. Played in Great Britain and France with the New Zealand tourists in 1989. Selected for the test team eight times, playing in Great Britain, France and New Guinea but not Australia. A strong loose forward or second rower, at the pinnacle of his career. Has played for Rochdale, Swinton, Leeds and Rochdale again. Has a good eye for making and taking scoring opportunities.

**DAVID JONES:** A strong finishing winger signed from Wakefield. A Wigan born St. Pat's player and as an amateur gained County and International honours. Can quickly establish himself as a firm favourite at Oldham if he continues his current form.

**BOB LINDNER:** One of Australia's all time greats. Played in 25 State of Origin games and in 23 tests for Australia. One of the World's most feared loose forwards. Also successful second row forward. Had previous spells with Castleford. Kangaroo's Man of the Tour in 1990, is looking forward to a successful season with Oldham and helping keep our rightful place in the 1st division.

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**PAUL GROVES:** Signed from St. Helen's in the close season. A hooker of top quality. Played with Salford before going to St. Helen's and toured in Australia and New Zealand in 1988. A strong determined number 9 with a flair for being in the right place at the right time and finishing the moves he has often started. Never gives up.

**JASON FOGARTY:** A massive 6'8", 19 stone son of former Oldham forward Terry Fogarty. Signed from Huddersfield and has something to prove...i.e. He is as good as or better than his father. Is learning the game quickly and may soon establish a firm place in the first team. Oldhamers wish him every success.

**ANDY GOODWAY:** A product of Oldham's early youth policy and established himself as a firm favourite with the fans for his strong running and tackling in Oldham's first team in his teens. Chased for some time by Wigan and was finally transferred for a large fee. Soon recompensed Wigan and became an England International. Still capable of filling a first team place and is to assist in coaching the "A" team. Welcome back.

**STEVE KERRY:** Former Preston Grass Hoppers R.U. half-back, turned professional for Salford for whom he was a prolific goal scorer and he topped the R.L. points scoring list in 1990/91 when Salford won the second division Championship with 427 points.

Can play equally well at stand-off or scrum half and was long admired by coach Peter Tunks, before he finally got his man in September 1992.

**DAVID BRADBURY:** Signed from Leigh Miners after touring new Zealand with the BARLA Under 19 squad. David is a strong running loose-forward, who impressed on Oldham's pre-season tour of France. A most promising young player.

**SCOTT RANSON:** 24-year-old St. Helen's player and the top try scorer from his former club, Swinton. Signed for Oldham in March 1992.

**SHANE TUPAEA:** Ex New Zealand player. Signed for Swinton then Rochdale. A hard tackling defensive second row forward.

**IAN SHERRATT:** Former Oldham & Lancashire schoolboy. Left Oldham for Salford and returned season 1991/92. A hard grafting prop-forward.

**BARRIE McDERMOTT:** Strong and powerful despite his 21 years, local boy Barrie is yet another member of the BARLA squad to throw in his lot with Oldham. He is a dedicated young professional and has quickly made enough impression to earn a place on the bench in Oldham's last seasons matches.

**NIGEL HESLOP:** Former England R.U. winger who won 10 caps for his country. Signed for Oldham from Orrell R.U. club in February '93 after losing his place in England's five nation cup squad for 1993. Represented England in the World Cup '91 and was a member of two Grand Slam winning squads.

**DARREN ABRAM:** First professional Club was Warrington and then moved to Trafford Borough from where he joined Rochdale for £40k in '91. Earned a reputation at Rochdale as a prolific try scorer and when listed for £70k was sought by several clubs including Salford, Featherstone and Wakefield before joining Oldham in February '93.

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Our picture shows David (left) being presented with his prized possession by Mike Price at half time during the match last week.

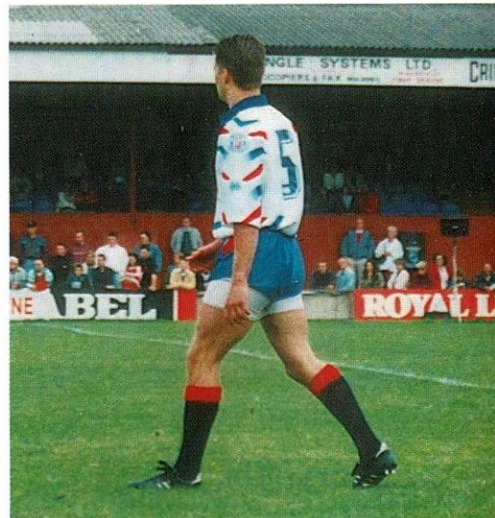
David brought his wife along with him to the game but the joy of winning the shirt did not overcome the sadness of another home defeat.

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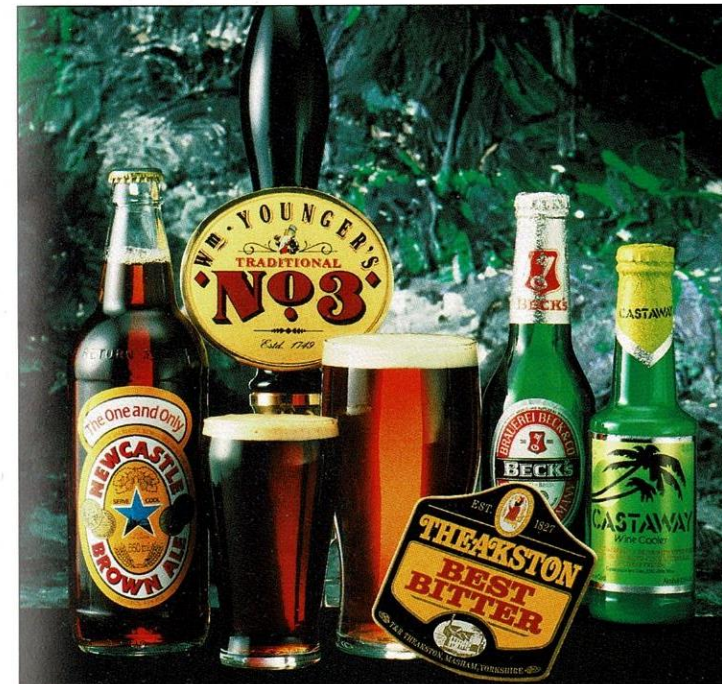
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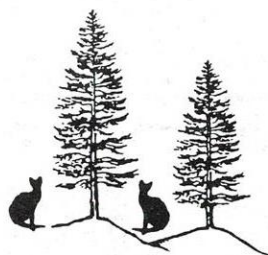
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I really thought we were going to beat Widnes last Friday and my job would have been easier. It wasn't to be. I am not going to say we will win today, I seem to be a jinx on the lads, I have yet to see them win. Today my prediction is for Trinity to get well and truly stuffed (that should do it).

You remember Wally Lewis is coming well, Coochi Bear is coming (be ready).

All Trinityline members will be receiving a letter from Trinity requesting them to enrol a member. We all want the team to do well, we all want new players on the park, the way to do it is through the Trinityline. We can afford to buy players if we know how much is coming in each week through Trinityline.

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**HALF-TIME HALF-DOZEN**

- 1 Who is the odd man out on Oldham's official team photo this season?
- 2 Who is *The Independent's* rugby league correspondent?
- 3 Which double-barrelled Queensland forward played for Leeds in 1984/85?
- 4 Under what alias did Berwyn Jones play his first game for Trinity?
- 5 Which ground has staged most Challenge-cup semi-finals?
- 6 Which club used to play on a ground called *The Sandy Desert*?

- 1 Gary Price
- 2 Dave Haddfield
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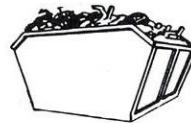
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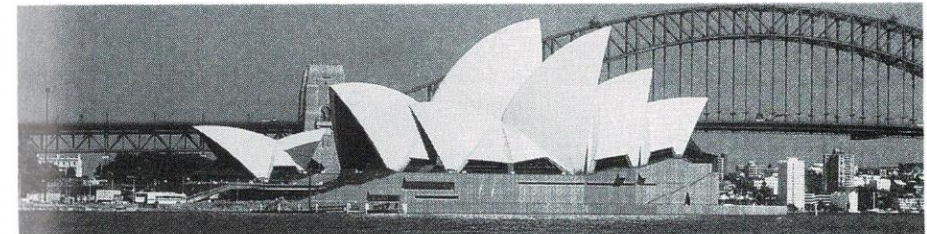
Trinity took the imaginative step of giving away 2000 tickets to local schoolchildren for this televised fixture, but the bright idea's seemed to end there, as Toppo's men turned in a below par performance against a well-organised Widnes outfit. Two years ago fog saved them whilst sixteen points down, but this time there was little to alleviate the gloom around Belle Vue as the fans chuntered their way home through the chill night air.

The game hinged on two kicks near the line. The first, a Bobby Goulding bomb, was spilled by Gary Spencer, allowing the ball to be moved wide for Adrian Hadley to cross in the corner to open the scoring, whilst the second was a Geoff Bagnall grubber which bounced off several pairs of legs before Lee Hanlan pounced to cross by the sticks, only for aussie referee Greg McCallum to disallow the try and give the handover. None of those watching could come up with any reason for the ruling. Even among the visiting support, but the net result was that it left an increasingly desperate Trinity pounding away on the visitors' line for most of the second half without ever fashioning the vital opening, and it came as no surprise when Myers sped down the stand side late in the game to put Bobby Goulding under the sticks and offered the mercurial scrum-half the opportunity to indulge in an extravagant celebration involving various branches of performance art.

With hindsight, the night was particularly frustrating in view of the number of times Trinity managed to make clean breaks without managing to capitalise. First Richard Goddard burst onto Geoff Bagnall's short ball to surge 50 yards upfield without finding adequate support, and later on Ian Marlow made a stunning midfield break of fully 60 yards before unloading Geoff Bagnall, who then went on a fruitless search for his winger, being hauled down on the 20 metre line marooned and in not-so-splendid isolation.

In the second half, Trinity looked to be heading in front when Gary Spencer made the half-break and unloaded to Andy Mason just five yards out right in front of the sticks, but the ball ended up wide and the chance went begging. In the dying minutes first Paul Brown and then sub Gary Christie looked to have made the gap on the outside, but on both occasions the covers was enough to save the day for the Chemics.

This defeat leaves Trinity in the seamy business of trying to drag themselves out of the relegation zone with low morale, and low confidence, and Dave Topliss will have his work cut out to lift spirits in time for the visit of Oldham.



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Brochures and detailed Itineraries can be obtained from Trinity's new office in George Street. For information please ring 372445.

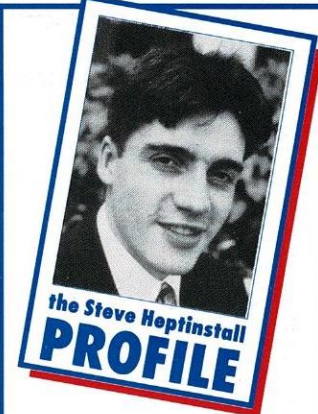
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# FACT FILE

Name ..... Lee Hanlan  
 Age ..... 21  
 Marital Status ..... Single (girlfriend Sarah)  
 Honours ..... Yorkshire 15's captain  
 Most Memorable Match ..... CIS Charity Shield (Wigan)  
 Biggest Disappointment ..... None (yet)  
 Favourite Music ..... House, Funk  
 Favourite Film ..... 48 Hours  
 Favourite TV Shows ..... Lassie, Only Fools and Horses  
 Which Female Personality would you most like to date ..... Demi Moore  
 What do you wear in bed ..... Woolly P.J.'s in winter  
 Pet Hates ..... Geoff Bagnall  
 Any Hobbies outside RL ..... I like a good game of marbles/or chess  
 What part of training do you dislike the most ..... I like all training  
 Who has had the most influence on your career ..... Toppo and Tiger  
 What is your main ambition ..... To captain Great Britain  
 What car would you most like to own ..... Porsche 911 soft top  
 Who is the hardest person to tackle ..... Any nippy half-back  
 Who in your opinion is the hardest tackler ..... My girlfriend Sarah  
 Most underrated RL Player ..... Lee Hanlan  
 Most admired sportsman ..... Mick Tyson and Nigel Bell  
 Does the crowd noise ever get to you ..... Never  
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the Steve Heptinstall  
**PROFILE**

JUST turned 22 and Lee Hanlan has already tasted rugby league at three very different levels with a big-name club, a little club and now a medium sized club eager for growth.

He signed with Hull after achieving amateur honours at district, inter-town and Yorkshire levels. From there he returned nearer to his Leeds-born roots and signed with Batley before Trinity picked him up at a bargain price following the departure of Nigel Wright to Wigan.

Trinity officials went to great lengths to point out that Hanlan was not a direct replacement for Wright, but neither was it intended that he should languish in the A-team. But after the first couple of games - the pre-season friendly with Hunslet and the opener at Warrington - Hanlan looked to have all the makings of a first division standoff.

His ball handling and touch kicks were only outshone by his massive tackling stints making him difficult to criticize, but only rarely has he made the sort of break from which tries are scored, so perhaps now is the time to take the bull by the horns.

A little spark of inventiveness from Hanlan today against Oldham would not only prove his all-round worth, but could well earn Trinity two vital league points to boot.

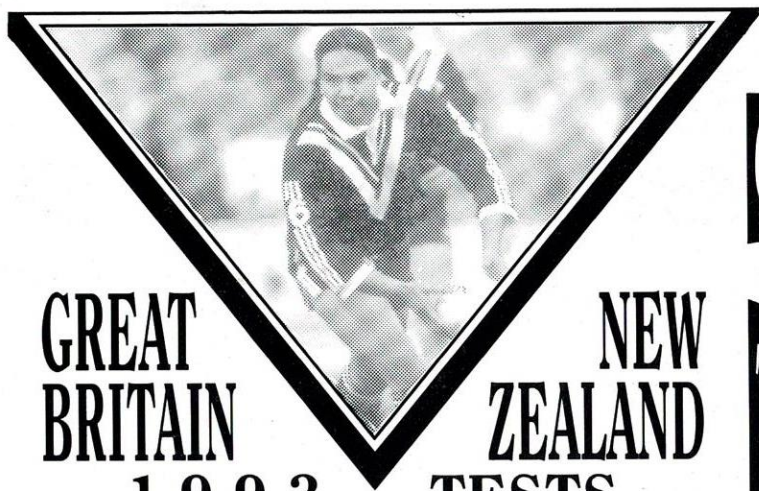
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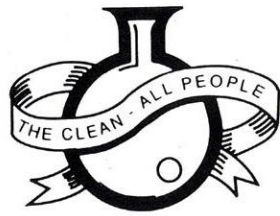


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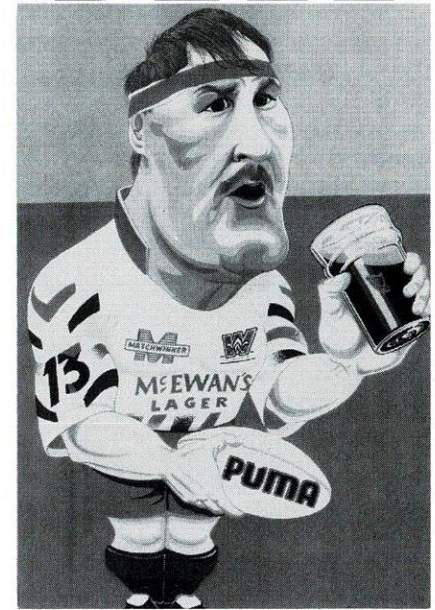
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**I CAN REMEMBER WHEN TRINITY HAD A TEAM....**

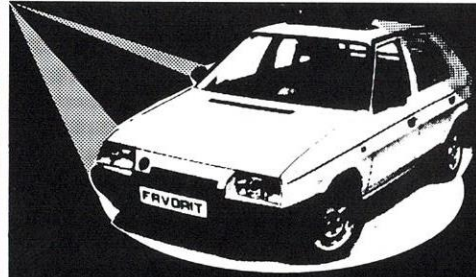
Whilst looking for some ray of light amidst the Belle Vue gloom, those who can remember the sixties, (and maybe some who can't), might be interested in the limited edition replica shirts that will soon be available. Exactly as worn by the likes of Turner, Vines, Wilkinson, Poynton, Don Fox, and the King himself Neil Fox, in white, with a broad red and blue band. priced £42.50 for adults, and £32.50 for children, only 100 have been made, and are only available to order from the club shop. An ideal Christmas gift to cheer up nostalgic, depressed fans. Better still, but an entire strip for the first team, and maybe we'll get to Wembley again!

**COMEBACK NEWS....**

This column is pleased to report that Gary Christie suffered no ill-effects on his return to first team action as sub in last week's game against Widnes, and might even have turned the game when he looked to have beaten Hadley for pace on the outside late in the second half. Also, just a couple of days before in the A-team fixture at Halifax, both Billy Conway and John Glancy made welcome returns to match action and will be challenging for first-team spots in the next couple of weeks.

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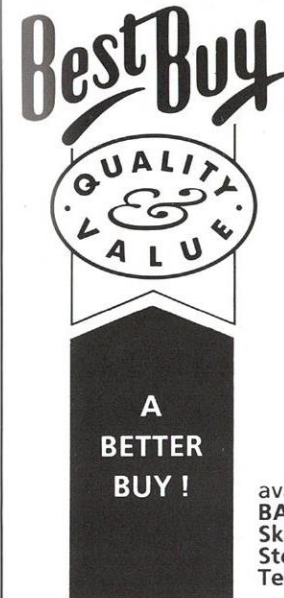
Those with little to sing about on the terraces might be interested in the Coach House's Friday night Karaoke evenings, which are proving very popular with the budding Tom Jones' of the area. The management assure us that under no circumstances will Billy Conway ever turn up and do his version of *Dock of the Bay*, so a good time should be safely had by all. Also, don't forget the regular Monday night re-runs of the previous day's game, (for those who can stand it!).



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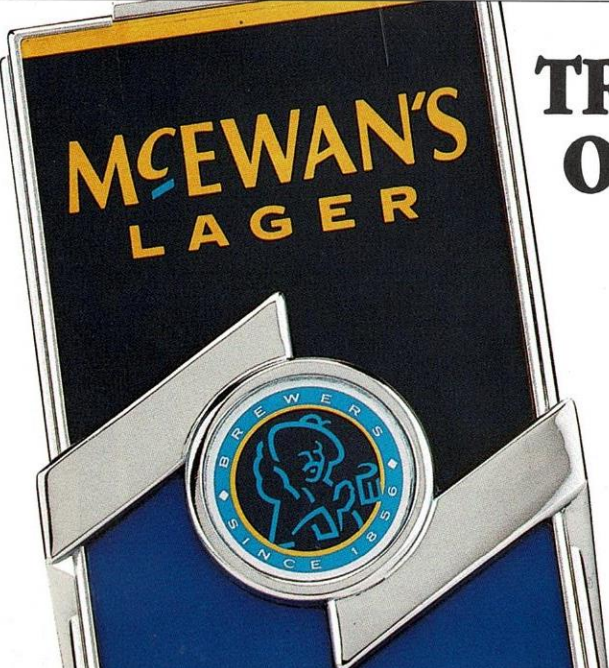
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