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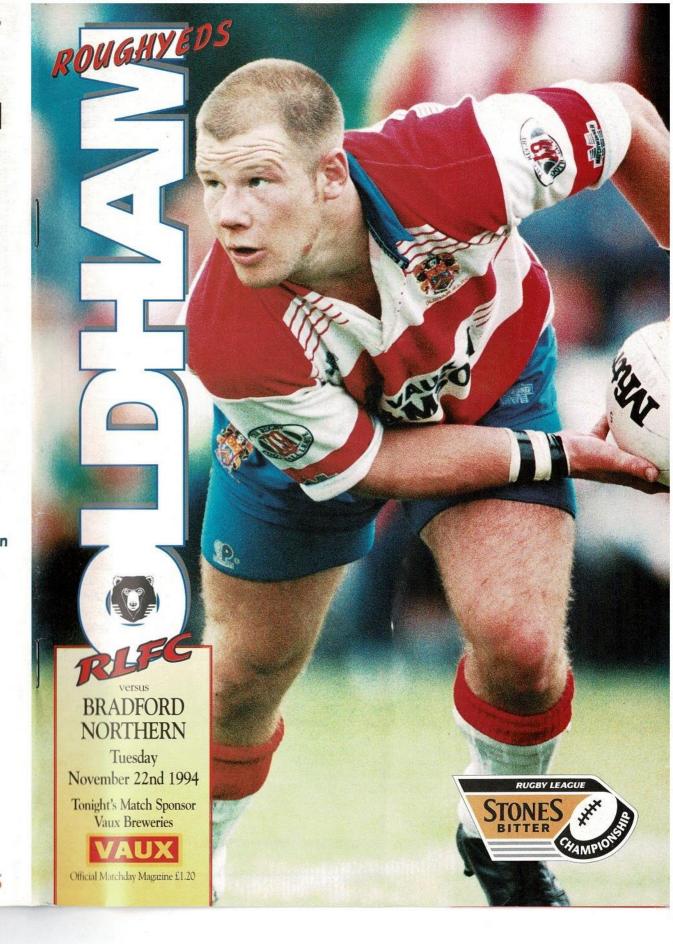
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# Club Records

Record Victory: 67-6 v Liverpool City

April 1959 Record Defeat: 11-67 by Hull K.R.

September 1978 Record Attendace: 28,000 v Huddersfield

24th February 1912

Record Receipts: £37,505.50 v Wigan 5th October 1989

Record Transfer: £70,000 to Halifax for Fee Paid Tony Anderson

Fee Paid Tony Anderson March 1990 Record Try: Ref Farrar, 49 Tries,

Scorer 1921-22 season
Record Goal: Bernard Ganley,
Scorer 224 goals, 1957-58

season

### Club Records continued

Record Point: Bernard Ganley, Scorer 28 points v

28 points v Liverpool City, April 1959

First Game: 21st October 1876 v Stalybridge

Highest Number: Bernard Ganley, 2,881

of Points Scored

Most Appearances: Joe Ferguson, 685 Most Tries: Pre 1900 Jach Hirst 233.

> Since 1900 Alan Davies 182

# FROM THE BOARDROOM

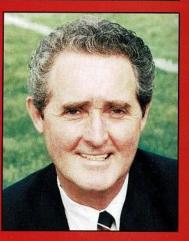
# BY CHAIRMAN JIM QUINN

In welcoming Bradford Northern to Watersheddings for tonight's Stones Bitter Championship game I hope the weather is decent because Chris Caisley and I are sure to exchange a few words about the benefits of summer rugby. Chris, the Bradford chairman and very much his own man, chaired the summer rugby subcommittee commissioned by the Rugby League, which also included Sheffield's Gary Hetherington and myself. Our findings and recommendations have been given a serious platform for debate and I, for one, believe that the work, time and energy we put in on this very important project were worthy and deserving of more

recognition. I remain convinced that a season running from around mid-March to October, cutting out the months of December, January and February, is the way forward for our game and I am equally certain that other winter sports will start to look at that option before too long. Anyway, enough of that for now. Welcome Bradford, to Chris Caisley and his board, and all the players and supporters from Odsal, not forgetting (as if we could) a coaching staff headed by Peter Fox. It is interesting to note

that Peter has been offered a new, four-year contract, as surely befits a senior and highranking "member" of the English sector among our coaches.

Now to a subject that is close to my heart and which I feel ever so strongly about - good manners and etiquette in our rugby league grounds on match days. In recent weeks there have been letters of complaint in the press about the behaviour of a small section of fans on certain grounds. It came home to me at Old Trafford when a section of British supporters howled and hooted at the Australian team as the players left the tunnel and walked to the middle. continuing their boos and whistles during the playing of the Australian national anthem. To be honest, I was disgusted. Whether it be Oldham, Bradford Northern or Great Britain we all want to support our own boys and give them all the backing we can, but surely we should have some respect for values and at least treat our visiting players and supporters as we would want them to treat us. I shudder to think what the travelling Australian supporters thought about it all. Most of them are middle-aged and many are probably making their first trip to this country. I do



hope that incidents we saw at Old Trafford are not the norm at tour matches throughout their trip.

I think the Press can play a vital role in drawing attention to these matters and politely reminding the small minority who need reminding that most of us want to enjoy rugby for the spectacle it is and enjoy standing on our grounds and supporting the players. We do not enjoy having to put up with rank bad manners. More importantly, this sort of behaviour gives the game a bad image, discourages newcomers from turning up again and gives the knockers ammunition to fire at all and

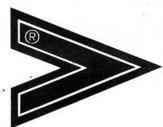
Our great game is worthy of more than that. It's future depends on each and every one of us.

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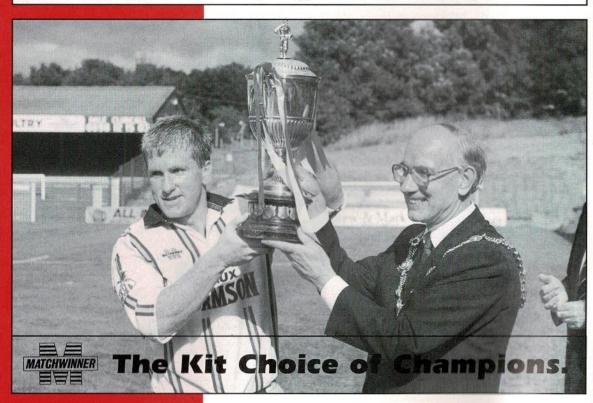


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# CLOSE UP ON NORTHERN

# Our visitors in detail

# GERALD CORDLE - Winger 6'2" 14st 7lbs Aged 33

Signed from Cardiff RUFC in 1989. Big strong and elusive runner. Difficult player to tackle. Occupation - Full Time Professional.

### ROGER SIMPSON - Stand Off/Full Back 5'6" 11 stone Aged 27

From Moldgreen ARL he can also play Centre or Wing. A former Colts International, he joined Northern on his 17th birthday.

Toured Papua New Guinea and New Zealand in 1990. Occupation - Australia Groundsman.

### DAVE WATSON - Stand Off/Utility Back Aged 27 5'8" 12st, 8lbs

Signed for Bradford from Halifax RLFC. Formerly with Whitehaven and Hull KR Current New Zealand Test player. Devastating runner from broken play.

### DERYCK FOX - Scrum Half Aged 30 5'5"

Club Captain. Worlds costliest scrum half signed from Featherstone Rovers for £140,000. Excellent all round playmaker and tactical kicker. 1992 tourist of New Zealand and Australia. Occupation: Roofer.

# NEIL SUMMERS - Half Back Age 25 5'8"

Signed from Headingley Rugby Union. Plays either half back position and is a very hard working player, who has formed an exciting partnership with Deryck Fox. Occupation - French Polisher.

### JONATHAN HAMER - Prop Forward Age 28 6' 151/2 stone

Signed from Halifax Junior Club, Siddall. Strong running, hard tackling player, who is currently enjoying his Testimonial Year. Occupation - Policeman.

# TREVOR CLARK - Hooker 5'8" Aged 32

Signed from Featherstone Rovers. This New Zealand Maori representative is excluded from the overseas quota as prior to Featherstone Rovers, he played

# for Leeds R.L.F.C. A very mobile player, particularly from play the ball area.

### KARL FAIRBANK - Second Row Forward Age 32 6' 15st

B.A.R.L.A.'s Player of the Year in 1986. Signed from Elland Amateur Rugby League Club at the end of the 1985/86 season. At 23 years old he had an outstanding tour with the

Great Britain Amateur side in Australia. He has been on the last two Tours to Australia and Papua New Guinea and New Zealand, but did not win a Test place. One of five brothers. He is the son of former Leeds star, Jack Fairbank. Occupation - Farmer

### ROY POWELL - Second Row Forward Aged 29 6ft 1in 16st

Signed from Leeds R.L.F.C. having been originally signed from amateur club St. John Fisher as a junior. Very good work rate and thoroughly good professional. Occupation - Plasterer.

### PAUL MEDLEY - Second Row Forward Age 26

Signed from Halifax in 1989. Very fast explosive player, he was a Great Britain Tourist in 1988. Former Leeds player.

### DAVID HERON - Loose Forward Aged 36

Signed after 16 years at Leeds and having played over 400 games for them, captained the side under Peter Fox.
Occupation - Engineering Salesman.

### PAUL DIXON Aged 32

Signed from Leeds RLFC. Strong running ball playing forward.

### PAUL NEWLOVE Aged 23

Signed from Featherstone Rovers RLFC. Britain's youngest Test player and his undisputed talent has made him one of the most exciting players to pull on a Northern shirt.

### DAIO POWELL - Centre/Wing Aged 21

Current Gt Britain Under 21 International who signed from Middleton ARLFG as a junior. Useful goalkicker with aspirations of making the 1st team squad this year.

### CARL HALL - Winger Aged 25

Signed from Doncaster towards the back end of last season, prolific try scorer with his former club. Hoping to maintain this form with Bradford Northern.

### DAVID MYERS - Winger Aged 23

Signed from Widnes durng the close season. Former Gt Britain Under 21 and scored three hat tricks with GB in the 1991/92 season. Has visited Wembley with Wigan in 1991 and Widnes in 1993 A tour replacement for GB/Australian Tour in 1992.

### DAVID FRAISSE - Centre

French International Centre signed from Sheffield Eagles in the close season. In his first British season he made quite an impact scoring 23 tries.

# JASON DONOHUE - Scrum Half/Stand off Half

### Aged 22

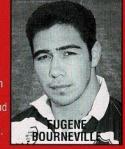
Signed from Leigh RLFC after an extended loan period from Leeds RLFC. Former GB Under 21 International.

### ROBBIE PAUL - Stand Off Half Aged 18

Brother of Henry Paul. Toured Australia with the Junior Kiwis. In the opinion of Graham Lowe he was the most complete footballer emerging from New Zealand in recent years.

# EUGENE BOURNEVILLE Prop Forward Aged 23

In spite of his young years he has experience in Sydney Reserve Grade football and also played a season in France.



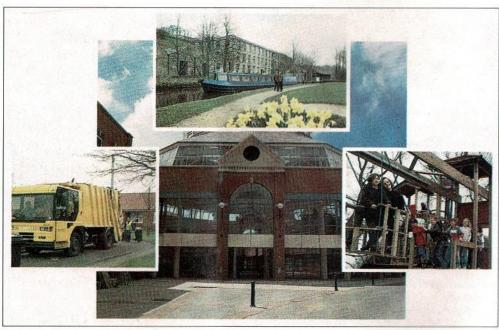
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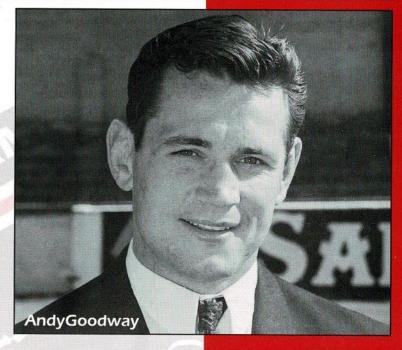
Welcome to Watersheddings for what is our first home game for some weeks.

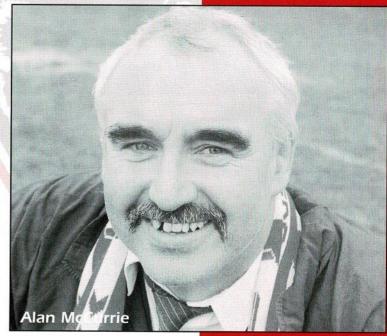
The coaching staff are looking forward to the next three league games with some relish as it will give us a fair indication as to how we are progressing. Bradford, tonight's opponents being followed by Wigan away and Warrington at home, these clubs will all be there or there about in the final reckoning and we have already played these all in the first month of the season. Having lost all these games we shall be looking for a big improvement from our players. Jason Temu appears to be settling in nicely and together with Joe Fiamalo going well we are very pleased with our new overseas players. Wilson Marsh our third Kiwi

Wilson Marsh our third Kiwi signing will hopefully soon recover from a lingering knee problem and perform up to the standard of his fellow countrymen.

The players continue to work hard and improve in training and we feel they should be ready to compete with the Bradford's and Warrington's of the First Division.

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# with Ian McMahon

Congratulations are in order to our young hooker, John Clarke who represented Great Britain's Under 21's against Australia at Gateshead last Tuesday. John as usual got through a

tremendous amount of work and had a fine game on his debut.



Sportsmans Dinner A big thank you to all concerned last Thursday at the Periguito. The evening was a great success and special thanks to all the people who donated prizes for the raffle and auction. Barry McDermott, Martin Hall, Tony & Ethel (Weavers), Carol at Etams, Ron Wilkinson, Ass. Manager Australia, Jimmy Frizell (Manchester City), Wendy (Manchester United), Simon (Periquito), Bob Irving, John

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Christmas Draw Yes, it is creeping up on us fast and our popular shareholders Christmas Draw tickets will

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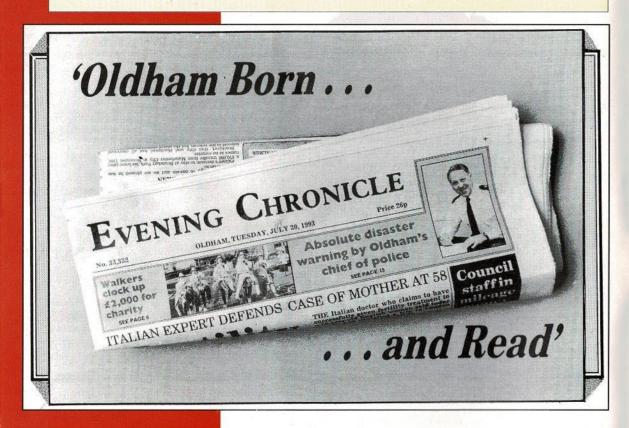
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# A LOOK AT THE LOCAL AMATEUR RUGBY SCENE

Next Sunday our leading amateur clubs and in particular the National Conference giants, will be able to gauge themselves against professional opposition when 14 amateur sides travel to meet Second Division opposition in the first round of the Regal Trophy.

Local club Saddleworth Rangers will be making their fourth appearance against the professionals in this competition when they travel to Gigg Lane to take on Swinton. It is a repeat of last seasons first round tie which was won by Swinton 24-13. The return to Saddleworth of Sean Whitehead is a tremendous boost to Rangers hopes but a home win is likely although Saddleworth will certainly provide a test for the professionals.

Another amateur side capable of causing an upset are National Conference Champions Woolston Rovers who had hoped to be playing in

the Second Division this season. For that reason alone Rovers have a point to prove on Sunday against Rochdale Hornets. It should be an intriguing contest. Two amateur sides who have beaten professional opposition in the Regal Trophy are again involved this weekend. Mysons, who beat Batley 8-2 in 1986 meet Bramley and West Hull, who as Cawoods beat Halifax 9-8 in 1977, travel to Ryedale York, those exploits will spur on the amateurs although all will start as underdogs. No matter who won last Saturdays semi-final ties.

underdogs.
No matter who won last
Saturdays semi-final ties,
Oldham will be represented in
the final of the Burtonwood
Brewery Lancashire Cup. In
that final either Higginshaw or
St. Annes will meet holders
and favourites Woolston
Rovers or Wigan St. Judes
who won at Saddleworth in the
quarter-finals. The date and
venue of the final was not
known as these notes went

into print so watch out in the local press for details and be sure to support the local boys in this big final.

St. Annes involvement in the Lancashire Cup has caused them to fall a little behind in their league programme. Saints now face two tricky way games in their quest to gain promotion into the Premier Division. This Saturday they visit Leigh East and seven days later travel to Wakefield where they meet Oulton.

Saddleworth Rangers face an important match on Saturday, 3rd December when Askam visit Shaw Hall Bank Road. Rangers lie in the lower regions of the Premier Division after a difficult start to the campaign. Askam are bottom of the table without a win so a Rangers victory is essential if they are to begin a climb up the table.

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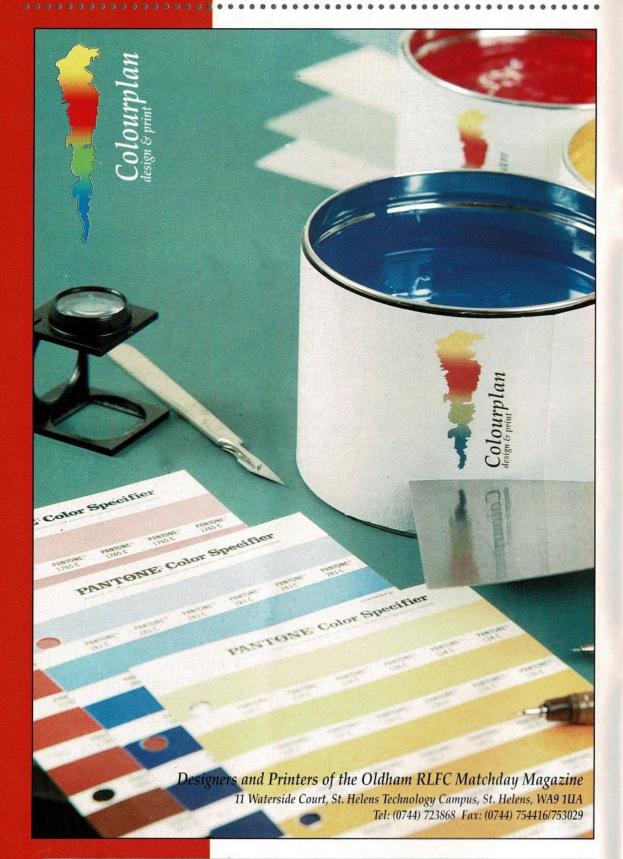
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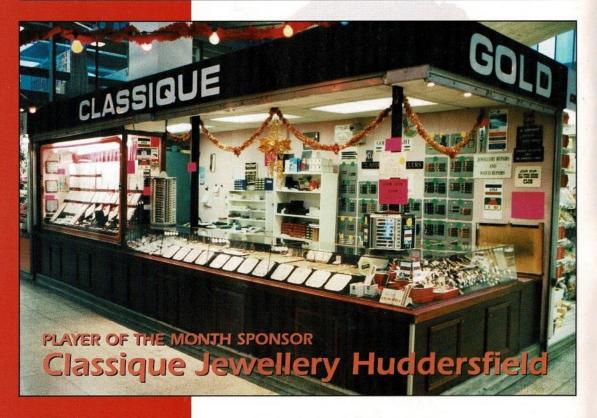
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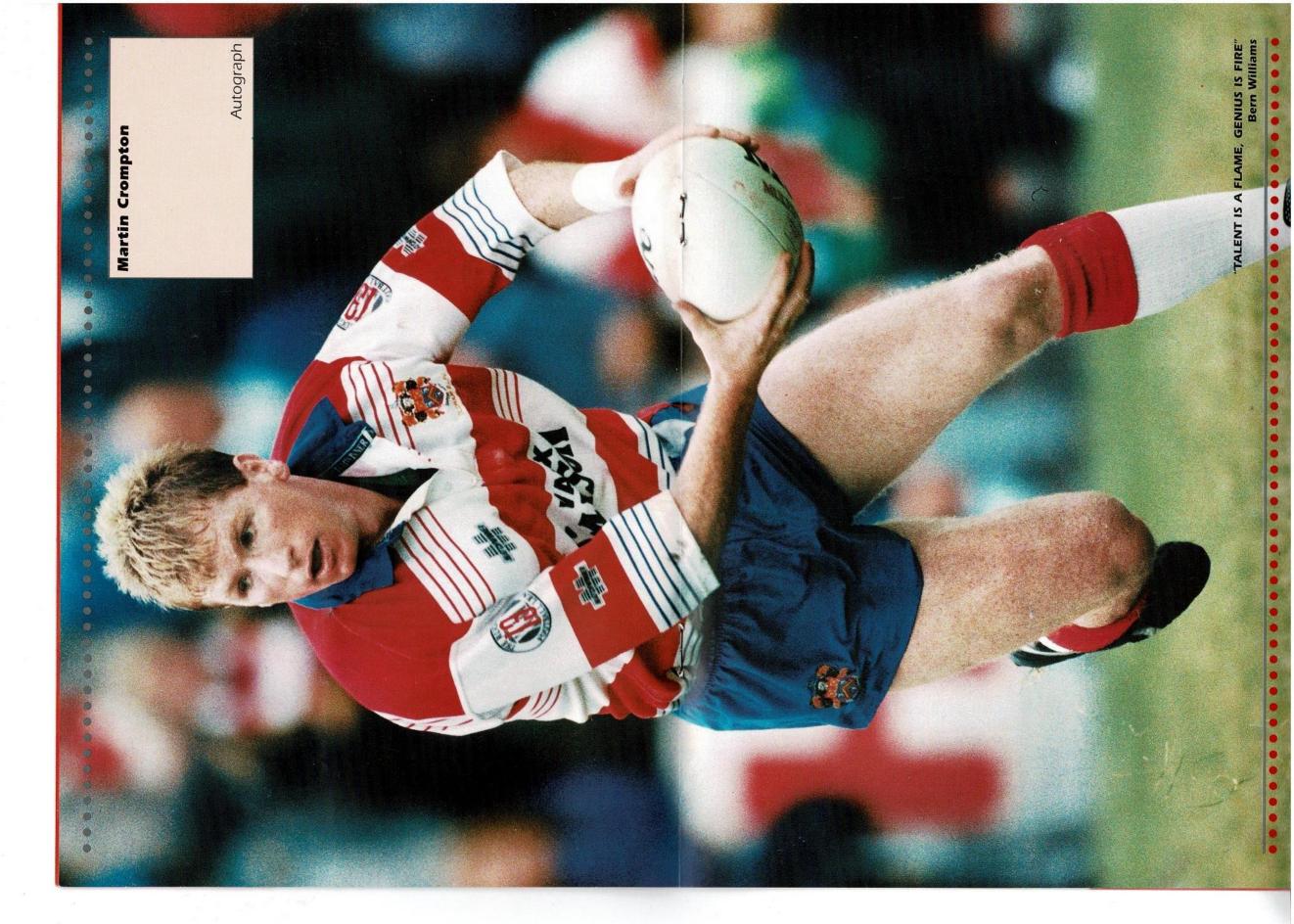
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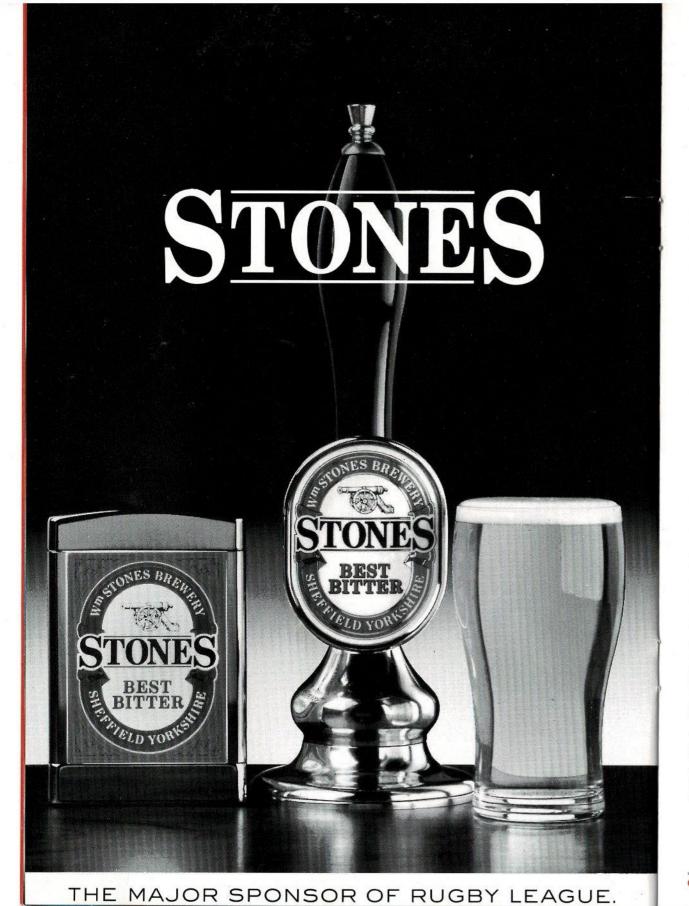
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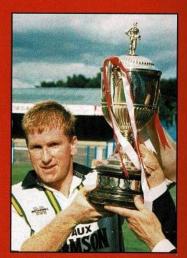
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| 22/1          | Sheffield E      | 3.00pm     | £1,250      | £700         | £275      | £275       |
| 5/2           | Hull             | 3.00pm     | £1,250      | £700         | £275      | £275       |
| 5/3           | Wakefield T      | 3.00pm     | £1,250      | £700         | £275      | £275       |
| 26/3          | Castleford       | 3.00pm     | £1,500      | £800         | £300      | £300       |
| 14/4          | Salford          | 7.30pm     | £1,250      | £700         | £275      | £275       |
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- Bobby Knigh

# THE GROWING GAME

# Development News Supported by P.Casey and Co and Sportsmatch

Welcome to another night game. I hope it proves as successful for Oldham as the previous night game against Widnes. I'll bring you up to date with a few recent activities. The collection at the Featherstone game raised £303.00 for the Town Teams to go towards kitting the Under 11's and Under 13's. Thanks to all contributors.

The Town Teams themselves seem to be responding as this last weekend they have played Warrington in the Lancashire Plate Final.

Also on Saturday morning 3

girls teams went over to Wigan to play against teams from Wigan and Trafford in the first of what we hope will become a Greater Manchester Girls League.

The schools held their third Mini League Festival of the season with twelve schools competing. The total number of Junior schools to play in Mini League Festivals since September is now nineteen of which four are new this season.

Mike Kuiti has just completed a short course in 5 Mosslev Junior Schools. This culminated in a Festival for about 75 young

players in Mossley two weeks ago. Jason and Joe came along to referee the games which were a great success and will hopefully lead on to further games.

Our quest schools tonight are Micklehurst (Mossley), South Failsworth, St. Annes, Lydgate and Leesfield. Welcome to those and enjoy your evening. We also welcome the visitors from the other Mossley Schools who are watching tonight.

Next week we hope to set about forming a Junior Club in Failsworth so anyone who wishes to be involved in that initiative would be very welcome and should contact me at Hathershaw Pool on 627 4497.



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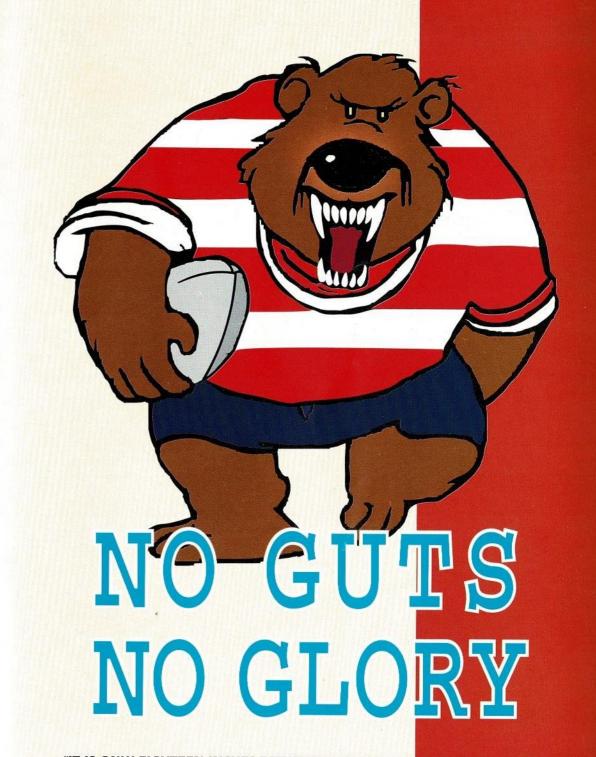
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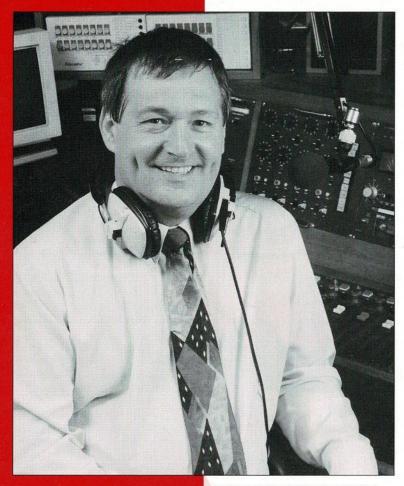
YOU'VE DONE IT." - Pam Shaw



"IT IS ONLY EIGHTEEN INCHES BETWEEN A PAT ON THE BACK AND A KICK IN THE PANTS." - Joseph Crossman

# MALCOLM LORD

The Face Behind the voice of BBC GMR's Rugby League.



**TRUE** SPIRIT LIVES ON ...

In these days of alleged corruption. possible widespread drug taking and transfers with more noughts in them than a Norwegian entry for the European Song Contest its nice to know that at least in one respect the true spirit of sport lives on. I'm talking about the Great Britain Press versus the Australian Press Rugby League series which is now two thirds of the way completed. The first game played at the Sir Alfred McApline Stadium in Huddersfield saw the Lions snatch victory with a dramatic last minute

with a serious leg injury and there's doubt whether he will have recovered for the final game which is due to take place in Sydney Australia in 1996, David Burke scored one of the two home tries proving that the experience he gained whilst at Rochdale Hornets really did prepare him for this his finest hour, and special mention must also go to the likes of Dave Hadfield and Martin Hamer who despite being the only two people I know of that are actually slower than me still performed heroics before gratefully acknowledging defeat and the final whistle. Final word I believe should rest with the manager, who in thanking the referee for both games John Holdsworth of Kippax refused to offer any excuses for his sides dismal showing, other than that is to say that Holdsworth was outstanding in the first match and pathetic in the second. Harrison also said that one major factor in the defeat at the Willows was because they played in the Salford kit. Tickets are expected to be at a premium for the decider in 1996 and people are advised to place their orders early.

try from Clubcalls Jack Dearden.

finger doing his patriotic duty.

The second game was a vastly

different story with the Aussies levelling the series with a 16 points to 8 victory at the Willows. The Brits led by manager Paul Harrison of the Sun put up a defiant defence before succumbing to the tourists who

Jack by the way suffered a broken

possessed basic qualities the Brits lacked, fitness, skill etc etc.

Ray French had to leave the field

MALCOLM LORD **BBC GMR** 

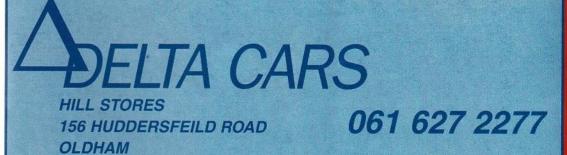
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# FROM SMALL ACORNS GROW

# A look at our Alliance and Academy teams

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| 26th   | Bradford N             | H               | 7.30         | W32-26           |
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| 2nd  | Wigan                  | A<br>H          | 7.30<br>7.30 | W26-21           |
| 10th   | Warrington<br>Dewsbury | Н               | 7.30         | L10-32<br>W20-12 |
| 24th   | St. Helens LCC Shield  |                 | 7.30         | W46-22           |
| 30th   |                        | A               | 7.30         | W40-22<br>W42-38 |
| Octob  |                        | ^               | 1.00         | W42-30           |
| 8th  |                        | eld RD2         |              | W61-12           |
| 14th   |                        | A               | 7.30         | W46-29           |
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| 10th   | Dewsbury               | A               | 7.30         |                  |
| 12th   | YSC Cup & LCC Shiel    | d - Finals      |              |                  |
| 18th   | Wakefield T            | H               | 7.30         |                  |
| 25th   | Wigan                  | Н               | 7.30         |                  |
| 30th   | Leeds                  | A               | 7.30         |                  |
| Decen  | nber                   |                 |              |                  |
| 9th  | Warrington             | A               | 7.30         |                  |
| 16th   | Salford                | H               | 7.30         |                  |
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| 23rd   | Castleford             | A               | 7.30         |                  |
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Unfortunately our last outing resulted in a defeat by Wigan at Central Park in the Lancs Shield Final last Saturday. Despite dominating the game for 65mins., scoring three tries (two of which were disallowed) and failing to put the finishing touch to at least four other clear-cut chances, we fell asleep, lost concentration and, with the score at Wigan Opts Oldham 10pts, let Wigan in for four converted tries. Gary Burns scored a try and a drop-goal, Steve Gartland a drop-goal and Craig Booth kicked two goals. Gary Burns won the Man of the Match award which was small consolation for losing a game we could and should have won. Wigan didn't win it. we gave it to them. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the regular Alliance Team supporters who gave a tremendous lift to the players with their vociferous encouragement. Sorry we couldn't bring the Sheild back for you, now we'll concentrate on the League. At the time of writing, we are riding high at the top of the 1st Division having played 9, won 7 and lost 2; no mean feat having achieved promotion from the 2nd Division at the end of last season. Warrington beat us early in the season and we recently went short-handed to Featherstone and came a cropper. Having said that, the three Academy players used in that game did everything expected of them and by no means let the side down. A number of Alliance players have been given a First Team chance and I am sure that they have impressed Andy by the way they have fitted in. The presence of players pushing for a First Team place keeps everyone on their toes. This after all is the raison d'etre of the Alliance Squad and Andy has shown that he is willing to ring the changes, thus giving a boost to all players in the Alliance. Our next home fixture is Wigan at home on Friday 25th November at 7.30pm. Come along and give us your support, you

> Dennis McHugh (Alliance Coach)

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| 14th              | RYEDALE YORK      | Н         | 7.3   |
| 19th              | HUNSLET           | A         | 2.3   |
| 26th              | HULL KR           | Н         | 2.3   |
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| 19th              | DONCASTER         | Н         | 7.3   |
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| 21st              | YORK              | A         | 2.3   |
| 30th              | HUNSLET           | Н         | 7.3   |
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|                   | Academy Challenge |           |       |
| 20th              | BATLEY            | Н         | 7.3   |
| 27th              | DONCASTER         | A         | 7.3   |
| 1995 APRIL        |                   |           |       |
| 3rd               | ROCHDALE          | Н         | 7.3   |
| 8th               | WORKINGTON        | A         | 2.3   |

The Academy got their first win in the new league at home to York on Monday night by 16 points to 2. They had to be at their best after their bad result against Halifax in their opening match when two of our players were involved in a car crash resulting in our team being short of players.

Going back to the York victory, sound tackling and scrambling defence were the key points in this win, as York being a physical side were always close to staging a comeback until Wayne Riding's try seven minutes from the end killed them off.

Chris McKinney scored two excellent tries in the first half both goaled by Richard Badby who constantly drove York back with long touch-finding kicks.

Billy Tindall, Mike Prescott and Darren Morgan also played well for Oldham in a hard fought match.

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Pic 1: Shaz's Interpretation of "Dirty Dancing".

Pic 2: Talk about electric shock treatment!

Pic 3: It's normally me under there sir?

Pic 4: What! Waterhead U12's have scored against Royton Tigers?

Pic 5: Give us the money Jack! Pic 6: Good, let's all go to "Sheddings" now.









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# RUFF E. HEAD

# THE MAN IN THE KNOW

Martin Offiah's options for his choice as Sky
TV's try of the month might even feature a couple of our efforts, I suspect. Ranson's (vs Widnes) and Abrams (vs Halifax) were both classics of their types - and much enjoyed on the terraces, I know. It's good to see, after 11 games, six teams below us in the "points for" list. Although we only occasionally manage to show it consistently throughout a game, at least we have shown ourselves capable of playing some top quality rugby at times this season.

Andy Goodway's comments after the Halifax game set me thinking a bit. "It's a mental weakness", was his view. "I'm sure some players have switched off because we played Halifax today, and we are due to meet Bradford, Wigan and Warrington in the next three games. It's that early season problem all over again." How often is mental toughness the crucial difference between winning and losing sides? For example, Wigan were by no means anywhere near top form in their latest Sky Friday night games. Both Hull and Sheffield

could argue that they ought to have won - but they didn't. When it mattered, they made crucial mistakes, whereas the Pie-eaters simply showed the inner confidence to hold on and then take their chances when they came. And, of course, it is not just confined to RL. How many of Jim Laker's 19 wickets at Old Trafford in 1956 were virtually given to him? How many of Shane Warne's victims, or lan Botham's for that matter, have been "psyched" out before they even faced a ball? The coach. though, has the problem of how to eradicate the negative mentality, and generate the positive. Andy Goodway certainly had what it takes as a player, but it is far too soon to know whether he has it as a manager/coach. Perhaps he should study the methods of Brian Clough and Bill Shankly for his bed-time reading!

What a strange-looking Division 1 table already exists! There is no doubt that the "Super-League" is already here except in name. The top 7 seems to be decided already, with every chance that they will also take all the cups, and also fill the top 7 slots in the attendances chart at the end of

the season. On the other hand, the relegation dog-fight is already in the minds of the other 9. A win tonight would put us in 8th place; a loss, though, puts us within 2 points of the relegation places.

With the prospect of a move of ground lying ahead, it is interesting to look at other clubs who have experienced such a change in recent years. In the current 1st Division, there are no recent ground changers, except the infant club at Sheffield; but in the 2nd Division, there are no less than 10 of the 16. Perhaps there is a lesson there? What have we got to do to get it right? I suspect the crucial factor will be to involve the regular spectators as much as possible in the move. Move, fall in attendances, fall in income, less quality players, relegation looks like a potentially disastrous vicious cycle, which can only be avoided by taking every possible step to retain support from the outset. Perhaps a survey of current supporters, together with some research into the views of those at such clubs as Hull KR. Ryedale York and Rochdale might be a sensible starting point? 99

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| Round 2 -           | Weekend of 3/4 December 1994   |
| Round 3 -           | Weekend of 17/18 December 1994 |
| Round 4 -           | Weekend of 7/8 January 1995    |
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| 21st    | Halifax                | 3.00 | L 20-40          | Gibson                  | Jones              | Irwin                    | Abram T  | Ransor   |
| 28th    | Bradford Northern      | 3.00 | L 14-36          | Gibson T                | Jones              | Irwin                    | Abram    | Ransor   |
| SEPTEME | BER                    |      |                  |                         |                    |                          |          |          |
| 4th     | Wigan                  | 3.00 | L 58-10          | Gibson T                | Jones              | IrwinT                   | Abram    | Ransor   |
| SEPTEME | BER                    |      |                  |                         |                    |                          |          |          |
| 11th    | Warrington             | 3.00 | L 55-6           | Heslop                  | Jones              | Irwin                    | Abram    | Ransor   |
| 18h     | Doncaster              | 3.00 | W 44-8           | Heslop T                | Jones              | Irwin T                  | Abram T  | Ransor   |
| 25th    | Hull                   | 3.15 | W 21-17          | Heslop                  | Jones T            | Irwin                    | Abram 2T | Ransor   |
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| 2nd     | St. Helens             | 3.00 | D 18-18          | Heslop                  | Jones T            | Irwin                    | Abram    | Ransor   |
| 9th     | Wakefield Trinity      | 3.30 | L 16-21          | Heslop                  | Jones              | Irwin                    | Abram    | Ransor   |
| 14th    | Widnes (BSKYB)         | 7.30 | W 29-0           | Gibson                  | Jones              | Irwin T                  | Abram T  | Ransor   |
| 30th    | Featherstone Rovers    | 3.00 | L 10-20          | Gibson                  | Jones              | Irwin                    | Abrams T | Ransor   |
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| 27th    | Wigan                  | 3.00 | 1. Martin Offiah |                         |                    | (Wigan)                  | 19       |          |
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Deryck Fox's pointscoring run ended atf 33 matches when he failed to score in Bradford Northern's 40-0 defeat by the John Schuster of Halifax now has the current longest socring

run of 16 matches, stretching back to last season. Martin Street of Rochdale Hornets is the only other player to have scored in every match this season

TRY SCORING SEQUENCE Martin Offiah of Wigan has scored at least one try in seven successive club matches as follows:-1-2-1-1-2-2-1

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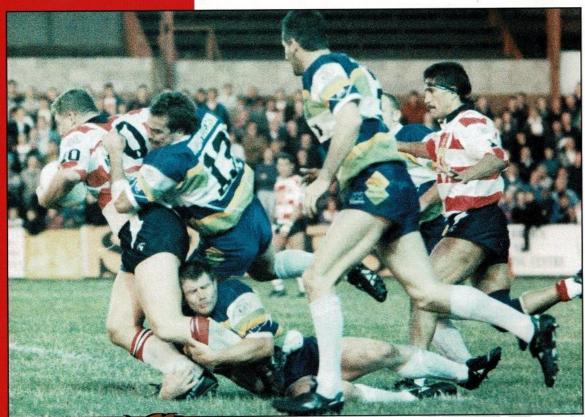
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With Christmas approaching this is an ideal time to join. Amongst benefits to Junior Roughyed Members is a 5% discount on all goods from the Souvenir Shop and with lots of new merchandise on the way this is a perfect time to start writing your Christmas list to Santa.

Watch this space for future events. . .

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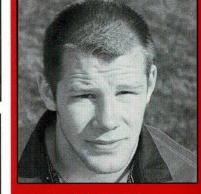
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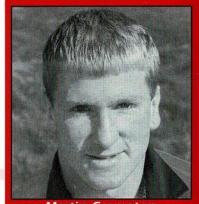
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BUT IT WON'T TASTE GOOD" - Joe Paterno