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WELCOME

from Chairman Henry Morris

Good afternoon and welcome to this afternoons game against Oldham.

I would like to welcome all the players, officials and supporters of Oldham and in particular Chairman Chris Hamilton who spoke out for Chorley Lynx when others tried to vote us out of the league.

We said at the start of the season that it was going to be a long hard season partly due to the fact that we had no close season preparation and whilst this has been true I believe our players have given their all this season and have competed well in most if not all games played.

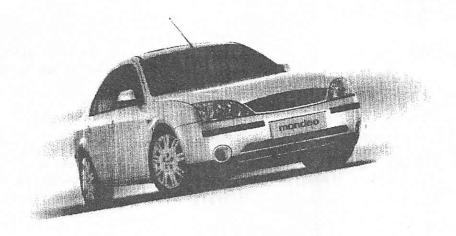
Oldham suffered similar problems to Chorley Lynx not that long ago but under the guidance of Chris Hamilton and Mike Ford their fortunes have changed and they now look to be genuine challengers in the forthcoming Premiership play-offs.

With regard's to next seasons competition start date a decision has not yet been made, however, a special meeting to address this issue has been arranged for Friday 18th May 2001 and as soon as any information is forthcoming I will inform all our supporters.

Enjoy the game,

HENRY MORRIS, Chairman.

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From Head Coach Graeme West

Good Afternoon

We welcome Mike Ford and his Oldham team to Victory Park this afternoon in what is sure to be a very tough game for Chorley.

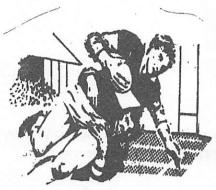
Oldham have been going well in the league all season and are a very well run and professional outfit, having said this I fully expect my team to give it their all and with a little luck this game could see the season change for Chorley Lynx.

Over the last few weeks we have suffered more than our fair share of injuries and it now appears there is some light at the end of the tunnel with a number of players returning from injury and available for selection.

Right from the commencement of the season we have made it clear that our aims and objectives were to improve all round and it is fair to say we have achieved this. All the players are now looking forward to a very hard pre-season training schedule under our conditioner Chris Butler (who is also looking forward to putting the players through his training schedules) and with some selective recruitment through the close season I am confident Chorley Lynx will be much more competitive next season which will keep us well on line with our future team plans.

Best wishes, Graeme

CHORLEY PANTHERS



This afternoon a Rugby Playing Kit will be presented to Chorley Panthers U9's before today's game against Oldham and the children will play an exhibition match during the half-time interval. Please give them your full support.

Coming Next to Victory Park

CHORLEY LYNX v ROCHDALE HORNETS Sunday, 20th May, 2001 Kick-Off 3.00 p.m.

Rochdale Hornets are currently enjoying a good run of form and have posted some excellent scores recently in the Northern Ford Premiership.

CHORLEY LYNX FIXTURES 2000/2001

Date	Opponents	Venue	Kick-Off	Attend.	Result
Dec. 3rd	SWINTON LICHS	Victory Park	3.00 p.m.	670	12-30
Dec. 17th	Rochdale Hornets	Spotland	3.00 p.m.	745	12-52
Dec. 24th	BARROW BORDER RAIDERS	Victory Park	2.00 p.m.	488	24-38
Jan. 7th	LEIGH CENTURIONS	Victory Park	3.00 p.m.	1382	4-56
Jan. 10th	Whitehaven Warriors	Recreation Ground	7.30 p.m.	648	4-28
Jan. 28th	WOOLSTON RVS (Silk Cut Cup)	Victory Park	3.00 p.m.	559	8-22
Jan. 30th	Oldham Roughyeds	Boundary Park	7.30 p.m.		2-56
Feb. 4th	WIGAN WARRIORS	Victory Park	3.00 p.m.		4-82
Feb. 14th	Workington Town	Derwent Park	7.30 p.m.		0-42
Feb. 18th	Dewsbury Rams	Ram Stadium	3.00 p.m.		0-70
Feb. 25th	WIDNES VIKINGS	Victory Park	3.00 p.m.	710	14-48
Mar. 4th	HULL KINGSTON ROVERS	Victory Park	3.00 p.m.	354	32-54
Mar. 11th	Featherstone Rovers	Lionheart Stadium	3.00 p.m.	1785	64-6
Mar. 18th	YORK WASPS	Victory Park	3.00 p.m.	254	78-8
Mar. 25th	BATLEY BULLDOGS	Victory Park	3.60 p.m.	289	4.39
Apr. 1st	Sheffield Eagles	Don Valley Stadium	3.15 p.m.	870	60-4
Apr. 8th	GATESHEAD THUNDER	Victory Park	3.00 p.m.	366	19-14
Apr. 13th	Barrow Border Raiders	Craven Park	3.00 p.m.		
Apr. 16th	WHITEHAVEN WARRIORS	Victory Park	4.00 p.m.		
Apr. 22nd	Keighley Cougars	Cougar Park	3.00 p.m.		
Apr. 29th	Hull Kingston Rovers	Craven Park	3.00 p.m.		
May 9th	Doncaster Dragons	Belle Vue	7.30 p.m.	700	56-20
May 13th	OLDHAM ROUGHYEDS	Victory Park	3.00 p.m.		
May 20th	ROCHDALE HORNETS	Victory Park	3.00 p.m.		
May 27th	Leigh Centurions	Hilton Park	3.00 p.m.		
June 3rd	WORKINGTON TOWN	Victory Park	3.00 p.m.		
June 10th	Widnes Vikings	Autoquest Stadium	3.00 p.m.		
June 17th	Hunslet Hawks	South Leeds Stadium	3.30 p.m.		
June 24th	DEWSBURY RAMS	Victory Park	3.00 p.m.		
July 1st	KEIGHLEY COUGARS	Victory Park	3.00 p.m.		

TODAYS TEAMS

CHORLEY LYNX

- 1. MATTHEW BROWN (Martis's Quality Bakers)
- 2. PAUL WILCOCK
- 3. GARY LOWE (Bladgeol RI Seponters (Inh)
- 4. STUART DICKINSON
- 5. LEE BAMBER
- 6. NEIL ALEXANDER (Morris's Quality Bakers)
- 7. STUART FISHER (Damies Aure, White Ball, Longridge)
- 8. LEE PREST (Charles Leax Supporters (Lub)
- 9. IAN TALBOT (loka Herdock)
- 10. MIKE PRESCOTT (John Mark)
- 11. PHIL HARRISON
- 12. LUKE VINCENT
- 13. WAYNE BLOOR
- 14. CHRIS RAMSDALE
- 15. WARREN HINDLE
- 16. DARREN GERITAS
- 17. ROB VERRELLI

Referee: Mr. I. KING

Touch Judges: Mr. P. D. GRIMSHAW Mr. P. SMITH

Fourth Official: Mr. M. SEDDON

OLDHAM

- 1. GAVIN DODD
- 2. JOE McNICHOLAS
- 3. ANTHONY GIBBONS
- 4. PAT RICH
- 5. DARYL LACEY
- 6. DAVID GIBBONS
- 7. NEIL RODEN
- 8. JASON CLEGG
- 9. KEITH BRENNAN
- 10. PAUL NORTON
- 11. PHIL FARRELL
- 12. KEVIN MANNION
- 13. CHRIS FARRELL
- 14. JOHN HOUGH
- 15. ANDY PROCTER
- 16. DANNY GUEST
- 17. IAN SINFIELD

Victory Park Welcomes



OLDHAM

A brief look at the Oldham squad.

MARK SIBSON

Former Loughborough student who has had spells at Castleford and Bramley. Very elusive runner from full back, capable of scoring from long range.

JOEY HAYES

A firm favourite with the Oldham crowd this former Super League star with St. Helens and Salford is always likely to get on the score sheet.

ANTHONY GIBBONS

Former Leeds and Bramley player with a good step off either foot. Also one of the best defensive centres in the NFP.

PAT RICH

Geordie Law Graduate previously with Keighley. A very reliable goal kicker he represented England Students in the Student World Cup Final.

DANNY ARNOLD

Super League experience playing at St. Helens and Huddersfield. Prolific try scorer who can play wing, centre or fullback.

DAVE GIBBONS

Twin brother of Anthony he too played at Bramley and Leeds. Very pacey, with an eye for the opening. Aggressive defender he also has a good kicking game.

NEIL RODEN

Product of the Wigan Academy set up joined the club last year. grown in stature every since. Scrum half with good hands and a sound kicking game.

JASON CLEGG

Massive prop with deceptive agility. Gives the team a big go forward and a quick play the ball.

JOHN HOUGH

The club's first ever signing. Oldham born hooker was the club's player of the season last year. Very fast out of dummy half he is a regular try scorer.

ANDY PROCTER

Club captain and a prop with a big work rate. Formerly with Wakefield and Bramley.

LEO CASEY

Now reaching the veteran stage, Irish International prop with a wealth of experience. Former clubs include Rochdale.

DANNY GUEST

Young prop, previously with Keighley and Chorley. Big things are expected of him.

PHILLIP FARRELL

Second row, brother of England Captain Andrew. Probably the most exciting second row in the NFP. Massive work rate, great pair of hands.

PAUL NORTON

Signed off season from Chorley. Knocker has been one of the clubs most consistent performers. Strong defender, can play prop or second row.

IAN SINFIELD

Oldham born, loose forward or second row. Aggressive defender with pace running out wide.

KEVIN MANNION

Loose forward with good hands. Wigan born former Rochdale player.

GARETH BARBER

Young stand off, born in Oldham and signed in the summer from Warrington. A player with huge potential he has already played a number of first team games.

DARYL LACEY

Young winger or full back who signed in the summer from Wigan. A player with plenty of pace and a safe pair of hands.

DEAN CROSS

Former Widnes wing or centre with great pace. A regular try scorer.

CHRIS FARRELL

Twin brother of Phil and another summer signing from Wigan. A loose forward with great vision.

GAVIN DODD

Young full back or winger another former Student International. A very elusive runner with great pace.

KEITH BRENNAN

Reserve team scrum half coming back after a serious knee injury will push for his first team place when back to fitness.

LEE DORAN

Teenage prop who has been staring with the clubs Alliance team. A very exciting prospect for the future.

WARREN BARROW

Big winger signed from St. Helens. A regular try scorer last season and a strong finisher.

BACKROOM STAFF

MIKE FORD-PLAYER/COACH

Mike has a wealth of experience with Wigan, Leigh, Castleford and Warrington amongst his former clubs. In his second season coaching with the club and one of the brightest young coaches in the game, he recently signed a new three year contract.

JOHN HENDERSON—ASST. COACH

John was a prolific try scorer in his playing days. He previously worked with Mike Ford at Bramley.

MARK KNIGHT-ACADEMY COACH

Mike was formerly the Academy Coach at Widnes he is also a well respected Coach Educator.

LISA SHARRATT

Lisa is a former Rochdale Hornets and Great Britain Students Physio. She has also travelled the world as Physio for the Great Britain Swimming team.



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Match Report Ian Bridge

KEIGHLEY COUGARS 60 CHORLEY LYNX 18

Sunday, 22nd April, 2001

Anyone familiar with the feline world will know Cougars are far bigger than Lynx and so it is in the world of the NFP. Although the Lynx clung on to the game for fifty minutes the Cougars huge pack was simply too much for them to handle and a 6-try burst in a frantic 15 minute spell finally killed them off. Lynx score three spectacular interception tries in this battle of the cats but were unable to come away with a win.

The pre-financial-crisis Cougars, then second in the NFP, came into this game on the back of four defeats and were in no mood to see that extended to five. Lethargic for the first 10 minutes they soon began to make inroads into the Lynx defence and tries from Rushforth, Hooson, Murdoch and Hughes plus three conversions from Jason Lee opened up a 22-0 lead.

Approaching half time Murdoch attempted to send Lee in for a try but Lynx winger Paul Wilcock reacted swiftly, intercepting the pass and turning defence into attack raced away to touch down under the Cougars post a 100 metres away, scoring one of the longest tries in Lynx history, leaving Cougars defence trailing in his wake. Fisher's conversions made it 22-6 at half time. Lynx were back in the game 10 minutes into the second half, Phil Harrison intercepting a Leathem pass on half-way to race 40 metres before sending Wilcock in at the right corner. Fisher's conversion making it 22-12.

But Hooson stepped inside Lynx's left side cover defence to score on 52 minutes and Harrison, Seal, Best, Hooson (for his hat-trick) and Hughes (for his second) all crossed for tries between the 55th and 67th minutes. Walker tagging on five conversions it was all over at 56-12 when Murdoch sealed it with his second try on 76 minutes.

All set then for the big finish, another Lynx intercept. This time left-centre Stuart Dickinson intercepted a Jason Ramshaw pass on his own line and raced the length of the field to score. Talbot adding the conversion as the hooter sounded to at least end the day on a high note.

ACADEMY OF SPORT

Northern Ford Premiership club Chorley Lynx and Lancaster and Morecambe College have forged a brand new, innovative link that will help secure the future of all potential Rugby League stars as well as the sport in Central Lancashire. Together with the Lynx and the College have formed an Under 19 age group team Academy of Sport and it will be organised along the same lines as the successful Football Academy at the same college. Student players will enrol on the academic or vocational course and attend classes at the College during the morning session and in the afternoon they will undergo Rugby League coaching from former New Zealand Test forward, coach Graeme West, who is now Chorley's head coach.

A team from the newly formed Academy of Sport will be entered in the new Student Rugby League Under 19 competition and National Cup Tournament.

The scheme will be available to student players from either Rugby League or Rugby Union who wish to combine sporting achievement with academic/vocational qualifications.



MATCH REPORT IAN BRIDGE

HULL KINGSTON ROVERS 40 CHORLEY LYNX 6 Sunday, 29th April, 2001

A gutsy performance from an injury hit Lynx side sporting a number of new faces from the local amateur scene and from the Academy, restricted Hull Kingston Rovers to 40 points.

Chorley started very brightly and forced the Robins to dropout from under their posts twice within the opening five minutes, with Neil Alexander just failing to touchdown a deft grubber kick from Stuart Fisher. But the Robins hit back with venom to run in eight tries and four goals in a very convincing 40-6 win. Chorley's only reward being a try to captain, Ian Talbot, on forty minutes. Talbot drove over from acting half back after a strong drive from Wayne Bloor had been halted on the line.

Talbot, playing at hooker worked tirelessly for the Lynx as usual and there was another promising display from looseforward, Bloor, with prop, Lee Prest and second-rower Phil Harrison also showing up well. Hull Kingston Rovers coach, Gary Wilkinson, was impressed by the improvement in the Lynx side since their previous encounter 'They are a better team than people give them credit for. They tackled their hearts out and never gave in,'



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Chorley Lynx are committed to supporting an Action Plan for Rugby League Clubs to tackle Racism, we will not tolerate Racism of any kind and will take action against spectators who engage in Racist chanting, any form of abuse or intimidation.

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Enjoy watching Rugby League in the early Summer sunshine for Lynx's four remaining Home Fixtures Sunday, 20th May

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Sunday, 3rd June

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