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## **Coaches View**

I would like to extend a warm welcome to Mike Ford and his Oldham side to Craven Park for what promises to be a tough encounter for us.

at a time and see who is cutting it and who isn't. There are some players who have been here long enough to realise what they are or aren't capable of and again like

After the disapointment of the Sheffield result it's vital that we focus on the job in hand. As a team we have had some pretty useful individual performances but it has not been enough. On reflection, which I have also stated in the Press, I have probably learned more about coaching by being at this level rather than having four or five seasons as an Alliance coach. This really bodes well for next season as I will know what things are about and have had twelve months under my belt and I really do think that I have got something to offer next season. Then by that time we should

have added well to the squad and it is important that we continue the building for the next two or three years. However we still have to take one season I have said in the Press, I do firmly believe that I have got the ability within this team to go on and win a Grand Final.

Having said that I still feel that for us to move on as a team I still do need to move people on and bring new people in and that is what I will be doing. But that is for the future and I know that with the players who are at this club at the moment will not give us a repeat of what happened against Sheffield. We will remain focused on the job in hand to give us a victory over

Oldham today. Gary Wilkinson

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# Keeping an Eye on Youth Development

With this being our last home game of the season I feel it is time to say a big thank-you to everyone who has been concerned with the development of the Scholarship Scheme. A lot of people have put in a lot of hard work to ensure that the scheme, which is recognised by the Rugby Football League, as one of it's best, will take giant leaps forward in the future.

Right through from Scholarship Manager, Kevin l'Anson, through Consultant Ken Newby along with Gary Wilkinson, Des Harrison and Administrator Paul Beardshaw we have built a team to make sure things happen for the youngsters here at Craven Park.

I would like to pass on thanks firstly to the Under 12 team of Coach Bob Everitt and Manager Chris Park along with Support Staff, Phil Wilkin and Paul Beardshaw.At Under 13/14 Mike Crane has been coaching the lads along with Mike Potts, with Tony Elvin managing the side. The Support Staff for that one have been Roger Bower and Dave Hall. Jon Aston and myself have coached the Under 15/16 side which is managed by Dave Leaf and the support staff of Jamie Bovill and Tony Noble.

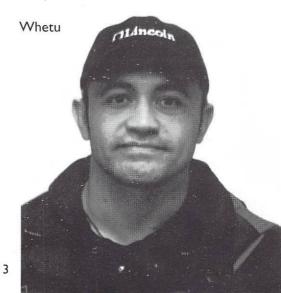
As I said previously without them

working as a team from top to bottom we would not have a superb platform from which we can launch the kids that are not only our future but also the future of Hull Kingston Rovers as a whole. Thank you to you all.

Furthermore I would also like to thank our many sponsors who have contributed, no matter how small, in either financial values or time and effort, that to is greatly appreciated and again many thanks.

Finally, on behalf of all the lads and myself, I would like to thank all the supporters for their efforts in getting behind the club both home and away during this season and look forward to seeing you all next.

See you soon



## **Marketing & Info**

Good afternoon and welcome to Craven Park for our last home game of the season in this 2000-2001 season. The disappointment of the defeat by Sheffield the last time we were at home hasnot detracted us in any way in our looking for potential sponsors to help us build even stronger ties for next season. Furthermore, anyone wishing to look into any kind of sponsorship for Hull Kingston Rovers can have a package tailored to suit their needs no matter how small. Many meetings are planned or have already taken place with regard to sponsors for next s eason

and as this is our last game of the season I would ask you to keep a check in the local press or on the radio for further details. However, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their help over the last three games, it has been very much appreciated.

Even before reading this you will be aware that today is a great day for us off the field as well. With the exception of Steve Hubbard, taking place at around 2-30, there will be a parade of the 1980 Challenge Cup winning team. To make the day really special we have Anthony Sullivan here to represent his late father Clive along with the Cup itself, and they are all extremely welcome Bookings are now being taken for the use of the Stadium Club, Silver Ring Club as well as the Robins Nest and our excellent restaurant facilities. Is your staff Christmas Party booked? Do you need somewhere for your end of season presentation? It doesn't matter what sport you are involved with if you need a place we can provide it.

#### FORTHCOMING ACADEMY MATCHES

6th July	Leeds Rhinos	Away	Kick-off	5-45pm
15th July	Bradford Bulls	Away	Kick-off	3-40pm
28th July	HULL F.C	Home	Kick-off	2-30pm

#### SPEEDWAY FIXTURES FOR JULY

lst	Newport	Away	Premier League
4th	Isle of Wight/Stoke	Home	Knock-out Cup
7th	Stoke	Away	Knock-out Cup
IOth	Isle of Wight	Away	Knock-out Cup
llth	Arena Essex	Home	Premier League
l 2th	Swindon	Away	Premier League
l 5th	Glasgow	Away	Premier League
18th	Newcastle	Home	Premier League
21st	Stoke	Away	Premier League
23rd	Newcastle	Away	Premier League
25th	Glasgow	Home	Premier League

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### Cravens News Round

#### HULL KINGSTON FIGHTING FUND DINNER

The Fighting Fund held their dinner here at the club on Friday 22nd June 2001 and it was a huge success. Guest of honour was the former Hull Kingston Rovers and Australia half-back, John Dorahy along with one hundred people who attended a tremendous sit down meal which was followed by cabaret from girl duo, Venus.

#### FINANCIAL SUPPORT

On behalf of everyone at the club I would like to thank the Fighting Fund, the Ex-Players Association and Mr. Ron Smalley for their financial contributions to the club which will go towards the development of youth within the club. Mr Smalley will also be on hand at halftime today to present another cheque and once again it is greatly appreciated.

#### HALFTIME DRAW

Instead of the usual Golden Gamble today we are having something that we think is really special. The girls will for this match only be selling raffle tickets with the usual draw to be made at halftime. There will be three prizes on offer so get your tickets. You've got to be in it to win it !!

Third Prize: A signed ball by the current Hull Kingston Rovers first team.

Second Prize: A meal for two in the restaurant at a Rovers game next season.

First Prize: A signed shirt by the 1980 Challenge Cup winning team

Thanks for your continued support

Mark Chestney – Commercial Manager





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 crowed. This former super league star with St-Helens and Salford is always likely to get on the scoresheet.

Anthony Gibbons – former Leeds and Bramley player with a good step off either foot. Also one of the best defensive centres in the N F P.

**Pat Rich** – Goordle law graduate who was previously with Keighley. A very reliable goal kicker, how represented England students in the student world cup final.

**Danny Arnold** – Another player with super league experience playing with St-Helens and Huddersfield. A prolific try scorer who can play wing, centre or full back.

**Dave Gibbons** – Twin brother of Anthony he too played at Bramley and Leeds.Very pacey with an eye for an openings. He is an aggressive defender, who also has a sound kicking game.

**Jason Clegg** – A massive prop with deceptive agility. He gives the team a big go forward and a quick play of the ball.

John Hough – The clubs first ever signing. This Oldham born hooker was the clubs 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 workrate, formerly with Wakefield and Bramley.

Leo Casey – Now reaching the veteran stage. An Irish international prop with a wealth of experience. Former clubs include Rochdale Hornets.

**Danny Guest** – Huge young prop former with Keighley and Chorley. Has started to push through this season and big things are expected from him.

**Phillip Farrell** – Second row who joined the club along with Neil Roden, brother of England's captain

### **Oldham Roughyeds**

Andrew. He is probably the most exciting young second row in the NFP. A massive workrate and a great pair of hands.

**Paul Norton** – Singed in the off season from Chorley. Knocker has been one of the most consistent performers. Very strong defender who can play prop or second row.

**Ian Sinfield** – Oldham born player, equally at home at loose forward or second row. An aggressive defender with pace running out wide.

**Kevin Mannion** – Former student international player. A loose forward with a good pair of hands. Wigan born and another former Rochdale player.

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

**Daryl Lacey** – Young winger of full back 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 a 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 and a former student international. A very elusive runner with great pace.

Lee Doran – Teenage prop who has started his career in the alliance team. A very exciting prospect.

Keith Brannan – Reserve team coming back after a very serious knee injury. Expected to push back through strongly for a first team place when he's back in full fitness.

Warren Barrow – Big winger signed from St-Helens. A regular by scorer last season and strong finisher/.

### The Hull Daily Mail reporters page

OF course this weekend being what it is I suppose it was inevitable that I should get round to writing about THAT final.

No problem I thought, just dig out the cutings and see what was what.

That and memory should enable me to sort out a piece for the programme OK? No.

You fans might have long memories, you might remember Steve Hubbard's try and his being stretchered off after scoring nine of his side's 10 points and Clive Sullivan making a try-saving tackle on Graham Bray and all th other glorious recollections of that day.

Do you remember the Mail reports of the final?

If you do, you're a better man than me.

Guess what. There was a newspaper strike that week. No report on the big day and it was not until a couple of weeks later that a full picture special was produced.

I can remember watching the game on television and wondering if the local burglars were going to have a field day as it seemed most of the City had made the trip south to support one of the two sides.

And despite the cross-river rivalry I saw nothing to compete with this match in terms of derby atmosphere until the Liverpool-Everton soccer finals. Must be something about sea-faring cities

I suppose.

And there were many cases of divided loyalty too, with some families having a foot in both camps.

From what I can find in our archives, and well thumbed the records are too, Steve Hubbard's try came after only eight minutes after some nifty work down the blind side by man of the match, prop Brian Lockwood. That set the foundations for Rovers to lead 8-3 at the break, but then FC pulled back a couple of points and went in search of victory. They thought they had got it too when winger Graham Bray appeared to go in at the corner. But ref Fred Lindop (come back Fred, all is forgiven), ruled that Sammy Lloyd had obstructed Rovers' fullback Dave Hall.

There were other tries disallowed, and watching film of the match Fred was correct in each decision (and that without a video referee).

Also there was Roger Millward, another part of Rovers' folklore, playing with a broken jaw for almost the whole match.

Tim Wilby scored Hull's try and if this was Rovers' glory day it was the saddest day of his life for Hull kicker Sammy Lloyd who, despite being one of the game's most reliable marksmen, found his skills deserted him on the big occasion.

And the match ended a long wait for Millward, Phil Lowe and Sullivan to make a Challenge Cup final appearance. In Lowe's case he showed similar courage to Millward, needing pain killing injections for a shoulder injury before the match and at half-time.

So the final which gave birth to the legend "Will the last person out of Hull turn off the lights", and the headline "One Hullava day" lives on.

And no doubt it will live on for ever in the sporting memories of this rugby league mad city.

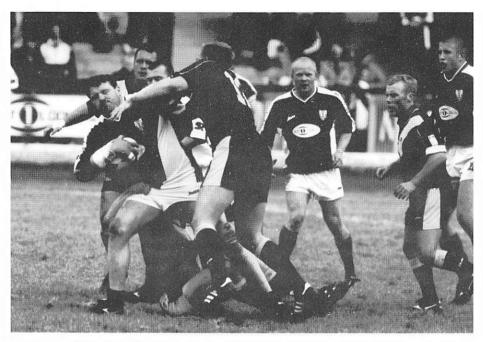
### Oldham RLFC (1997) Ltd

When Oldham Bears went into liquidation in October 1997 the future of professional rugby in Oldham, a hotbed of games at schools and amateur level, looked bleak. However, waiting in the wings was a group of businessmen prepared to start from scratch. These men - chairman Christopher Hamilton. Sean Whitehead. Stewart Harducre and the since departed Melvyn Lord - took a huge gamble that could resurrect the professional game in the town and set about what was undeniably a formidable task. Starting with not so much as a bootlace (in a phrase, which has become synonymous with their achievement in Oldham) the club's first signing local lad John Hough - was made in December. But by January 1st a side had been put together to contest the annual charity match with Rochdale Hornets, which the newly formed Roughyeds famously won before a gate of over 3000. The break, which followed before the start of the 1998 season in March, enabled coach Paddy Kirwan to build a competitive side in the second division, a team whose outstanding achievement was to reach the final of the inaugural Trans - Pennine Cup where they lost to Batley at Mount Pleasant.

### By 1999 Paddy Kirwan had been

succeeded as coach by Mick Coates and Roughyeds' followers endured a tortured season as the bottom of a newly unified league. Throughout this traumatic period the club was determined to remine true to its principles, especially not to spend money it did not have which had been the cause of the demise of the bears. Christopher Hamilton believed that as news corporation funds dried up. The other clubs would have to cut back enabling Oldham to make progress gradually to their standards and so it has proved. By 2000 Great Britain international scrum-half Mike Ford had returned to coach his hometown club. How far the club had progressed could be measured by Ford's success in guiding his side to sixth place in the table and a semi-final game in the play-offs against Leigh Centurions (incidentally, defeating the Robins along the way).

But this was not all: in 1999 Oldham had entered a side in the Alliance Championship and in 2000 added an academy team believing that the future lay in recruiting, training and educating its own players. Key personnel were introduced to promote these ends, notably Haydn walker (now departed) and Mark Knight as coaches, John 'Jacko' Jackson as chief scout and most recently, Shaun Gartland as mentor of the academy squad. With all three sides enjoying more than a modicum of success and the first team holding a place in the top four as they arrive at Craven Park today, the town of Oldham can rightly feel proud of the progress made so far by its professional rugby club. And that the club is ambitious and hungry, for success is exemplified by the recent decision to bid for a Super League franchise. In the belief that no matter what the out come of this years grand final, the Oldham board of directors believe they have the ground, the facilities, the coach, the team and the infrastructure to make a go of top flight rugby.which the newly formed Roughveds famously won before a gate of over 3000.



Above: Paul Fletcher in the thick of the action against Gatehead thunder. Below:Summer Rugby?

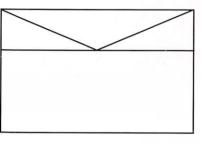


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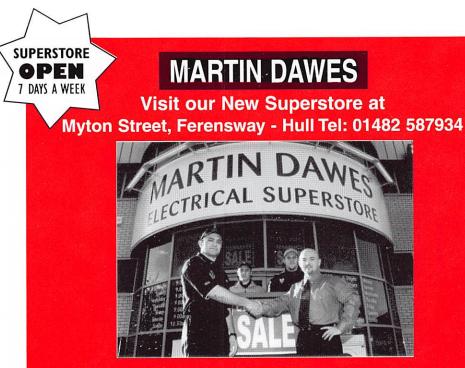
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March 3 I st	Warrington Wolves	Away		Lost	2-14		
April							
8th	Wakefield Trinity	Home		Postpor	ned		
l 2th	Hull F.C	Away		Lost	4-32		
l 6th	Wigan	Home		Lost 18-40			
22nd	Salford City Reds	Away		Lost	20-50		
29th	Huddersfield Giants	Home		Postpor	ned		
May							
6th	Halifax Blue Sox	Away		Lost	12-29		
l 3th	London Broncos	Away		Won	26-24		
20th	Leeds Rhinos	Home		Lost	16-30		
25th	Wigan Warriors	Away		Lost	4-52		
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June							
İst	Castleford Tigers	Away		Won	21-14		
17th	Halifax Blue Sox	Home		Won	30-12		
24th	Huddersfield Giants	Away		Lost	24-30		
July							
lst	St.Helens	Home		1.00pm			
6th	Leeds Rhinos	Away		5-45pm			
15th	Bradford Bulls	Away		3-40pm			
28th	Hull FC	Home		2-30pm			
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August							
4th	Bradford Bulls	Home		2-30pm			
10th	St.Helens	Away		5-45pm			
18th	Castleford Tigers	Home		2-30pm			
25th	London Broncos	Home		2-30pm			
Septem	ber						
lst	Warrington Wolves	Home		2-30pm			
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To be a	rranged: Wakefield Trinit	у	Home				
	Huddersfield G	iants	Home				

# League Table

#### NORTHERN FORD PREMIERSHIP

### LEAGUE TABLE as at Sunday 24th June 2001

	Р	W	D	L	F	А	PTS
Leigh Centurions	27	25	0	2	1055	320	50
Oldham	27	21	0	6	776	392	42
Widnes Vikings	27	20	1	6	919	373	41
Rochdale Hornets	27	20	0	7	839	423	40
Featherstone R.	27	17	2	8	805	377	36
Dewsbury Rams	26	17	0	9	772	384	34
Hull K R.	27	15	2	10	531	446	32
Keighley Cougars	27	15	1	11	750	488	31
Workington Town	27	15	0	12	647	552	30
Whitehaven	27	14	1	12	584	399	29
Sheffield Eagles	27	14	0	13	623	505	28
Doncaster Dragons	3 26	14	0	12	594	485	28
Batley Bulldogs	27	13	0	14	442	592	26
Barrow Border R.	27	11	1	15	593	671	23
Swinton Lions	27	9	0	18	496	695	18
Hunslet Hawks	27	6	1	20	376	917	13
Gateshead Thunder	r 28	2	0	26	346	990	4
Chorley Lynx	27	2	0	25	385	1301	4
York	27	1	1	25	192	1415	3

### ACADEMY LEAGUE TABLE as at Sunday 24th June 2001

	Р	W	D	L	F	А	PTS
Wigan Warriors	13	10	1	2	418	266	21
Leeds Rhinos	13	8	2	3	491	243	18
Bradford Bulls	12	9	0	3	409	190	18
Hull FC	11	9	0	2	362	184	18
St. Helens	11	7	0	4	338	249	14
Halifax Blue Sox	11	6	2	3	245	194	14
Huddersfield Giants	11	6	0	5	299	253	12
Salford City Reds	14	5	1	8	347	427	11
Wakefield Tnty. W'cats	12	5	0	7	245	279	10
Castleford Tigers	14	5	0	9	253	351	10
Hull Kingston Rovers	11	3	0	8	177	327	6
Warrington Wolves	12	2	0	10	169	458	4
London Broncos	11	0	0	11	138	478	0

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# Martin Sadler's Premier Express

#### Ready for the play-offs?

MARTYN SADLER, the editor of LEAGUE EXPRESS, looks forward to the NFP play-offs, and the prospect of some enthralling rugby.

I remember it was Andy Farrell who gave probably the best justification of a play-off system to decide the Champions, even though he was talking about Super League. Andy pointed out that there are two measures of a Champion team.

On the one hand it achieves the consistency that is necessary to perform well throughout what is usually a lengthy season. On the other, like a champion boxer, it has the ability to see off its rivals in one-to-one combat when the chips are down and a lot is at stake.

The eight teams that will qualify for the play-offs after today's final round of fixtures have certainly achieved some degree of consistency, with Leigh in particular having had a great season. The Centurions have been well ahead of their rivals for most of the year, although Oldham, Widnes and Rochdale have all played strongly in the latter part of the season.

But, as Shakespeare might have put it, which team will now be able to survive the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune over the next four weeks, until we have the Grand Final showdown on 28 July?

This season has really seen the Lancashire clubs come to the fore in the NFP. Whereas last year the top three clubs - Dewsbury, Keighley and Doncaster - were all from Yorkshire, the top four clubs in 2001 are all from Lancashire. It surely means that a Lancashire club will triumph at Spotland in the Grand Final, and it is by no means certain that the winners will be the Centurions, even though they are the clear favourites.

In Neil Turley the Centurions have the outstanding new face in the NFP this year, but the record-breaking young fullback isn't the only

Leigh player who poses a mighty threat to their opponents. Paul Anderson, Simon Svabic, Dave Bradbury, Simon Baldwin and Chris Morley are all fine players with Super League experience who look very well equipped to spearhead the

Centurions' challenge over the next four weeks. But who will Leigh play in the preliminary semifinal next weekend?

Widnes and Rochdale should both win their games today, against Hunslet and Batley respectively, so it depends on whether Oldham can win at Hull Kingston Rovers. If they do, then Leigh will face Rochdale at home next weekend, while Oldham will play Widnes at home (wherever that might be, given that Oldham's ground at Boundary Park is being re-seeded).

But if Hull KR can retain their place in the top eight by upsetting Oldham, then we are likely to see the Roughyeds finishing in fourth place, and having to travel to Leigh next weekend, while Widnes will play Rochdale at home.

The play-off system is deliberately constructed so that in the first week the teams finishing from fifth to eighth take part in knockout football. Featherstone and Dewsbury are certain to be the home teams, with the visiting teams, at the time of writing, being any two from Keighley, Hull KR, Workington and Doncaster. In fact the latter two teams meet today in a battle that could see one of them make the top eight at the last

possible moment (I'm writing before last Wednesday's game between Doncaster and Dewsbury), if Hull KR lose to Oldham. It's all tremendously exciting.



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- 1. Oldham's Chief Executive?
- 2. Hull KR's current Welsh International?
- 3. And FC's current English Internationals?
- 4. Bradford Bulls home venue?
- 5. What is the main ingrediants of Yorkshire Pudding?
- 6. The Score from last weeks Sheffield game?
- 7. 'Eddie and \*\*\*\*\*The Sky pundits?
- 8. Shefield's Mark Aston won the Lance Todd Trophy in what year?
- 9. Who played 'Dredd' in the film 'Judge Dredd'?
- 10. Which player scored the winning try in the 'all Hull Wembley final'?
- 11.Name the Conference League player of the year?
- 12. Which car manufacturer markets a model called Yaris?

This Weeks quiz is just for fun. Answers on page 22.

Answers from the last issue

1. Andy Gregory and Lee Crooks 2. Neil Turley 3. 52-12 4. South Leeds Stadium 5. Sedgefield 6. Rochdale Hornets 7. 26-8. Total Rugby.Com 9. Knowsley Road 10. A small anchor with many hooks 11. Harry Grashion 12. Whetu Taewa

#### **ROBINS GIVE HALIFAX THE BLUES**

HULL KINGSTON ROVERS ACADEMY 30 HALIFAX BLUE SOX ACADEMY 12

Hull Kingston Rovers Academy put in yet another superb performance in the Academy Super League in making it two wins in a row with an excellent 30-12 win over Halifax Blue Sox. Playing with the wind behind them in the first half the lads built up a commanding 18-0 lead before allowing their West Yorkshire rivals back into it. With the game just three minutes old Rovers were on the board when a superb flat ball from loose-forward Jon Wilkin saw Andy Taylor go in and David Wilson land the first of his five out of five contributions. The second coming just five minutes later when Wilkin bomb was spilled by the Blue Sox defence for Dave Roberts to score for 12-0 lead. With less than 20 minutes gone Joe Chambers got in on the act to give Rovers that halftime lead along with Wilson's third goal.

Two tries in the opening five minutes of the second half saw something of a Halifax revival when Ryan Holdsworth and James Chapman both scored with two conversions from the boot of Liam Finn. Finn also missed a kickable penalty but it would be the Robins who would fly on to victory. On the hour Roberts grabbed his second try after a quick tap before going into the final quarter Carl Dent, who had been moved to the wing for this one went in off another delayed pass after good work from Jamie Bovill. Two further conversions helped cement the side's third victory of the season.

#### **BOVILL INJURED AS ROVERS GO DOWN**

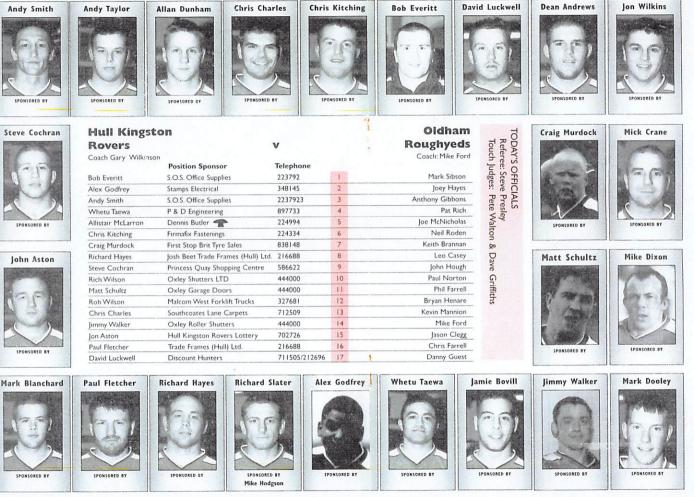
HUDDERSFIELD GIANTS ACADEMY

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HULL KINGSTON ROVERS ACADEMY

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Rovers lead 14-10 in the blistering heat of Fartown but sadly went down to their first defeat in three at the hands of the Giants. A real blow came with the loss of powerful forward Jamie Bovill who was led from the field with what was later diagnosed as a severed cruciate ligament. Bovill had earlier given the Robins a great start with a try and some forceful running. As well as Bovill, Andy Taylor, Dave Roberst and Shaun Leaf also touched down with David Wilson landing four goals. The Giants scored six tries all told from Jon Waddle, Tom Senior, Ricky Sheriff, Joe Dickinson, Ben Feenhan and Lee Lingars with Chris Bridge adding three goals.



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May we also take this opportunity to thank all our sponsors for all their help throughout the season and look forward to seeing you all next season.



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### www.hullkr.co.uk The Knaggs File

So here we are with what, given the curent league positions, looks likely to be our last home game of the season. Its been a long hard year and what that has provided the club and supporters with a roller coaster ride from beginning to end.

Given the structuring of the NFP this is our first encounter against the

Oldham Roughyeds in the league this seson as Mike Fords team look to secure second place in the league and home advantage for their matches in the play-offs. The two teams did of course meet earlier this year in the 4th round of the Challenge Cup with the Roughyeds coming out 17-6

victors in a match that could have gone either way until midway through the second half.

Keeping with the Roughyeds and in my search across the Internet this week for an Oldham website I came across two sites. One which described itself as the official website but unfortunately turned out to be quitea let down with its last update coming in March 2000. The second site is an independently run site hosted with Rivals. Net. Available for viewing at

www.oldhamroughyeds.net the site is costantly updated with news, previews and match reports. A fairly lively message board (including plea's from Workington fans) provides constant rugby league debate and a section devoted to the clubs fanzine which gives a supporters view on the club along with some excellent articles from Roughyeds fan SimonWinnard. This last week has also been a big week for our own site. Voting started last Sunday for the third annual Website player of the year award and given the early votes from website visitors it looks likely to be a very close run contest. The biggest news though was that finally we reached the 200,000 visitors mark. Thanks to everyone who has visited the site in the last four years and helped us to reach this milestone.

Next year I'm planning a facelift for the site to clean up the design and add a few more features for visitors, its been a couple of years since I last re-designed the site so its due for a bit of a tidy up, be sure to stay tuned towards the beginning of next seson for the new and improved site.

Well that's it for another season and after the end of this month we'll have another long wait during the off season before the start of the 2002 campaign, when next seson will start or what the format is going to be is anyone's guess but no doubt there will be no straightforward answer!

Until next season keep visiting the Hull KR Website at www.hullkr.co.uk

Jonathon Knaggs.

Today's Quiz Answers

I.Chris Hamilton 2.David Luckwell 3.Tony Smith and Paul King 4.Valley Parade 5. Flour, eggs, water and salt 6. 14-18 7. Stevo 8.1998 9.Sylvester Stallone 10.Steve Hubbard 11. Wayne Harris of West Hull 12.Toyota

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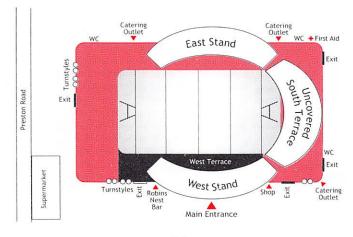
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As we look back upon that great day of 1980 I may be forgiven for bringing to the fore the only man unable to physically be with us here today, Clive Sullivan MBE. However I would like to pass on a huge thank you to his son Anthony who is here today to represent his father.

If you say that Clive was loved on both sides of the river it would certainly be an understatement for the man who became a rugby league legend and being the only man ever to score over one hundred tries for both Hull clubs. Even though he had his personal triumphs he also had a torrid time with injuries but it was the man's great character that shone through.

I think it would be best summed up by someone who not only remembers him as a player but by what was written by Joe Latus back in 1973 when he wrote the 'Clive Sullivan Story'. I would at this point in time like to thank anyone connected with the book for the use of the following. It went........'At about 4-30 pm on Saturday, November 11th, 1972 at the Lyons Stadium, a young coloured lad stretched out his hands to receive the trophy which ranks as the most cherished in World Rugby League Football – the World Cup'.

'As his hands took the cup, the tears of sheer happiness streamed down his face and his ears were oblivious to the roar of the crowd and the cheering of his team-mates. This, for him, was the proudest moment of his life and one which he never, in his wildest dreams thought he would experience. His thoughts at that moment, were in a jumble, he was delirious with happiness, unconscious of everything but the fact that he had, at long last, achieved the highest possible honour in the game'.

It would be fair to say that some eight years later those same thoughts were going through the mind of one of the greatest post war wingers as he walked out onto the hallowed Wembley turf. He was about to take part in what the Rugby League had kept on the back burner for over 100 years – an all-Hull Rugby League Challenge Cup final.

Knowing Clive, as many people have over the years, it would not have mattered to him whether the shirt was red and white, black and white, the red of Wales or the red, white and blue of Great Britain, the air of anticipation was there every time he got the ball before the cry of .....GO ON SULLY!!

Had Clive been here today he would be the first to admit that he was just part of a team but today we pay tribute to the whole team and as it states on the Challenge Cup –

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### **'The' All Hull Final**

May 3rd 1980 will stand out in the memory of Hull Kingston Rovers fans for a very long time. This was the day 21 years ago that the club had their finest hour when they beat their great rivals Hull F.C at Wembley in the Challenge Cup Final winning the 10-5 cup final.

As a tribute to them we have gathered together today almost that entire cup winning side who will be paraded to you prior to today's very important game. Alongside them will be the Scholarship lads so we will have Rovers past along with Rovers future.

To help you rekindle those great memories there follows the details of the final plus some photographs courtesy of the Hull Daily Mail to help tug at the heartstrings.



Give the lads a cheer today as we remember that great glory day from all those years ago.

Hull Kingston Rovers: Dave Hall, Steve Hubbard, Mike Smith, Steve Hartley, Clive Sullivan, Roger Millward, Alan Agar, Roy Holdstock, David Watkinson, Brian Lockwood, Paul Rose, Phil Lowe, Len Casey Subs; Phil Hogan, John Millington

Hull F.C: Paul Woods, Graham Bray, Graham Walters, Tim Wilby, Paul Prenderville, John Newlove, Clive Pickerill, Keith Tindall, Ron Wileman, Charlie Stone, Charlie Birdsall, Sammy Lloyd, Steve Norton Subs; Brian Hancock, Vince Farrar

Referee: Fred Lindop

Lance Todd Trophy Winner: Brian Lockwood Attendance: 95,000

Cup presented by: Her Royal Highness Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother.

#### Above.

Roger Millward Shouldered by Phil Hogan, with Steve Hartley and David Hall .

Right. 'Sully ' Steve Hartley, Len Casey and John Millington

Overleaf. Magnificent Supoport for both teams





# **Supporter News**

The club are holding their Annual Presentation Evening on Friday 13th July in the Silver Ring club starting at 7-30pm. Tickets are on sale in the club shop both before and after the today's game. Adult tickets will be  $\pm$ 5 with Children and Concessionary just  $\pm$ 3. As well as the Presentation of awards there will be a buffet and disco. Get your tickets early to avoid disappointment. Also inside today's programme you will find a voting slip for you to have your say in those awards. When you have decided who your player of the year is, then place it in the boxes provided either in the Silver Ring or Stadium club, the foyer or the club shop. If not send them back to us here at Craven Park before Thursday 12th. Don't lose you vote.

Moves are afoot to improve the Robins Nest facility. We are looking at all aspects of the club and will certainly keep you updated with what is happening.

When we say we need to start the supporters of a club young we are really happy when a real tiny tot comes on board. On 28th March this year Elliott Michael Wilkinson Green was born and has been enrolled in the Junior Robins (see picture below) everyone at the club would like to welcome Elliott aboard.

Don't forget after the match to bring your cameras upstairs to have your photograph taken with the Challenge Cup and meet the players that gave the club its greatest triumph.

The Myton Warriors and Hull Boys Club are providing today's halftime mini-league entertainment.

Do not forget that the Academy team are still playing when the first team finish. Their first home game on their own will be the local derby against the Black and Whites, which will be on Saturday 28th July with a 2-30pm kick-off. Admission will be  $\pounds 2$  for adults with  $\pounds 1$  for children and concessions.



Young Elliott along with Phil and Austin Green



# Hull Kingston Rovers

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# Rufus and his Junior Robins

Hi Boys and Girls, Rockie here.

Hope you have all got your shouting voices on for today's big game.

It is fantastic to see all the players from the 10-5 victory over the Airlie Birds from all those years ago. Don't forget to sing Red, Red Robin as loud as you can.

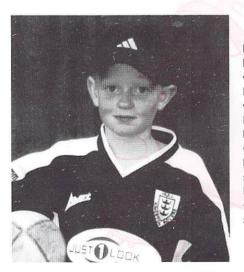
Have you managed to guess where Rufus and I are going for our holidays yet? Keep sending in your postcards and letters into Craven Park reception so we can fly in and pick them up. Please look out for my special friend who I have got with me today, as he will be waving to you all. A special Rockie thank you to Jan for him.

'Big cheers' for all the Robins today, let's rock them all the way to the play-offs.

Love

#### ROCKIE AND RUFUS xx

P.S.A great big hello to Rufus's special friend Megan who comes all the way from York to cheer on Hull K.R.



#### MASCOT

My name is Jordan Dean and I go to Ings Road Primary School. I am 9 years old and have been watching Rovers since I was five. I also like Liverpool Football Club who also play in red and white. My favourite player is Bob Everitt.

It is great that I am being the mascot today because my auntie and uncle, who live in Germany, are over to watch the match and will be in the restaurant today. My auntie has supported Rovers since she was 18 months old, but it will be only her husband's third visit to Craven Park. So like me, they will be hoping for a Rovers win.



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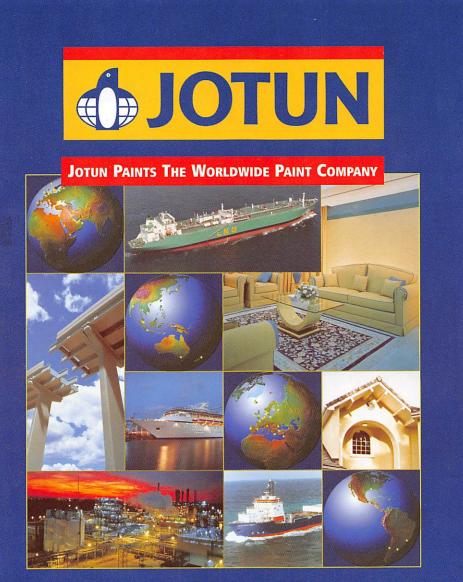


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