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2nd Apr	3pm	R4	Hunslet Hawks	v	Doncaster	W 54-12
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11th Apr	3pm	R6	Hunslet Hawks	v	Swinton Lions	W 46-12
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9th May	3pm	R9	Hunslet Hawks	v	Blackpool Panthers	
16th May	3pm	R10	York City Knights	v	Hunslet Hawks	
23rd May	3pm	R11	Hunslet Hawks	v	Oldham	at Oldham
30th May	3pm	R12	Doncaster	v	Hunslet Hawks	
13th June	3pm	R13	Rochdale Hornets	v	Hunslet Hawks	
27th June	3pm	R14	Hunslet Hawks	v	London Skolars	
4th July	3pm	R15	Swinton Lions	v	Hunslet Hawks	
11th July	3pm	R16	Hunslet Hawks	v	York City Knights	
25th July	3pm	R17	Gateshead Thunder	v	Hunslet Hawks	
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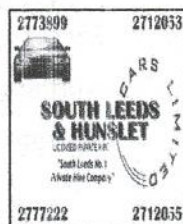
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Oldham make their third appearance of the season here at the South Leeds Stadium, with the score standing at one all so far. The league is perhaps the most important to both sides, and so Hunslet will be looking to take revenge for Oldham's league win. Victory today and a kind draw in the next round would be some consolation.

Super League Show

The BBC cameras are at the stadium this afternoon filming for a spot on the Super League Show. The programme "adopts" a team and follows their progress, or that of their conquerors, through to the final of the Carnegie Challenge Cup. Oldham took over from Blackwood Bulldogs after the last round, so let's hope that they will be with Hunslet in round 5. The draw for the next round takes place just after the final whistle today, at 4:45.

Nicko Slain

Nicko Slain has made a great impression on all that he has met during his stay in England. The Hawks fans, especially, have been great supporters of his all-action style of play.

It has been with great sorrow that Nicko has had to surrender to the knee injury that has prevented him from performing to his true ability this season.

The club has produced a specially made Hawks shirt, with "Nicko 10" on the back, which we hope to present to Nicko at half time this afternoon. All being well, Nicko's mentor and friend, Alan Stephenson, will make the presentation.

Future fixtures

The home match against Leigh Centurions in the quarter final of the Northern Rail Cup will be played on Sunday 6th June, KO 3pm.

Because of the unfortunate arrangement of the Championship 1 fixtures, along with the switch of our league games with Oldham, it is quite possible that the game on June 6th will be our next home match. We are scheduled to play Blackpool at home on 9th May, but this is the date for the next round of the Challenge Cup. On the other hand, this is our fourth home game in the last 3 weeks, but this does present difficulties of cash-flow and makes it even harder to attract new fans and sponsors. It is at times like these that the contribution of our Myrtle and Flame Members is even more appreciated.

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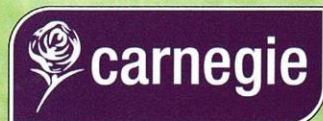
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Sleepless nights as giantkillers lurk

A few Engage Super League club chairmen and coaches will have been sleeping uneasily in their beds this week ahead of a weekend many of them have come to dread: the fourth round of the Carnegie Challenge Cup.

Rugby League's oldest and most prestigious knockout competition has long been a destroyer of reputations and many are the favourites who have fallen by the wayside along the perilous road that leads to Wembley.

For the Co-operative Championships clubs, this weekend represents a golden opportunity to test themselves against the best – and to clinch their own place in Challenge Cup folklore.

Tales of giant-killing acts in the Cup are the stuff of legend, as every supporter of Sheffield Eagles will confirm. The greatest moment in the South Yorkshire club's history came in 1998 when they defied all expectations by beating Wigan at Wembley, a match which was this week confirmed as the biggest giant-killing act of all time.

The RFL recently ran a poll to find the greatest upset in the history of a tournament which this year celebrates its 113th year and a whopping 62 per cent of people nominated the Eagles' 17-8 victory over Wigan as the shock to end all shocks.

Twelve years on, Sheffield will be hoping lightning can strike twice when they host Wigan at Bramall Lane where the Eagles will once again start as massive underdogs against opponents who are currently riding high at the top of the Engage Super League table.

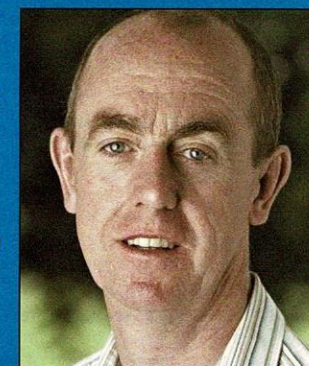
Sheffield have made an indifferent start to the 2010 Co-operative Championship season but their league form will be irrelevant on Saturday afternoon when coach Mark Aston will hope to catch his team's opponents in the Cup's magical spell once again.

Form could have a more telling influence at Halliwell Jones Stadium, the home of Carnegie Challenge Cup holders Warrington Wolves who know they can take nothing for granted for the visit of the hottest team in any competition at the moment, Featherstone Rovers.

Warrington defeated the same opponents 56-8 in the fifth round en route to Wembley last year but the odds on Featherstone losing by a similar margin this time around will be long. Rovers have been scoring points for fun in recent months – the Co-operative Championship leaders are averaging 39 points per game – and also boast the meanest defence in Rugby League with an average of just 11 points per match.

What a story it would be were the holders to fall at the first hurdle to Featherstone Rovers. But given the high quality of the action in the Co-operative Championships, few Super League clubs will feel entirely comfortable when they face the sport's "lesser" lights in the 2010 Carnegie Challenge Cup.

For as we have seen consistently seen in the Championships this year, "less" invariably means more.



John Ledger, RFL Media Manager

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THE DAY THE KINGS FELL

Current Wakefield coach John Kear recalled that magic season, and that special game, to JAMES COLLINS

I went right back to the previous season when we beat Perth Reds at Don Valley and I just thought then 'there's some good footballers here but they've also got a bit of character'.

In that game we had looked down and out but we scrapped back and when Perth looked like they might come back we produced a super scrambled play.

We went away on the World Club Challenge and as a group we really came together and we finished that season by beating London Broncos away – absolutely smashed them and they had finished second in the Super League.

Then we went to Wigan and with a bit of luck we could have won and made the Premiership final.

I think I had a greater rating of those lads than did the

A massive 62% of Rugby League fans agreed: it was the biggest upset in the history of the famous old competition – the Challenge Cup. Many a minnow had enjoyed days of glory against all the odds. But in the final? Against cup kings Wigan? Unthinkable. John Kear was coach that day, and Paul Broadbent the captain

players themselves – and if we were going to win something it was going to be a knockout competition so I set my stall out for that and convinced the players they could do that.

They were a bit sceptical at first and thought I had come from planet Zog or somewhere, but gradually they bought into it.

I can recall all the Challenge Cup run vividly – obviously the Salford game (semi-final) was the one where we suffered the jitters and didn't play very convincingly.

What got us through that was no great tactical or technical ability, just the desire to get to Wembley.

That was exemplified by Mark Aston picking up a chip kick and going under the posts and minutes later Dale Laughton clinched it right at the very death – his try wasn't down to subtlety of play, it was just about determination and physical presence – that's why he crossed

the whitewash.

I just remember the final hooter going.

It was a feeling of total elation in that we had achieved something in a short period of time – the club had only been in existence for 14 years.

To be playing at Wembley was marvellous and I felt very pleased for the players, because in very illustrious careers for some of them they hadn't really had many rewards and this was going to be a great reward.

Wembley couldn't have gone more perfectly.

It was down to planning but the best bit was the way it was executed by the players. With the focus and the spotlight on them they just handled it as if they had done it every day for the past 10 years.

The first try we scored early in the game when Mark Aston put a lateral 'bomb' to Jason Robinson and Nick Pinkney leaped high above him and scored – that was exactly as we had practised.

The kicking game wasn't rocket science and Mark carried it out brilliantly. We were kicking to Mark Bell, on their right to make him turn, and to Robinson on their left, to make him field the high ball.

We got lots of joy out of that tactic. It was a simple game plan played out to perfection.

I thought we were in control of the game throughout – it was 33 minutes before we made an error, to do that in a Challenge Cup final when all the focus is on you is absolutely first class.

Then about seven minutes from time when Henry Paul dropped the ball and Johnny Lawless patted him on the head and Henry reacted in a pretty surly manner, that said he realised that the game had gone for Wigan and the Cup was coming to Sheffield.



Mark Aston and Paul Broadbent savour the magic Wembley moment

On the 10th anniversary of the famous victory, the Eagles' Wembley skipper Paul Broadbent, talked to JAMES COLLINS about a special group of men

"As captain it was an easy job because the players were a bunch of committed guys who wanted to go out and do the best for themselves and the club. I believed that you lead by example and I gave it my best shot every time I put the shirt on and that's the best you can do. As a group we were together – there weren't little pockets of players in corners – it was open discussion. If there was an issue we opened it up and we dealt with it. A really good group of people.

The squad was a good mix. There were a number of guys who had been at the club for a long time and had earned their stripes as senior players at Sheffield. There were some overseas players that had been snatched up when a couple of the Aussie clubs had gone out of business. And there was a nucleus of young kids who had been at other clubs but were just on the brink of making it at the top level or still had to prove themselves. There was a good camaraderie and we worked and played as mates.

The planning before the final was good and we knew what to expect when we walked out. We had people who had experienced a Challenge Cup final to talk to us and that gave us a really good insight. Everybody had their job to do – they knew what that job was and we went out and put it into practise.

We had quietly gone about our business in the run-up to the final. We were the underdogs. Everyone was writing us off – saying it was going to be a formality. People were talking it up – how many points Wigan were going to put on us. We let them believe that but we knew what we could do.

We had been playing poorly in the league and not getting results but the game before the final we just clicked into gear and took Huddersfield apart in the second half. At Wembley we knew as a group of people that if we played with the desire and the commitment we had shown in previous rounds it was a job that could be done.

The really key time for me was when we had a meeting the night before the final – all the groundwork had been done by then – but you could feel the intensity and the passion at that meeting. Everybody had an opportunity to say what it meant to them and how much they wanted it to happen. It was a chance to say what they were going to do and why they were going to do it.

You could feel the passion and the desire in people – the way they talked, it was emotional. It made you realise how much winning meant to everyone and the reason why they wanted to go out and perform.

There was an underlying hunger to be successful – I knew from then that we had a real chance of doing the job. There was going to be no other result than us winning because of the emotion and the desire in everyone who spoke."

Mark Aston is already guaranteed a place for life in Challenge Cup folklore as part of the famous 1998 Sheffield Eagles side after winning the Lance Todd Trophy for his heroics in the stunning 17-8 win. Wigan have been the form team in Engage Super League this season, whereas Sheffield are mid-table in the Co-operative Championship.

And yet, Aston is still dreaming that the impossible might just be possible yet again for the team he now coaches. He said: "Anything can happen in the Cup. You just have to have the belief. The longer you stay in the game, the more the bigger teams start panicking. Last year, in the fifth round, Hull KR were only beating us 28-24 with two minutes to go and it could have gone either way. They scored in the last minute to make sure but they were sweating because they knew how close it was. I will be delighted if we are in with the same chance against Wigan. Who knows, somebody might be looking down on us."

Nobody realistically gives the part-timers a chance but Aston says nobody gave them a chance in 1998 either. "I can remember our first meeting in pre-season and John Kear said that we were going to go to Wembley and win the Challenge Cup," said Aston. "Everybody thought he had lost his marbles but he set the ball rolling and it was like it was our destiny.

"Wigan were the best team there was and they had all the superstars like Andy Farrell, Jason Robinson and Denis Betts. But nobody would have beaten us that day."



**CHALLENGE CUP
FINAL 1998
WEMBLEY STADIUM**

SHEFFIELD EAGLES 17

- 1 Waisale Sovatabua
- 2 Nick Pinkney
- 3 Whetu Taewa
- 4 Keith Senior
- 6 Matt Crowther
- 22 Dave Watson
- 7 Mark Aston
- 8 Paul Broadbent
- 9 Johnny Lawless
- 10 Dale Laughton
- 11 Paul Carr
- 12 Darren Shaw
- 19 Rod Doyle

Subs:

- 25 Lynton Stott
- 15 Darren Turner
- 17 Michael Jackson
- 24 Martin Wood

Scorers: Tries – Pinkney (4), Crowther (28), Turner (51). Goals – Aston 2, Drop Goal – Aston 1.

Coach: John Kear

WIGAN WARRIORS 8

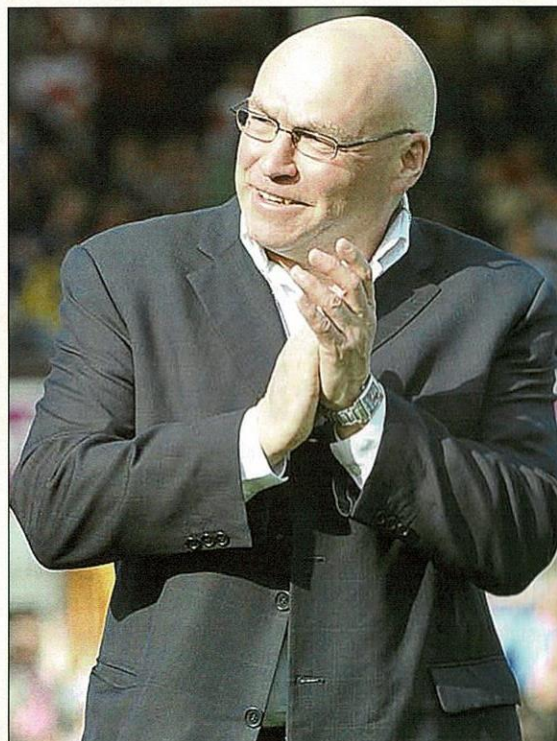
- 1 Kris Radlinski
 - 2 Jason Robinson
 - 3 Danny Moore
 - 4 Gary Connolly
 - 5 Mark Bell
 - 6 Henry Paul
 - 7 Tony Smith
 - 17 Stephen Holgate
 - 9 Robbie McCormack
 - 10 Tony Mestrov
 - 11 Denis Betts
 - 12 Simon Haughton
 - 13 Andy Farrell
- Subs:**
- 20 Lee Gilmour
 - 8 Neil Cowie
 - 14 Mick Cassidy
 - 16 Terry O'Connor

Scorers: Tries – Bell (56). Goals – Farrell 2.

Coach: John Monie

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KEEP AN EYE ON THE BALL



Danny Lockwood

AH, THE magic of the Challenge Cup. Today the brave minnows of Siddal find themselves in the same matchday programme as the mighty Wigan Warriors, if not quite on the same page. Well, that's what they call the 'luck' of the draw lads ... but give of your best today against Batley and who knows what the following 80 minutes might hold, eh?

The days were when only one or two of the amateur clubs survived to face off against the great names, unlike today when dozens join the starting line. My own former club, Dewsbury Celtic, became synonymous with such Cup exploits, along with St Helens' great amateur club Pilkington Recs; back then when Celtic were earning Challenge Cup and John Player Cup ties with such as Workington, Swinton, Dewsbury, Wigan and Hull KR, they had to conquer the best from the various leagues around Yorkshire to earn that right - this being in far-off pre-National Conference amateur days.

Indeed in my own first Challenge Cup "first round proper" experience, when I was playing with Dudley Hill in Bradford, we not only had to win the Yorkshire Cup, but then overcome the Lancashire Cup holders Simms Cross on a wet, windy and muddy day at the old Bramley ground McLaren Field.

Our reward for victory wasn't just a place in the magical draw, but a visit to Hull FC - and this was 1985/6, the year after they had contested probably the greatest Wembley final ever, Peter Sterling and Co against Brett Kenny and the all-conquering Wigan. Sterling was the only name missing on our big day, though his replacement Fred Ah Kuoi wasn't half bad! Unlike Siddal, we weren't just in the same programme, we WERE on the same page! Or at least we were until half-a-foot of snow blanketed the Boulevard and forced our tie to be postponed. It was rearranged for the Wednesday following, by which time the snow had drifted west to envelope West Yorkshire.

We arrived at the Boulevard at 7.15 for a 7.30 kick-off with only 14 men. PC Kevin Butcher couldn't get through the snowy Bradford hills to make the team bus, and another player, Dave Staniforth, was dragged out of the stands to take his place on the greatest stage most of us would ever grace.

As I placed to ball to kick-off at about 7.40 (some nice Hull committee man reported us to the RFL for being late!) I remember standing looking at the men facing me ... Geoff Gerrard, Lee Crooks, Steve 'Knocker' Norton, Shane Patrick, Garry Schofield, Fred Ah Kuoi, stand-off Steve Evans, the Kiwi backs Gary Kemble, Dane O'Hara and James Leuluai, GB winger Paul Eastwood my opposite number for the night. Well, I thought, they aren't exactly taking it easy on us, are they?

I looked around to my other Dewsbury mate playing over at Dudley Hill that season, loose-forward Andy Ellis who we would lose to a broken arm in the game, and at our inspirational skipper Andy Harland, relishing the battle and who would be critically sin-binned at a time when we were winning the game if I recall correctly.

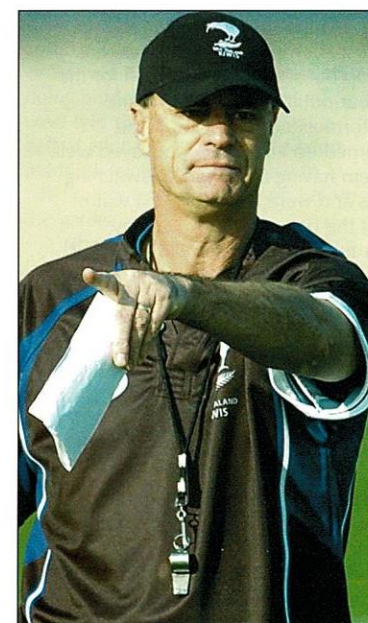
The ref blew his whistle. The Dudley Hill fans, outnumbered about 100-1 by the packed FC faithful in the grand old Threepenny Stand, roared their approval.

I breathed deep and looked at the white, Mitre ball I was being invited to launch into the cold Hull night. And then I noticed that no one was marking the 10-yard line. So in the first moment of our biggest game I tried a cheeky little grubber. Like you do. Well, God loves a trier, doesn't he?

The Hull players, amazed and not a little annoyed by the audacity, raced towards it. But I was nothing if not sharp for a big lad and dived on the loose ball first. Aha! And then a massed collective of bodies, boots, knees and elbows arrived a split second later. And I knocked on.

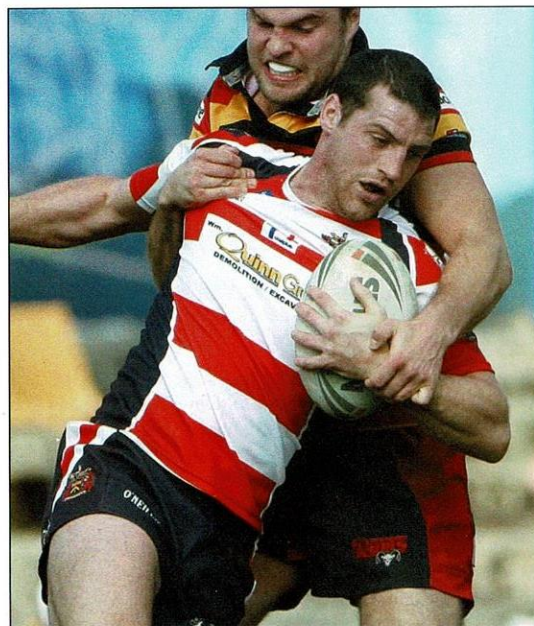
The magic of the Cup. Don't you just love it?

Enjoy the moment, boys.



Ex-Kiwi coach Gary Kemble was part of the great Hull FC side of the 80s

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One way or another, Lee Greenwood will be in the draw for the 5th round of the Carnegie Challenge Cup. But will it be as a player for Batley Bulldogs, or as the coach of gallant amateurs Siddal? **BEN COLLINS** explored the headaches facing Lee and his own coach Karl Harrison

Lee in action last year against derby rivals Dewsbury

Lee Greenwood should have known what was coming the moment Siddal claimed that historic Challenge Cup win over Doncaster last month.

The Batley player coaches Siddal in his spare time and steered them to a memorable 26-0 win, making them the only amateur side to reach this year's fourth round.

The following day, Greenwood scored two tries as Batley recorded a 70-6 win over Leeds Met to ensure their name was also in the hat.

And it was Sod's law for Greenwood that the two clubs would be drawn to face each other, putting the former Super League winger in rather an awkward position.

Several professional players have also coached amateur sides during their playing career but such a scenario is new on Batley coach Karl Harrison during his lengthy career.

"It's the first time I've heard of it happening," he said. "I think Lee wishes it was just out the way. To be truthful, I think he's a bit embarrassed by it all."

The pair then spent the start of the week mulling over whether Greenwood would play against the men he coaches, or whether the 29-year-old would be trying to outwit his own boss from the dug-out.

Harrison rested him for Batley's defeat at Leigh on Easter Monday but he returned to the side which lost 56-10 at Barrow last Saturday.

"It's a difficult situation," said Harrison. "I've got to do what's right by Lee but I've also got to do what's right by Batley by picking my strongest team available."

"We've had a few injuries - and to outside backs too - so we've spoken about it and a decision had to be made."

As Game On went to press on Tuesday, coach Harrison

was still keeping mum about that big decision.

Siddal's Cup run has drawn attention to Greenwood's potential. The club has long been one of the strongest in the amateur game and last season they topped the National Conference League before winning the Grand Final.

The Halifax-based outfit also won the National Cup and lost only 10-6 to Swinton in the Challenge Cup third round.

They carried that form into the new campaign and not only claimed the club's first-ever win over a professional team in the Challenge Cup but smashed the record for the biggest win by any amateur outfit against a 'pro' side.

"There was no secret formula or game-plan," said Greenwood. "We just turned up and everyone played well."

"It wasn't a case of them having an off day or switching off, they're all young lads and were after their first win of the season. We were just the better team on the day."

"Last season was great for us and we got told then that we'd never beat that, so we've been trying hard to prove everybody wrong and do it all again."

"After beating Doncaster it was looking rose, but to be honest, we've struggled for form since then."

Defeat in a league and cup double-header against Wigan St Patrick's brought Siddal's National Cup defence to a halt, and further league defeats by Leigh East and Wigan St Jude's leave them fighting Skirlaugh for second place behind Leigh East.

"Maybe we've been a bit over-confident since the Doncaster game and thought we could just turn up and win a few games without performing," said Greenwood.

"We seem to start slowly and leave ourselves with a lot to do in the last 20 minutes. Sometimes we'll get away with



2009 double-winners Siddal celebrate

it but not recently. In our league you have to play it tough and if you don't turn up you get beat, and that's what's happened. We've taken our eye off the ball after the Doncaster win. I just hope our season doesn't turn sour because of it."

Thankfully for Greenwood, he's been too busy to dwell on what is sure to be an agonising afternoon at the Shay this Saturday.

He works as a sports co-ordinator at Calderdale College and has had midweek games with Siddal the last two weeks.

"As well as playing for Batley and doing Siddal, I work full-time and have two young kids, so I've got a hell of a lot on!" he said. "It's been madness recently, but it's nice to have things to concentrate on before the game."

"When we lost to Wigan St Jude's last week half the team was missing through work and injury so I've had a few things to worry about before I even think about the Batley game."

The obstacles in running an amateur side are sure to give Greenwood a good grounding in coaching and he has aspirations to become a professional coach after he hangs his boots up. He has been involved with Siddal almost constantly since the age of seven, despite going on to play for the likes of London Broncos, Sheffield Eagles,

Halifax and Huddersfield.

"I've never really left Siddal because I carried on coaching," he said. "I had a couple of years off when I played for London Broncos - obviously I couldn't do anything then."

"But when I came back up I got involved with the first team. I've been doing it the last four seasons, the first two jointly with Luke Robinson."

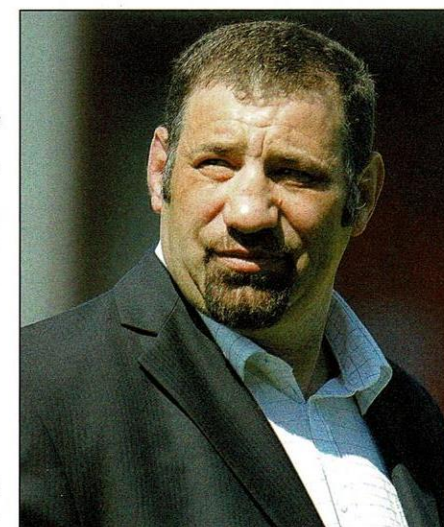
"That Doncaster result made people take notice so it's good to have on your CV, winning trophies and beating professional sides, but I don't want to leave Siddal when we're doing so well. I enjoy coaching, but hopefully I'll still be playing a few more years - I'm not quite that old yet!"

And Harrison has already given Greenwood a chance to develop his coaching with Batley, helping him out with matchday duties while assistant Kevin Crouthers was absent for the Leigh defeat and Greenwood was rested.

"He's done a fantastic job to get Siddal this far," said Harrison. "He's a very good player. He's very quiet and astute in his own way. I think he'll do well as a coach."

Although Harrison is determined not to let Greenwood add another Cup upset to that CV just yet.

Karl Harrison .. got to do what's right for everyone



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NEWSROUND-UP

Woods rides back as a City Knight

York City Knights have announced the appointment of Great Britain Community Lions Under-18s and former Castleford Tigers and Gateshead Thunder Head Coach Dave Woods as Director of Rugby.

Woods has coached both his previous clubs to promotion and is a highly respected figure within Rugby League, both in the UK and Australia.

He joins the Knights with immediate effect until the end of the 2011 season and will be responsible for player recruitment, player development and team selection in consultation with the head coach and assistant coaches.

Woods will also be responsible for managing the playing budget and for coach development at the club.

Commenting on the news, Knights General Manager Ian Wilson said: "We are delighted to have appointed such a

high quality candidate.

"Dave's track record is a good as anyone in the Co-operative Championships and his experience and knowledge will be a great asset to the club."

Woods learned the coaching ropes at the Penrith Panthers, working with current St Helens Coach Mick Potter and former Wigan and Parramatta legend Brett Kenny.

Ironically his first game in England was against the Knights whilst coaching Castleford and that season ended in triumph with a win against Whitehaven in the Grand Final to take the Tigers back to Super League.

Woods then moved to Gateshead where he achieved promotion in 2008 after turning the league table upside down. In more recent times Woods has spent time with St Helens and Great



Dave Woods – back on the front line

Britain Community Lions Under-18s.

Meanwhile York are also in talks with former Gateshead star Neil Thorman, who is currently playing for French club Avignon. Any move will be subject to where Neil secures employment once he returns from France.

Summer tag pioneered in Yorkshire

The RFL has unveiled an exciting schedule of open age Tag Rugby League festivals which will give people across the Yorkshire and Humber region access to the modified non-contact version of Rugby League throughout this summer.

Tag Rugby League is suitable for anyone to play regardless of age, size and experience where tackles are made by pulling off a Velcro tag which is incorporated into specially-designed shorts that have been introduced for 2010.

RFL League for All officer Tom Allen explained: "The Tag Rugby League Series has been organised to give as many people as possible across Yorkshire the opportunity to participate in Rugby League."

"Tag Rugby League is great for both experienced players and beginners and with festivals taking place over a four-month period across nine different venues there are plenty of opportunities to get involved."

"The game is fast and fun with great emphasis on attack and involves many of the core skills used in Rugby League such as kicking, handling and evasion."

The Tag Rugby League Series will see mixed seven-a-side open age teams take part in nine festivals at venues across the Yorkshire and Humber region, culminating with the top teams being invited to play at the Tag finals in Wakefield.

Players can expect barbeques and other entertainment at the festivals which are designed to create a fun occasion for all the family.

Teams can play in as many - or as few - tournaments as they like throughout the Series and will be awarded points based on their match results. Teams will compete for the '2010 Tag Rugby League Series' title by accumulating points based on their finishing position in each tournament.

There will also be prizes for the winners and stand-out

players at each individual tournament as well as special guest appearances from Rugby League celebrities throughout the series.

Each player pays £10 for registration which includes entry into all tournaments, personal insurance and a pair of Tag Shorts & Tags.

Engage Super League star Steve Menzies is a big fan of Tag Rugby League having seen the success of the game in his native Australia. The Bradford Bulls and former Kangaroo forward said: "The series and the shorts are a great initiative and I think it will be a huge hit."

"The game allows anyone and everyone to get involved in Rugby League and at the same time will help to develop the key skills we use as players."

If you require any further information or would like to enter a team please contact RFL League for All officer Tom Allen on 07515 753928 or via tom.allen@rfl.uk.com

The Tag Rugby League Series also has a specific facebook group. For full details on how to get involved in Rugby League as a player, match official, coach or volunteer visit www.tryit.co.uk

TAG RUGBY LEAGUE SERIES VENUES

Saturday May 15 – Leeds Road Sports Complex, Huddersfield
Saturday June 12 – Castleford Panthers ARLFC
Saturday June 26 – Hull KR, Craven Park
Saturday July 10 – New Earswick ARLFC, York
Saturday July 24 – Ovenden ARLFC, Halifax
Saturday August 7 – Odsal Top, Bradford
Saturday August 21 – Creswell Playing Fields, Sheffield
Saturday September 4 – East Leeds ARLFC
Saturday September 18 – Crigglestone ARLFC

Something has got to give

Competition big guns' face-off will be a tv bonanza for neutrals, but heartbreak for some



Scott Donald goes for the line in acrobatic fashion as Leeds crashed out in the early rounds last season against St Helens

AT LEAST four of the 14 engage Super League clubs will not make it through to the 5th round draw of the Carnegie Challenge Cup to be aired live on BBC radio at 4.45pm on Sunday, with four finalists from the past five years facing a massive tussle to make it through.

The big tv game for Saturday will see Leeds and Hull repeat their clash of this past weekend when the Rhinos emerged 46-30 winners, the black-and-whites making a late run at Headingley after falling way off the pace.

But it could be very different this week, not least because the 2005 cup winners – who beat the Rhinos in their last Wembley appearance – will have home advantage in front of a passionate KC Stadium crowd.

If knowing the theory of Rugby League inside out is of any assistance then the Rhinos could have the edge – eight of their players got their Level 2 Coaching grades last week. Kevin Sinfield, England captain Jamie Peacock, Row Burrow, Jamie Jones-Buchanan, Luke Ambler, Matt Diskin, Danny Buderus and Keith Senior all climbed an important rung on the coaching ladder.

But it will be the more prosaic business of finding some consistent form on the field at the forefront of Rhino minds, as the triple-Grand Final winners seek to progress to play at a new Wembley Stadium that has eluded them in the three years since the Carnegie Challenge Cup returned there.

Meanwhile last year's finalists Huddersfield Giants, who lost in the final for the second time in four years, face a might task themselves with resurgent Hull Kingston Rovers

the visitors at the Galpharm Stadium.

Rovers bounced back to inflict a big defeat on Super League high flyers and defending cup champions Warrington Wolves at the weekend. Again, tv viewers are in for a treat in the BBC Sunday afternoon game.

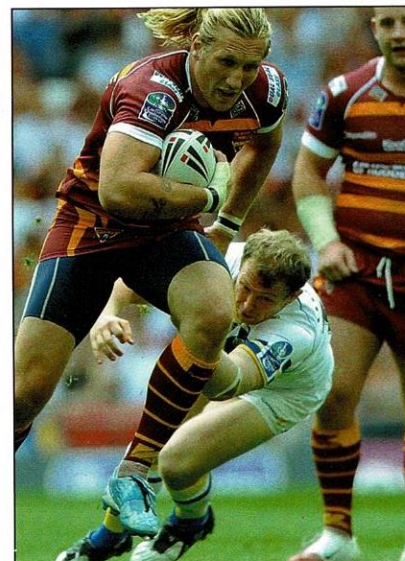
Wigan legend and now Wasps Rugby Union coach Shaun Edwards has urged Harlequins to use their tie at home to Wakefield Trinity Wildcats as a platform for success in London.

Quins have struggled for form so far this season but Edwards, the most decorated player in Challenge Cup history, believes the lure of a trip to Wembley could bring out the best in his former club. He made his 11th and last Challenge Cup final appearance in the London Broncos team that lost 52-16 to Leeds at Wembley in 1999 and the ex-Wigan and Great Britain half-back still follows Harlequins closely.

"To go to Wembley with a small club was one of the highlights of my career," said the Wasps RU coach. "For them to get to Wembley was a huge achievement. People might be surprised but my other achievements were always done with world class players."

Edwards added: "You never know what might happen and a Cup game will be a welcome respite from their troubles in Super League."

Salford City Reds, another team not without their league troubles, travel to the south of France to meet fellow strugglers Catalans Dragons for a game which could make or break their respective seasons.



Earl Crabtree storms ahead in the 2009 final

GAME ON'S TIPS.....

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Sheffield Eagles v WIGAN

BLACKPOOL v Whitehaven

WARRINGTON v Featherstone

York City Knights v CRUSADERS

Hunslet v OLDHAM

Siddal v BATLEY BULLDOGS

CASTLEFORD v Barrow

Dewsbury v BRADFORD BULLS

HUDDERSFIELD v Hull KR

CATALANS v Salford City Reds

Classic 1985 final stars make draw

Two stars of the famous 1985 Wembley final will conduct the draw for the fifth round of the Carnegie Challenge Cup live on BBC radio and online after this weekend's games have finished on Sunday afternoon.

Henderson Gill, who played on the wing for Wigan in the 1985 final, will be joined by former Hull FC forward and fellow Great Britain Lion Lee Crooks in the BBC Radio Leeds studio for the draw, which will take place at 4.45pm.

The draw can also be heard live on BBC Radio Merseyside, BBC Radio Manchester, BBC Radio Humberside and on the official Carnegie Challenge Cup website, www.carnegiechallenge-cup.co.uk

Gill and Crooks both starred in what is widely regarded as the greatest Challenge Cup final of all time, a match which is being commemorated throughout this year's tournament, culminating in the final on Saturday August 28 when players from both sides will be special guests at Wembley.

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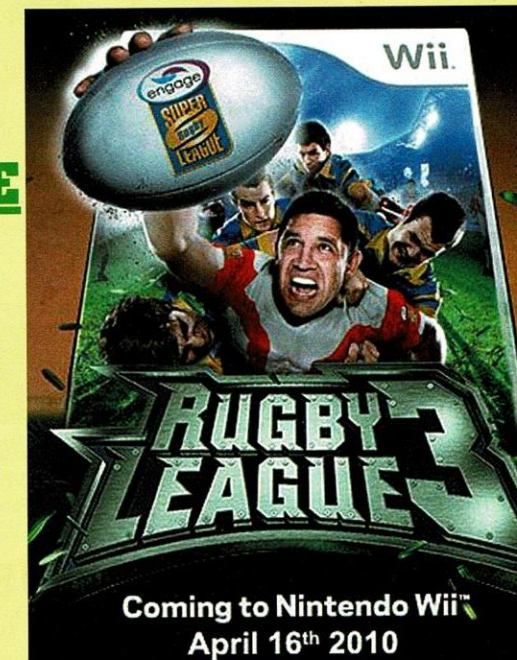
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	John Clough	9
Shelf Village Bakery.....	Andy Hobson	10
	Kurt Haggerty	11
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RR Yates Drafting & Design Services.....	Peter Fairhurst	21
Paul & Lucy, Fylde FM.....	Dave Llewellyn	22
	John Boland	23
Blackpool Supporters Club.....	Paul Ballard	24

No.	TODAY'S TEAM	No.
	Full back	
	Right Wing	
	Right Centre	
	Left Centre	
	Left Wing	
	Stand off	
	Scrum half	
	Prop	
	Hooker	
	Prop	
	2nd row	
	2nd row	
	Loose forward	
	Interchange 1	
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No.	PLAYER
1	Craig Benson
2	Craig Calvert
3	Rob Jackson
4	Scott McAvo
5	Derry Eilbeck
6	Carl Rudd
7	Leroy Joe
8	Marc Jackson
9	Graeme Mattinson
10	David Ford
11	Howard Hill
12	Spencer Miller
13	Mick Govin
14	Dylan Skee
15	Reece Fox
16	Andy Gorski
17	Andy Thornley
18	John Patrick
19	Dexter Miller
20	Soni Radovanovic
21	Chris Smith
22	Richard Farrer
23	Stephen Fox
24	Ryan MacDonald

SCORERS

Tries

Conv

Pens

DGs

COACH: MARTIN CROMPTON

COACH: GED STOKES

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWWWWW
LAST SIX HOME: L-LWWW
TRIES: Munro (13) Ballard (7)
Mayberry, Keavney (6)
GOALS: Hemingway (30) Leather
(14)
DROP GOALS: Leather (1)
MAN TO WATCH: Damien Munro

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: M. Thomason
Touch: G. Jones, T. Mahar
Reserve Referee: S. Daniel

THE INSIDE TRACK

'Haven are short of bodies and 'Pool are
on song. Panthers to nip it by 4

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLLLLW
LAST SIX AWAY: LWLLW
TRIES: Eilbeck, Fox (5) Calvert,
Sice (4)
GOALS: Rudd (30) Skee (6)
DGs: -
MAN TO WATCH: Carl Rudd

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Blackpool v Whitehaven

The biggest game in club's history?



Blackpool Panthers' Tom Hemingway, left, gets to grips with an opponent in the game against Keighley

Good afternoon and a warm welcome to all the staff, players and supporters from Whitehaven RLFC.

Well today is probably the most important game in our history.

The reward to progress could be a financial jackpot for both clubs with the chance to draw a Super League club in the next round.

Going onto our opponents we are expecting a very physical encounter and I'm sure Ged will have them fired up very much.

Whitehaven have had some mixed performances over the last few weeks but had a good win at Dewsbury last week which will have given them confidence for

today's game. As for ourselves we are on an eight-match winning streak which is a club record and the boys are really playing for each other at the moment.

The hard work the lads did in pre-season is really paying off at the moment as I feel we look sharp and fit in games. But we must not get above ourselves and be prepared to keep working hard and putting the effort in to keep the momentum going. Once again thanks for all your support and to all the sponsors, hope you have a great day and may the best team win.

Martin Crompton
Head Coach

We've changed our mentality

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This is a funny thing in life.

The hardest job at Blackpool Panthers was turning the mentality, to switch from losing to winning, from ball boy to spectator, to player and director.

I hope we have done that now. It's the 4th round today - Whitehaven are strong opponents. We wish them well ... but not today.

Bobby Hope

Dewsbury Rams v Bradford Bulls

Sunday April 18, 2010. Kick off 3pm. TETLEY'S STADIUM

SPONSOR	PLAYER	No.
John & Gwen Sawyer.....	Lee Lingard	1
Sue Walford.....	James Haynes	2
The West Riding.....	Stewart Sanderson	3
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	Andrew Tillotson	5
	Ryan Smith	6
	Tom Wandless	7
John Calvert.....	Dominic Brambani	8
Lesley & Lily Whittaker.....	Mike Emmett	9
Vivien Calvert.....	Scott Turner	10
Matthew Dudding.....	Adam Robinson	11
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The Buzz Room.....	Alex Bretherton	17
Dewsbury Central Station Public House.....	Chris Spurr	18
Elaine and Peter Holyoake.....	Adam Hayes	19
Jack Addy & Pat Haywood.....	Rob Spicer	20
The Grayson Family.....	Andrew Bostock	21
Peter Brooke & David Kirby.....	Keegan Hirst	23
Phil & Rhoda Andruchow.....	Anthony England	24
Jack Addy & Pay Haywood.....	James Lockwood	25
The Three G's.....	Ayden Faal	26
	Allister McMaster	27
	Liam Crawley	28
	Danny Richardson	29
BW Print.....	Luke Menzies	30
Lance Day Plastering 01924 264260.....	Luke Blake	37
	31 Josh Tonks	
	32 Martin Woodhead	
	33 James Walker	3
	4 Matthew Tebb	
	35 Sam Dalby	36
	Paul Hughes	

COACH: WARREN JOWITT

LAST SIX RESULTS: LLLLLL
 LAST SIX HOME: WLLLLL
 TRIES: Turner (6) Spurr, Powell (5)
 Walker (4)
 GOALS: P Walker (28)
 DROP GOALS: -
 MAN TO WATCH: Scott Turner

No.	TODAY'S TEAM	No.
	Full back	
	Right Wing	
	Right Centre	
	Left Centre	
	Left Wing	
	Stand off	
	Scrum half	
	Prop	
	Hooker	
	Prop	
	2nd row	
	2nd row	
	Loose forward	
	Interchange 1	
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SCORERS

Tries

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Pens

DGs

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: R. Laughton

Touch: J. Page, A. Smith

Reserve Referee: D. McNeice

THE INSIDE TRACK

Rams' passion can carry them only so far
 - Bulls to pull away by 30

No.	PLAYER
1	Dave Halley
2	Rikki Sheriffe
3	Paul Sykes
4	Chris Nero
5	Stuart Reardon
6	Brett Kearney
7	Matt Orford
8	Nick Scruton
9	Heath L'Estrange
10	Andy Lynch
11	Steve Menzies
12	Glenn Hall
13	Jamie Langley
14	Wayne Godwin
15	Michael Platt
16	Michael Worrincy
17	Danny Sculthorpe
18	Cráig Kopczak
19	Jason Crookes
20	Elliott Whitehead
22	James Donaldson
23	Steve Crossley
24	Tom Olbison
25	Kieran Hyde
26	Andy Tate
27	Joe Wardle
28	Tom Burgess
29	George Burgess
30	Adam O'Brien
31	Cain Southernwood

COACH: STEVE McNAMARA

LAST SIX RESULTS: LLWDWW
 LAST SIX AWAY: LWLLDW
 TRIES: Sheriffe (5) Kearney (5)
 Menzies (4) Orford (3)
 GOALS: Orford (23)
 DGs: - Orford (2)
 MAN TO WATCH: Matt Orford

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CLUBCALL

Dewsbury v Bradford

Take Bulls by the horns!

Hello and welcome to the Tetley's Stadium this afternoon for our Round clash with our nearby neighbours the Bradford Bulls.

I would particularly like to welcome my old pal Steve McNamara, as well as the Bradford Bulls players and directors. This is a big challenge for us today as Bradford have hit some good form and are playing well recently.

Our injuries are mounting up and we are really missing the experience of Rob Spicer, Alex Bretherton, Austin Buchanan, Luke Menzies, Anthony England, Stewart Sanderson, Adam Hayes and obviously the loss of Kane Epati was a big blow to us.

If we had all these players from the start then we would be in a different situation right now and would probably be sitting in the top half of the table.

On a positive note it's nice to see Lee Lingard back after his injury and I thought Lee made a big difference to the team at the weekend, a couple more games under his belt

Rams forward Adam Robinson drives in hard



and he will be hitting his straps.

I know we're not in a good position at this moment in time but the boys who are going out on the field and playing are giving 100% effort and commitment and this can't be knocked.

Some of these players are playing with injuries and putting their bodies on the line, such as Ayden Faal who has a hole in his stomach muscles, James Lockwood who has damaged his right shoulder, and Andrew Bostock who is carrying a thigh strain.

chance against the big guns. Allister McMaster may feature as he has also been in good form for the reserves.

It's great to see the likes of these youngsters showing good form, especially when we have a bit of an injury crisis.

All being well we will be joined by some new players after today's game. These players are fringe Super League players who are just not quite ready for Super League but need to play at a higher standard to get themselves ready. Hopefully they will add a bit of life and spark to the team.

I'd like to back up Adam Robinson's speech he made in the bar after the Whitehaven game, that everybody from the top right down to the playing staff are working hard to turn things round and I'm quite positive we will have a strong finish to our season when hopefully all the injured players will be back in the side for us.

Warren Jowitt
 Head Coach

Cup clash in front of a packed house

THIS afternoon gives us a welcome break from the bread and butter league season and an opportunity to test ourselves against one of the Super League big guns.

It is a real pleasure to be able to welcome Bradford Bulls to the Tetley's Stadium which we expect to see packed this afternoon. Most supporters will know that we have a rugby relationship with Bradford - we are partners in the Bulls lottery and the Bulls come here for a pre-season game each season.

We doubt however if the Bulls line-up this afternoon will resemble the young team that played against us earlier this year which ended in a draw. We expect to see the majority of their well-known names out there on the pitch.

Our league campaign hasn't exactly gone as planned. We are still searching for our first league win with 7 games gone but the season is far from dead and buried. We are only one win away

from climbing out of the bottom two and we will turn the corner at some stage.

A number of players have left the club recently mainly in search of first team football elsewhere after failing to stake their claim at the Rams.

Hopefully there will be some players coming the other way.

We are, like most clubs, looking at the possibility of dual registration players. After being injury-free most of last season Warren has had to cope with an injury list that would cripple most clubs and there seems to be a new face joining the list each week.

Stewart Sanderson was stretchered off last Sunday. He was up and about on crutches after the game but with his knee and ankle heavily iced so we were waiting to see the extent of his injury.

We are hoping a number of players will be fit to return within 3 to 4 weeks but that will still mean that some will have missed over half of our league sea-

son. We can't buy ourselves out of trouble and I can't risk the future for a short-term fix and I'm sure all true Rams fans would support me there.

This afternoon the players have the chance to test themselves against some of the best players in the game.

Bradford are one of the league's big guns up there with the likes of Wigan, St Helens, Leeds and Hull. The players need to aspire to reach these levels and some within our squad do have the potential to do just that. It is a showcase event for both club and player.

Bradford have over 6,000 season ticket holders which is one and a half times the capacity of our more modest stadium. We share the same colours in red, amber and black and perhaps one day we will face each other on the field in the league - well, we can dream!

Mark Sawyer
 Chairman

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Hunslet Hawks vs Oldham RLFC



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Ron and Adie Jinks.....	Michael Mark	2
	James Houston	3
	David Clayton	4
Rodney Gee.....	John Oakes	5
	Danny Grimshaw	6
Delta Training & Consulting.....	Paul March	7
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Tates Solicitors, Leeds.....	Richard Chapman	9
Kenny Sykes & Big Al.....	Nicko Slain	10
Wet Dog & The Soggy Cat.....	Rob Kelly	11
Phil Ogg.....	Steve Dooler	12
Delta Training & Consulting.....	David March	13
	Gareth Firm	14
	Adam Sullivan	15
	Neil Lowe	16
John & Carol Hawkshaw.....	Stuart Young	17
Eric Simon.....	Charlie Wabo	18
Jim Irons.....	Darren Robinson	19
Kath Ogg.....	Joe Helme	20
Phil & Lynn Robinson.....	Wayne McHugh	21
	Tom Sheldrake	22
	Jake Wilson	23
	Stephen Brook	24
	Danny Cook	25
	Waine Pryce	26
	Scott Childs	27
	Jason Hart	28
Manheim Auctions.....	Stuart Kain	29
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	Tommy Haughey, Joey Walkin,	
	Gareth Hynes, Russ Dale, Nigel Scott,	
	Michael Kelly, Luke Haigh	

COACH: PAUL MARCH

LAST SIX RESULTS: LWWWWW

LAST SIX HOME: WLLWWW

TRIES: McHugh (11) Mark (7)

Clayton, Kain (6)

GOALS: McHugh (23) Knight (21)

DROP GOALS: -

MAN TO WATCH: David March

No.	TODAY'S TEAM	No.
	Full back	
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	Left Centre	
	Left Wing	
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	Scrum half	
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No.	PLAYER
1	Paul O'Connor.....Mack Video Services
2	Lucas Onyango.....Rob the Gardener
3	Craig Littler
4	Mick Fogerty.....Jack Fogerty & Family
5	John Gillam.....Nigel Marland
6	Neil Roden.....Xpress Recruitment
7	Matty Ashe.....Peter & Maureen Woodhead
8	Jason Boults.....Clayton Green Brewers Fayre
9	Martin Roden
10	Dave Ellison
11	Sagib Murtza.....Paul Whalley & Kyle Cook
12	Kashley Watkins.....John & Lynda McAndrew
13	Joe Chandler
14	Gary Sykes
15	Craig Robinson
16	Wayne Kerr
17	Danny Whitmore
18	Chris Clarke
19	Ben Heaton.....Wilscaff
20	Mark Brocklehurst.....John Barrett
21	Valu Bentley.....Whittles Pub
22	Paul Reilly.....Pizza Hut, Oldham
23	Ben Mellor.....Sharpflex
24	Marcus St Hilaire.....Levers Fish & Chip Restaurant
25	Scott Mansfield

COACH: TONY BENSON

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWWWWW

LAST SIX AWAY: LLWWWW

TRIES: Onyango, Fogerty (8)

Chandler, Brocklehurst (5)

GOALS: Ashe (30)

DROP GOALS: -

MAN TO WATCH: Lucas Onyango

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: C. Halloran

Touch: J. Roberts, G. Dolan

Reserve Referee: J. Lowery

THE INSIDE TRACK

Oldham have already won here but this is so tight. How about a draw?

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Hunslet v Oldham

Chance for Hunslet to avenge defeat

THE "Swinton Hoodoo" was finally laid to rest last week as we comfortably tamed the Lions at long last.

At this early stage of the season it's nice to be sat at the top of the table, with our only blip being the home defeat by today's visitors.

Today's Challenge Cup tie is a really big game for both sides as the financial implications of progressing through to the next round are massive. There is the obvious chance of a financial killing in the next round against one of the "big boys" of Super League.

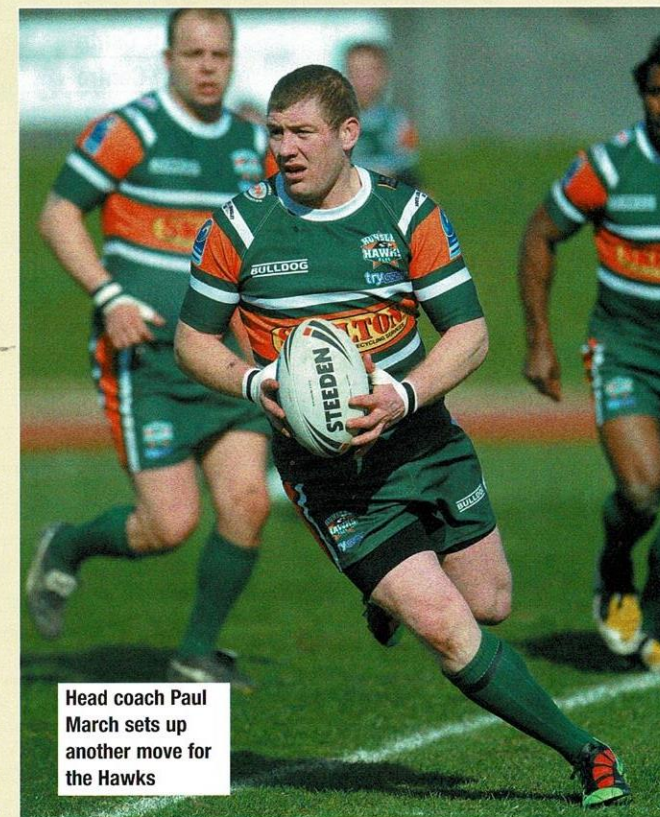
A good win today and a decent pay day in the next round could make or break the season for most Championship clubs.

We offer our thanks and welcome today to the sponsors lounge Mr. Tony Stead, and his guests, of Apollo Building and Plumbing Supplies, who has kindly agreed to take our Match Ball Sponsorship package for all our remaining home games. Enjoy the game Tony and we look forward to seeing you throughout the rest of the season.

We give a big welcome also today to current Rugby League President Mr. Chris Hamilton, and his fellow directors and guests. I'm sure today's game will be a terrific encounter between possibly the top two form teams at present in Cooperative Championship 1. Enjoy the game everyone and let's hope we are still awaiting the draw for the next round with anticipation when it takes place.

(If anybody at RLHQ is listening, can we please have Bradford Bulls at home!)

Alan Stephenson
 Chief Executive



Head coach Paul March sets up another move for the Hawks

Gates on the up but not fast enough

Last week's result against Swinton was particularly impressive as many Hunslet supporters genuinely regard the Lions as our bogey team.

The Challenge Cup tie against Oldham may prove to be considerably harder.

The Hawks turned in one of their poorest performances of the season and were well beaten by an impressive Oldham outfit in our home league encounter earlier this season.

Both clubs will be keen to do well today in a match with the potential for a great deal of financial reward in the next round. Oldham have an impressive half-back combination and the Hawks will be out to nullify their

attacking prowess.

Last Sunday's crowd continues to show a week-on-week growth, but unfortunately not at a rapid rate of progression.

It will be interesting to compare the gate of this fixture with our previous home games against Oldham this season.

With the Rhinos having a difficult away fixture at Hull, it may be left to Hunslet to fly the rugby league flag for the City of Leeds in the next round.

We have another long-range trip to London Skolars next week and then we face the trek to Workington the week after that.

There is still some dispute between

the RFL and Workington as to when the fixture can be played. It is hoped that by the time you are reading this, we will be in a position to be able to tell supporters the time and date of that Workington fixture.

The PNG boys plus Steve Parnell and Gary Lord represented Hunslet to raise funds for the RFL Benevolent Fund. They were involved in the Carnegie Rowing Challenge on Thursday.

We will let you know whether there are any budding Steve Redgraves, or just red faces after the event!

Charlotte Ball
 Promotions Officer

Siddal ARLFC v Batley Bulldogs



Sunday April 18, 2010. Kick off 3pm. THE SHAY

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Gordon Hayes ('Le Gourmet Deli')	Brad Attwood	1
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Craft Upholstery	Shaun Garrod	6
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	Mark Boothroyd	10
Tim Greenwood (HRUFC)	James Simeunovich	11
	Nick Smith	12
Martin Read	Luke Simeunovich	13
	Stuart Proctor	14
	Adie Leek	15
	George Ambler	16
	Luke Garnett	17
	Ben Kendall	18
	Andrew Senior	19
	Sean McCormack	20
	Pete Howard	21
	Shaun Blackburn	22

COACH: LEE GREENWOOD
Sponsored by Bailey and Gracie

PREVIOUS RESULTS

ROUND ONE:
Saddleworth 8, Siddal 22
ROUND TWO:
Siddal 34, Oulton Raiders 30
ROUND THREE:
Doncaster 0, Siddal 24

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COACH: KARL HARRISON

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: D. Merrick
Touch: R. Stokes, B. Robinson
Reserve Referee: J. Downham

THE INSIDE TRACK

Siddal will put up a brave fight, but Bulldogs are too strong. Batley by 22

LAST SIX RESULTS: LWWWLL
LAST SIX AWAY: WLWWLL
TRIES: Campbell (14) Preece (8)
Greenwood, Moore (5)
GOALS: Moore (51)
DROP GOALS: -
MAN TO WATCH: Paul Handforth



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CLUBCALL

Lee's got to make the next round...

At the time of writing I am not certain which team I will be representing on Sunday, which teams' polo shirt I will be wearing before the game or which changing rooms I will be coming out of.

What I do know is that this is a huge game in Siddal's history as it is the first time the club has reached this stage. At the 4th Round draw, the Siddal committee members were hoping for a money-spinning Super League tie, the players were wanting a Championship One team or a trip to one of the French sides and I was basically wishing for anybody but Batley.

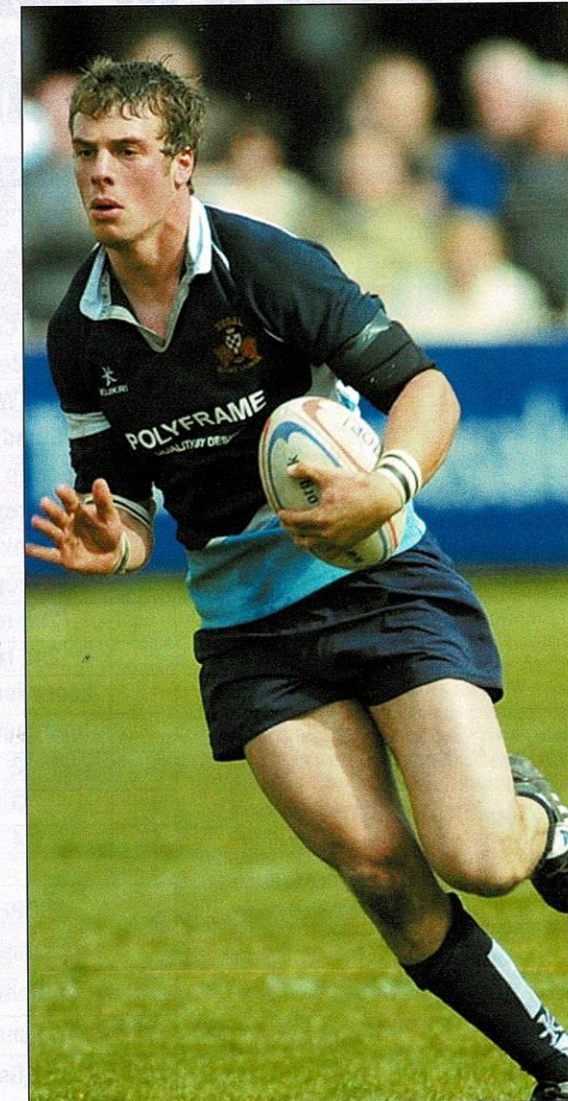
Looking on the negative side, I won't be celebrating whatever happens at The Shay. I am obviously in a very

awkward situation as I have a loyalty to Siddal that began when I was seven and have plenty of good friends not just at the club but playing in the 1st team.

I only signed for the Bulldogs in November but I have really enjoyed my time at Mount Pleasant so far. I count myself lucky to still have teammates older than me in Paul Handforth and Mark Toohey and to have very clever players that have played at a higher level in Danny Maun and Jason Walton.

To finish on a positive I suppose I'll definitely be involved in the 5th Round!

Lee Greenwood
Head Coach



James Simeunovich in action for Siddal

Special day at The Shay for proud Siddal

I welcome everyone to today's Carnegie Challenge Cup 4th Round tie with Batley Bulldogs.

We are indebted to both Halifax RLFC and Calderdale Council in enabling us to play today's game here at The Shay and allowing us to use the fantastic facilities in the new East Stand.

Today is undoubtedly a very special day in the history of Siddal ARLFC.

Our current squad of 1st team players have enjoyed a fantastic 12 months, winning

the amateur game's version of the 'League and Cup' double last season and continuing their fine form in this Challenge Cup run.

Our victory over Doncaster in the previous round has entered the record books as the widest victory margin achieved by an amateur side over a club playing professionally.

I am sure that that they will represent both our club, and the whole amateur game, in the right manner today and I hope the Batley coach, ex-

Halifax legend Karl Harrison, will have allowed our coach, Lee, to be alongside his team today though I think we can all appreciate what a difficult position the draw has placed both Karl and Lee in.

At half-time today the RFL will be presenting us with our Clubmark Gold Certificate and I would like to personally thank our very own Martin Queen for all the many hours he has spent in gathering all the evidence required to earn this award, and Chris Mitchell, the Service Area Co-

Ordinator, who steered Martin through the process.

Finally, I wish to thank all our sponsors and supporters, and everyone who has played a role today, from our ladies team who have been looking after the car park, to our Under 12s players who are today's ball boys and will keep the scoreboard ticking over.

Eddie Golding-Smith
President



Sheffield Eagles v Wigan Warriors



Saturday April 17, 2010. Kick off 4pm. BRAMALL LANE

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Jack Smith	Alex Szostak	11
Hanlon & Wright	Ged Corcoran	12
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COACH: MARK ASTON

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLWDL

LAST SIX HOME: WLWDL

TRIES: Cook (9) Stringer (8) Ropati (6) Yere (4)

GOALS: Stringer (16) Woodcock (9)

DGs: Cook (1)

MAN TO WATCH: Mitch Stringer

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No.	PLAYER	No.
1	Cameron Phelps	
2	Amos Roberts	
3	Martin Gleeson	
4	George Carmont	
5	Pat Richards	
6	Sam Tomkins	
7	Thomas Leuluai	
8	Stuart Fielden	
9	Mark Riddell	
10	Andy Coley	
11	Harrison Hansen	
12	Joel Tomkins	
13	Sean O'Loughlin	
14	Paul Prescott	
15	Michael McIlorum	
16	Phil Bailey	
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18	'Warriors Fans'	
19	Paul Deacon	
20	Karl Pryce	
21	Eamon O'Carroll	
22	Shaun Ainscough	
23	Lee Mossop	
24	Darrell Goulding	
25	Liam Farrell	
26	Ben Davies	
27	Stefan Marsh	
28	Joe Mellor	
29	Chris Tuson	
30	Josh Veivers	
31	Josh Charnley	
32	Jonny Walker	
33	Iain Thornley	
34	Neil Holland	

COACH: MICHAEL MAGUIRE

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWWWWW

LAST SIX AWAY: L-WLWWW

TRIES: Richards (15) Roberts (12)

Darrell Goulding (11)

GOALS: Richards (54)

DGs:

MAN TO WATCH: Thomas Leuluai

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: I. Smith

Touch: D. Griffiths, R. Everitt

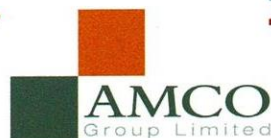
Reserve Referee: P. Ward

THE INSIDE TRACK

Can history repeat itself? Afraid not for Eagles fans ... Wigan by 26

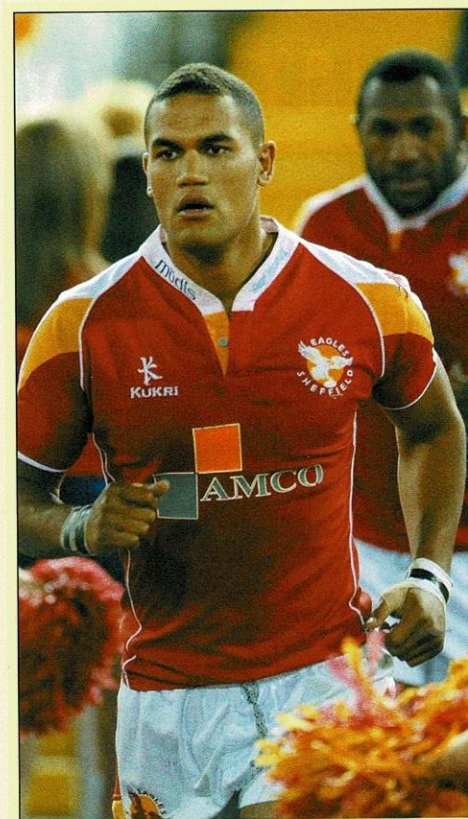


We're with the Eagles....



CLUBCALL

Sheffield v Wigan



Danny Mills is back in contention for a place

Hoping for a repeat of 1998 victory

It gives me great pleasure on behalf of the directors, players backroom staff and all the supporters of Sheffield Eagles to welcome the directors, players officials and supporters of Wigan Warriors for only our second game at Bramall Lane.

Everyone concerned with Sheffield Eagles is looking forward to a great afternoon and hopefully the same result as last time the Sheffield Eagles played Wigan in the cup (we won at Wembley).

The results of the last three games have been extremely disappointing to everyone concerned with the Sheffield Eagles, none more so than the players.

We need to tighten up all round and rediscover the form which we finished with last season. We have

the talent in the players and coaching staff, we are just not hitting the mark at present but I am certain we will get there.

It was good to see Jack Howieson, Ged Corcoran, and Richie Barnett all back and playing after injuries.

Danny Mills has now played a game and is ready for first team selection and soon we hope to see Aaron Groom and Ryan Hepworth back.

I would like to congratulate the backroom staff for all their hard work to make the inaugural game at Bramall Lane a success.

Every one of the staff and volunteers are to be congratulated.

Chris Noble MBE
Director

Underdogs again

THE Challenge Cup has a habit of throwing up days like today.

Stars of the Super League leaders away to the part-time players of a Championship side. But you have to admit this one has a special twist.

This is only the second time that Sheffield Eagles have played Wigan Warriors in the Challenge Cup. The first was at Wembley Stadium on 2 May 1998 - the result (just in case you have forgotten, which I doubt) was Sheffield Eagles 17 Wigan Warriors 8.

I was lucky enough to play in that game and Waisale Sovatabua, who was in the team, is now on the coaching staff.

We also have a quite a

few of the Wembley team as guests at today's game - give them a special cheer.

Going into the Wembley game the Eagles were massive underdogs - we will be again today.

After 1998 the Eagles had a few problems off the field and we've had ten years of rebuilding as a very different community-based club. Wigan are top of the Super League, we're in the bottom half of the Championship.

That's fine. It is an incentive for my lads to go out and show what they can do.

We have not got the results in the Championship but that pressure is off today and a good performance in the Challenge Cup can act as a spur.

This time last season we

were in a similar sort of predicament when we went to Hull Kingston Rovers and played well in a 34-24 defeat and that did a lot to turn our league season around.

We do have one thing going for us today - we're at Bramall Lane.

The atmosphere was great last week - the crowd was more involved.

I'm delighted by that - if not by the result against Featherstone Rovers.

If somebody had said at the start of the season "you will have 2,800 at Bramall Lane" I'd have taken it.

Now we can progress and try and get even bigger crowds.

To do that we have to add good performances on

the field and that's the aim today. Wigan will be a tough test - probably the toughest.

We know where we are at and we have to keep dusting ourselves down and come through it.

The lads were a little bit quiet and down after the Featherstone game but there's no better way of picking yourself up than playing a big team and doing well.

Get behind the lads and let's hope a bit of the spirit of 1998 is there today.

Enjoy the game,
Yours, Tubbs.

Mark Aston
Head Coach

Mark Aston is sponsored by Nick Firth Tiles and was talking to Jim Collins



Swinton Lions v

Halifax RLFC



Friday April 16, 2010. Kick off 8pm. SEDGLEY PARK

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Sporting Image/Michael Bradshaw	Phil Joseph	9
O'Rourke Glass/Kevin O'Rourke	Danny Heaton	10
Lethbridge & Co	Tommy Grundy	11
Phil Walker (in Memory of Peter Walker)	Paul Smith	12
Geoff Hewitt USA	Arron Smith	13
Accrington Panthers RLFC	Gary Hulse	14
Joseph Ryan	Lee Wingfield	15
Carousel Entertainment	Dana Wilson	16
Lethbridge & Co	Andy Isherwood	17
Premier Building Drainage Division	Bruce Johnson	18
Chris & Viv Tyldesley	Neil Rigby	19
Junior Lions	Chris Hull	20
Physio2	Chris Tyrer	21
John Spellman	Alex McClurg	22
Billy Ryan	Rob Foxen	23
Moorside Auto/John Hunt	Gavin Dodd	24
Redsentinel Studio LLP	Barry Hamilton	25
Peter Kidd	Dave Newton	26
Ray Bowdler	Tony Stewart	27
	Ian Sinfield	28

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COACH: PAUL SMITH

LAST SIX RESULTS: LLWWLL

LAST SIX HOME: LW-WLLW

TRIES: Dodd, Foxen (5) Reay, Isherwood (4)

GOALS: Dodd (24)

DROP GOALS: Holroyd (1)

MAN TO WATCH: Gavin Dodd

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: T. Roby

Touch: P. Meadows, C. Halloran

Reserve Referee: N. Aspey

THE INSIDE TRACK

Swinton have nothing to lose, but Halifax should prevail by a comfy 20

COACH: MATT CALLAND

LAST SIX RESULTS: WLLWW

LAST SIX AWAY: WLWWWL

TRIES: Royston (13) Worrincy (10) Branighan (7) Haley, Paterson (6)

GOALS: Paterson (55)

DGs: -

MAN TO WATCH: Shad Royston



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CLUBCALL

Swinton v Halifax

We need top display

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all the supporters and officials who have made the journey across the Pennines!

Despite being a division apart Swinton and Halifax have both shown similarities this season. Both clubs are out of the Northern Rail Cup and both have lost games against pre-season expectations.

For Halifax their last two results have suggested that they are finally back on track. For Swinton there appears to be much work to be done. However, a gutsier performance in the second half away at Championship 1 high flyers Hunslet at least gave our Swinton supporters some hope after our previous away trip.

Despite the Challenge Cup realistically being away from touching distance for both clubs tonight, I firmly believe that both sets of players will be determined to put in a 'performance out of the top drawer' to progress into the next round.

There has been some changes to the Swinton staffing structure with the appointment of two community partnership coaches and the departure of two players who have both asked to be released from their playing contracts. I would first of all like to wish Darren Bamford and Chris Tyrer the very best in the future in their chosen career paths, with hopefully a return to the professional game being in the offing in the future.

I would also like to welcome Cliff Tamou and Neil Quinn to our community coaching team. Both come to the club with a wealth of experience. They will be working in the Whitefield, Bury and Bolton areas, and further afield to tie in with the Rugby Football League's strategy to take our great game into areas that don't traditionally play the sport.

Swinton Lions have taken the bold step of offering our next home game against South Wales on Sunday 25 April for half price! You will be able to watch this match for just £6.50 adult, £1.50 child, £3.50 concession and £5 Teamcard. This venture is being supported by corporate sponsorship with A&A Compensation, GTEQ Communications and the Royal Bank of Scotland already committing their support!

We are still looking for other companies to support 'The Lions'. To get involved email swintonlions@hotmail.co.uk or call 0871 231 2111

Andy Wilkinson
General Manager



Swinton packman Tommy Grundy, centre, toughs it out

Great to see my old friends

Today we welcome our visitors Halifax for today's 4th Round Challenge Cup tie. From a personal point of view it was a great draw to be drawn against my former teammates and coaches.

We are looking for a big performance today after a couple of very disappointing defeats in the league. The coaching staff and players are fully aware we have simply not been good enough in a lot of areas. We showed some promising signs in the 2nd half at Hunslet but again silly penalties, poor defence and handling errors cost us.

Halifax themselves have had a slow start in their league campaign but during the last couple of games they look like they are finding their form again.

I'd like to wish the 3 players who have left the club for various reasons, Aaron Smith, Darren Bamford and Chris Tyrer, the best of luck in their future careers. We are working hard to replace these players and we'll hopefully have some new additions shortly. I know it's a frustrating time for the Lions fans but I hope with your support we can turn it around, starting today!

Paul Smith
Head Coach

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Widnes Vikings v



FC Lézignan-Corbières



Saturday April 17, 2010. Kick off 6pm. STOBART STADIUM, HALTON

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	Chris Dean	20
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The Jones Family	Dean Thompson	22
	Dave Houghton	23
	Danny Hulme	24
Mullally's Butchers	Anthony Mullally	25
	Liam Farrell	
	Ben Davies	

COACH: PAUL CULLEN

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWWLWW

LAST SIX HOME: WWWLW

TRIES: Thackeray (9) Grady (8)

Gardner (6) Coyle, Ford (4)

GOALS: Grady (54)

DGs: -

MAN TO WATCH: Anthony Thackeray

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Nicolas Piquemal
Fabien Poggi
Damien Quinn
Florian Quintilla
David Romero
Franck Rovira
Mickael Tribillac
James Wynne

COACH: JAMES WYNNE

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: P. Brooke

Touch: G. Wallace, B. Armstrong

Reserve Referee: J. Cross

THE INSIDE TRACK

Widnes can't afford a slip-up - Vikings
by about 10

ROUND 3: HORNETS RL 22, FC LEZIGNAN-CORBIERES 32

FRENCH CHAMPIONNAT LEAGUE TABLE:

1 LEZIGNAN	43
2 CARCASSONNE	35
3 PIA	35
4 LIMOUX	33
5 ST ESTEVE/XIII CATALAN	29
6 CARPENTRAS	29
7 VILLENEUVE	26
8 AVIGNON	21
9 ST GAUDENS	17



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CLUBCALL

Too little too late against Toulouse

Paul Cullen, Head Coach

GOOD evening and welcome to everyone for tonight's clash with Lezignan.

Having managed to get a very good win against Whitehaven the week before, we weren't able to back it up, it's as simple as that and last weekend's game was the hardest bonus point we'll probably earn all season. As a contest it was almost a case of the ridiculous to the remarkable.

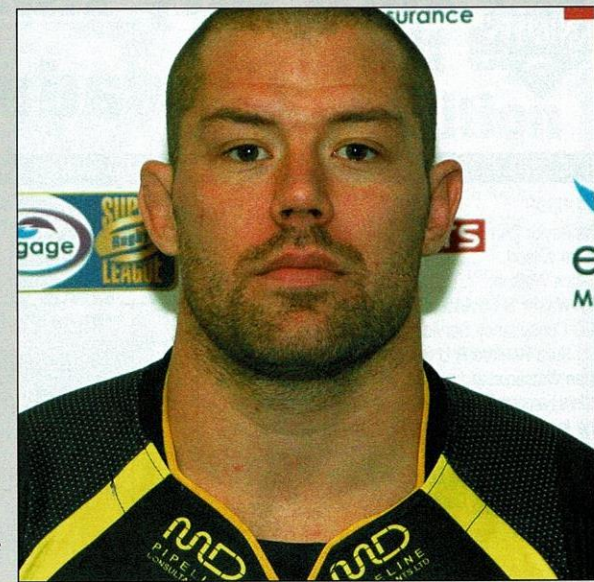
We started poorly and looked a little bit soft in defence and sent Toulouse some signals which they received with open arms, but the game wasn't lost in the final three or four minutes, it was lost in the first three or four minutes. It was nearly won by us when we staged an incredible comeback, as we've been forced to do on a number of occasions already this season, but this time it proved too little, too late.

I think I'm correct in saying that Jordan James became the 27th player we've used so far this season and we're only up to Round 7, and as I've also said at virtually every press conference that I've done for the past two or three weeks, we're not at our best at the moment and we're a little bit lightweight in certain areas. When you're missing so many senior players it does have an effect and we saw that against Toulouse.

We hit a bit of a wall early on and it took us an awful long time to work out whether we were going to go under it, over it or through it, but although we did look disjointed and had to readjust many times during the game to find some rhythm, I'm pleased with the spirit and commitment we showed and the way that we were still in there fighting right until the end, when it may have already appeared that the game had got away from us.

The few senior players we have fit are carrying the burden of the entire squad in both the training sessions, let alone the

Widnes v Lezignan



Jordan James, on loan from Crusaders - 27th player used

games. That still doesn't excuse how poor we were though and how soft we were in certain areas and looking ahead to tonight's game against Lezignan, one thing we will definitely have to improve is our commitment to our game-plan, which was completely unrecognisable at times last weekend in both attack and defence.

As you can imagine, the players were a little bit shell-shocked post game and because of the demands of the second half they had almost run themselves to a complete stand still, so this week we've been concentrating our efforts on trying to put this part time squad of players back together, both physically and mentally.

In my experience as Head Coach at both of my previous clubs (Whitehaven and Warrington), I've obviously experienced the odd injury crisis before, but never as severe as the one we're currently fighting our way through here at Widnes.

At the risk of repetition, what gives me great heart and encouragement is the character and fighting spirit that we're showing as we fight our way through this hole we find ourselves in at the moment, and we're all keeping our fingers crossed that at some point it will come good for us but that's not a guarantee of course, as my experience tells me.

Enjoy the game.

We're hoping for third time lucky tonight

Alex Bonney, Chief Executive Officer



Good evening and welcome to our visitors from Lezignan.

For consecutive Saturdays we will play top class French opponents here at the Stobart Stadium Halton - unlike last week, we do not intend to extend the hospitality of a 30 point start.

For the neutrals, if there were any, last week's match was a thriller as the gap closed and the minutes ticked away - sadly for us the clock, and our first half generosity, beat us on that occasion.

Lezignan will arrive here full of confi-

dence as they boast 14 victories from their 15 league games.

Toulouse alerted us to the quality of Lezignan's performances this season, and we are already aware of what an impact player Adel Fellous (pictured) can be following his time with us in 2008.

Hopefully, the enforced omission of the departed Celtic players will work in our favour.

Toulouse were not the first French team to defeat us this season.

Pre-season our academy team were hosted and defeated by Carcassonne, as part of their 70th anniversary celebration.

By the law of averages we will be hoping for third time lucky.



York City Knights v Crusaders RLFC



Sunday April 18, 2010. Kick off 3pm. HUNTINGTON STADIUM

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	Luke Helliwell	23
	Dan Walton	24
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Balls'n All.....	Casey Bromilow	
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COACH: JAMES RATCLIFFE

LAST SIX RESULTS: WWWLWL

LAST SIX HOME: LL-WWWW

TRIES: Waterman (12) Ratcliffe (7)

Schofield, McLocklan (6)

GOALS: Waterman (46)

DROP GOALS: Thorman (2)

MAN TO WATCH: Joe McLocklan

No.	TODAY'S TEAM	No.
	Full back	
	Right Wing	
	Right Centre	
	Left Centre	
	Left Wing	
	Stand off	
	Scrum half	
	Prop	
	Hooker	
	Prop	
	2nd row	
	2nd row	
	Loose forward	
	Interchange 1	
	2	
	3	
	4	

SCORERS

TRIES

CONV

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DGs

No.	PLAYER
1	Gareth Thomas
2	Nick Youngquest
3	Tony Martin
4	Vince Mellars
5	Gareth Raynor
6	Michael Witt
7	
8	Ryan O'Hara
9	Lincoln Withers
10	Mark Bryant
11	Weller Hauraki
12	Jason Chan
13	Rocky Trimarchi
14	Luke Dyer
15	Tommy Lee
16	Frank Winterstein
17	Adam Peek
18	Jamie Thackray
19	Jordan James
20	Ben Flower
21	Lloyd White
22	Elliott Kear
23	Peter Lupton
24	Anthony Blackwood
25	Lewis Mills
26	Gil Dudson

COACH: BRIAN NOBLE

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: R. Hicks

Touch: M. Craven, M. Wilson

Reserve Referee: M. Mannifield

THE INSIDE TRACK

Knights are rested after week off, but Crusaders have class. Welsh by 24

LAST SIX RESULTS: LLWLLW

LAST SIX AWAY: WLWWW

TRIES: Mellars (7) Youngquest (3)

GOALS: Witt (27)

DROP GOALS: -

MAN TO WATCH: Michael Witt

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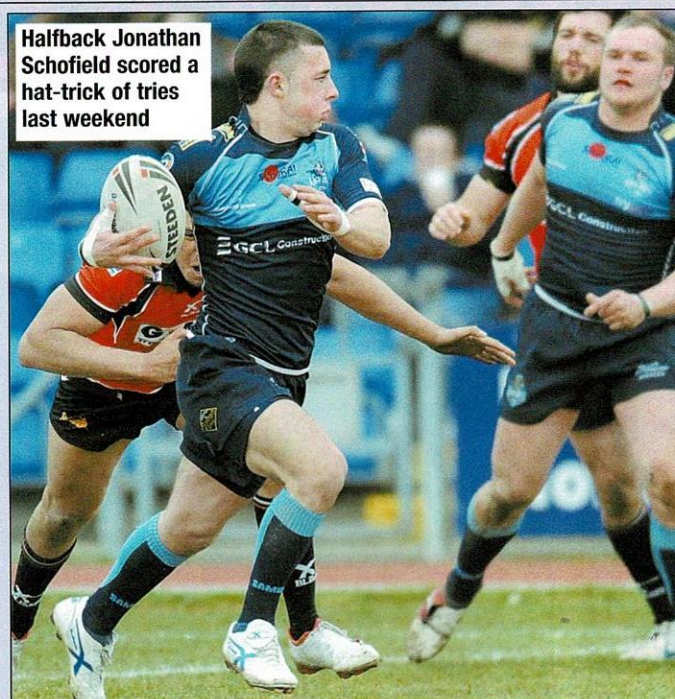
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York v Crusaders

Halfback Jonathan Schofield scored a hat-trick of tries last weekend



First visit by SL opposition

Good afternoon and welcome to this afternoon's Carnegie Fourth Round Challenge Cup match against the Crusaders and on behalf of everyone at the Knights I would like to welcome their players, coaching staff, directors and supporters to the game.

Today's match marks a very significant game for the club as it is the first time a Super League team have visited the Huntington Stadium in a competitive match since the Knights formed.

We are delighted to welcome coaches of the calibre of Brian Noble, Jon Sharp and Iestyn Harris and the Knights players are looking forward to taking on the likes of Michael Witt and Ryan O'Hara. We are also extremely privileged to welcome one of Welsh Rugby's all time greats in Gareth Thomas. To gain 100 caps for your country is a fantastic achievement and it is great to see him playing rugby league.

I would also like to thank this afternoon's executive match sponsors Cueball Snooker Club who have been a sponsor of the Knights for a number of years. I know that Gary Penrose (Cueball owner) was pleased to have the Challenge Cup in his club last week and we hope the Knights will help to make the day an enjoyable one with a good performance. I would also like to thank Sorrells, Pete Hoggard, North Yorkshire Motors and Castles UK Limited who are also sponsoring today's match. The club are extremely grateful for the support of its sponsors and we hope that you all have an enjoyable afternoon.

The club currently have some fantastic offers on matchday hospitality which include a two course pre-match meal for ten guests. For more information call the Knights office on 01904 641724.

Finally the Knights Reserve Grade and Under 16s both have home matches this week. The Reserves take on Widnes on Thursday night, 8pm kick off at the Huntington Stadium (Entry £4 Adults & £1 U16's) and the Under 16's play Castleford on Saturday, 10:30am kick-off, also at the Huntington Stadium (Entry £3 Adults & £1 Under 16s). As always your support is very much appreciated.

Enjoy the match,

Ian Wilson
General Manager

110pc is all that we ask!

Good afternoon and welcome to everyone for today's Carnegie Challenge Cup tie against the Crusaders from Super League.

Today's game is all about performance and my players should be under no pressure other than to perform at 110% for the full game, if they do this I am sure we can be good opposition for Celtic.

Playing against Super League opponents is a tough ask, but that is what players and coaches alike aspire to, so it should be enjoyable today regardless of the outcome.

The Bank Holiday period left us

James Ratcliffe
Head Coach

with one victory and a loss, although in both games I believe we showed improvement in some of the areas we are not doing well at present, so hopefully once again that will continue today.

May I take this opportunity to welcome Dave Woods to the club, I am sure with his experience it can only add to our quest for success.

Enjoy the game.



From perennial losers to Championship 1 form team, the Blackpool Panthers are on the prowl

Many incoming chairmen have been guilty of making bold claims for the future.

Filled with optimism and perhaps a little over-confidence, they tell anyone willing to listen just how successful their tenure will be.

New Blackpool Panthers chairman Bobby Hope looked to be setting himself up for a fall this year by saying that - just two years after suffering one of the worst runs in British sporting history - Blackpool would win the league.

Yet the Panthers have soon delivered, winning their opening five Championship One games and this weekend they host Whitehaven for a place in the Challenge Cup fifth round.

Things are certainly looking a lot rosier than when coach Martin Crompton took charge after the 2007 campaign, when Blackpool went the entire season without winning a game.

Dealing with the new weight of expectation will be nothing to Crompton given some of the hurdles he has overcome since taking over, yet at no point did he think the task of transforming the Panthers into a competitive outfit was beyond him.

"The club was in a right mess when I first got the job," he said. "But people who know me will tell you that I'm a real fighter and I love a challenge - and that's what it was."

"I've gained a lot of satisfaction from building the club up and taking it forward. It's taken a couple of years to get to this stage but it's like in any walk of life - you have your ups and downs, your highs and lows. You've just got to dust yourself down and work harder to get what you want."

"That's exactly what I've done and I'm very proud to have helped take the club to where it is today."

There has been a regular turn-over in players over the last two years as Crompton has sought to get the right personnel on board, before his resources were given a major boost by Hope's arrival at the club in the off-season.

Some players remain from the dark days at the start of Crompton's reign, such as hooker John Clough and Jonny Leather, 2009's Championship One full-back of the year.

And it is only now that Crompton's plans are coming to fruition and they are being repaid for the faith they placed in the former Wigan and Salford scrum-half.

"It was always a three or four-year plan," said Crompton. "It's all about adding strength where you need it and gradually improving the personnel year by year, but John Clough and Jonny Leather have been with me since day one."

"They could have played at a better level so I know it was

Martin Crompton's men take a step up in class today with the visit of Whitehaven. He spoke to BEN COLLINS



Jonny Leather has stuck with Martin Crompton and Blackpool through thick and thin

a massive gamble to come and play for Blackpool at that moment in time, being on such a losing streak as we were.

"I know from my playing career that you want to play at the best level you can and at the best club, and that certainly wasn't the case here when I took over."

"But I promised them this and a promised them that. I told them what we were trying to do and now everything's falling into place."

"I'm absolutely delighted for them, along with the likes of Damien Munro and Kris Ratcliffe, because they've put a lot of hard work in over the last two years."



Leader of the pack Andy Hobson seen in ball-handling prop mode

"They're getting their rewards now and that's one of the most pleasing factors. I've got to applaud them for sticking it out and I'm glad it's turning out well."

Crompton bolstered his squad with the likes of former Huddersfield scrum-half Tom Hemingway, ex-Crusaders back Paul Ballard and ex-Leigh prop Andy Hobson in the off-season.

They have each played their part in Blackpool's superb league start, which has marked them out as the team to beat, but Crompton would much rather than being seen as the league's whipping boys.

"The board has been behind me and the new chairman has brought a bit more money, allowing us to go to a new level by adding that experience and quality player I felt we needed," he said.

"Tom Hemingway is a great organiser and Andy Hobson is a natural leader, which we sorely lacked, especially in the big games last year."

"It's going all right at the moment but there's still a long way to go so we can't get carried away."

"We want to get as many wins as we can but the longer we're up there, the more people want to be the first to beat you and knock you off that pedestal."

"But we know this season there's always a massive incentive and challenge there for us - to get promoted."

And this weekend's Challenge Cup tie could be an early indicator of how Blackpool would do in the Championship.

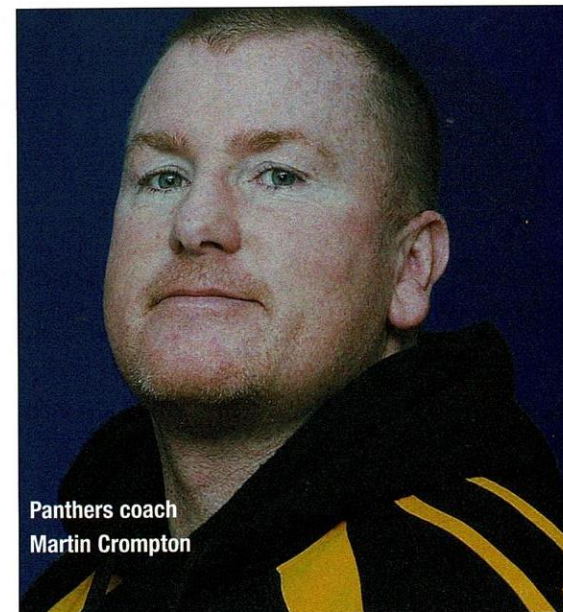
"It's going to be a massive test," Crompton added.

"Whitehaven are in the division above us so it's a big ask for ourselves."

"But we've got home advantage, we're on a roll right now and there's lots of confidence in the camp."

"There's a massive incentive because there's big potential of playing a Super League club in the next round."

"That would set us up for the season but I'm sure Whitehaven will be thinking exactly the same."

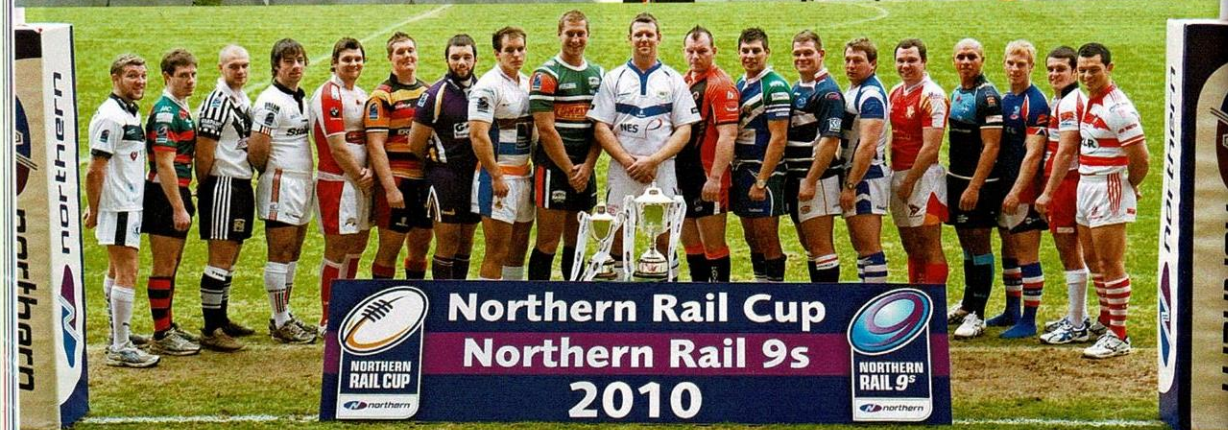


Panthers coach Martin Crompton

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XIII QUESTIONS

**Today we focus on
The Greatest Cup
in The Greatest Game!**



1) What was the crowd for the first Challenge Cup back at Wembley when St Helens beat Catalans Dragons? Was it a) 69,271, b) 75,896, or c) 84,241?

2) 1998 when Wigan were beaten by Sheffield wasn't the only torrid time the Cup kings have had. Who came close to pulling off a massive upset at Wembley in 1965, going down 20-16?

3) That game saw the Lance Todd Trophy shared for the first time. Who by?

4) Who are the only other two players to share the Lance Todd?

5) GB Lion Henderson Gill was on one wing for Wigan in the classic 1985 final against Hull, but who was on the other wing?

6) Which of today's home teams won the first Challenge Cup of the 20th century, and the last of their three cups in 1927/28?

7) How many times have Dewsbury won the Challenge Cup?

8) Who won the Lance Todd when Halifax won the last of their five Challenge Cups beating St Helens in 1987?

9) Which teammate of Sheffield coach and MD Mark Aston played in the 1998 win over Wigan and is still playing in Super League?

10) In what year did Widnes Vikings last win the Challenge Cup?

11) How many clubs have won the Cup in its history? Is it a) 19 b) 23 c) 26?

12) Wigan have won the cup most times but just how many?

13) And who are 3rd, 3rd and 4th in the list of winners?



q12

1) c) 84,241. 2) Hunslet 3) Hunslet stand-off Brian Gabbitts and Wigan full-back Ray Ashby. 4) St Helens 1942/43. 5) John Ferguson. 6) Swinton Lions. 7) 2) 1911/12 and 1942/43. 8) Graham Eadie. 9) Keith Senior, Leeds Rhinos. 10) 1984 11) c) 26 12) 17. 13) St Helens (12) Leeds (11) and Widnes (7).

Six of the best for rampant Rovers

SIX games played in the Championship – six wins. It adds up to an impressive start by Featherstone Rovers. The controlled manner of their 40-16 win over Sheffield Eagles must have Rovers fans starting to think this could be their season.

But you won't get any rash predictions from coach Daryl Powell. "We are going okay, but we can improve and we're striving to be better all the time," he said. "You have to enjoy victories when they come and we'll enjoy this game and we've got a nice game against Warrington (in the Challenge Cup) but that's a one-off game and we'll try our best to treat it as such."

Rovers moved back to the top of the league with Leigh Centurions the team moving over after having to sit out the



weekend's games. The Eagles had the boost of a 2,871 crowd for their first game at Sheffield United's Bramall Lane stadium – three times their average at Don Valley Stadium this season.

But on the field the problems continue for Mark Aston's team as they slumped to a fourth defeat. The Eagles are conceding points and have slipped to third from bottom.

Of the bottom five only Whitehaven got a win – 20-12 at Dewsbury Rams. Now it's usually rugby union where kicks at goal decide games but that was the case at the Tetley Stadium.

Both sides scored three tries but the final score was settled by the boot of Carl Rudd with three conversions and a penalty and nil out of three attempts by Rams' Pat Walker. Rams had to settle for a bonus point.

Toulouse Olympique moved into the play-off places with the upset of the weekend, a 42-36 win at Widnes Vikings.

Widnes pulled an early Toulouse lead back but the French side surged into the lead and came home the winner on Grand National day.

Batley dropped out of the play-off places after a 56-10 beating at Craven Park as Barrow Raiders continued their impressive surge.

Jermaine McGilvary claimed a hat-trick of tries against his

COMING UP...

Carnegie Challenge Cup fourth round weekend sees 12 of the 16 games featuring Championship clubs – the round kicking off with Swinton Lions at home to back-in-form Halifax on Thursday night.

A re-run of the 1998 final sees Sheffield Eagles face Super League leaders Wigan Warriors at their new Bramall Lane home on Saturday. It's only the second time the clubs have met in the competition – Eagles won 17-8 at Wembley in 1998.

Leigh Centurions travel to France to face Limoux with Toulouse Olympique at St Helens. Widnes Vikings will want to avoid defeat to a French side two weeks running as they entertain a strong Lezignan team.

Sunday's games see Barrow Raiders put their Super League ambitions to the test as the Cumbrians eye a possible upset at inconsistent Castleford Tigers.

Championship leaders Featherstone Rovers travel to Warrington Wolves. York City Knights play host to Crusaders and Dewsbury Rams face near neighbours Bradford Bulls at the Tetley's Stadium.

Whitehaven have a potentially tricky visit to Blackpool Panthers and there's a tough all-Championship 1 clash with Hunslet Hawks at home to Oldham.

The last amateur team in the competition Siddal - victors over Doncaster in the last round – face Batley Bulldogs. Siddal coach Lee Greenwood is a Batley player – that's the Cup!



A tackle, a wrestle or a cuddle? Action from the Scorpions-Oldham game at The Gnoll



Gateshead's Tabua Cakacaka-Foe is halted by the Doncaster defence

former club as Barrow moved above Widnes on points difference and with a game in hand.

Halifax's early season 'blip' seems to have ended as they reinforced their hold on third spot with a 40-20 win over Keighley Cougars in the Thursday night Sky game.



In the Championship 1 a rare old battle is developing at the top with three teams tied on 15 points.

The game of the day saw Oldham travel to South Wales Scorpions who had made an impressive start to their debut season.

Oldham took an early lead and held it for a 22-16 win that keeps a grip on third place. The Scorpions got a bonus point but it was their third defeat in four games.

Hunslet Hawks stay in top spot on points difference at the head of the table. The South Leeds side beat Swinton Lions 42-12.

Five first half tries sealed the game for the Hawks with a 28-6 lead at the break.

Loose forward David March produced the goods for his player-coach brother Paul with a fine all-round game and kicking seven goals for good measure.

Blackpool Panthers made the trip up to Workington Town and outplayed the home team for a 32-12 win that keeps them in second place. Winger Damien Munro claimed two of the visitors' six tries.

Doncaster continued their rehabilitation with the team having a more settled look in recent games. The Dons were always in the lead and held off a late Gateshead challenge to win 32-28 at the Thunderdome.

The win lifts the Dons level with the Scorpions on 11 points but it's now three defeats in a row for Gateshead.

Rochdale had few problems as they hit struggling London Skolars 68-10 to move into the play-off places.

Fullback Wayne English got a hat-trick of tries as Hornets crossed the whitewash 13 times.

Sheffield (6) 16
T: M Taulapapa 1, D McDonald 1, C Cook 1. G: B Lindsay 1, M Stringer 1.
Featherstone (16) 40
T: J Parker 1, L Welham 1, K Briggs 1, J Grayshon 1, I Morrison 1, A Kain 1, D Manning 1. G: K Briggs 6. Att: 2,871

Dewsbury (4) 12
T: L Lingard 1, B Powell 1, A Robinson 1.
Whitehaven (18) 20
T: C Rudd 1, G Mattinson 1, A Thornley 1. G: C Rudd 4. Att: 850
DG:

Widnes (12) 36
T: P Flynn 1, A Thackeray 3, B Davies 1, M Strong 1, T Coyle 1.
G: S Grady 5.
Toulouse (30) 42
T: V Dupont 3, N Wynn 2, M Griffi 1, S Payan 1. G: N Wynn 7. Att: 2,793

Barrow (32) 56
T: A Ballard 1, L Harrison 2, J McGilvary 3, M James 1, A Henderson 1, N Catic 1, R Roberts 1. G: J Rooney 8.
Batley (4) 10
T: J Walton 1, A Brown 1. G: P Handforth 1. Att: 1,725

Halifax (16) 40
T: L Paterson 1, J Hayley 1, R Worrincy 1, S Penkyciwicz 1, S Gene 1, D Nash 1, S Bannister 1. G: L Paterson 6.
Keighley (6) 20
T: T Burton 1, J Presley 1, A Shickell 1, J Haythornthwaite 1. G: D Jones 2. Att: 2,522

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Diff	B	PTS
Featherstone	6	6	0	0	234	64	170	0	18
Leigh	6	5	1	0	208	64	144	0	17
Halifax	7	5	0	2	200	196	4	0	15
Barrow	6	4	1	1	199	78	121	0	14
Widnes	6	4	0	2	264	160	104	2	14
Toulouse	7	3	0	4	150	252	-102	0	9
Batley	6	2	0	4	92	172	-80	1	7
Whitehaven	6	2	0	4	110	197	-87	1	7
Sheffield	6	1	1	4	114	192	-78	1	6
Dewsbury	7	0	0	7	102	208	-106	4	4
Keighley	7	1	1	5	138	228	-90	2	-2

* Keighley deducted 6pts for going into administration

South Wales (6) 16
T: C Richards 1, S Parry 1, C Roets 1. G: L White 2.
Oldham (16) 22
T: L Onyango 1, M Fogerty 1, D Whitmore 1, J Boults 1. G: P O'Connor 3. Att: 625

Gateshead (6) 28
T: K Neighbour 1, T Wilson 1, R Clarke 1, W Bate 1, A Aderiyi 1. G: K Neighbour 4.
Doncaster (26) 32
T: T Griffiths 2, A Henry 2, R Steen 1, J Ely 1. G: S Brown 4. Att: 579

Rochdale (30) 68
T: W English 3, A Bowman 1, D Gorton 1, C Johnson 1, C Hough 2, R Powell 1, G Hayes 1, D Samuel 1, D Smith 1, C Ashall 1. G: C Hough 8
London Skolars (10) 10
T: A Adebisi 1, D Arnot 1. G: P Thorman 1. Att: 359

Hunslet (28) 46
T: W McHugh 1, D Grimshaw 1, R Chapman 1, T Haughey 1, D March 1, N Lowe 2, C Wabo 1. G: D March 7.
Swinton (6) 12
T: P Smith 1, A Isherwood 1. G: C Sneyd 2. Att: 546

Workington (2) 12
T: A Low 1, R McGoff 1. G: S Kaighan 2.
Blackpool (20) 32
T: D Munro 2, P Ballard 1, C Forber 1, M McCully 1, D Halliwell 1. G: J Leather 4. Att: 521

	P	W	D	L	F	A	D	B	Pts
Hunslet	6	5	0	1	242	85	157	0	15
Blackpool	5	5	0	0	191	64	127	0	15
Oldham	5	5	0	0	127	82	45	0	15
South Wales	6	3	0	3	140	123	17	2	11
Doncaster	7	3	0	4	184	244	-60	2	11
York	6	3	0	3	193	145	48	1	10
Rochdale	6	3	0	3	194	160	34	1	10
Workington	6	2	0	4	146	124	22	3	9
Swinton	5	2	0	3	126	184	-58	0	6
London Skols	7	0	0	7	104	308	-204	2	2
Gateshead	5	1	0	4	78	206	-128	1	-2

* Gateshead deducted 6pts for going into administration

DIARY 2010

KEY TO DIARY: NORTHERN RAIL CUP CHAMPIONSHIP CHAMPIONSHIP 1 CHALLENGE CUP

NORTHERN RAIL CUP

SUNDAY JANUARY 31 - ROUND 1

Dewsbury Rams 50, London Skolars 4
Leigh Centurions 24, Oldham 12
Blackpool Panthers 22, Keighley Cougars 24

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 2 - ROUND 1

Widnes Vikings 50, Gateshead Thunder 6

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7 - ROUND 2

Barrow Raiders 34, Blackpool Panthers 8
Batley Bulldogs 30, Widnes Vikings 30
Featherstone Rovers 18, Sheffield Eagles 18
Halifax RLFC 24, Dewsbury Rams 0
Keighley Cougars 17, Whitehaven 16
Gateshead Thunder 12, Workington Town 26
London Skolars 12, Hunslet Hawks 60
Swinton Lions 30, Doncaster RLFC 20
York City Knights 13, Leigh Centurions 12

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8 - ROUND 2

Oldham 22, Hornets RL 14

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10 - ROUND 1

Whitehaven 26, Batley Bulldogs 34

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14 - ROUND 3

Batley Bulldogs 46, Swinton Lions 10
Keighley Cougars 38, Workington Town 10
Leigh Centurions 36, Featherstone Rovers 6
Sheffield Eagles 40, York City Knights 10
Whitehaven 54, Doncaster RLFC 10
Widnes Vikings 22, Barrow Raiders 20
Blackpool Panthers 74, Gateshead Thunder 8
Hunslet Hawks 28, Oldham 14
London Skolars 0, Halifax RLFC 68
Rochdale Hornets 12, Dewsbury Rams 48

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Sheffield Eagles 13, Halifax RLFC 6
Doncaster RLFC 0, Barrow Raiders 60
Hornets RL 12, York City Knights 36
Workington 18, Swinton 19

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Swinton Lions 12, Widnes Vikings 36
Workington Town 16, Whitehaven 14

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Oldham 22, Sheffield Eagles 24

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Featherstone Rovers 56, Hornets RL 10

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3

Dewsbury Rams 22, Leigh Centurions 44

THURSDAY MARCH 4

Hunslet Hawks 0, Featherstone Rovers 68

WEDNESDAY MARCH 10

York City Knights 34, London Skolars 10

WEDNESDAY MARCH 17

Gateshead Thunder 4, Batley Bulldogs 100

SUNDAY MARCH 21

Halifax RLFC 36, Hunslet Hawks 42

WEDNESDAY 24 MARCH

Doncaster 20, Blackpool 40

CO-OPERATIVE CHAMPIONSHIPS

THURSDAY, 25 FEBRUARY

Leigh Centurions 20, Barrow Raiders 20

SUNDAY, 28 FEBRUARY

Toulouse Olympique 26, Dewsbury Rams 22
Featherstone Rovers 36, Batley Bulldogs 10
Halifax RLFC 32, Sheffield Eagles 26

Widnes Vikings 72, Keighley Cougars 10
Hunslet Hawks 40, Gateshead Thunder 12
Hornets RL 56, Doncaster RLFC 24
Swinton Lions 20, Oldham 38
South Wales Scorpions 22, Workington Town 20
York City Knights 36, London Skolars 8

THURSDAY, 11 MARCH

Batley Bulldogs 24, Halifax RLFC 34

FRIDAY MARCH 12

Blackpool Panthers 36, Hornets RL 14

Hunslet Hawks 16, Oldham RLFC 29

SATURDAY, 13 MARCH

Whitehaven 34, Toulouse Olympique 20

SUNDAY, 14 MARCH

Dewsbury Rams 10, Featherstone Rovers 40

Keighley Cougars 12, Leigh Centurions 34

Sheffield Eagles 30, Widnes Vikings 44

Doncaster RLFC 8, South Wales Scorpions 18

London Skolars 16, Swinton Lions 52

Workington Town 32, York City Knights 22

THURSDAY, 18 MARCH

Widnes Vikings 28, Halifax RLFC 30

FRIDAY, 19 MARCH

Sheffield Eagles 22, Dewsbury Rams 10

SATURDAY, 20 MARCH

Toulouse Olympique 34, Keighley Cougars 26

Barrow Raiders 6, Featherstone Rovers 20

SUNDAY, 21 MARCH

Leigh Centurions 44, Whitehaven 12

Gateshead Thunder 24, London Skolars 18

Rochdale Hornets 32, Workington Town 24

Swinton Lions 36, Doncaster RLFC 30

York City Knights 25, South Wales Scorpions 24

THURSDAY, 25 MARCH

Keighley Cougars 12, Batley Bulldogs 22

SATURDAY, 27 MARCH

Toulouse Olympique 16, Barrow Raiders 48

Dewsbury Rams 30, Widnes Vikings 36

Featherstone Rovers 54, Whitehaven 18

Halifax RLFC 10, Leigh Centurions 48

Blackpool Panthers 54, Swinton Lions 6

Doncaster RLFC 40, York City Knights 24

Hunslet Hawks 44, Rochdale Hornets 8

South Wales Scorpions 48, London Skolars 6

Workington Town 44, Gateshead Thunder 0

THURSDAY, 1 APRIL

Whitehaven 8, Barrow Raiders 19

FRIDAY, 2 APRIL

Featherstone Rovers 44, Halifax 4

Keighley Cougars 16, Sheffield Eagles 16

Toulouse Olympique 6, Leigh Centurions 36

Batley Bulldogs 22, Dewsbury Rams 8

Hunslet Hawks 54, Doncaster RLFC 12

London Skolars 18, Blackpool Panthers 42

Rochdale Hornets 16, Oldham 22

York City Knights 72, Gateshead Thunder 14

MONDAY, 5 APRIL

Barrow Raiders 50, Sheffield Eagles 4

Dewsbury Rams 10, Keighley Cougars 42

Leigh Centurions v Featherstone Rovers

Halifax RLFC 50, Toulouse Olympique 6

Leigh Centurions 26, Batley Bulldogs 4

Widnes Vikings 48, Whitehaven 18

Blackpool Panthers 27, York City Knights 14

Doncaster RLFC 38, London Skolars 28

South Wales Scorpions 12, Hunslet Hawks 52

Oldham 16, Workington Town 14

THURSDAY, 8 APRIL

Halifax RLFC 40, Keighley Cougars 20

SATURDAY, 10 APRIL

Widnes Vikings 36, Toulouse Olympique 42

Barrow Raiders 56, Batley Bulldogs 10

SUNDAY, 11 APRIL

Dewsbury Rams 12, Whitehaven 20

Sheffield Eagles 16, Featherstone Rovers 40

Gateshead Thunder 28, Doncaster RLFC 32

Hunslet Hawks 46, Swinton Lions 12

South Wales Scorpions 16, Oldham 22
Rochdale Hornets 68, London Skolars 10
Workington Town 12, Blackpool Panthers 32

FRIDAY APRIL 16

CARNEGIE CHALLENGE CUP 4th ROUND

Swinton v Halifax

SATURDAY 17 APRIL

Harlequins RL v Wakefield

Hull v Leeds

Limoux v Leigh

Sheffield v Wigan

St Helens v Toulouse

Widnes v FC Lezignan-Corbieres

SUNDAY 18 APRIL

Blackpool v Whitehaven

Castleford v Barrow

Catalans Dragons v Salford

Dewsbury v Bradford

Huddersfield v Hull K R

Hunslet v Oldham

Siddal v Batley

Warrington v Featherstone

York v Crusaders RL

THURSDAY, 22 APRIL

Featherstone v Toulouse Olympique

SATURDAY, 24 APRIL

Barrow Raiders v Dewsbury Rams

Oldham v Gateshead Thunder

SUNDAY, 25 APRIL

Leigh Centurions v Sheffield Eagles

Whitehaven v Halifax RLFC

Toulouse Olympique v Widnes Vikings

Blackpool Panthers v Doncaster RLFC

London Skolars v Hunslet Hawks

Swinton Lions v South Wales Scorpions

York City Knights v Rochdale Hornets

THURSDAY, 29 APRIL

Dewsbury Rams v Leigh Centurions

FRIDAY, 30 APRIL

Widnes Vikings v Featherstone Rovers

SATURDAY, 1 MAY

Toulouse Olympique v Batley Bulldogs

MONDAY, 3 MAY

Keighley Cougars v Barrow Raiders

Sheffield Eagles v Whitehaven

Batley Bulldogs v Oldham

Doncaster RLFC v Gateshead Thunder

Rochdale Hornets v Blackpool Panthers

Workington Town v Hunslet Hawks

York City Knights v Swinton Lions

SATURDAY-SUNDAY 8-9 MAY

CARNEGIE CHALLENGE CUP 5th ROUND

Barrow Raiders v Widnes Vikings

SATURDAY, 8 MAY

Gateshead Thunder v South Wales Scorpions

SUNDAY, 9 MAY

Halifax RLFC v Dewsbury Rams

Leigh Centurions v Featherstone Rovers

Whitehaven v Keighley Cougars

Sheffield Eagles v Batley Bulldogs

Hunslet Hawks v Blackpool Panthers

London Skolars v Workington Town

Oldham v York City Knights

Swinton Lions v Rochdale Hornets

THURSDAY, 13 MAY

Leigh Centurions v Widnes Vikings

SATURDAY, 15 MAY

Sheffield Eagles v Toulouse Olympique

Blackpool Panthers v Gateshead Thunder

SUNDAY, 16 MAY

Featherstone Rovers v Keighley Cougars

Halifax RLFC v Barrow Raiders

Batley Bulldogs v Whitehaven

Oldham v London Skolars



South Wales Scorpions v Rochdale Hornets

Workington Town v Doncaster RLFC

York City Knights v Hunslet Hawks

THURSDAY, 20 MAY

Dewsbury Rams v Sheffield Eagles

SATURDAY, 22 MAY

Toulouse Olympique v Featherstone Rovers

SUNDAY, 23 MAY

Keighley Cougars v Halifax RLFC

Whitehaven v Leigh Centurions

Widnes Vikings v Batley Bulldogs

Doncaster RLFC v Swinton Lions

Gateshead Thunder v Workington Town

Hunslet Hawks v Oldham

London Skolars v South Wales Scorpions

Rochdale Hornets v York City Knights

SATURDAY-SUNDAY 29-30 MAY

CARNEGIE CHALLENGE CUP QUARTER FINALS

THURSDAY, 27 MAY (SUBJECT TO CC CUP)

Sheffield Eagles v Keighley Cougars

SATURDAY, 29 MAY

Barrow Raiders v Whitehaven

Batley Bulldogs v Toulouse Olympique

SUNDAY, 30 MAY

Featherstone Rovers v Dewsbury Rams

Leigh Centurions v Halifax RLFC

Doncaster RLFC v Hunslet Hawks

Gateshead Thunder v Rochdale Hornets

Swinton Lions v London Skolars

Workington Town v Oldham

York City Knights v Blackpool Panthers

THURSDAY-SUNDAY, 6-9 JUNE

NORTHERN RAIL CUP QUARTER-FINALS

SATURDAY, 12 JUNE

London Skolars v York City Knights

SUNDAY, 13 JUNE

Halifax RLFC v Featherstone Rovers

Keighley Cougars v Dewsbury Rams

Whitehaven v Sheffield Eagles

Widnes Vikings v Barrow Raiders

Batley Bulldogs v Leigh Centurions

Oldham v Doncaster RLFC

Rochdale Hornets v Hunslet Hawks

South Wales Scorpions v Swinton Lions

Blackpool Panthers v Workington Town

SATURDAY-SUNDAY, JUNE 19-20

NORTHERN RAIL CUP SEMI-FINALS

SUNDAY, JUNE 20

Oldham v Blackpool Panthers

SATURDAY, 26 JUNE

Toulouse Olympique v Whitehaven

Barrow Raiders v Sheffield Eagles

Gateshead Thunder v York City Knights

SUNDAY, 27 JUNE

Dewsbury Rams v Halifax RLFC

Featherstone Rovers v Widnes Vikings

Leigh Centurions v Keighley Cougars

Doncaster RLFC v Rochdale Hornets

Hunslet Hawks v London Skolars

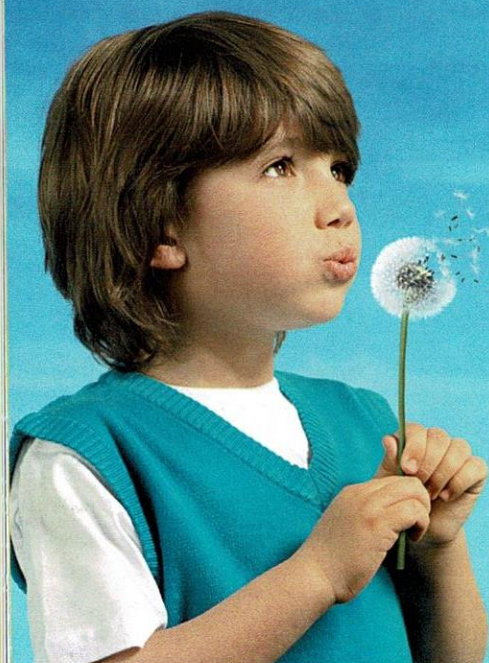
Swinton Lions v Blackpool Panthers

Workington Town v South Wales Scorpions

SATURDAY, 3 JULY

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