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Oldham

Whitehaven



Ben HEATON	1	1	Craig BENSON
Marcus ST HILAIRE	3	2	Craig CALVERT
Jack BRADBURY	4	3	Derry EILBECK
John GILLAM	5	4	Scott McAVOY
Neil RODEN	6	5	Loz HAMZAT
Jason BOULTS	8	6	Lewis PALFREY
Danny WHITMORE	9	7	Tane MANIHERA
Dave ELLISON	10	8	David FORD
Andy ISHERWOOD	11	9	Carl SICE
Ben WOOD	12	10	Howard HILL
Valu BENTLEY	13	11	Spencer MILLER
Luke SUTTON	15	12	Dexter MILLER
John CLOUGH	17	13	Danny BARKER (c)
Alistair WILLIAMS	18	14	Chris SMITH
Mark BROCKLEHURST	21	15	Richard FARRER
Paul NOONE	24	16	Stephen FOX
Martin RODEN	25	17	Andrew BEATTIE
Matthew FOGARTY	26	18	Kurt WILTON
Shaun ROBINSON	27	19	Brad CRELLIN
Luke STENCHION	28	20	Shane ACKERLEY
Carl FORBER		21	Tyrone DALTON
Mark McCULLY		22	Reece FOX
Bruce JOHNSON		23	Paul CULLNEAN
Callum CASEY		24	Danny BOWER
Danny BRAVO		25	Dan RAYSON
		26	Luke ISAKKA
		27	David FOX

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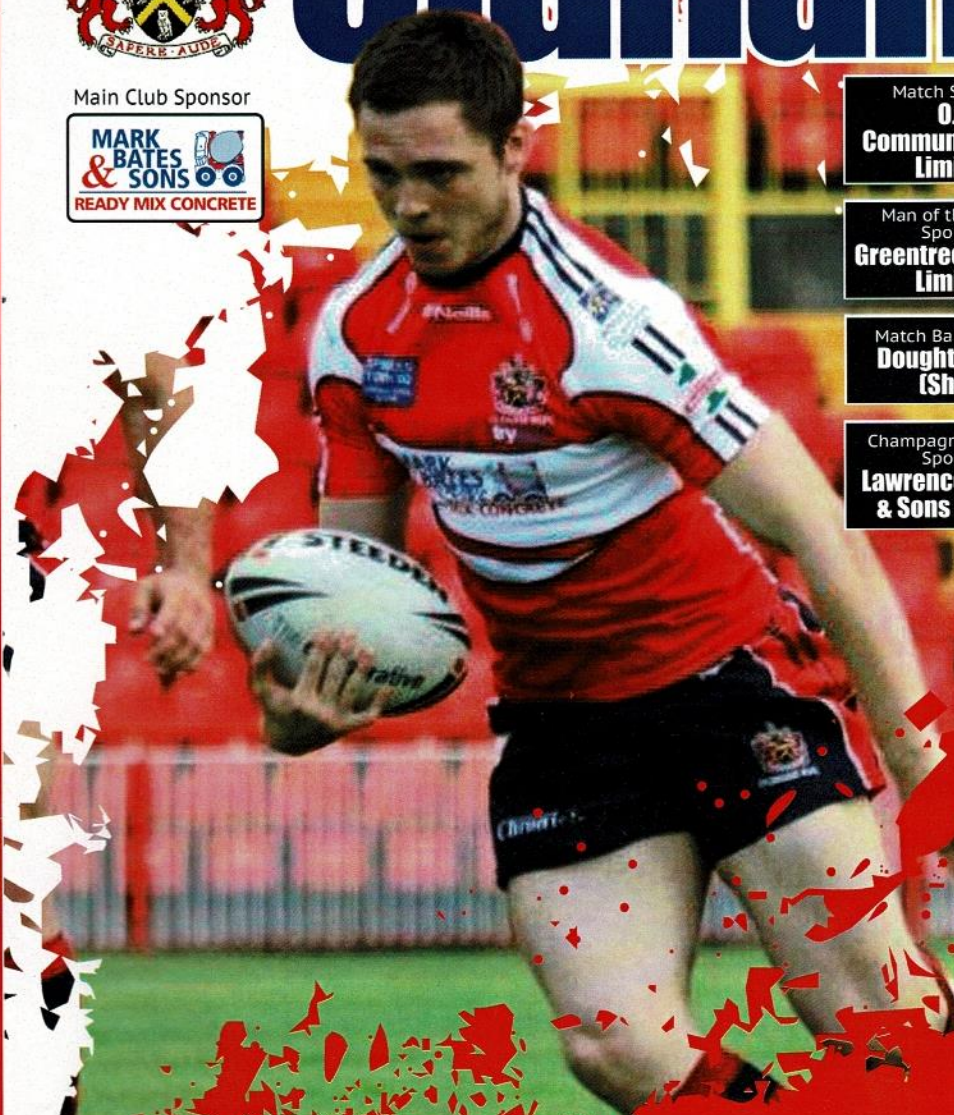


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FROM THE
Boardroom
with Chris Hamilton



Welcome back to Whitebank Stadium after what was a momentous few days in the fledgling history of our club last week.

With our Extended Scholarship team playing their first ever match last Saturday it was a very big step forward in our plans to develop a strong internal player pathway and will certainly live in the memory of all those connected with it whether they be players, coaches or staff or indeed those of you who came to watch.

The match was a culmination of several months of planning and then training and Phil Costin deserves a lot of credit for the way he has moulded the lads together in that time.

The dedication the players have shown should also not be underestimated and it bodes well for the future.

With the Reserves again winning a tough match at York on Thursday and then the first team winning comfortably up at Gateshead I make no apologies whatsoever for taking a lot of personal pride from the fact that our club not only is fielding teams at these levels - particularly when a lot of our rivals with more money are only running one team - but also from the fact that all of the sides are well run and full of players who can go on to have prosperous careers in the professional game.

Today sees us entertain Whitehaven for the third time at Whitebank this season and they have shown in their results so far this season that they are a force to be reckoned with and will provide the type of tough uncompromising opposition we have come to know and respect over the years.

For us after two wins on the bounce it is important we try to make that run continue and certainly we will be up for it.

I thought that both Danny Bravo and Callum Casey, who made their first team debuts at Gateshead showed up well and contributed to the victory in different ways - Danny with his running and strong defence and Callum literally followed the ball everywhere backing up and providing links all over the field.

Once again the support was loud and much appreciated.

Keep it going and enjoy the game.

Christopher Hamilton
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TONY'S TALK



We've passed a few milestones this season good and bad. We passed a few very significant ones for us on Sunday as we focus week by week on improving and progressing.

Number one was our first away win, I know it's late in the season but we'll take that. It means a lot to us and makes a big difference to the mood in the camp, as the hard work is finally paying off, and in turn things are starting to go our way like 50/50 decisions and the bounce of the ball, we know it's no fluke, you have to earn this situation.

The second significant milestone is stringing together two wins in a row; it gives a

massive boost to our confidence, particularly the manner in which we won, after a weekend off, and against a team who played very well the week before.

I thought we were clinical in the first twenty minutes in an arm wrestle. Gateshead competed extremely well during that period and it was end to end at a very fast rate. We just worked through our sets and were happy to build pressure without getting giddy, and wear a very big Gateshead pack down.

We have an even bigger test on this week when an in form Whitehaven comes to town, sitting second on points. We need to go up another level and I'm confident we are capable of doing that and after another week of training bringing our best game to Whitebank.

Welcome to all from Whitehaven to our home at Whitebank, and thank you so much to all our loyal supporters you really are appreciated.

Enjoy your day

TONY B

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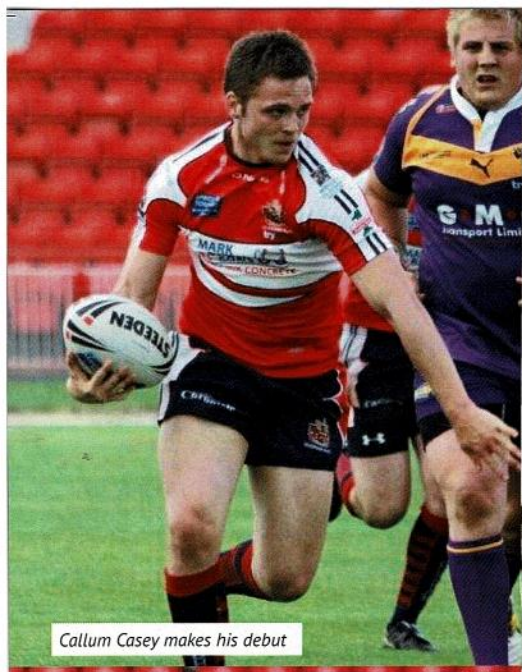
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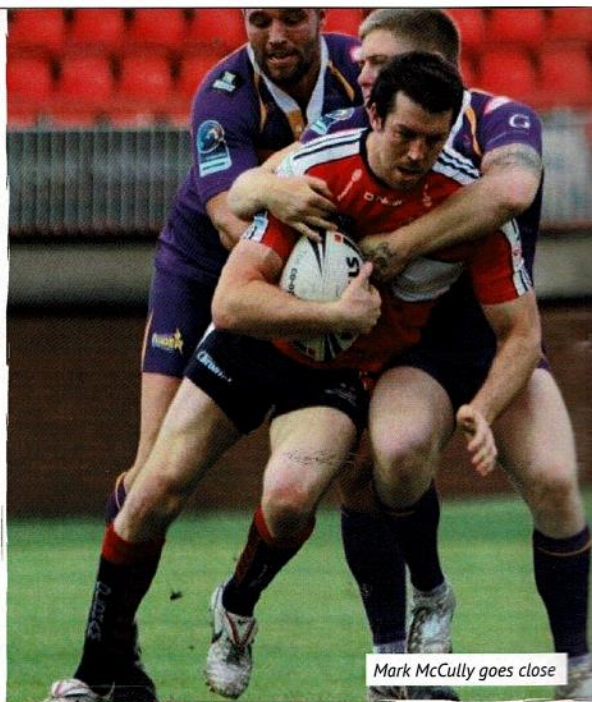
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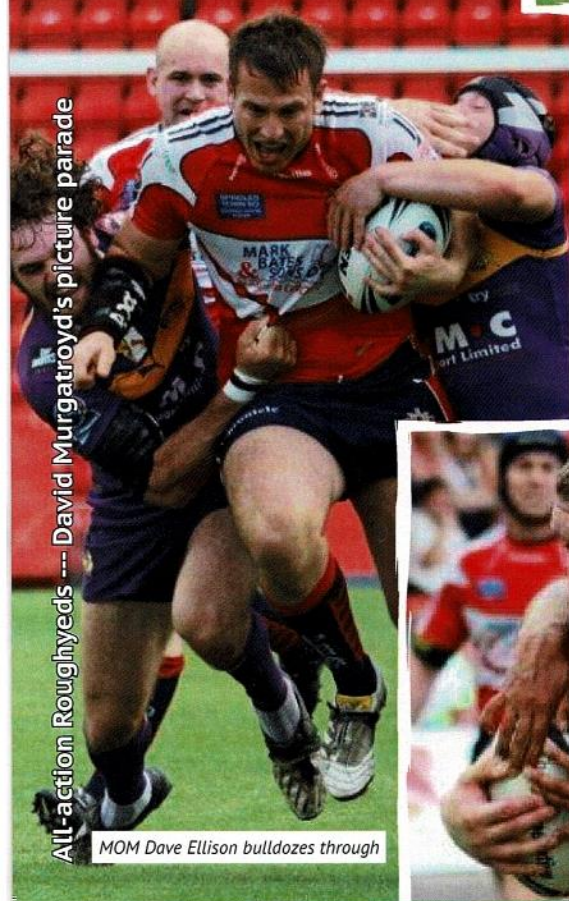
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Callum Casey makes his debut

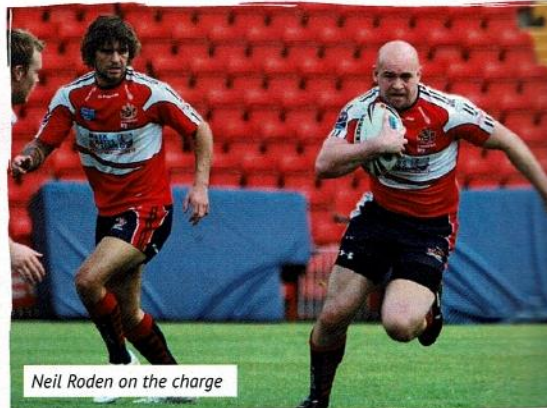


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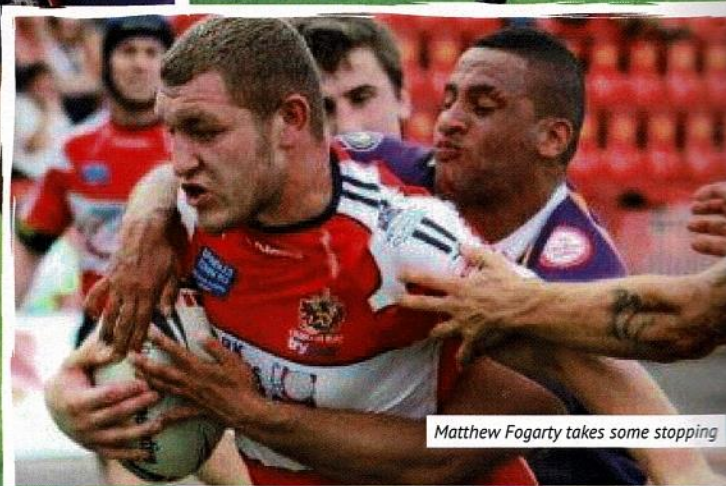


All-action Roughyeds --- David Murgatroyd's picture parade

MOM Dave Ellison bulldozes through



Neil Roden on the charge



Matthew Fogarty takes some stopping

Reserves



Good afternoon and a warm welcome to Whitehaven,

Well, it's been a few weeks since I wrote my last article and I am pleased to say it's been a successful time on the field. We are now up to third in the league and we have won eight out of 11 matches, winning consecutively the last four games against Keighley, Sheffield, Halifax and York.

We are on the right track in terms of where we want to be at the end of the season for getting into those all-important play-offs. We have played some outstanding rugby and have produced some of our best performances since we launched the Reserves in 2008.

However, we now have to ensure that we keep the momentum going and keep on producing good performances because if there are slips the teams around us will be delighted to overtake us. Yesterdays game was against the league-leaders and newly successful Super League club applicants Widnes Vikings and we went over to Merseyside looking to see exactly how far we had progressed in terms of individual performance. I

felt sure that some of the players whom we faced would be plying their trade in Super League next year against Wigan, Warrington et al!

We have three important home games coming up, starting this coming Thursday, July 7 against Featherstone 7:45pm kick-off, and followed by Whitehaven and Leigh Your support is invaluable in helping the lads achieve the goals they have set out for the season so with that in mind we would be delighted to see as many of you as possible down at the ground on those occasions.

Finally, I would like to applaud the effort of Phil Costin's young guns in their first-ever Scholarship game against Workington last Saturday. With regard to Workington having a depleted squad, you can only play what is in front of you and to prevent them scoring was a great achievement. Again, I can only emphasise how big a milestone this is in the club's development. We now have a clear pathway from a player who is 16 right through to the first team. In a few years we will start reaping the rewards of this investment just as we are now enjoying the benefits of the Reserves which we started in 2008.

All the best Houghy.

2011 FEBRUARY
 Thurs 10th DEWSBURY RAMS (F) H W 36-12
 Weds 23rd HALIFAX (F) H W 28-10

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 Thurs 3rd KEIGHLEY COUG (F) A L 28-22
 Sat 19th WIDNES VIKINGS H L 40-50
 Sat 26th KEIGHLEY COUGARS H W 26-18

2011 APRIL
 Friday 1st DEWSBURY RAMS A L 50-16
 Thurs 7th HALIFAX H W 30-26
 Sat 16th YORK CITY KNIGHTS H W 52-16
 Sat 30th FEATHERSTONE ROV. A W 32-28

2011 MAY
 Sun 22nd LEIGH CENTURIONS A L 26-30

2011 JUNE
 Sat 4th KEIGHLEY COUGARS A W 35-24
 Fri 10th HALIFAX A W 20-19
 Sat 18th SHEFFIELD EAGLES H W 62-20
 Thurs 23rd YORK CITY KNIGHTS A W 39-22

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 Sat 2nd WIDNES VIKINGS A 2:30pm
 Thurs 7th FEATHERSTONE ROV. H 7:45pm
 Sat 23rd WHITEHAVEN H 2:30pm
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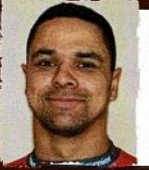
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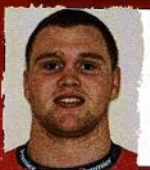
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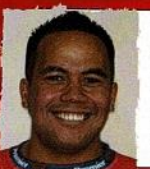
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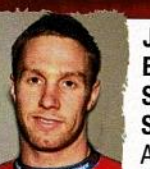
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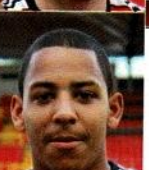
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Player PenPics 2011



FULL NAME: David John Ellison

D-O-B: 02/04/82

BIRTHPLACE: Wigan

AMATEUR CLUB(S): Leigh East

PREVIOUS PRO CLUBS: Wigan Warriors, Swinton Lions, London Skolars

PLAYING POSITION: Prop

ALL-TIME FAVOURITE PLAYER: Eilery Hanley

FAVOURITE GROUND: Central Park

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS: Grand Final triumph with Wigan Academy

HOPES FOR THE FUTURE: To be happy.

SIGNATURE

**DAVE
ELLISON**



SPIE-CATCHER



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Roughyeds World

Calling all fans....anyone who wishes to have their photos included on the website under this new heading can email me, David Murgatroyd, and send me your holiday photos proudly showing off your Oldham shirts.

The Gallery can be found along with the match photos and general photos under the "CLUB" tab, on the main menu bar on the Roughyeds web site.

There are two roughyeds on there at the moment, some Geezer @ Giza, and 85 YO Former Oldham Player Arthur Tomlinson of Auckland in NZ

The rules are simple

You must be on holiday or a day trip out of Oldham and not on a match day and you must be wearing Roughyeds Leisure wear or a replica shirt

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Hapy Snapping

Dave Murgy

Dave Ellison



AN indication of Dave Ellison's feelings towards the Roughyeds is provided by the fact that he signed a

new one-year deal for 2011 before last year's Grand Final, thus proving that he was keen to extend his tenure regardless of which division we would be in.

He said at the time: "My first season here has exceeded expectations. I've loved every minute. I'm dreading it ending. We've got a fabulous team spirit and a good coaching team.

"I'm expecting us to win promotion, but if we lose I still want to be part of the same group of players next year, playing in front of the same superb supporters."

So that's what Elly thinks of the club and the fans and it is fair to say that the admiration is mutual.

Leigh-born, Ellison arrived at Oldham last autumn via spells with Wigan Warriors academy, Swinton Lions and London Skolars, whom he joined when his full-time managerial employment in leisure and catering took him to London.

He quickly became a fans' favourite by offloading cleverly, sidestepping like a centre or carrying Oldham over the gain line with bursts of genuine speed. Remarkably for a prop, he played in

each of the club's 28 games last year, most of them coming off the bench as an impact forward. His fellow props Jason Boults and Wayne Kerr were also exceedingly consistent, Boults missing only two games and Kerr one.

This trusty trio between them scored 19 tries and clocked up 81 appearances out of a possible 84 -- a massive contribution in the side's engine room to everything Roughyeds achieved last year.

It's a similar story so far this year with props like Ellison, Boults, Luke Sutton and Luke Stencheon among the first players to go down on the team sheet each week -- further proof that it was a red-letter day for Roughyeds when the firm for whom Elly works full-time in a managerial capacity decided to send him back up north after his spell working in fashionable Guildford and playing for the Skolars.

Their loss was Oldham's gain. "Once back in the north I was contacted by Oldham," recalled Elly, "and the rest, as they say, is history. It's brilliant at Oldham. It's been a shame this year about some of the results, but we have been badly hit by injuries this year and another factor, I think, is that we had a very tough start this year in the way the fixtures worked out.

"Last year we had relatively few injuries and, apart from that, we had an easier start which enabled us to build up a lot of self confidence and self belief. Our confidence has suffered a bit this year, but it's starting to come back now and hopefully we will be set fair for a great run-in to the end of the season.

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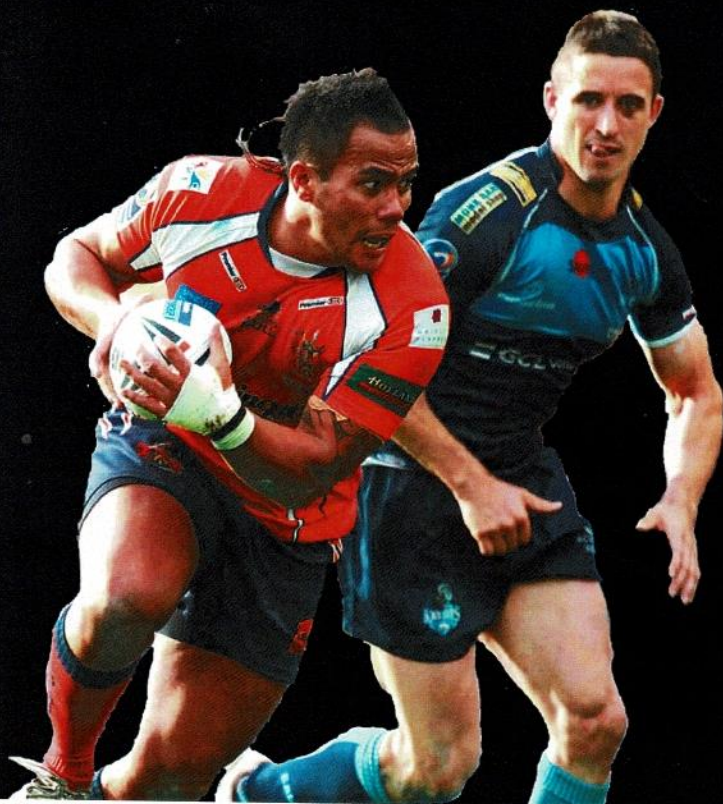
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Sat 15th FEATHERSTONE A L 36-10

SEAT TROPHY Sun 23rd WHITEHAVEN H W 50-0

February

NRC Sun 6th HUNSLET HAWKS H W 28-22

NRC Sun 13th HALIFAX A L 50-10

NRC Sun 20th SWINTON A L 29-20

NRC Sun 27th WHITEHAVEN H L 4-14

March

CCC3 Sun 6th HUNSLET WARR. H W 28-16

CC1 Sun 13th GATESHEAD H W 66-12

CC1 Sun 20th WORKINGTON A L 31-12

CC1 Sun 27th SWINTON H L 24-68

April

CC1 Sun 3rd KEIGHLEY A L 40-14

CC1 Sun 17th LONDON SKOLARS H W 52-26

CC1 Fri 22nd ROCHDALE H W 38-6

CC1 Mon 25th WHITEHAVEN A L 40-24

May

CC1 Sun 1st DONCASTER H W 46-24

CCC4 Sun 8th HULL FC A L 82-0

CC1 Sun 15th SOUTH WALES A L 40-20

CC1 Fri 27th SWINTON A L 18-16

June

CC1 Sun 5th DONCASTER A L 30-0

CC1 Sun 12th SOUTH WALES H W 35-18

CC1 Sun 26th GATESHEAD A W 52-16

July

CC1 Sun 3rd WHITEHAVEN H 3:00pm

CC1 Sat 9th LONDON A 5:00pm (The Stoop)

CC1 Sun 24th KEIGHLEY H 3:00pm

CC1 Sun 31st WORKINGTON H 3:00pm

August

CC1 Sun 14th ROCHDALE A 3:00pm

CC1 Sun 21st SOUTH WALES H 3:00pm

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Scholarship



OLDHAM unearthed some likely-looking lads in their inaugural Extended Scholarship game for under-18s against Workington Town at Whitebank on Saturday.

The Roughyeds teenagers, backed by the club's official Scholarship sponsors Tensile-Superlamp of Swinton, lit up a grey day with a 40-0 win in which stand-off Tom Shaw scored two tries and landed six goals from seven shots for a personal points haul of 20.

Depleted by youth representative calls, the Cumbrians lost hooker Nathan Kirkbride and second-rower Jordan Tinkler with first-half injuries, but that should not devalue Oldham's seven-try performance as Roughyeds reached another milestone in the club's long-term development.

Centre Tom Breheny had the distinction of scoring the new side's first-ever try in the 18th minute before Shaw went in for the first of his brace of touchdowns just before half-time, giving the home side a 10-0 interval lead.

As Workington tired in the second half, coach Phil Costin's cubs added five more tries by Shaw, Jack Breheny, Craig Lawton and two by winger Curtis Strong, including a superb length-of-the-field effort in the last minute.

The 17-year-old from Ashton-under-Lyne, who has been training regularly with the

reserves, collected a restart kick near the Oldham line, blitzed a weary defence up the middle and then raced away stylishly from just inside Oldham's half to put the finishing touches to a job well done.

"Expectation was high and we had a lot of first-day nerves," said Costin, "but we were delighted to hit the ground running. There's room for improvement, but this was the first time these lads have played together and to score 40 points in those circumstances was pretty good. They were just glad to get the first game out of the way."

Although they scored only two tries while attacking up the hill in the first half, Roughyeds had several good chances.

Strong-running second-rower Jack Breheny twice went close; left-wing Chris Jarvis put a foot in touch as he crossed in the corner; and on the other wing Nathan Bevan sent in his brother Conal Bevan only for the final pass to be judged forward.

Nathan Bevan, the scrum-half, then had another good opportunity to score when he charged down a clearing kick, but in his haste to pick up the loose ball at speed he momentarily lost his composure and knocked-on.

Team: Peet; C Bevan, T Breheny, Ryan, Jarvis; Shaw, N Bevan; B Breheny, A Morris, Hudson, J Breheny, Hulme, Lawton; Subs: J Morris, Evans, White, Strong.

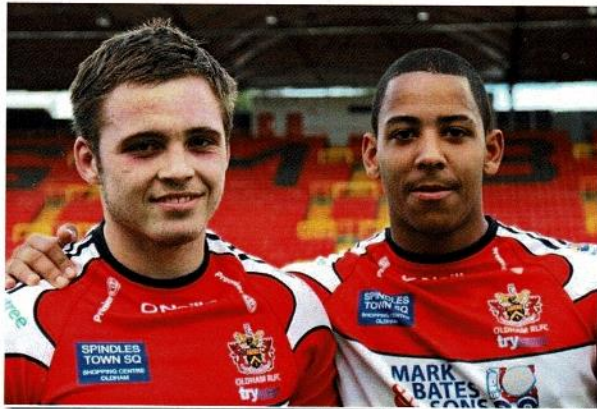


Back row (left to right): Gary Walkden (assistant), Jordan Morris, Grant Hudson, Adam White, Jack Breheny, Chris Jarvis, Craig Lawton, Ben Marchington, Tom Shaw, Conal Bevan, Ben Breheny, Tom Breheny, Ryan Scholes.
Front (left to right): Phil Costin (coach), Mark Eastup, Andrew Ball, Josh Hulme, Nick Ryan, Matt Speight, Aaron Morris, Danny Peet, Jake Evans, Nathan Bevan, Curtis Strong, Dave Whitehead (assistant). Absent: Brett Greenwood.



About Oldham

ROUGHYEDS have strengthened their squad with the capture on loan of two up-and-coming youngsters from Leeds Rhinos, both of whom made very impressive senior debuts last Sunday in the side that won 52-16 at Gateshead.



Callum Casey, son of former Roughyeds prop Leo Casey, has joined his hometown club along with Huddersfield-born Danny Bravo, each signing initially for one month after which the loan agreements will be reviewed. They are among five members of the Rhinos under-20s squad who have been allowed out on loan -- two have gone to Keighley and one to Doncaster -- in order to gain experience of Championship One rugby. The under-20s Valvoline Cup has been put on hold while the Rugby League Nines series is taking place and this has prompted Leeds to provide opportunities for their youngsters to spread their wings.

Casey, who was 21 last week, plays stand-off or loose-forward and is the eldest of the three Casey brothers from Oldham St Anne's who are on the Rhinos books. Bravo (20), who operates at prop or second-row, joined Rhinos from St Joseph's, a Huddersfield amateur club.

"Leeds want them to get some first-team experience," said Roughyeds chairman Chris Hamilton, "and, although they can't be guaranteed that, it is up to them to push their way into the side. "Moves like this have, in the recent past, proved beneficial all round and we hope

they will do so again. "Their stay with us will be part of their development. We have a good track record in this sort of thing so the rest is up to them." Casey first donned his Roughyeds jersey when scoring a brace of tries in the reserve team's big win against Sheffield Eagles and he was unlucky not to score in the senior side up on Tyneside when he crossed the line only to have it rubbed out for a forward pass. Interesting comment from club captain Neil Roden: "Callum is a talented lad. But he makes me feel old... in my early days at Oldham I played in the same team as his Dad!"

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