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### Fixtures for the Season

1955-57	Opponents	Venue	K.O.
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20	Halifax	Away	7-0
25	Rochdale	Away	3-0
28	Leigh	Home	7-0
Sept. 1	*Wigan (Lancs C.)	Away	3-0
8	St. Helens	Away	3-0
15	Wakefield	Home	3-0
22	Barrow	Home	3-0
29	Liverpool	Away	3-0
Oct. 6	Wigan	Away	3-0
13	Halifax	Home	3-0
20	Barrow	Away	3-0
27	Keighley	Home	3-0
Nov. 3	Workington	Away	3-0
7	*Austral	Home	3-0
10	Workington	Home	3-0
17	Keighley	Away	2-30
24	Blackpool	Home	2-30
Dec. 1	York	Home	2-30
8	St. Helens	Home	2-30
15	Wakefield	Away	2-30

1956-57	Opponents	Venue	K.O.
22	Warrington	Away	2-30
25	Swinton	Home	2-30
26	Blackpool	Away	2-30
29	Widnes	Away	2-30
Jan. 5	Hunslet	Home	2-30
12	Salford	Home	2-30
19	Whitehaven	Away	2-30
26	Warrington	Home	3-0
Feb. 2	Salford	Away	3-0
9	R.L. Cup		
16	Widnes	Home	3-0
23	R.L. Cup		
Mar. 2	Liverpool	Home	3-0
9	York	Away	3-0
16	Whitehaven	Home	3-0
23	Bramley	Away	3-0
30	Wigan	Home	3-0
Apr. 6	Leigh	Away	3-0
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19	Swinton	Away	3-0
20	Hunslet	Away	3-0
22	Rochdale	Home	3-0

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# OLDHAM v. LEEDS

SATURDAY, 4th MAY, 1957

Kick-off 3-0 p.m.

#### WATERSHEDDINGS NEWS AND VIEWS

To-day is the day of days, the day we have headed the league table and won the right to play at home in the League Championship semi-final against the most worthy of opponents, Leeds.

This will be the second occasion in three seasons we have staged such a match, and against the same opponents. So to-day, we give a special welcome to our visitors from Leeds who are always an attraction on any ground they visit.

What a wonderful season we have had, both playing and from a financial point of view. We have finished at the head of the Northern Rugby Football League, having played 38 matches, won 33, lost 5; scoring 893 points and having 365 points scored against us.

Leeds have also played 38 matches, won 28, lost 10, scoring 818 points against 490.

We have headed the table with 66 points, a feat only being equalled by St. Helens in season 1952-3. We are the proud champions of Lancashire, an honour which has eluded us since 1922-3 season, so this cup has not come to Watersheddings out of its turn. This is not all, in the early part of the season we were the proud winners of the Lancashire Cup, and to get this particular trophy on the shelf we had to play all our matches away, defeating St. Helens in the final at Central Park, Wigan. "Quite a handsome season", says us.

So, to-day's match is one of vital importance to us. We must win if we intend to fill the available space on the Watersheddings shelf. It is very interesting to record that from 1895 we have won the championship on three occasions and have been the runners-up five times. Our opponents have never won this Trophy but have been the runners-up five times.

To-day, we can expect the game of games, and we know that Leeds will make us go all the way to secure victory.

#### FIXTURES 1957-58

All clubs now know who their opponents will be next season. We have an excellent list of fixtures, for, in addition to playing all the Lancashire Clubs—including Workington and Whitehaven, and Leeds as a Lancashire Club—we play the following Yorkshire League Clubs; Hull, Hunslet, Halifax, Huddersfield and Wakefield.

This is a considerably better fixture list than the one for the current season. We can expect a feast of good football from such excellent opponents, and the quality of our football will have to be maintained if we are to keep our exalted position during the season of 1957-58.

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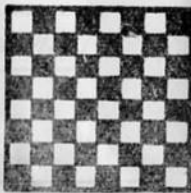
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Red and White

- 1—GANLEY, W. B.
- 2—CRACKNELL, R.
- 3—DAVIES, A.
- 4—AYRES, D.
- 5—ETTY, J.
- 6—DALEY, F.
- 7—PITCHFORD, F.
- 8—JACKSON, K.
- 9—KEITH, J.
- 10—VINES, D.
- 11—WINSLADE, C.
- 12—LITTLE, S. D.
- 13—TURNER, D.

### LEEDS

Blue and Amber

- 1—JONES, L.
- 2—QUINN, P.
- 3—McLELLAN, K.
- 4—LENDILL, P.
- 5—BROUGHTON, G.
- 6—BROWN, G.
- 7—STEVENSON, J.
- 8—SKELTON, A.
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- 11—POOLE, B.
- 12—ROBINSON, D.
- 13—STREET, H.

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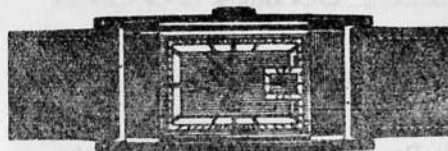
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## SCORERS FOR SEASON 1956-57

(Play-off not included)

Matches Played: League, 38; Others, 8; Total, 46

Player	Appearances	T.	G.
J. W. Etty	44	41	—
R. Cracknell	42	26	19
D. M. Ayres	40	25	—
F. Pitchford	41	20	—
D. Turner	40	18	—
J. Keith	44	14	—
A. Davies	37	15	—
F. Stirrup	34	9	—
V. Nestor	18	9	—
S. D. Little	41	8	—
K. Jackson	44	5	—
C. Winslade	43	4	—
W. B. Ganley	40	2	186
F. Daley	19	3	—
D. G. Vines	30	2	—
J. Rodgers	12	2	3
T. O'Grady	1	1	—
J. O'Brien	1	1	—
R. Bailey	2	1	—
A. Kellett	1	1	—
A. Tomlinson	7	—	—
A. Jones	1	—	1
J. Noon	1	—	—
A. Carruthers	2	—	—
A. Jarman	5	—	—
J. H. Edwards	2	—	—
W. Riley	2	—	—
Total Tries Scored		207	
Total Goals Scored		209	
Total Points Scored		1,039	

In scoring 186 goals (play-off excluded) Bernard Ganley has broken the Club record, there is little doubt that he would have exceeded 200 goals had he played in all matches.

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