

THE RUGBY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Challenge Cup Competition
SEMI-FINAL TIES

Official Souvenir Programme

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SATURDAY, APRIL 2nd, 1949

Kick-off 3 p.m.

BARROW

versus

BRADFORD NORTHERN

At SWINTON, MANCHESTER

HALIFAX

versus

HUDDERSFIELD

At ODSAL STADIUM, BRADFORD

-WHEN NOT TO RUB IT IN



WHEN TO RUB IN



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FACTS AND FIGURES

Ten per cent. of the nett receipts of all Cup-Ties is paid into the Challenge Cup Pool which is then divided equally between the Clubs taking part in the First Round proper. Thus the magnitude of the Pool immediately indicates the interest in the Competition. The figures for 1946, 1947 and 1948 were £3,335, £5,257 and £7,101 respectively. The record figures for 1948 will be exceeded in this season's competition—a proof of the growing support for Rugby League Football.

A comparison of last season's aggregate attendances and gate receipts are given below—

	1948		1949	
	Attendance	Gate Receipts	Attendance	Gate Receipts
First Round—1st leg	156,500	£14,405	201,140	£17,453
First Round—2nd leg	209,500	£15,020	213,190	£17,816
Second Round ...	223,000	£19,022	141,871	£14,295
Third Round ...	90,000	£ 9,727	104,382	£11,914
Semi-Finals ...	64,000	£11,643	—	—
Final ...	92,300	£21,121	95,000	£25,000

The lower attendances for this season's Second Round Ties were attributable to the extremely wintry conditions prevailing on March 5th, when the Ties were played.

Adherents of the 2-leg principle may use the above figures to support their views but the opposition could also indicate that the larger figures for the Second-Legs are an indication that the public are more interested in the matches where the actual results of the Ties are decided.

This season's Competition has been remarkable for the number of "all-ticket" matches. Three of the four Ties in the Third Round proper were "all-ticket." The success of the First and Second Test Matches against Australia set the fashion and clubs have not been backward in seeing the advantages of the system. From the point of view of the organisers the gate is assured and the crowd is controlled. The spectator also reaps a benefit in knowing that he is certain of admission. It has however its drawbacks. It creates an opportunity for the "Black Marketeer" and overloads administrative staffs.

THE TEAMS

H.T
4PTS

H.T
10PTS

FINAL = 11 PTS

10 PTS

Barrow

Bradford N.

Halifax

Huddersfield

- 1 J. Jones
- 2 J. Lewthwaite
- 3 R. Parker
- 4 A. Longley
- 5 J. L. Trelore
- 6 W. Horne
- 7 A. E. Toohey
- 8 F. H. Longman
- 9 W. W. Woods
- 10 J. Grainger
- 11 R. H. Ayres
- 12 W. B. Oxley
- 13 H. J. Atkinson

D. Goodwin
J. Spooner

- 1 G. Carmichael
- 2 E. Batten
- 3 J. Kitching
- 4 E. Ward
- 5 A. S. Edwards
- 6 W. H. T. Davies
- 7 D. Ward
- 8 B. Tyler
- 9 V. Darlison
- 10 R. Greaves
- 11 T. Foster
- 12 B. Radford
- 14 K. Traill

E. Walters
H. Smith
W. Jenkins

- Full-back
Right Wing
Right Centre
Left Centre
Left Wing
Out half
Scrum-half
Prop
Hooker
Front Row
Second Row
Second Row
Loose-f'w'd

Reserves

- 1 D. Chalkley 4 GOALS
- 2 A. H. Daniels
- 3 P. Reid
- 4 G. M. Price
- 5 K. Rika
- 6 G. Kenny
- 7 S. KIELTY TRY
- 8 M. J. Condon
- 9 A. Ackerley
- 10 J. W. Rothwell
- 11 D. Healy
- 12 J. S. Pansegrouw
- 14 F. Mawson

F. Cox
J. Macdonald

- 1 J. Hunter FERGUSON
- 2 J. Anderson
- 3 J. Bawden TRY
- 4 P. C. Devery
- 5 L. W. Cooper
- 6 G. R. Pepperell
- 7 W. M. Banks DROPPED GOAL
- 8 L. Davies
- 9 A. M. Meek TRY
- 10 J. Daly
- 11 I. A. Owens GOAL
- 12 R. Nicholson
- 14 D. D. Valentine

G. Wilson
S. Lightfoot
G. Hughes

Referee—A. S. DOBSON (Pontefract)
Touch Judges—T. W. Watkinson (Manchester)
A. Bolton (Manchester)

Referee—G. S. PHILLIPS (Widnes)
Touch Judges—G. A. Blaymire (Leeds)
A. C. Dodd (Hull)



HALIFAX

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Back Row—J. W. Rothwell, K. Rika, D. Chalkley, M. J. Condon, F. Mawson, D. Healy, J. S. Pansegrouw
 Front Row—A. H. Daniels, S. Kilty, A. Ackerley, G. M. Price (Captain), P. Reid, G. Kenny



HUDDERSFIELD

[Photo by Huddersfield Examiner]

Back Row—A. Ferguson, J. C. Daly, G. V. Hughes, D. D. Valentine, I. A. Owens, G. Wilson, J. L. Davies, S. Lightfoot,
 A. M. Meek, S. V. Pepperell
 Front Row—L. W. Cooper, J. Hunter, W. M. Banks, J. Anderson, P. C. Devery (Captain), J. Bawden, G. R. Pepperell, R. Nicholson

HOW THEY GOT THERE

	1st Leg	2nd Leg			
Dewsbury	9	9	Barrow		
Barrow	6	13	19—18	Barrow	13—2
Whitehaven	0	9	Keighley		
Keighley	0	19	19—9		
Wigan	11	10	Wigan 21—16	Barrow	8—7
Leigh	12	4			
Liverpool S.	3	12	Wakefield T.	Wigan	37—2
Wakefield T	32	41	73—15		
Bradford N.	3	5	Bradford N.		
St. Helens	4	0	8—4	Bradford N.	
Castleford	10	10	Castleford	11—5	
Bramley	2	2	20—4		
Belle Vue R.	9	12	Belle Vue R.	Bradford N.	8—7
Normanton	4	0	21—4	Belle Vue R.	
Warrington	17	28	Warrington	8—3	
Hull K.R.	7	5	45—12		
York	11	17	York 28—7		
Vine Tavern	4	3		Oldham	4—3
Oldham	30	35	Oldham 65—2		
Broughton M	0	2			
Hull	4	0	Halifax 10—4	Halifax	7—2
Halifax	0	10		Halifax	5—0
Swinton	15	10	Swinton		
Featherstone	2	13	25—17		
Leeds	16	7	Leeds 23—6		
Batley	2	4		Leeds	14—8
Hunslet	22	10	Hunslet		
Salford	0	11	32—11		
Huddersfield	4	11	Huddersfield	Huddersfield	20—9
Rochdale	5	0	15—5	Huddersfield	
Workington	6	10	Workington	3—0	
Widnes	7	0	16—7		

N.B.—In the First Round home and away matches were played.

All tickets for the Final Tie, to be played at the Empire Stadium, Wembley, have now been sold with the exception of the allocations reserved for the competing clubs. These allocations contain tickets at 21/-, 10/6, 7/6, 4/6 and 2/6. Applications should be addressed to the Clubs.

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Challenge Cup semi-final at Odsal, April 2nd, 1949. Jock Anderson breaks away supported by Jeff Bawden and Pat Devery.