

Fixtures, 1961-62

FIRST TEAM					SECOND TEAM				
Date	Opponents	Ground	For	Agst.	Date	Opponents	Ground	For	Agst.
Aug. 19	Wakefield T. ...	home	7	42	Aug. 19	...	...	...	...
Tues. 23	Batley 7 p.m. ...	away	8	9	26	Batley ...	away	26	13
26	New Zealand ...	home	20	31	Sept. 2	Bradford N. ...	away	41	11
Mon. 28	Workington 6-45 ...	away	12	31	9	Bradford N. ...	home	47	2
Sept. 1	Halifax 1st Rd. Y. C. ...	home	37	8	16	Hull ...	away	4	12
Tues. 5	Keighley ...	home	14	10	23	Bramley ...	home	27	3
9	Bradford N. ...	away	0	8	30	Halifax ...	away	15	16
16	Salford ...	home	53	8	Oct. 7	Dewsbury ...	away	12	10
18	York ...	home	21	12	14	Doncaster ...	home	31	17
23	Bramley ...	away	7	24	21	Featherstone ...	away	27	28
30	...	...	...	...	28	Dewsbury ...	home	19	2
Oct. 7	Hull K. R. ...	home	19	9	Nov. 4	Huddersfield ...	away	5	13
14	Hunslet ...	away	18	4	11	York ...	home	22	3
21	...	...	...	...	18	Keighley ...	home	20	12
28	Dewsbury ...	away	10	5	25	Hull K. R. ...	away	0	35
Nov. 4	Doncaster ...	home	22	5	Dec. 2	Hunslet ...	home	9	6
11	Hull ...	away	21	12	9	Keighley ...	away	Postponed	
18	Halifax ...	away	4	9	16	Halifax ...	home	Postponed	
25	Widnes ...	home	5	2	23	Hunslet ...	away	8	16
Dec. 2	Widnes ...	away	10	18	25	...	...	...	...
9	Hunslet ...	home	Postponed		26	...	...	...	...
16	Salford ...	away	3	8	30	Leeds ...	home	Postponed	
23	Bradford N. ...	home	34	10	Jan. 6	York ...	away	Postponed	
26	Featherstone ...	home	Postponed		13	Hull ...	home	14	10
30	Leeds ...	away	Postponed		20	Featherstone ...	home	15	8
Jan. 6	Dewsbury ...	home	21	0	27	Bramley ...	away	20	0
13	Keighley ...	away	16	6	Feb. 3	Wakefield T. ...	home	14	27
20	...	...	...	...	17	Leeds ...	away	12	31
Feb. 27	Batley ...	home	23	3	Mar. 3	...	...	...	...
3	Hull K. R. ...	away	5	15	10	Huddersfield ...	home	11	0
10	R.L. Challenge C. 1st Rd. ...	...	12	0	17	Doncaster ...	away	15	9
17	Workington ...	home	21	3	31	Hull K. R. ...	home	...	...
24	Hull ...	home	9	18	April 7	Wakefield T. ...	away	...	...
Mar. 3	R.L. Challenge C. 2nd. Rd. ...	...	27	14	14	Batley ...	home	...	...
10	Doncaster ...	away	13	5					
17	Leeds ...	home	15	3					
24	Bramley ...	home	...	...			
Wed. 28	Leeds 6 p.m. ...	away	...	...			
31	York ...	away	...	...			
April 7	Halifax ...	home	...	...			
14	Wakefield T. ...	away	...	...			
Wed. 11	Hunslet ...	home	...	...			
Wed. 18	Featherstone 6.30 ...	home	...	...			
21	Huddersfield ...	home					
Mon. 23	Featherstone ...	away					
24					
28	Huddersfield 6.30 ...	away					

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R.L. CHALLENGE CUP—3rd Round

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Our first meeting with the men from Fartown in the R.L. Challenge Cup was in 1928/29 when we beat them 8-0 at Wheldon Road in the 2nd Round. Our next encounter was at Wembley in May 1935, when we beat the favourites 11-8. They were our opponents again in 1952/53 when they beat us in the first leg of the first round at Huddersfield 36-14 and in the second leg at Wheldon Road 6-2. Huddersfield went on to beat St. Helens 15-10 in the final at Wembley.

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One of the most remarkable Cup-ties played was between Castleford and Huddersfield in a war-time Yorkshire Cup game. The scores were level at full-time and most of the Castleford players had to report to some service or other immediately after the match and so they left the field. Huddersfield stayed on, kicked-off, scored a try and converted it. The County Committee awarded them the game. I doubt very much if they will be allowed to score so easy a try this afternoon. Huddersfield and Castleford have nearly always had some tie re Rugby League for their pre-war teams had such Castlefordians as Herbert Sherwood and Tom Banks, whilst our favourite scrum-half Les 'Juicy' Adams came to us from Fartown. Today they are skippered by Castleford-born Tommy Smales who went to Huddersfield after a spell with Featherstone, and their hooker, Don Close, was a prop-forward with Allerton Bywater before turning professional. There could possibly be a third local boy in their ranks if Strong is selected at loose forward in place of the suspended Ramsden.

Next Home Games

Saturday, March 31 'A' Team v Hull K.R. 'A' Kick-off 3 p.m.
Saturday, April 7 1st Team v Halifax Kick-off 3 p.m.

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W. BRYANT

'Big Bill' Bryant signed Amateur forms for Castleford on the 15th October, 1957, exactly eleven months after his brother Eddie had signed. Bill was still two months short of his 17th birthday, but already stood over 6ft., and weighed 13½st. His 'A' team debut came four days later against Doncaster 'A' at Wheldon Road, being on the winning side 34-14. On October 26th Bill signed professional forms. March 8th, 1958, Bill had his first team outing at the age of 17 years 3 months and this time was on the losing side when Keighley had a 21-5 victory at Wheldon Road. Bill was at loose forward in those days, and he played the last seven games in the first team in that 1957/8 season. Although he had no senior tries to his name his 16 'A' team appearances had brought him three tries.

In that first season, at the age of 17, Bill played as many first team games as he did in the next two seasons together, playing three in 1958/9 and four in 1959/60, with 16 'A' team games in each of these two seasons, with two tries for the 'A' team in 1959/60. In 1960/61 Bill was only played in three senior matches and 18 'A' team matches when he scored one try. As Bill had obviously outgrown his strength as a teenager the Directors had no intention of playing him too often in senior football, and at the start of the current season he was still in the 'A' team. His early seasons' displays however showed that he was getting stronger and faster and on the 7th October, 1961, he had a second row place against Hull K.R. at Wheldon Road and had the satisfaction of being in the first Yorkshire League team to beat the Robins. An ever present since that day last October, Bill has now 19 senior games to his credit this season, and has improved week by week so much that he is now considered a 'must' and in some quarters tipped for higher honours in the game.

Bill's success has been a triumph for the policy of the Directors in 'bringing him on steady', and at the same time much credit goes to Bill himself for patiently waiting for his chance to come. Other youngsters can take heart from Bill's example—for if they are good enough their chance will come—at the right time. Born in Normanton Bill played with Wakefield Trinity Juniors, is now married and living in Castleford.

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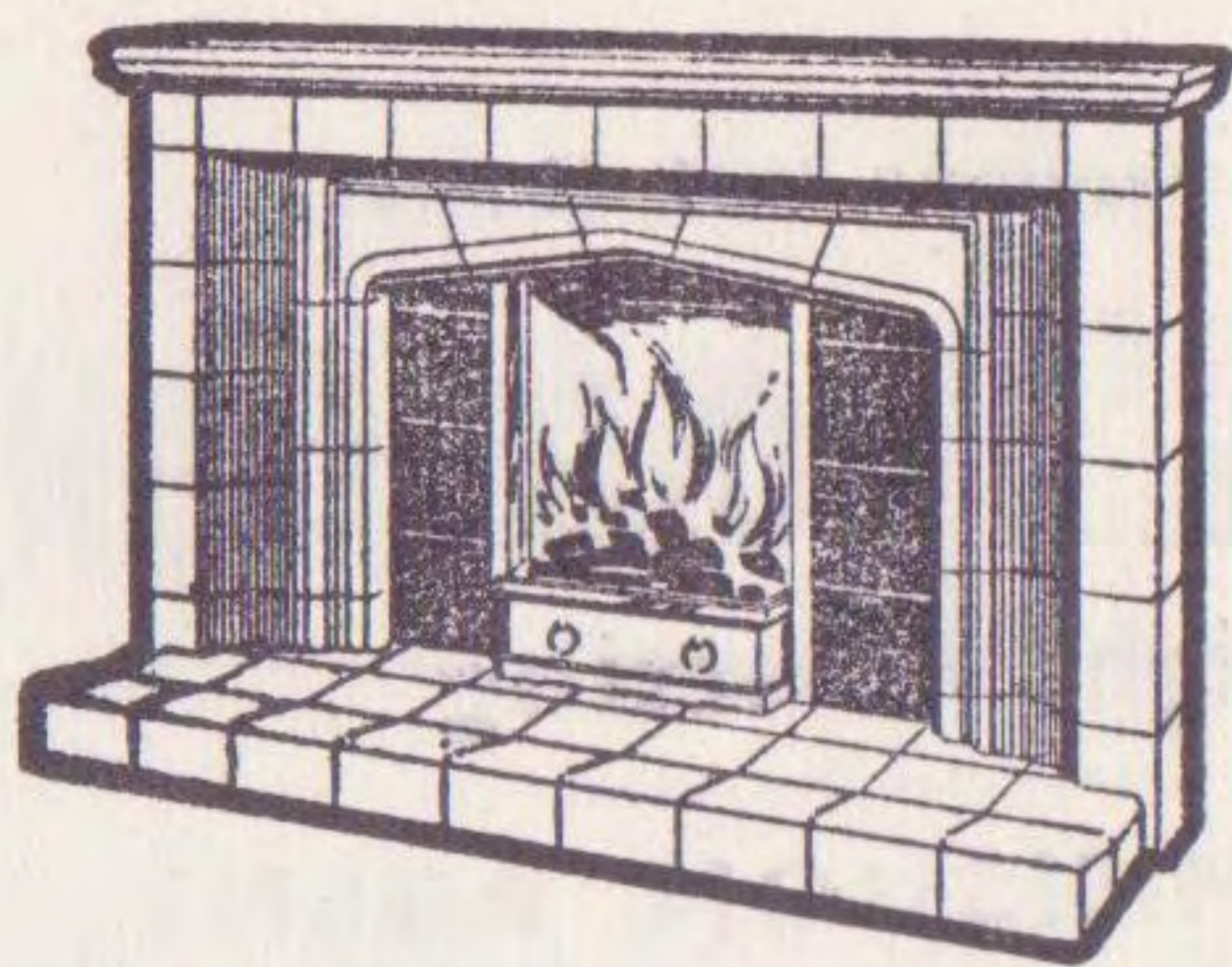
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Castleford and the R.L. Challenge Cup—In the 29 times Castleford have entered the R.L. Challenge Cup they have been knocked out of the 1st Round on 11 occasions; 2nd Round 10; 3rd Round 6; Semi-Final 1; and they won the only Final they played in.

Their first ever R.L. Cup-tie was against Broughton Rangers, at home, 1926/27 season losing 5-18. The above details are from the time Castleford became a senior club.

Look out for the Daily Draw Numbers in all editions daily of the Yorkshire Evening News. Prize Money £200. Tickets 1/- Now on sale on the ground.

Albert Tonkinson misses today's game and the game at Leeds next Wednesday, having received a two match suspension for being sent off at Doncaster in an incident that was to everyone, except the official concerned, a pure unavoidable accident.

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	App.	Tries	Goals		App.	Tries	Goals
J. Barnes	1			A. Lunn ...	25		83
C. Battye	12	6		B. Marsden	15	4	
G. Bloomfield	1			K. Pye ...	22	2	
K. Bridges	2			J. Sheridan	31	3	
P. Briers	6		20	K. Slatter	1		
G. Brown	22	6		P. E. Small	30	16	
W. Brownley	5			C. Taylor	5	1	
W. Bryant	20	4		A. Tonkinson	24		
H. Cartwright	5	2		B. Walsh	26	11	
D. Edwards	1			J. Walker	26	3	
A. Hardisty	30	11		G. G. Ward	31	11	
K. Hepworth	11	3		J. Ward ...	26	8	
J. Hirst ...	11	1		J. Berry ...	5	1	
E. Bryant	1						

LEAGUE GAMES	Played	W	L	D	For	Agst.	Points
	26	16	10	—	391	281	32
CUP GAMES	4	3	1	—	88	42	—
'A' Team	23	15	8	—	411	284	30
Under 19 Team	21	12	8	1	340	239	—
Under 17 Team	23	22	1	—	978	100	—