

GRFC SEASON RECORD 1948-49 [Archive Catalogue Ref: D/10800/3/1/48]		
Season Record	Played 43, Won 23 , Lost 15 ; Drawn 5 Points For 430, Against 288	
Most Appearances	C Dunn 40, C Crabtree 38, R Sutton 37, R Hodge 36, S Smart 36, G Hudson 35	
Leading scorers	C Crabtree 18 tries, 54 pts; W Hook 15 goals, 7 penalties, 51 pts; S Dangerfield 15 tries, 1 goal, 47 pts; P Nicholls 12 goals, 7 penalties, 45 pts	
Captain	Gordon Hudson	
Vice-Captain:	W Hook	
Sep 11	Gloucester 29 Lydney 12	Tries: Sutton, Dunn, Crabtree, Burrows, Daniell, Dangerfield; Conversions: Hook (4); Penalty: Hook "Lydney led 9-8 at the interval"
Sep 16	Stroud 3 Gloucester 3	Penalty: Hook
Sep 18	Gloucester 9 Moseley 9	Tries: Dangerfield (2); Penalty: Hook
Sep 25	Bristol 16 Gloucester 9	Tries: Dangerfield, Daniell (2)
Oct 2	Gloucester 6 Bedford 6	Tries: Wilson (2) "Roy Morris captained the Gloster team in the absence of Hudson & Hook assisting the county. It was announced this would be Morris' last match. He gained his City cap in 1932-3, and with the exception of a period when he played for Moseley, he was a regular member of the side. Hefty second row forward, he & John A'Bear made a splendid partnership for several seasons"
Oct 9	Cardiff 20 Gloucester 6	Penalties: W Jones (2) "Gloster, with Willie Jones out for the first time, put up a much better show than expected"
Oct 13	Cheltenham 8 Gloucester 14	Tries: Hudson, Dangerfield (2); Conversion: Jones; Penalty: Jones "Glo'ster had to find substitutes...Roy Morris"

			filled one of the vacancies forward”
Oct 16	Gloucester 6	Wasps 0	Tries: Crabtree (2) “H Jarman, new forward, made first appearance”
Oct 23	Clifton 6	Gloucester 18	Tries: Knight, Beamish, Crabtree, Morris; Conversions: Nicholls (3) “Gloster played nine reserves owing to county calls & injury”
Oct 30	Richmond 12	Gloucester 22	Tries: Hodge (2), Daniell; Conversions: W Jones (3); Penalties: W Jones (3) “Gloster gave trial to J Berry second row forward, schoolmaster from Devon, who took up local appointment this term. Hodge very prominent at wing forward, & Willie Jones again excelled outside the scrum. Daniell’s try was a beauty”
Nov 6	Gloucester 18	Leicester 16	Tries: Knight (2), Dangerfield, Crabtree; Conversions: Hook (3) “One of the best games seen at Kingsholm for a long period....a thrilling try in the last five minutes brought victory”
Nov 13	Moseley 6	Gloucester 3	Penalty: Nicholl “Gloucester played 10 reserves”
Nov 20	Gloucester 5	Bath 0	Try: Crabtree; Conversion: W Jones “Hard fought game with Bath unlucky losers. Willie Jones’ devastating kicking – long well-directed shots to touch, relieved pressure on the Gloster line again and again. Hook gave a fine all-round display at full-back, and it was gratifying to find him using his right foot so effectively in his kicking.”
Nov 23	Oxford University 11 Gloucester 6		Try: Watkins; Penalty: Nicholls

Nov 27	Newport 16	Gloucester 6	Try: Knight; Penalty: Nicholls
Dec 4	Gloucester 23	Llanelly 8	Tries: Sutton, Hudson, Hodge, Crabtree; Conversions: Hook (4); Penalty: Hook "Splendid game. Burrows at outside-half played his best game and opened up the game with skill and resource. Gloster defence very deadly."
Dec 11	Gloucester 6	Stroud 0	Tries: Beamish, Wilkes
Dec 18	Coventry 5	Gloucester 3	Penalty: Hudson
Dec 27	Gloucester 13	Old Merchant Taylors 3	Tries: Sutton, Dunn; Conversions: Hook (2); Penalty: Hook
Dec 28	Gloucester 30	Universities Athletic Union 5	Tries: Dunn (2), Beamish, Burrows, Day, Hudson, Crabtree; Conversions: Nicholls (2), Hudson; Penalty: Nicholls
Jan 1	Gloucester 13	London Scottish 0	Tries: Crabtree (2), Hudson; Conversions: Nicholls (2) "Wretched weather conditions, but teams provided fast open game"
Jan 6	Gloucester 6	The Army 6	Try: Crabtree; Penalty: Nicholls "Splendid open game"
Jan 8	Leicester 6	Gloucester 3	Penalty: Hudson
Jan 15	Gloucester 15	Neath 9	Tries: Dangerfield, Daniell, Hudson; Conversions: Nicholls (3) "Splendid open game, with Daniell featuring Gloster's display with some brilliant bursts from two of which tries resulted"
Jan 22	Gloucester 11	Bristol 3	Tries: Sutton, Crabtree; Conversion: Hook; Penalty: Hook "Exceptionally keen game, especially forward. Crabtree featured the struggle with a glorious try after 50 yards run, following open movement initiated 10 yards from Gloster line"

Jan 29	Swansea 14 Gloucester 8	Try: Daniell; Conversion: Hook; Penalty: Hook
Feb 5	Gloucester 6 United Services 8	Try: Crabtree; Penalty: Nicholls
Feb 12	Bath 13 Gloucester 5	Try: Dangerfield; Conversion: Hook "Gloster never recovered from a disastrous ten minutes in the first half when Bath scored all their points"
Feb 19	Gloucester v Exeter – cancelled	
Feb 26	Gloucester 0 Cardiff 8	"J G Morgans (Lydney) appeared for first time, substituting Daniell (injured), and Willie Jones, who had intimated his retirement for the season, turned out to take the place of Burrows at outside half, whose wife was ill" Attendance: 14,500; gate receipts: £831 (a new club record, previous highest being £768 against Newport in season 1920-1, when Usksiders lost their unbroken record"
Mar 5	Gloucester 0 Northampton 0	"Played in blinding snowstorm on a treacherous pitch"
Mar 12	Gloucester 3 Royal Air Force 5	Try: Crabtree
Mar 19	Gloucester 14 Guy's Hospital 3	Tries; Hodge, Crabtree, Dangerfield; Conversion: Nicholls; Drop Goal: Burrows "Burrows was the outstanding player in the City team, making some remarkably clever runs, which made a big appeal to the crowd"
Mar 26	Gloucester 6 Newport 3	Drop Goal: Burrows; Penalty: Nicholls
Mar 31	Gloucester 22 Blackheath 3	Tries: Dangerfield (2), Hudson (2), Dunn, Parry; Conversions: Nicholls, Dangerfield "Hudson played one of his best games and scored two

		brilliant tries after remarkable runs”
Apr 2	Llanelly 9 Gloucester 0	“Gloster were seriously weakened”
Apr 7	Gloucester 5 Cheltenham 0	Try: Day; Conversion: Western “Teams as usual too keen and play suffered in consequence – the game resembled a local cup tie of former years”
Apr 9	Harlequins 3 Gloucester 5	Try: Sutton; Conversion: Western “Gloster’s first away win for six months”
Apr 16	Gloucester 22 London Welsh 0	Tries: Crabtree (2), Mitchell, Dangerfield, Burrows; Conversions: Western (2); Drop Goal: Sutton
Apr 18	Gloucester 26 Sale 3	Tries: Burrows (2), Meadows, Dangerfield, Sutton; Conversions: Western (4); Penalty: Western “Burrows was at his best, his side-stepping runs completely outwitting the defence. Western’s place kicking was excellent, and all round the young custodian created a good impression”
Apr 19	Lydney 8 Gloucester 0	“After Gloucester’s two big holiday wins the defeat at Lydney (with a full side) came as a big surprise”
Apr 23	Devonport Services 5 Gloucester 17	Tries: Smart, Sutton (2), Dunn, Hudson; Conversion: Western
Apr 25	Torquay 12 Gloucester 0	
Apr 26	Teignmouth 5 Gloucester 9	Tries: Dangerfield, Sutton, Crabtree
Gloucester United		
Season Record	Played 31, Won 16, Lost 13; Drawn 2; Points For 303, Against 238	
Captain	Steve Davies	
Sep 11	Malvern 8 Gloucester United 17	Tries: R.Beamish, R.Wakefield, D.J.Robins, S.H.Davies, R.Collins Conversion: S.H.Davies

Sep 16	Gloucester United 16 Stroud Nomads 0	Tries: M.Sutton (2), F.Daniells, S.H.Davies Conversions: M.Sutton (2)
Sep 18	Drybrook 3 Gloucester United 40	Tries: S.H.Davies (2), M.Sutton (2), N.Davies (2), B.Knight, K.Taylor Conversions: S.H.Davies (5) Penalty: S.H.Davies Drop goal: S.H.Davies
Sep 22	Gloucester United 11 North Gloucester Combination 5	Try: A.Davies Conversion: S.H.Davies Penalty: S.H.Davies Drop goal: S.H.Davies
Sep 25	Gloucester United 0 Bristol United 21	
Oct 9	Gloucester United 6 Cardiff Athletic 34	Penalties: P.Nicholls (2)
Oct 16	Worcester 0 Gloucester United 15	Tries: J.Wilson (2), R.Beamish, E.L.Day, W.Burrows
Oct 30	Gloucester United 20 North Gloucester Combination 3	Tries: R.Beamish (3), A.N.Davies, W.Murray, S.H.Davies Conversion: W.Murray
Nov 6	Worcester Training College 6 Gloucester United 47	Tries: A.N.Davies (4), J.Wilson (3), R.Beamish (2), R.Mitchell Conversions: P.Nicholls (6), S.H.Davies Penalty: S.H.Davies
Nov 20	Bath United 3 Gloucester United 3	Try: R.Sutton
Nov 27	Gloucester United 6 Newport United 11	Tries: R.Beamish, R.Parry
Dec 4	Bristol University 9 Gloucester United 3	Scorer unknown
Dec 11	Stroud Nomads 3 Gloucester United 0	
Dec 18	Gloucester United 9 Hereford 0	Tries: M.Sutton, K.Daniell, B.Wilkes
Jan 1	Oxford 15 Gloucester United 6	Try: N.Davies Penalty: S.H.Davies
Jan 8	Gloucester United 10 Barry 3	Tries: A.N.Davies, M.Sutton Conversions: S.H.Davies, W.Murray
Jan 15	North Gloucester Combination 9 Gloucester United 6	Tries: J.Wilson, S.H.Davies
Jan 22	Bristol United 11 Gloucester United 6	Tries: R.Mitchell, B.Wilkes

Jan 29	Gloucester United 6 Worcester 5	Penalties: P.Nicholls (2)
Feb 5	Cleeve 17 Gloucester United 6	Tries: B.Knight, S.H.Davies
Feb 12	Gloucester United 9 Bath United 5	Tries: A.N.Davies (2), S.H.Davies
Feb 19	Bristol Aero 3 Gloucester United 3	Try: B.Knight
Feb 26	Cardiff Athletic 21 Gloucester United 3	Try: A.N.Davies
Mar 5	Stratford-on-Avon 3 Gloucester United 6	Try: A.Wadley Drop goal: S.H.Davies
Mar 12	University College South Wales 8 Gloucester United 0	
Mar 19	Hereford 5 Gloucester United 3	Try: J.Chamberlayne
Mar 26	Newport United 10 Gloucester United 0	
Apr 2	Gloucester United 14 Malvern 6	Tries: M.Baker (2) Conversion: M.Baker Penalty: M.Baker Drop goal: M.Baker This was Michael Baker's first appearance for the club. He was 17 years old and still at school.
Apr 9	Gloucester United 8 Bristol Aero 0	Tries: M.Baker, B.Knight Conversion: M.Baker
Apr 16	Berry Hill 3 Gloucester United 11	Tries: D.Jones, W.Evans Conversion: M.Baker Penalty: M.Baker
Apr 23	Gloucester United 13 Drybrook 8	Tries: J.Chamberlayne, A.N.Davies, M.Baker Conversions: M.Baker (2)
Gloucestershire		
Sep 23	Oxfordshire 0 Gloucestershire 24 (Friendly, played at Oxford)	Tries: J.Pearce, D.G.Pratten, E.M.Ednie, J.C.Morgans Conversions: W.Hook (3) Penalty: W.Hook Drop goal: W.Hook Gloucester players: W.Hook, C.Crabtree, G.Hudson, H.G.Wells, C.Thomas, M.Fletcher, J.Watkins This was Cyril Thomas's first appearance for the County
Oct 2	Dorset & Wiltshire 8 Gloucestershire 24 (County Championship, played at Salisbury)	Tries: G.Hudson (2), D.G.Pratten, R.Wood, K.Daniell Conversions: W.Hook (3)

		Penalty: W.Hook Gloucester players: W.Hook, S.Dangerfield, K.Daniell, C.Crabtree, D.D.Evans, T.Day, J.Watkins, G.Hudson
Oct 23	Gloucestershire 9 Cornwall 8 (County Championship, played at Gloucester)	Tries: K.Daniell, S.Dangerfield Penalty: W.E.Jones Gloucester players: W.Hook, K.Daniell, S.Dangerfield, W.E.Jones, D.D.Evans, T.Day, J.Watkins, G.Hudson
Nov 13	Devon 17 Gloucestershire 8 (County Championship, played at Exeter)	Try: S.Dangerfield Conversion: W.Hook Penalty: W.Hook Gloucester players: W.Hook, S.Dangerfield, K.Daniell, D.D.Evans, T.Day, J.Watkins, R.Hodge, G.Hudson. This was Bob Hodge's first appearance for the County "Hook was the one success in the side, and the England selectors showed their appreciation by giving the old Rich's boy his place in the Whites team for the first international trial"
Dec 11	Gloucestershire 12 Somerset 0 (County Championship, played at Bristol)	Tries: C.Dunn, G.Green Penalties: W.Hook (2) Gloucester players: W.Hook, R.Sutton, W.Burrows, D.D.Evans, T.Day, J.Watkins, R.Hodge, C.Dunn, G.Hudson "Glostershire introduced new recruits in Sutton, Burrows and Dunn owing to players on the injured list. Burrows deputised with great success at outside half for Willie Jones – his clever work led up to both tries being scored. Hook at full-back was one of the big successes of the match, and his two penalty goals were the result of magnificent kicks from difficult positions"

Feb 5	Middlesex 3 Gloucestershire 3 (Semi-final, played at Twickenham)	Penalty: W.Hook Gloucester players: W.Hook, K.Daniell, S.Dangerfield, W.Burrows, D.D.Evans, T.Day, R.Hodge, J.Watkins, G.Hudson "Glostershire lucky to force a replay – forwards outplayed all round"
Feb 19	Gloucestershire 10 Middlesex 0 (Semi-final replay, played at Gloucester)	Tries: W.M.Ednie, G.Hudson Conversions: W.Hook (2) Gloucester players: W.Hook, S.Dangerfield, J.Watkins, R.Hodge, C.Dunn, G.Hudson Attendance: 13-14,000 Gate: £1,400 approx; Attendance: between 13,000 & 14,000 "County's relentless tackling, after the first quarter, subdued all attacks"
Mar 12	Lancashire 9 Gloucestershire 3 (Final, played at Blundellsands)	Penalty: W.Hook Gloucester players: W.Hook, S.Dangerfield, W.Burrows, J.Watkins, R.Hodge, G.Hudson
Other		
Nov 27	Colours 14 Whites 3 (England Trial Game, played at Northampton)	W.Hook played for Whites
Dec 7	Probables 5 Possibles 8 (England Trial Game, played at Camborne)	W.Hook (penalty, conversion) played for Possibles
Dec 18	Probables 6 Possibles 8	Conversion: Hook; Penalty: Hook
Jan 1	England 0 The Rest 6 (England Trial Game, played at Twickenham)	W.Hook played for England
Apr 30	England P&S Schools 3 France 9 (Schoolboy International, played at Kingsholm)	Gate £600, attendance 6-7,000