| GRFC SEASON RECORD 1951-52 [Catalogue reference No: D10800/3/1/50] |  |  |
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| Season<br>Record   | Played 45, Won 30, Lost 11, Drawn 4; Points For 563, Against<br>313. "Establishment of the new record of wins and completion<br>of an all-success tour was a memorable end to a memorable<br>history-making ground jubilee season" |  |
| Most<br>Appearances  | R Hodge 44, H Wells 44, J Watkins of C Thomas 41, G Hudson 37, G Hast  | -  |
| Leading<br>scorers   | C Crabtree 16 tries, J Taylor 15 tries, G Hudson 11 tries & 1<br>penalty, T Halls 13 penalties & 45 conversions,<br>W Hook 12 penalties, 1 drop goal & 11 conversions  |  |
| Sep 8  | Gloucester 11 Lydney 3   | Tries: Crabtree,<br>Hastings, Syme;<br>Drop Goal: Hook<br>"Usual hard game"  |
| Sep 13   | Stroud 3 Gloucester 3  | Drop Goal: Hook<br>"Stroud playing pitch very<br>good after relevelling.<br>Also new changing<br>quarters on ground"   |
| Sep 15   | Gloucester 11 Moseley 6  | Try: Ibbotson;<br>Conversion: Hook;<br>Penalties: Hook (2)   |
| Sep 17   | Gloucester 11 Waterloo 6   | Tries: Taylor, Ibbotson,<br>Beamish;<br>Conversion: Halls<br>"First time clubs have<br>met; a grand match"   |
| Sep 22   | Gloucester 11 Neath 11   | Try: Beamish;<br>Conversion: Hook;<br>Penalties: Hook (2)  |
| Sep 27   | Gloucester 14 Blackheath 8   | Tries: Taylor, Teakle;<br>Conversion: T Halls;<br>Penalties: T Halls (2)   |
| Sep 29   | Gloucester 11 Bristol 6  | Try: G Hudson;<br>Conversion: W Hook;<br>Penalties: W Hook (2)   |
| Oct 3  | Cheltenham 3 Gloucester 6  | Try: Beamish;<br>Penalty: G Hudson<br>"To Gordon Hudson –<br>inexplicably passed over<br>by the County selectors –<br>goes much of the credit<br>for Gloucester's victory<br>At a vital stage in the<br>second half when the<br>score stood at 3-3, and<br>when both sides were<br>battling for winning<br>points, Cheltenham were<br>penalised mid-field. A |

| Oct 6<br>Oct 10 | Bedford 19 Gloucester 9<br>Cardiff 24 Gloucester 3 | hush fell over the ground<br>as Hudson carefully set<br>the ball just inside the<br>home half. Then, with<br>fine judgement and a<br>superb kick he sent it<br>sailing between the<br>uprights for what proved<br>to be a match-winner."<br>Penalties: Hook (3)<br>Penalty: T Halls<br>"Midweek fixture –<br>rearranged date owing to<br>Cardiff's 75 <sup>th</sup> |
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|                 |  | Anniversary"  |
| Oct 13          | Gloucester 21 Old Pauline 5                        | Tries: P Ford (2), G<br>Hudson, H Wells, C<br>Beamish; Conversions: T<br>Halls (3)<br>"County match clash;<br>Hook, Taylor & Sutton<br>played for County v<br>Somerset"   |
| Oct 20          | Birkenhead Park 3 Gloucester 9                     | Try: P Ford;<br>Penalties: T Halls (2)<br>"First visit to Birkenhead<br>Park"   |
| Oct 27          | Gloucester 56 Old Blues 3                          | Tries: Terrington (2),<br>Crabtree (2), Beamish<br>(2), Cartmell (2), Wells<br>(2),<br>V Davies, R Hodge, P<br>Ford, D Ibbotson;<br>Conversions: Trevor<br>Halls (7)<br>"Gloucestershire v Devon<br>at Bristol; 40 minutes<br>each way played; visitors<br>very weak defence & 1<br>player off injured"   |
| Nov 3           | Gloucester 16 Leicester 8                          | Tries: H Wells (3), V<br>Davies; Conversions: T<br>Halls (2)<br>"Very bright game; good<br>crowd; 40 mins each<br>half"   |
| Nov 10          | Newport 15 Gloucester 0                            | "Clashed with County<br>match, Gloucestershire v<br>Berkshire at Cheltenham;<br>Hook, Terrington, Taylor,   |

|        |   | Hastings & Hudson<br>playing for County"  |
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| Nov 17 | Gloucester 32 Devonport<br>Services 8         | Tries: J Taylor (2),<br>G Hudson (2), C<br>Crabtree (3);<br>Conversions: T Halls (4);<br>Penalty: T Halls   |
| Nov 24 | Gloucester 0 Stroud 0                         | "Weather very bad.<br>County match,<br>Gloucestershire v<br>Cornwall at Camborne,<br>5 players playing"   |
| Dec 1  | Gloucester 24<br>Oxford University 21         | Tries: Crabtree (2),<br>Hudson, Taylor,<br>Hastings; Conversions:<br>Halls (3), Penalty: Halls<br>"Lift your glasses to-night<br>to Gloucester for a<br>magnificent performance.<br>They met their hardest<br>challenge of the season<br>by rising to the occasion<br>in fine style. Gloucester<br>not only beat the famous<br>'Varsity fifteen, but<br>preserved their ground<br>record. What a brilliant<br>achievement! Bravo,<br>Gloucester!" |
| Dec 8  | Gloucester 16 Coventry 8                      | Tries: Terrington, V<br>Davies; Conversions: T<br>Halls (2); Penalties: T<br>Halls (2)<br>"Another splendid<br>achievement by<br>Gloucester who became<br>the first English club to<br>beat Coventry this<br>season"  |
| Dec 22 | Bath 3 Gloucester 0                           | "Gloucester should have<br>won; played much<br>superior football; Charlie<br>Crabtree lost ball over<br>the line in the last<br>minute"   |
| Dec 26 | Gloucester 12 Old Merchant<br>Taylors 6       | Tries: Hudson (2),<br>Thomas, Crabtree<br>"50 <sup>th</sup> match" [v OMT]  |
| Dec 27 | Gloucester 3<br>Universities Athletic Union 5 | Try: Hodge  |

| Dec 29 | Gloucester 15 Richmond 8       | Tries: J Taylor, P Ford,                            |
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|        |                                | H Wells;  |
|        |                                | Conversions: Hook (3)                               |
| Jan 5  | London Scottish 3 Gloucester 6 | Try: R Hodge;                                       |
|        |                                | Conversion: T Halls                                 |
|        |                                | "On one occasion, Taylor<br>thrilled the spectators |
|        |                                | with another splendid                               |
|        |                                | touch-line dash, and                                |
|        |                                | Terrington's strong burst                           |
|        |                                | also deserved better                                |
|        |                                | reward"   |
| Jan 10 | Gloucester 0 The Army 5        |   |
| Jan 12 | Leicester 9 Gloucester 5       | Try: D Gladwin;                                     |
|        |                                | Conversion: T Halls                                 |
|        |                                | "Gloucester short of G                              |
|        |                                | Hudson & H Terrington                               |
|        |                                | playing for Western<br>Counties v South             |
|        |                                | Africans @ Bristol, &                               |
|        |                                | John Teakle reserve                                 |
| Jan 19 | Gloucester 27 Wasps 12         | Tries: C Crabtree (3),                              |
|        |                                | C Thomas, Teakle;                                   |
|        |                                | Penalty Try: Cartmell                               |
|        |                                | Conversions: Halls(3);                              |
|        |                                | Drop Goal: Terrington                               |
| Jan 26 | Bristol 6 Gloucester 11        | Tries: V Davies,                                    |
|        |                                | H Terrington;                                       |
|        |                                | Conversion: Hook;<br>Penalty: Hook                  |
| Feb 7  | Gloucester 29                  | Tries: Hodge (2), Taylor                            |
| 100 1  | United Services, Portsmouth 11 | (2), Hudson, V Davies;                              |
|        |                                | Conversions: T Halls (4);                           |
|        |                                | Penalty: T Halls                                    |
| Feb 9  | Gloucester v Bath              | Cancelled owing to death                            |
|        |                                | of King George VI                                   |
| Feb 16 | Gloucester 8 Swansea 8         | Penalty Try: P Ford:                                |
|        |                                | Conversion: W Hook;<br>Penalty: W Hook              |
|        |                                | "Very tough game; H                                 |
|        |                                | Terrington sustained                                |
|        |                                | fractured knee cap late in                          |
|        |                                | the game"   |
| Feb 23 | Gloucester 14 Cardiff 0        | Tries: J Taylor, W                                  |
|        |                                | Cartmell; Conversion: W                             |
|        |                                | Hook; Penalty: W Hook;                              |
|        |                                | Drop Goal: M Baker                                  |
|        |                                | "Cardiff's first defeat for                         |
|        |                                | four months; twelve                                 |
|        |                                | thousand spectators –                               |

|        |                                 | the biggest crowd of the<br>season – saw a thrill-<br>packed game at<br>Kingsholm to-day"  |
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| Mar 1  | Northampton 5 Gloucester 3      | Penalty: M Baker<br>"Forward scrap;<br>Northampton's petty<br>tricks; very unsatisfactory<br>game"   |
| Mar 8  | Gloucester 14 Royal Air Force 3 | Tries: R Hodge, J Taylor,<br>V Davies, R Sutton;<br>Conversion: Hook   |
| Mar 15 | Guy's Hospital 3 Gloucester 18  | Tries: Hudson, V Davies,<br>R Sutton;<br>Conversions: Halls (3);<br>Penalty: Halls   |
| Mar 22 | Coventry 19 Gloucester 16       | Tries: W Cartmell (2),<br>C Thomas;<br>Conversions: T Halls;<br>Penalty: T Halls<br>"Gale blowing end to<br>end: Gloucester at one<br>time were down 19 to nil<br>& made great recovery" |
| Mar 29 | Gloucester 0 Newport 6          | "Gate & match ruined by<br>weather; bitterly cold &<br>snow blizzard; Newport<br>did not score until<br>second half after<br>Gloucester lost P Ford<br>injured"                          |
| Apr 5  | Gloucester 21 Harlequins 5      | Tries: V Davies,<br>Ibbotson, Taylor,<br>Thomas, Hudson;<br>Penalty: T Halls   |
| Apr 10 | Gloucester 5 Cheltenham 0       | Try: C Crabtree;<br>Conversion: M Baker<br>"Usual forward scramble"  |
| Apr 12 | Gloucester 12 London Welsh 8    | Tries: R Blair (2);<br>Penalties: M Baker  |
| Apr 14 | Gloucester 30 Bradford 0        | Tries: M Baker (2), R<br>Hodge, R Blair, C<br>Crabtree, P Ford, D<br>Ibbotson;<br>Conversions: T Halls (2),<br>M Baker;<br>Drop Goal: M Baker  |
| Apr 15 | Lydney 10 Gloucester 5          | Try: C Crabtree;<br>Conversion: T Halls<br>"Usual forward game;  |

| Apr 19           | Gloucester 8 Swansea 5   | Gloucester short of 4<br>regular backs; Lydney<br>assisted by<br>N M Hall, England<br>captain, who played fine<br>game & Virtually won the<br>match"<br>Try: G Hudson;<br>Conversion: M Baker;<br>Drop Goal: M Baker |
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| Apr 26           | Exeter 8 Gloucester 13   | <ul> <li>"Gloucester were the first<br/>English team to beat<br/>Llanelly this season"</li> <li>Tries: J Taylor (2),<br/>D lbbotson;</li> </ul>  |
| Apr 28           | Penzance 6 Gloucester 8  | Conversions: T Halls (2)<br>Tries: R Beamish, R  |
|                  |  | Hodge; Conversion: T<br>Halls<br>"Very hard game; G<br>Hastings sent off for<br>speaking to referee<br>without any caution"  |
| Apr 29           | Teignmouth 3 Gloucester 19   | Tries: J Taylor (2), P<br>Ford,<br>A Wadley;<br>Conversions: T Halls (2);<br>Drop Goal: M Baker  |
| Gloucester l     | United   |  |
| Season<br>Record | Played 32, <mark>Won 25</mark> , <mark>Lost 6</mark> , Drawn 1<br>165. | ; Points For 506, Against  |
| Captain          | Ivor Jones   |  |
| Sep 8            | Bream 0 Gloucester United 16   |  |
| Sep 13           | Gloucester United 14<br>Stroud Nomads 3                                | Scorers unknown  |
| Sep 15           | Bromsgrove 3<br>Gloucester United 21                                   | Scorers unknown  |
| Sep 22           | Stothert & Pitt 3<br>Gloucester United 31                              | Scorers unknown  |
| Sep 29           | Bristol United 15<br>Gloucester United 11                              | Scorers unknown  |
| Oct 6            | Gloucester United 25 Worcester 5                                       | J.Embling, C.Crabtree,<br>W.Burrows<br>Conversions: T.Halls (5)  |
| Oct 13           | North Gloucester Combination 6<br>Gloucester United 6                  | Try: D.Ibbotson<br>Penalty: D.Heath  |
| Oct 20           | Gloucester United 20 Bristol Aero 0                                    | Tries: J.Jennings (2),<br>D.Ibbotson   |

|        |                                     | Conversion: D.Heath                        |
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|        |                                     | Penalties: D.Heath (2)                     |
|        |                                     | Drop goal: W.Burrows                       |
| Oct 27 | Old Luctonians 13                   | Scorers unknown                            |
| 00127  | Gloucester United 24                |  |
| Nov 3  | Leicester 'A' 3 Gloucester United 0 |  |
| Nov 10 | Gloucester United 9                 | Tries: W.Burrows,                          |
|        | Newport United 14                   | S.Troughton                                |
|        |                                     | Penalty: D.Heath                           |
| Nov 17 | Stratford-on-Avon 0                 | Scorers unknown                            |
|        | Gloucester United 23                |  |
| Nov 24 | Stroud Nomads v Gloucester United   | Cancelled                                  |
| Dec 1  | Malvern 8 Gloucester United 12      | Scorers unknown                            |
| Dec 8  | Old Bristolians 0                   | Try: R.Hill                                |
|        | Gloucester United 6                 | Penalty: D.Heath                           |
| Dec 15 | Coventry Extra Firsts 3             | Scorers unknown                            |
|        | Gloucester United 5                 |  |
| Dec 22 | Gloucester United 20 Bath United 6  | Tries: J.Embling,                          |
|        |                                     | R.Stowers, D.Hill,                         |
|        |                                     | M.Baker, E.Turner                          |
|        |                                     | Conversion: D.Heath                        |
|        |                                     | Penalty: D.Heath                           |
| Dec 29 | Cleeve 3 Gloucester United 17       | Tries: E.Turner (3),                       |
|        |                                     | R.Beamish, R.Blair                         |
| lan 5  | Olever ester Ulaite d'00            | Conversion: T.Halls                        |
| Jan 5  | Gloucester United 32                | Tries: R.Blair (2),                        |
|        | Newport High School Old Boys 3      | E.Turner, J.Embling,<br>D.Hill, G.Cummings |
|        |                                     | Conversions: D.Heath (4)                   |
|        |                                     | Penalties: D.Heath (2)                     |
| Jan 12 | Gloucester United 6 Leicester 'A' 3 | Tries: B.Lane, T.Oakes                     |
| Jan 19 | Hereford 0 Gloucester United 8      | Tries: E.Turner,                           |
| our ro |                                     | W.Burrows                                  |
|        |                                     | Conversion: ?                              |
| Jan 26 | Gloucester United v Bristol United  | Cancelled                                  |
| Feb 2  | Malvern 3 Gloucester United 34      | Tries: R.Beamish (5),                      |
|        |                                     | R.Blair (3), J.Embling,                    |
|        |                                     | S.Troughton                                |
|        |                                     | Conversions: R.Blair,                      |
|        |                                     | W.Burrows                                  |
| Feb 9  | Bath United v Gloucester United     | Cancelled                                  |
| Feb 16 | Newport High School Old Boys 3      | Tries: J.Embling, D.Hill,                  |
|        | Gloucester United 13                | B.Reade                                    |
|        |                                     | Conversions: T.Halls (2)                   |
| Feb 23 | Cardiff Athletic 8                  | Tries: R.Beamish (2)                       |
|        | Gloucester United 11                | Conversion: T.Halls                        |
|        |                                     | Penalty: T.Halls                           |
| Mar 1  | Gloucester United 29 Cleeve 3       | Tries: R.Blair (3),                        |
|        |                                     | R.Beamish (2) +?                           |

| Mar 8         | Bristol Aero 3   | Tries: R.Beamish,   |
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|               | Gloucester United 19   | R.Blair, +?   |
| Mar 15        | Gloucester United 24<br>Stratford-on-Avon 3                                      | Tries: R.Beamish, D.Hill,<br>B.Hudson, E.Turner,<br>I.Jones, D.Ibbotson<br>Conversions: W.Hook (3)  |
| Mar 22        | Gloucester United 16<br>Coventry Extra Firsts 3                                  | Scorers unknown   |
| Mar 29        | Newport United 11<br>Gloucester United 0   |   |
| Apr 5         | Worcester 3 Gloucester United 14   | Tries: D.Hill (2),<br>D.Gladwin (2)<br>Conversion: D.Heath  |
| Apr 12        | Berry Hill 9 Gloucester United 5   | Try: F.Daniells<br>Conversion: D.Heath  |
| Apr 17        | Gloucester United 16<br>North Gloucester Combination 22                          | Tries: J.Embling,<br>E.Turner<br>Conversions: D.Heath (2)<br>Penalty: D.Heath<br>Drop goal: W.Burrows   |
| Apr 19        | Drybrook 3 Gloucester United 19  | Scorers unknown   |
| Gloucestershi |  |   |
| 1952 [date    | Gloucestershire lost to Glamorgan  | Gloucester player: M  |
| not recorded] | [score and venue not recorded]   | Baker   |
| Oct 13        | Somerset 17 Gloucestershire 8<br>(County Championship, played at<br>Bridgwater)  | Try: H.H.Mills<br>Conversion: W.Hook<br>Drop goal: W.Hook<br>Gloucester players:<br>W.Hook, R.Sutton,<br>J.Taylor<br>This was John Taylor's<br>first appearance for the<br>county as a Gloucester<br>player. He had<br>previously played nine<br>games as a Lydney<br>player. |
| Oct 27        | Gloucestershire 14 Devon 14<br>(County Championship, played at<br>Bristol)       | Tries: G.Hudson,<br>J.Gregory<br>Conversion: W.Hook<br>Penalty: W.Hook<br>Drop goal: W.Hook<br>Gloucester players:<br>W.Hook, R.Sutton,<br>J.Taylor, G.Hudson   |
| Nov 10        | Gloucestershire 28 Berkshire 6<br>(County Championship, played at<br>Cheltenham) | Tries: J.Taylor (3),<br>J.Gregory, H.Terrington,<br>D.Hughes, G.Hudson<br>Conversions: I.Pearce(2)<br>Penalty: W.Hook   |

| Nov 24 | Cornwall 0 Gloucestershire 0   | Gloucester players:<br>W.Hook, H.Terrington,<br>J.Taylor, G.Hastings,<br>G.Hudson<br>This was George<br>Hastings' first game for<br>the county.<br>Gloucester players: |
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|        | (County Championship, played at<br>Camborne)   | J.Taylor, C.Crabtree,<br>H.Terrington, G.Hudson<br>"Terrible conditions –<br>gale & drenching rain"  |
| Dec 8  | Gloucestershire 6 Dorset & Wilts 0<br>(County Championship, played at<br>Gloucester) | Tries: J.Taylor,<br>D.G.Pratten<br>Gloucester players:<br>J.Taylor, H.Terrington,<br>V.Davies, R.Hodge,<br>G.Hudson<br>"Match & gate ruined by<br>rain"                |
| Jan 12 | Gloucestershire/Somerset/Berkshire<br>5 South Africa 16<br>(Played at Bristol)       | Gloucester players:<br>H.Terrington, G.Hudson<br>(try)<br>"Magnificent game;<br>Gloucestershire put up a<br>grand fight" [no mention<br>of Somerset & Berkshire]       |
| Other  |  |  |
| 1 Dec  | Probables 11 Possibles 9<br>(England Trial Game, played at<br>Leicester)             | W.Hook (conversion,<br>penalty) played for<br>Probables  |
| Dec 15 | England 14 Rest 17<br>(England Trial Game, played at<br>Twickenham)                  | W.Hook (conversion,<br>penalty) played for<br>England  |
| Jan 5  | England 3 South Africa 8<br>(Played at Twickenham)                                   | Bill Hook played for<br>England  |
| Jan 19 | England 6 Wales 8 (Played at Twickenham)   | Bill Hook played for<br>England  |