

GRFC Season Record 2001-02

<p>Season Record</p>	<p>Played 35 Won 25 Lost 10 For 1295 Against 677 Premiership: Played 22 Won 14 Lost 8 For 692 Against 485 Position: 3rd Gloucester won the Zurich Championship Final against Bristol at Twickenham. The total points scored in the season (1295) was a club record. Ludovic Mercier, in his first season, was also breaking records. His 507 points in the season was a club record and his 77 conversions equalled Peter Butler's record (1977-78). Mercier also kicked 17 dropped goals, which equalled Willie Jones's record set in 1947-48. In Premiership games Mercier scored 334 points, another club record. Apart from Ludovic Mercier, other players making their debuts this season were Daren O'Leary, Christian Stoica, Diego Albanese, Dimitri Yachvili, Federico Puchiariello, Patrice Collazo, Henry Paul and Marcel Garvey.</p>	
<p>Most appearances</p>	<p>J.Paramore 33 (29 starts + 4 reps), T.Fanolua 32 (28+4), C.Fortey 32 (15+17), L.Mercier 31 (30+1), D.O'Leary 31 (30+1), R.Fidler 31 (27+4), J.Boer 30 (26+4)</p>	
<p>Leading scorers</p>	<p>Most tries: J.Simpson-Daniel 15, J.Forrester 14, D.O'Leary, J.Paramore 13, T.Fanolua 12 Most conversions: L.Mercier 77, H.Paul 33 Most Penalties: L.Mercier 96, H.Paul 9 Most Drop goals: L.Mercier 17</p>	
<p>Captain</p>	<p>Phil Vickery</p>	
<p>Sep 1</p>	<p>Gloucester 22 Northampton 9 (League)</p>	<p>Try: J.Paramore Conversion: L.Mercier Penalties: L.Mercier (5) Ludovic Mercier scored 17 points in his debut game. Also playing their first games were, Daren O'Leary, Christian Stoica, Diego Albanese, Dimitri Yachvili, Federico Puchiariello and Patrice Collazo.</p>
<p>Sep 8</p>	<p>Saracens 34 Gloucester 30 (League)</p>	<p>Tries: O.Azam, D.O'Leary Conversion: L.Mercier Penalties: L.Mercier (6) Daren O'Leary's first try for the club.</p>
<p>Sep 15</p>	<p>Gloucester 18 Leicester 40 (League)</p>	<p>Penalties: L.Mercier (6) Gloucester's biggest ever home defeat to Leicester.</p>
<p>Sep 22</p>	<p>Sale 21 Gloucester 44 (League)</p>	<p>Tries: T.Woodman, D.Yachvili, T.Fanolua, F.Puchiarello Conversions: L.Mercier (3) Penalties: L.Mercier (3)</p>

		Drop goals: L.Mercier (3) Gloucester's biggest ever win away to Sale. First tries for Dimitri Yachvili and Federico Puchiariello. Mercier's three drop goals equalled the club record set by Willie Jones in 1947 and David Jones in 1957.
Sep 29	Gloucester 34 La Rochelle 15 (Parker Pen, European Shield)	Tries: J.Paramore, C.Fortey, J.Ewens Conversions: L.Mercier (2) Penalties: L.Mercier (4) Drop goal: L.Mercier
Oct 6	GRAN Parma 5 Gloucester 48 (Parker Pen, European Shield)	Tries: J.Forrester (2), J.Simpson-Daniel (2), O.Azam, C.Stoica Conversions: L.Mercier (4), A.Gomersall (2) Penalties: L.Mercier (2) Christian Stoica's sole try for the club in his final game.
Oct 13	Gloucester 33 Harlequins 7 (League)	Tries: D.Albanese, J.Paramore + penalty try Conversions: L.Mercier (3) Penalties: L.Mercier (3) Drop goal: L.Mercier Diego Albanese's first try.
Oct 21	London Irish 19 Gloucester 15 (League)	Penalties: L.Mercier (5)
Oct 27	Gloucester 98 Caerphilly 14 (Parker Pen, European Shield)	Tries: J.Simpson-Daniel (3), J.Forrester (3), J.Boer (2), T.Fanolua, J.Goodridge, D.O'Leary, F.Puchiariello, K.Sewabu, M.Cornwell, H.Paul Conversions: H.Paul (10) Penalty: H.Paul At the time this was Gloucester's biggest ever score. Henry Paul scored 28 points in his first game. Jon Goodridge scored his first try.
Nov 3	Caerphilly 16 Gloucester 47 (Parker Pen, European Shield)	Tries: R.Todd, C.Fortey, J.Paramore, D.Yachvili, J.Ewens Conversions: L.Mercier (5) Penalties: L.Mercier (4)
Nov 10	Gloucester 51 Bristol 17	Tries: C.Catling, C.Fortey,

	(League)		A.Hazell, J.Paramore, A.Gomersall, J.Simpson-Daniel Conversions: L.Mercier (5), H.Paul Penalties: L.Mercier (3) At the time this was Gloucester's biggest ever win over Bristol.
Nov 18	Newcastle 18 (League)	Gloucester 16	Try: A.Gomersall Conversion: L.Mercier Penalties: L.Mercier (3)
Nov 23	Gloucester 43 (League)	Wasps 13	Tries: O.Azam (2), J.Boer + penalty try Conversions: L.Mercier (3), H.Paul Penalties: H.Paul (2), L.Mercier Drop goals: L.Mercier (2) This was Gloucester's biggest ever win against Wasps.
Dec 1	Gloucester 58 (League)	Leeds 17	Tries: J.Simpson-Daniel (2), M.Garvey, D.O'Leary, R.Todd, A.Eustace, H.Paul, L.Mercier Conversions: L.Mercier (5), H.Paul Penalties: L.Mercier (2) Gloucester's biggest ever win against Leeds. Marcel Garvey came off the bench for his first game and scored a try. Ludovic Mercier's first try.
Dec 8	Bath 12 (League)	Gloucester 9	Penalty: L.Mercier Drop goals: L.Mercier (2)
Dec 16	Bristol 23 (Powergen Cup)	Gloucester 37	Tries: J.Forrester (3), T.Fanolua, M.Garvey Conversions: H.Paul (3) Penalties: H.Paul (2)
Dec 29	Gloucester 29 (League)	Newcastle 25	Tries: A.Eustace, T.Fanolua, D.O'Leary Conversion: H.Paul Penalties: H.Paul (4)
Jan 5	Gloucester 99 (Parker Pen, European Shield)	GRAN Parma 0	Tries: D.O'Leary (5), K.Sewabu (2), J.Ewens, H.Paul, D.Albanese, J.Forrester, T.Fanolua,

		A.Hazell, C.Stuart-Smith, J.Paramore Conversions: H.Paul (12) For the second time in the season Gloucester broke the club record for points scored in a game. Henry Paul's 12 conversions equalled the club record set by Charles Cook in 1909.
Jan 12	La Rochelle 12 Gloucester 36 (Parker Pen, European Shield)	Tries: C.Forthey, A.Hazell, D.O'Leary Conversions: L.Mercier (2), H.Paul Penalties: L.Mercier (3) Drop goals; L.Mercier (2)
Jan 20	London Irish 25 Gloucester 10 (Powergen Cup)	Try: A.Gomersall Conversion: L.Mercier Penalty: L.Mercier
Jan 25	Gloucester 46 Ebbw Vale 11 (Parker Pen, European Shield)	Tries: D.O'Leary, J.Simpson-Daniel, J.Boer, J.Forrester Conversions: L.Mercier (4) Penalties: L.Mercier (6)
Feb 9	Gloucester 29 London Irish 22 (League)	Tries: O.Azam, T.Fanolua Conversions: L.Mercier (2) Penalties: L.Mercier (5)
Feb 23	Harlequins 6 Gloucester 18 (League)	Tries: O.Azam, D.Albanese Conversion: L.Mercier Penalties: L.Mercier (2)
Mar 9	Gloucester 42 Sale 14 (League)	Tries: A.Gomersall, J.Forrester, J.Paramore, J.Simpson-Daniel, F.Puchiariello Conversions: L.Mercier (4) Penalties: L.Mercier (3)
Mar 16	Leicester 27 Gloucester 10	Try: L.Mercier Conversion: L.Mercier Penalty: L.Mercier
Mar 30	Gloucester 36 Saracens 13 (League)	Tries: R.Todd, T.Fanolua, A.Gomersall Conversions: L.Mercier (2), H.Paul Penalties: L.Mercier (5)
Apr 10	Wasps 44 Gloucester 9 (League)	Penalties: L.Mercier (3)
Apr 13	Northampton 58 Gloucester 21 (League)	Tries: K.Sewabu, J.Paramore Conversion: L.Mercier Penalties: L.Mercier (2) Drop goal: L.Mercier

		Gloucester's biggest ever defeat to Northampton. Joe Ewens appeared off the bench to play his last game.
Apr 21	Bristol 40 (League) Gloucester 41	Tries: J.Paramore (2), K.Sewabu, A.Gomersall, P.Vickery Conversions: L.Mercier (2) Penalties: L.Mercier (2) Drop goals: L.Mercier (2)
Apr 28	Sale 28 (Parker Pen, European Shield Semi-Final) Gloucester 27 Played at Northampton	Tries: T.Fanolua (2), J.Forrester Conversions: L.Mercier (3) Penalty: L.Mercier Drop goal: L.Mercier
May 4	Gloucester 68 (League) Bath 12	Tries: J.Simpson-Daniel (3), T.Fanolua (2), J.Paramore, R.Todd, P.Collazo, H.Paul Conversions: L.Mercier (7) Penalties: L.Mercier (2) Drop goal: L.Mercier Gloucester's biggest ever win over Bath. Patrice Collazo scored his one and only try for Gloucester.
May 12	Leeds 17 (League) Gloucester 50	Tries: J.Simpson-Daniel (2), J.Forrester, J.Paramore, T.Woodman, D.O'Leary, K.Sewabu Conversions: L.Mercier (6) Penalty: L.Mercier Diego Albanese and Federico Puchiariello played their final games.
May 18	Gloucester 60 (Zurich Championship) Newcastle 9	Tries: R.Todd, J.Forrester, L.Mercier, T.Beim, J.Paramore, D.O'Leary, H.Paul, P.Vickery, T.Fanolua Conversions: L.Mercier (4), H.Paul (2) Penalty: L.Mercier Gloucester's biggest ever win against Newcastle.
June 2	Sale 11 (Zurich Championship Semi-Final) Gloucester 33	Tries: K.Sewabu, A.Gomersall, T.Beim Conversions: L.Mercier (3) Penalties: L.Mercier (3) Drop goal: L.Mercier Dimitri Yachvili came off the bench to play his last game

		for Gloucester, later to go on to great fame in France (60 caps).
June 8	Gloucester 28 Bristol 23 (Zurich Championship Final at Twickenham)	Try: J.Boer Conversion: L.Mercier Penalties: L.Mercier (7)