Newport Rugby Football Club

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

PRICE

TWO PENCSE

Gloucester v. Newport

Saturday, 30th Sept., 1950

Kick-off 3.30 p.m.

Newport entertain Gloucester at the Athletic Grounds this afternoon, and their selected side shows no change from the team that gained victory at Swansea last Saturday by 13 points to 6—incidentally this being the same score by which Neath were defeated at Newport the previous Saturday. On the subject of the Newport side, an interesting comparison reveals that whereas for 5 matches this season only 19 players have been chosen, after a similar number of games last season 28 players had been called upon.

Gloucester are among Newport's oldest and best opponents, and some grand tussles between the Clubs have been witnessed. Since the War, the English Club have not won at Rodney Parade, while Newport's only victory at Gloucester was in the first meeting there on the resumption of fixtures in 1945. In that season the return game at Newport provided one of the most thrilling matches of recent years, and ended in a draw, 21 points each. In the following season both games were played at Newport—the venue of the one match being reversed owing to the unplayable condition of the Kingsholm ground on that day.

Before the publication of our next programme we shall have welcomed home Ken Jones, R. T. Evans and Malcolm Thomas among the British Touring Team, returning from New Zealand and Australia. Reports happily indicate that all three will be ready and eager to resume football without delay, and possibly our supporters will have the opportunity to welcome the Newport captain and vice-captain in the Leicester game on October 21st. Malcolm Thomas, of course, is captaining the Devonport Services side this season.

Today the Newport Club are happy to entertain some thirty wounded veterans of World War I., who are still inmates of Gloucestershire hospitals. The Gloucester Aircraft Company have arranged this appropriate outing for them. They will, of course, occupy seats in the stand and the Newport Club and all supporters will wish them a happy day, and that they will witness a really enjoyable game.

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**FOOTBALL FEVER IN DUNEDIN—City awaits today's Rugby Match.**

From Our Staff Correspondent.

DUNEDIN, May 19th.

The extraordinary hold of Rugby in Dunedin was illustrated today at a civic reception given the touring British Isles team by Sir Donald Cameron, Mayor of the city. The large Town Hall was almost packed, even though the reception had to be held at the unsuitable hour of 11 o'clock. Again, in the afternoon, when the British Isles team practised at Carisbrook, a crowd of several hundreds turned out.

Because of fine weather today, and a good forecast for tomorrow, the estimate of a crowd of about 32,000 is now considered inadequate. Special arrangements have been made with the police for the closing of the gates in the event of as many as 40,000 seeking admission. There has been a fair demand for seats at the windows of houses built on the high hill overlooking Carisbrook.

The British Isles team has decided to respond to the strong Scottish spirit of Dunedin. At a meeting of the team management today it was decided that A. W. Black, the Scottish scrum-half, would act as touch judge tomorrow wearing his kilt. Similar arrangements for a kilted Scot to act as touch judge at Invercargill on Tuesday and in the first test next Saturday are to be made.

Both teams had team talks this evening. Neither team expressed certainty about the result, but the general opinion favours Otago. One thing is certain, however—the British Isles players have heard so much about Otago since they arrived in New Zealand that they will positively rejoice when the match is over and done with. The captain, K. D. Mullen, has even received letters from enthusiasts advising him how the beat the champion province.
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H. L. TERRINGTON (6) Outside Half
D. S. HUMPHRIS (7) Inside Half

Referee—Mr. E. Williams, Cilcennin.

Newport 6

G. HUGHES (1) Full Back
R. HUGHES (1) Right Wing
G. S. ROSS (2) Right Centre
L. SMITH (3) Left Centre
B. W. WILLIAMS (4) Left Wing
J. LANE (5) Outside Half
W. A. WILLIAMS (7) Inside Half

NEXT HOME GAME—v. Leicester SATURDAY, OCT. 21st Kick-off 3.15 p.m.

Forwards—
G. HIRTE (8)
L. DAVIES (9)
T. STERRY (10)
G. T. JONES (11)
B. EDWARDS (12)
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At Newport Athletic Grounds on Thursday, October 12th, Monmouthshire stage their match with the powerful North Midland XV., and on Saturday, October 14th, the British Police play the French Police on our grounds. This most attractive game starts at 3 p.m., and Newport United will follow with their home match immediately afterwards, and, of course, Newport 0 v 0e at Cardiff next Saturday ! !

SUPPORTERS CLUB NEWS

The Supporters Club visited Swansea in good force on Saturday last and join in congratulating the Team on an excellent win. The Team is certainly reaping the reward of playing the open type of Rugby we all admire.

On Tuesday next the Supporters are holding a Rugby Quiz at the Castle Hotel at 7.30 p.m. It is hoped that Teams representing the Rugby Committee, Rugby Team, Referees' Association and the Supporters will take part. A free and easy will follow.

On Saturday next we shall be in Cardiff in force. We are running coaches at 2/- per head. If you wish to travel we must know today, so that the required number of coaches can be booked.

Quite a number of would-be travellers were left behind on the Swansea trip because they did not book early as requested.

Make certain this time and put your name down today. It is only a short walk to the Bowls Pavilion and you will be giving your organisers a fair "crack of the whip."

Arrangements are going ahead for the Annual Trip to Richmond and you can make deposits now.

Enquiries are also invited for the Murrayfield International.

It is hoped that in the near future it will be possible to arrange a Rugby Film show for Supporters.

Catch phrase of the week—"BIG BEN STRIKES AGAIN"

3 out of 4 at Swansea.