

Official Programme

3d.

Newport
Rugby



Football
Club

GLOUCESTER

v.

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SATURDAY, 20th OCTOBER, 1956.

Kick-off 3.30 p.m.

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NEWPORT RUGBY SUPPORTERS NOTES.

We have with us today one of the few teams to lower our colours last season; but that was at Gloucester and, at Newport later in the season, the result was reversed quite decisively. Whilst hopeful of a "Black and Amber" victory today, there is no doubt that the visitors—usually very strong at forward—will give our team a hard tussle.

Norman Morgan put up a very creditable performance last Saturday at Blackheath; not only was his goal-kicking of top standard, but a fine try also came his way. Blackheath played very well, especially since they were only 14 strong for the greater part of the game.

The loss of Garfield Owen to both Wales and Newport is a very considerable one and much to be regretted, but the Rugby Union's loss is the League's gain. However, let us wish him every success in his new venture.

A coach will be run to Abertillery on Saturday, November 3rd. Committeemen, at all entrances, will take the names of members wishing to make the trip; the fare is 2/6d.

ANNUAL OUTING.

This will be to Plymouth, on April 6th, the coach leaving Newport at approximately 5.30 p.m. Meals and hotel accommodation will be arranged and the return journey made after mid-day on Sunday. The fare will be in the region of £4. Please let us have your names as soon as possible; paying-in cards, if desired, may be obtained from the Chairman (Mr. G. Williams) or the Secretary (Mr. L. King).

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R. BLAIR (5) Left Wing
J. J. CORBETT (4) Left Centre
K. IBBOTSON (3) Right Centre
J. M. JENKIN (2) Right Wing
D. W. JONES (6) Outside Half
B. READE (7) Inside Half

Referee—

Mr. W. J. Evans, Llandaff

Forwards—

B. J. LANE (8)
C. THOMAS (9)
D. SOLOMON (10)
V. H. LEADBETTER (11)
D. A. JONES (12)
PETER FORD, Capt. (13)
B. J. GREEN (14)
M. CRAIG (15)

NEWPORT

Colours—Black and Amber

Full Back N. MORGAN (1)
Right Wing KEN JONES (2)
Right Centre M. C. THOMAS, Capt. (3)
Left Centre HARRY MORGAN (4)
Left Wing GRAHAM ROSS (5)
Outside Half R. BURNETT (6)
Inside Half C. EVANS (7)

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NOTES.

Gloucester, who have had a good start to their season, are our visitors today.

There red and white jerseys are familiar here, and a close sporting encounter is always witnessed. Last season, in October, we were beaten at Kingsholm by 11 pts. to 6 pts., but the decision was reversed here in March, the score being 15 pts. to 3 pts.

Vic Leadbetter, the former England and Newport forward, will be in the West Country pack today, and their full-back is the former Ebbw Vale player I. Sheeham. Leighton Jenkins returns to the back row. He rested last Saturday so as not to aggravate the injury received on the previous week-end. Glyn Davidge deputised very ably, and was in the list of scorers. Norman Morgan has now notched 42 pts. in six games, having kicked nine penalties, six conversions and crossed for one try.

During the week Welsh rugby was dealt a greivous blow by the departure of Garfield Owen to rugby league. He was a footballer of outstanding merit, and Newport spectators took him to their hearts after his sensational debut here against the Barbarians in 1954.

Although international matches are not played until the second half of the season, the selectors must start their trials in good time so that all likely aspirants can stake a claim.

The 1st Welsh Trial will be staged on this ground on Saturday, November 3rd, and it will be interesting to see who are on the fringe of international honours.

Members must pay on this day, and the usual admission prices will be charged to all parts of the ground.

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FIXTURE LIST, 1956-57

Date	Opponents		Result		Date	Opponents		Result	
			For	Agst				For	Agst
1956					1957				
Sept.	1—Penarth ...	...	H	11	3	Jan.	5—Ebbw Vale ...	...	A
	8—Bristol ...	...	A	9	3		12—Swansea ...	...	H
	15—Neath ...	...	H	11	8		19—Coventry ...	...	A
	22—Swansea ...	...	A	0	0		26—Richmond ...	...	A
	29—Leicester	H	22	3				
Oct.	6—Cardiff ...	...	H	6	6	Feb.	2—Penarth ...	...	A
	13—Blackheath ...	...	A	21	3		Thurs. 7—Oxford Univ. ...	...	H
	20—Gloucester ...	...	H				9—Leicester ...	...	A
	27—Wasps ...	...	H				16—Cardiff ...	...	H
Nov.	3—Abertillery ...	...	A			23—Blackheath ...	...	H	
	10—Cardiff ...	...	A						
	14—Cambridge U. ...	...	A			March	2—Cardiff ...	...	A
17—Crosskeys ...	...	H			9—Wasps ...		...	A	
24—London Welsh ...	...	A			16—Rosslyn Park ...		...	H	
Dec.	1—Bristol ...	...	H			23—Llanelly ...	...	H	
	8—Aberavon ...	...	H			30—Gloucester ...	...	A	
	15—Harlequins ...	...	H						
Wed.	22—Plymouth ...	...	H			April	6—Plymouth ...	...	A
	26—Watsonians ...	...	H				Mon. 8—Devonport S. ...	...	A
Thur.	27—Ebbw Vale ...	...	H				Tues. 9—Exeter ...	...	A
	29—Llanelly ...	...	A			13—Neath ...	...	A	
						E.S. 20—Newbridge ...	...	H	
						E.M. 22—London Welsh ...	...	H	
						E.T. 23—Barbarians ...	...	H	
						27—Welsh Sevens	S'sea		