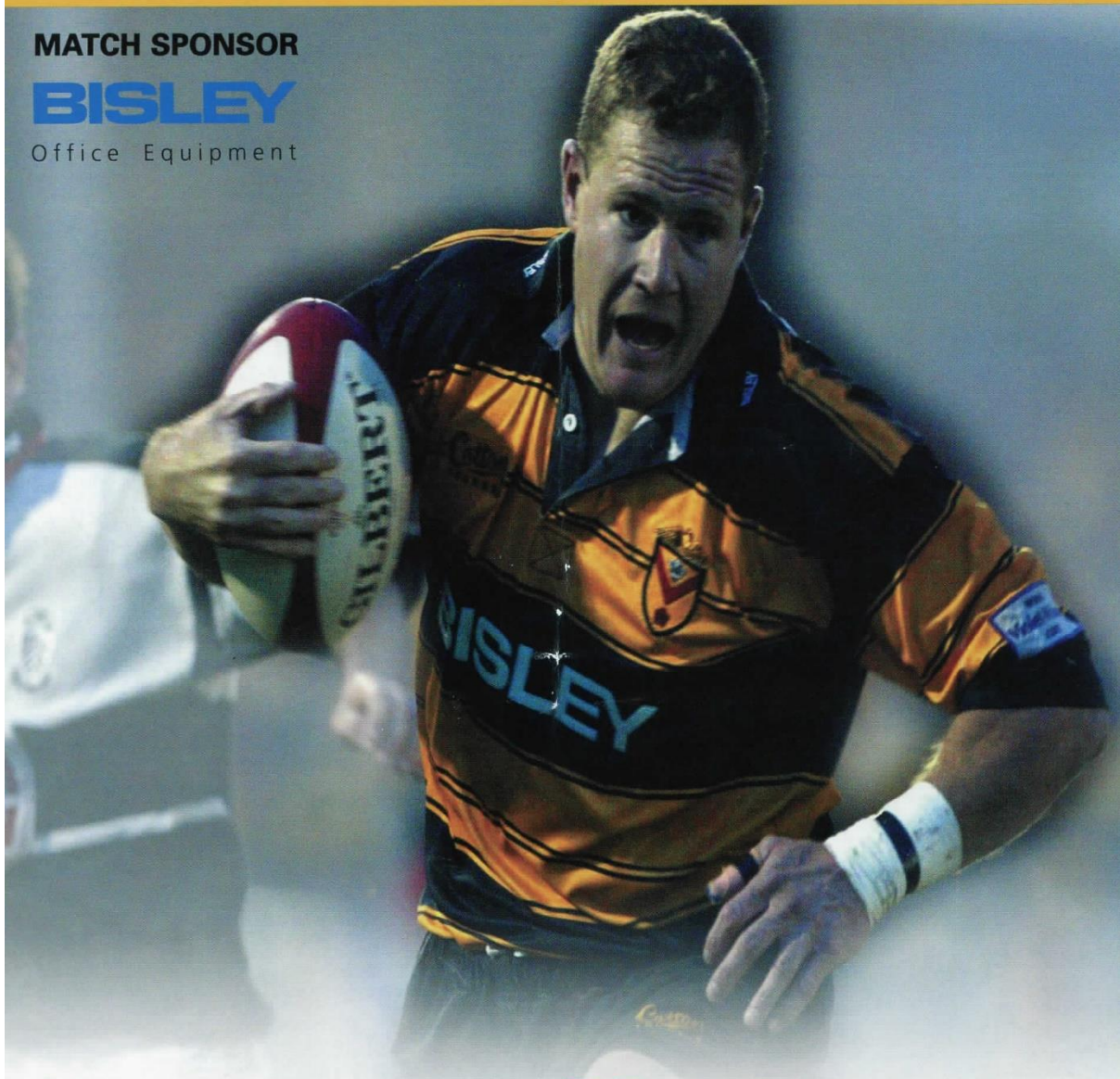


# THE ANGLO/WELSH CHALLENGE

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## Newport v. Gloucester



**Wednesday 21st August 2002**

**Kick Off 7.30pm**



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# TONIGHT'S TEAMS & REPLACEMENTS...



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★ Matt Pini	15	Full Back
Andrew Wagstaff	14	Right Wing
Hal Luscombe	13	Centre
★ Andy Marinos	12	Centre
Ben Breeze	11	Left Wing
Jason Strange	10	Outside-Half
Llyr Lane	9	Scrum-Half
Ceri Jones	1	Loose-Head Prop
James Richards	2	Hooker
★ Chris Anthony	3	Tight-Head Prop
★ Simon Raiwalui/Matthew Veater	4	Second Row
★ Mike Voyle	5	Second Row
Alix Popham	6	Blindside Flanker
Jason Forster (Capt)	7	Openside Flanker
Andy Powell	8	No. 8

**Replacements**  
(selected from...)

- ★ Matt Mostyn
- Scott Williams
- ★ Shane Howarth
- Matthew Thomas
- Paul Young
- David Pattison
- Luke Charteris
- Gareth Gravell
- ★ Steve Ojomoh

★ denotes full international

**TONIGHT'S REFEREE**

Mr Colin Saunders

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## WELCOME

It gives me great pleasure to welcome the players, staff and supporters of Gloucester Rugby Football Club to Rodney Parade for this evening's Anglo-Welsh Challenge match.

Newport/Gloucester matches are steeped in history and not that long ago, used to be a regular feature in the rugby calendar. Sadly, the pressures of the professional era have seen Anglo-Welsh clashes of this kind all but disappear off the fixture list.

What a glorious thought it is to imagine the day when meetings like this are the staple diet of the professional game in the northern hemisphere. We live in hope!

The game's governance aside however, Newport Rugby are delighted to be resurrecting old rivalries with the Cherry & Whites and I hope that tonight's return leg of the two match series between our clubs will be as much of a thrilling affair as the match was in Kingsholm.

Let me also take this opportunity to congratulate Gloucester on the success they achieved during 2001/02 and wish them all the best for the forthcoming season as they compete in the European Cup, Zurich Championship and Powergen Cup competitions.

As we kick off the new campaign with our first match at Rodney Parade since May, a challenging season lies ahead for both the squad and supporters and I know that I can rely on all our supporters to get behind the team and show their support both on and off the field. And that of course, starts tonight!

Gloucester pose a real threat and we saw in last Friday night's exciting encounter that they are a side of the highest quality and demonstrated just why they are being so hotly tipped to rival Leicester's dominance in England and Europe.

Their pre-season preparation, including their recent trip to Natal, gave them an indisputable edge in the first meeting and our lads will be feeling much the better with having gotten such a tough game under their belts.

Over the past few seasons the Black & Ambers have rebuilt Rodney Parade into a fortress once again, with teams finding it extremely difficult to leave with a win. Newport can always be relied upon to have a spring in their step when they play at home in front of the Black & Ambers arms and we know we can rely on our men to give their all trying to redress the balance.

Expect a tough, physical encounter tonight and fasten your seat belts for a roller coaster of a season starting a week or Friday with the visit of Bridgend.

Keith D. Grainger  
Chief Executive



**Replacements**  
(selected from...)

- Simon Amor
- Clive Stuart Smith
- Chris Catling
- Daren O'Leary
- Patrice Collazo
- James Forrester
- Peter Buxton
- Rob Fidler ★
- Ed Pearce

Full Back	15	Thinus Delport ★
Right Wing	14	Marcel Garvey
Centre	13	James Simpson-Daniel
Centre	12	Terry Fanolua ★
Left Wing	11	Tom Beim ★
Outside-Half	10	Henry Paul ★
Scrum-Half	9	Andy Gomersall ★
Loose-Head Prop	1	Trevor Woodman ★
Hooker	2	Olivier Azam ★
Tight-Head Prop	3	Phil Vickery (c) ★
Second Row	4	Adam Eustance
Second Row	5	Mark Cornwall
Blindside Flanker	6	Jake Boer
Openside Flanker	7	Andy Hazell
No. 8	8	Junior Paramore ★

The season makes its official start on Friday 30th August with a Celtic League fixture against Bridgend at Rodney Parade 7.30pm Kick Off - Don't miss it!!