

**Newport Rugby Football Club** 

## GLOUCESTER

NEWPORT

WEDNESDAY, 25th SEPTEMBER, 1963

Kick-off 7 15 p.m. ((Floodlights)

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## NOTES

The fifth All Blacks touring party has now been selected. Thirty players are due in this country within the next few weeks. They have a mighty tradition to uphold if they are to use the previous tours from New Zealand as their yard-stick. In the four other tours they have lost 6 games out of a total of 119 played. These figures are for games played in the British Isles only. In 1905-6, 1 game was lost in 33 played; the 1924-25 team was invincible after playing 30 games the 1935-36 tourists lost 3 of 28 games played and in the 4th Tour 2 games were lost in 28 games. We shall be the first Welsh XV to oppose them and it is doubtful if anybody needs reminding of the date which is Wednesday, 30th October. The kick-off is 3.0 p.m. Admission is by ticket only and they are now on sale. Prices are: Grandstand 10/-, Enclosure 4/- and Field 3/-. Members have until 5th October to obtain their stand tickets. A Dance will be held in the Rodney Hall in the evening—particulars will be announced later. Tonight we meet until 5th October to obtain their stand tickets. A Dance will be held in the Rodney Hall in the evening—particulars will be announced later. Tonight we meet Gloucester our second English opponents of the season. They have had a good start, having played 5. lost 1, with 90 pts. for any 24 pts. against. Last season they beat us home and away. On 20th October here they really sparkled and ran out good winners by 16 pts. to nil. On 23rd March at Kingsholm we showed more spirit but could only score 3 pts. to 8 pts. against. Our injured key players are progressing slowly. David Watkins will be out for another fortnight at least, Alan Skirving will not be fit for quite some time, but the news of Ray Cheney, Dennis progressing slowly. David Watkins will be out for another fortnight at least, Alan Skirving will not be fit for quite some time, but the news of Ray Cheney, Dennis

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Colours: Red and White							Colours: Black and Ar		
A. HOLDER (Capt.)	(1)	Full Back				Full Back	B. EDWARDS	(15)	
A. OSMAN	(5)	Left Wing				Right Wing	S. WATKINS	(14)	
J. TAYLOR	(4)	Left Centre				Right Centre	J. <b>H</b> UZZELL	(13)	
J. BAYLISS	(3)	Right Centre				Left Centre	R. JONES	(12)	
√R. SMITH	(2)	Right Wing				Left Wing	P. REES	(11)	
T. HOPSON	(6)	Outside Half				Outside Half	E. MOGFORD	(10)	
M. BOOTH	(7)	Inside Half				Inside Half	W. R. PROSSER	(9)	
J. FOWKE	(8)	Forwards	7			Forwards	D. JONES	(1)	
M. NICHOLLS	(9)			Ì			G. BEVAN	(2)	
A. TOWNSEND	(10)						N. JOHNSON	(3)	
B. HUDSON	(11)						B. PRICE (Capt.)	(4)	
R. LONG	(12)						I, FORD	(5)	
P. FORD	(13)						A. THOMAS	(6) 1	
G. WHITE	(14)						G. DAVIDGE	(8)	
R. SMITH	(15)						K. POOLE	(7) 1	

NEXT HOME GAME: v. Swansea, Saturday, 28th September, 1963, Kick-off 3.30 p.m.



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Perrott and Brian Cresswell is more cheering. Stuart Watkins, the ex Crosskeys wing made his debut in the Black and Amber at Neath last Saturday, and tonight will be making his first home appearance. He is a Newport boy. Whilst with the Western Valley Club he was tipped for higher honours. Keith Poole of Blaenavon showed up well in the trials and since joining us he has maintained his promise with the United. Tonight he plays alongside Glyn Davidge and Alan Thomas in the back row.

The experimental rule brought in by the Welsh Rugby Union for the month of September only, will not operate tonight. It is only applicable when two Welsh sides meet.

May we remind you once again that the Stall, at the Power Station end of the ground is at your service, ready to dispense hot and cold drinks, plus a variety of snacks. This Stall is manned by the Youth Section of the Club.

Next Saturday afternoon we are home to Swansea. A week today we have an evening game here with Aberavon, and the following Saturday we are home again with Cardiff as our visitors

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