

Newport Rugby Football Club

GLOUCESTER &

NEWPORT 18

SATURDAY, 17th OCTOBER, 1964

Kick-off 3.30 p.m.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME -

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NEXT SATURDAY

NEWPORT v. WASPS

kick-off 3.30 p.m.



The Gloucester record to date reads Played 6, Lost 3, Points for 129 and Points against 67.

Last Monday evening six Gloucester players were in the County XV that lost narrowly to a Monmouthshire XV on this ground. P. J. Ford, a Barbarian and capped four times for England last season, is a specialist blind-side wing forward, and he must reserve his best displays when facing Newport. At full-back is D. Rutherford, ex-Percy Park, who played for England against Wales, France, Ireland and Scotland in 1960 and South Africa in 1961. His faultless showing last Monday evening was crowned by a glorious drop kick which was all of 50 yards and angled at that!

Brian Price is still troubled with a rib injury and is wisely restng for a few weeks. Alun Thomas who underwent an operation for appendicitis during the close season is now thoroughly fit and ready to challenge for his place in the 1st XV.

Our performance at Ebbw Vale last Wednesday evening must rank as high as our victory at the Arms Park a few weeks ago. Under any circumstances, to win at the steel town is a proud achievement.

Next Saturday we are home to the Wasps and the following Wednesday evening, home to Pontypool under floodlights.

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NOTES -

The geographical position of Gloucester is such that it is at the hub of a wide arc to embrace most of the top class sides in the Midlands, London, West Country and Wales.

Founded in 1873, they are our nearest English opponents, although Bristol could qualify as such if distance was taken as the crow flies.

Two well-known ex-Newport forwards played for Gloucester some years ago, P. C. Hordern (England) and John Gwilliam (Wales). A. T. "Tom" Voyce, twenty-seven appearances for England at loose forward must be one of their most famous players. After his playing days were over he became a very able administrator and became President of the Rugby Football Union in 1960-61.

Their red and white hooped jerseys during the last few years almost usurped the blue and black bogey that was supposed to mesmerise us. Two years ago they trounced us on this ground by 16 points to nil and not quite so convincingly at Kingsholm, by 8 points to 3 points. Last season we won narrowly here by 6 points to 3 points, but we lost away by 14 points to 3 points. Last Saturday they defeated the Harlequins by 19 points to 16 points. The Harlequins had won all their five games and had the impressive record of 177 points for and 40 points against.

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GLOUCESTER Colours: RED & WHITE		NEWPORT Colours: BLACK & AMBER
D. RUTHERFORD	(1) Full Back	Full Back R. CHENEY (1
N. FOICE	(2) Right Wing	Right Wing S. WATKINS (1
J. BAYLISS	(3) Right Centre	Right Centre J. UZZELL (1
R. PITT	(4) Left Centre	Left Centre R. JONES (1
R. SMITH	(5) Left Wing	Left Wing P. REES (1
D. AINGE	(6) Outside Half	Outside Half D. WATKINS (Capt.) (1
M. BOOTH	(7) Inside Half	Inside Half W. R. PROSSER
B. HUDSON	(8) Forwards	Forwards B. PERRINS (
K. TAYLOR	(9)	G. BEVAN
C. MILNER	(10)	N. JOHNSON (
A. BRINN	(11)	I. FORD
R. LONG	(12)	W. MORRIS
P. FORD	(13)	A. THOMAS (6
D. OWEN	(14)	J. MANTLE (8
R. SMITH	(15)	K. POOLE

Next Home Game: v. WASPS, Saturday, 24th October, 1964, kick-off 3.30 p.m.