Newport Rugby Football Club

GLOUCESTER v. NEWPORT

SATURDAY, 15th OCTOBER, 1966
kick-off 3.30 p.m.

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NOTES

WEST COUNTRY FAME
by JACK DAVIS

Gloucester, our visitors today, are, of course, one of the great English teams of the West Country, renowned especially for their rugged forwards. In the past they have provided many players towards England’s packs, their past internationals including Tom Voyce, one of the greatest wing forwards of all time. Voyce played 27 times for England in their golden era of 1920-26 and helped them to win the Triple Crown three times. He took part in the historic England v. All Blacks match at Twickenham in 1923 when Albert Freethy dismissed a famous New Zealander from the field. Tom Voyce is also a past-president of the Rugby Union.

Peter Hordern, who captained Newport and was capped from his Club, was also closely identified with Gloucester, whose other capped forwards include L. E. Saxby, A. D. Carpenter, G. W. D. Hastings, A. Hudson, K. J. Wilson, T. Price and P. J. Ford.

Our visitors have also had a knack for producing great full backs. These include H. Boughton, W. G. Hook, G. W. Parker and, the latest, British Lion Don Rutherford. Another famous old-timer was Dai Gent, a scrum half whom England capped, and later a well-known writer on the game.

In recent years Newport and Gloucester have generally won their home matches and lost away. This was the case last season when Newport lost 13-14 at Kingsholm and won 26-6 at Rodney Parade. Outside that pattern was the sensational Gloucester victory here four years ago, when they flattened Newport 16-0 and the day on which Lord Brecon opened the new social centre.

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### Gloucester (0) vs Newport (31)

**Colours:** Cherry and White

- **D. Ainge** (1) Full Back
- **N. Foice** (2) Right Wing
- **R. Pitt** (3) Right Centre
- **R. Watkins** (4) Left Centre
- **R. Morris** (5) Left Wing
- **J. Grove** (6) Outside Half
- **M. Booth** (7) Inside Half

**Forwards**
- **W. Leeke** (8)
- **M. Nichols** (9)
- **J. Fowke** (10)
- **R. Long** (11)
- **A. Brinn** (12)
- **G. White** (13)
- **A. Davies** (14)
- **R. Smith** (15)

**Colours:** Black and Amber

- **B. J. Jones** (15) Full Back
- **D. Perrott** (14) Right Wing
- **G. Britton** (13) Right Centre
- **R. Jones** (12) Left Centre
- **D. Cornwall** (11) Left Wing
- **D. Watkins (Capt.)** (10) Outside Half
- **H. Jones** (9) Inside Half

**Forwards**
- **M. Webber** (1)
- **V. Perrins** (2)
- **B. Perrins** (3)
- **W. Morris** (4)
- **T. Hurford** (5)
- **K. Hoole** (6)
- **P. Watts** (8)
- **A. Thomas** (7)

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**Referee:** W. Heard (Bishopston, Swansea)

**Next Home Game:** v. WASPS, Saturday, 22nd October, 1966, kick-off 3.30 p.m.
WEST COUNTRY FAME (continued)

The best Welsh clubs always find it very difficult to win at Kingsholm and Newport are no exception. From 1953 to 1957 Newport were beaten on the Gloucester ground in four successive seasons, and again they have lost on their last four visits.

Gloucester began this season in great style, but have fallen away somewhat. They share with Newport the humiliation of having been crushed by Cardiff but whereas Newport conceded 27 points on the Arms Park, Gloucester’s adverse score was 37.

We hope that both teams can show better form today.

SUPPORTERS’ CLUB NOTES

Many of you will now be acquainted with the new Newport Rugby Supporters’ Club tie. The popularity of the tie has exceeded our expectations and it resulted in a very quick sell-out. However, to those who were unable to purchase one a further supply of ties are due any day now.

Refreshments are provided by the Supporters’ Club catering section in the Rodney Hall after each Saturday home match.

The teams record to date is: Played 10, won 7, drawn 1, lost 2, points for 118, points against 82, 75.0%.

Leading points scorers:— Matches Tries Pens. Cons. Dr. Gls. Pts.

| John Anthony | 9 | 1 | 3 | 13 | 38 |
| Dennis Perrott | 10 | 5 | | | 15 |
| Peter Rees | 7 | 4 | | | 12 |

G. Britton 6 matches, 2 tries, 6 pts., B. Phillips 3 matches, 2 tries, 6 pts., I. Taylor 6 matches, 2 tries, 6 pts., P. Watts 10 matches, 2 tries, 6 pts., M. Webber 7 matches, 2 tries, 6 pts.

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