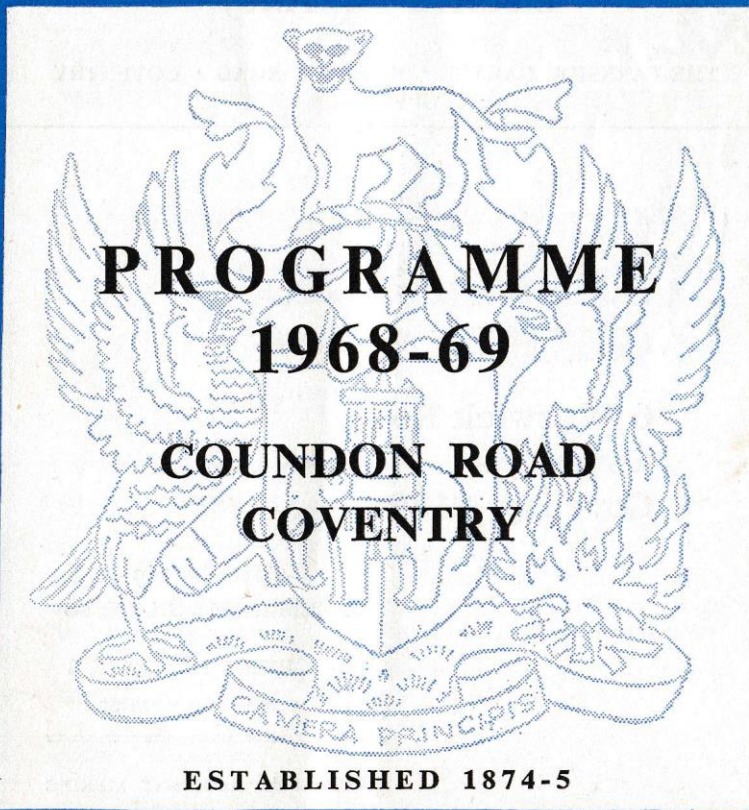


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CLUB NOTES

Today's match with Gloucester is the 75th occasion the two clubs have met since fixtures were started in 1890. Gloucester, with 42 victories in the series to Coventry's 29 are one of the few English clubs who can boast a superior record over Coventry. Coupled with this Gloucester have made a very successful start to their season, scoring over 90 points in their first three games, so obviously our team will be very keen to do well today and at the same time to try and even out the number of victories.

In fact Gloucester can claim another interesting record. On January 23rd, 1904, they ran up a score of 59-0 when the sides met at Gloucester—no club has managed to better against us either before or since. Since the war, Cov. have had rather the better of the exchanges, winning 20 to Gloucester's 11, but of course until last season there was an unfortunate fixture clash which meant, due to county calls, Gloucester were often forced to field what was virtually a second XV. Happily this is no longer the case.

David Duckham's 5 tries against Fylde has had the records department working overtime, to see if anyone has performed the feat at Coundon Road before. In 1960-61 Ricky Melville scored five tries against St. Mary's Hospital, Moseley and Notts. but also in 1944, Harold Greasley got five against Wolverhampton and in 1949 he did the same against the District Union. Of course, like Ricky, Harold was a winger, so David's may well be the first five try effort by a Coventry centre.

KICK-OFF TIMES AND FIXTURE NEWS

A further reminder that all games this season will start on Saturdays at 3 p.m. Evening games will kick-off at 7.30 p.m., with the exception of the London Irish game which will start at 7.15 p.m.

Season ticket holders are asked to note an alteration to their printed cards. The Wanderers game on October 12th is of course at home.

CLUBHOUSE NEWS

For those not already aware of it, we are pleased to announce that the Clubhouse is being opened this season before each 1st XV game on Saturdays only from 2 p.m. until 2.30 p.m. We ask you who are members to support this new venture.

INTERNATIONAL TICKETS

Members are requested to note that applications for tickets for matches at Twickenham should be made by 26th October, but to Mr. P. B. Jackson, 113 Water Orton Road, Castle Bromwich, and not to the Club Treasurer, Mr. Jones.

COUNTY GOSSIP

Warwickshire's "hangover" fixture with North Midlands, frozen off last season, will be played under lights as a friendly at Moseley on October 9th.

County referee Mr. John Thompson, will be handling this season's Lancashire v. Northumberland game.

Danny Hearn, so badly injured last November playing against the All Blacks is now back teaching at Haileybury School.

All Warwickshire's games this season are being played under floodlights.

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3	D. J. Duckham	Right Centre
4	C. P. Wheatley	Left Centre
5	R. E. Webb	Left Wing
6	T. J. Dalton	Stand Off
7	W. J. Gittings	Scrum Half
8	M. Edwards	Forwards
9	H. J. Wyman	
10	J. M. Broderick	
11	J. Lacey	
12	P. Jorden	
13	R. Creed	
14	C. R. Holmes	
15	R. E. Jones (Capt.)	

GLOUCESTER

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R. Jardine	3
J. A. Bayliss	4
J. Groves	5
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COVENTRY FIRST XV — FIXTURES 1968-69									
Sept. 7	Fylde	H	35	3	Jan. 4	Neath	A		
14	Gloucester	H			11	Cardiff	H		
18	Rugby	A			18	Newport	H		
21	Cardiff	A			25	Swansea	A		
24	Nuneaton—7.30	H			Feb. 1	Guys Hospital	H		
28	Sale	A			8	London Scottish	A		
Oct. 5	Leicester	H			15	Northampton	A		
12	Wanderers	H			21	R.A.F.—7.30	H		
19	Harlequins	A			Mar. 1	Waterloo	H		
26	Moseley	A			8	Leicester	A		
Nov. 2	Wasps	A			15	London Irish	H		
6	Cambridge	A			22	New Brighton	A		
9	Northampton	H			25	Rugby—7.30	H		
16	Swansea	H			29	Richmond	H		
23	Bedford	A			April 5	Glasgow	A		
30	Blackheath	H			7	Headingley	A		
Dec. 7	Birkenhead Park	H			12	Harlequins	H		
14	Llanelli	H			15	Nuneaton	A		
21	Gloucester	A			19	Bedford	H		
26	Cheltenham	A			26	Bristol	H		
28	Moseley	H							
TOTAL					TOTAL				

CLUB NOTES—continued

CAR PARK FACILITIES

The Club car park is open this year for Committee, Players and visitors only. However, Carbody's car park is being reserved for Vice-Presidents and will be available for use on Saturdays only until 6 p.m.

SUPPORTERS' CLUB NEWS

Members are reminded that their membership, 2/6d. for the season, is now due. Don't delay and help us to help the Club.

COACHES

Bookings for the first two trips should be made as soon as possible at the Supporters' Club Office.

SALE—Saturday, 28th September. Departing from the ground 9.30 a.m., returning from Sale at approximately 9 p.m. Return fare 17/6d.

Floodlight game at GLOUCESTER. Wednesday, 2nd October. Departing from the ground at 5.30 p.m. prompt. Return fare 9/6d.

BUFFET DANCE

The first Supporters' Club Dance of the season is being held on Friday, 11th October, commencing at 8 p.m. Tickets are priced 7/6d., and may be obtained from the Office or from Committee members. We appeal to you for your support, as this is another way we feel we are offering you the services Supporters are often asking us about.

Your programme editor is J. Butler, Hon. Secretary, Supporters' Club, who will welcome ideas from Supporters on improvements to the Club Notes.

ALL SATURDAY MATCHES KICK OFF AT 3 P.M.

COVENTRY EXTRA FIRST XV — FIXTURES 1968-69									
Sept. 7	Rosslyn Park Stags	A	34	13	Dec. 26	Cheltenham United	H		
10	Oxford Nomads	A	3	3	28	Moseley United	A		
14	Gloucester United	A			Jan. 4	Derby	H		
21	Cardiff Athletic	H			11	Cardiff Athletic	A		
24	Nuneaton Extras	A			18	Kettering	A		
28	Sale	H			25	Cinderford	H		
Oct. 5	Leicester Extras	A			Feb. 1	Guys Hospital 'A'	A		
12	St. Paul's-Chelt.	A			8	Esher	H		
19	Harlequin W'd'rs	H			15	North'ton Wands.	H		
26	Moseley United	H			22	Camelot	A		
Nov. 2	Wasps Vandals	H			Mar. 8	Leicester Extras	H		
9	North'ton Wands.	A			22	N. Brighton Extras	H		
16	Saracens	A			29	Richmond Vikings	A		
23	Bedford Wands.	H			April 7	Stoke-on-Trent	H		
30	Blackheathens	A			12	Harlequin Wands.	A		
Dec. 7	Pontypool United	A			15	Nuneaton Ex. 7.30	H		
14	London Scottish	A			19	Bedford Wands.	A		
21	Gloucester United	H							
TOTAL					TOTAL				