



**Newport Rugby Football Club**

**GLOUCESTER**

v.

**NEWPORT**

**MONDAY, 13th APRIL, 1970**

**Kick-off 7.15 p.m.**

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

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## NOTES

Our disastrous Easter Holiday weekend when we lost the three games, brought our March record to read, played 9, lost 6 and won 3. Included in this was the sorry record of losing 4 consecutive home matches. This month we have tackled 4 away games, winning 3, Plymouth, Devonport Services and Penarth and losing at Leicester last Saturday. Tonight is our only home game for the month and will close our home programme. Next Saturday we are away to Crosskeys and the Saturday afterwards we participate in the Snelling Sevens Tournament at Cardiff. Our final game will be the following Monday at Bridgend who at the moment seem poised to take the Welsh Unofficial Championship.

This month four new players have made their debuts for the 1st XV, G. Fuller (full back), R. Francis (centre), B. Hurley and R. Griffiths (forwards). Warren Lewis (skipper of the United) made his first appearance of the season at Penarth.

Last season we claimed the double over Gloucester but tonight our visitors will be out to reverse this because they have beaten us already at Kingsholm last October by 21 pts to 6 pts.

This is our last opportunity to thank the players for their wholehearted efforts this season. We know the record looks a little amiss but in no way can this be attributed to lack of endeavour. John Anthony has shouldered his responsibilities manfully and whilst he must be a disappointed skipper we want him to know that he has carried out his duties faithfully as a player and captain. Vice-Captain John Jeffrey, striving hard to catch the eyes of the Welsh Selectors, can claim a new club record for tries by a forward. In the Penarth game he brought his total to 16, thus passing John Anderson's record of 15 tries.

We have supplied Wales with 4 players, Barrie Llewellyn, Vic Perrins, Billy Raybould and Laurie Daniel, and Del Haines played for the Welsh 'B' XV against France.

The 12th November, 1969 stands out in bold print because real history was made on that day when we trimmed the Springboks for the second time.

The result of the France v. England game in Paris next Saturday will decide the Championship. France must win to share the top of the table with Wales. England could do us a good turn if they force a draw or win.

We can promise you a good game next Saturday when the Welsh Secondary Schools play Yorkshire. Most of these lads are on the threshold of senior honours. Many past and present Welsh 'caps' graduated as Secondary Schools Inter-

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Colours: BLACK and AMBER

R. ETHERIDGE	(1)	Full back	Full Back	J. ANTHONY (Capt.)	(15) T
R. CLEWES	(2)	Right Wing	Right Wing	L. DANIEL	(14) GC, PG
R. PITT	(3)	Right Centre	Right Centre	I. TAYLOR	(13) T
A. FIELDING	(4)	Left Centre	Left Centre	D. CORNWALL	(12) T
J. DIX	(5)	Left Wing	Left Wing	P. REES	(11) 2T
E. STEPHENS 3 PG	(6)	Outside Half	Outside Half	W. RAYBOULD	(10) T
J. SPALDING	(7)	Inside Half	Inside Half	W. LEWIS	(9)
		Forwards	Forwards		
R. COWLING	(8)			B. LLEWELLYN	(1)
M. NICHOLLS	(9)			V. PERRINS	(2) T
K. RICHARDSON	(10)			<del>G. SUTTON</del> G. JONES	(3)
A. BRINN	(11)			L. MARTIN	(4)
D. PEGLER	(12)			J. WATKINS	(5)
G. WHITE	(13)			A. EVANS	(6) T
M. POTTER	(14)			J. JEFFREY	(8) 2T
R. SMITH (Capt.)	(15)			D. HAINES	(7)

Referee: A. C. DONOVAN (Cardiff)

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nationals, and quite a few Yorkshire boys have gone on to represent England. Come along to see the stars of the future!

On 30th April we field a XV to play the Welsh Police XV on this ground. All proceeds go to the Police Benevolent Fund. Please support this game. The N.A.C. President, Lord Brecon, is the President of this worthy fund and he is conscious, as we should be, of the vicious attacks with firearms, often with tragic results, inflicted on the Police.

So with the curtain coming down on 1969/70 season we thank one and all for their loyal support. On 1st May memberships are due for renewal. The facilities of this great club are wide and varied, so why not decide NOW that you would like to participate in what we have to offer. To old members may we suggest that a little "canvassing" would not be out of place at this time of "electioneering"

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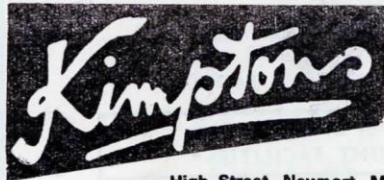
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