



**Newport
Rugby
Football
Club**

OFFICIAL
PROGRAMME
4p

**GLOUCESTER
VERSUS
NEWPORT**

SATURDAY, 21st OCTOBER, 1972
Kick-off 3.15 p.m.

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NOTES

It is unfortunate that Gloucestershire play Cornwall at Kingsholm this afternoon. As usual our visitors today supply the bulk of the players to the County side. Nevertheless, Gloucester can still bring a good side to Rodney Parade. Last year Gloucestershire won the English Counties Championship, the first time since 1937, and our visitors today won the Club Knock-out Competition, by beating Bath in the first round, Bristol in the second round, London Welsh in the Quarter Final, Coventry in the Semi-final and defeated Moseley, 17pts to 6pts in the Final. Last Saturday they went to London and beat the Harlequins 13pts to nil. Gloucester claimed the 'double' last season, winning at Kingsholm 18pts to nil and on this ground 9pts to 3pts.

The All Blacks are due to arrive tomorrow and their first game is versus the Western Counties at Gloucester on October 28th.

This afternoon in Cardiff the Wales 'B' XV meet France 'B' XV.

The Welsh Rugby Knock-out Cup draw was made this week and we have to travel to Tredgar. This valley side boasts a first class fixture list and if we are to move further in the Competition we must treat this game very seriously. This game must be played on or before November 18th. A successful run in this Knock-out Cup can be very rewarding financially.

The Newport Youth side have started the season in grand style and their record reads: Played 8, Won 8, Pts for 445, Pts against 35.

Pontypool strengthened their position in the Merit Table last Wednesday night when they claimed the 'double' at our expense. It has been a most disappointing start to the season.

Next Saturday we are home to the Wasps.

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GLoucester 9

Colours : RED and WHITE

~~E. STEPHENS~~ R. ETHERIDGE (15) Full Back
~~R. GLEWS~~ J. HORNER (14) Right Wing
~~R. JARDINE~~ R. WHITE (13) Right Centre
~~D. HARGREAVES~~ R. CHEWS (12) Left Centre
~~R. WHITE~~ E. STEPHENS 3PG (11) Left Wing
R. REDWOOD (10) Outside Half
J. SPALDING (9) Inside Half

Forwards

P. BLAKEWAY (1)
M. NICHOLLS (2)
K. RICHARDSON (3)
J. JARRETT (CAPT.) (4)
J. FIDLER (5)
J. HERNIMAN (6)
J. HAINES (8)
E. PINKNEY (7)

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Colours : BLACK and AMBER

Full Back ~~G. FULLER~~ A. HEARN (15)
Right Wing P. WARD (14) T
Right Centre ~~P. EVANS~~ G. FULLER (13) 5C
Left Centre G. TALBOT (12) T
Left Wing R. JOHNSTONE (11) T
Outside Half ~~G. JENKINS~~ D. ROCEAS (10) T
Inside Half A. EVANS (9)

Forwards

J. DALE (1)
G. WILLIAMS (2)
B. ROWLAND (3)
J. WATKINS (4)
L. JONES (5)
G. EVANS (Capt.) (6)
P. WATTS (8)
K. POOLE (7) T

Referee : D. M. LLOYD (Nantyllyllon)

Next Home Match : v. WASPS, Saturday, 28th October, 1972, kick-off 3.15 p.m.