

ST. HELEN'S GROUND, SWANSEA

Swansea

V.

Gloucester

Saturday, February 17, 1973

KICK OFF 3 p.m.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME (Donation to Club)

5p

Editorial

In recent years there has been a shift in the power of English rugby from the Midlands to the West Country. Last season Gloucestershire won the County Championship for the first time since 1937, beating Warwickshire in the final. At club level Gloucester became the Rugby Union's first Knock-out Club Champions, beating Moseley in the final.

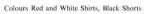
Three of the Gloucester team John Watkins, Tom Palmer and Mike Burton toured South Africa with the successful England team. John Watkins played in the Test side against South Africa and followed this by playing against Wales at the Arms Park last month.

Captain for the second year in succession is hooker Mike Nicholls. Second row forward Jim Jarrett played for Pontypool before moving to Gloucester. Eric Stephens is an accomplished full back and an excellent goal kicker.

Selection for the Gloucester team has been affected by the County Championship Semi-final between Gloucestershire and the Eastern Counties, this means they will be without some of their leading players. Swansea are concerned in the other semi-final as Mark Keyworth has been selected to play for North Midlands against Lancashire at Waterloo.

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SWANSEA

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15	ERIC STEPHENS	Full Back	Cefnwr	ROGER BLYTH	15
14	BOB WHITE	Right Wing	Asgell Dde	STEVE THORNTON	14
13	ROY MORRIS	Right Centre	Canolwr De	JOHN MORGAN	13
12	DENNIS HARGREAVES	Left Centre	Canolwr Chwith	DARYL COLE	12
11	BOB CLEWES	Left Wing	Asgell Chwith	HYWEL GRIFFITHS	11
10	TOM PALMER	Outside Half	Maswr	DAVID PROTHEROE	10
9	JOHN SPALDING	Inside Half	Mewnwr	ROBERT DYER	9
1	KEITH RICHARDSON	Prop	Y Rheng Flaen	HUW MORGAN	1
2	MIKE NICHOLLS (Captain)	Hooker	Bachwr	ALAN MAGES	2
3	PHIL BLAKEWAY	Prop	Y Rheng Flaen	PHIL LLEWELYN	3
4	JIM JARRETT	Lock	Clo	BARRY CLEGG	4
- 5	PHIL WINNELL	Lock	Clo	A. N. OTHER	5
6	EDDIE PINKEY	Wing Forward	Blaenasgell	TREFOR EVANS	6
8	MIKE POTTER	No. 8	Wythwr	MERVYN DAVIES	8
7	JOHN HAINES	Wing Forward	Blaenasgell	GEOFF ATHERTON	7

Referee/Rheolwr: Mr. E. M. LEWIS, Govilon

†Denotes Internationals