



Bridgend Rugby Football Club



Brewery Field

BRIDGEND

v

GLOUCESTER

Saturday, 30th January, 1982

Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

PROGRAMME
20p



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Colours: Blue and White		Colours: Cherry and White	
15 Howell Davies	... Full Back ...	PP Paul Ford	15
14 David James	... Right Wing ...	Philip Pritchard	14
13 Paul Daniel	... Right Centre ...	Paul Taylor	13
12 Chris Williams	... Left Centre ...	Steve Parsloe	12
11 Robert James	... Left Wing ...	Richard Mogg	11
10 Gary Pearce**	... Outside Half ...	Les Jones	10
9 Gerald Williams (Capt.)**	... Inside Half ...	Steve Baker	9
1 Ian Stephens**	... Forwards ...	Malcolm Preeedy	1
2 Colin Hillman		Steve Mills (Capt.)**	2
3 Meredydd D. James	*International	Phil Blakeway**	3
4 Lyn Davies		John Orwin	4
5 Billy Howe		Steve Boyle	5
6 Gareth Jones	Referee: Mr. W. D. Bevan (Clydach, Swansea)	John Gadd	6
8 Steve Ellis		Mike Teague	8
7 Gareth Williams**		Mike Longstaff	7
Replacements:		Replacements: Bob Clewes, Adrian Turton.	

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Today's Teams and Programme Notes—W.A.D. Lawrie

This afternoon we extend a very warm welcome to one of the leading sides in England—GLOUCESTER, currently enjoying one of their best seasons for many years. Their record speaks for itself—Played 28, Won 24, Drawn 1, Lost 3. Points for 625. Against 186.

I am indebted to ANDREW WISE (Rugby Reporter of the Gloucester Journal) for his very helpful information for programme notes.

This season's captain is hooker STEVE MILLS, and almost permanent understudy to Peter Wheeler in the 1970's. This season he won two well deserved England 'caps' in Argentina.

The leading scorers to date are PAUL FORD (119 points—4 tries, 15 P.G., 29 convs); LES JONES (69—6 tries, 14 P.G., 5 convs, 1 D.G.); MIKE TEAGUE (68—17 tries) and STEVE BOYLE (48—12 tries). The longest serving player is winger BOB CLEWES, who has scored almost 300 tries for Gloucester. Otherwise the side is relatively young but strongly re-inforced by the experienced BLAKEWAY, MILLS and BOYLE.

The Club's promising young players include wing PHIL PRITCHARD, a Welsh Schools Under 19 'cap'; prop MALCOLM PREEEDY, an England squad member and at 21 one of the country's outstanding young forwards; and scrum-half STEVE BAKER, an England Under-23 'cap'.

The season's outstanding achievements include the capture of Pontypool's and London Irish's unbeaten records, and also Leicester's ground record. They have recorded 5 wins out of six against Welsh Clubs and big wins include New Brighton 58-4; Oxford University 46-6, Plymouth 58-0 and Loughborough 34-0. Already the side has scored 105 tries this season and are well on target for a record term.

The Club has a host of County players (South West team members) including prop PHIL BLAKEWAY (British Lions, Barbarians, England); STEVE MILLS; lock STEVE BOYLE—England 'B' cap and wing RICHARD MOGG—'B' cap this season.

Today's impressive line-up could include 2 England internationals; 3 England 'B' caps; 4 Under-23 Internationals; 10 County players, with two internationals—JOHN FIDLER and GORDON SARGENT not able to command regular places!

No. 8 MIKE TEAGUE, on England standby at Murrayfield recently, and a 'B' cap v. France this season has yet to win a County cap. Flanker JOHN GADD is an England 'B' cap and England triallist this season. Others in the England 'B' squad include LES JONES (outside-half); prop MALCOLM PREEEDY and lock JOHN ORWIN—a regular with the R.A.F. and Combined Services. All of which must combine to make this one of the strongest Brewery Field challenges of the season, with GLOUCESTER anxious to add to their last win here—6-0 in 1971/72.

We extend our congratulations to PHIL BLAKEWAY on his recall to the England team to meet Ireland at Twickenham one week from today.

For BRIDGEND, PAUL DANIEL reverts to his right centre position after replacing Ffrangcon Owen on the left wing in last Wednesday's game against Glamorgan Wanderers. ROBERT JAMES takes over the left wing position, making it the same, but re-adjusted back division as for the Wanderers. COLIN HILLMAN is a rota change at hooker for Geoff Davies; LYN DAVIES taking over from Roy Evans at lock and STEVE ELLIS returning in the No. 8 position for Lyn Davies.

The Club's Acting Fixture Secretary is now MR. EDDIE JONES of 21 Austin Avenue, Laleston, Nr. Bridgend. Tel: Bridgend 56399 (H); Port Talbot 883161 (Ext. 3179—Bus). He takes over from Mr. Ivor John who has recently taken up a post in Cairo.

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