

**THE WELFARE GROUND, NEWBRIDGE**

# Monmouthshire

versus

# Gloucestershire

**Monday, September 24th, 1984**

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

Congratulations to Gloucestershire on once again winning the County Championship. This evening the County Club extend a very warm welcome to Gloucestershire the county champions to the Welfare Ground, Newbridge.

We look forward to the usual hard exciting game between the counties, an ideal build up for Gloucestershire's forthcoming county championship games.

As usual Gloucestershire have selected a strong combination and will prove a difficult nut to crack. But Monmouthshire, after their recent win over Monmouth, are confident that they can topple the County Champions. I am sure we all look forward to an exciting and free scoring game tonight. Who ever wins, let's hope it is the game of Rugby.

#### **CROESO GLOUCESTERSHIRE.**

The County President and Committee would like to take this opportunity to thank the Islwyn Borough Council for the use of the ground. The Officers and Committee of Newbridge Rugby Club for their help and the use of their facilities, and not forgetting the Ladies. Last but not least to you the supporters, who can help to make this a memorable exciting evening.

Gordon Williams.

#### **Forthcoming County games:**

Monmouthshire v. Pembrokeshire, Oct. 8th. Venue to be arranged.

Monmouthshire v. Glamorganshire (1st round Counties Cup)  
Nov. 12th at Pontypool.

Monmouthshire v. Somersetshire, Feb. 14th, 1985 at Cwmbrian Stadium.

## MONMOUTHSHIRE

Colours: NAVY JERSEYS, WHITE SHORTS

15. P. LEWIS, Pontypool
14. A. PARRY, Pontypool
13. L. JONES, Pontypool
12. J. HARRIS, Newbridge
11. B. TAYLOR, Pontypool
10. M. LEWIS, Newport
9. L. DAVIES, Newbridge (Captain)
1. P. JENKINS, Pontypool
2. S. JONES, Pontypool
3. R. MORGAN, Newport
4. K. EDWARDS, Cardiff
5. S. HARRIS, Newbridge
6. P. CRANE, Abertillery
7. R. POWELL, Newport.
8. M. SHORT, Newbridge

Reps: M. Rossiter, Abertillery, D. George, Abertillery  
D. Gilson, Abertillery, M. Whitson, Newbridge.

Full Back  
Right Wing  
Right Centre  
Left Centre  
Left Wing  
Outside Half  
Inside Half  
Forwards:

Referee:

## GLOUCESTERSHIRE

Colours: WHITE JERSEYS, WHITE SHORTS

15. T. SMITH, Gloucester
14. J. CARR, Bristol
13. J. WATSON, Bristol
12. R. KNIBBS, Bristol
11. N. PRICE, Gloucester
10. R. LEWIS, Berry Hill
9. P. HOWELL, Lydney
1. A. TORKONAC, Cheltenham
2. S. ASHMEAD, Lydney
3. R. PICKETT, Berry Hill
4. N. SCRIVENS, Gloucester
5. A. BLACKMORE, Bristol
6. D. PEGLER, Wasps
7. W. HONE, Bristol
8. E. SEYMOUR, Berry Hill

Reps: T. Davies, Stroud, G. Price, Devonport Services  
B. McFarlane, Bristol, S. Everall, Cheltenham.

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## KENNETH GWILYM

President, Welsh Rugby Union

1955 now seems a long time ago, (it is a long time ago ! !). I then became a member of the County Committee and unofficial Assistant Secretary to the late W. H. Harris, this led me to make many friends in the West Country, especially Gloucestershire and Somerset, friends which I hope I still have. Gloucestershire Secretary Sid Grant, who was followed by George Wright and the many Presidents of the County, and of course their Match Secretary for many years, the late Dai Walter, a very dear friend who originally came from Aberavon, and I always suspected that one of the main reasons why the fixture was played was so that Dai could retain his links with his native land.

Games between the two counties have often produced some grand matches, with outstanding players, too numerous to mention, representing their respective counties. These games proved of great value both to County and National selectors of both England and Wales.

Unfortunately, the change in the set-up of the English County Championship, resulted in fixtures being difficult to arrange which we in Monmouthshire very much regretted, but this evening I am a very proud man to have Gloucestershire with us again, in my year as President of the Welsh Rugby Union.

This evening gives me the opportunity to say welcome Gloucestershire and to say how much I have valued their friendship for almost thirty years.

My Best Wishes for your continued success.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Gwilym.

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