

TODAY'S VISITORS . . .

WELCOME COLOURFUL GLOUCESTER

Gloucester, today's visitors to Rodney Parade, celebrated their Centenary two years before Newport did, and throughout their 118 years' history they have remained one of England's most illustrious clubs. The record books are full of the achievements of the thousands of players who have worn with pride the cherry and white jerseys. Indeed, a list of all those who have gained honours at all levels might well stretch half-way across the Severn Bridge!

On that hall of fame list are such famous personalities as Tom Voyce, Don Rutherford, David Gent, Grahame Parker, Arthur Hudson, Harold Boughton, George Hastings, A.D. ("Bumps") Carpenter, Peter Hordern, Mike Burton, John Watkins, Willie Jones, and very many others too numerous to mention.

English international Peter Hordern, of course, also played for Newport, and little Willie Jones is also well-known as a former Glamorgan cricketer renowned for his stylish batting, particularly his superb late cutting. In the 1947-8 season Jones created a Gloucester record by scoring 214 points, which included 17 dropped goals.

Grahame Parker was also a first-class cricketer of great ability, both for Cambridge University and Gloucestershire, and his top score for the county was 210. On the rugby field his outstanding feat was when he scored 15 points in his first international match for England against Ireland in 1938. He kicked a penalty goal and made six conversions.

A long-forgotten fact is that Gloucester were once suspended for a month for playing a Stroud player against Newport without having secured an official transfer, and their captain was suspended for the remaining four months of the season. This, however, happened more than ninety years ago.

And now for the present: Gloucester's reputation for powerful play was recognised by both England and Ireland managements who sent their World Cup teams to Kingsholm to be tested by flanker Ian Smith and his men a few weeks ago. England also maintained the Western club's links with international rugby by selecting Mike Teague for their World Cup squad.

There are a number of newcomers in the Gloucester line-up this season. Two of them are back row forward Sam Masters, and England Under-21 cap Richard West, who both switched from Moseley. Among others are Andrew Martin, a useful prop from Cinderford, and Jamie Rogers, the former Hereford wing.

Last season Gloucester were beaten 15-10 at Rodney Parade, but in the return match at Kingsholm they completely turned the tables on Newport and registered a convincing 20-3 victory.

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FOILED BARBARIANS . . .

Slimly-built Dennis Perrott, who had been forced to linger in the shadow of Welsh international Stuart Watkins for most of the 1964–5 season, was Newport's hero in the match with the Barbarians at Rodney Parade.

For he turned what appeared likely to be a defeat for his club into an exciting one-point victory with barely ten minutes left for play.

When England full back Don Rutherford, of Gloucester, failed to hold the ball after a high kick ahead by Gordon Britton, Perrott quicky pounced on the ball and tore over the line for the winning try before the speedy Barbarians threequarters, among whom were England international G.B. Frankom and Scottish cap Tony Hinshelwood, could cut him off.

The Barbarians, who had previously beaten Penarth (then a stronger outfit than they are today) and Cardiff and lost to Swansea, produced some sparkling threequarter movements, thanks to the skilful play of Tom Brophy, the England and Liverpool outside half, and his partner Clive Ashby of the Wasps. Yet only two of those moves produced tries. This was due to the spirited marking, particularly by Perrott, Gordon Britton and Alan Thomas.

Tony Hinshelwood put the Barbarians, who were led by England international Mike Davies of Torquay, ahead with a smart try, but before half-time Newport drew level through a penalty goal by Ray Cheney after the ball had struck an upright and rebounded over the bar.

Left wing Peter Rees scored an early second half try for Newport, but the Barbarains pushed themselves in front when Brophy went over for a try which Rutherford converted. Then came Perrott's try to make the Barbarians' tour of South Wales end on a losing but exhilarating note.

SECOND DIVISION CAPTAINS	OTHER CAPTAINS		
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