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KINGSHOLM - GLOUCESTER

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(Red and White)

- FULL BACK**
1 **R. ETHERIDGE** (c)
- THREEQUARTERS**
2 **R. CLEWES** R.W.
3 **R. JARDINE** R.C.
4 **J. BAYLISS** (c) L.C.
5 **E. STEPHENS** 4 few L.W.
- HALF BACKS**
6 **T. PALMER** (c) O.H.
7 **M. BOOTH** (c) S.H.
- FORWARDS**
8 **R. COWLING** (c)
9 **M. NICHOLLS** (c) (Capt.)
10 **M. BURTON** (c)
11 **A. BRINN** (c)
12 **N. JACKSON** (c)
13 **D. OWEN** (c)
14 **M. POTTER**
15 **R. SMITH** (c)

FIRST XV FIXTURES

Sept. 2	Clifton	H	26-3
5	Cheltenham	A	12-15
9	Pontypool	H	3-0
12	Coventry	A	6-11
16	Moseley	H	11-6
19	Bective Rangers	H	20-12
26	Bristol	A	0-18
Oct. 3	Bedford	H	11-21
7	Ebbw Vale	H	13-6
10	Harlequins	A	6-20
14	Stroud	A	17-0
19	Newport	A	15-9
24	Old Blues	H	44-9
31	Oxford Univ.	A	8-6
Nov. 4	Newbridge	H	6-6
7	Leicester	H	25-15
14	Moseley	A	9-13
21	Aberavon	H	9-3
28	Lydney	H	28-3
Dec. 5	Newbridge	A	10-3
12	Bath	A	0-0
19	Coventry	H	11-0
26	O.M.T.'s	H	50-3
28	Saracens	H	Can.

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12 **L. THOMAS** Pen. L.C.
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- FIRST XV FIXTURES**
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|--------|------------------|---|-------|
| Jan. 2 | London Scottish | H | 19-6 |
| 9 | Leicester | A | 15-17 |
| 16 | Wasps | A | 9-3 |
| 23 | Cambridge Un. | H | 20-6 |
| 30 | Bridgend | H | |
| Feb. 3 | St. Luke's Coll. | H | |
| 6 | Bristol | H | |
| 13 | Bath | H | |
| 20 | Swansea | A | |
| 27 | Aberavon | A | |
| Mar. 6 | Northampton | H | |
| 11 | R.A.F. | H | |
| 13 | Richmond | A | |
| 17 | Ebbw Vale | A | |
| 20 | Guy's Hospital | H | |
| 22 | Clifton | A | |
| 26 | Newport | H | |
| 31 | Pontypool | A | |
| Apr. 3 | Cardiff | H | |
| 8 | Lydney | A | |
| 10 | New Brighton | H | |
| 12 | Harrogate | H | |
| 17 | Sale | H | |
| 24 | Penzance | A | |
| 26 | Plymouth | A | |
| May 1 | Cheltenham | H | |

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OUR VISITORS

A particularly cordial welcome this afternoon to Bridgend, the Welsh champions, who are making their first visit to Kingsholm for five seasons ; and today's clash should be particularly intriguing, as each side have the highest respect for the other.

For the Cherry and Whites, apart from the away games with Moseley and Leicester, when they fielded weakened sides because of County calls, have not lost at home nor away since early October, and are still unbeaten by a Welsh or Monmouthshire team this season.

Equally impressive is the record of Bridgend, again sitting proudly on top of the Welsh championship with an average of 84.61, having won all but four of their 26 matches. Very much is at stake, then, for both clubs, and we look forward to an exciting struggle today.

Last season, on the evening of Friday, January 23rd, in shocking weather at the Brewery Field, the Welsh champions beat Gloucester by 16 points to nil. Bridgend were also successful on their last visit to Kingsholm, winning a closely-fought tussle by 6 points to 3 on Saturday, April 2nd, 1966. David Ainge kicked a penalty goal on that occasion for Gloucester.

KINGSHOLM KACKLE

While congratulations must go to Gloucestershire on reaching the County final for the second season in succession, they can scarcely feel very happy with their display against Northumberland in the semi-final at Gosforth last Saturday. The pack is not the powerful force it was, for there appears to be a lack of cohesion.

Incidentally, Northumberland have made tentative enquiries regarding a return "friendly" match with Gloucestershire on an evening in mid-week next month, but they have particularly asked that, if arranged, such a game should be played at Kingsholm.

The Northumberland lads are so keen to visit Kingsholm that they would be prepared to charter a plane to Gloucester for the game. It would certainly be welcomed by Kingsholm followers and a good crowd would be assured. The Gloucestershire officials, it is understood, are to consider this excellent idea.

A more definite date for supporters to enter in their diaries is Wednesday, February 24th, as on that evening, with the usual 7 p.m. kick-off, Loughborough Colleges provide the opposition at Kingsholm. This fixture was only confirmed this week.

Someone must have been so engrossed in conversation, or in the game with Cambridge University last Saturday that he forgot to look at his programme number. For whoever held programme No. 206 missed the chance of winning £5—it has not been claimed!

The current feast of rugby at Kingsholm continues with the visit of St. Luke's College next Wednesday evening, (kick-off 7 p.m.) This is followed next Saturday by the return clash with Bristol A.R.