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FROST THREATENS KINGSHOLM MATCH

There may be no play at Kingsholm tomorrow, where Gloucester United are due to meet Coventry Extras.

After inspecting the bone-hard Kingsholm pitch this morning, Gloucester RFC officials said that, unless there was an improvement in frost conditions, the game would be called off. And the forecasters anticipate the freeze to continue for the next two or three days.

Coventry RFC are not expected to make a final decision on the suitability of the Condon-rd pitch for play until shortly before the premier side is due to leave early tomorrow morning.

United, who were without a scrum-half because of Mickie Booth's absence as an England trial reserve, were hoping to call on Gary Mace to fill the bill.

Dick Smith was reported to be doubtful following a kidney-kick in the All Blacks match on Tuesday but there were no definite changes reported.

BRISTOL GAME OFF, TOO

Leicester Rugby club, who covered their Welford-rd. pitch with 16 tons of straw last week, have cancelled their match against Bristol because of frost.

An attempt was made to switch the game to Bristol but conditions are just as bad in the West Country.