

THE CITIZEN

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GLOUCESTER SURGE TO 15-3 VICTORY

PENZANCE-NEWLYN 3PTS., GLOUCESTER 15PTS.

The Gloucester team, heavy, obviously fit and fielding 11 County men, including international Peter Ford, were a difficult proposition, but the Cornishmen went through it so wholeheartedly that they forced three penalty kicks, none of them successful, in the first 15 minutes.

Strong running by the home centres and forwards, especially by wing forward J. White, prevented Gloucester from settling down, and once they were forced to touch down.

Two good attacks by the Gloucester forwards, with Ford and lock Owen at the helm caught the Cornish defence on the wrong foot.

Another good passing move by the forwards before the Cornish team could recover resulted in a scrum on the line, and a line-out in which second row forward A. Brinn grabbed the ball and dived over for a try converted by fly-half Dave Ainge.

Penzance-Newlyn came back well. Gloucester's covering was none too good at this stage, and scrum-half P. Mitchell's boot gained ground, and a penalty by him reduced Gloucester's lead.

In the opening minutes of the second half it looked as though Gloucester's weight was wearing the Cornishmen down, and a good attack which started on the halfway line and spread-eagled the Cornish defence finished with a try wide out by right winger R. Timms, converted by Ainge.

The Cornishmen came back, and forced Gloucester to touch down, but the strong running of the centres was a decisive factor in this half.

Once again they broke through and only a fine tackle by the diminutive full-back Pascoe on Ainge prevented a try.

Ford scored from a scrum on the line, Ainge converting, but the last ten minutes or so saw the Cornish team again on the attack, although unable to score.

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