



GLOUCESTER RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

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GLOUCESTER v. CHELTENHAM

KINGSHOLM, GLOUCESTER

THURSDAY, 25th SEPTEMBER, 1958.

Kick-off 6-0 p.m.

Official Programme - Price Threepence

**AT HOME
OR AWAY**

== USE ==
ENGLAND'S GLORY

**THE MATCH
FOR YOU**

GLOUCESTER

Red and White

Full Back

1 **A. Lewis**

Threequarters

2 **P. Hawker**

R.W.

3 **A. Holder (c)**

R.C.

4 **J. Hart**

L.C.

5 **R. Smith**

L.W.

Halves

6 **D. Phelps**

O.H.

7 **M. Booth (c)**

S.H.

Forwards

8 **G. Hastings (1)** *HERBERT*

9 **C. Thomas (c) (Capt.)**

10 **M. Burford**

11 **B. J. Green (c)**

12 **D. A. Jones (c)**

13 **D. Ibbotson (c)**

14 **B. Hudson**

15 **P. Ford (c)**

(1) International. (c) County.

Referee:

Mr. J. Evans (Cardiff)

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FIRST XV. FIXTURES

Sept. 13	Lydney	H	40	8	Jan. 3	London Scot.	H
18	Milan (Italy)	H	23	3	10	Leicester	H
20	Moseley	H	9	6	17	Wasps	A
25	Cheltenham	H			24	Cambridge Univ	H
27	Bristol	A			31	Army	H
Oct. 1	Pontypool	A			Feb. 5	Royal Navy	H
4	Bedford	H			7	Bristol	H
11	Old Blues	H			14	Bath	A
18	Newport	A			21	Swansea	A
25	Coventry	A			28	Pontypool	H
Nov. 1	Leicester	A			Mar. 7	Northampton	H
8	Moseley	A			14	Royal Air Force	H
15	Aberavon	H			21	Guy's Hospital	H
22	Cardiff	H			28	New Brighton	H
29	Oxford Univ.	A			30	Sale	H
Dec. 6	Neath	H			31	Lydney	A
13	Bath	H			April 4	Llanely	H
20	Coventry	H			11	Cardiff	A
26	O.M.T.	H			15	Cheltenham	A
27	U.A.U.	H			18	Newport	H
					23	Stroud	H
					25	Devonport Serv.	A
					27	Teignmouth	A
					28	Taunton	A

Result last season: Gloucester 9, Cheltenham 6.

CHELTENHAM

Full Back

1 **J. Crouch**

Threequarters

2 **J. Mullins (c)**

R.W.

3 **G. Cummings** *L. HOSKIN*

R.C.

4 **J. Taylor**

L.C.

5 **R. Bassett**

L.W.

Halves

6 **D. W. Jones (c)**

O.H.

7 **D. J. Walter**

S.H.

Forwards

8 **A. D. Townsend (c) (Capt.)**

9 **K. Taylor**

10 **J. Wood**

11 **W. G. Edwards**

12 **D. Solomon**

13 **A. Jones**

14 **J. Truss**

15 **T. Sibun**

(c) County.

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★ This evening we have as our visitors, our neighbours, Cheltenham. This game, as always, should be the usual keen one, but nevertheless enjoyable.

★ You have now had the opportunities to judge whether the new laws has speeded up the game and made it more attractive. Well, what we have seen of the play this season, there cannot be any room for argument.

It may be as well to quote the comments made by Carwyn James, the up and coming fly-half from Llanelly. He states that, in his opinion, two changes have made all the difference. First, not having to play the ball with the foot after a tackle, and secondly, the knock-on rule which allows a fumble. The first change cuts out a lot of loose mauling and keeps the game flowing; the second cuts out a number of loose scrums. Between them these two changes have so speeded up the game that there is no longer any room on the rugby field for the man who is not 100 per cent fit. Well, there you are – do you agree?

Incidentally, there are a number of copies of the major changes in the Laws of the Game still available and can be had by calling at the Secretary's Office. These are supplied free of cost.

★ Those who were fortunate enough to attend the Milan game must have left the ground well satisfied with the football displayed. It is as well to record that the party from Italy had a thoroughly good time during their stay in this City. Our thanks are due to His Worship the Mayor, City High Sheriff and Officials of the City for the hospitality extended by them on this notable occasion.

★ At the Annual Meeting of the Club, a suggestion was made that a Supporters Club should be formed, and if there is the enthusiasm for this then it is important that our supporters should get a move on and get the Club started. It will be appreciated that this is essential. The Gloucester Rugby Football Club will give encouragement to those wishing to form a Club, and they should send their names and addresses to the General Secretary, 41 Tuffley Avenue, Gloucester.

★ Another victory – this time against Moseley, brings our total to thirteen consecutive games without defeat. Now we face our hardest task against Bristol next Saturday. There is no question that they are a very tough side, strong in all departments and have already scored 150 points in six matches. Truly an extraordinary record! Nevertheless, our team are quietly confident. It is anticipated that Gloucester on this occasion will have a following of their own supporters who should witness a rugby classic.

On the same day we have a visit from Bristol United at Kingsholm and we would urge all those who do not go to Bristol to give the "up and comings" their fullest support. The kick-off is at 3-15 p.m.

★ On Monday next the United side try conclusions with the North Gloucester Combinaton. This is usually an interesting game as the locals try their hardest to beat the second string of Gloucester. Kick-off in this game will be 5-45 p.m.

★ The last mid-week game will be at Pontypool on Wednesday, October 1st. Kick-off at 5-30 p.m.

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