

THE CITIZEN

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GLO'STER DID NOT GIVE PIRATES A CHANCE TO CELEBRATE !

Before the match between Penzance-Newlyn and Gloucester at Penzance, the home side's new stand was formally opened by John Kendal-Carpenter, the Cornwall and England forward.

But the home side were unable to mark the occasion with a victory in their last home match of the season.

Gloucester, superior behind the scrum, left the Pirates nothing to celebrate and deservedly won 14 pts. to 3.

There was little in it between the packs, though Gloucester had the best back row in Ford, Hodge and Ibbotson.

Although the Pirates had their share of the ball from the set scrums, their backs moved across field instead of making ground as did the visitors.

SUTTON KEPT THEM ON THE MOVE

Sutton, at outside half, kept his threequarters on the move.

He was well supported by his centres Taylor and Hudson, with Halls and Turner dangerous wingers.

Gloucester's weakness was in forward passes at the critical moment and this lost two or three further scores in the second half.

They were also fortunate that the home place kicker was right off form and only one of six penalties in possible positions was converted.

IBBOTSON CROSSES FOR A SPARKLING TRY

Gloucester quickly took the lead through FORD, who followed up a loose ball for an unconverted try and soon after HUDSON landed a penalty goal.

This was followed by a sparkling try by IBBOTSON who exploited the weak tackling of the home defence. Halls converted.

Mitchell replied with a penalty goal for the Pirates.

[The] only score in the second half was a brilliant try by TAYLOR after he and Sutton had broken through from the halfway line. Hall's kick was charged down.