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SOUTH AFRICA TOUR

Cape Town
August 3-17
1994

TO THE TOUR PARTY

As President of the GLOUCESTER RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB I would like to take this opportunity of wishing the Club a happy and successful tour to SOUTH AFRICA.

The aim of the tour is to prepare for the very difficult League Matches early in the Season.

The Committee join with me in wishing you all a successful time both on and off the field, and a safe return to GLOUCESTER

MERVYN H. HUGHES President

June 1994

TO THE TOUR PARTY

This is a very important Tour for you - the **1ST XV TEAM**, in readiness for the start of the season with 9 League Games ahead of you.

Work Hard, Play Hard, but remember at all times you are an Ambassador for this Club and English Rugby.

Wishing you all the very best for an injury free and successful Tour.

ALAN BRINN Chairman

PRE-SEASON TOURS: - SOUTH AFRICA 1994

The traditional Rugby Tour, usually at Easter or the end of a season, where the number of points consumed was more significant than the result of matches has long gone. In its place is a Tour which becomes an integral part of the pre-season training programmes; an opportunity to assess fitness levels, to try new moves or styles of play and to welcome new players into the Club.

Over the past few seasons GLOUCESTER have travelled to DIOK in HOLLAND and TREVISO in ITALY to prepare for the coming League Seasons. Although the emphasis is rather more serious nowadays there is nevertheless the thrill of playing Rugby overseas, of visiting a new country and meeting new people. The GLOUCESTER CLUB has been looking forward to their visit to CAPE TOWN for several months now, to visiting a proud Rugby Nation, seeing the sights and meeting the people.

Our thanks go out to the host Clubs: **HAMILTON**, **MINERTON**, **BELVILLE** and **STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY**, we look forward to our games and in sharing your hospitality. Perhaps one day we shall get the opportunity to return your kindnesses in **ENGLAND**.

Thanks also to the RITZ PROTEA HOTEL for looking after our "home" comforts during our stay.

BARRIE CORLESS Director of Rugby

TOUR ITINERARY

MONDAY 1ST AUGUST

TRAINING KITTING OUT FINAL BRIEFING

WEDNESDAY 3RD AUGUST

14.45hrs Assemble KINGSHOLM

15.00hrs Coach departs for HEATHROW

19.30hrs Flight SA 235 Departs for

JOAHANNESBURG

DUTY BOYS: TIM SMITH, BEN MASLEN, PETE JONES, PETE BELL

THURSDAY 4TH AUGUST

07.20hrs Arrive JOHANNESBURG

09.50hrs Flight SA 251 Departs for CAPE TOWN

11.16hrs Arrive CAPE TOWN

TRANSFER TO RITZ PROTEA HOTEL - MAIN ROAD SEA POINT 8001

TELEPHONE NO. 010 27 21 439 6010

15.00 hrs Light Training -HAMILTONS RFC

DUTY BOYS: TONY WINDO, JOHN HAWKER, LEE OSBORNE DON CASKIE

FRIDAY 5TH AUGUST

09.00hrs Training - HAMILTONS RFC

11.00hrs Brunch Breakfast

PM Sight Seeing at Leisure 19.00hrs Team Meeting - Hotel

20.00hrs Team Dinner

DUTY BOYS: MARK MAPLETOFT, DAVE SIMS

SATURDAY 6TH AUGUST

09.00hrs Training - HAMILTON RFC

11.00hrs Brunch Breakfast

15.00hrs HAMILTONS RFC V GLOUCESTER RFC

EVENING AT HAMITLONS RFC

DUTY BOYS: PETE GLANVILLE, BRUCE FENLEY, PAUL ASHMEAD

SUNDAY 7TH AUGUST

09.00hrs

Optional individual skills work, touch rugby

11.00hrs

Brunch Breakfast

PM OUT

TABLE MOUNTAIN

DUTY BOYS: ANDY DEACON, LAURIE BECK

MONDAY 8TH AUGUST

09.00hrs

Training - HAMILTONS RFC

11.00hrs

Brunch Breakfast

PM

Visit CAPE TOWN

DUTY BOYS: PAUL HOLFORD, SIMON DEVEREUX

TUESDAY 9TH AUGUST

09.00hrs

Training - HAMILTONS RFC

11.00hrs

Brunch Breakfast

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REST OF DAY AT LEISURE

Eve:

MILNERTON V GLOUCESTER

DUTY BOYS: DAVE KEARSEY, GREG KEYSE

WEDNESDAY 10TH AUGUST

09.00hrs

Training - HAMILTONS RFC

11.00hrs

Brunch Breakfast

DAY AT LEISURE

DUTY BOYS: RICHARD WEST, SIMON CATTERMOLE

THURSDAY 11TH AUGUST

09.00hrs

Training - HAMILTONS RFC

11.00hrs

Brunch Breakfast

POSSIBLE GOLF & FISHING

DUTY BOYS: MARTIN ROBERTS, MARK NICHOLLS

FRIDAY 12TH AUGUST

09.00hrs

Training - HAMILTONS RFC

11.00hrs

Brunch Breakfast DAY AT LEISURE

Eve:

BELVILLE V GLOUCESTER

DUTY BOYS: DON CASKIE, SIMON MORRIS

SATURDAY 13TH AUGUST

09.00hrs

Training - HAMILTONS RFC

11.00hrs

Brunch Breakfast

15.00hrs

WESTERN PROVINCE V ORANGE FREE

STATE AT NEWLANDS

DUTY BOYS: TIM SMITH, PETE BELL

SUNDAY 14TH AUGUST

ALL DAY TRIP TO BE ARRANGED

DUTY BOYS: PETE JONES, BEN MASLEN

MONDAY 15TH AUGUST

09.00hrs

Training - HAMILTONS RFC

11.00hrs

Brunch Breakfast

PM

AT LEISURE - FINAL SHOPPING ETC.

19.00hrs

TEAM MEETING - HOTEL

20.00hrs TEAM DINNER

DUTY BOYS: TONY WINDO, LEE OSBORNE

TUESDAY 16TH AUGUST

09.00hrs

Training - HAMILTONS RFC

11.00hrs

Brunch Breakfast

Eve:

STELLENBOSCH UNIVERSITY

V GLOUCESTER RFC

DUTY BOYS: LAURIE BECK, GREG KEYSE

WEDNESDAY 17TH AUGUST

09.00hrs Breakfas

Morning: AT LEISURE - CLEAR ROOMS ETC

17.00hrs Coach departs for AIRPORT

17.40hrs Check In

19.40hrs Flight SA 236 Departs for HEATHROW

DUTY BOYS: MARK MAPLETOFT, DAVE SIMS, PETE JONES, BRUCE FENLEY

THURSDAY 18TH AUGUST

06.30hrs Flight SA 236 Arrives LONDON HEATHROW

07.30hrs Coach Departs for **KINGSHOLM**10.00hrs Coach Arrives **KINGSHOLM**

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NB. The detailed Social Programme and Timings subject to change

DUTY PLAYERS RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1. Arrange for Transfer of ALL baggage on travelling days
- 2. Arrange for Rugby Balls etc are transported to and from training
- 3. Arrange for Distribution / Collection of kit on match days
- 4. Arrange for washing of kit on AUGUST 7TH, 10TH, 13TH
- 5. Ensure all party arrives at venues on time and in correct dress code
- 6. Deal with any other problems as they arise on a day to day basis

DRESS CODE

TRAVELLING: Club Leisure Suits, Polo Suits / Club Sweater

& Slacks.

MATCH DAYS: To Game: Shell / Training Suits

After Match: No. 1's

OTHER OCCASIONS: As advised on the Day

SOUTH AFRICA TOUR

TOUR PARTY

PETER FORD BARRIE CORLESS VIV WOOLEY ERIC STEPHENS CHRIS STEPHENSON ERIC VICK

TOUR MANAGER DIRECTOR OF RUGBY COACH TEAM SECRETARY PHYSIOTHERAPIST SUPPORT / SPONSOR

ANDY DEACON PAUL ASHMEAD LAURIE BECK PETER BELL DON CASKIE SIMON CATTERMOLE SIMON DEVEREUX

BRUCE FENLEY

PETER GLANVILLE JOHN HAWKER PAUL HOLFORD

PETER JONES DAVE KEARSEY

GREG KEYSE MARK MAPLETOFT

BEN MASLEN SIMON MORRIS

MARK NICHOLLS

LEE OSBORNE

MARTIN ROBERTS DAVE SIMS

TIM SMITH

ANDREW STANLEY

RICHARD WEST

TONY WINDO

CAPTAIN / TIGHT HEAD PROP

FLANKER SCRUM HALF LOCK / NO 8 CENTRE

OUTSIDE HALF

LOCK / BLIND SIDE FLANKER

SCRUM HALF

BLIND SIDE FLANKER

HOOKER WINGER PROP

BACK ROW FORWARD BACK ROW FORWARD

FULL BACK CENTRE

CENTRE / WING

NO. 8

OUTSIDE HALF FULL BACK

LOCK

FULL BACK

OPEN SIDE FLANKER

LOCK

LOOSE HEAD PROP

TOUR PROFILES

FORD: Peter John - Tour Manager:

Has been involved as player and administrator with Gloucester for over 40 years. Played over 500 games for the Club as a Flanker and won 4 England caps, a Barbarian.

Married with two children Paul and Mark, Peter is a semi-retired Fruit and Vegetables Merchant, which allows him to spend even more time on Rugby business. A very generous keeper of the Tour kitty.

CORLESS: Barrie James - Director of Rugby:

Joined Gloucester from Northampton in July 1993 as the Clubs first Director of Rugby. Played for Coventry and Moseley, won 10 England caps as a centre, a Barbarian.

Married to Dianne with two daughters Louise and Emma. Has previously toured U.S.A. Bahamas, Canada, France, New Zealand and Japan. Hobbies - squash, golf and gardening.

WOOLEY: Viv - Coach:

A Former Gloucester Player, this is Viv's first season in charge at Gloucester after four very successfuly years at Gloucester Old Boys. Viv represented England U23's (many years ago) and works in a Managerial capacity with a local company.

Married to Tina with four children, Luke, Tessa, Jo-dee and Charley. Toured U.S.A., France, Canada and Belgium. Other interest includes farming, shooting and his children.

STEPHEN: Eric - Team Secretary:

A former Club Winger/Full back with an awesome reputation as a goal kicker. Probably the slowest winger of his era. A Company Director and touch judge (one of the slowest around).

Married to Pat with three children, Erica, Phillip and John. Represented Gloucestershire and the Westen Counties. Previously toured U.S.A. Canada and Ireland. Interest includes cricket - captains Gloucestershire over 50's. Has a habit of bringing the selection committee to its knees with his comments.

STEPHENSON: Chris - Physiotherapist:

A failed hooker Chris, a qualified teacher now does his best with the help of wife Jane to keep the Gloucester team fit and healthy - doesn't often suceed - This is his first Rugby tour so doesn't know whats in store. A keen golfer (12 Handicap) and cook.

VICK: Eric - Supporter and Sponsor:

Director of an International Haulage Company, Eric has no Rugby playing honours, which he is prepared to divulge, although a keen tourist having previously accompanied Gloucester to America obviously a glutton for punishment. Keen supporter of Gloucestershire Cricket and has represented the Lords Taverners.

Married to Ann with three children Lesley, Robert and Katie.

DEACON: Andrew - Tight Head prop: Ht 6'2": Wt 16.0: Age 28

Occupation Drayman: Elected Club Captain for the 1994-5 season, this is Andy's first opportunity to impose his thoughtful analytical Rugby brain on the team. Has made 70 first team appearances and represented England Emerging Players against Canada when he unfortunately dislocated his shoulder whilst having a stormer (so he says). A popular choice as captain, Andy's forthright style of play will set the team a good example, Married to Karen with 2 children Emily and Oliver.

ASHMEAD: Paul - Flanker: Ht:6'0": Wt 14'5: Age 28

A refrigeration/calibration Engineer. Paul has made 133 first team appearances and scored 47 tries, playing in all three back row positions, but not at the same time. Has represented the South West Division. Married to Glenda with two sons, Thomas and William. Paul has previously toured U.S.A. Italy, Holland and Portugal. An extremely accomplished footballer.

BECK: Laurie - Scrum Half: Ht 5'10, Wt 12.7 Age 23

Occupation - Warehouseman. Laurie had his last season disrupted a broken leg (wimp) but managed a highly promising come back in 7's v London Scottish! A scrum half with a quick service Laurie has represented England at U21 level. Has previously toured USA and Canada. Says he is a fitness fanatic and comedian. 33 1st XV appearances scoring 8 tries.

BELL: Pete - Lock / No.8: HT 6'7 WT 17.7 Age23

Occupation Student about to embak on a teaching career at Monmouth School. Just completed his first season with the Club making 8 1st XV appearances, scoring two tries. Peter has represented England Colts and Welsh Universities, and has previously toured the South of France with Llanelli, other interests include sailing.

CASKIE: Don - Centre: Ht 5.7" Wt 13 Age 27

Occupation Direct Sales Manager with a finance company. Don has been a regular 1st XV choice since joining the Club from London Scottish making 133 appearances scoring 23 tries. He has represented Scotland (for some reason) at Student, U21, 'A' and 'B'; levels, a much travelled tourist. Don has visited Australia, USA, Kenya, Argentina and Italy to name a few tours. Has a nasty habit of making spectacular exits from the field when on Rugby special.

ROBERTS: Martin - Full Back: Ht 6.3" Wt 15.0 Age 26

Martin is a late replacement for DAMIAN CUMMINS

DEVEREUX: Simon - Lock / blindside flanker: Ht 6.3" Wt 16.6 Age 26

Works for Lucas as a production engineer. Simon has represented the South West Division Colts and U21 and Gloucestershire. Simon had his best season at the Club last year making 25 of his 46 appearances, he has also scored 6 tries. Previously toured Portugal, Holland, Cyprus USA and Italy. A good all rounder Simon hobbies are listed as Fishing, eating and drinking (which he does in large amounts).

FENLEY: Bruce Patrick - Scrum half: Ht 5.8" Wt 12. Age 26

Bruce joined the Club from Moseley last season and quickly established himself in the 1st XV making 26 appearances scoring 5 tries. A commercial chartered surveyor Bruce is engaged to Donna. An illustrious reprentative career saw Bruce play for England at U16, U18, as captain and U21 levels, unfortunately his reprentative finished when he stopped growing. Previously toured Holland, Eire, Germany. A keen sun bather who loves off shore power boating, grouse shooting and Polo, he also is in a permanent dream.

GLANVILLE: Peter - Flanker: Ht 6.3" Wt 16.3 Age 23.

A Sales Manager, married to Jo. Pete made the 1st XV No.6 jersey his own with some storming performances on and off the field, having overcome some early season injuries. He has now made 44 1st XV appearances scoring 7 tries. Peter has represented both Gloucestershire and the South West at U21 level, further honours at Senior level cannot be too far away. Previous tours include Ireland, Holland and USA. Hobbies include buying Mark Nicholl's beer.

HOLFORD: Paul - Winger - Ht 6.0" Wt 13. Age 24

Occupation Builder and sun worshipper. Paul has now developed into a wing threequarter of the highest calibre a fact noticed by the England selectors. He has made 42 1st appearances (25 last season) scoring a total of 13 tries. Paul represented the South West in the Divisional championships scoring the winning try at Twickenham v London, also represented the Division v New Zealand and gained England Emerging Players selection v New Zealand, Spain and Canada. He has previously toured Yugoslavia, Italy and Ireland. Paul's interests all lie in the sporting field.

HAWKER: John David - Hooker: Ht 5.10" Wt 13.10 Age 31

Occupation - Computer programmer. Married to Rachel with 2 sons Benjamin and Oliver. John had his season prematurely ended by a broken leg but has now fully recovered. He has made 96 1st XV appearances scoring 14 tries. A hooker with very good all round skills John has represented the South West Division and only another injury prevented him from making an England 'A' tour. He has however toured USA, Italy, Holland, Lists his hobbies as gymnastics, juggling and training but we don't believe him.

KEARSEY: David - Hooker: Ht 5.11" Wt 14. Age 27

Occupation - Firefighter. Dave had the early part of last season ruined by injury but recovered in time to deputise for John Hawker later in the year making 13 appearances and scoring 2 tries, is now nearing 50 1st XV appearances. He has represented Gloucestershire and South West Division, U21 and has toured USA, Holland, Italy, Canada and France. Dave has the most frightening taste in music which he lists as one of his hobbies together with fishing, keeping fit and watersports.

KEYSE: Greg - No. 8 / Flanker: Ht 6.4" Wt 16. Age 24.

Occupation - Heating Engineer. Married to Maria. Greg rejoined the Club last season and showed glimpses of his real potential. He has made 8 1st XV appearances scoring 6 tries. Greg has represented Gloucester shire at both Colts and U21 level. Previously toured Portugal with Gloucester and is interested in fly fishing and shooting.

MAPLETOFT: Mark - Full Back: Ht 5.7" Wt 13. Age 22

A student just graduated from Loughborough University. Mark joins us from Rugby where he has played for 4 seasons. He has represented England U18 and U21 and was in the England 7's squad prior to the World Cup 7's, also played for the Midland Division. Toured Australia with England U21 also USA, France, Dubai. Also a keen golfer.

MASLEN: Benjamin G. - Centre: Ht 5.11" Wt 13.12. Age 22

A student just graduated from Bristol University. Ben joined the club full time after Christmas and quickly established himself in the 1st XV making 6 appearances and scoring 1 try before breaking a bone in the hand v London Irish to bring his season to a premature end. Ben has represented Gloucestershire at U18 and U21 level and has played for English Universities. Previous tours include Canada, Bermuda USA. Interests include all sports.

MORRIS: Simon - Centre / Wing: Ht 6.0" Wt 13. Age 25

Occupation Police Officer. A speedy and elusive winger Simon has made 83 1st XV appearances scoring 36 tries. A former England Colt he has also represented South West Division and the British Police. Tours include South Africa, Italy, USA, Singapore, Romania and Holland. Simon diplomatically names South Africa as his favourite country visited, so he should have a good tour. Keen on golf, mountain biking, music and eating.

NICHOLLS: Mark - No.8 / Flanker: Ht 6.5" Wt 16.7 Age 23

Occupation - Legal Representative. Mark established himself as a useful No.8 during the second half of the season. He has now made 18 appearances scoring 1 try. Mark has represented the South West Division at Colts, and U21 levels. An extensive tourist with visits to Belgium, Holland, Malta, USA, France and Ireland. Mark has had a spell in South Africa and in fact played for Hamiltons, one of the tour opponents.

OSBORNE: Lee - Outside half: Ht 5.11" Wt 12. Age 24

Occupation - Planner Analyst with Rank Xerox. A new recruit to the side from local club Berry Hill, Lee finished in the top twenty points scorers nationally and should be an asset to the club. Lee has represented Gloucestershire at senior level and the South West Division U21's. He has previously toured Ireland and Belguim and is a keen Manchester United supporter

SIMS: David - Lock: Ht 6.7" Wt 17.10 Age 24

Married to Jill. Occupation Tyre sales. Now firmly established as the clubs senior lock forward Dave has thrived on the extra responsibility he has been given. He has now made 117 first XV appearances scoring 11 tries. Dave has also represented the South West Division. He is looking forward to visiting Table Mountain so his head can be permanently in the clouds.

STANLEY: Andrew - Open side Flanker: Ht 6.0" Wt 13.12. Age 31

Occupation - College lecturer. Married to Sue. 'Stan' has been a popular and successful captain of the United for the past three seasons, losing only a handful of games during that time. Now nearing 100 1st XV games for the Club a notable achievement considering he is in direct competition with the 1st team captain of the last three years - Ian Smith. Representative Rugby has included Gloucestershire and South West Division at Colts level. Previous tours to USA, Australia, Holland, Ireland. Hobbies include marking at darts and shove ha'penny for Tony Windo and 'Deaks'.

WEST: Richard - Lock: Ht 6'9" Wt 20.st. Age 23

Occupation - Student. Richard has now completed his first full season as lock partner to either Dave Sims or Simon Devereux making 54 1st XV appearances scoring one try. He has represented the Midlands and South West Division and England U21 and Emerging Players v New Zealand represented the Barbarians. Tours include New Zealand, USA Zimbabwe and Italy, lists New Zealand as the favourite country visited. Hobbies include Architecture and Old Buildings but not jumping in the line out. (Just a joke Westie')

WINDO: Tony - Loosehead Prop: Ht 6.0" Wt 16.7. Age 25

Occupation - Warehouse supervisor. Married to Cheryl with a son Sam. Tony is developing into a very useful prop forward with over 70 1st XV appearances scoring 20 tries. He has a habit of matching his co-prop in the try stakes, is also a prolific seller of dummies. He has represented the South West Division 'B' XV and England at U21 level. Previous tours to France, Holland, USA, Italy and Portugal. A keen trainer (so he says!) also interested in golf and goal kicking.

CATTERMOLE: Simon - outside half: Ht 5'9" Wt 13.12. Age 22

Occupation - Student. Simon joined the club at the end of the 1993-4 season making his 1st XV debut against Clifton. Currently studying for a P.G.C.E. course at Exeter University. Simon made a good impression when playing for the university against Gloucester and losing by 79pts to 5.

JONES: Peter Martin - Prop forward: Ht 5'10" Wt 15.12 Age 30

Occupation -Water Authority Engineer. Married to Sarah with 1 daughter. Peter is one of the old men' in the side having reached the ripe old age of 30. He has made 166 1st XV appearances and scored 5 tries, all of them from a vast distance, involving sidesteps and dummies. A strong scrummaging prop forward Peter gained one cap for Scotland against Wales in 1992. He toured the Far East with Scotland in 1992-93 season.

SMITH: Tim - Full back - Ht 6.0" Wt 13.7 Age 32

Married to Imelda with a new baby daughter Harriet. Occupation - Scaffolder. A full back with scorching pace(once) superb under the high ball and a tackle that defies description. Tim is the best rugby talker in the club. Just qualified as an RFU intermediate coach. Much toured including Holland, USA, Portugal, Australia. Keen 7's exponent who enjoys all sport except soccer.

NOT SO MUCH A RUGBY CLUB, MORE A WAY OF LIFE

Gloucester is an ancient City of some 100,000 souls, not far from the Welsh border, famous for three things. It has one of the most beautiful Cathedrals in Europe, a wonderfully restored Victorian Docks complex - and Gloucester RFC. Indeed, from September until May each year, a good proportion of that 100,000 people seem to eat, sleep and breathe Rugby.

It's been the same for over 120 years, ever since an exiled Londonder, one Fred Hartley, arrived in Gloucester and immediately founded the Rugby Club Within a few years the club had supplied its first International players, and in 1891 moved to the Kingsholm Ground, now famous from Edinburgh to Brisbane as one of world's great Club grounds. Just five weeks after the ground opened it staged its first representative match - Western Counties v The Midlands - and hosted an International match between England and Wales as early as 1900.

Against that background, it isn't really surprising that Gloucester RFC has, on occasion made a significant impact on the game itself. Tommy Voyce, who played for England and the British Lions in South Africa in the 1920's, actually invented wing forward play. The late, and much-missed Danie Craven once wrote of him as 'the blond destroyer with a smile', and stated that he would be one of the first names he would write down when picking his all-time great World XV. 'Dai' Gent of Gloucester, at around the turn of the Century, was the man who separated the two half backs into distinct disciplines.

More recently, Gloucester players who have toured South Africa, with their country or the British Lions, include the great prop forward, Mike Burton, flanker John Watkins and outside half Tom Palmer. Among players still active are 'Iron Man' Mike Teague and Scottish International back row man, Ian Smith.

Back at Kingsholm, South African sides have always received a traditional Gloucester warm welcome - on and off the field. A couple of years ago, Gloucester beat a strong Transvaal side, and were the only English or Welsh side to do so on that tour. Had a few kicks not gone astray, Gloucester would have been just as inhospitable to the South African Barbarians just twelve months later.

Gloucester is a proud club, and one to be reckoned with. Don't let anyone tell you that the home of English Rugby is at Twickenham or anywhere else. It's at Kinghsolm, under the shadow of Gloucester Cathedral. If you're ever in the English West Country, drop in and see for yourself.

PETER ARNOLD