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PREMIERSHIP RUGBY 7s SERIES Pre-season 2014
vs. Yorkshire Carnegie: 16th August 2014, kick-off at 3pm
vs. Munster Rugby: 23rd August 2014, kick-off at 3pm

Inside this season's pre-season programme we have all you need to know about our Premiership Rugby 7s and pre-season friendly opponents, we catch up with new Director of Rugby David Humphreys, take a look at how Gloucester's international players fared during their nations summer tours, get you up to speed with the Aviva Premiership ins and outs and an exclusive feature on England's victory in the Junior World Cup

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The image shows three Gloucester Rugby players standing on a grass field. They are wearing red and white striped jerseys with 'ADEY MagnaClean' and 'HARTBURY' logos. The player in the center is smiling, while the others are serious. The background is a blue sky with white clouds. The magazine cover includes the Gloucester Rugby crest, the club name, sponsor information, match details for the 2014 pre-season, a preview of the season's content, and social media handles.



THE FIRST PIECE OF AVAILABLE SILVERWARE FOR 2013 WAS FIRMLY PLACED IN THE KINGSHOLM TROPHY CABINET AFTER AN IMPRESSIVE WEEK OF 7S SECURED THE JP MORGAN PREMIERSHIP RUGBY 7S FOR THE CHERRY AND WHITES.

KICKING off the tournament pool stages on a sparkling evening of Sevens in the blistering sunshine, BT Sport went live on their opening night of broadcast at Kingsholm.

It was a West Country derby that kicked off the proceedings at a sun-drenched Kingsholm, with the Cherry and Whites overcoming Bath with a powerful second-half blitz.

Steph Reynolds announced himself as the star of the tournament with crucial scores against Bath despite the hosts trailing 12-10 to tries from Chris Cook and Anthony Watson, with Gareth Evans and Reynolds crossing for the home side.

Welshman Rhodri McAtee used



GLOUCESTER AND WORCESTER DAZZLE IN THE KINGSHOLM SUNSHINE

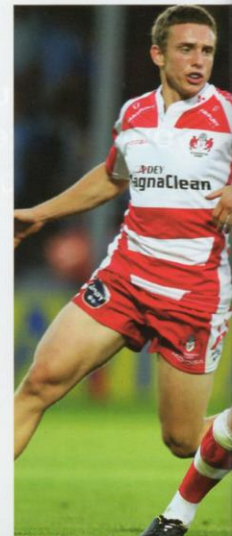


his experience to dance through the tackles and earn the lead, with Billy Burns' opportune score shortly afterwards giving Gloucester a good lead, which a Tuvita Tamatawale score quickly countered.

But it was Reynolds who secured the win, scorching past England wing Watson for a length of the field score.

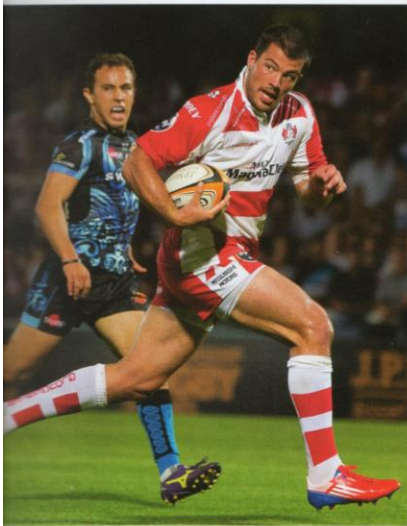
The stars of the evening however were Worcester Warriors, the young side from Sixways showing great Sevens' skills to top the pool on the evening with three wins out of three including a 31-19 victory over the hosts.

Three early tries courtesy of



a James Stephenson brace and Max Stelling left the hosts with it all to do. Stelling went over again shortly after the turnaround, all but securing the win.

Gloucester rallied through Billy Burns and Martyn Thomas tries, but Tom Chapman dashed hopes of a



comeback despite a Drew Cheshire score on the final whistle.

Worcester overcame Bath and Exeter Chiefs on the evening to put the Sixways' men into the finals as Pool winners, so it was all down to the final game of the evening between Gloucester Rugby and the

men responded with a trio of their own from Sam Blanchet, Stuart Townsend and Ben Vellacott.

But Gareth Evans scored a blockbuster of a try to race the length and book the Cherry and Whites' ticket in the showpiece final at The Rec.

GAME 1



Bath Rugby 7s - 19
Gloucester Rugby 7s - 29

GAME 4



Gloucester Rugby 7s - 19
Worcester Warriors 7s - 31

GAME 6



Exeter Chiefs 7s - 19
Gloucester Rugby 7s - 28

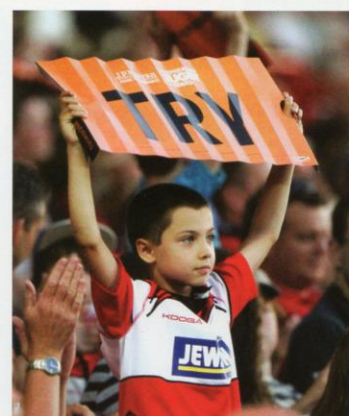


Chiefs to see who would join them at The Rec.

The Kingsholm crowd, as they so often do, rallied in the summer sunshine to get behind the boys, so much so in fact that the Stowford Press ran out!

The atmosphere was electric and the Cherry and Whites earned qualification for the JP Morgan Premiership 7s final after a 28-19 victory over the Chiefs.

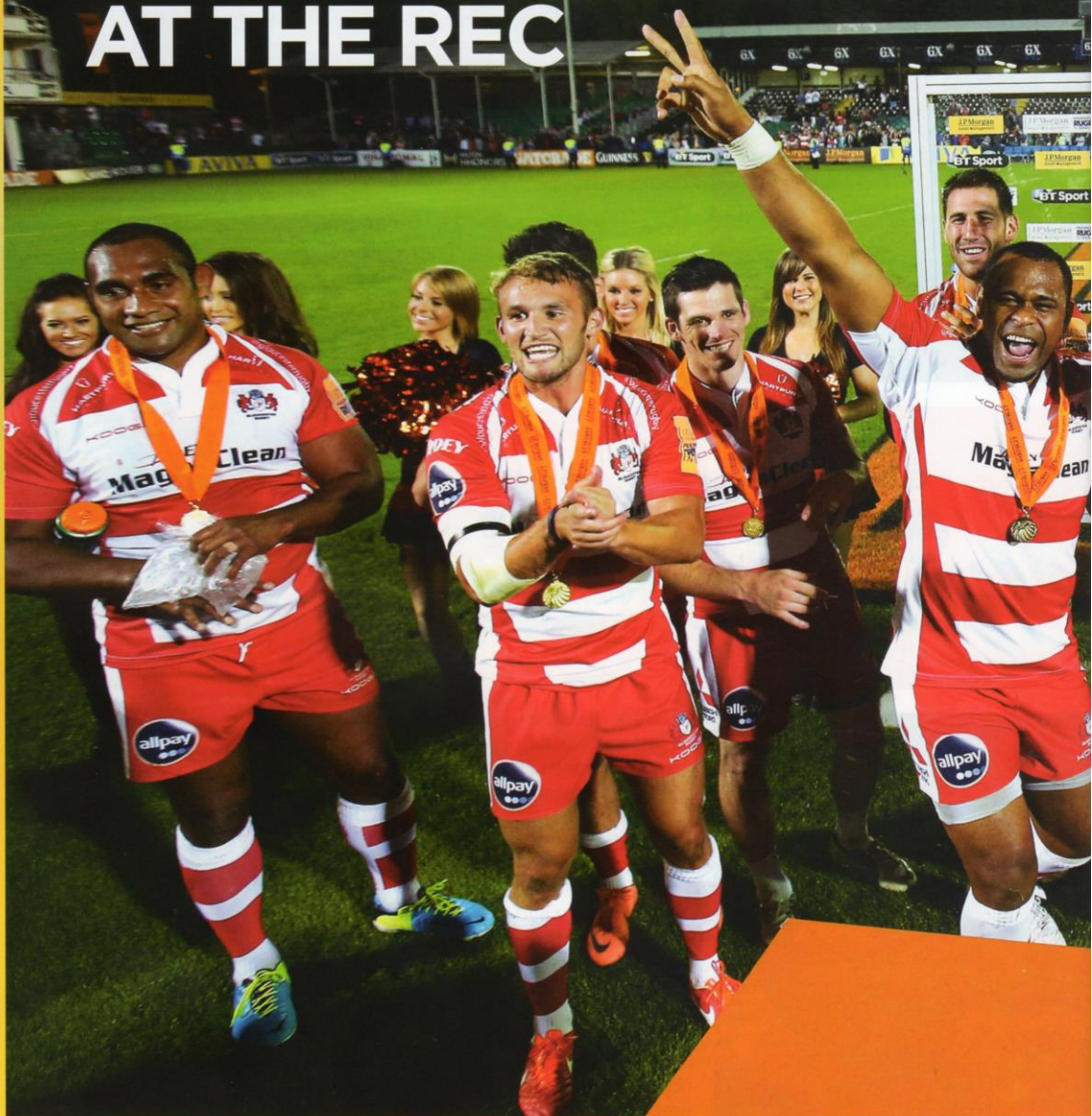
Steph Reynolds' jet heels saw him race in for a brace, and Gareth Evans touched down to give the hosts a three try lead. But the nerves were set jangling as the Sandy Park



PREM 7s THE FINAL
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PREMIERSHIP RUGBY SEVENS

TITLE SECURED AT THE REC



DID YOU KNOW? | WING STEPH REYNOLDS ALSO SCORED 19 TRIES FOR HARTPURY DURING THE 2013/14 SEASON

TO START THE SEASON OFF WITH SILVERWARE WOULD BE PERFECT FOR THE CHERRY AND WHITES, AND THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT THE MEN FROM KINGSHOLM DID AS THEY SECURED THEIR FIRST PREMIERSHIP RUGBY SEVENS SERIES TITLE ON AN EXCITING EVENING AT THE REC.



QUALIFYING second from their pool the previous week, the

Cherry and Whites would have to do it the hard way and overcome Newcastle Falcons and Saracens in their final pool.

A composed and professional display against Newcastle in the opening game in the summer sunshine by the Cherry and Whites saw them run in 3 converted tries to keep their opponents from the North East at arms' length throughout.

Steph Reynolds side stepped his way over and then Gareth Evans weaved his way to the line before Andrew Bulumakau, a bright talent plying his trade at Drybrook RFC, showed a great step to beat a pair of tackles and stroll home.

It was a clinical start to the evening by Olly Morgan's men and the second pool clash with Saracens started in similar vein.

Martyn Thomas opened the scoring and then Reynolds ran in from distance either side of a Ben Ransom score for the Londoners.

Ransom added a converted try as Saracens' led by two points with time running out, but with the clock in overtime, Bulumakau earned a turnover and the ball was fed to Akapusi Qera.

The Fijian took three tacklers with him as he timed his release to perfection to set Bulumakau away down the touchline for the match winning score in the game's final play.

A quick turnaround for the final then saw Leicester Tigers as the opponents for the Cherry and Whites and, despite the back-to-back games, Gloucester flew into a healthy lead.

Star of the evening Reynolds blitzed home for a pair of scores and then Rhodri McAtee dotted down.

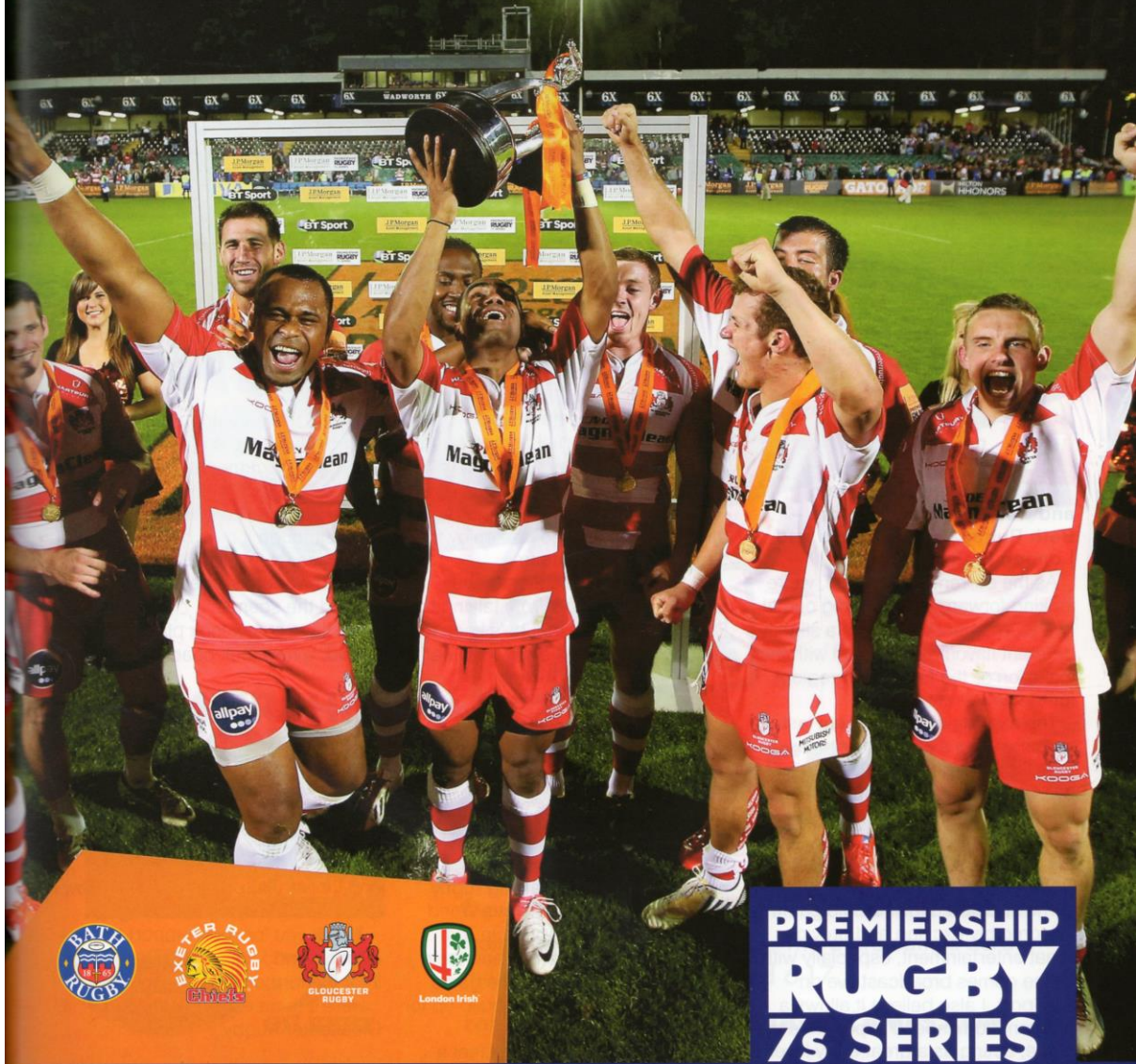
With tired legs across both sides, the Tigers flew back into the game with two tries of their own to set up a thrilling finale.

As it looked as if the Cherry and Whites would concede a big lead in the final two years in a row, Nevaro Codlin got on the end of a Drew Cheshire burst to score the crucial try for Gloucester and secure the silverware with a 24-17 win.

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GOOD EVENING AND A VERY WARM WELCOME TO KINGSHOLM FOR THIS ROUND OF THE PREMIERSHIP RUGBY 7S.

W E'RE absolutely delighted to be hosting one of the group stages once again and welcoming our visitors – Bath Rugby, Exeter Chiefs and London Irish.

As the current title holders, we're looking forward to defending our title in a tournament which has a slightly different flavour this season with the inclusion of the four Welsh regions for the very first time.

The exploits of our 7s team last summer were a real highlight, as they firstly qualified for the Finals evening at Bath, then lifted the trophy in a thriller of a final against Leicester before representing the club at the World Club 7s at Twickenham.

The shortened form of the game is incredibly exciting and provides great entertainment, especially with all the games broadcast live on BT Sport. I also believe it allows a different audience to experience the game, acting as a great entry level to those that haven't been brought up around rugby.

Recent seasons have seen Gloucester Rugby field some of our most promising young guns, and the likes of Gareth Evans and Dan Robson have used their exploits in this tournament to go and enjoy fine seasons in the first team.

I'll leave team selection to the experts – but I know from talking to David Humphreys that he's keen for us to put on a good show this year

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and play some entertaining rugby

We've a couple of Sevens World Cup winners in the squad in Tom Isaacs and Aled Thomas and their expertise in this form of the game will have been vital in the build up for those involved.

On a personal note, I will feel a sense of relief when I hear the first whistle knowing that the season

is nearly upon us and we can get down to what we are all here for. It's been well documented that we've seen quite some change at the club since we last performed here and, although it may have been the close season for some, an awful lot of hard work has been going on behind the scenes.

We have a new look playing squad, a new look coaching set up

and I'm very happy that we can now get down to playing some rugby.

Thank you for your support this evening and I know we can count on it for the forthcoming season.

Here's to an exciting season for Gloucester Rugby.

Steve