

THE CITIZEN

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INJURY POSER FOR SELECTORS

Gloucester selectors hopes of fielding a settled side as part of the build-up to Saturday's big match against Bristol have been shattered by injuries for tomorrow's visit.

Three players who were in action at Pontypridd last Saturday have reported injured. Winger Derrick Morgan has a twisted ankle, fly-half Mike Evans is in bed with a virus and flanker John Gadd has a back strain. Their places are taken by Jim Breeze, Mike Hamblin and Jeremy Bennett.

The other changes are at lock where John Brain is dropped for the return of skipper John Orwin, now recovered from a head injury received in the game against Maesteg, and at Number 8 where Mike Teague is recalled in place of Larry Cummings.

Despite Saturday's defeat chairman of selectors Alan Brinn is optimistic the team will do well this season. But he predicted the visit to Newbridge would be a tough assignment for the Cherry and Whites.

"Newbridge are always a difficult side to beat and will be another big test for us. It is important we go with the right frame of mind," he said.

Gloucester (v. Newbridge, coach 4.30 p.m.): T. Smith; J. Breeze, R. Mogg, P. Taylor, A. Richards; M. Hamlin, M. Hannaford; G. Sargent, S. Mills, M. Preedy, J. Orwin (capt.), S. Boyle, J. Bennett, M. Teague, M. Longstaff.

Replacements: S. Baker, G. Mann.