

THE CITIZEN

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1965

GLO'STER RETAIN WINNING XV FOR BRISTOL GAME

RICHARD SHARP SELECTED ALTHOUGH DOUBTFUL

Gloucester retain a winning team to meet Bristol in the local derby of the Kingsholm season on Saturday.

Victorious over Wasps, Cambridge University and the Army in successive matches Gloucester will meet Bristol with morale high – despite the memory of a defeat at the Memorial Ground at the beginning of the season.

The kick-off this week is put back to 3 p.m.

Team: D. Rutherford; N. Foice, R. Morris, J. Bayliss, J. Groves; T. Hopson, M. Booth (capt.); M. Burton, K. Taylor, J. Milner, R. Long, M. Teague, P. Ford, D. Owen, D. Smith.
Reserve: K. Picton.

WATT RELEGATED

Bristol have left out Dave Watt and brought Derek Neate in at lock forward.

Watt is one of four County players relegated to the Bristol United side since Gloucestershire's defeat by Oxfordshire in the County quarter final. Another, Richard Wallace, made a temporary come-back last Saturday.

Apart from this "county switch" there is also a doubt about the appearance at fly-half of Richard Sharp, whose father died suddenly last week.

Gary White, the former Gloucester ace goal kicker, will be turning out against his old club for the second time this season – he played in the autumn Memorial Ground fixture.

Team: P. Colston (capt.); M. G. Ellery, J. N. Blake, J. Glover, M. R. Collins; R. A. W. Sharp, D. J. Spratt; R. V. Grove, J. V. Pullin, A. Rogers, J. D. Currie, J. Szyszkiewicz, M. A. Lawrence, D. W. Neat, and G. White.

Res.: D. J. S. Mann.

Gloucester United, who travel to meet Bristol United away – coach 12.45 – recall utility player Peter Hawker to the full-back berth, which they have been unable to fill from local clubs.

Bristol United have selected a strong side, for apart from Wallace at fly-half there are three other members of the ill-fated county side, John Thorne, hooker, David Weeks, at centre, and Dave Watt in the second row.

Other county players include Eddie James, John Amor, Peter Lewis and Lyn Jenkins (Devon), Terry Base (Gloucestershire) and Pat Mills (Surrey).

Gloucester United: P. Hawker; R. Timms (capt.), J. Vallender, R. Pitt, R. Meadows; D. Ainge, R. Hanks; D. Christopher, M. Nicholls, J. Fowke, A. Brinn, C. Farr, D. Kington, H. Symonds, P. Lane.

Res.: G. Knight, R. Bassi, M. Hedges, K. Baalham.

Bristol United: E. James; P. Lewis, D. J. Weeks, P. Hillard, P. R. Mills; R. Wallace, J. S. Amor; L. Jenkins, J. D. Thorne, A. M. Pearce, D. E. J. Watt, C. Bodie, D. Phillips, P. Cowles, T. E. Base.

Reserve: R. Bickle.