

GHERRY GILLE



GLOUCESTER RUGBY NEWCASTLE FALCONS

GALLAGHER PREMIERSHIP 23 OCTOBER 2021 | 3:00PM

BiGDUG



Gallagher

PREMIERSHIP RUGBY















GLOUCESTER RUGBY

KINGSHOLM STADIUM, KINGSHOLM ROAD GLOUCESTER GL1 3AX

www.gloucesterrugby.co.uk Facebook gloucesterrugby Twitter @gloucesterrugby

Main Switchboard 01452 872250 **Customer Email**

customerservices@gloucesterrugby.co.uk Club President: Fred Reed

PLAYING DEPARTMENT

Head Coach: George Skivington Team Manager: Sam Raven

Rugby Administrator: Karen Harrington

CLUB MANAGEMENT

Chairman: Martin St. Quinton

CEO: Lance Bradley COO: Alex Brown

Sustainability Director: Richard Weller **Finance and Operations Director:**

Richard Smith

HR Director: Gill Crowther **Head of Marketing & Customer**

Experience: Lucy Nottage

Media & Digital Content Manager:

Head of Venue Sales: Angela Sanders Venue Sales Manager: Gareth Howells **Head of Partnerships:** Mike Thomas **Operations Manager:** Helen Grayer Finance Manager: Matt Mulcahy

PROGRAMME

Lead Editor: Louis Shaw

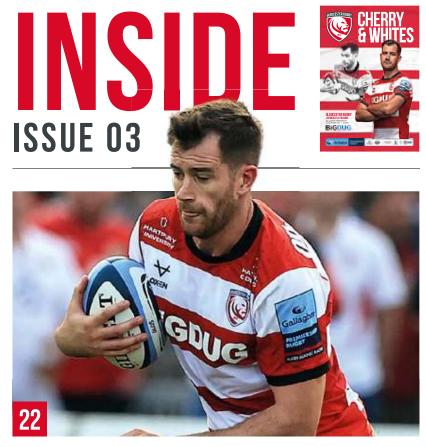
Co-editor: Tim Rogers

Photography: Martin Bennett, Getty Images

Design: Daniel Parker

Produced by: Amberley Court Associates









- 07 Lance Bradley
- 11 Martin St. Ouinton
- 13 Club News
- 14 Men's Squad
- **16** In Opposition / Newcastle Falcons
- 19 Last Time We Met
- 20 Gloucester Rugby Heritage
- 22 Feature Interview / Mark Atkinson
- 27 Academy Squad
- 28 Feature / Martin Bennett
- 30 Gloucester-Hartpury Women Squad
- 32 Last Time Out / London Irish
- **36** Gloucester-Hartpury Women Feature / James Forrester
- 39 Junior Supporters





HELLO AND WELCOME BACK TO KINGSHOLM, FOR OUR GAME AGAINST NEWCASTLE FALCONS. I'D LIKE TO EXTEND A SPECIAL WELCOME TO EVERYONE WHO'S MADE THE JOURNEY DOWN FROM THE NORTH EAST.

We come into this game on the back of three games undefeated, and although one or two of those games were a bit more nail-biting towards the end than we would perhaps have liked, there's no doubt that there's clear progress being made.

Your support here at Kingsholm makes a huge difference to the team, and it's no coincidence that our results this season have been better now that you are back cheering the team on. Even at our last couple of away games your support has been tremendous, and much appreciated. I'm sure you'll make yourselves heard this afternoon, and once again be our '16th man'.

And speaking of making yourselves heard, I'm very keen to hear about what you think of the changes we've made while you've been away – the new PA system, the new bars operations, the new ticketing system, the new Community Coaching set up, the increased focus on our Academy etc. For that reason we've set up a Facebook live session on Tuesday 26th October at 6pm, when you can ask me about these initiatives, or anything

else that's on your mind. I'll look forward to catching you then.

One final thing I must mention, and that's Covid-19. We pride ourselves on taking every possible precaution to limit the spread of the virus, but you can play a big part in helping with that.

Please wear a face mask when you are in an internal area of Kingsholm, and when you are in a crowded area of the stadium. Although the risk of spreading the virus outside is low, it can be reduced further by wearing a mask. If you can make the person sat or stood next to you feel more comfortable by wearing a mask, then that's surely a good thing to do.

Similarly, you will see hand sanitising dispensers around the stadium. Do please use them.

It's all about looking after your fellow supporters.

Together, we are a squad of thousands.

Best wishes Lance

"YOUR SUPPORT
HERE AT
KINGSHOLM
MAKES A HUGE
DIFFERENCE
TO THE TEAM,
AND IT'S NO
COINCIDENCE
THAT OUR
RESULTS THIS
SEASON HAVE
BEEN BETTER
NOW THAT
YOU ARE BACK
CHEERING THE
TEAM ON"





GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME TO KINGSHOLM FOR ROUND 6 OF THE GALLAGHER PREMIERSHIP AS GLOUCESTER RUGBY HOST NEWCASTLE FALCONS.

A warm welcome also to Dean Richards, his team, and the Newcastle supporters who have made the long trip down to the West Country.

The Gallagher Premiership is a unique league in that each week, every fixture is so tight and competitive. I expect no less today.

It's been a real thrill to see our boys build some momentum from their recent fixtures.

It was an unusual feeling coming away with a draw against London Irish, but last season, as our skipper, Lewis Ludlow said, that was the sort of game that we would have lost. To put in a below par performance and still come away with two league points is encouraging.

To be on a three-game unbeaten streak is a testament to George Skivington, his coaching staff, and the players.

We are currently 8th in the league and whilst this is not as high as we want to be, with this game against Newcastle, and a home fixture against Exeter Chiefs coming up next, two more good results would put us in a strong position as we then turn to Premiership Rugby Cup action and the Autumn International Series.

There is so much to look forward to, and thank you, as ever, for your tremendous support.

Enjoy the game, Martin



NEWSNEWSNEWS

BILLY TWELVETREES AWARDED TESTIMONIAL YEAR WITH GLOUCESTER RUGBY



Gloucester Rugby is pleased to announce that Billy Twelvetrees will be hosting his testimonial year, starting next month. The Cherry and White legend who is now in his 10th season with the Club will celebrate his remarkable achievements over the course of the next twelve months.

The testimonial year will be launched in November with the events taking place from January to early September 2022, ending in a celebration dinner! A Gloucester Rugby testimonial game in honour of Billy is also being planned for February with more details to follow.

AUTUMN NATIONS SERIES CALL UPS

Gloucester Rugby have had six international call ups for the upcoming Autumn Nations Series. For England, Jonny May and Mark Atkinson have been named in Eddie Jones' squad. Louis Rees-Zammit has been called up for Wales with Stephen Varney in the Italy squad again. Both Adam Hastings and Chris Harris are named in the Scotland squad.





Today's matchday mascot is **Charlie De Morgan**.

Charlie is currently at school at Moulsford Prep School in Oxfordshire where he plays club rugby for Henley Hawks. One day he hopes to play for England.

The Gloucester Rugby Matchday Mascot is kindly sponsored this season by:





MEN'S SQUAD





AVAILABLE







AVAILABLE



Auto Air





AVAILABLE



AVAILABLE

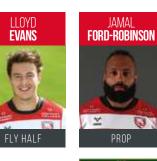


YOUNG



AVAILABLE























JONNY **May**



AVAILABLE



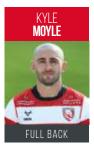
AVAILABLE AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE













AVAILABLE

WING

AVAILABLE

RENISHAW

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

CULLIMORE

AVAILABLE

















AVAILABLE



AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

MIWOrks

JASON **WOODWARD**

FULL BACK



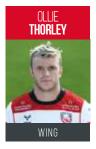
KB BUILDING SERVICES



AVAILABLE



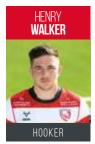
AVAILABLE



AVAILABLE







AVAILABLE AVAILABLE



TO SPONSOR A PLAYER PLEASE CALL HEAD OF PARTNERSHIPS MIKE THOMAS ON 07368 320997















GLOUCESTER RUGBY CAME ALIVE IN THE SECOND HALF AND TOOK THE BONUS POINT VICTORY OVER NEWCASTLE FALCONS AT KINGSHOLM ON SATURDAY, A RESULT THAT SAW THE CHERRY AND WHITES CLIMB TO 10TH IN THE GALLAGHER PREMIERSHIP.

What happened?

Tries from Louis Rees-Zammit, Ruan Ackermann, Lloyd Evans and two Willi Heinz scores ensured victory over a competitive Newcastle side who went into half time 14 points ahead of Gloucester Rugby.

Newcastle scored three tries in the first half to establish a solid lead. No.8 Callum Chick went over for two with George McGuigan also scoring for the visitors. Fly-half Brett Connon was accurate from the boot and slotted all conversions giving the Falcons 21 points at the break.

Louis Rees-Zammit showed how threatening Gloucester Rugby can be in attack and scored an incredible try showing both speed and strength to get over the line after receiving the ball from a Mark Atkinson offload just inside the Falcons' half.

Lloyd Evans curved the ball to perfection to slot the conversion ensuring the Cherry and Whites the seven point score.

In the second half Gloucester Rugby really hit their stride. Within a few minutes Stephen Varney made a break and managed to offload to Ruan Ackermann who went over to score.

Gloucester Rugby launched an attack from a scrum in their own 22 and Santiago Carreras made a break, passing to Louis Rees-Zammit who showed his pace before offloading to Willi Heinz who went over for his first.

A later attack saw Evans get over the line before a final try was scored after Ruan Ackermann put the chip through and Heinz had the pace to collect the ball and get over the line for his second.





KEY MOMENT

Lloyd Evans gets over the line

On his return to the starting 15, Lloyd Evans had an incredible game and scored a try after he seemed to just slip through the Newcastle defence to get over. Converting his own score, and every other kick he took at goal, Evans had a strong performance.





NEWCASTLE FALCONS

IN 1877 THE GOSFORTH RUGBY CLUB WAS FOUNDED. FOR YEARS IT LIVED A NOMADIC EXISTENCE, AND INDEED THE CLUB WAS CALLED GOSFORTH NOMADS.

Eventually Gosforth shared the Northumberland County ground with Northern rugby club, to play their home games. In 1951 Gosforth acquired ground close to the Great North Road, and having built a new stadium, started playing there in 1955, calling it "The New Ground". In the seventies the club became very powerful and won the John Player Cup in successive seasons from 1975 to 1977.

However, by the time national leagues started in 1987, Gosforth found themselves in Division 2. In 1990 there was another move, to Kingston Park, which was followed by a change of name to Newcastle/Gosforth, and finally Newcastle in 1995, corresponding with the arrival of professional rugby. Newcastle won the Premiership title in 1997-98. Gloucester have played a total of 58 games against Gosforth or Newcastle, and won 35 of them, lost 20 and three have been drawn.

The clubs first met on 13 March 1977 at Gosforth in a John Player cup game. The usually reliable Peter Butler missed several kicks, and Gosforth went through by one penalty to nil, They went on to win the cup for the second season running.

25 FEBRUARY 1978: JOHN PLAYER CUP GLOUCESTER 19 GOSFORTH 10

Team: Peter Butler; Bob Clewes, Richard Jardine, Brian Vine, Richard Mogg; Chris Williams, Paul Howell; Gordon Sargent, Steve Mills, Mike Burton, Steve Boyle, John Fidler, John Watkins (captain), John Simonett, Viv Wooley.

Tries: Wooley, Mills, Williams; Conversions; Butler (2); **Penalty:** Butler

Gloucester were determined to right the wrongs of the previous season's defeat, and were fired up. After ten minutes Howell made a blind-side break, and fed Clewes who kicked ahead. Gosforth full-back Patrick slipped, and Wooley following up picked up to score. Butler converted. The try woke up Gosforth who caused problems through their big pack, especially in the line-out. However, three penalty attempts went wide, and although Butler also missed one, he succeeded with another, so Gloucester led 9-0 at half-time.

Gosforth continued to press, but a fine tackle by Mogg stopped a likely try. Back came Gloucester. Howell



fed Watkins, who cut round the front of a line-out, passed to Mills, who scored in the corner. Still Gosforth attacked, but more penalties were missed. Another run by Howell caused confusion, before Williams broke through to score near the posts. Butler converted, to take the lead to 19-0. The now desperate Gosforth attacked and scored a try through Moor in the corner. The unimpressed Shed saluted this with a chorus of "Happy Birthday to you". Gloucester had now relaxed and in the third minute of injury time Harry Robinson scored Gosforth's second try.



20 MARCH 2011: LV CUP FINAL **GLOUCESTER 34 NEWCASTLE 7** (PLAYED AT NORTHAMPTON)

Team: Olly Morgan; Charlie Sharples, Tim Molenaar, Eliota Fuimaono- Sapolu, Tom Voyce; Nicky Robinson, Jordy Pasquelin; Nick Wood, Ollie Azam, Richard Harden, Jim Hamilton, Alex Brown, AkapusiQera, Andy Hazell, Luke Narraway. Replacements: Freddie Burns, Henry Trinder, Tim Taylor, Yann Thomas, Darren Dawiduik, Sean Knight, Will James, Mark Cox Tries: Voyce, Sharples, Fuimaono-Sapolu, Dawidiuk; Conversions: Robinson (4); Penalties: Robinson (2)

Welsh fly-half Robinson who was leaving the club at the end of the season played an influential part in this win. He converted all four tries, and added two penalties, whereas the usually reliable Jimmy Gopperth had an off day with several misses.

The Cherry & Whites took an early lead when Fuimaono-Sapolu created space for Voyce to score in the corner. Gloucester dominated for long periods, but a Robinson penalty was the only addition to the score in the first half. Gloucester continued to dominate, and it was inevitable that the dam would break. Seven minutes after Robinson had kicked his second penalty, he exchanged passes with Fuimaono-Sapolu, for the latter to score. Replacement Burns gave a fine scoring pass to Sharples, and suddenly Gloucester were leading 27-0.

Newcastle did not give up and Luke Eaves scored from a five metre scrum. Dawidiuk was driven over from a line-out in the last move of the game.

20 APRIL 2018: EUROPEAN CHALLENGE CUP SEMI-FINAL **GLOUCESTER 33 NEWCASTLE 12**

Team: Jason Woodward; Tom Marshall, Billy Twelvetrees, Mark Atkinson, Henry Trinder; Billy Burns, Calum Braley; Paddy McAllister, Motu Matu'u, Fraser Balmain, Ed Slater (captain), Mariano Galarzo, Ruan Ackermann, Jake Polledri, Ben Morgan. Replacements: Andy Symons, John Afoa, Lewis Ludlow, Ben Vellacott, Josh Hohneck, Freddie Clarke, Charlie Sharples, James

Tries: Marshall, Matu'u, Burns, Vellacott; Conversions: Twelvetrees (2); Penalties: Twelvetrees (3)

Only a few weeks before, Newcastle had won the Premiership game at Kingsholm, and the way this game started it looked as if Gloucester were again up against it. A catch and drive from ex Gloucester player Scott Laidlaw resulted in a try. Gloucester continued to suffer pressure, not helped by a series of errors. At last, Woodward made a break to send in Marshall to square the scores. Thus encouraged the Cherry and Whites took control. Twelvetrees kicked a penalty and just on half-time a catch and drive resulted in a try for Matu'u.

Billy Burns was next to score, benefitting from a Marshall off-load. Scott Lawson scored a second try to give Newcastle hope, but two Twelvetrees penalties stretched the lead to 26-12, and settled any Gloucester nerves. Newcastle fought back hard, but Gloucester broke out of defence and replacement Vellacott scored the final try.

Gloucester played Cardiff Blues in the final, only to lose to a last minute penalty.



MAIN FEATURE

MARK ATKINSON



At the age of 31, you would have forgiven Mark Atkinson if he had thought that an international career had passed him by. However, earlier this week the Gloucester Rugby centre was named in the England squad for the upcoming Autumn Nations Series. Also making his 150th Cherry and White appearance this weekend, it's been a crazy week.

"We were driving on our way to Oxford," Aki, as he is nicknamed, says as he explains how he found out he was in the squad. "We were in the car so my wife had to keep refreshing my WhatsApp for me just to see if anything had come through every few minutes because I was driving.

"When I was added to the group, we went bananas!"

Having been called up to the England training squad earlier in the year, he knew how he would find out of he had been called up.

"Obviously, I'd never been around it before then but I think the process sort of changes when you're called up to the squad. It ended up me just being added to a WhatsApp group 40 minutes before the squad was announced.

"I was aware that some people were getting calls to say that they weren't in. I was just thinking, 'well he doesn't owe me anything. He doesn't owe me a call because I haven't

been in and around the squad long enough to justify it.' If nothing came then it would have been just one of those things.

"Fortunately, I was added to this group 40 minutes before and me and my wife Lydia were in the car and we just lost it!"

It was completely unexpected.

"Last time was completely out of the blue and it took me by complete surprise. Absolutely nothing changed this time. When he said that he was going to cut the squad, I was like, 'that's probably going to be me.'

"It's just absolutely amazing just to be in and around it. I'm chuffed. Chuffed is a good way of saying it."

Having found out that he was in the squad, there were a few people that Aki had to tell immediately.

"I called my dad straight away.
He was a bit in shock because I'd
phoned him earlier in the day to
discuss it and he sort of went with
the idea that 'if it doesn't happen,
don't worry about it.' He had that sort
of mindset.



MAIN FEATURE

"So when I called him to say I was in, he was a little bit in shock. Which was quite cool! I also tried to respect the idea of keeping it quiet because they ask you to keep it quiet. You don't want to start getting in trouble or kicked out of the squad for releasing it before! You've only just got in so you don't want to start giving that away!"

Every rugby player grows up wanting to play for their country and as a youngster, Atkinson was no different and dreamt of playing for England.

"It's always at the back of your mind but I guess part of me started to think that once the summer went and once the changes happened, the ship might have sailed. He gave a lot of chances to people in the summer.

"When that wasn't to be for me, I sort of assumed that was the door closed and fortunately he's given me a chance and hopefully I can take it and run with it.

"It's always been a huge goal but I think you keep that to yourself, you don't shout about it and at 31 you sort of think and focus on club rugby and on yourself.

"I'm going to soak in all of the experiences with England over the next few weeks."

It's a big week for the inside centre who, as well as being called up to the England squad, will make his 150th Gloucester Rugby appearance against Newcastle Falcons.

"It's eight years in the making! It's been amazing. I can still remember, I don't think it would even count as an appearance, but I came on when I arrived eight years ago and I played Leeds at home in a pre-season game and I loved it. We had about 5,000 people there and I remember thinking 'this is so cool!'

"Obviously we've had a lot of different coaches over the years but to get to 150, I never thought I'd be at the club this long. I've seen so many friends pass through and come and go that to still be here doing it is amazing."

Mark speaks with real enthusiasm when talking about his achievement and it's easy to see that this landmark is just as significant to him as the England call up.

"I am really proud of it. I moved around a lot at the start of my career and was at four or five clubs in four or five years and I remember when I used to see people reach 50, 100 and 150 games. I remember getting to 100 Gloucester Rugby appearances and thinking that this is a really big achievement. I just feel super proud."

Aki is in full flow now and having spoke about his time at other clubs, it is easy to see how settled he is and how much Gloucester Rugby means to him.

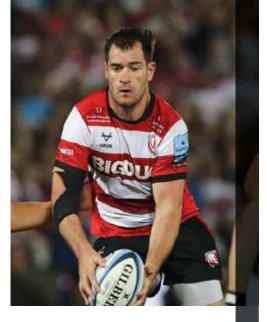
"It's just an amazing club as well. They will let anyone in if you want to be part of the family and that's something I've tried to do as well over the time. We've settled in and this is us for life this area and I feel Gloucester through and through now. It's one of my biggest achievements in life I reckon.

"I just love everything about the place and the club. The fans and the people are what has made the experience rather than the actual rugby.

"It showed last year during covid that there are rugby games and then there is rugby without fans and your mates and it was definitely a different game. I just want to thank the players I played with and the fans really."

Topping the big landmarks for Aki is the fact that he's recently become a father. His daughter has attended most games so far this season and it's been special for the Cherry and White midfielder to have his family there supporting him.

"She's not giving me any critical feedback yet but I'm sure she will do! "The t



"Lyds has brought her to every game so far. She's got a shirt with the number 12 of the back. It's special moments.

"I carried her around Kingsholm after the Sale win and it's just special moments. They are moments that you have to cherish. I'd seen people with family there before and I never quite realised the significance of it until it was my own and then it's just super special being able to do that sort of thing.

"I've still not got any smell from covid so it's actually been very useful for nappies!! I quite enjoy nappy duty because I can't smell anything. Eight months on and I've still got no smell. It's been a blessing with a new baby!"

Over 150 Gloucester Rugby games there are highs and lows that stand out for the Englishman.

"There's probably a few games that stand out to me. I scored twice against London Welsh when I came on in my second or third game. That was my big moment where I realised that I could play at this level.

"The semi-final away at La Rochelle, that was pretty special. They hadn't been beaten at home in something like 25 games so that was really special."

Making 150 appearances for Gloucester Rugby, Aki will hope to have some special memories in an England shirt this Autumn and share them with his new young family.

ACADEMY SQUAD

















AVAILABLE



AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE













AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE















AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

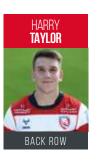
AVAILABLE

AVAILABLE

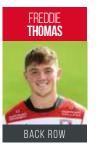
AVAILABLE



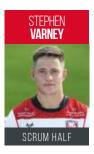
AVAILABLE



AVAILABLE



AVAILABLE







AVAILABLE



THE CLUB PHOTOGRAPHER'S FAVOURITE SNAPS!

I have been asked to choose some of my favourite images from over the years as part of this season's programmes and will be sharing a few of my favourite photos throughout the year.

Having been the club photographer for 12 years, I see many of you around the ground and I have shared many great times together with both the players and the fans. During this time, I have really enjoyed recording a period of Gloucester Rugby's history. This club has soul.

So here are a few of my favourites. Some for photographic reasons, others for the sense of occasion.

I hope you enjoy and I look forward to seeing you at Kingsholm.

Martin Bennett





I like this image because it is as if Henry is frozen in time and levitating. A dynamic action pic that says it all.



JIM HAMILTON VERSUS BATH, 18TH FEBRUARY 2012, THE REC

I think this image looks better in black-andwhite. The tattoos and the mud show the real scrap of a derby game.

I was chuffed when the chairman Martin St. Quinton put this image in his director's box as a huge blow up. It looks really good large on the wall.

IRB WORLD CUP 2015, ARGENTINA VERSUS GEORGIA, KINGSHOLM

It was a real honour for the club and the city to hold matches at Kingsholm for the 2015 World Cup and it's something that everyone should be proud of and remember.

The Argentinian fans were fantastic. Their passion for the game brought a different dynamic to the ground that day and I think that is expressed in this picture.





UNDER 18S VERSUS HARLEQUINS, 12TH JANUARY 2019, HARTPURY

Being club photographer, I capture all aspects of the club including the academy and all the representative squads over the years.

George Barton is mobbed by his teammates as he wins the game with the last kick in this photo.

Many of these lads, including George and Louis Rees-Zammit have since gone to make first team debuts.

It was great to see their unbridled joy and the exuberance of youth.

GLOUCESTER-HARTPURY WOMEN SQUAD













A AMBER **Robson**

AMY **DALE**

BIANCA **BLACKBURN**

BETHAN **LEWIS**

CERYS HALE







CHARLIE Mai-Manns



CONNIE **POWELL**



DAISY **FAHEY**



DAISY **SMITH**



ELLIE **GILBERT**



ELLIE Underwood



EMMA **MUNDY**



EMMA **SING**



EVIE **Roach**



ERICA MILLS



GABI **SKOV**



GEORGIA BROCK



GWEN **CRABB**



HANNAH **Jones**



KATHRYN **BUGGY**



KELSEY **Jones**



KERIN **Lake**

















KELLY **SMITH**

LLUECU **GEORGE**

MAISIE Burton

MEGAN ISSAC

BOUCHER-WHITE

MIA **Venner**







PIP **HENDY**



PIPPA **Robinson**



RACHEL **LUND**



RANN **SAMUDA**



ROBYN **WILKINS**



SHYA **Pinnock**



SISILIA **Tuipulotu**



SOPHIE **TANDY**



SIAN **WILLIAMS**



TABITHA **COPSON**



TATYANA **HEARD**



ZOE **ALDCROFT**





The Cherry and Whites scored three tries in a tight battle to take two league points away from the fixture.

What happened?

London Irish were first to get on the scoreboard through Augustin Creevy and before too long they had their second score thanks to Isaac Curtis-Harris who also got over the line.

Paddy Jackson was accurate with the boot so after 20 minutes the Cherry and Whites were 14 points down and were left scratching their heads as they seemed to have spent the entire opening quarter defending.

Gloucester Rugby gathered some composure and secured some good possession and Adam Hastings got the Cherry and Whites on the scoreboard thanks to two penalties.

Just before half time it felt that momentum had swung as Gloucester Rugby were getting some good attack as they inched their way up the field.

However, after the break it was a disaster of a start for the Cherry and Whites as Mark Atkinson was yellow carded for killing the ball, allowing Jackson to add another three points to the Irish board.

Ben Morgan steadied the ship with two great tries scored in similar fashion. The maul powered over from the lineout and it was the big No.8 at the back of it to get over for the two scores.

In between Gloucester Rugby scores, Jackson added another penalty kick to his tally but suddenly it was time to shine for the Cherry and Whites.

Louis Rees-Zammit made an intercept from inside his 22m line and ran the length of the field to score. Hastings added the extras and Gloucester Rugby had a good lead with 20 minutes left to play.

However, Matt Rogerson found a way to the line for the hosts to put the score level with just over 10 minutes to go. The missed conversion and a late missed drop goal attempt from Paddy Jackson meant that the game ended in a draw.











KEY MOMENT: LRZ SCORES INTERCEPT TRY

Gloucester Rugby were in need of something to get them ahead and it was Louis Rees-Zammit who delivered the goods.

The Welsh winger made an intercept deep inside the 22 and had the pace to go unchallenged to dot down under the sticks.













JAMES FORRESTER

How do we get more people watching women's rugby?

Former Gloucester Rugby player James Forrester has taken up the responsibility of trying to get more eyes on Gloucester-Hartpury Women and really develop the commercial side of the rugby club.

"My role has developed over the summer," Forrester said. "Last year I coached part time but as of this summer I have two responsibilities. I coach the forwards and the defence and then this summer I took up some commercial responsibilities. I look to support the team through improving awareness in the community, through our branding and marketing, and sponsorship. All of those areas which should hopefully drive the team forward. I'm now responsible for and working between Hartpury and Gloucester Rugby to improve all of these areas."

The link between Gloucester Rugby and Gloucester-Hartpury Women is strong but it's one that needs to be used to help get more fans supporting the women's side.

"We think that it's really important that there is more collaboration between the two teams. Hopefully people have noticed improved social media content. We're just trying to champion our players who are awesome! They work incredibly hard and almost all of them have day jobs or are studying full time and they train like full professionals.

"We've been really driving that through improved content on our social media. Gloucester Rugby have been a big help with that, supporting us through their marketing teams.

"We've done some shared content so you might have seen an interview between Mo Hunt and Lewis Ludlow. That got a lot of traction and interest, and we want to do a lot more of that collaborative content, showing that we're one club."



GLOUCESTER-HARTPURY NEWS

Not only has this increased partnership on social media led to more followers, but it has also led to more people attending the fixtures.

"We've been getting a lot more interaction on our social media channels. But most importantly we've been getting some really good turnouts at our home games.

"One slight frustration is the lack of double headers. I think that a lot more thought could have been put into that by the RFU because a lot of our games don't match up with the men's which is pretty frustrating.

"A real easy win for us is to have a double header. That's something that fans can look forward to in the early new year. We've got two double headers. One on the 5th of February and another on the 5th of March at Kingsholm. We'll be playing immediately after the boys and that is obviously quite an easy way to show the girls off."

Other clubs in the league have started to hold double headers and it really is the best way to get new eyes on the women's game.



"It's going to be a big part of our strategy going forward. All of the clubs are going to be putting pressure on the RFU to align the calendar a little bit. For the women's game, it's a low hanging fruit as there's no doubt that

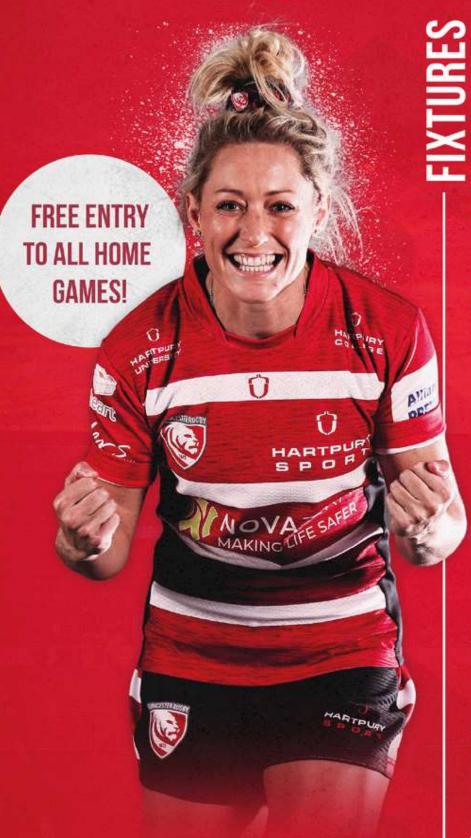
Gloucester Rugby fans will enjoy watching us play. If we can just make it that little bit easier for them by putting the two teams on together on the same pitch then it gives us an opportunity to show off how great the girls are."



Make sure you follow Gloucester-Hartpury Women on social media to stay up to date with all of the latest news. Twitter - @Glos PuryWRFC | Instagram - gloucesterhartpury



PURY



	n	P٦	m	n	г	n
Alla	U	CI	u	D	Ľ	n
		-	-	41	-	

02 | HARLEQUINS WOMEN

09 | WASPS WOMEN

30 | BRISTOL BEARS WOMEN

NOVEMBER

06 | HARLEQUINS WOMEN

13 DMP DURHAM SHARKS

27 | SARACENS WOMEN

DECEMBER

04 | LOUGHBOROUGH LIGHTNING

11 | EXETER CHIEFS

18 | WORCESTER WARRIORS

JANUARY

08 | BRISTOL BEARS WOMEN

15 | SALE SHARKS WOMEN

29 | HARLEQUINS WOMEN

FEBRUARY

05 | EXETER CHIEFS

KINGSHOLM (TBC)

A

H

19 | SARACENS WOMEN

26 | LOUGHBOROUGH LIGHTNING A

MARCH

05 | WORCESTER WARRIORS

KINGSHOLM (TBC)

APRIL

02 | WASPS WOMEN

MAY

07 | WASPS WOMEN

14 | DMP DURHAM SHARKS



JUNIOR SUPPORTERS

SPOT THE BALL



FACE MASH



WORDSEARCH

0 0 Μ W G W Ε Q Q Q Р 0 R Т Χ Α R D D R Н ٧ Χ R W Т S J Χ ٧ D W ٧ Α Ε R C D K Ν Ι 0 Μ Ν U Χ Ν Е S C Е W 0 Ν L Т Α W Ν L Н Е Μ Ζ Ζ S Р Κ R Μ ٧ Μ 0 Χ S Т Χ L L Т Υ U S S W Μ Н Μ C R Е Н Ζ K ٧ Ζ Ν В В Ν Χ K В Ε Υ Μ Ζ G Υ S W U J Р Μ C Q Ν Р W Е Ι Ι K S F Υ Q Ζ C Т В S S Т R O Ρ Q Н G Ι R S ٧ Н W G Κ Ν

MORGAN KINGSHOLM HARRIS NEWCASTLE LUDLOW

OUT OF FOCUS



Who is this Cherry and White?

Hint: He got called up into the England squad this week!

E B V I C K E K N A Z N N N H Z N A Z N N N H Z N A Z N A Z N N N H Z N A Z N

WORDSEARCH:

FACE MASH: Ruan Ackermann Freddie Clarke Jake Morris

Mark Atkinson **SPOT THE BALL:**

HINDWEND.





J	P	C	D			FALCONS		P	C	D
				Jason WOODWARD	15	Mike BROWN				
				Louis REES-ZAMMIT	14	Nathan EARLE				
				Chris HARRIS	13	Ben STEVENSON				
				Mark ATKINSON	12	Pete LUCOCK				
				Jonny MAY	11	Mateo CARRERAS				
				Lloyd EVANS	10	Brett CONNON				
				Ben MEEHAN	9	Louis SCHREUDER				
				Val RAPAVA RUSKIN	1	Adam BROCKLEBANK				
				Jack SINGLETON	2	George MCGUIGAN				
				Kirill GOTOVTSEV	3	Trevor DAVISON				
				Freddie CLARKE	4	Greg PETERSON				
				Matias ALEMANNO	5	Philip Van der Walt				
				Ruan ACKERMANN	6	Callum CHICK				
				Lewis LUDLOW (C)	7	Will Welch (C)				
				Ben MORGAN	8	Carl FEARNS				
				REPLA	MENTS					
				Santiago SOCINO	16	Jamie BLAMIRE				
				Jamal FORD-ROBINSON	17	Kyle COOPER				
				Fraser BALMAIN	18	Richard PALFRAMAN				
				Andrew DAVIDSON	19	George MERRICK				
				Jack CLEMENT	20	Josh BASHAM				
				Stephen VARNEY	21	Cameron NORDLI-KELEMETI				
				Billy TWELVETREES	22	Joel HODGSON				
				Santiago CARRERAS	23	George WACOKECOKE				

MATCH OFFICIALS

Referee: Wayne Barnes
Assistant Referees: Neil Chivers and Christophe Ridley
TMO: Stuart Robert Terheege Citing Officer: Paul Hull