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GLOUCESTER v. BATH

KINGSHOLM - GLOUCESTER

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GLOUCESTER

(Red and White)

- FULL BACK**
1 D. RUTHERFORD (I)
 (Captain)
- THREEQUARTERS**
2 J. DIX R.W.
3 R. PITT (C) R.C.
4 R. JARDINE L.C.
5 J. GROVES (C) L.W.
- HALF BACKS**
6 D. GENT O.H.
7 J. SPALDING S.H.
- FORWARDS**
8 J. FOWKE (C)
9 M. NICHOLLS (C)
10 R. COWLING
11 A. BRINN (C)
12 N. JACKSON
13 A. THOMAS
14 D. OWEN (C)
15 M. NEAL

FIRST XV FIXTURES

Sept. 2	Lydney	H	18-6
6	Pontypool	H	14-3
9	Coventry	H	11-9
13	Cheltenham	A	5-14
16	Moseley	A	14-11
20	Cardiff	A	9-20
23	Bristol	H	11-12
30	Bedford	A	18-5
Oct. 2	Ebbw Vale	H	12-8
7	Bective Rangers	A	22-3
12	Clifton	H	-
14	Harlequins	H	18-0
21	Newport	H	13-13
28	Old Blues	H	32-3
Nov. 4	Leicester	A	6-9
11	Moseley	H	3-6
15	Cambridge Univ.	A	3-9
18	Aberavon	A	3-11
25	Newbridge	H	9-11
Dec. 2	Oxford Univ.	H	11-11
9	Bath	H	Can.
16	Coventry	A	3-8
23	Northampton	H	19-3
26	O.M.T's	H	14-8
27	Stroud	H	11-3
30	Cardiff	H	6-21

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FIRST XV FIXTURES

Jan. 6	Lond. Scottish	A	6-16
13	Leicester	H	Can.
20	Plymouth	H	8-0
27	Neath	A	0-14
Feb. 3	Bristol	A	Can.
8	Army	H	8-8
10	Bath	A	11-0
16	Swansea	H	3-17
24	Aberavon	H	6-6
Mar. 2	Northampton	A	8-18
9	R.A.F.	H	
13	Ebbw Vale	A	
16	Guys Hospital	A	
21	Stroud	A	
23	Saracens	H	
25	Newport	A	
27	Clifton	A	
30	Wasps	H	
Apl. 1	Cheltenham	H	
6	Pontypool	A	
11	Lydney	A	
13	Headingley	H	
15	Birkenhead Pk.	H	
20	Neath	H	
23	Newbridge	A	
27	Penzance	A	
29	Exeter	A	

BATH

(Blue and White)

- FULL BACK**
15 W. HILES (C)
- THREEQUARTERS**
14 P. SIBLEY (Capt.) (C) R.W.
13 J. DONOVAN (C) R.C.
12 R. ABEL (C) L.C.
11 M. BULL L.W.
- HALF BACKS**
10 T. HOPSON (C) O.H.
9 S. CLARKE (I) S.H.
- FORWARDS**
1 P. PARFITT (C)
2 H. HILL (C)
3 M. HASKINS
4 R. ORLEDGE (C)
5 P. HEINDORFF (C)
6 T. MARTLAND (C)
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OUR VISITORS

We extend a particularly cordial welcome this evening to our old friends from Bath, who so kindly consented to visit Kingsholm on this re-arranged date when the original fixture back in December had been cancelled because of snow. This gesture is deeply appreciated, particularly as Bath are one of the most popular visitors to our ground.

It's an ill wind, runs the old proverb, and this re-arranged fixture will enable our Somerset friends to experience our floodlights which, we proudly claim, are among the finest in the country.

We are sorry that we cannot have the pleasure of watching international David Gay nor England trialist, winger Ian Duckworth, in action this evening for Bath, and Gloucester, too, have several notable absentees because of illness and injuries.

Nevertheless, we look forward to the usual keen and enjoyable tussle with Bath, who last Saturday completed the season's "double" over Bristol. Can Gloucester, in turn, make it the "double" over them this evening? An added attraction is the appearance of Terry Hopson in "enemy" ranks. He will be keen to prevent his former colleagues from achieving their aim of the "double"!

Last season, on Saturday, February 11th, during that injury-hit spell experienced by Gloucester, our Bath friends recorded their first victory at Kingsholm for 19 years, winning comfortably in a high-scoring game by 19 points to 14. John Groves scored Gloucester's only try, David Ainge making the conversion and landing three penalty goals. Duckworth (twice), and Hillyard crossed for Bath, with Mobley converting two of the tries and kicking two penalty goals.

Last month Gloucester gained revenge for the above defeat when they beat Bath by 11 points to nil and became the first English club to win at the Recreation Ground this season.

KINGSHOLM KACKLE

The holder of the lucky programme, No. 637, at the Aberavon game on Kingsholm last Saturday week was Miss Goddard, of Painswick, who was the richer by £5. Congratulations!

Congratulations also to our skipper, Don Rutherford, whose magnificent feat of landing five penalty goals at Oxford on Saturday steered Gloucestershire through to the semi-final of the county rugby championship.

The 'County' now meet Warwickshire at Coundon Road, Coventry, next Saturday, and will need all the support they can get if they are to beat the formidable Midlanders. Most of this support, we know, will come from Gloucester, and those desiring tickets may obtain them from Terry Tandy at the office on the ground after tonight's match, or from Hudson & Co., sports outfitters, Northgate Street, Gloucester.

A.R.