

# BEDFORD RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL CLUB

*Founded in 1886 by the amalgamation of the "Bedford Rovers" (founded in 1876)  
and the "Bedford Swifts" (founded in 1882).*

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**Goldington  
Road Ground  
BEDFORD**



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**v.**

# GLOUCESTER

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*Kick Off 3.15 p.m.*

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**Grand Stand 2/6 (inclusive of tax)**

**Admission 1/-**

**Schoolboys 6d.**

**PROGRAMME: PRICE THREEPENCE**

**Wanderers v. Bedford School** *Kick Off 4.30 p.m.*

BEDFORD			GLOUCESTER		
POSITION	NAME	LETTER	POSITION	NAME	No.
Full Back	W. ROSE	T	Full Back	W. G. HOOK	1
Right Wing	L. OAKLEY	L	Left Wing	B. KNIGHT	2
Right Centre	M. JAMES	M	Left Centre	M. BAKER	3
Left Centre	P. RALPHS	H	Right Wing	R. SUTTON	4
Left Wing	P. PARKER	E	Right Centre	S. DANGERFIELD	5
Fly Half	R. H. HAYNES	N	Fly Half	R. BURROWS	6
Scrum Half	F. M. FLETCHER	F	Scrum Half	D. DAVIES	7
Forwards	R. G. FURBANK (Capt.)	K	Forwards	T. DAY	8
	R. F. HILL	X		C. THOMAS	9
	P. ADKINS	Z		R. PARRY	10
	J. BANCE	I		J. WATKINS	11
	M. R. HALE	A		G. HASTINGS	12
	G. JENKINS	W		C. DUNN	14
	P. COLLINGRIDGE	Y		J. HODGE	15
	M. HALL	V		A. G. HUDSON (Capt.)	16

*10 Gloucester reserves full in*

### Our Guests

Today we have great pleasure in welcoming Gloucester, who are paying their second visit to Goldington Road since the war.

The present series of matches with the famous West Country Club began at the very end of the 1936-37 season, when Bedford wound up their programme by winning at the Kingsholm ground by nine points to six after a stirring struggle. The next season Gloucester won narrowly both home and away games (by four points at Bedford and one point in the West), but Bedford squared accounts in 1938-39 by winning both at home and at Gloucester by margins of five points. Two fixtures had again been arranged for 1939-40, but they did not of course take place. On the last day of the 1946-47 season Bedford visited Gloucester again, only to suffer their heaviest defeat of the year by 26 points to six. As if to redress the balance, Bedford won at home six months later by 22 points six. Last season the teams finished level at Gloucester, Bedford scoring a penalty goal and a try to the home side's two tries. Bedford's record against Gloucester since 1919 is :-

						Points	
		P.	W.	L.	D.	For	Against
Home	...	3	2	1	0	38	21
Away	...	5	2	2	1	41	54

So far this season Gloucester have drawn two home matches against Lydney (3-3) and Bristol (11-11). A fortnight ago they lost away to Moseley by 13 points to 9, but Moseley have started the season in great style, and away wins at The Reddings are always difficult to secure, as Bedfordians know full well.