KINGSHOLM, GLOUCESTER
SATURDAY, NOV. 21st, 1953. Kick-off 2.45 p.m.

GLOUCESTER
versus
BLACKHEATH

OUR PLAYERS

No. 7: William Bamber Cartmell (stand-off half) is a native of "Proud Preston" in the County Palatine and was born on June 28th, 1927. Like Bob Hodge, Bill was a pupil at Kirkham Grammar School, which must be gratified at having produced such a pair of versatile players. He got more Rugger experience when at Liverpool University and before coming to Gloucester three years ago had played for Waterloo and Preston Grasshoppers. He holds County Caps for both Lancashire and Gloucestershire and is one of the wildest outside halves in the game. He is a Veterinary Surgeon; his weight is 11 stone.

Next Week at Kingholm:
CARDIFF —— Kick-off 2.45 p.m.
COMPLETE YOUR DAY'S PLEASURE by Visiting
GLOUCESTER HIPPODRome

TO-DAY'S REFEREE is
Mr. R. J. TODD (NORTH-MIDLANDS)

FIRST XV. FIXTURES 1952-53

1. T. HALLS
2. J. TAYLOR (Capt.)
3. R. SUTTON
4. S. TROUGHTON
5. E. TURNER
6. W. CARTMELL
7. J. MOBBS
8. C. THOMAS
9. R. PARRY
10. H. WELLS
11. J. GILLIAM
12. P. FORD
13. R. HODGE
14. D. EBOTSON

Blackheath

BLACKHEATH

Full Back
1. N. S. D. ESTCOURT
Three-quarters
2. J. SCLATER
3. D. PARKER
4. G. T. LEWIS
5. W. A. GRAY
Half Backs
6. D. P. A. PARSONS
7. M. MUSTO
Forwards
8. K. MOTLEY (Capt.)
9. D. WELLS
10. M. NEWMAN
11. K. W. WALMSLEY
12. E. J. V. HAMMOND
13. C. B. NICHOLL
14. N. GLYN DAVIES
15. C. HAMMOND

Hang Crosby, Helena Davenport, Christian Foreman.

To-Night
LITTLE BOY LOST (4)
JAN. SIMMONS, VICTO MONSIEUR

Next Week
AFFAIR WITH A STRANGER (4)
TOM CURTIS, JOANNE DRA

ANYTHING CAN HAPPEN (4)
FORBIDDEN
WELCOME "THE CLUB."

We are always delighted when "The Club" comes to Kingsholm and it adds to our pleasure to know that to-day we can put our strongest available side out to meet them, so there is every promise of a rare struggle. Blackheath, in the past season, have been busily engaged in team building and many of the side are young men full of promise for the future. Don't be misled by a comparison of records this season. "The Club's" record to date reads: won 5, lost 8; points for 94, against 120.

That might lead you to think the Gloucester side should have a fairly easy passage to-day. But consider what happened a week ago. Blackheath well and truly trounced Oxford University by 17 points—nil, and thoroughly deserved their win. We, you will recall, had to be content with a single point win earlier over the University. In the opinion of very good judges Blackheath are maintaining their vastly improved form of recent weeks, so the Gloucester XV must get into top gear quickly and keep there all through the game.

THE CARDIFF ENCOUNTER.

With the County in the happy position of being serious contenders for Group honours, we can expect that the City XV for the encounter with Cardiff next Saturday will be without some of its stars. Don't let that discourage you; remember the grand displays the depleted side put up at Coventry, Leicester and Mossley, and in spite of County calls. With the inspiration of their own supporters to encourage them, Gloucester can give the Welsh Metropolitans a good run for their money, so come early and make sure you give that valuable and necessary support.

The kick-off is at 2.45 and seats in A and C Stands will be reserved for season ticket holders until 2.35 p.m. There will also be reserved seats inside the rails at 3½. Will you also please help the members of the Committee acting as marshals by sitting close together, so that everyone who wants a seat will get one? Thank you very much—in anticipation.

PLEASE APPLY EARLY.

Gloucester has played a great part in fostering rugger in the schools and Gloucester Schools R.F.U reaches its half-century in 1954. From it have gone well-known men like the late Mosser, W. E. Nelder and Eric Keys to be Presidents of the English Schools' R.F.U. As Gloucester is now virtually the H.Q. of the latter body, it is to be hoped a good crowd will go from the City to witness the Boys' England v. Wales match at Twickenham on April 17th. Mr. W. Blackford at Hatherley Road Secondary School, Gloucester, will be glad to supply you with tickets, but please make early application to him, sending, too, a stamped addressed envelope for reply.

FOR YOUR DIARY.

There is a Thursday fixture shortly of which you may like a note. It is the annual match English Universities v. Welsh Universities. It is reported the teams will be even stronger than usual this year. The date is December 3rd.

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