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# **GLOUCESTER RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

(FOUNDED IN 1873)

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**TO-DAY'S GAME IS VERSUS  
ROYAL AIR FORCE**

(KICK-OFF 3-15 p.m.)

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**NEXT WEEK'S GAME :**  
**Saturday — GUYS HOSPITAL**

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## **SERVICES' FAVOURITES**

**I**T can be claimed that the Royal Air Force XV are favourites to win the services' tournament this season. Early in February they defeated the Navy by 6 pts. to 3 and since then the Navy, somewhat unexpectedly, upset the Army's calculations. The final clash in the Tournament is at the end of the present month and this game to-day is a further try-out for the R.A.F. They drew at Bedford last week and after the match with Gloucester they have no further fixture until their all-important fixture with the Army on March 26th. So we may expect to see a balanced side perfecting its tactics, and a great game is in prospect.

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**Official Programme : Price Threepence**

# GLOUCESTER HIPPODROME

PRESENTING THE LATEST ATTRACTIONS on the  
GIANT ALL-PURPOSE SCREEN  
ALL CinemaScope Productions in FULL STEREOPHONIC SOUND

## GLOUCESTER (RED and WHITE)

## TO-DAY'S REFEREE

## ROYAL AIR FORCE (LIGHT BLUE)

- Full Back  
1 **I. SHEEN**
- Three-quarters  
2 **M. BAKER** R.W.  
3 **B. FIELD** R.C.  
4 **R. SUTTON** L.C.  
5 **D. PERKS** L.W.
- Half Backs  
6 **D. JONES** O.H.  
7 **J. HOBBS** S.H.
- Forwards  
8 **G. HASTINGS (Capt.)**  
9 **M. BURFORD**  
10 **R. PARRY**  
11 **J. VARNEY**  
12 **D. A. JONES**  
14 **P. FORD**  
15 **R. HODGE**  
16 **D. IBBOTSON**

Mr. R. KEMP (Leicester)

THE FIRST AID SERVICE ON THIS GROUND IS VOLUNTARILY PROVIDED BY  
THE CITY OF GLOUCESTER DIVISION ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE

### FIRST XV. FIXTURES

Played 26 Won 9; Lost 15; Drawn 2; Points for 233; against 312

1954		1955	
Sept. 11	Lydney ... .. H 11-0	Jan. 1	London Scottish ... H 8-12
18	Moseley ... .. H 32-5	6	Army ... .. H Canc.
23	Cheltenham ... .. H 5-3	8	Leicester ... .. H 11-
25	Bristol ... .. A 22-20	15	Wasps ... .. A Canc.
30	Stroud ... .. H 11-8	22	Bristol ... .. H 3-3
Oct. 2	Bedford ... .. H 6-6	29	Neath ... .. A 6-26
9	Richmond ... .. H 6-18	Feb. 5	Civil Service ... .. H 11-3
	(Glos. v. Cerwall, Bristol)	12	Bath ... .. A 21-0
16	Newport ... .. A 0-16	19	Swansea ... .. A Canc.
23	Coventry ... .. H 5-31	26	Cardiff ... .. H Canc.
	(Glos. v. Devon, in Devon)	Mar. 5	Northampton ... .. A 6-11
30	Oxford University ... A 3-27	12	R.A.F. ... .. H
Nov. 6	Leicester ... .. A 6-12	19	Gtys Hospital ... .. H
13	Moseley ... .. A 11-31	26	Newport ... .. H
	(Glos. v. Sem., Kingsholm)	31	Stroud ... .. A
20	Aberavon ... .. H 3-16	Apr. 2	Harlequins ... .. A
27	Cardiff ... .. A 8-9	6	Cheltenham ... .. A
Dec. 4	Neath ... .. H 3-6	9	New Brighton ... .. H
11	Bath ... .. H 11-3	11	Sale ... .. H
18	Coventry ... .. A 8-14	12	Lydney ... .. A
27	O.M.T.'s ... .. H 13-19	16	Bbbw Vale ... .. H
28	U.A.U. ... .. H 3-14	23	Devonport Services ... A
		25	Redruth ... .. A
		26	Teignmouth ... .. A
		30	Exeter ... .. H

- Full Back  
1 **F/Lt. W. T. PATTERSON**
- Three-quarters  
2 **Cpl. P. HUNT** R.W.  
3 **A/C M. SULLIVAN** R.C.  
4 **A/C B. HOWARD** L.C.  
5 **SAC R. BLAIR** L.W.
- Half Backs  
6 **A/C G. TREGEDON** O.H.  
7 **P/O R. I. SHUTTLE-  
WORTH** S.H.
- Forwards  
8 **F/O A. M. BAIN**  
9 **F/Lt. N. M. MUNNOCK**  
10 **F/O G. THORNBURN**  
11 **F/Lt. P. G. YARRANTON**  
12 **LAC J. SEWELL**  
13 **F/O P. S. COLLINGRIDGE**  
14 **F/O T. BLEASDALE (Capt)**  
15 **F/O J. COLLARD**

### CinemaScope and Full Stereophonic Sound

To-Night

GARY COOPER SUSAN HAYWARD RICHARD WIDMARK  
**THE GARDEN OF EVIL** (Technicolor) (a)  
also CLIFFORD EVANS  
**THE CASE OF THE PEARL PAYROLL**

Next Week

TONY CURTIS JULIE ADAMS

**SIX BRIDGES TO CROSS** (a)  
also Mona FREEMAN, Jean KENT  
**BEFORE I WAKE** (a)

## HIS FOURTH CAP

**E**VERY rugger enthusiast in Gloucester is delighted to know that our captain, George Hastings has been retained for his fourth cap in the Calcutta Cup match against Scotland at Twickenham next Saturday. A colleague of his in the English pack will be P. G. Yarrington, who we hope to see and welcome among the R.A.F. XV to-day. We wish them both "blindlers" of a game next Saturday and a win for England to wind up for George a particularly memorable season.

## APPEAL TO CARDIFF

**T**HE cancellation of the encounter with Cardiff here at Kingsholm was the greatest dissapointment this somewhat miserable season has brought for us. We had hoped to turn the narrow defeat at Arms Park into the victory that came Newport's way a week later. And our treasurer has been weeping bitter tears over the lost revenue, for the Cardiff game invariably attracts the best gate of the season. The Cardiff Committee has been approached by the Club to agree to a mid-week fixture on a date to be agreed and great hopes are pinned on the fact that twice in the past we have helped Cardiff under similar circumstances. All supporters may be sure that the earliest possible notice will be given if agreement is reached to have such a match.

## ANOTHER WAY TO ASSIST

**I**N the programme for the Civil Service match, there appeared an appeal for all to help young players. Because the attendance that day was below what had been expected, we repeat what we then printed:—  
It is often a criticism that "NOTHING IS DONE FOR YOUNG RUGBY PLAYERS" in Gloucester. Yes, you've heard it but because you buy this programme every week for 3d. you are doing something practical to meet the criticism. But does your friend on the next row to you buy one or does he borrow yours? Far too many programmes have been unsold lately, and the consequence is that the War Memorial Ground Fund suffers. The logical sequence will be that that Fund will not be able, properly, to achieve its aim of setting out and equipping the ground in Tuffley Avenue and if that becomes the case, Junior rugger in Gloucester will never get the fillip it deserves.  
Do YOUR BEST please to get your friends to invest 3d. a week to buy a programme at home matches for the benefit of the Fund and young footballers.  
We should also like to point-out that donations to the fund—deplorably small now with so much spent on the ground at Tuffley—may still be sent to Mr Arthur Hudson.

## SCORERS TO DATE

**O**UR 233 pts. to date have been scored by—Michael Baker 63 points; Roy Blair 31 points; Peter Ford 24 points; Trevor Jones 21 points; David Jones 17 points; Dennis Ibbotson 15 points; Roy Sutton 12 points; I. Sheen 8 points; G. Hollingsworth 6 points; and following 3 points each, R. Amos, D. Hill, H. Terrington, D. Perks, G. Hastings, C. Thomas, G. Counsell, G. Williams, Roy Parry, Henry Wells, A. Lewis and H. Meek (a Bath man)