
GLOUCESTER RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

(Founded in 1873)

TO-DAY'S GAME IS VERSUS

BRISTOL

(Kick-off 3-15 p.m.)

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United XV v. Newport H.S.O.B.

OUR stern rivals from the South of the County are welcome visitors to-day. The foundation of the success of the Bristol team has always been a strong, hard scrummaging pack. This year is no exception. It appears in addition that Bristol have found a match winning combination behind the scrum.

Last year in an unusually high-scoring game at Bristol, Gloucester won by 22 points to 20 points. In the return game here at Kingsholm the honours were even and the match drawn 3-3. In season 1953 54, the balance was again in Gloucester's favour, for Bristol were defeated at Kingsholm 11-3 while at the Memorial Ground the match was again drawn 3-3.

Bristol have beaten Newport and only narrowly lost to Swansea last week by 8 6. We acknowledge their success—we know that they will be difficult to beat.

Official Programme: Price Threepence

GLOUCESTER HIPPODROME

PRESENTING THE LATEST ATTRACTIONS ON THE
GIANT ALL-PURPOSE SCREEN
ALL CinemaScope Productions in FULL STEREOGRAPHIC SOUND

GLOUCESTER

Red and White
Full Back

1 R. SMART

Three-quarters

2 R. SUTTON

3 M. BAKER

4 J. WILLS

5 R. BLAIR

Half Backs

6 L. H. MORGAN

7 B. READE

Forwards

8 G. HASTINGS

9 C. THOMAS

10 R. PARRY

11 B. GREEN

12 J. VARNEY

14 E. P. LEWIS

15 R. HODGE

16 P. FORD (Capt.)

TO-DAY'S REFEREE

Mr. JACK EVANS, Cardiff.

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

FIRST XV. FIXTURES

1955			1956		
Sept. 10	Lydney	H 16-6	Jan. 7	London Scottish	A
13	Dublin Wanderers	H 12-3	14	Leicester	A
17	Moseley	H 13-6	21	Wasps	H
21	Cheltenham	A 0-3	28	Army	H
24	Bristol	H	Feb. 4	Cardiff	H
29	Stroud	A	11	Bath	A
Oct. 1	Bedford	A	18	Swansea	H
8	Old Blues	H	25	Guys Hospital	A
	(Glos. v. Devon, at Bristol)		Mar. 3	Northampton	A
15	Newport	H	10	R.A.F.	H
22	Coventry	A	17	Cardiff	A
	(Glos. v. Somerset, Away)		24	Newport	A
29	Oxford University	H	31	Bradford	H
Nov. 5	Leicester	H	Apr. 2	Birkenhead Park	H
12	Moseley	A	3	Lydney	A
	(Glos. v. Cornwall, Away)		7	Harlequins	H
16	Cambridge University	A	12	Cheltenham	H
19	Aberavon	A	14	Bristol	A
26	Llanelli	H	21	Exeter	A
Dec. 3	Neath	A	23	Penzance and Newlyn	A
10	Bath	H	24	Teignmouth	A
17	Coventry	H	28	Devonport Services	H
24	Stroud	H			
26	O.M.T's	H			
27	U.A.U.	H			
31	Neath	H			

BRISTOL

Full Back

A R. CHALLIS

Three-quarters (from)

B M. G. ELLERY R.W.

C K. BEVAN R.C.

D E. GRIFFITHS L.C.

E J. BLAKE L.W.

K. C. SMITH

Half Backs

F R. DARK O.H.

G L. MILLARD S.H.

Forwards

H J. TROTT

I D. G. WOODWARD

J J. A. SCOTT

K R. C. HAWKES

L A. MACDONALD (Capt.)

M G. TROOTE

N J. I. DINGLE

O A. H. SHEPPARD

CinemaScope with Full Stereophonic Sound

TYRONE SUSAN RICHARD
POWER HAYWARD EGAN

UNTAMED (Colour De Luxe) (a)

also Debra Paget, Jeffrey Hunter, Michael Rennie
PRINCESS OF THE NILE (Technicolor) (u)

Next Week

STEWART JEAN
GRANGER SIMMONS (Technicolor)

FOOTSTEPS IN THE FOG (a)

also Robert Stack, Ursula Thiess
THE IRON GLOVE (u)

To-Night

COUNTY MATCH

IT was unfortunate that the county match versus the British Police had to be arranged for last night. As a result many of the players in to-day's match will be taking part in their third game this week, for Bristol were engaged against Lydney on Wednesday, when Gloucester were playing Cheltenham. This is certainly heavy going for anyone, at any time, but particularly so at the beginning of the season.

We must however acknowledge the enthusiasm and enterprise of the County Officials in trying to get a really effective County side together early. For too long the County Championship has eluded the grasp of Gloucestershire, in spite of the fact that the standard of rugby in the County compares at least favourably with other Counties, although it must be admitted we have a long way to go to reach the pre-1930 standard.

REFLECTIONS

MUCH of the credit for last week's win must be accorded to our popular captain. In spite of the fact that the Moseley defence nullified the effectiveness of many of the Gloucester three-quarters' attacks, Peter continued to urge his forwards to open up the game. This confidence was not misplaced as was proved by the final result—yet how many of us wondered during the course of the game if the team would pull the match out of the fire. The whole team must be congratulated on their ardent determination to open up the game, for although mistakes were made, the attempt was appreciated and the game never lacked interest. It was obvious that the hard state of the ground was affecting the play, particularly that of the home team.

MEMORIAL GROUND FUND

THE Memorial Ground Fund, a cause worthy of the support of all rugby fans is still in need of more £ s. d. You are helping that cause by purchasing this programme for all the proceeds from the sale of programmes is devoted to the Fund. Yet many more programmes could be sold. Help us to sell out this Saturday, and every Saturday.

Season Tickets are still available. The Secretary will be glad to see you at his office on the ground.