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GLOUCESTER V. ABERAVON

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GLOUCESTER

Red and White

Full Back

1 **A. Holder** (C)

Threequarters

2 **R. Smith** R.W.

3 **B. Kear** (C) R.C.

4 **J. Taylor** (C) L.C.

5 **R. Timms** (C) L.W.

Halves

6 **T. Hopson** O.E.

7 **M. Booth** (C) S.H.

Forwards

8 **A. Townsend** (C)

9 **C. Thomas** (C)

10 **R. Fowke** (C)

11 **R. Long**

12 **A. Ricketts**

13 **D. Morris**

14 **P. Ford** (C) Captain

15 **D. Smith**

FIRST XV. FIXTURES

Sept. 10	Stroud	H	14-17
12	Lydney	H	28-15
16	Cheltenham	A	8-5
19	Moseley	H	14-6
23	Cardiff	A	9-17
26	Bristol	H	11-25
30	Pontypool	A	6-25
Oct. 3	Bedford	A	8-8
10	Old Blues	H	13-0
17	Newport	H	6-11
24	Coventry	H	20-9
31	Oxford Univ.	H	5-3
Nov. 7	Leicester	H	13-3
14	Moseley	A	18-3
18	Cambridge Un.	A	10-6
21	Aberavon	H	
28	Bath	H	
Dec. 5	Neath	A	
12	Bath	A	
19	Coventry	A	
26	O.M.T.	H	
28	U.A.U.	H	



I—International
T—County Player
R—Welsh Trial
O.B.—Oxford Blue
C—County Player (Glos.)

Referee :

Mr. T. Windridge

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ABERAVON

Full Back

1 **D. Gardner** (T)

Threequarters

2 **Ken Thomas** (T) L.W.

3 **Roy Bish** (R) L.C.

4 **Ken Quick** (T) R.C.

5 **John Collins** (I) R.W.

Halves

6 **C. Ashton** (I) O.H.

7 **T. O'Connor** (O.B.) S.H.

Forwards

8 **L. Cunningham** (R)

9 **R. Loveluck** (R)

10 **P. Morgan** (T)

11 **J. Ramsey** (R)

12 **J. Evans** (T)

13 **R. O'Connor** (I)

14 **I. Prosser** (T)

15 **P. Jones** (R)

FIRST XV. FIXTURES

Jan. 2	London Scot.	A	
9	Leicester	A	
16	Wasps	H	
23	Aberavon	A	
30	Army	H	
Feb. 6	Bristol	A	
13	Bath	H	
20	Swansea	H	
27	Pontypool	H	
Mar. 5	Northampton	A	
12	R.A.F.	H	
19	Llanelli	A	
26	Newport	A	
Apl. 2	Richmond	H	
7	Cheltenham	H	
9	Cardiff	H	
16	Headingley	H	
18	Birkenhead PkH	H	
19	Lydney	A	
23	New Brighton	A	
25	Sale	A	
30	Devonport S.	H	

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Having no further interest in the County Championship we can now concentrate on our own Club affairs. So many players are available that the selectors will find difficulties in the selection of our teams for the future. This however is all to the good and the recent results go to show the strength of our side at the moment. Having won six of the last seven games and five in a row against such teams as Coventry, Oxford University, Leicester, Moseley and Cambridge University and in the case of two of these games on County match days we can afford to be very satisfied and the future is looking very rosy indeed.

The news has only just been received of the Cambridge University result and therefore it is not possible at this stage to give you precise details as to how this great victory was achieved but the little news that has reached this Office clearly shows that it was a tremendous victory. We must therefore await the Press reports which will be worth preserving for future reference. Gloucester has not beaten Cambridge previously at Cambridge.

There can be no doubt that we have been passing through a very trying period but the brilliance of our present side should ensure large gates for the rest of the Season. It will be appreciated that the Kingsholm roar is such an incentive to players and if a few tries similar to the one scored against Leicester can be produced then our supporters must be more than satisfied.

Aberavon come to Gloucester with the following record. Played 14 Won 9 Lost 3 Drawn 2 Points for 213. Against 94.

Next Saturday we play Bath instead of Newbridge, due to an unfortunate error by the Newbridge Club in arranging matches against Bath and Gloucester on the same date. On this occasion we should give Bath a very warm welcome and for all those interested Newbridge will now pay us a visit on December 31st, 1960. If they are as good a side as at present this will be a great attraction.

After the game with Bath we shall hold an impromptu hop commencing at 8 p.m. So successful was the one held on October 31st that the Social Committee decided to have a repeat.

On December 12th we shall be paying a visit to Bath and it may be that a number of our supporters would like to travel. In this case arrangements can be made for transport. All those interested should make application to the General Secretary at Kingsholm.

The team selected for today is the same which defeated Cambridge University. Please give them a real Kingsholm welcome when Peter Ford leads the side on to the field. They deserve it.