



GLOUCESTER RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

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GLOUCESTER v. LYDNEY

KINGSHOLM, GLOUCESTER

ON SATURDAY, 9th SEPTEMBER 1961 Kick-off 3.15 p.m

Official Programme - Price Threepence

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Gloucester

RED AND WHITE

- Full Back*
1 R. Hillier (C)
- Threequarters*
2 J. King R.W.
3 J. Bayliss R.C.
4 A. Holder (C) L.C.
5 R. Timms (C) L.W.
- Halves*
6 T. Hopson (C) O.H.
7 M. Booth (T C) S.H.
- Forwards*
8 A. Townsend (C)
(Captain)
9 R. Chamberlain
10 J. Fowke (C)
11 R. Long
12 B. Hudson
13 P. Ford (C)
14 T. Davies
15 D. Smith

FIRST XV. FIXTURES

Sept. 9 Lydney	.....	H
13 Cheltenham	.....	A
16 Moseley	.....	H
20 Cardiff	.....	A
23 Bristol	.....	H
28 Stroud	.....	H
30 Bedford	.....	A
Oct. 7 Llanelly	.....	A
14 Neath	.....	A
21 Newport	.....	H
28 Coventry	.....	A
Nov. 4 Leicester	.....	H
11 Moseley	.....	A
15 Cambridge Un.	.....	A
18 Aberavon	.....	H
25 Old Blues	.....	H
Dec. 2 Oxford Univ.	.....	H
9 Bath	.....	H
16 Coventry	.....	H
23 Newbridge	A
26 O.M.T.	H
27 Pontypool	H
30 Neath	H

Referee :
D. A. Dunsbee (Warwick)

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(I) International
 (T) Trial
 (C) County

Lydney

- Full Back*
1 M. Probert
- Threequarters*
2 J. Hampton L.W.
3 W. Morris L.C.
4 O. James R.C.
5 I. Dinnie R.W.
- Halves*
6 B. Kear O.H.
7 R. Brabrook S.H.
- Forwards*
8 K. Hyde
9 M. James
10 M. Hook
11 D. Bayliss
12 G. Stait
13 D. Biddle
14 J. Bennett
(Captain)
15 G. Nash

FIRST XV. FIXTURES

Jan. 6 London Scot.	.....	A
13 Leicester	.....	A
20 Wasps	.....	H
27 Army	.....	H
Feb. 3 Bristol	.....	A
10 Bath	.....	A
17 Swansea	.....	H
24 Aberavon	.....	A
Mar. 3 Northampton	.....	A
10 Richmond	.....	H
15 R.A.F.	.....	H
17 Guys Hospital	.....	A
24 Newport	.....	A
29 Stroud	.....	A
31 Harlequins	.....	H
Apr. 7 Cardiff	.....	H
12 Cheltenham	.....	H
14 Pontypool	.....	A
21 Headingley	H
23 Birkenhead P.	H
24 Lydney	A
28 Devonport S.	A
30 Teignmouth	A

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NOTES

WELCOME to Kingsholm for the first game of the Season, and as usual it is versus Lydney. It would appear that we are meeting a first class side if the result of their game against Worcester last week is any criterion. A 30 to 6 result looks pretty good, especially bearing in mind that Worcester have during the last two Seasons turned down fixtures against our United XV, having made application for games with our first side. It is never wise to forecast the result of these games, inasmuch as Lydney can trot out good Rugby, and are usually all out to beat us, especially at Kingsholm. We shall now see what is the result of intensive training and there can be no question that, since the latter part of July, our boys have been hard at it, and make no mistake, indulging in real systematic training under the tuition of R. Hillier who has really put them through it.

It is worth repeating the notes which appeared on the programme against Llanelly last Season:

“We must, therefore, begin making plans for the next Season and it does appear that priority must be given to the introduction of organized training. It is not suggested that our players do not report at the ground on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but the training or the method of training, leaves a lot to be desired.”

Practically all our last Season players are available and with added experience these, with others, should mould themselves into a really good and attractive side, but every bit of encouragement must be given them if we are to obtain the best results. Too much destructive criticism from those who should know better must cease, and therefore an appeal is made to all concerned with the future of the Club to stop this silly twiddle-twaddle directed against our players and do all that is possible to encourage them to improve their play. Remember that the biggest punishment any player can have is to realise he has played a bad game, this not only applies to Rugby but any other sport and so it is up to all of us to work in harmony with each other with the ultimate aim for the betterment of the Club.

So on the first match of the Season we extend to Alan Townsend and his boys our very best wishes and hope they will dish up for the supporters a lot of good Rugby with the best of luck.

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