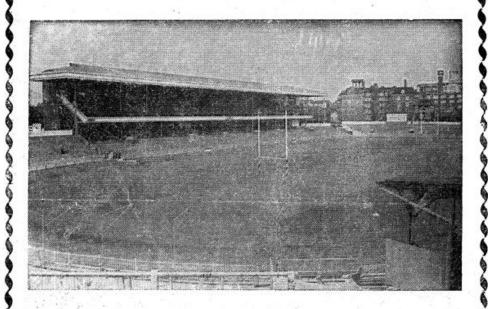
CARDIFF RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

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1962 - 1963



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SATURDAY

DECEMBER 29th - 1962

Kick-off 2.15 p.m.

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| 2 G. WILLIAMS 3 H. M. ROBERTS 4 C. WILLIAMS 5 C. EVANS | Right Centre Right Centre Left Centre Left Centre | P. MEADOWS R. PITT J. BAYLISS R. TIMMS 2 4 5 |
| 6 G. DAVIES 7 L. WILLIAMS | Outside Half Inside Half | P. HOPSON 6 M. BOOTH (Capt.) 7 |
| 8 H. NORRIS 9 W. J. THOMAS. 10 K. D. JONES 11 G. DAVIES 12 J. PRICE 13 E. WILLIAMS 14 C. HOWE 15 D. HAYWARD | FORWARDS ROATH FURNISHING CO BRANCHES EVERYWHERE | J. FAWKE 8 M. WETSON 9 A. TOWNSEND 10 R. LONG 11 B. HUDSON 12 P. FORD 13 G. WHITE 14 D. SMITH 15 Referee: MR. A. WILLIAMS (Newport) |
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As a result of laying the ground with straw on Xmas eve, and recovering again immediately after the Wasps match with the help of volunteers, we were able to play both our Holiday matches with the Wasps and Watsonians despite the almost Arctic like conditions which have prevailed throughout most of the Country since a few days before Xmas.

No Senior Rugby Football was played on Christmas Day, and in Wales only Cardiff, Newport and Llanelly were able to stage their matches on Boxing Day and I learn it was really "touch and go" for the Newport and Llanelly Clubs. (Our Newport friends by the way, had a shock defeat by 8 points to 6 against Watsonians)

Thanks then for the protective measures taken by Club officials, and the Volunteer Straw Spreaders to ensure that Cardiff should have its holiday Rugby Football. A happy and prosperous New Year to them, and to all our members and supporters.

Cardiff's match with the Wasps was very entertaining. It was played in grand spirit with emphasis on open play, in which both backs and forwards joined. Some really excellent tries were scored, and quite a few "just missed". Alan Priday is well in attack these days, and notched himself another try—his fifth of the season. The Wasps' try by H. Keith, following an interception about 10 to 15 yards from his own line, brought the house down, but Cardiff were very worthy winners by 17 points to 5 over the Wasps. In fairness, however, it must be said that they lacked the services of a few regular players including R. A. W. Sharp, Ron Syrett and J. E. Woodward.

Our game with Watsonians was another most entertaining one, full of thrilling incidents of grand Rugby, with both sides entering into the spirit of the game; this match was most rewarding to all those who left the warmth of their firesides to watch it and to see the Blue and Blacks keeping up their splendid form. Cardiff had Alan Drew, Colin Howe, T. B. Williams and H. D. Powell in its team against Watsonians. Cyril Evans at Centre showed very deceptive pace. Cenydd Williams adroit at Stand-off. This win by 35 points to 5 was indicative not only of first-class attacking team movements, but of notably apparent leadership by the Captain, Dai Hayward.

We welcome today once again our friends of the Gloucester Rugby Football Club who have been having a fairly successful season.

Cardiff first met Gloucester at Gloucester on 21st October, 1882 and lost that match by 1 goal 7 tries to nil, and in the return match at Cardiff one try each was scored.

In the intervening years, many hard and interesting struggles have taken place both at Cardiff and at Kingsholm, with the balance of victories in Cardiff's favour.

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