

**BECTIVE RANGERS FOOTBALL CLUB**

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**Gloucester**  
v  
**Bective Rangers**

— at —

**DONNYBROOK**

— on —

**Saturday 7th. October 1967**  
at 3.15 p.m.

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**OFFICIAL PROGRAMME — 3d.**



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FROM THE WEST COUNTRY

For long Gloucestershire has special associations for those who follow sport. Hurdle racing, the Gold Cup, Cheltenham and "Arkle" immediately come to mind. The West Country also has always been an area devoted to Rugby football. The city of Gloucester has a famous mediaeval Cathedral; it also has a well-known football club now almost a century old. To-day Bective Rangers have the pleasure of playing Gloucester at Donnybrook for the first time.

Gloucester has given many international players to England, and at least one to Wales. Around the end of the last century — there is a tendency in writing of older clubs to date events by reference to centuries — W. J. Jackson-Hall and others from Gloucester played for England. The club had a great run of successes from 1900 to 1914 and produced many notable players. There was the scrum-half, D. R. (Dai) Gent who was eligible to play for both England and Wales, and elected to play for England. Later he was to become one of the best known writers on Rugby football and many followers of the game looked forward expectantly to reading his descriptions of all the big matches in the Sunday newspaper to which he contributed. A helpful, constructive critic, with a fluent command of phrase, players always felt elated when he gave them honourable

Gloucester

(colours: Green & White)

- 1 D. Rutherford\*\*
- 2 M. Foice\*
- 3 R. Pitt\*
- 4 M. Bayliff\*
- 5 J. Dix
- 6 E. Stevens
- 7 M. Booth\*
- 8 M. Burton
- 9 E. East
- 10 J. Fowke\*
- 11 A. Brinn\*
- 12 A. Jarrett\*
- 13 G. Whyte\*
- 14 D. Owen\*
- 15 R. Smith\*

\*\*Internationals.  
\*County Players

Referee: K. D. Kelleher

Bective Rangers

(colours: Red, Green & White)

- 15 D. McDonnell
- 14 D. Fitzgerald
- 13 B. McDonald
- 12 T. Murphy
- 11 R. Noble
- 10 S. Parkinson
- 9 B. Hynes
- 1 A. Moroney\*\*
- 2 T. Hall
- 3 P. O'Doherty
- 4 B. O'Halloran
- 5 W. Mulcahy\*\*
- 6 W. Dunne
- 8 P. O'Mahony
- 7 M. Coughlan

(Assoc. of Referees, Leinster Branch)

mention. There was S. Smart, who like W. R. Collopy of Bective, was one of a small group with the distinction of having played for his country up to 1914, and of being honoured again with selection when international competition was resumed in 1919.

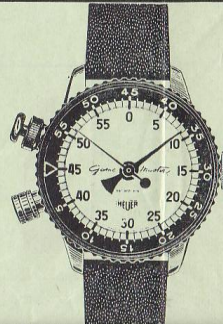
In the 1920's, A. T. Voyce of Gloucester was one of the great forwards in the game. He played for England from 1920 to 1926, collecting in all 27 "caps" which is an unusual achievement for an England player. He was an outstanding member of great sides which included Kershaw and Davies, two brilliant halves, W. W. Wakefield and Cove-Smith. Tom Voyce could be described as one of the first specialists in wing-forward play, and he possessed special skills which he applied in a studied way to the game. To some, like the late Dr. McGarry, whose death in recent weeks leaves a regretted vacancy in the roll of Bective's internationals, specialisation on the part of forwards was not welcomed and was held to hamper open play. But whatever may be the views on specialist forward play it will be accepted that Tom Voyce was one of the great players whose approach to the game had a marked effect on its subsequent evolution.

In the next decade — the 1930's — Gloucester again had very strong teams and many international players including P. C. Hordern, H. Boughton, C. C. Tanner and G. W. Parker. In recent times well-known internationals from the club were T. W. Price, G. W. Hastings, and J. A. Gwilliam, a clever wing-forward who helped to bring a "Triple Crown" to Wales. The full back for England in the past few seasons has been D. Rutherford of Gloucester. Thus far in the present season Gloucester has been having a successful run, and the club has scored 100 points in eight matches.

Bective supporters may wish that we would win to-day, as Gloucester always have had the reputation of being practically unbeatable on their home ground at Kingsholm. But whatever the outcome it is hoped that the game will be enjoyable and that our visitors to whom we extend a hearty welcome, will return to the West Country with pleasant memories of their first visit to Donnybrook.

REFEREE'S RESPONSIBILITY

The players are fighting fiercely to win, the teams, the crowds around the field are like a surging, over-excited mob . . . But the Referee, must keep cool and be able to take instantly and unhesitatingly the right decision. Nothing must escape him and his undivided attention must be devoted to the game. He relies on HEUER — the game-master watch!



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