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OUR VISITORS

We extend a special welcome this afternoon to the Wasps, our old friends from London, who have not appeared at Kingsholm for six years.

Open rugger is the password where Wasps are concerned, and we look forward to an exciting game this afternoon, particularly as our own lads appear to have struck top form in the last few games, despite the unfortunate crop of injuries.

For those supporters who like to compare the previous meeting between the teams, it may come as a surprise to know that the last two fixtures with Wasps at Kingsholm – they are only met once a season on the home-and-away basis – have been cancelled because of the weather. These cancelled fixtures were in January of 1966 and 1964. Indeed, one has to go back as far as January, 1962, to the last match with Wasps at Kingsholm, and on that occasion – with Alan Townsend as club captain – Gloucester won by 19 points to nil.

This season Wasps have had what we generally term as an “in-and-out” record, having won 13 of their 31 matches, with 16 lost and two drawn. Their points balance, however, is just on the credit side, with 252 scored and 249 conceded.

KINGSHOLM Kackle

Rugger enthusiasts are reminded of the “big match” next month – the Schools’ (19 group) International match between England and Scotland at Kingsholm on Wednesday evening, April 10th (kick-off 7-15 p.m).

Applications for tickets, which are selling rapidly, should be made to Mr. T. Tandy, G.R.F.C. secretary, 17 Ogbourne Close, Longleven, Gloucester, enclosing a stamped addressed envelope if made by post.

Two other points of interest. The Gloucester Scottish Pipe Band will provide musical entertainment before the match and during the interval, while the referee will be our old friend from “Sospan Fach” land, Mr. Gwynne Walters, probably making his last official appearance at Kingsholm.

On Monday next, April 1st, Gloucester meet neighbouring Cheltenham, who are enjoying an exceptionally fine season, and supporters are asked to note that the kick-off for this local “derby” is 7 p.m. – not 7-30 p.m. as in previous midweek evening games.

A.R.

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Gloucester United v. Cheltenham United

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