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KINGSHOLM - GLOUCESTER

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GLOUCESTER

(Red and White)

- FULL BACK
1 R. ETHERIDGE (C)
- THREEQUARTERS
2 R. CLEWES
3 R. JARDINE
4 R. MORRIS (C)
5 E. STEPHENS
- HALF BACKS
6 T. PALMER (C)
7 M. BOOTH (C)
- FORWARDS
8 R. COWLING
9 M. NICHOLLS (C)
 (Capt.)
10 M. BURTON (C)
11 J. JARRETT (C)
12 A. BRINN (C)
13 D. OWEN (C)
14 M. POTTER
15 J. HAINES

FIRST XV FIXTURES

Sept. 2	Clifton	H	26-3
5	Cheltenham	A	12-15
9	Pontypool	H	3-0
12	Coventry	A	6-11
16	Moseley	H	11-6
19	Bective Rangers	H	20-12
26	Bristol	A	0-18
Oct. 3	Bedford	H	11-21
7	Ebbw Vale	H	13-6
10	Harlequins	A	6-20
14	Stroud	A	17-0
19	Newport	A	15-9
24	Old Blues	H	44-9
31	Oxford Univ.	A	8-6
Nov. 4	Newbridge	H	6-6
7	Leicester	H	25-15
14	Moseley	A	9-13
21	Aberavon	H	9-3
28	Lydney	H	28-3
Dec. 5	Newbridge	A	10-3
12	Bath	A	0-0
19	Coventry	H	11-0
26	O.M.T.'s	H	50-3
28	Saracens	H	Can.

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FIRST XV FIXTURES

Jan. 2	Lond. Scottish	H
9	Leicester	A
16	Wasps	A
23	Cambridge Un.	H
30	Bridgend	H
Feb. 3	St. Luke's Coll.	H
6	Bristol	H
13	Bath	H
20	Swansea	A
27	Aberavon	A
Mar. 6	Northampton	H
11	R.A.F.	H
13	Richmond	A
17	Ebbw Vale	A
20	Guy's Hospital	H
22	Clifton	A
26	Newport	H
31	Pontypool	A
Apr. 3	Cardiff	H
8	Lydney	A
10	New Brighton	H
12	Harrogate	H
17	Sale	H
24	Penzance	A
26	Plymouth	A
May 1	Cheltenham	H

LONDON SCOTTISH

- FULL BACK
15 J. WILSON (C) (I)
- THREEQUARTERS
14 M. S. SIMMIE (C) R.W.
13 A. C. BIGGAR (C) (I) R.C.
12 A. FRIELL (C) L.C.
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10 M. A. SMITH (C) (I) O.H.
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OUR VISITORS

At the dawn of another new year what better for the rugger enthusiasts than the traditional fixture with the powerful London Scottish, whom we welcome this afternoon on their biennial visit to Kingsholm.

The Scots, as usual, are in tremendous form again this season, which adds considerably to the difficulties of Gloucester's task of trying to settle a few old scores.

For, to use a proverbial colloquialism, Gloucester have been left to caress the rear of the donkey in their matches with London Scottish in recent years. Last season, on January 3rd, 1970, they were well and truly trounced in London by 32 points to 3, their only consolation award being an unconverted try by Roy Morris.

The Scots' last visit to Kingsholm was on Saturday, January 4th, 1969, and though the margin was far less humiliating, our speedy visitors were again the winners, by 12 points to 11. Tom Palmer and Paul Butler scored the Cherry and Whites' tries on that occasion, Palmer also adding a penalty goal and John Spalding making the conversion.

We look forward to another exhilarating tussle this afternoon and hope the lads maintain their recent splendid form.

KINGSHOLM KACKLE

Well-deserved, if belated congratulations to Dick Smith and Des Diamond on their selection for the second England trial match at Twickenham this afternoon, best of luck to both.

Next Saturday brings the quarter-final of the County Rugby Championship between Gloucestershire and Dorset and Wilts. at the Memorial Ground, Bristol, and tickets are now available for the match from the Gloucester R.F.C. Secretary, Harold King, or at the office on the ground, before or after today's game.

The Supporters' Club will also be running a coach to Bristol, leaving Kingsholm 1 p.m. Anyone desirous of booking a seat are asked to contact Mervyn Elway or Jim Holder in the Social Club.

The County championship committee of the Rugby Union do not appear to be sure of their own minutes and decisions, for they have this week amended their own amendment, on the venues of this season's semi-finals.

They have returned to square one — the instructions which originally appeared in the Rugby Union handbook. This means, that if Gloucestershire wins the quarter-final, they will journey to Gosforth to meet Northumberland in the semi-final.

Gloucester are away to Leicester and Wasps for the next two weekends, but the United have an attractive match against Leicester Extra 1st XV at Kingsholm next Saturday (kick-off 3.15 p.m.)

In conclusion the Gloucester R.F.C. officials, committee and players join in wishing you all very best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year!

A.R.