

ST. HELEN'S GROUND, SWANSEA

SWANSEA



GLOUCESTER

The Swansea & District Rugby Supporters' Club today introduce a new image programme which they hope will prove to be of much added interest to the supporters. Unfortunately, rising costs have forced the Committee to adjust the price to 5 np.

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KICK-OFF 3.00 p.m.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

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GLOUCESTER

Captain: _____

In common with the All Whites, Gloucester are having a very successful season. They have had some notable wins, including victory over near neighbours Bristol by 23 points to 9. Yet in spite of their success they have not got a representative in the England side.

The danger men in the Gloucester side are wingers Bob Clewes and Eric Stephens, one scores the tries and the other kicks the goals—Eric Stephens has scored over 200 points this season mainly from penalties and conversions. But Gloucester are not just a two man band; at inside half Mickey Booth is a skilled and experienced player, while hooker Mike Nicholls and line out expert Nigel Jackson are forwards who are in fine form.

This afternoon Swansea have the opportunity of becoming the first Welsh side to defeat Gloucester this season.

The Gloucester record reads:—Won 21, Drawn 2, Lost 7. Points For 462, Against 237. Last season at the Kingsholme ground, Gloucester won by 19 points to 3.

With the inclusion of several Youth internationals in the Swansea side, it is interesting to note that this year's Chairman, Mr. Will Lang, was a pioneer of Youth rugby in Wales. He started a youth team at Gorseinon with such success that the movement spread and this led to the formation of the Welsh Youth Rugby Union 22 years ago. It must give Will immense satisfaction that in his year of office so many Youth players have come to Swansea and are being coached by Ieuan Evans, who of course is also in charge of the Welsh Youth team.

Glan Lewis.

WELCOME GLOUCESTER

What pleasure it gives me to have the opportunity to write the Programme Notes for the visit to St. Helen's of the Gloucester Club, with whom I spent four very happy years.

The "Cherry and Whites" are one of the oldest Clubs in the Rugby Union and their ground of Kingsholm has witnessed some titanic struggles between the home pack and visiting teams from all parts of the United Kingdom. For the older supporters the names of Dai Gent and Tom Voyce must conjure up many memories. The one, a scrum half from St. Thomas who eventually played for England; the other, of England, Barbarians and Lions fame, was, surely, one of the greatest forwards of the Twenties. For my contemporaries, the names of Tom Day, Gordon Hudson, Bob Hodge and Peter Ford (now the Secretary of the Club) evoke similar re-actions.

West Country football is renowned for the strength of its forward play and I feel sure that today's game will prove no exception. Outside the scrum, players to watch are Ron Etheridge, Ron Clewes, Tom Palmer and the remarkable Mickey Booth. Described last week by the correspondent of "The Sunday Times" as "the princely Booth in whose repertory is contained every device known to the scrum-half's art"—he has failed to win the confidence of the County Selectors! They prefer his deputy in the Gloucester United XV.

The Gloucester Club is always well represented in the Gloucestershire XV and has again helped to take the County to its second Final in successive years.

Vivian Davies

Hon Fixture Secretary.

GLOUCESTER

Cherry and White

Referee:

Mr. S. D. Stephens
Llanelli

SWANSEA

All White

15 R. ETHERIDGE

FULL BACKS

† DENNIS LEWIS 15

14 R. J. CLEWES

RIGHT WING

THREE-QUARTERS

LEFT WING

DAVID JONES 11

13 K. R. MORRIS

RIGHT CENTRE

LEFT CENTRE

ARWEL REES 12

12 J. A. BAYLISS

LEFT CENTRE

RIGHT CENTRE

‡ DARYL COLE 13

11 E. J. STEPHENS

LEFT WING

RIGHT WING

‡ JEFF DAVIES 14

10 T. PALMER

OUTSIDE HALF

HALF-BACKS

OUTSIDE HALF

† ALWYN GITTINS 10

9 M. H. BOOTH

INSIDE HALF

INSIDE HALF

† JOHN EVANS 9

1 R. J. COWLING

FORWARDS

MEL JAMES 1

2 M. J. NICHOLLS

JOHN HINTON 2

3 M. A. BURTON

† PHIL LLEWELLYN (Capt.) 3

4 A. BRINN

GEOFF WHEEL 4

5 N. A. JACKSON

GORDON DAVIES 5

6 J. H. HAINES

JEFF THOMAS 6

8 D. W. OWEN

MALCOLM HENWOOD 8

7 R. SMITH

† TREVOR EVANS 7



NEXT HOME GAME:
BRISTOL, Friday, 26th February, 1971. Kick-off 7.00 p.m.

* Denotes Full Internationals
† Denotes Youth Internationals
‡ Denotes Secondary Schools Internationals