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**GLouceSTER**

- **Full Back**
  - 15 R. Etheridge (c) Sept.
  - 14 R. J. Clewes
  - 13 J. A. Bayliss (c) L.
  - 12 R. Morris (c)
  - 11 E. J. Stephens (c)

- **Threequarters**
  - 6 Slipper (c)
  - 5 Stepney (c)
  - 4 Broughton (c)

- **Half Backs**
  - 3 M. H. Booth
  - 2 T. Palmer (c)

- **Forwards**
  - 1 M. A. Burton (c)
  - 2 F. Reed
  - 3 K. Richardson (c)
  - 4 J. S. Jarrett (c)
  - 5 N. Jackson (c)
  - 6 J. A. Watlings
  - 8 M. J. Potter
  - 7 R. Smith (c)

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**BRISTOL**

- **Full Back**
  - 15 A. N. D. Evans
  - 14 D. G. Tyler (c)
  - 13 C. J. Gabitass (c)
  - 12 C. J. Williams
  - 11 P. M. Knight (c)

- **Threequarters**
  - 6 W. W. Young
  - 5 G. W. Holland
  - 4 J. J. Hunter
  - 3 J. J. Hunter

- **Half Backs**
  - 2 G. W. Holland
  - 1 G. W. Holland

- **Forwards**
  - 1 M. J. Rogers (c)
  - 2 J. R. White (c)
  - 3 B. D. H. Bryce (c)
  - 4 K. E. J. Watt (c)
  - 5 L. E. C. Orledge (c)
  - 6 M. D. Rollitt (c)
  - 7 N. J. Morrison
  - 8 A. C. Munden (c)

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WELCOME TO BRISTOL!

The visit of Bristol invariably conjures up expectations of what Hamlet called “enterprises of great pith and moment”. This afternoon, therefore, we extend a particularly cordial welcome to our County friends and rivals to Kingsholm. Bristol have started the new season in remarkable form, summarily disposing, if we may use the expression, of such as Northampton, Newport and Swansea by resounding margins.

Last season the honours were suitably shared, for a year ago Bristol lowered the Cherry and Whites’ colours with victory by 18 points to nil at the Memorial Ground. The return game at Kingsholm on Saturday, February 6th, 1971, brought ample revenge for Gloucester, however, for they won a match of many qualities by 23 points to 9. Bob Clewes scored Gloucester’s three tries, one of which was converted by Eric Stephens, who also landed a hat trick of penalty goals, while Mickie Booth added a characteristically cheeky dropped goal. Bristol contributed to the entertainment with a try from David Tyler and two penalty goals by Alan Pearn.

KINGSHOLM KACKLE

Supporters will be delighted to know that the injuries to Bob Clewes and Mike Potter in last Monday evening’s County match against Glamorgan at Penygraig were not as serious as first thought. Indeed, both were hoping they might recover in time to play this afternoon.

The new Rugby Union knock-out competition has aroused immense interest and speculation among most followers of our game, and West Country enthusiasts will shortly have their chance to see one or two games in this region. The first, of course, is that between Bath and Gloucester at the Recreation Ground, Bath, next Thursday. At present the Somerset club have fixed the kick-off for 5.30 p.m., though this seems rather late, as the “Rec” has no floodlights. However, the Supporters’ Club will be running a coach specially for the match and all those wishing to go should contact Mervyn Elway at the Social Club. He will give details of time of leaving.

Gloucester are away again next Saturday, when they visit Goldington Road to meet Bedford, the only club to beat them at Kingsholm last season. The Cherry and Whites, then, will be thirsting for vengeance. The next home match is on Wednesday, October 6th (kick-off 7 p.m.) with Ebbw Vale as the visitors.

Another change in the laws concerns the Maul (Law 22). To stop the player who creeps round the maul, claiming physical contact by keeping his little finger on another player, the law now states: “A player is not in physical contact unless he is caught in, or bound to the maul…”

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