



BRIDGEND RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

Founded 1879

BREWERY FIELD

BRIDGEND

v.

GLOUCESTER

SATURDAY, 29th JANUARY, 1972

Kick-off 3.15 p.m.

PRICE

4p

Gloucester

(Cherry and White)



Bridgend

Blue and White

15	Eric G. F. Stephens (C)	<i>Full Back</i>	...	...	David Griffiths	15
14	Bob Clewes (C) ...	<i>Right Wing</i>	...	...	John Williams	14
13	Steve Clewes ...	<i>Right Centre</i>	...	...	Norman Lang	13
12	Richard Jardine (C) ...	<i>Left Centre</i>	...	...	Vivian Jenkins	12
11	John Horner (C) ...	<i>Left Wing</i>	...	...	Tony Morgan	11
10	Dennis Hargreaves ...	<i>Outside Half</i>	...	...	*Billy Raybould	10
9	Mickie Booth (C) (T) ...	<i>Inside Half</i>	...	...	Alan Walters	9
1	Robin Cowling (C) (T)	<i>Forwards</i>	...	...	Brian Jones	1
2	Mike Nicholls (C) (T) (Capt.)		...	...	Gwyn Lloyd	2
3	Keith Richardson (C) ...		...	...	*John Lloyd (Capt.)	3
4	Nigel Jackson (C) ...		...	...	Steve Thomas	4
5	Jim Jarrett (C)...		...	...	Howard Evans	5
6	John Watkins (C) ...		...	...	Gareth Jones	6
8	Mike Potter ...		...	...	Derek Brain	8
7	Dick Smith (C) (T) ...		...	...	Gordon Collier	7

Ref.: Mr. E. M. Lewis (Govilon, Mon.) (C) County; (T) Trialist; *International

PROGRAMME NOTES (by W. A. D. LAWRIE)

This afternoon we extend a very warm welcome to **GLOUCESTER**, paying their second post-war visit to the Brewery Field.

Before our game at Gloucester on the 30th January, 1971, we had previously visited Kingsholm in the 1965/66 season, losing by 6 points to 3.

Prior to 1965/66, we were at Kingsholm twice in the 1939/40 season winning one game by 18 points to 13 and the other being drawn 3-3.

Gloucester have had a very successful season and two of their forwards **A. Brinn** and **M. A. Burton** are in the England side at the moment. They and **Tom Palmer** are at National Squad Training this week-end.

They have a number of County players in the side including scrum-half **M. Booth**, and forwards **R. Cowling**, **M. Nicholls**, **N. Jackson** and **Dick Smith**, the latter also being an England Trialist. Lock **Jim Jarrett** is the former Pontypool player, who with several other members of the side has played a number of games for Gloucestershire who are doing extremely well in the English County Championship this season.

Full-back **Eric Stephens** is the man to watch today. His 4 penalty goals put paid to Newbridge last Saturday, and he performed a similar feat against us in the game at Kingsholm last season when we lost by 12 points to 11.

Bob and **Steve Clewes** forming the right flank are brothers, and the latter is not yet 20. They are both fine young players with a great future ahead of them.

Gloucester have not lost a game at Kingsholm for 16 months in a run of 39 games, and although somewhat depleted today will be sure to give us a **hard fight** in our bid to climb back to the top of the Championship Table.

Our renewed congratulations to **John Lloyd** on retaining the captaincy of the Welsh Team to meet Scotland at the National Stadium on Saturday. We wish him and the team every success in the next step towards another Triple Crown and Grand Slam.

For Bridgend — **Viv Jenkins** comes in at left centre to partner **Tony Morgan** who now only needs 11 tries to reach his 200 for the Club which will be a remarkable achievement for this splendid clubman.

Alan Walters is a rota change at scrum-half, resuming a strong partnership with **Lyndon Thomas**.

Brian Jones reverts to his normal prop position, and **Derek Brain** will be pleased to get back into action at No. 8 following a groin injury.

The sides' main task today is to restore morale after a couple of disappointing performances, with **John Lloyd** at the helm to inspire confidence and liven the spirits.

Don't forget the Welsh Brewers' road show at the Clubhouse, commencing at 8.30 p.m. on Monday next — 31st January. Film — 8.30 p.m. to 9.0 p.m. followed by entertainment by **Glen Landeg** and **Pamela Phillips** — Music and Comedy. Admission Free.

Wednesday, 2nd February — SWANSEA — Home — 7.15 p.m.

Monday, 7th February — NEWPORT — Away.

Saturday, 12th February — PENARTH — Away.

BRIDGEND YOUTH R.F.C. FIXTURES

5th February — British Steel Corporation — Home.

12th February — Pyle — Home.

19th February — Penarth — Home.

26th February — Neath — Home.

Bridgend's fly-half **Gordon Cooper** is in the Reds XV for today's Final Youth Trial at Llanharan, and his partner scrum-half **Gerald Williams** is a travelling reserve. We wish them both every success.

There has been an excellent response to the Club's newly-formed "400 Club" to raise funds for the Canadian Tour. Early application is advised to the Treasurer — Mr. Bill Mace or Secretary Mr. Maurice Jubb to avoid disappointment.