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FIRST XV FIXTURES

Sept.	4	Clifton	..	H	26-11
	8	Newbridge	..	A	3-6
	11	Coventry	..	H	16-15
	15	Moseley	..	A	12-12
	18	Broughton Pk.	A	24-9	
	25	Bristol	..	H	12-12
	29	Stroud	..	H	P
Oct.	2	Bedford	..	A	13-3
	6	Ebbw Vale	..	H	16-12
	9	Harlequins	..	H	12-4
	13	Cheltenham	..	A	18-6
	16	Newport	..	H	18-0
	23				
	30	Oxford Univ.	H	16-6	
Nov.	3	Pontypool	..	A	29-0
	6	Leicester	..	A	9-31
	13	Moseley	..	H	23-10
	17	Camb. Univ.	A	13-6	
	20	Aberavon	..	A	6-7
	27	Lydney	..	H	14-3
Dec.	4	Saracens	..	A	12-20
	11	Bath	..	H	24-16
	18	Coventry	..	A	17-27
	27	O.M.T.'s	..	H	67-3
Jan.	1	Lond. Scottish	A	6-7	
	8	Leicester	..	H	P

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FIRST XV FIXTURES

	15	Wasps	..	H	28-3
	22	Newbridge	..	H	16-6
	29	Bridgend	..	A	6-0
Feb.	2	St. Luke's Coll.	H	23-14	
	5	Bristol	..	A	9-12
	12	Bath	..	A	28-7
	19	Swansea	..	H	28-7
	23	Loughbr. Coll.	H	16-10	
	26	Aberavon	..	H	
Mar.	4	Northampton	A		
	11	Richmond	..	H	
	15	Cheltenham	..	H	
	18	Guy's Hospital	A		
	25				
	27	Newport	..	A	
	30	Lydney	..	A	
Apr.	1	Headingley	..	H	
	3	Birkenhead	..	H	
	8	Cardiff	..	A	
	12	Ebbw Vale	..	A	
	15	Sale	..	A	
	17	Pontypool	..	H	
	22	Penzance	..	A	
	24	Camborne	..	A	
	29	Liverpool	..	A	

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WELCOME TO THE WIZARDS !

We extend a very warm welcome this afternoon to Aberavon, the famous Welsh "Wizards". It will be of interest to supporters to know that Aberavon were the last Welsh club to beat Gloucester at Kingsholm; that was two years ago. Last season the Cherry and Whites won a closely-contested game at Kingsholm on Saturday, November 21st, 1970, by 9 points to 3, the match being decided on penalty goals, with Eric Stephens landing three for Gloucester.

KINGSHOLM KACKLE

Next Saturday, of course, is the long-awaited tussle between London Welsh and Gloucester at Old Deer Park in the quarter-final of the Rugby Union national club competition. The interest is tremendous – and not only confined to Gloucester and District – and stand tickets will be at a premium. They are now on sale, however, and may be obtained at the office on the ground this afternoon; from the Gloucester R.F.C. secretary, Harold King, of 126, Podsmead Road; or from Hudson's, sports outfitters, Northgate Street. Jim Holder already has a long list of supporters who have booked seats on coaches, and it seems that several will have to be hired. Those wishing to go but who have not yet booked should contact Jim or Mervyn Elway at the Social Club as soon as possible. Could all who have already booked, kindly pay the cost of the trip if possible today. A record crowd is certain at Old Deer Park for this match !

The following weekend, Saturday, March 11th, brings the County final between Warwickshire and Gloucestershire at Coventry; and with the Schools (19 group) international, England v. Wales, at Kingsholm later in the month, Gloucester officials have more than enough work on their hands at present, so please do not make applications just yet for the other two games. Tickets will be available in due course.

Congratulations once again to Alan Brinn and Mike Burton on retaining their places in the England team for this afternoon's match against France in Paris, though these international honours and the County games have meant that we have seen very little of them at Kingsholm in recent months. These two popular Gloucester forwards are the subject of a full-length article in the March issue of "Rugby World", on sale at all leading bookshops and newsagents, price 17½p.

It is timely, too, to congratulate Dick Smith on his selection for the Barbarians in the annual Mobbs' Memorial match, against East Midlands at Northampton next Thursday. This is indeed a great honour for the club and, of course, for Dick, who has been unlucky so far not to have won an England cap. It appears to have escaped notice, too, that the semi-final against Middlesex last Saturday, was Dick's fiftieth championship for Gloucestershire. A splendid achievement ! A.R.

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