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FORWARDS

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4 A. BRINN (I) (C)

5 J. FIDLER (c) 6 J. A. WATKINS (1) (c)

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## WELCOME TO THE ALBION!

This afternoon we extend a very cordial welcome to Plymouth Albion, whose appearances at Kingsholm in recent years have been somewhat limited. Indeed, their last visit here was as long ago as Saturday, January 31st, 1970, when Gloucester won by 11 points to 6, though the Cherry and Whites have played at Beacon Park since, during their Devon and Cornwall tour of 1971. The Albion, incidentally, have cherry and white as their dominant colours.

## KINGSHOLM KACKLE

Sincere congratulations to two of our young players, Peter Butler and Phil Blakeway, on their selection for the England Under-23 team to meet Cumberland and Westmorland at Kendal on Saturday, April 14. It is a great honour for them both and Butler particularly must surely be "on the short list" for a full England cap next season.

Unfortunately we can only say "rough luck" to Gloucestershire in surrendering their proud title of county champions to Lancashire at the Memorial Ground, Bristol, last Saturday. Things did not go their way and two possible "tries" were disallowed, but few will disagree that the Northern county deserved their success.

On a happier note, Gloucester were equally deserving of their win over Newbridge at the Welfare Ground last Tuesday evening, despite the tremendous rally of the home side in the final stages. It was the Cherry and Whites' double over Newbridge this season.

Next Saturday brings the visit of the famous Cardiff side to Kingsholm, with the usual kick-off at 3.15 p.m. This will be the last home match of the season except, of course, for the two Easter holiday games with New Brighton and Liverpool. Next Monday evening, however, Gloucester make the journey to the south of the county to meet Clifton at Eastfield Road, the earlier fixture last October having been postponed.

And, of course, next week brings the semi-finals of the North Gloucestershire Senior Cup. On Monday at their Hempsted ground Gordon League take on Widden Old Boys, while Tredworth meet Matson at the Lannett next Wednesday. Both matches kick-off at 6 p.m.

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