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KINGSHOLM - GLOUCESTER

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WELCOME TO OUR TOWN NEIGHBOURS!

Despite what the Mallaby report might suggest to the contrary, most players and supporters are all in favour of a spot of mid-week rugby, something that has been sorely missed during the past four

months with the ban on floodlighting.

It is particularly satisfying, then, to extend an extremely cordial welcome to British Summer Time and our old and valued friends and near neighbours, Cheltenham, to Kingsholm this evening. While the Town have not enjoyed their fair share of success this season, they have recently achieved several encouraging victories, two against Harrogate and Davenport early this month being followed by the defeat of Lydney at Regentsholme last Sunday—a highly commendable performance!

Last season's match with the Town at Kingsholm ended in victory for Gloucester by 39 points to nil on the evening of Wednesday, October 11, 1972, when John Watkins (3), Eddie Pinkney (2), John Dix and Alan Brinn scored the tries, with Peter Butler making four conversions and adding a penalty goal. Earlier this season at the Athletic Ground, however, the Cherry and Whites were made to fight

hard to beat Cheltenham by 13 points to nil.

KINGSHOLM KACKLE

It would not be amiss to incorporate a paragraph of "Cheltenham Chatter" in these notes. The Town's President, Mr. Phil Davies, recently presented an engraved pewter tankard and a cheque to Harry Grantham as a token of appreciation of his long and loyal service to the club, both as player and official. An engraved plaque has also been generously donated for permanent display in the Cheltenham clubhouse. Well played, Harry!

Supporters are asked to note that Gloucester's fixture with Plymouth Albion next Saturday at the Beacon field has been postponed. It will now be played on Friday, April 26, as the first match of the Cherry

and Whites' annual South-West tour.

We all wish every success to Gloucestershire—and to the eleven Gloucester players in particular—in their efforts to bring the county championship title back to its rightful place in the West Country when they meet Lancashire at Blundellsands on Saturday. The large number of supporters travelling up the M.5 suggests that there will be plenty of vociferous encouragement for our County.

At Kingsholm on Saturday the brilliant Gloucester United side, nearing 900 points for the season, meet Kidderminster-Carolians, with the usual kick-off time of 3 p.m. And there will be more rugger next Monday on the local scene when the second round matches of the of the North Gloucestershire Combination Senior Cup are played.

The matches are: Gordon League v. Spartans (Hempsted); Matson v. Gloucester O.B. (Red Well Road); Tredworth v. Old Richians (Lannett); Widden O.B. v. Longlevens (Memorial Ground, Tuffley Avenue).

ARTHUR RUSSELL