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GLOUCESTER RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

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PRESIDENT: A. T. VOYCE, OBE

GLOUCESTER

75pts

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L'AQUILA

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KINGSHOLM, GLOUCESTER

Monday, 9th September, 1974

Kick-Off: 7.00 p.m.

Price: 5p

L'AQUILA

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| 15. S. Ghizzoni | 1. B. Manetta |
| 14. M. Nascioletti | 2. G. Morelli |
| 13. B. di Cola † | 3. M. Zingarelli † |
| 12. G. di Cola † | 4. P. Camiscioni |
| 11. P. Pacifici (Capt.) † | 5. P. Marzolo |
| 10. G. Ponzi † | 6. W. Cucchiarell † |
| 9. E. Alo † | 7. A. Falancia |
| | 8. P. Mariani |

Referee: D. BROWNING (N. Midlands)

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The City of Gloucester Division, St. John Ambulance Brigade

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| 15. P. Butler* | 1. K. Richardson (Capt.)* |
| 14. R. Clewes* | 2. M. Nicholls* |
| 13. R. Jardine* | 3. P. Blakeway* |
| 12. R. White* | 4. A. Brinn † * |
| 11. J. Dix | 5. J. Fidler* |
| 10. T. Palmer* | 6. J. Watkins † * |
| 9. P. Kingston* | 7. J. Haines* |
| | 8. B. Hemmings |

* County

† International

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BEN VENUTI, SIGNIORI DI L'AQUILA

Welcome to the lads of L'Aquila

It is always a pleasure to entertain new friends to Kingsholm, particularly from far distant lands; we extend, then, a very cordial welcome this evening to L'Aquila, the strong Italian club, paying their visit to this country.

While they are, of course, strangers to most of us, L'Aquila were last season's runners-up in the Italian championship, but surrounded themselves with rugging glory in their own country by winning the national knock-out competition.

These achievements support their reputation for playing bright, entertaining rugby. Dedicated as they are, a desire to learn even more about the game in our country brings them on this short tour.

We look forward to an enjoyable game this evening and sincerely trust that our new friends from L'Aquila will take back to sunny Italy happy memories of Kingsholm and our fair city. *Ben Venuti, L'Aquila.*

KINGSHOLM KACKLE

Congratulations to the lads on opening the new season with that convincing victory over Broughton Park on Saturday. It was indeed sweet revenge for that unexpected defeat last September, and a victory the more creditable in view of the freak weather conditions.

More rugging fare on Wednesday evening, when neighbouring Stroud will be the visitors to Kingsholm with the usual 7.00 p.m. kick-off. Next Saturday the Cherry and Whites face a formidable task with their first away match of the season – the journey to Coundon Road to take on powerful Coventry.

There will be the opportunity for supporters to watch this clash on television, for it is the *Rugby Special* on BBC 2 next Saturday evening.

While the senior side are busy at Coundon Road, the United have an attractive fixture at Kingsholm with Coventry Extra 1st XV, kick-off 3.00 p.m. The Midlanders' 'Extras' provide perhaps the strongest opposition of the season, and last year included four internationals in their ranks when they visited Kingsholm – though United gained a memorable victory.

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LUCKY PROGRAMME NUMBER

Broughton Park Game

No. 911 – Mr L. Thomas, of 10 Cakebridge Place, Cheltenham, who won £5.00.