

# **GLOUCESTER RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

Founded 1873

PRESIDENT: A. T. VOYCE, OBE

# GLOUGESTER

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# BEDFORD

KINGSHOLM, GLOUCESTER

SATURDAY, 5th OCTOBER, 1974

Kick-Off: 3.00 p.m.

Price: 5p

## BEDFORD

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14. D. Wyatt\*

13. S. Wells\*

12. J. Howerd (Capt.)\*

11. A. Towersey

10. G. Davies\*

9. R. Smith\*

1. C. Bailward \*

2. N. Barker\*

3. A. Johnson\*

4. C. Hooker\*

5. J. Mawle\*

6. A. Hollins\*

7. F. Edwards \*

8. D. Jackson\*

Referee: M. H. TITCOMB (Bristol Society)

The First-Aid Service on this ground is voluntarily provided by The City of Gloucester Division, St. John Ambulance Brigade

## GLOUCESTER

15. P. Butler\*

14. J. Dix\*

13. R. Jardine\*

12. R. White\*

11. S. Dix\*

10. R. Redwood\*

9. P. Kingston\*

1. K. Richardson (Capt.)\*

2. F. Reed\*

3. M. Burton †\*

4. A. Brinn † \*

5. J. Fidler\*

6. J. Watkins\*

7. J. Haines\*

8. J. Jarrett\*

\*County

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### WELCOME TO BEDFORD

Bedford, of course, only visit Kingsholm once every two years and we therefore extend a particularly cordial welcome to our old and valued Midland friends this afternoon.

Our matches with Bedford have invariably been spectacular and usually high-scoring affairs. Their last visit here, on September 30, 1972, for instance, brought a riot of scoring, Gloucester emerging convincing winners by 47 points to 13. Bob Clewes (2), John Bayliss (2), Richard Jardine, John Watkins, Dick Smith and John Spalding scored the tries, Peter Butler converting no fewer than six of them and adding a penalty goal.

But last season, at Goldington Road, on Saturday, September 29, 1973, Bedford returned the compliment, if we may put it that way, with interest, for they romped home by 37 points to 15. It was, indeed, the highest score amassed against Gloucester in their centenary season—and one of their comparatively few defeats. We look forward, then, to such another exciting and enjoyable game this afternoon.

### KINGSHOLM KACKLE

Victory over Bristol is always a satisfying experience, but the convincing manner in which the Cherry and Whites vanquished their old rivals last Saturday was a splendid achievement, particularly as the lads scored three superb tries and might have had several more. It was wretched luck for Bristol to lose Alan Ramsey for rather more than half the game, though in fairness they already looked a bewildered and beaten side before his untimely departure.

The committee are hoping to issue an improved programme as soon as possible. In addition, in response to several requests, efforts are to be made to produce a programme for Gloucester United home matches. These would be sold at a nominal sum, but will include both teams and club gossip, as in the First XV programme. With the costs so ridiculously high these days we look for your support to make a United programme a viable proposition.

Gloucester's match against St. Luke's College in the first round of the Rugby Union national club knock-out competition has now been arranged. It will be played at Kingsholm on the evening of Wednesday, November 13, with the usual 7.00 p.m. kick-off.

But there is plenty of rich fare at Kingsholm before that date, and the next home match is against Moseley a few days hence, on Wednesday, October 9. This is followed next Saturday by the visit of the famous Harlequins to Kingsholm — a fixture that had to be cancelled last season because of 'Quins' ' commitments in the knock-out competition.

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