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SOUTH WALES POLICE

at

KINGSHOLM GLOUCESTER
WEDNESDAY, 10th SEPTEMBER, 1975

Kick-off: 7.00 p.m.

Official Programme - 5p



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GLOUCESTER Cherry and White Full Back 15. P. Butler *† Three Quarters 14. R. Clewes 13. R. White 12. J. Bayliss 11. J. Dix Half Backs 10. D. Pointon 9. P. Kingston *† Forwards 1. K. Richardson 2. K. Nicholls 3. M. Burton (Capt.) *† *† 4. A. Brinn 5. J. Fidler *† 6. J. Watkins 8. B. Hemmings E.P. P. RNEY 7. J. Haines

Referee: J. BURGUM (North Midlands Society)

† International

§ Under-23 International

* County

First XV Fixtures				First XV Fixtures			
1975				1976			
Sept. 3	Weston-s-Mare	A	37- 3	Jan.	1	Nottingham H	-
6	Broughton Pk	A	26-18		3	London Scottish A	_
10	S. Wales Police	H	25-10		10	Leicester H	_
13	Coventry	Н	-		17	Wasps H	-
20	Fylde	A	_		24	Army H	_
24	Stroud	A	_		28	St. Lukes Coll. H	_
27	Bristol	A	_		31	Bridgend A	_
Oct. 1	Moseley	H	_	Feb.	6	Bristol H	_
4	Bedford	A	_		14	Bath A	_
8	British Police	Н	_		20	Swansea H	_
11	Harlequins	A	_		28	Aberavon H	_
15	Cheltenham	Н	-	Mar.	6		
18	Newport	H	_	IVIAI .	10	Northampton A Cheltenham A	_
25	Clifton	Н	-		13	Richmond H	
29	Pontypool	H	_		17		
Nov. 1	Leicester	A	_		20	Newbridge A Guys Hospital A	Ξ
8	Exeter	Н	_		24	44 .411	_
12	Cambridge Univ.	A	_		27	Saracens H	_
15	Aberavon	A	-		31	Cardiff A	
22	London Irish	Н	_	1	(-100)		
27	Loughborough	H	_	Apr.	7	Newport A	-
29	Oxford Univ.	Н	-		10	Ebbw Vale H	-
Dec. 6	Moseley	A	_		15	Lydney A	-
13	Bath	Н	_		17	Headingley H	-
20	Coventry	Α	-		19	Birkenhead Park H	_
26	Lydney	Н	_	1	24	Torquay Ath. A	-
27	Newbridge	H	-	May	1	Sale A	_

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SOUTH WALES POLICE

Blue and White

Full Back

15. D. Lloyd

Three Quarters

14. A. Lynch

13. D. Barwood

12. C. Thomas

11. S. Larrard

Half Backs

10. D. Edwards

9. P. Noble

Forwards

1. G. Thomas (Capt.)

2. D. Young

3. D. Morgan

4. H. Pitman

5. P Prygodzicz

6. S. Myles

8. G. Williams

7. G. Tinnuche



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WELCOME TO THE NEW SEASON – AND THE POLICE

With the series of heat waves now approaching an end and what the poet described as the season of mists and mellow fruitfulness almost upon us, we welcome the new rugby season at Kingsholm with the visit of those powerful opponents from the Principality, the South Wales Police.

In contrast to this early fixture, last season's match against the Police was one of the final ones, for they visited Kingsholm on Wednesday, April 16, when the Cherry and Whites won an entertaining game by 28 points to 9.

South Wales Police began the new season in splendid form with an away win over Maesteg last Saturday by 17 points to 7, so we look forward to an exciting tussle this evening to open the season at home.



KINGSHOLM KACKLE

Great Start

What happier note to start the season's 'Kackle' than to congratu-

late our new skipper, Mike Burton, and the lads on their two great away wins, over Weston-super-Mare and Broughton Park — an excellent prelude to their first appearance before their own supporters this evening.

To score 63 points in the two opening games, both on 'foreign', is a highly encouraging start to the season, whatever the opposition, and suggests that the lads have quickly run into form. And we must not forget the overwhelming victory of the United, under their new skipper, Jerry Herniman, who trounced neighbouring Cheltenham United at Kingsholm last Saturday by 72 - 3.



Continental Drop-out

Supporters will no doubt be confused for a while this season, for the Rugby Union, like most of the community, have now gone all metric. We shall no more have our long established 25 yards line - it is now 22 metres. One assumes, then, that we shall have the Continental drop-out from the old 25 yards. And perhaps we shall have to call Tom Palmer and others who run the touch-line "Messieurs des touches?" All other measurements have also changed, of course, so the poor sports journalist will be expected to think, translate and write at the same time, as one wag commented!



Newcomers

This evening will be the first chance for Kingsholm supporters to see outside-half Dave Pointon in action. Dave, who has played several times for Gloucestershire, joined the club from St. Paul's College and Cheltenham during the close season and his experience should be a valuable asset.

Another newcomer from Cheltenham is prop forward Mike Curran, who joined the Cherry and Whites officially at the weekend. Mike skippered the Town side last season and turned out for his first training session at Kingsholm on Monday evening.

Visit of 'Cov.'

Next Saturday afternoon, with the usual 3.00 p.m. kick-off, Gloucester face tough opposition at Kingsholm with the visit of formidable Coventry, who again showed they will be a powerful force in the land by rattling up 53 points against Fylde last weekend on the North country club's ground. And it is interesting to note that the Cherry and White have to visit Fylde on the following Saturday!

Finally, officials, committee men and players join in extending a warm welcome to you all, looking again for your valued support in what we all hope will be another highly successful season.

Arthur Russell



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