



**GLOUCESTER RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

Founded 1873

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# GLOUCESTER

v

# COVENTRY

at

KINGSHOLM . GLOUCESTER

SATURDAY, 13th SEPTEMBER, 1975

Kick-off: 3.00 p.m.

*Official Programme—6p*



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## GLOUCESTER

Cherry and White

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

## Referee: R. S. JOHNSON (London Society)

† International

§ Under-23 International

\* County

### First XV Fixtures

1975	
Sept. 3	Weston-s-Mare A 37-3
6	Broughton Pk A 26-18
10	S. Wales Police H 25-10
13	Coventry ... H -
20	Fylde ... A -
24	Stroud ... A -
27	Bristol ... A -
Oct. 1	Moseley ... H -
4	Bedford ... A -
8	British Police ... H -
11	Harlequins ... A -
15	Cheltenham ... H -
18	Newport ... H -
25	Clifton ... H -
29	Pontypool ... H -
Nov. 1	Leicester ... A -
8	Exeter ... H -
12	Cambridge Univ. A -
15	Aberavon ... A -
22	London Irish ... H -
27	Loughborough H -
29	Oxford Univ. H -
Dec. 6	Moseley ... A -
13	Bath ... H -
20	Coventry ... A -
26	Lydney ... H -
27	Newbridge ... H -

### First XV Fixtures

1976	
Jan. 1	Nottingham ... H -
3	London Scottish A -
10	Leicester ... H -
17	Wasps ... H -
24	Army ... H -
28	St. Lukes Coll. H -
31	Bridgend ... A -
Feb. 6	Bristol ... H -
14	Bath ... A -
20	Swansea ... H -
28	Aberavon ... H -
Mar. 6	Northampton A -
10	Cheltenham ... A -
13	Richmond ... H -
17	Newbridge ... A -
20	Guys Hospital A -
24	Abertillery ... A -
27	Saracens ... H -
31	Cardiff ... A -
Apr. 7	Newport ... A -
10	Ebbw Vale ... H -
15	Lycney ... A -
17	Headingley ... H -
19	Birkenhead Park H -
24	Torquay Ath. A -
May 1	Sale ... A -

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

## COVENTRY

Blue and White

- Full Back
15. P. A. Rossborough \*†
- Three Quarters
14. R. Barnwell \*
13. G. W. Evans \*†
12. P. S. Preece \*†
11. P. Knee
- Half Backs
10. A. R. Cowman \*†
9. C. Gifford \*
- Forwards
1. J. Robinson
2. J. Gallagher \*
3. T. Corless \*
4. B. A. Ninnes \*†
5. I. Darnell (Capt.) \*
6. J. Shippies \*
8. J. Barton \*†
7. R. Cardwell \*



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## CORDIAL WELCOME TO 'COV.'

Were there a "top ten" of the most popular visitors to Kingsholm then undoubtedly Coventry would be vying for the No. 1 spot, and we extend a very cordial welcome to our old friends and rivals from the Midlands this afternoon.

Generally recognised as the two most formidable rugby clubs in the country 'Cov.' and the Cherry and Whites invariably share the honours as it is right and proper that they should. Last season again, for instance, Coventry won deservedly at Coundon Road, while Gloucester deemed it only honourable that they should be the victors at Kingsholm.

Gloucester have started in great form with 88 points from their first three matches, but they are also fully aware that 'Cov.' rattled up 53 points last Saturday against Fylde on the north country club's ground. We look forward, then to another great battle of the giants this afternoon.



## KINGSHOLM KACKLE

### Generous Gestures

Supporters will no doubt have noticed the brand new flag-pole at the Worcester Street end of the ground. This was the generous gift of one of the Club's patrons, Mr. Cliff Cooper, of Messrs. Cooper Bros., haulage contractors, of Park-end, who is also chairman of Bream cricket club.

The transport of the pole to Kingsholm was arranged by two more Club patrons, Messrs. Jack and Ken Drury, of Messrs. Nicks & Company Ltd., timber merchants, of Bristol Road, Gloucester.

The Club is indeed grateful to these generous gentlemen and tender very sincere thanks to them.



### 250 Club

A reminder to all supporters that they are again invited to join the highly successful 250 Club. Not only are they helping the Club; they may also win valuable prizes each month — and at the end of the season!

The subscription for the whole season is £6.50, but this can be paid by instalments to Aleck Lankester, the organiser, or to any member of the 250 committee, namely, Terry Tandy, Fred Ewers and Mervyn Elway. Payments may be paid on any Friday evening, or before and after 1st XV home matches.

The sum of £750 was raised last year and this money will be used to brick-face the club house. The first monthly draw this season will take place on Friday, November 28 at 9.00 p.m. in the Social Club.



### "Mercury" back

Because of a long dispute the Midland's own Sunday newspaper, the *Sunday Mercury*, has not been issued since early May; but those who read this paper, which covers Gloucester and local Rugby, will be delighted to hear that it will resume publication tomorrow week, September 21.



### The French at Kingsholm

Gloucester's next home game will be the special one against the strong French club, Begles, next Thursday evening, September 18, with the usual 7.00 p.m. kick-off. The French side come with a glowing reputation, so the lads face yet another tough assignment.

Arthur Russell



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