

CORNWALL RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION



CORNWALL

v.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE

at

RECREATION GROUND, REDRUTH

SATURDAY, 25th OCTOBER, 1975

Kick-off : 2.45 p.m.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

10p

**WELCOME TO GLOUCESTERSHIRE
FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE CORNWALL R.F.U.**

It is with great pleasure that we welcome the officials and players of the Gloucestershire R.F.U.—the current County Champions—to this the first match in this season's County Championship.

Our games with Gloucestershire are always closely contested and it is of interest to note that during the last twenty seasons Gloucestershire have won the South Western Division eleven times; Cornwall six; and Devon three.

Last season we held them to a margin of 9 pts.-6 pts., which was a much closer result than that achieved by Warwickshire in the semi-final and Eastern Counties in the final.

Gloucestershire are renowned for the quality of their forwards and can boast several internationals.

Cornwall supporters will have been heartened by the recent display of the Cornish XV against the experienced Captain Crawshay's Welsh XV at Camborne.

The policy of the newly-appointed Selection Committee is for the team to play a running game and provide entertaining rugby, with the main objective of scoring tries and winning matches.

Cornwall field a comparatively young XV with a blend of experienced players. A good team spirit prevails and we wish them every success in their bid for the Championship.



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GLOUCESTERSHIRE RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION

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CORNWALL 6 PTS (1PG; 1DG)

- 15 **P. WINNAN** (Penryn) (1PG)
14 ***K. C. PLUMMER** (Bristol & Penryn)
13 **J. S. COCKING** (St. Ives)
12 **M. J. TRIGGS** (Aberavon & Penryn)
11 **M. MILLS** (Hayle)

10 **B. C. STEVENS** (St. Ives) (1DG)
9 **N. P. COOMBES** (Penryn)

1 ***C. B. STEVENS** (Penzance & Newlyn)
2 **J. TREVORROW** (St. Ives)
3 **T. A. PRYOR** (Redruth)
4 **C. DURRANT** (Camborne)
5 †**R. G. CORIN** (St. Ives)
6 †**P. J. HENDY** (St. Ives) (Capt.)
7 **D. MUIRHEAD** (Falmouth)
8 **R. MUNGLES** (Hayle)

*International. †Under-23 International.

Replacements:

16—**A. INNES** (Penzance & Newlyn); 17—**CHRIS. THOMAS** (Penzance & Newlyn); 18—**T. PENNA** (Redruth); 19—**D. PARSONS** (Redruth).

Touch Judge:

A. R. EDDY, C.R.O.R.S.

- Full Backs
Threequarters
Right - Wing - Left
Right - Centre - Left
Left - Centre - Right
Left - Wing - Right

Half-backs
Stand Off
Scrum

Forwards
Prop
Hooker
Prop
Second Row
Second Row
Blind Side
Lock
Open Side

Referee:

Mr. D. W. Howard,

Kick-off: 2.45 p.m.

GLOUCESTERSHIRE 9 PTS (3PG) (3PG)

- 15 ***P. E. BUTLER** (Gloucester) (3PG)
11 **R. R. MOGG** (Gloucester)
12 **J. BAYLISS** (Gloucester) (Capt.)
13 **R. JARDINE** (Gloucester)
14 ~~**J. MORLEY** (Bristol)~~ **J. DIX** (GLOS.)

10 **C. WILLIAMS** (Headingley)
9 ***P. KINGSTON** (Gloucester)

1 ***B. G. NELMES** (Cardiff)
2 ***J. V. PULLIN** (Bristol)
3 ***M. A. BURTON** (Gloucester)
4 **R. POWELL** (Llanelli)
5 **J. H. FIDLER** (Gloucester)
6 ***J. A. WATKINS** (Gloucester)
8 †**M. RAFTER** (Bristol)
7 ***D. ROLLITT** (Bristol)

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Replacements:

16—**D. POINTON** (Gloucester); 17—**C. PATTERSON** (Bristol University); 18—**F. REED** (Gloucester); 19—**J. SIMONETT** (St. Paul's College, Cheltenham).

Touch Judge:

D. PORTHCROUGH

**MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT
OF THE GLOUCESTERSHIRE R.F.U.**

The Gloucestershire team and officials are once again very pleased to visit the Duchy as we are always assured of a warm welcome and great hospitality.

We hope that the weather will be fine for today's match, so that both sides may play fast open rugby for the enjoyment of all present.

JOHN MARSH

TODAY'S MATCH

Cornwall versus Gloucestershire is a match that stirs the imagination of all Cornish players and supporters alike, today is no exception. In the South West Group they are the team to beat. Over the last fourteen years the winner of our Group has been either Gloucestershire or Cornwall—will today's game again provide the Group Winner and possible County Champions?

We welcome our visitors as worthy champions, they have an enviable record and we are never under any illusion as to the tough task it is to overcome them. But overcome them we have, and I am certain they always regard this encounter as one of the major hurdles in their quest for success. We have been the only side to beat them on their championship trail and in our last two meetings have only conceded victory by 9 pts. to 7 and 9 pts. to 6. On neither occasion could they manage a try.

However today's game is the start of another Championship season, and we look forward to the thrill of County Rugby once more. We all want to see what is best in these highly competitive and exciting encounters.

We have virtually a new Selection Committee and we wish them and their team well. All Cornish supporters will be hoping they have found a correct formula.

That unfortunately is not the only change this season. For more than twenty-five years, when notes on "Today's Game" have appeared, they have been written by our Secretary, Alan Barbary. At the time of writing Alan is in hospital, I am certain that all at Redruth today will be united in a sincere wish for his speedy recovery. Alan Barbary and Cornish Rugby are synonymous, a match day without R.A.C. doesn't seem right, so I will say it for us all—"Hurry back."

To those players gaining their first cap a special word. Playing for your County is a great honour, play your heart out for your team, have a good game and give yourself something to remember.

Over the past ten years, at about the time most of you read these notes, I have been with the players in the changing room. I know the tension they feel, their desire to run themselves into the ground for Cornwall, their determination not to fail, their fears that they might. It's a lonely place when they run out. Let's give them all the support we can.

BILL BISHOP, *Assistant Secretary.*

CHEER LIKE MAD—FOR CORNWALL!