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SATURDAY, 10th JANUARY, 1976

Kick-off: 3 p.m.

*Official Programme—6p*



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- Half Backs  
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 9. W. Birchley
- Forwards  
 1. K. Richardson \*  
 2. R. Daldry  
 3. M. Curran  
 4. A. Brinn \*†  
 5. P. Winnell \*  
 6. A. Auster  
 8. M. Potter \*  
 7. J. Haines \*

Referee: J. EVANS (Wales Society)

- † International  
 ‡ Under-23 International  
 \* County  
 \*\* Blues

*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	13-13
20	Fylde ...	A	3-31
24	Stroud ...	A	30- 9
27	Bristol ...	A	0- 4
Oct. 1	Moseley ...	H	9-22
4	Bedford ...	A	10-18
8	British Police	H	31- 6
11	Harlequins ...	A	24-13
15	Cheltenham ...	H	40- 4
18	Newport ...	H	17-13
25	Clifton ...	H	41- 0
29	Pontypool ...	H	12-19
Nov. 1	Leicester ...	A	22-12
8	Exeter ...	H	76- 6
12	Cambridge Univ.	A	12-32
15	Plymouth Alb.	A	9- 3
22	London Irish ...	H	7-21
27	Loughborough	H	16-22
29	Oxford Univ.	H	22- 6
Dec. 6	Moseley ...	A	26-18
13	Bath ...	H	18-15
20	Coventry ...	A	15-18
26	Lydney ...	H	44- 7
27	Newbridge ...	H	29- 3

*First XV Fixtures*

1976			
Jan. 1	Nottingham ...	H	17- 3
3	London Scottish	A	0-20
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	Lydney ...	A	—
17	Headingley ...	H	—
19	Birkenhead Park	H	—
24	Torquay Ath.	A	—
May 1	Sale ...	A	—

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 9. S. Kenney \*
- Forwards  
 1. R. Cowling \*  
 2. P. Wheeler \*†  
 3. R. French \*  
 4. N. Joyce \*  
 5. R. Rowell (Capt.) \*†  
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 8. D. Forfar \*  
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## CORDIAL WELCOME TO 'THE TIGERS'

Were a "Top of the Pops" chart to be compiled on the most popular visitors to Kingsholm then surely in contention for the leading spot would be our old Midlands friends – and stern rivals – Leicester, the famous "Tigers", to whom we extend a particularly cordial welcome this afternoon.

After a disappointing spell during October and November the Tigers have "come good", if we may use a colloquial term, and are now in great form, though today they are without their skipper, Robin Money, still suffering from a pulled hamstring, and their brilliant young "discovery", 18-year-old Marcus Rose, who stole the limelight against the Barbarians recently. Marcus is required for an important Schools match and reluctantly misses his Kingsholm baptism.

It was during their unsettled period that the Midlanders were defeated by Gloucester at Welford Road on November 1 by 22 – 12. Like Shylock of old, then, the Tigers might well be asking, "Shall we not revenge?"

But whatever the outcome we sincerely trust the Leicester Lads, among them one gentleman, Robin Cowling, whom we all know so well,

enjoy their annual visit to our fair city and we look forward to yet another exciting and entertaining game this afternoon.

## KINGSHOLM KACKLE

### Quarter-Final

As the game starts here it should be half-time in the county championship quarter-final at Croxley Green, where Gloucestershire are defending their title against the South group aspirants, Hertfordshire. Telephonic communication is not easy from this ground on the outskirts of London, but it is hoped we shall get news of how the County are faring during the afternoon.



### Diary Dates

Most supporters are now aware that Gloucester's match with Sale at the Cheshire club's Brooklands ground in the second round of the John Player Cup competition has now been fixed for Saturday, February 14. One or more coaches will run and all those wishing to book seats are asked to contact Jim Holder in the Social Club as soon as possible so that the necessary arrangements can be made.

On this date, of course, Gloucester were due to meet Bath, but this match will now be played on the

following Monday evening, February 16, at Kingsholm, with the usual 7 p.m. kick-off.

Another note for supporters' diaries! Because of the England v. Wales international next Saturday, the game against Wasps at Kingsholm has been brought forward to the previous evening, Friday, January 16.



### No Clash of Dates

There appears to be some confusion over the date and venue of the county championship semi-final. Numerous supporters are under the impression that if Gloucestershire win this afternoon they have to meet the North group winners on February 14, the same day as Gloucester's John Player Cup match with Sale.

This is not so, for the date of the semi-final is Saturday, February 7. Moreover, it would be a home game for Gloucestershire, contrary to what many supporters appear to think. It is interesting to note, however, that on the previous evening, Friday, February 6, Gloucester and Bristol, who supply most of the County team, are due to meet at Kingsholm!

All these internationals, county matches and the John Player Cup games certainly have some harassed fixture secretaries constantly reaching for the aspirins!

Arthur Russell

