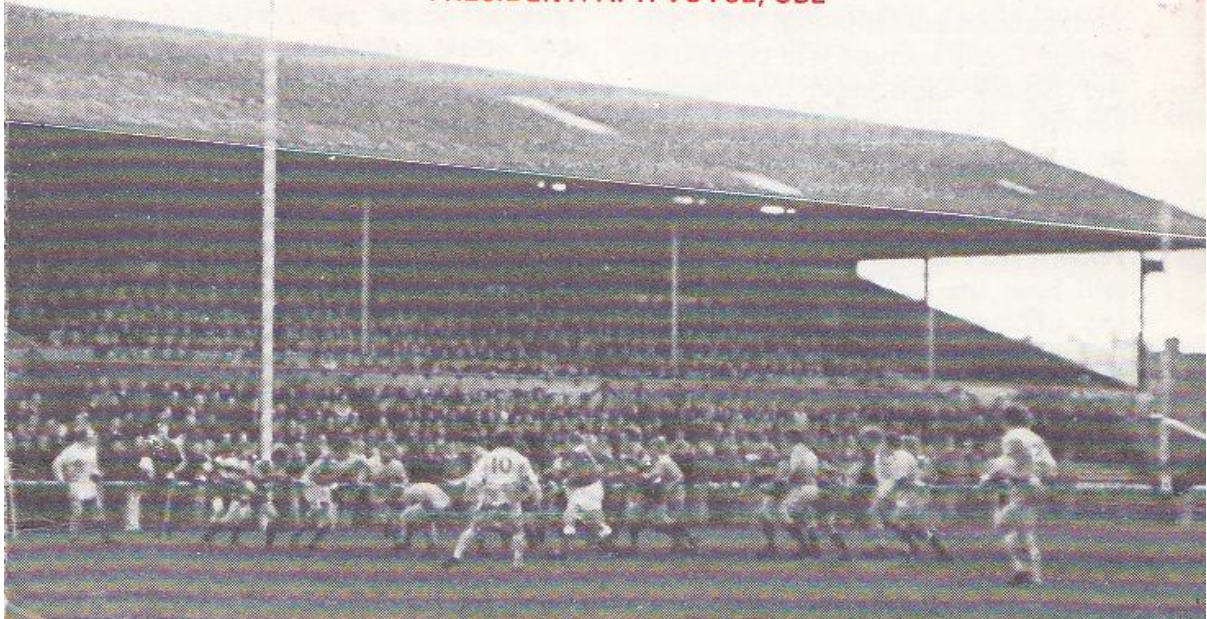




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# SWANSEA

FRIDAY, 20th FEBRUARY, 1976

at

KINGSHOLM . GLOUCESTER

Kick-off: 7.30 p.m.

*Official Programme—6p*



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- Three Quarters
14. R. Clewes \*
13. R. Mogg \*
12. B. Vine \*
11. R. Jardine \*
- Half Backs
10. C. Williams \*
9. P. Kingston \*†
- Forwards
1. K. Richardson (Capt.) \*
2. R. Daldry
3. M. Curran
4. J. Fidler \*
5. S. Boyle
6. J. Watkins \*†
8. M. Potter \*
7. J. Haines \*

Referee: D. HEAD (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 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 4- 9  |
|      | 16 | Wasps ...       | H 16- 6 |
|      | 21 | Bristol ...     | H 15-15 |
|      | 24 | Army ...        | H 38- 8 |
|      | 28 | St. Lukes Coll. | H 23-16 |
| Feb. | 7  | Exeter ...      | H 32-10 |
|      | 14 | Salisbury ...   | A 15-16 |
|      | 17 | Bath ...        | H 12- 3 |
|      | 20 | Swansea ...     | H -     |
|      | 28 | Aberavon ...    | H -     |
| Mar. | 6  | Northampton     | A -     |
|      | 10 | Cheltenham ...  | A -     |
|      | 13 | Richmond ...    | H -     |
|      | 17 | Newbridge ...   | A -     |
|      | 20 | Guy's 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  | Salisbury ...   | A -     |

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## SWANSEA

White

- Full Back
15. R. Blyth (Capt.) †
- Three Quarters
14. G. Jones
13. G. Jenkins
12. R. Davies
11. R. Woodward
- Half Backs
10. J. Evans
9. A. Meredith
- Forwards
1. P. Thomas
2. A. Mages
3. A. Lewis
4. L. Morris
5. A. N. Other
6. G. Atherton
8. P. Davies
7. P. Jones



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## WELCOME TO THE ALL WHITES

There can be few more eagerly-awaited visitors to Kingsholm than our old Welsh friends, Swansea, to whom we accord a particularly cordial welcome this evening; the more cordial in view of the fact that the famous All Whites are only met once a season, on a home and away basis.

The defeat of Swansea is in itself a great accomplishment; indeed a consummation devoutly to be wished. We know our friends will forgive us, therefore, for the immense satisfaction derived from the rare feat achieved by the Cherry and Whites in winning by 15 – 6 at the renowned St. Helen's ground last season on Friday evening, February 14, 1975. Few clubs, English or Welsh, leave there victorious!

Swansea's last visit to Kingsholm was on Saturday, February 16, 1974, when Gloucester won an exciting tussle by 13 – 0. It is obvious, therefore, that our formidable opponents will be asking, like Shylock, "Shall we not be avenged?" and we look forward to another entertaining game this evening.

Next Saturday, incidentally, Gloucester were due to meet Aberavon, who asked to be released from the fixture as they are playing their Welsh Cup match – against Swansea! May we, as mere outsiders, wish our two old rivals an enjoyable game, and trust that the better team wins.

## KINGSHOLM KACKLE

### Fine Double

Congratulations to the lads on their well-deserved victory over Bath on Tuesday evening. While the play generally perhaps "pleas'd not the million" it was a highly creditable double over our Somerset – or should it be Avon? – neighbours and ended their run of eight games without defeat; a run which included victories over such redoubtable opponents as Rosslyn Park and Cardiff.



### Semi-final

Next Saturday brings the postponed county championship semi-final between Gloucestershire and the strong Lancashire side at the Memorial Ground. If the County is to complete a hat trick of championship titles the players will need all the support they can get; and as Gloucester have no match no doubt more of our own supporters will be travelling down the M5.

A coach will run from Kingsholm, leaving at 12.45 p.m. – kick-off is at 2.45 p.m. – and those wishing to book seats should contact Jim Holder in the Social Club this evening.





### Patrons' Evening

Club patrons are reminded that their annual social evening will be held in the Social Club next Wednesday evening, February 25. Those who have not already done so are respectfully asked to inform either the Club secretary, Roy Long, or Cecil Pope if they wish to attend. Patrons will have the opportunity of meeting officials and players, and the reception is from 8 to 8.30 p.m.

### Diary Dates

This evening's game will be Gloucester's last appearance at Kingsholm for a few weeks. Their next home match is against Richmond on Saturday, March 13, but there is still plenty of rugby in the offing, as we say. On Sunday there is the Gloucestershire County Cup semi-final between Gordon League and Matson, kick-off 2.30 p.m., at Hempsted, and this promises to be a real thriller, with the winners qualifying to meet Berry Hill in the final.

On Wednesday evening, March 10 Gloucester make the short jaunt over to the Athletic Ground for the return match with neighbouring Cheltenham.

Arthur Russell



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