

GLOUCESTER RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB Founded 1873

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# GLOUGESTER

## BROUGHTON PARK

SATURDAY, 4th SEPTEMBER, 1976

at

KINGSHOLM . GLOUCESTER

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. Mogg 12. B. Vine 11. J. Dix Half Backs 10. C. Williams 9. P. Kingston Forwards 1. K. Richardson 2. S. Mills 3. M. Burton 4. S. Boyle 5. J. Fidler 6. J. Watkins (Capt.) 8. J. Simonet 7. E. Pinkney RESERVES R. Etheridge G. A. F. Sargent F. C. Reed

#### Referee: B. ABRAHAMS (East Midlands Society)

† International

|  | § Under-23 I                    | nternational   |         |      |
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|  | * County                        |  |         |      |
|  | England Tr                      | rial   |         |      |
| First XV Fixtures  |                                 | First XV Fixtures  |         |      |
| 1976   |                                 | 1977   |         |      |
| Sept. 4 (S) Broughton Pk. 8 (W) Stroud 11 (S) Coventry 15 (W) Newbridge 18 (S) Waterloo 25 (S) Bristol 29 (W) Cheltenham  Oct. 2 (S) Bedford | H -<br>A -<br>H -<br>H -<br>A - | Jan. 1 (S) London Scott.<br>8 (S) Leicester<br>15 (S) Wasps<br>19 (W)Army<br>22 (S) Moseley<br>26 (W)St. Lukes Coll.<br>29 (S) Loughborough<br>Feb. 4 (F) Bristol<br>12 (S) Bath | AAHAH   |      |
| 6 (W) Ebbw Vale 9 (S) Harlequins 13 (W) Pontypool 16 (S) Newport 22 (F) Clifton 27 (W)S, Wales Police 30 (S) Oxford Univ.                    | H -<br>A -<br>H -<br>H -        | 18 (F) Swansea<br>26 (S) Aberavon<br>Mar. 2 (W) Newport<br>5 (S) Northampton<br>9 (W) Cheltenham<br>12 (S) Richmond<br>16 (W) Abertillery<br>19 (S) Guys Hospital                | AAHHAHH | _    |
| Nov. 3 (W)Bridgend 6 (S) Leicester 10 (W)Cambridge Uni 13 (S) Stroud 20 (S) Aberavon 27 (S) London Irish                                     | H —<br>vH —<br>A —<br>H —       | 26 (S) Saracens 30 (S) Newbridge Apr. 2 (S) Cardiff 7 (T) Lydney 9 (S) New Brighton (Easter Saturda  | HAH     |      |
| Dec. 4 (S) Moseley 11 (S) Bath 18 (S) Coventry 26 Lydney (Boxing Day)  | H -                             | (Easter Monday 16 (S) Sale 19 (T) Nottingham 23 (S) Exeter 30 (S) Plymouth   | HAA     | 1111 |

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#### **BROUGHTON PARK** White Full Back

15. K. O'Brien

Three Quarters

14. L. Hayes13. W. Jackson 12. A. Bond

11. R. Wise

Half Backs

10. C. Cotton

9. F. Thomason

Forwards

1. S. Harris

2. K. Pacey (Capt.)

3. M. Callaray

4. S. Bull

5. J. Siddall

6. R. Davies

8. P. Lavin

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#### WELCOME TO THE PARK — AND A NEW SEASON

With the temperature of the past few weeks now having dropped from the eighties and nineties to more normal proportions and the "season of mists and mellow fruitfulness" almost upon us, we start the new campaign by extending a cordial welcome to old friends from the north, Broughton Park, trusting they will enjoy their brief visit to Kingsholm.

Apart from last year, when Westonsuper-Mare were met at Drove Road in a special match to celebrate their centenary, Gloucester invariably play Broughton Park in the opening game of each season, on an alternative home and away basis.

Last season, on Saturday, September 6, the Cherry and Whites travelled to the Park and won an entertaining and high-scoring game by 26 - 18. We look forward to such another enjoyable tussle to open the season at Kingsholm this afternoon.



#### KINGSHOLM KACKLE

New Look Kingsholm

How better to start another season's "Kackle" than by congratulating the club on the tremendous 'new look' to our famous ground. The imposing new wall, the newly-laid turf, the excellent new skittle-alley and extension on the Social Club and other improvements. All the result of really hard work during the glorious summer months.

Kingsholm has always been the envy of all other clubs; there will be even greater glances of admiration from our visitors this season!



New Skipper

Congratulations to John Watkins, our popular blond flanker, on his election as this season's skipper, and to jovial Jim Jarrett as the new United captain. With these dedicated players in command Gloucester can look forward confidently to yet another great season, particularly with so many talented players available.

Among all this talent we welcome to the Gloucester club Gordon Sargent — genial "Sarge" — the former Lydney skipper and County prop, and John Simonet, the tall No. 8 forward from St. Paul's College who has played for Gloucestershire in friendly matches.

Both are great assets to the club and we wish them a long and happy stay with the Cherry and Whites.



John Bayliss

As the Bard said, "They have their exits and their entrances . . ."; and while giving a sincere welcome to the new lads, let's not forget the departure of a former captain, John Bayliss, who has reluctantly decided to retire after a long and distinguished career with club and County, both of whom owe him a great debt of gratitude.

His many achievements have recently been duly recorded in the press, and his one disappointment — shared by us all — is that he never won the coveted England cap he so richly deserved. Much less talented centres have represented their country and we wish John every happiness in his 'retirement', though it is doubtful if he will never again set foot on the rugby field, for he is hoping to play for a local club when business commitments permit.

**Diary Dates** 

Next Wednesday evening, with the usual 7.00 p.m. kick-off, there will be further fare for supporters when neighbouring Stroud visit Kingsholm. On Monday evening, however, for those who cannot get enough rugger, Gloucester United make the short journey to the Forest of Dean to meet Cinderford.

The Cherry and Whites face one of their toughest assignments of the season next Saturday, when they travel to meet powerful Coventry at Coundon Road. Looking a little further ahead there is the "Big Match" at Kingsholm on Wednesday September 22, when Gloucestershire, as County Champions, meet Japan in the Tourists' opening match. Kick-off is at 7.00 p.m. and tickets are on sale today.

Arthur Russell



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