

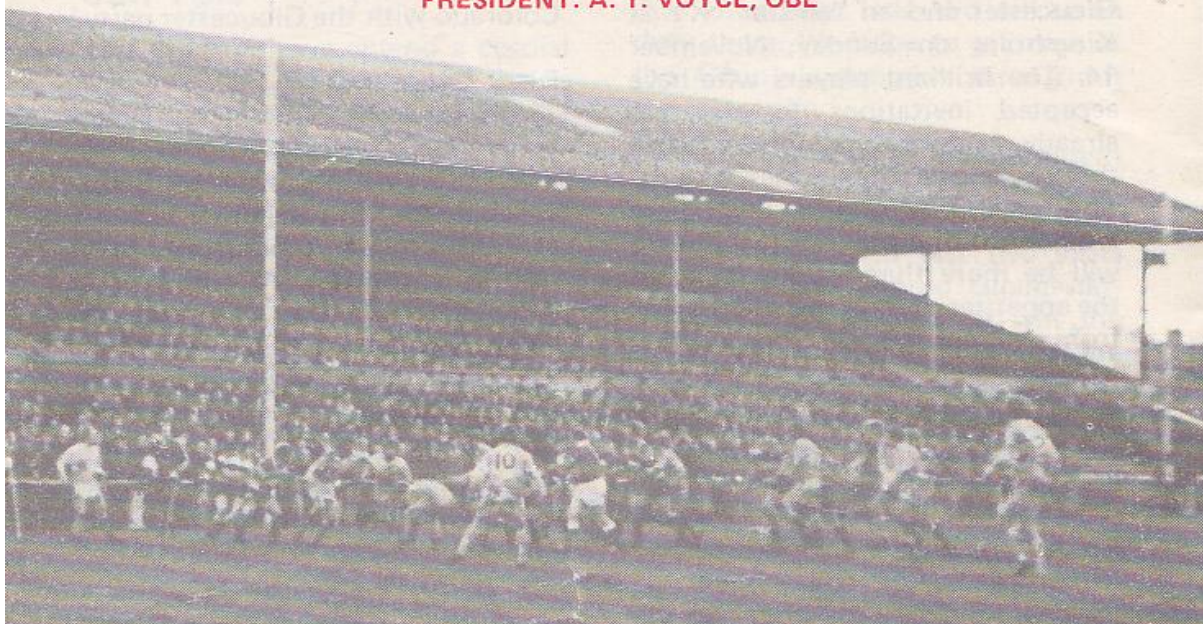


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SATURDAY, 23rd OCTOBER, 1976

at

KINGSHOLM GLOUCESTER

Kick-off: 3.00 p.m.

Official Programme—6p



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15. **R. Etheridge**
- Three Quarters
14. **R. Clewes** *
13. **D. Pointon**
12. **R. Moody**
11. **P. Williams**
- Half Backs
10. **G. Hutchinson**
9. **W. Birchley**
- Forwards
1. **K. Richardson (Capt.)** *||
2. **F. Reed** *
3. **P. Blakeway** *\$
4. **A. Brinn** *†
5. **J. Jarrett**
6. **A. Hayes**
8. **J. Simonet**
7. **J. Haines** *

REPLACEMENTS

P. Hiam

Referee: L. PACKER (Buckinghamshire Society)

- † International
- § Under-23 International
- * County
- || England Trial

First XV Fixtures

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| 1976 | | |
| Sept. 4 (S) Broughton Pk. H | 31-6 | |
| 8 (W) Stroud ... H | 23-3 | |
| 11 (S) Coventry ... A | 12-11 | |
| 15 (W) Newbridge ... H | 18-13 | |
| 18 (S) Waterloo ... H | 14-10 | |
| 25 (S) Bristol ... H | 6-9 | |
| 29 (W) Cheltenham A | 62-7 | |
| Oct. 2 (S) Bedford ... H | | 35-14 |
| 6 (W) Ebbw Vale ... A | 4-22 | |
| 9 (S) Harlequins ... H | 9-14 | |
| 13 (W) Pontypool ... A | 18-0 | |
| 16 (S) Newport ... A | 4-30 | |
| 22 (F) Clifton ... H | - | |
| 27 (W) S. Wales Police H | - | |
| 30 (S) Oxford Univ. A | - | |
| Nov. 3 (W) Bridgend ... H | | - |
| 6 (S) Leicester ... H | - | |
| 10 (W) Cambridge Univ H | - | |
| 13 (S) Stroud ... A | - | |
| 20 (S) Aberavon ... H | - | |
| 27 (S) London Irish A | - | |
| Dec. 4 (S) Moseley ... H | | - |
| 11 (S) Bath ... A | - | |
| 18 (S) Coventry ... H | - | |
| 26 Lydney ... H | - | |
| <i>(Boxing Day)</i> | | |

First XV Fixtures

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| 1977 | | |
| Jan. 1 (S) London Scott. H | - | |
| 8 (S) Leicester ... A | - | |
| 15 (S) Wasps ... A | - | |
| 19 (W) Army ... H | - | |
| 22 (S) Moseley ... A | - | |
| 26 (W) St. Lukes Coll. H | - | |
| 29 (S) Loughborough H | - | |
| Feb. 4 (F) Bristol ... A | | - |
| 12 (S) Bath ... H | - | |
| 18 (F) Swansea ... A | - | |
| 26 (S) Aberavon ... A | - | |
| Mar. 2 (W) Newport ... H | | - |
| 5 (S) Northampton H | - | |
| 9 (W) Cheltenham H | - | |
| 12 (S) Richmond ... A | - | |
| 16 (W) Abertillery ... H | - | |
| 19 (S) Guys Hospital H | - | |
| 26 (S) Saracens ... A | - | |
| 30 (S) Newbridge ... A | - | |
| Apr. 2 (S) Cardiff ... H | | - |
| 7 (T) Lydney ... A | - | |
| 9 (S) New Brighton H | - | |
| <i>(Easter Saturday)</i> | | |
| 11 (M) Fylde ... H | - | |
| <i>(Easter Monday)</i> | | |
| 16 (S) Sale ... H | - | |
| 19 (T) Nottingham A | - | |
| 23 (S) Exeter ... A | - | |
| 30 (S) Plymouth ... H | - | |

CLIFTON

Lavender and Black

- Full Back
15. **S. Eaves**
- Three Quarters
14. **F. Thomas**
13. **P. Johnson** *
12. **D. Lewis**
11. **K. Lowe** *
- Half Backs
10. **K. Lloyd**
9. **P. Smith**
- Forwards
1. **G. Mansfield**
2. **T. Dunn**
3. **P. Nash**
4. **C. Jenkins** *
5. **P. Brown**
6. **I. Elvin (Capt.)**
8. **R. Osborn**
7. **A. Watson**

REPLACEMENTS

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D. Betterton

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CORDIAL WELCOME TO CLIFTON

This afternoon we extend a cordial welcome to Clifton, our not-so distant neighbours from "down the M5", to whom, incidentally, we offer our congratulations on their excellent new ground and spacious club house at Cribb's Causeway, already visited by many of our supporters this season.

Clifton, whose form so far has been somewhat unpredictable, only meet the Cherry and Whites once each season. It is almost exactly a year since their last visit to Kingsholm, where, on Saturday, October 25, 1975, Gloucester won a thoroughly entertaining game by 41 to nil.

Although Gloucester have so many key players on duty with the County at Exeter — where Clifton's industrious lock forward, Nick Williams, has also earned well-deserved recognition — we look forward to such another enjoyable game this afternoon.



KINGSHOLM KACKLE

County Clash

Good news for motorists came this week with the announcement that the M5 motorway is now open as far south as Exeter without any

annoying hold-ups on adjacent roads. And among the first to make use of the completed stretch this afternoon will be the Gloucestershire team en route to Exeter, where they meet Devon at the County Ground as they continue the defence of their title.

We all wish them well in the tough task facing them, particularly our own Gloucester lads who will be on duty there. We hope to get news of the County's progress throughout the afternoon.

Somerset appear to be confident that they can get the better of Cornwall at Camborne, for they have won on their last two visits to the Duchy. Should Gloucestershire and Somerset both win the scene will indeed be set for the meeting of the two counties at Kingsholm on Saturday, November 13, the vital match which could decide the South-West group championship.



Congratulations

If Richard Mogg and burly Steve Boyle do not at least gain recognition for an England trial, then well may we wonder how the minds of national selectors work. Congratulations to them both for their great displays in the England Under-23 side's runaway victory over Japan at Twickenham. There are shrewd judges outside the West Country who are strongly tipping both these talented young players for full caps this season. Good luck to them both — may they add their names to the club's long and imposing list of internationals!



The "Spectacular"

Programmes are now on sale for the rugger "spectacular" between Gloucester and an "all-star" XV at Kingsholm on Sunday, November 14. The brilliant players who have accepted invitations to play are already known to supporters, and though injuries can upset calculations when finalising the team there is no doubt that the eventual line-up will be more than enough to whet the appetites of all rugger enthusiasts from near and far.

Admission to the ground for this match is 50p by programme, and stand seats will cost a further "ten bob". A ball autographed by the star-studded visiting team will be the first prize in a competition and all proceeds, of course, will go towards Gloucester's tour of the American state of Colorado next May.

It is estimated that nearly £10,000

is needed for the tour, which spans 18 days and is expected to include five 1st XV matches and two United games. Gloucester's international lock forward, Alan Brinn, who is chairman of the tour committee, says that another competition is also being planned; one that will arouse tremendous interest.

. . . For the prize is a free trip to Colorado with the Gloucester party!

Diary Dates

There is another match at Kingsholm next Wednesday evening, when the visitors will be South Wales Police with the usual kick-off at 7.00 p.m. Next Saturday, when United are home to Ebbw Vale Athletic, the senior side travel to Iffley Road to meet Oxford University. November brings a feast of home matches, including the County Championship clash with Somerset and of course the "big match spectacular" mentioned above.

Arthur Russell



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