

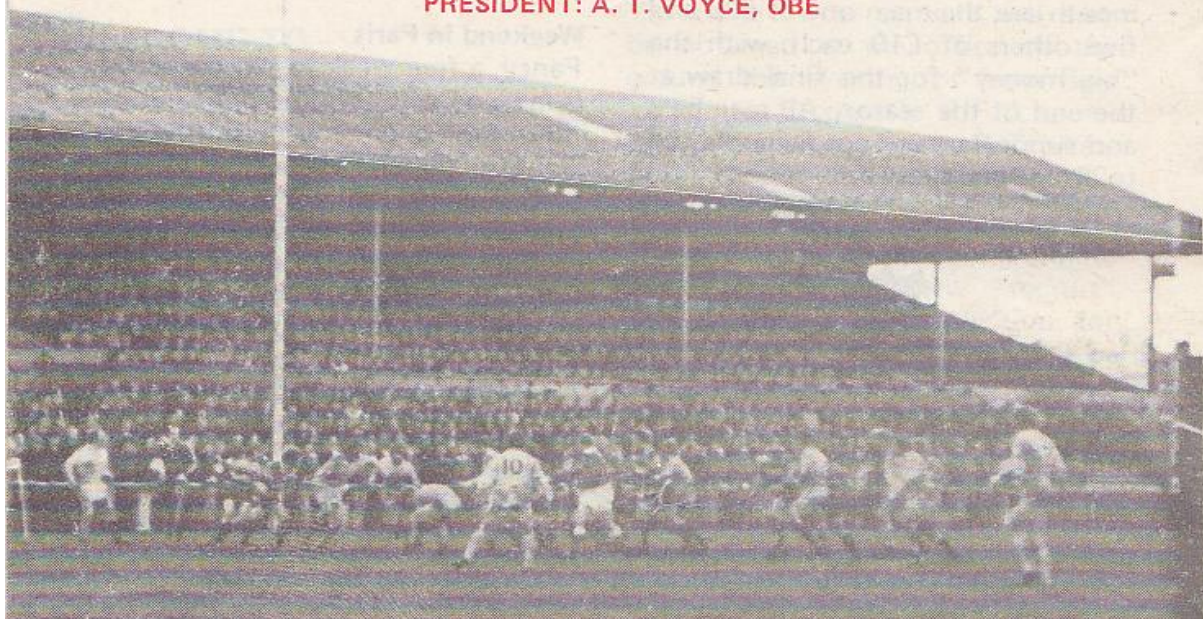


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ABERAVON

TUESDAY, 23rd NOVEMBER, 1976

at

KINGSHOLM · GLOUCESTER

Kick-off: 7.00 p.m.

Official Programme — 5p



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 15. **P. Butler** *†
- Three Quarters
 14. **R. J. Clewes** *
 13. **D. Pointon** *
 12. **R. Jardine** *
 11. **R. R. Mogg** *§
- Half Backs
 10. **C. G. Williams** *†
 9. **P. Kingston** *†
- Forwards
 1. **K. Richardson** *
 2. **S. G. F. Mills** *
 3. **M. A. Burton** *†
 4. **S. B. Boyle** *§
 5. **P. Winnell** *
 6. **J. A. Watkins (Capt.)** *†
 8. **N. Hayes** *
 7. **J. Cook** *

REPLACEMENTS

Referee: **P. J. KINGHAM (London Society)**

† International
 § Under-23 International
 * County

First XV Fixtures

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 28-0		
	27 (W)S. Wales Police	H	47-17		
	30 (S) Oxford Univ.	A	24-13		
Nov.	3 (W) Bridgend	...	H 10-11		
	6 (S) Leicester	...	H 14-12		
	10 (W) Cambridge Univ	H	4-4		
	13 (S) Stroud	...	A 8-10		
	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

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 -		

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ABERAVON

Red and Black

- Full Back
 15. **I. Shepherd** †
- Three Quarters
 14. **J. Griffiths** †
 13. **P. Shaddis** †
 12. **A. Rees** †
 11. **K. James** †
- Half Backs
 10. **J. Bevan** †
 9. **C. Shell (Capt.)** †
- Forwards
 1. **J. Richardson** †
 2. **W. James** †
 3. **B. Lewis** †
 4. **A. Martin** †
 5. **W. Mainwaring** †
 6. **B. Hancock** †
 8. **P. Clarke** †
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WELCOME TO THE "WIZARDS"

Gloucester's fixtures with Aberavon — normally two each season, have been so disrupted in recent years because of inclement weather or cup commitments that, to some supporters, they might almost seem to have become non-existent.

Last season both matches against our old friends from the Talbot Athletic Ground had to be cancelled while the previous season's engagements were reduced to the one fixture at Kingsholm, on Saturday, November 16, 1974, when the Cherry and Whites emerged victorious by 12 points to 6.

Perhaps the words of the poet Shelley, "Rarely, rarely comest thou," might spring to mind as we extend a particularly warm welcome to the famous Welsh "Wizards" this evening. As one of the leading lights in Welsh rugby Aberavon's reputation for skilful, constructive play needs no underlining and we look forward to an exciting and entertaining game as "auld acquaintance" is belatedly renewed.

This evening's tussle, incidentally, is an Anglo-Welsh "league" match and we express our gratitude to the "Wizards" for so readily agreeing to make the journey to Kingsholm after their Welsh Cup match on Saturday, when they recorded a convincing away win over Dinas Powis by 47 points to nil.

KINGSHOLM KACKLE

Quarter-Final

The profusion of rucker fare at Kingsholm continues next Saturday when Gloucestershire meet Oxfordshire in the quarter-final — or "play-off", as the Rugby Union strangely prefer to call it — of the county championship (kick-off 2.45 p.m.).

Tickets are now on sale and may be obtained at the office on the ground this evening, or from Roy Long, the Gloucester R.F.C. secretary, either at his home, 2, Tewkesbury Road, or his office at 22, Worcester Street.

It seems opportune to congratulate John Orwin, our new "recruit" this season, on his selection for Oxfordshire, for whom he will be making his debut. Apparently it was not generally realised that the burly lock forward, an airman stationed at Brize Norton, was qualified by residence to play for Oxfordshire, but having watched him recently their selectors, as Kingsholm supporters readily appreciate, immediately recognised his ability.



United Team

The lads in Gloucester United's side attract excellent support and rightly so, for they invariably play attacking and constructive rugby. But occasionally new players are given their chance and often many supporters do not readily recognise them all.

For obvious reasons it would be almost impracticable to issue programmes for United's home games on the same scale as the senior side, but in response to many requests it is hoped to have team sheets for

sale as soon as possible, even if they only contain the names of the United players.

300 Club Draw

The first monthly draw of this season's highly successful *300 Club* will be made in the Social Club next Friday evening, November 26, at 9.00 p.m. The increased prizes each month are the main one of £25 and five others of £10 each, with the "big money" for the final draw at the end of the season. All members and supporters are cordially invited to attend the draw each month.



Coaches to "Twickers"

This evening's match is the last at home for the senior side until they meet Coventry on Saturday, December 18. But meanwhile, of course, there is the away game with London Irish next Saturday, then follows the important clash with Harlequins in the first round of the John Player Cup competition at Twickenham on December 4.

Tremendous support for the Cherry and Whites is assured, for coaches have been arranged outside the club as well as those from Kingsholm. One each for Patrons and supporters are fully booked, but there are still three or four seats left on a third coach and anyone who has not yet booked should contact Jim Holder in the Social Club this evening.

Weekend in Paris

Fancy a free weekend in Paris? *Oo la-la!* You will have the opportunity this evening and again during the County match on Saturday, for several of the players will be among you with tickets for a raffle in aid of the Gloucester R.F.C. tour of Colorado next May. The big prize is a free weekend in Paris for the France v. Wales rugby international on February 5 and has been kindly donated by a former Gloucester player, John Hall, of Gulliver's Travels, Tewkesbury.

Arthur Russell



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