

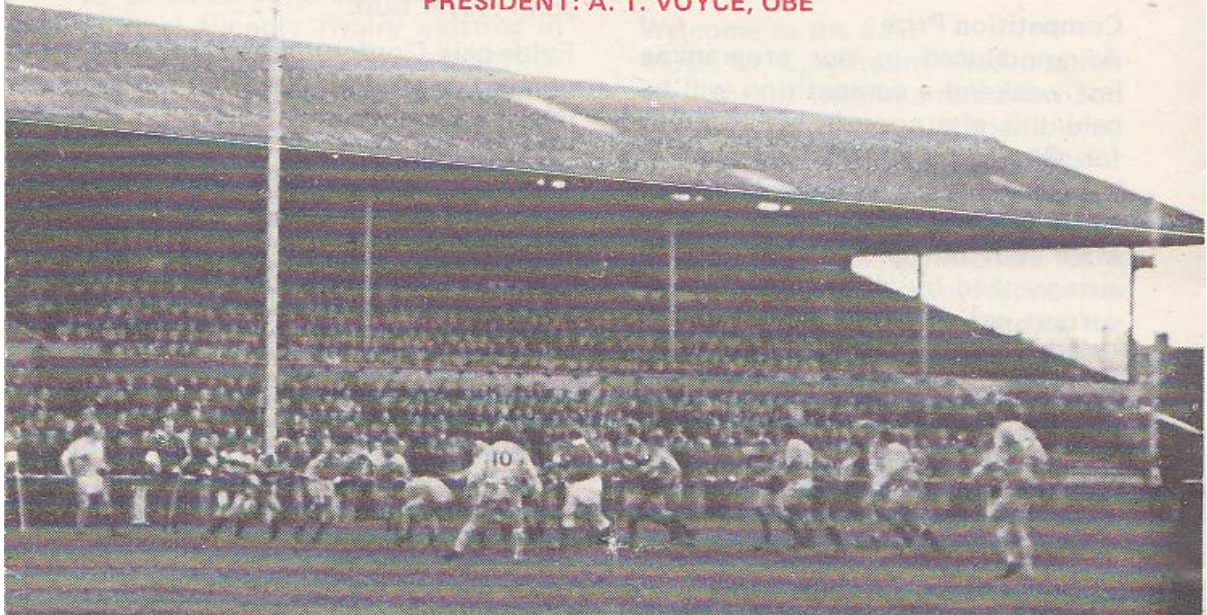
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SATURDAY, 12th FEBRUARY, 1977

at

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Kick-off: 3.00 p.m.

Official Programme—6p



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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	9-13
27 (S) London Irish	A	7-16
Dec. 4 (S) John Player ...	H	17-9
11 (S) Sale ...	A	C
18 (S) Coventry ...	H	C
26 Lydney ...	H	47-10

(Boxing Day)

First XV Fixtures

1977

Jan. 1 (S) London Scott.	H	0-0
8 (S) Leicester ...	A	25-10
15 (S) Wasps ...	A	32-6
19 (W) Army ...	H	18-14
22 (S) Moseley ...	A	0-28
26 (W) St. Lukes Coll.	H	P
29 (S) Loughborough	H	26-3
Feb. 4 (F) St. Lukes Coll.	H	P
12 (S) Loughborough	H	26-3
18 (F) St. Lukes Coll.	A	26-3
26 (S) John Player	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	-

(Easter Saturday)
11 (M) Fyldie ... H -
(Easter Monday)
16 (S) Sale ... H -
19 (T) Nottingham A -
23 (S) Exeter ... A -
30 (S) Plymouth ... H -

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UP FOR T' CUP — AND A WARM WELCOME TO BRISTOL

A Gloucestershire official once remarked, when the national knock-out competition was launched, that matches between Gloucester and Bristol needed no cups nor leagues to stimulate interest; that the traditional friendly rivalry existing in the two great clubs ensured sufficient reward in victory and ample satisfaction to the respective supporters.

One readily appreciates his sentiments and, perhaps to a degree he is right. But as Clough (the 19th century poet, not his modern namesake!) wrote — “. . . tradition approves all forms of competition”. And the “glamour” of the cup, be it rugby, cricket, soccer, or any other sport, is a guarantee of additional spice to the contest. The sense of combativeness is in the air.

And no more combative can it be than at Kingsholm as we extend a warm welcome this afternoon to Bristol in this second round of the John Player Cup, rightly listed, we like to think, as “the match of the day”. For there is something special about a West Country rugger match; the encouragement of supporters is more of a roar than a bay, like the lions' house at feeding time or a suggestion of Epsom Downs as the tapes go up for the Derby.

The records of the two clubs in the national knock-out competition are unusually similar. Since its inception in season 1971-72, Gloucester — the first-ever winners, have won 10 and lost 4, scoring 181 points and conceding 98, while Bristol can boast 10 wins and 5 defeats, with 242 points against 173.

The atrocious weather that has persisted almost since the last cricket

season ended has brought comparatively few occasions when grounds and conditions have been ideal for open and constructive rugby. But effort being the highest common factor in every successful venture we look forward to an exciting Cup tie today, full, we trust, of what Hamlet termed “enterprises of great pith and moment”.

Welcome to the S.A.

Music at Kingsholm! And another very special welcome this afternoon to the Gloucester Salvation Army Band under the direction of Major George Robinson. They have arranged a rousing programme suitable for the atmosphere of a Cup match and if many supporters do not immediately recognise the titles of some of the musical gems they will no doubt be familiar with the tunes. Your programme is: *Victorious; The Wellingtonian; Under Two Flags; Steadily Forward* (march); *Star Lake; One by One; The Red Shield; Long Long Ago.*

During the interval the Band will play *The Montreal Citadel* (march). Our sincere thanks and appreciation to Major Robinson and the Band for so readily agreeing to provide such excellent and welcome musical entertainment!

Coach to Strady Park

As most supporters now know Gloucester have arranged a match against Llanelli at Strady Park in a fortnight's time, on Saturday, February 26 — a fixture made possible because Aberavon, whom the Cherry and Whites were due to have met, are engaged in a Welsh cup tie that day.

It is nearly 15 years since Gloucester last played the famous Welsh Scarlets and this resumption of fixtures has aroused tremendous interest among the supporters of both clubs. Arrangements are in hand to run at

least one coach to Strady Park for the match. It will leave Kingsholm at 9.30 a.m. and the cost is the extremely reasonable one of £1.75.

All supporters wishing to book seats are asked to contact Jim Holder as soon as possible. A modest deposit of £1 will guarantee your seat.

Competition Prize

As announced in our programme last weekend a competition will be held this afternoon in aid of funds for Gloucester's American tour in late May and early June. The prize is an England jersey presented by Mike Burton and a match ball autographed by all members of the current national side. A glass case is to be provided for the jersey and the result of the competition will be announced later this afternoon.

Patrons' Appeal Fund

The Patrons' Appeal fund has already exceeded a third of its target, though it is emphasised that considerable efforts are necessary to realise £1000. The committee has approved the annual Patrons' Evening, the date of which will be announced shortly.

Good Luck, League

While attention is focussed on this afternoon's clash of the giants, our thoughts will also be with our gallant local club, Gordon League, who, with encouraging confidence have made the long journey north to take on Fylde — Billy Beaumont and all — in a determined effort to progress to the third round of the John Player Cup.

Fylde paid Gordon League the compliment of sending three committee men to Hempsted last Saturday to "assess the situation". They were obviously impressed by what they saw, for Gordon League beat Cheltenham Civil Service in no uncertain manner — by 89 points to 3! It is hoped to announce news of their progress during the afternoon.

Off to St. Helens

Gloucester travel to St. Helens to meet Swansea next Friday evening, the match having been brought forward because of the televised international between England and France. Next Saturday, however, Gloucester United entertain Pontypool Athletic at Kingsholm.

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