

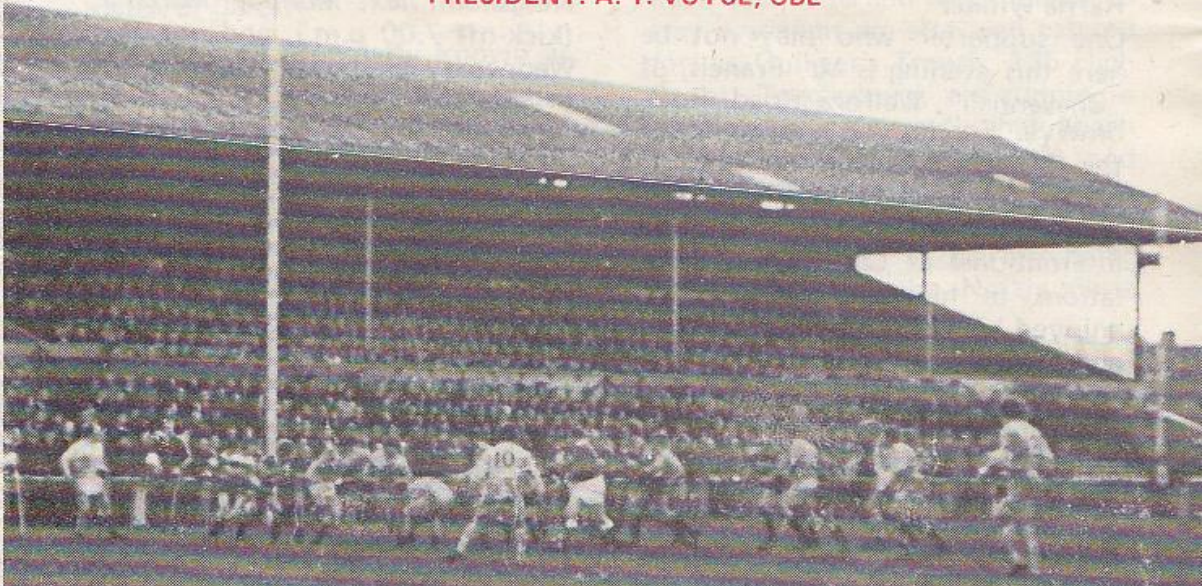
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NORTHAMPTON

SATURDAY, 5th MARCH, 1977

at

KINGSHOLM . GLOUCESTER

Kick-off: 7.00 p.m.

Official Programme—6p



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Cherry and White

- Full Back
15. **P. E. Butler** *†
- Three Quarters
14. **R. J. Clewes** *
13. **D. Pointon** *
12. **B. J. Vine** *
11. **R. R. Mogg** *§
- Half Backs
10. **C. G. Williams (Capt.)** *†
9. **W. Birchley**
- Forwards
1. **G. A. F. Sargent** *
2. **S. G. F. Mills** *
3. **P. J. Blakeway** *§
4. **S. B. Boyle** *§
5. **P. J. Winnel** *
6. **E. A. Pinkney** *
7. **J. F. Simonett** *
8. **J. H. Haines** *
- REPLACEMENTS
J. Dix
A. Brinn

Referee: R. M. E. WRIGHT (Devon 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 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 26-3
12 (S) John Player H 12-3
18 (F) Swansea ... A 6-11
26 (S) Llanelly ... A 16-57
Mar. 2 (W) Newport ... H 6-3
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) Fylde ... H -
(Easter Monday)
16 (S) Sale ... H -
19 (T) Nottingham A -
23 (S) Exeter ... A -
30 (S) Plymouth ... H -

NORTHAMPTON

Black, Green and Gold

- Full Back
15. **P. Raybould** *
- Three Quarters
14. **P. Bignell** *
13. **I. K. George** *
12. **C. D. Morgan** *
11. **B. J. V. Oldham** *
- Half Backs
10. **C. Mackaness**
9. **J. J. Page (Capt.)** *†
- Forwards
1. **D. L. Powell** *†
2. **R. W. George** *
3. **N. M. J. Fox** *
4. **D. Mason** *
5. **G. C. Wright** *
6. **P. R. Sweet** *
8. **V. G. M. Cannon** *
7. **S. J. Russell** *
- REPLACEMENTS
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CORDIAL WELCOME TO THE SAINTS

Rugby at Kingsholm on a Saturday evening is rare enough to be an innovation to many of our supporters and we extend a particularly cordial welcome to Northampton, who agreed to the late kick-off in view of the televised Wales-England match at Cardiff.

Northampton, popularly known as the Saints — and equally as entertaining as the Simon Templar brand — only visit Kingsholm once every two years. On their last appearance here, on Saturday, March 1, 1975, Gloucester gave a truly spectacular performance to win by 51 - 10 after two successive seasons had brought closely contested tussles between the sides.

Last season, on Saturday, March 6, 1976, the Cherry and Whites again produced excellent form, winning at Franklin's Gardens by 20 - 3. This evening, then, the Saints, like Shylock of old, will be asking, "Shall we not revenge?" and we look forward to another thoroughly entertaining game.



KINGSHOLM KACKLE

The Gosforth Invasion

With only a week to the big John Player Cup clash against Gosforth a timely reminder to those who have not yet joined the "general exodus" from the city might not come amiss. There are still a few seats available on a second special train at the

nominal cost of £4.00, while those who prefer to travel by road should contact Mervyn Elway in the Social Club, as there are two or three vacancies on the coach which leaves Kingsholm at 7.00 a.m. next Saturday. The cost? A mere £2.80.

Others who feel that a 500-mile round journey in a day may be a little wearisome and would prefer to stay overnight are also well catered for, as Gulliver's Travels, 135 High Street, Tewkesbury, are running a trip "the leisurely way". Their coach leaves Kingsholm at 8.00 a.m. and will go direct to the ground with a stop for lunch. It will return on Sunday morning, supporters being able to stay at the Northumbria Hotel. All for £11.00!

Great Achievement

Congratulations to the lads on that great win over Newport on Wednesday evening. It may not have been the most enthralling of games, and perhaps Gloucester should have scored a try or two with a more positive approach; but the honour of being the first English club to beat the famous Amber and Blacks this season is undoubtedly a magnificent achievement. And after all, Newport are accustomed to scoring tries against all other opponents; the fact that they could not do so at Kingsholm is sufficient tribute in itself to the Cherry and Whites!



Patrons' Night

The annual Patrons' Night will be held in the Social Club on Thursday March 24 (8.00 for 8.30 p.m.). Those Patrons who have not yet received their tickets for this popular evening are asked to contact the Club Secretary, Roy Long at 22 Worcester Street, as soon as possible.

Raffle Winner

One supporter who may not be here this evening is Mr. Francis, of "Chevenhall", Walford Road, Ross-on-Wye. For he was the winner of the raffle held during the Newport match, the prize for which was two tickets for the Wales v. England international at Cardiff. Congratulations to him and we trust he enjoyed his visit to the Principality and of course, the big match.

Musical Evening

For those who love to follow the Bard's advice and let the sound of music creep in their ears, the Central Electricity Generating Board is holding a musical evening in aid of Gloucester's forthcoming tour of America. It will be held at the C.E.G.B. Club at Barnwood on Friday evening, March 18, com-

mencing at 7.30 p.m., with the Cheltenham Silver Band and the Churchdown Male Voice Choir. Tickets (50p) may be obtained from Roy Long or the Social Club.

Cheltenham Match

Supporters are again reminded that Gloucester's match with neighbouring Cheltenham will be played at Kingsholm *next Monday, March 7*, (kick-off 7.00 p.m.), and *not* next Wednesday as shown in the fixture lists.

Arthur Russell



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