

WELFARE GROUND, NEWBRIDGE

GRAND RUGBY MATCH

NEWBRIDGE
VERSUS
GLOUCESTER

Wednesday, March 30th, 1977

Kick-off 6.00 p.m.

We welcome Gloucester to the Welfare Ground this evening and look forward to a repeat of last year's visit which we won by 15-6 with tries by Roger Hill and Brian Hawkins and two conversions and a penalty from Tony Browning. We visited Gloucester last September and lost an entertaining game by 18-13 with tries by Jimmy Maguire and Brian Hawkins and a conversion and penalty by Tony Browning. That game was not so fortunate from Gloucester's point of view because they lost Peter Butler and Jim Fiddler with injuries which kept them out of the side for a long period.

The last three games have seen us playing away at Abertillery, Neath and Bridgend. Abertillery produced a good win by 18-6 but the visit to Neath was a night which everyone present will want to forget in a hurry. It was the heaviest defeat since September 6th, 1961, when we lost by 54-10 to W. D. G. Morgan's XV. The side that day was: Colin Plummer, Hywel Jones, John Dawes, Don Waite, J. Jones, Graham Wilton, Dai Harries, Eddie Butcher, Chris Padfield, John O'Shea, G. Lovering, G. Butcher, Ken Braddock, Dennis Hughes, Arthur Hughes. It was a side that contained a few promising players! Last Saturday saw us lose for the second time this season at Bridgend. Glyn Davies, however, produced another magnificent performance at full-back, he is obviously a player with a big future.

We congratulate Brian "Mr. Versatile" Hawkins and Jim "Steel Shoulders" McCreedy on their selection by Gwent in last Sunday's fixture against Plymouth Albion. Also Paul Daniel gained his first full cap for the Welsh Secondary Schools last Saturday in their 10-4 win over Ireland at Lansdown Road. Justin Robinson was a replacement for this game. Perhaps the boys will better the feats of the senior team by going on to the Grand Slam?

FORECAST THE SCORE.

The Pool for today's game is £40. Tickets, 10p each, are available up to kick-off time.

PROGRAMME — — FIVE PENCE

Nº 074

NEWBRIDGE

Colours: SKY BLUE AND BLACK

15. G. DAVIES
14. P. EDWARDS
13. R. PERROTT
12. H. EVANS (Captain)
11. A. EVANS
10. B. HAWKINS
9. L. DAVIES
1. J. McCREEDY
2. J. STOKES
3. A. N. OTHER
4. A. BATES
5. J. PIERCE
6. D. HUGHES
8. C. DAVIS
7. J. JONES

Replacements: M. Lewis, J. Young.

Full Back
Right Wing
Right Centre
Left Centre
Left Wing
Outside Half
Inside Half
Forwards

Referee: Mr. D. E. WILLIAMS,
Ammanford.

Next Home Game: PONTYPOOL
Tuesday, April 5th, 1977.

GLOUCESTER

Colours:

15. P. BUTLER
14. J. DIX
13. D. POINTON
12. R. JARDINE
11. R. CLUSE
10. C. WILLIAMS
9. P. HOWELLS
1. P. BLAKEWAY
2. S. MILLS
3. M. BURTON
4. P. WINNELL
5. J. FIDDLER
6. J. COOK
8. E. PINKEY
7. J. WATKINS (Captain)

Replacements: R. Ederidge, M. Curran.

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