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GLOUCESTER
V
NEW BRIGHTON

SATURDAY, 9th APRIL, 1977
at
KINGSHOLM, GLOUCESTER

Kick-off: 3:00 p.m.

Official Programme—6p
### Referee: D. ABRAHAMS (East Midlands Society)

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#### First XV Fixtures

**1979**
- **Sept. 4**: Bristol vs. London Scottish H 31-6
- **Nov. 16**: London Irish vs. Bath H 15-12
- **Dec. 22**: Bath vs. London Scottish H 31-0

**1977**
- **Jan. 1**: London Scottish vs. London Scottish A 0-9
- **Feb. 4**: Liverpool vs. London Scottish H 20-0
- **Mar. 24**: London Irish vs. London Scottish H 21-12
- **April 29**: London Scottish vs. London Scottish A 2-2

#### REPLACEMENTS
- S. F. Mills
- M. Longstaff

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### New Brighton

**Full Back**
- B. Jones

**Three Quarters**
- K. Loedham
- L. Miles
- M. Maher
- J. Barnett

**Half Backs**
- R. Johnson
- R. Diggiottone

**Forwards**
- S. Miles (Capt.)
- M. Ford
- A. Roberts
- B. Murphy
- J. Williams
- K. Cullingham
- J. Porter
- D. Morgan

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KINGSHOLM KACKLE

Appreciation
Ken Sparrow and his dedicated colleagues of St. John Ambulance wish to convey their very sincere thanks to supporters for their generosity in the annual collection at the Cardiff game last Saturday. It realised the very handsome sum of £177 and the St. John lads are deeply grateful.

Special Easter Prize
This afternoon a special Easter prize will go to the holder of the lucky programme, the number of which will be announced at half time.

The prize is a cake, generously iced — sounds mouth-watering — in the shape of a rugby pitch and has been given by Mr. Cavdron, the proprietor of the Marilyn Cake Shop, of 43 Seymour Road, Gloucester, the bakers and confectioners who will be well known to most of our supporters.

Our warmest thanks and appreciation go to Mr. Cavdron for his very kind gesture.

‘Ollie’ Milburn at Kingsholm
There can be few, if any, sportsmen who are not familiar with the name of Colin ‘Ollie’ Milburn, the former brilliant England opening batsman and one of the hardest hitters the game has known, whose exciting career was brought to a premature end when he lost an eye in a car accident. But it will no doubt come as a surprise to many to know that the stocky, genial Ollie was also a rugby player.

And to prove it he is included in a Northampton Veterans’ Guest XV to meet Gloucester ‘Golden Oldies’ at Kingsholm tomorrow week, Sunday, April 17, kick-off 3.00 p.m., in a special match in aid of

SPECIAL WELCOME
TO NEW BRIGHTON

With the year at the spring, as the poet Browning reminds us, we accord a particularly warm welcome this afternoon to our northern friends, New Brighton, making their Easter holiday visit to Kingsholm.

The last two matches with popular New Brighton on Easter Saturday have been exciting and entertaining ones. Four years ago our visitors won an absorbing and thrilling game by 21 - 20, but on their last appearance here, on Saturday, March 29, 1975, the Cherry and Whites gained revenge with victory by 19 - 13.

These results suggest another ‘spectacular’ this afternoon and we look forward to more excellent holiday fare, trusting the New Brighton lads will enjoy their brief visit to our fair city.
Gloucester’s American tour at the end of next month.

But Milburn is not the only famous name to appear on the programme for this match which, as the description implies, is restricted to players over 35 years of age.

It is obviously impossible, with limited space, to mention all the players taking part and apologies to those omitted, but among those selected in the Gloucester side are Tom Palmer, who is mainly responsible for organising the match, the ‘General’ himself, Mickie Booth, Peter Ford, Mike Nicholls, John Groves, John Bayliss, Eric Stephens, Colin Teague, Dave Pegler, Russell Hillier, Dick Smith and that Cheltenham stalwart A. T. ‘Tony’ Davies, who describes himself as ubiquitous and the “greatest uncapped prop rugby has ever known”.

Apart from Milburn, the other erstwhile ‘greats’ in the Northampton side include internationals David Powell, Bob Taylor, Bill Redwood, Roger Hosen, John Currie, W. P. C. ‘Phil’ Davies, the Cheltenham president, and another jovial cricketer of yesteryear, Gloucestershire’s David Green. The referee will be Mike Titcomb.

This is a match that our supporters and thousands of local club enthusiasts, will not want to miss.

300 Club Winners
The winners of the March draw of the 300 Club were: £25 — S. Billington (No. 53); £10 each — R. R. Thomas (8), D. A. Grant (216), Mrs. A. Russell (5), M. Ruffle (44), M. Elway (33).

Next Match
Gloucester have another home match on Easter Monday, April 11, when Fylde, another northern club are the visitors to Kingsholm with the usual kick-off at 3.00 p.m.

Arthur Russell

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