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OFFICIAL PROGRAMME 10p

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#### A special warm welcome to Camborne

It was Bolingbroke in Richard the Second who said he counted himself nothing else so happy as in a soul remembering his good friends, and that undoubtedly applies to countless rugger enthusiasts.

But this afternoon we have an inversion of such sentiments, one might say, for we welcome with particular warmth new friends, Camborne, the Cornish champions, who have never before — at least as far as can be traced from the archives — appeared at Kingsholm.

Today's match, of course, is a South-West merit table one, and as such will bring additional spice to the proceedings. As those who watched the vital championship match at Bristol last Saturday know only too well, Cornishmen are doughty fighters.

Further proof of the tough task facing Gloucester this afternoon is shown in Camborne's record this season. They have lost only one of their 17 matches played, winning the remainder, while amassing 403 points and conceding 120!

The scene is set, then, for an intriguing game and we trust our Cornish friends will enjoy their first-ever visit to our fair city and famous ground.

#### Kingsholm Kackle Incredible Coincidence

It is not usual to start the programme notes with the lucky programme winner, but the holder for last Wednesday's match against Exeter University was Mr. T. D. Stamp, of The Firs, Fairmile Gardens, Longford. Does the name sound familiar?

It should do for those who regularly buy programmes, for Mr. Stamp also won the fiver for the previous Wednesday, when Cambridge University were the visitors.

This amazing coincidence constitutes a record, of course, for never before has anyone won the fiver twice. Moreover, Mr. Stamp, one of our most dedicated supporters, has been following the Cherry and Whites for over 50 years. His lucky number for the Exeter University match was 803. Good luck, Mr. Stamp; make it a hat trick!

#### Aberavon Date

Most of Gloucester's mid-week matches, as we know, are on Wednesday evenings, so perhaps a little memory-jogger will not come amiss. The match with Aberavon, the Welsh "Wizards", is on TUESDAY next, November 21, with the usual kick-off at 7.00 p.m.

#### "250" Club

Another reminder, this time to those who have helped to augment the membership of the popular "250" Club—now increased to the extent that it might become a "300" Club.

The first monthly draw will take place in the Social Club next Friday evening, November 24, at 9.00 p.m., and those who have not yet made a part or full payment are respectfully requested to contact Mr. Trevor Pritchard at the earliest possible moment.

#### London Irish

A large number of our supporters and members intend travelling to urge on the Cherry and Whites against London Irish at Sunbury next Saturday and make it a day out by watching the England—All Blacks' international at Twickenham in the afternoon.

Club secretary Terry Tandy has just a few — and we emphasize a few — international tickets available in the Office on the ground, and anyone who has not been able to obtain one can do so by seeing Terry this afternoon.

But don't leave it until later today; it will be a case of "first come, first served." The match with London Irish, incidentally, kicks off at 11 a.m.

#### **County Cup Final**

Yet another brief reminder! The Gloucestershire R.F.U. County Cup final between our two local "big guns," Matson and Gordon League, will be at Kingsholm next Tuesday week, November 28, kick-off 7.00 p.m.

The two clubs have met often enough in the Combination cup final but this will be their first confrontation in the important County Cup, which is a stepping-stone to the money-spinning John Player Cup competition, so there will be an extra "edge" to the game.

As both teams will bring huge crowds of their own followers, Gloucester members and supporters are advised to arrive as early as possible to facilitate the work of the car-park attendants and those hard-working fellows on the gates.

championship semi-final. Should Gloucestershire win this afternoon they will have to meet Middlesex at home in the semi-final, possibly at Kingsholm.

Although not yet confirmed, the Cherry and Whites' game with Bath will be switched to Friday, December 8 or Monday, December 11, with the latter date the more probable, as of course, Gloucester would be again sadly weakened were they to play on the Friday evening.

One changed date definitely arranged is that with Coventry, originally scheduled for Kingsholm on Saturday, December 16. To avoid clashing with the televised game between Barbarians and the All Blacks on that day, Coventry have kindly consented to play at Kingsholm on the previous evening, Friday, December 15, kick-off 7.00 p.m.

ARTHUR RUSSELL.

#### The Quarter-Final

It is hoped to bring regular news of the progress of Gloucestershire in their quarter-final of the county championship against Oxfordshire at the Athletic Ground, Cheltenham, this afternoon. As the kick-off is at 2.30 p.m., the result will be known long before the end of our game with Camborne.

#### **Diary Dates**

After next Tuesday's game with Aberavon the long November spell of home matches ends temporarily as Gloucester have successive away fixtures with London Irish and Oxford University.

But the lads return to Kingsholm on Wednesday, December 6, when Loughborough Colleges will be the visitors with the usual 7.00 p.m. kickoff.

This should be followed with the away match with Bath at the Recreation Ground on Saturday, December 9, which is the date of the county

# Club Personalities No 4 Paul Wood

Despite the retirement of great players over the years Gloucester rarely fail to find promising young stars to replace them in a comparatively short time, particularly among forwards.

And among the latest of these "discoveries" is that clusive, energetic flanker, PAUL HENRY WOOD, yet another product of that prolific nursery, Gordon League.

Educated at Sir Thomas Rich's School, for whose Old Boys he played before moving to League in 1975, Paul only joined the Gloucester club last season and made his senior debut against Loughborough Colleges just over a year ago, on October 19, 1977.

As a native of Gloucester it is only natural that rugby has been his greatest sporting love ever since he was old enough to run with the ball and learned how to hand off his young friends.

Paul, who is a builder, has made 22 appearances for Gloucester's senior side since his debut. His other main sporting loves are squash and tennis.