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GLOUCESTER

Colours: Red and White

<i>Full Back</i>	15	*P. BUTLER
<i>Right Wing</i>	14	R. CLEWES
<i>Right Centre</i>	13	R. MOGG
<i>Left Centre</i>	12	E. ROONEY
<i>Left Wing</i>	11	*L. G. DICK
<i>Outside Half</i>	10	I. WILKINS
<i>Scrum Half</i>	9	*P. KINGSTON
<i>Forwards</i>	1	G. SARGENT
	2	S. MILLS
	3	A. BROOKS
	4	S. BOYLE
	5	A. TURTON
	6	*J. WATKINS (Captain)
	8	J. ORWIN
	7	P. WOOD

Replacements S. BAKER
R. DALORY

*International

Kick-off 7.15 p.m.

BATH

Colours: Blue, White & Black

<i>Full Back</i>	16	J. S. WATERMAN
<i>Right Wing</i>	15	P. SIMMONS
<i>Right Centre</i>	14	*M. C. BEESE
<i>Left Centre</i>	12	J. A. PALMER
<i>Left Wing</i>	11	*D. M. WYATT
<i>Outside Half</i>	10	*J. P. HORTON
<i>Scrum Half</i>	9	S. M. LEWIS
<i>Forwards</i>	1	J. M. MEDDICK
	2	C. LEGG
	3	G. CHILCOTT
	4	B. J. JENKINS
	5	D. BARRY
	6	G. PARSONS
	7	S. JONES
	8	C. HARRY

Replacements 17 G. PILLINGER
18 N. HOPKINS

Referee: Mr. J. C. Kelleher, Llantwit Major.

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WELCOME THE CHERRY WHITES

It was found necessary to play our friends from Gloucester this evening because many of their players were committed to the County Championship Semi-Final against Middlesex last Saturday. At the time of going to Press we are unable to give the result of this game, but it is most likely that Gloucestershire are once more in the final. Before last Saturday's game Gloucestershire have been 13 times Champions, 23 times Finalists and 32 times semi-Finalists, a remarkable record. The selected Gloucester side today includes three England Internationals in Peter Butler, Peter Kingston and John Watkins and Lewis Dick the Scotland wing.

The Gloucester record to date is P. 24; W. 16; D. 1; L. 7; For 416; Against 271.

The Bath record is P. 20; W. 13; D. 2; L. 5; For 332; Against 192.

Tonight's match is a South West Merit Table game and victory means much to the winners. Previous results v. Gloucester:

December 14th, 1974	Bath 12 pts.	March 23rd, 1977	Gloucester 51 pts.
	Gloucester 7 pts.		Bath 7 pts.
February 28th, 1975	Gloucester 28 pts.	December 10th, 1977	Gloucester 24 pts.
	Bath 3 pts.		Bath 13 pts.
December 13th, 1975	Bath 15 pts.	April 19th, 1978	Bath 10 pts.
	Gloucester 18 pts.		Gloucester 12 pts.

You can see it is Bath's turn to win this evening.

CLUB PROFILE No. 9

Height: 5' 10"
Weight: 13 stone
Position: Flank forward

Geoff Pillinger, who was born at Swainswick on the eastern outskirts of Bath on July 5th, 1950, is like Skipper Mike Beese, a product of Keynsham Grammar School. Much of his early rugby was as a centre but he then switched to the back row and won Somerset 19 group schools caps. After leaving school he joined Bath Colts and captained the side for one season before moving up into the senior teams, making his first XV debut against South Wales Police in November, 1971. In his early seasons he made only occasional senior appearances but more recently has established himself as a regular member of the back row and has also played county championship rugby for Somerset. So far he has made 128 first XV matches.



(Photo-Bath & West Evening Chronicle)

Geoff Pillinger

Social Club **CHRISTMAS DRAW** will be held on **THURSDAY, 21st DECEMBER**. Cards are available at the bar 10p each. All the proceeds are allocated for Prizes and Buffet.

The third forecast for the correct **Final Score Competition** takes place tonight (tickets 10p each must be handed in before the end of half-time). The previous two competitions have not been won—these are carried forward for tonight. The **PRIZE IS NOW £30**—if you predict tonight's result correctly. This competition is sponsored by:

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The Rugby Football being used in this evening's match has been kindly donated by Rugby enthusiasts who are members of the Harington Club. J.A.