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RICHMOND ATHLETIC GROUND



SEASON
1979-80



JOHN PLAYER CUP - FIRST ROUND

RICHMOND

versus

GLOUCESTER

An advertisement for Haig Blended Scotch Whisky Gold Label. The image shows a bottle of whisky and a glass filled with whisky. The bottle label is detailed with the following text: 'HAIG', 'BLENDED SCOTCH WHISKY', 'GOLD LABEL', 'JOHN HAIG & Co. Ltd', 'MARKINCH SCOTLAND', '70 PROOF 26 2/3 fl ozs 750 ml', and 'DISTILLED AND BOTTLED IN SCOTLAND'. The glass is a tumbler glass, partially filled with whisky. The background of the advertisement is a dark, textured pattern.

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Certain conversion after every try.

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Richmond

(Old Gold, Red & Black)

16	D. F. WHIBLEY	Full Back	<i>1 pen</i>
15	A. D. MORT	R. Wing	
14	†N. J. PRESTON	R. Centre	<i>2 Pen</i>
12	†I. R. SHACKLETON	L. Centre	
11	D. WILLIS	L. Wing	
10	P. WINDER	Fly Half	<i>1 Prop goal</i>
9	J. P. PICKIN	Scr. Half	
1	A. J. SHORTLAND	Forwards	
2	C. SEXTON		
3	W. DICKINSON		
4	*M. A. H. HESS		
5	†C. W. RALSTON		
6	R. C. PEARSON		
7	C. SHARP		
8	G. GREENWOOD		

Replacements:

17	A. WATKINSON
18	P. M. WILLIAMS

Gloucester

(Cherry & White)

P. BUTLER†	15
R. CLEWES*	14
R. MOGG	13
D. POINTON	12
P. TUNSTALL	11
B. RUSSELL	10
S. BAKER	9
M. PREDDY	1
S. MILLS	2
P. BLAKEWAY†	3
S. BOYLE	4
J. FIDLER	5
J. WATKINS†	6
P. WOOD	7
A. TURTON	8

Replacements:

P. KINGSTON	16
F. REED	17

† International * Captain

Referee: **PETER HUGHES** (Lancashire Society)

Today's Match Ball is kindly presented by
Mr. Richard Holloway, Managing Director, Chemco Equipment Finance Limited



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are delighted to support Richmond

OUR VISITORS

When the gods that determine the fates of rugby clubs decreed that Richmond should play Gloucester in the first round of the John Player Cup Competition, there was many a sharp intake of breath at either end of the M4

We all recall that at this stage last year Richmond 'won' a 3-3 draw on the technicality of being the away side at Kingsholm, but these things are never satisfactory as we ourselves had discovered when 'losing' 9-9 to Wasps the previous year.

So it is with a feeling of tense anticipation that we welcome Gloucester and their many supporters to the Athletic Ground this afternoon for the 'replay'.

Since that bitterly cold day last February, Gloucester have not fared well here, losing the the return match by 7-3 after the pressure was off, and more recently going down to London Scottish by 19-10. However on that day four of Gloucester's much respected pack were on England trial duty, and at full strength they will no doubt be as formidable as always.

HONOURS

Congratulations to Gloucester's Phil Blakeway on his remarkable recovery from a serious neck injury, which had threatened to put him out of the game, and particularly on going on to win his first cap in that magnificent victory over Ireland last week. Also congratulations to our own Nick Preston who won his second cap in the same match.

FOR THE RECORD

Although little went right for us last week in the home defeat by 9-37 by a remarkably good all round Gosforth side, a major plus was the form of scrum-half Joe Pickin on his debut. Also the front five produced plenty of good ball from the set pieces, and today with Nick Preston back in the side after a six week absence appearing at various representative levels, we should be able to consolidate our hard work and reverse the trend of recent moderate results.

The team will no doubt be encouraged by the Saxons who last week defeated Maidenhead Extra 1st by 72-9 in the only other game played.

CUP RECORDS (1972-1979)

Richmond	P13	W 7	L6	F128	A127	Quarter Finals 1974, 1975 & 1979
Gloucester	P22	W16	L6	F316	A145	Won Cup 1972 & 1978, Qtr. Finals 1977

RICHMOND ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

The grounds, bar and restaurant facilities are available throughout the year for Dances, Dinners, Wedding Receptions and other functions. In addition, the Executive Room is ideally suitable for Business Meetings. Full details from the General Manager. Call at the office or telephone 01-940 0397.

On big match occasions at Twickenham, why not park in our spacious car park?

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Richmond are pleased to announce that Chemco Equipment Finance Limited, a subsidiary of Chemical Bank, New York, have taken the opportunity of using this important match to provide hospitality for their customers and friends. Richmond would also like to thank them for their generous contribution towards the Club's forthcoming tour to the United States.