

1980-81



**NEWPORT RFC**

**V**

**GLOUCESTER**

Saturday 18th October 1980  
Kick-off 3.15 p.m.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME 15p

## Club Notes

Although Graham Mourie's All Blacks are opening their Centennial Tour of Wales only twelve miles down the Newport Road, the Newport Football Committee decided not to request our visitors to change the date of today's fixture, due to the small number of Saturday home fixtures we have between now and the end of the year. It is hoped that members and supporters will appreciate this decision and a large crowd will be present to cheer on the Black and Ambers.

The Club have progressed through to the last 64 in the Rothmans Rugby Centenary Quiz and the next round will take place in the Rodney Hall on Wednesday 26th November 1980, commencing at 8.00 p.m. Why not make a note in your diaries and come along and see how good your rugby knowledge is, as well as supporting the home team.

As our next home game is against the All Blacks, members and supporters are reminded that the gates for this game will be open at 12.30 p.m., and that a schoolboy curtain-raiser will be played — weather permitting.

Congratulations to Robert Ackerman on winning his 'B' Cap last Saturday, although it has been reported that he was starved of chances to show his ability. John Churchill, who was one of the replacements for the game, unfortunately did not get on the field.

It is hoped that a number of our injured players, namely Alun Watkins, Colin Smart and Rhys Morgan, will have recovered to take their places in today's vital game in the build-up to the All Black fixture.

## Welcome to Rodney Parade

This afternoon, in welcoming Gloucester to Rodney Parade, everyone connected with Newport Rugby Club would like to express their sympathy on the recent death of Doug Dawe. His loss to his family and the Gloucester Club will be a great one.

Last Saturday the Cherry and Whites, greatly depleted by County calls, defeated Harlequins by 19pts. to 9pts. at Kingsholme with full back P. Ford, standing in for the points machine Peter Butler, scoring 15 points, and promising No.8 forward Teague scoring a try.

This afternoon, reinforced by the return of their county men — Peter Butler, Peter Kingston, G.A. Sargent, S.F. Mills, John Fidler and P. Wood — Gloucester will be determined to improve on last season's visit to Rodney Parade when we drew 10-10, after they had won the earlier encounter at Kingsholme very convincingly by 31pts. to 12pts. Having been defeated at Newbridge on their last visit to Gwent, they are well aware of the opposition this side of the Severn Bridge.

Games between our two clubs have always been hard and uncompromising, and it is certain that today's encounter will follow in this tradition, with both sides being equally determined to achieve victory. Let's hope the best team wins, and that the friendships made both on and off the field will last as long as fixtures between our two clubs have.

Welcome, Gloucester.

# TODAY'S TEAMS

## GLOUCESTER

Colours: Red and White

15	Peter BUTLER	Full Back
14	Bob CLEWES	Right Wing
13	David POINTON	Right Centre
12	Conrad GADD	Left Centre
11	Penraig CONWAY	Left Wing
10	Colin PRYCE	Outside Half
9	Peter KINGSTON	Inside Half

### Forwards

1	Gordon SARGENT
2	Steve MILLS
3	Alan BROOKES
4	Steve BOYLE
5	Adrian TURTON
6	Vivian WILEY
8	Mike TEAGUE
7	Mike LONGSTAFF

## NEWPORT

Colours: Black and Amber

15	Alun WATKINS
14	Robert ACKERMAN
13	Gareth EVANS
12	Peter BOLLAND
11	John CHURCHILL
10	Justin ROBINSON
9	Alun BILLINGHURST

1	Colin SMART
2	Steve O'DONOGHUE
3	Rhys MORGAN
4	Gareth FYNN
5	David WATERS
6	Geoff EVANS (Capt.)
8	Keri WILLIAMS
7	Roger POWELL

### Substitutes

Leighton DAVIES  
Jim DALE

REFEREE: MR. D.O. HUGHES (NEWBRIDGE)

*Next Home Game: Tuesday 28th October 1980 v New Zealand  
K.O. 2.30 p.m. (All Ticket)*

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