



GLoucester RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

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GLoucester v LEICESTER

Saturday, 1st November, 1980
Kingsholm, Gloucester

Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

0450

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME 15p

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GLOUCESTER

Cherry & White

Full Back

15. P. Ford

Three Quarters

*§ 14. R. Mogg

13. S. Parsloe

* 12. P. Taylor

* 11. R. Clewes

Half Backs

10. C. Pryce

9. S. Baker

Forwards

* 1. G. Sargent

* 2. S. Mills (Capt.)

*† 3. P. Blakeway

*§ 4. S. Boyle

* 5. J. Orwin

6. J. Gadd

8. M. Teague

7. M. Longstaff

REPLACEMENTS

D. Pointon *

J. Haines *

LEICESTER

Scarlet Green & White

Full Back

O. D. Hare

Three Quarters

N. K. Williams

M. C. Woodward

L. P. Dodge

K. T. Barnwell

Half Backs

J. L. Cusworth

I. S. Kenny

Forwards

A. R. Cowling

B. M. Duffelen

C. S. Redfern

D. N. Joyce

E. A. Gillingham

F. S. Johnson (Capt.)

G. G. Adey

H. D. Forfar

REPLACEMENTS

S. Solomans

J. Cooke

Referee: M. FRARY (London Society)

† International

§ Under 23 International

* County



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WELCOME THE CHAMPS!

Today we welcome what has been, undoubtedly, the outstanding English Club side of the past few years. Indeed, the last team to stop them in the John Player Cup Competition was Gloucester — and you won't need reminding that that was in the final in 1978.

Since then, we've had some great struggles against the famous 'Tigers', and they haven't been one-sided. Indeed, on their last visit to Kingsholm, on January 12th this year Gloucester won by 20 points to 15. Fred Reed scored a try, as did Paul Tunstall, while Brian Russell dropped a goal, and Peter Butler kicked three penalties. As a matter of interest, it was Gloucester's twentieth win of the Season.

This year, Leicester show little sign of falling from grace, although the intricacies of the Rumanian language may have been too much for them. Even then, they bounced straight back with an excellent win over the tough Queensland side.

At the time of writing, the teams for today's game were not available, but a glance at the players involved in the two Clubs makes one wonder if the Selectors need bother with an England squad session. Most of the contenders are here!

So welcome Leicester! It's always good to play against the best.

More about Severn Sound

Talking to Nigel Dean, Sports Editor of our new local radio station, we now have some more information about Rugby coverage via this exciting new medium.

He tells us that he intends to provide coverage for all Gloucester games, which is a luxury we certainly haven't had until now.

News about clubs in the County, major and Junior, will be available throughout the week, via the regular local news bulletins.

The Friday evening 'Sportscene' programme, between 7.00 and 9.30 will preview the week-end action, and up-to-the-minute information will be provided between 2.00 p.m. and 5.00 on Saturdays. (Dare we mention the fact that you can check your pools at 4.55?).

Between 5.00 and 6.00 p.m. on Saturdays 'Severn Sportscastr' will be providing reports, interviews with the personalities in the news, and all the local sporting news they can lay their hands on.

Thanks for the information Nigel. If you hear any words you don't understand at Kingsholm, someone here will be glad to explain them to you. But they probably won't be repeatable.

Anyone for Pontypridd?

Following suggestions from a couple of our more convivial Patrons, Andy Mitchell is considering running a Patron's trip to the Pontypridd match on December 6th. The thought was, that after a wonderful afternoon's Rugby, on their first visit last year, and after the large number of extremely good-natured supporters they brought with them, we should try and repay them the compliment by taking a few socially-minded souls over there this year.

Nothing is certain yet, but Andy would be glad to know if he is likely to get the support he needs, before he does anything definite. Anyone interested?

Hey ho Methusaleh!

No — it's not the start of the well-known Rugby song, just a way of recording our pleasure at hearing that Gloucester won the 'Daily Telegraph' Team of the Week Award last week. This Award is made in conjunction with the Victoria Wine Company, and consists of a whole Methusaleh of Champagne — which is an awful lot of bubbly.

The reason for the Award was the victory over Pontypool; the first time an English Club had won at Pontypool since September 1978.

A veil of secrecy is drawn over the ultimate fate of the tippie, but we bet that Chairman of Selectors Alan Brinn — well known for his addiction to 'Champers', apparently — wasn't far away when they opened the bottle.

New way in for Season Ticket holders

There have been quite a lot of complaints, recently, about the length of time that Season Ticket holders are having to wait to get in through the 'Ticket Holders Only' gate alongside the Social Club. Obviously we can't let people with tickets nip in through the 'paying' gates, because, if they do so, the turnstile ticks over, and the poor gateman is 80p short in his takings.

However, starting with the County match next Saturday, and for an experimental period on Saturdays only, we're going to try something new to alleviate the problem.

Various Committee men have had a look at the difficulty, and come to the conclusion that it stems from people staying in the bar until getting on for kick-off time, and then all trying to get in through the gate at once. So the entrance to the bar from **inside** the ground will be open before the match. This means, of course, that the entrance **outside** the ground won't be, because we can't really let people slide into the Social Club, and straight out on to the ground without paying.

So let's try it for a while, and see what happens.

Cambridge on Wednesday

Fireworks night sees the return of the Cambridge University team — always worth watching. Students seen in cloaks and carrying lighted torches will not be admitted — we wouldn't want Terry Tandy demolished, would we?

On Saturday, it's Gloucestershire v. Somerset, of course, and the next home game after that will be South Wales Police on November 12th.

The night before that, Pontypool Athletic will be attempting to avenge the honour of their Seniors by taking on United at Kingsholm, so that may well be worth a visit.

On the other hand, if you really want to see enthusiastic Rugby, come along and see the Colts take on Brixham on November 6th. Do them good to have some vocal support.

County Tickets

... for next Saturday's Gloucestershire v. Somerset Group decider are still available, and will be on sale at the Office after today's game. To remind you, it's not an all-ticket match, and you'll be able to get into the ground for £1 on the day. On the other hand, Centre Stand tickets will cost £2.00, and Wing Stand tickets £1.50.

Tailpiece

You may remember the Rugby poser I set a week or two ago. It seems people liked it, and I'm being asked for more. Here's one for which I am indebted to Sid Dangerfield, that forceful winger of a few years ago.

It seems that there are three ways in which you can score a try without crossing the line. Can you think what they are?

Answer in a match or two.

PETER ARNOLD