# Leicester v. Gloucester

**SATURDAY 7th NOVEMBER 1981**

**LEICESTER**
Colours: Scarlet, Green and White.

- O  W. Hare *
- N  B. Evans (Right Wing)
- M  C. Woodward *
- L  P. Dodge *
- K  T. Barnwell (Left Wing)
- J  L. Cusworth *
- I  S. Kenney
- A  J. Deacon
- B  P. Wheeler *
- C  S. Redfern
- D  N. Gillingham
- E  M. Faulkes-Arnold
- F  S. Johnson Capt.
- G  D. Forfar
- H  I. Smith

* International

**GLOUCESTER**
Colours: Red and White

- 15. P. Ford
- 14. P. Pritchard (Right Wing)
- 13. P. Taylor
- 12. S. Parsloe
- 11. R. Mogg (Left Wing)
- 10. L. Jones
- 9. S. Baker
- 1. M. Preddy
- 2. S. Mills - Capt.
- 3. P. Blakeley *
- 4. S. Boyle
- 5. J. Orwin
- 6. J. Gedd
- 8. M. Teague
- 7. M. Longstaff

Repls: A. Hazlerigg  J. Cooke

Reps: R. Clewes  N. Payne

Referees: C. LEEKE (East Midlands Society)
CLUB NOTES

Today we welcome our West Country rivals Gloucester. Over the past few years Gloucester have been rebuilding and by the look of their record the process has been an unqualified success. To date, out of seventeen matches played they have won fifteen and lost once, but more importantly have scored 387 points in the process. This makes Gloucester the leading points scorers in British first-class rugby averaging over 22 points a match. Leicester are now third in this list behind Cardiff (386 points—17 games) but with a better average per match having only played 11 games—Leicester average 31 points per match. The signs are there for another high-scoring game this afternoon, and with the rest of the rugby fraternity looking on to see how the big boys fare against each other, it’s a game full of interest.

Last year the spoils were shared with a home victory apiece, but Gloucester’s 31-4 points win compared with the Tigers 14-9 points must have given them greater satisfaction.

Tigers bid farewell to October with a sigh of relief. With 2 defeats and a draw it’s been the worst months results-wise for a number of years. The win against Saracens last Saturday kept up our unbeaten record against that club, and the same XV takes the field this afternoon. This gives a home debut to Barry Evans who was called up to the Welsh Sevens recently and has quickly made the headlines with a try last week, and a place in the Leicestershire side on Wednesday. Nigel Gillingham makes a welcome return after a twelve month absence, and Dave Forfar reappears at Welford Road after an even longer lay-off.

Dusty Hare came good again after a few stutters and his 22 points last week nudge him on to 146 points this season. Tim Barnwell remains the leading try scorer with 10, chased by Clive Woodward on 8 tries.

Belated congratulations go to Kevin Williams on his Welsh ‘B’ cap last Saturday, and let’s hope the injury clears up quickly. Another player gaining recognition this afternoon is Nick Youngs who plays for the London Division v Australia. Not bad for a 3rd XV player.

Teams wishing to enter the Club’s Sports Quiz can give their entries to any committee member or myself this afternoon. Members who would like to attend the Cup Treble Celebration Dance at Croft Community Centre on Saturday, November 25th, 8 p.m. to midnight, price £2.50 (incl. supper) can obtain tickets from Tony Hopkins, Graham Williams or Steve Johnson or at the office.

The prices for the next two away matches are:
Saturday, November 14th v Cambridge U.
   leave 12.00 noon. Adults £2, child £1
Tuesday, November 17th v Nottingahm, leave 5.30 p.m.
   Adults £1.50, child £1

Matches this Month:
Saturday, November 21st, 1st XV v Wasps, 3.00 p.m.
Wednesday, November 25th, Leicester v Australia.
   3.00 p.m. (all pay)

CLUB'S RECORD

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Bob Barker