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15.	P. Ford
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*§	14. R. Mogg
	13. C. Dyke
	12. C. O'Donague
*	11. N. Price
	Half Backs
*	10. D. Pointon
§	9. S. Baker
	Forwards
*§	1. M. Preedy
*†	2. Mills (Capt.)
*	3. R. Pascall
*§	4. S. Boyle
*	5. J. Orwin
§	6. J. Gadd
*	7. P. Wood
§	8. M. Teague

REPLACEMENTS

S. Parsloe *
J. Herniman

GLAMORGAN WANDERERS

	Full Back
15.	T. Newton
	Three Quarters
	14. M. Stork
*	13. E. Holland
*	12. N. Ward
	11. W. Pritchard
	Half Backs
*	10. A. Phillips
	9. C. Jonathan
	Forwards
*	1. S. Haines
*	2. P. Adamson
*	3. T. Prickett
*	4. J. Davies (Capt.)
*	5. M. Thomas
	6. G. Diamond
	7. M. Trigg
	8. G. Lewis

REPLACEMENTS

P. Gill
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Referee: B. ABRAHAMS (East Midlands Society)

† International

§ Under 23 International

* County



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Our Wandering Boys

Over the years, we haven't seen much of today's visitors as we have of many other clubs from 'tother side of the river. Looking at their record, that is probably our loss; they do seem to win more matches than they lose with commendable regularity. And any club which does what they did to Cardiff, early this season, are certainly no pushovers.

It is certainly a reminder that the National Stadium, or the Arms Park are by no means the only notable rugby grounds in the Capital of the Principality. In fact, my spies in that part of the world tell me that you are just as likely to see some good football at Stirling Road, Ely, as you are anywhere else in Cardiff.

It's always good to welcome a team to be reckoned with, and we do that unreservedly now, with respect to Clamorgan Wanderers. Handing out lessons to innocent University students is one thing, — but now let's see how the lads fare against the first side from over the border to visit Kingsholm since Swansea on September 4th.

And that's a surprising thought.

Train to Vale of Lune

We now have details from British Rail about times of the Rugby Special which they are laying on to visit the Vale of Lune for the vital Gloucestershire v. Lancashire confrontation, next Saturday.

They are as follows:

STROUD	—	7.00
STONEHOUSE	—	7.05
GLOUCESTER	—	7.30
CHELTENHAM	—	7.40

Arrive at Lancaster, 11.00, where transport has been laid on to take you to the Vale of Lune Ground.

The same buses take you back to Lancaster, directly after the game, and the train leaves at 5.20, arriving back in Gloucester at 8.50 — just nice time to nip back down here to have a post mortem over a pint or two.

British Rail have also heard from the Vale of Lune club that they will be laying on a beer tent, and similar facilities to those they have arranged on similar occasions in the past.

It's also worth pointing out that the rail fare is a miserly £5.00, which at today's prices is a magnificent bargain.

British Rail have also pointed out that there has been, in the past a trend for supporters to delay buying their tickets until the last minute. As there is — I'm told — no chance of a relief train, this time, perhaps you'd better go along to the station in plenty of time, this year; partly because you may find yourself with a socking great queue, if you leave it until Thursday or Friday.

... and match tickets

Tickets for the game are available today, before or after the game. Terry Tandy is having a few days off, so see David Foyle, or whoever happens to be manning the Office when you get there.

And have a good trip. Wish I could come with you.

Meanwhile, right here at Kingsholm

Next Saturday, while the County are sweating it out, somewhere North of the Arctic Circle,

Gloucester are off in the exact opposite direction — visiting the Devonshire stronghold of Plymouth.

Before that, however, we have our third academic encounter in two weeks, when we welcome Exeter University — old friends who, whatever their technical shortcomings, always give us 100% effort, and always like to run the ball at Gloucester, on the odd occasion when we let them play with it. Always a pleasant occasion.

At this point, we should remind anyone who, for one reason or another hasn't caught up with recent events, that the Cheltenham game, scheduled for November 17th, was in fact played here ten days ago, at the request of Llanelli, who wanted the switch so that they could get on with their training programme for their game against the Maori touring team.

This means that, on that date, Gloucester will be travelling to Stradey Park to take on the famous 'Scarlets', the first such visit made for some years (and the last one was a bit traumatic, as I remember it). On November 17th, therefore, the boys will be able to use all the support they can get, and Llanelli isn't so far that you couldn't get there. It's a fine chance to see the famous Stradey ground, with its great facilities, if you haven't been there.

The Saturday after that, we have a visit from another of our valued and traditional opponents, Broughton Park, who are usually good value for money. That's on the 20th. On Wednesday 24th we are expecting a visit from the constabulary, in the formidable and bulky shape of South Wales Police — having a fair season — and then round off November with an away trip to London Irish.

Although our highly successful United side have attractive games against Blaenavon, Glamorgan Wanderers (wonder how that will compare with today's game?) and Pontypool, we can't offer you a chance to see them again, until Saturday 27th, when the London Irish equivalent comes here.

So there is a fair amount of good rugby on the horizon, even if some of it means travelling a little way. Support means a great deal to the players, as you can imagine. There's nothing like a great shout of 'Glawster!' when the going gets a bit sticky. So, do what you can, will you?

Rafter's back!

Not that he's been away. But, following the sudden departure of Phil Blakeway, surely the selectors for the County had very little choice but to give him his old job as County Captain, back.

I suspect that they weren't too worried. It must have been a great consolation to have such an old and experienced campaigner as 'Rafter the Grafter' to recall to the job, for such a vital game. It would certainly not have been the time to blood anyone else.

Best of luck, from your old friends and rivals at Kingsholm, Mike. Hope all goes well for you.

Festive season

Christmas begins to loom over the horizon — dreadful thought though it might be, whenever the thought first dawns on you. It might, however, be worth remembering that the Club is producing its own calendar — and did I hear something about a Christmas card? I wouldn't want you to miss out on these amenities because, in a fit of unaccustomed virtue, you started your shopping early and stocked up on those items in advance.

Watch this space. More details when available.

Tailpiece

I've been getting comments about not being seen around Kingsholm, with my normal clock-work regularity. I promise you, it's no fault of mine — just that various other commitments keep getting in the way. As many of you will appreciate.

I have a good Mafia, though. Wherever I am on a Saturday, or a home match evening, someone will always sidle up and keep me in touch with the score.

Nice to have that sort of a reputation.

PETER ARNOLD.