



# **GLOUCESTER RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

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## **GLOUCESTER**

v.

## **FYLDE**

**Monday, 4th April, 1983**

**Kingsholm, Gloucester**

**Kick-off 3.00 p.m.**

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OFFICIAL PROGRAMME 15p



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§* 12.	R. Mogg
* 11.	N. Price
	Half Backs
* 10.	L. Jones
§ 9.	S. Baker
	Forwards
*† 1.	G. Sargent
*† 2.	S. Mills (Capt.)
	3. R. Phillips
	4. N. Scrivens
* 5.	A. Turton
	6. J. Bennett
	7. I. Smith
*§ 8.	M. Teague

### REPLACEMENTS

### FYLDE

	Full Back
* 15.	I. Nicholson
	Three Quarters
* 14.	S. Smith
* 13.	G. Smith
	12. R. Hesketh
	11. B. Hanavan
	Half Backs
* 10.	G. Glynn
* 9.	M. Weir (Capt.)
	Forwards
* 1.	D. Tabern
	2. A. Parkinson
	3. P. Faulkner
* 4.	D. Young
	5. C. Godwin
	6. N. Leeming
	7. M. Hesketh
* 8.	A. MacFarlane

### REPLACEMENTS

16. D. Lambert  
17. P. Moran

Referee: R. G. JAMES (Leicester Society)

† International

§ Under 23 International

\* County



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### **Last English team at Kingsholm**

Lytham St. Annes is, I suppose, well-known for three things. It is the headquarters of the National Federation of Self Employed and Small Businesses, the home of the Premium Bond selection system, and the base for Fylde Rugby Football Club. And W. B. Beaumont Esq. is probably more famous than 'Ernie', at that. Certainly, I seem to see far more cheerful Fylde rugby players than I do winning premium bonds, and they're at least as welcome.

Our friends from Lancashire are the final English club to visit us this season, which means that they should be the last to endure the present facilities at the ground, before the new extensions are opened next season. Sorry about that, chaps — but it means that we'll have all the bugs ironed out of the new system before you come this way again.

Gloucester has usually had the better of exchanges between our two clubs at Kingsholm, although I do seem to recall that we've come unstuck, before now at the Woodlands Memorial Ground. Nevertheless, Fylde were never a team to be taken lightly, with our without the unjustly excommunicated Bill Beaumont.

However, every Fylde game I have ever watched has had its moments. They're a side which likes getting stuck in, and they invariably have a few players who look more than useful, and who give full value for entertainment. As the season is fast running out, we couldn't wish for more convivial visitors to help us bring festivities to a close.

Fylde — you're very welcome. May our fixtures long continue.

### **All the Brains aren't students!**

I wonder if the selectors had their tongues slightly in their cheeks when they picked a lock called Brain for the Under 23 side to play the English Students on Wednesday? Seems appropriate.

Many congratulations to John Brain on attaining that honour to complement his Italian trip of last Spring. Surely, he must now be in with a very good chance of making the forthcoming three-match tour of Roumania, and we all fervently hope he does. Don't write off Steve Ashmead's chances yet, either.

Is there any doubt that John Gadd would also have been there had it not been for injury and, I believe, exam commitments?

Odd isn't it, that, in what we consider to have been a poor season, Gadd, Brain, Boyle, Mills, Ashmead and Orwin have all received representative recognition of one sort and another.

### **Any places left, Andy?**

This being Easter, the programme has had to be in the hands of our Friendly Printer a day or two earlier than usual, so I haven't been able to check whether Andy Mitchell still has any seats available on his Patrons trip to Exeter on April 23rd.

It's worth asking him, though, and if you fancy a convivial finish to the season, then this is your chance. People who have been on this particular safari before tell me that it isn't one they would willingly miss. It costs a mere £3.50, and there will be ample opportunity for fortifying the inner man — which is a posh way of saying plenty of chances for nosh and booze — both going and coming.

Nice ground, Exeter, and very hospitable people too. Talk to Andy.

### **Dig deep next Saturday**

Just a bit of advance publicity concerning the fact that at next Saturday's Neath match, we shall be running our annual collection for the St. John's Ambulance Brigade.

They really do deserve all the cash we can provide for them. No one, least of all, the players, would deny that we owe them a great deal, turning out, as they do, in all winds and weathers to attend to the knocks, bumps, bruises, strains, sprains and fractures which beset committed rugby players, even in the friendliest of matches.

I also happen to know that they need a great deal of money, at the moment, to make essential repairs to their headquarters, so please give as generously as you can when the box comes round on Saturday the 9th.



### **... and on the following Saturday**

On Saturday, April 16th we have one of the most attractive day's rugby that we've had all season. We start with the England v. Wales Colts International, and I don't have to tell a good rugby man like you that these matches have a reputation for producing some sparkling, all-action football.

Terry Tandy has Stand tickets available at £2.00, which seems a fair bargain, and, as it turns out, can also supply Ground tickets at £1.20, the same price as you normally pay to get in at the turnstiles.

The reason for the availability of Ground tickets is that a system exists for sports masters, and other people involved with youth organisations, to buy blocks of tickets and receive one free one for every fifteen they buy. If you do happen to be into youth rugby — or anything else involving youngsters — it's by no means too late to take advantage of that offer. Terry Tandy can tell you more.

But that's only the first course. The dessert will be provided by the United, playing their last home game of the season, against Salisbury, confirmed as a 6.00 kick-off.

What a nice bonus — just as you thought the season had petered out. Come to the Colts game, replace lost moisture, boiled off by the excitement and the Spring weather (it says here), by whiling away the time in the bar, and then stroll gently back round the corner for the United game. By which time, you'll have lost all that moisture again . . .

Anyway, you'll agree that the United have produced some great entertainment, throughout the season, and it would be nice to have a good crowd to cheer them into the cricket season. Why not ask the Lady in your life for a 24-hour pass, and come along on April 16th.

I shall be trying to get away with it, anyhow.

### **How about a trip to the Final?**

Bristol's achievement in reaching the John Player Cup Final on April 30th has certainly stirred the imagination of people in our neck of the woods. Enough enthusiasts have expressed an interest in going along to Twickenham on that day for Terry Tandy to agree to order a block of tickets from the Gloucester club.

Terry says that, if you go along to the Office after the game, he'll take your order — but adds that you'll have to have the cash available, because he can't fiddle about getting money in later, an attitude that I find quite understandable.

Unfortunately, this is complicated by the fact that, at the time of writing, he doesn't know how much the tickets will cost — although he does by now, obviously, and can give you the full gen when you get to the Office.

There is another good reason for buying your ticket this way. The Gloucester club can claim ten per cent of all the ticket money they collect, and we might as well capitalise on Bristol's efforts while we're about it.

Wouldn't it be good to take a good solid 'Glawster' support for our fellow West Country Club? You can bet that Leicester will be there in force, and it would be nice to help restore the balance.

### **Our own Appeal**

I make no apology for giving a plug to our own Appeal for financing the major Development, now taking shape on the Stand side of the ground. I only have one programme to go after this one, and with the close season coming up fast, John Bick will have problems in keeping the impetus going. Any company who want to make a £600 interest-free loan, or any individual who can contribute £250 on the same conditions, will find that considerable advantages will accrue — including an exclusive bar for their own use. And of course, any contributions from anyone are most welcome. It's the most tangible form of support you can give.

### **Tailpiece**

Have you noticed what a good few days it's been for Gloucester sport? Steve Boyle and John Brain, of course; three Gloucester boxers in the All England Finals. Mike Tredgett making the Finals of the All England Badminton Championship, at the age of 34.

Things are looking up!

PETER ARNOLD