



Abertillery RFC

Centenary Year 1883-1983

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v

Gloucester

Wednesday, 26th October, 1983

kick-off 7 pm



Official Programme 15p

Today's Game

It has been quite some time since Gloucester were visitors to The Park so this evening we have the greatest of pleasure in saying "Welcome back" to Committee and players alike.

By Gloucester standards last season must have been one of their poorest and yet we were seen off 15 - 3. The start of their current campaign has seen the return of some old faces but, Gloucester have fallen at the hands of several Welsh sides to date. That does not mean to say that we can feel complacent about matters. Their Captain Gordon Sargent has brought some steel back into what has regularly been a hard pack of forwards and at the time of writing these notes it is not known if the likes of Phil Blakeway and Steve Mills will be playing. Behind the scrum full back Tim Smith is reported to be making a name for himself.

We could well be treating tonight's game as part of our preparations against Machen on Saturday. Last Saturday's performance with a draw against Broughton Park gave little satisfaction in terms of a team performance. The individual performances by Malcolm Lewis and Steve Bainton - both firsts this season - were very encouraging enough especially Malcolm's 100% commitment. David Owen, at full back also gave a sound display. Certainly we will need to stiffen our resolve and sharpen up our reflexes. Congratulations to Richard Moon and John Everett on playing for Staffordshire and Wales Police respectively.

Long serving committeeman Mr. GLYN THOMAS died yesterday at Heath Hospital Cardiff. We extend to his wife Joan our deepest sympathy.

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David OWEN 15

A. N. OTHER 14
Jeff DAVIES 13
David GEORGE 12
Adrian PARRY 11

Kevin CLARKE 10
Richard MOON 9 Capt

Mark PUGH 1
David GILSON 2
Howard GILSON 3
Mike GREAVES 4
Martyn BAKER 5
Peter CRANE 6
Steve LANE 8
Robert PREECE 7

Reserves

Gloucester

T. SMITH 15

D. MORGAN 14
T. TAYLOR 13
R. MOGG 12
N. PRICE 11

M. HAMLIN 10
S. BAKER 9

G. SERGEANT 1 Capt
S. MILLS 2
R. PASCALL 3
N. SCRIVENS 4
J. FIDLER 5
P. WOOD 6
D. SPENCER 8
M. TEAGUE 7

Reserves

M. Haniford
G. Mann

FULL-BACK

THREE-QUARTERS

RIGHT WING
CENTRE
CENTRE
LEFT WING

HALF-BACKS

STAND-OFF
SCRUM-HALF

FORWARDS

LOOSE HEAD
HOOKER
TIGHT HEAD
LOCK
LOCK
FLANKER
FLANKER

Referee:

Mr. W. D. BEVAN
Swansea