Lydney Rugby Football Club

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AT REGENTSHOLME

Lydney on their way to victory over Maidenhead in the John Player Cup last season.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

20p
LYDNEY v. GLOUCESTER
Black & White Hoops
THURSDAY, 19th APRIL, 1994
KICK-OFF 7.00 pm

15. T. SMITH
14. D. MORGAN
13. R. MOUS
12. P. TAYLOR
11. N. PRICE
10. M. HAMBLIN
9. S. BAKER
8. G. GARRETT (Cpt.)
7. K. WHITE
6. R. PANDO
5. J. ORWIN
4. J. BRADB
3. J. GADD
2. D. SPENCER
1. L. SMITH

16. M. HANNAFORD
17. G. MANN

This evening we are pleased to entertain mighty Gloucester at Winchcombe for our annual Easter match.

First, we would like to congratulate the Gloucester club and the players themselves on their selection for the English party to tour South Africa. It is a reflection of the high quality team the Gloucester Saxons have produced during this season, with only Phil Bardsley playing from County Champions Gloucestershire, really a great effort.

For tonight’s game none of the five players who are selected to tour were considered, but Gloucester still field a formidable team. Captain Garrett (Cpt.) is the only player who has played for England and the United XV.

Last season Lydney was an exciting game seven points to six and on Boxing Day last year achieved their first win at Kingsholm for twenty years. Let’s hope we see a good game of rugby tonight in the picturesque home ground and an entertaining night in the Club House. Welcome Gloucester.

A big feature this season has been the number of tries scored. Paul Howard leads the way with 10 followed by Andy Richards with 13 and Tony Curtis with 18, not forgetting wingers Mike Howell and Andy Eagles with 15 tries respectively. Colin Price contributing over 200 points, the total quality must be outstanding.

Next season is already being looked forward to with young players like Carpenter, Prid and Farrell scoring their way into the team, competition should be fierce. The contribution by the United XV should not be overlooked, under captain Julian Thomas they have had one of their most successful seasons with 11 points in the County Cup.

Lydney have had a good season with only two defeat but have fallen away in the final stages of the season, Jeremy Wicken returning to the second row in place of Robb Williams. After the 75 points scored on Saturday, Lydney need just 62 points for 1,000 in a season with Cheltenham and South Wales Police to play, that’s no easy task.