

Lydney Rugby Football Club

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1984

AT REGENTSHOLME



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

20p

**OFFICIAL
PROGRAMME**

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LYDNEY v. GLOUCESTER

Black & White Hoops

Red & White Hoops

THURSDAY, 19th APRIL, 1984

KICK-OFF 7.00 pm

15. IAN WILKINS*
14. ANDY RICHARDS*
13. BRIAN VINE*
12. KEVIN PRICE
11. MARK FENNELL
10. COLYN PRICE*
9. PAUL HOWELL (Capt.)
1. ROGER TRAFFORD
2. PHIL PRICE*
3. ALAN BROOKS*
4. JEREMY WEECH
5. TONY CURTIS*
6. PETER JONES
8. KEITH DAVIS*
7. ROB CARPENTER

Replacements:
16. ROGER DAVIS
17. JULIAN THOMAS

Referee: ASHLEY REAY
(Bristol Society)

*Gloucestershire
†International

15. T. SMITH
14. D. MORGAN
13. R. MOGG*
12. P. TAYLOR*
11. N. PRICE*

10. M. HAMLIN
9. S. BAKER*
1. G. SARGENT (Capt.)*†
2. K. WHITE
3. R. PASCALL*
4. J. ORWIN*
5. J. BRAIN
6. J. GADD*
8. D. SPENCER
7. I. SMITH

Replacements:
16. M. HANNAFORD
17. G. MANN

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

First we would like to congratulate the Gloucester club and the players themselves on their selection for the England party to tour South Africa. It brings into question the whole selection of the previous England team this season, with only Phil Blakeway playing from County Champions Gloucestershire, surely a grave error.

For tonight's game none of the five players who are selected to tour were considered, but Gloucester still field a formidable team. Captain Gordon Sargent is determined that Lydney do not get a hat-trick of wins.

Last season Lydney won an exciting game seven points to six and on Boxing Day last year achieved their first win at Kingsholme for twenty years. Let's hope we see a good game of rugby tonight in the penultimate home game and an entertaining night in the club house, welcome Gloucester.

On the home front Lydney's team show one change from last Saturday, Jeremy Weech returning to the second row in place of Robin Williams. After the 51 points scored on Saturday, Lydney need just 63 points for 1,000 in a season, with Cheltenham and South Wales Police to play, that's no easy task.

A big feature this season has been the number of tries scored, Paul Howell leads the way with 25 followed by Andy Richards with 19 and Tony Curtis with 18, not forgetting wingers Mike Howells and Andy Eagles with 15 tries respectively, with Colyn Price contributing over 300 points, the total quickly mounts up.

Next season is already being looked forward to with young players like Carpenter, Price and Fennell forcing 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 ever, and when players have stepped up all have done well, an important factor in modern day rugby.

On Saturday Lydney travel to Cheltenham, kick off 3.00 pm, on Easter Monday the United XV play Cinderford at home, kick off 3.00 pm. Next Tuesday the U17's travel to Kingsholme to play Longlevens in the County Cup final, kick off 6.15 pm. A coach will be leaving Lydney at 5.00 pm, all support welcome. *Stop Press:* U15's beat Longlevens in the County Cup 4 points to nil at Stroud.