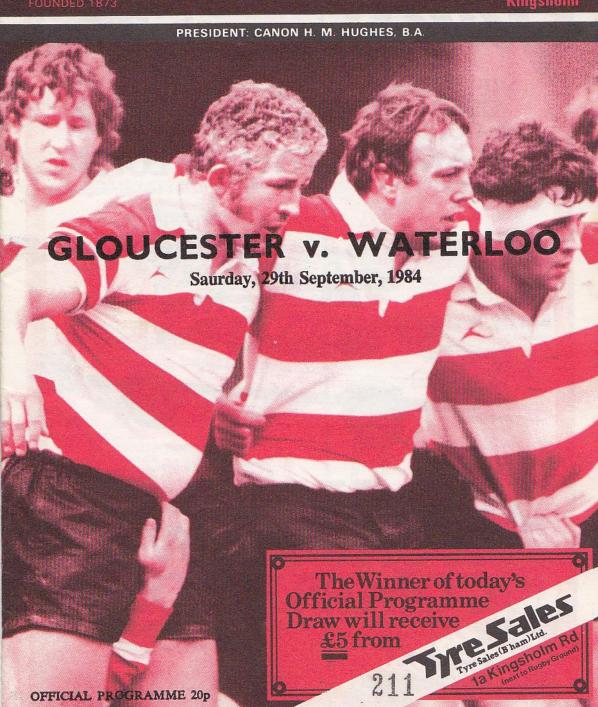


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## North Stars

It has been suggested, in some unkind quarters, that my first visit to Kingsholm co-incided with the Battle of Waterloo. This isn't quite true, but it is an undeniable fact that one of the

first Gloucester games I ever saw featured the same visitors we have today.

This is one of the reasons why Waterloo are so welcome. Although we don't see them as often, these ways, as we used to, they remain respected opponents with whom we have been trying conclusions for a very long time. Old friends are best, they say, even when they include hairy prop forwards.

Another reason we are so glad to see them is that this is a club game, pure and simple. Or as pure and as simple as any encounter between top-class rugby players ever are, anyway. No Merit Table. No Anglo-Welsh edge. No local derby. Just a straightforward game of

football.

I notice that Waterloo came second to Fylde, last week, so they'll be out to improve their position this time round. After an indifferent Bristol game last Saturday, we have the same sort of incentive so there should be no lack of commitment on the field.

Waterloo are our first Northern visitors in a home season dominated, so far, by Welsh

and local opponents, so they're even more welcome for that.

We hope you have an enjoyable visit, chaps, and we're looking forward to seeing you, both on the field, and later.

#### Aussies at Exeter

It won't be long — October 20th, in fact — until the mighty Australian touring side takes on the South and South West at Exeter. You might have been wondering about tickets, and

I can now pass on the gen.

The Stand at Exeter isn't very big, so they are arranging temporary accommodation to supplement it. We have a very limited number of tickets for this temporary stand available at £5.00 a throw, and indications are that they'll melt like snowballs in Benidorm, so if you want one, a visit to the caravan behind the main stand might well be indicated.

## Purveur's Prize

I've very rarely even come close to winning one of the 'Forunate Fivers', given away with lucky programmes, but at least the one presented after the Bristol game went to a fairly near neighbour of mine.

He was Mr. Purveur of 5, Larkhay Road, Hucclecote who had the foresight to buy pro-

gramme no. 1015.

I shall be looking out for him in the 'Royal Oak', the 'Waggon and Horses', the Community

Mr. Purveur's win also gives me an opportunity to thank Tyre Sales Limited, who, as you will have noticed, continued their generous and imaginative initiative in supplying the 'readies' for this regular programme feature. The guesture is much appreciated, and we hope the attendant publicity does them some good.

## Patrons Evening

I've just heard from David Foyle that the annual Patrons Evening will be held in the new

complex on Thursday, October 25th. Duration, 8.00 pm until you fall over.

This is by way of an advance warning, because tickets won't actually be available until the Bedford game, next Saturday, when they will be dispensed by David Foyle and Peter Denham. If you can't come along then, however, have a word with either of them, and they'll

keep one for you.

And, while I'm talking to Patrons, might I issue a delicate reminder that this is the last day on which unreceipted Patrons Cards will be valid. If that small thing had slipped your mind,

then I don't have to spell out your course of action, do I?

## Extra home game

There's a little bit of bunce, especially for the United's devoted bunch of regulars. Next Tuesday's match against Chepstow, scheduled as an away game, has now been switched to

Kingsholm. 7.00 pm, as usual.

I had the good fortune to be along for the United game against Glamorgan Wanderers, last Tuesday, and I can thoroughly recommend the experience. Not only are they winning handsomely, at the moment, but they are playing extremely good Rugby. Why not give them your support - if you don't already do so.

## To be continued . . .

Which brings us neatly into the Forthcoming Attractions slot. The saga of Glamoragn Wanderers continues next Wednesday evening, when the senior team takes on our Firsts. Their second string went down by 48 points, so they'll be out to avenge the club's honour. Next Saturday we welcome another fine old English Club, in the shape of Bedford, who always give value for money. There's a trip to Pontypool on Wednesday October 10th, if you fancy it, and the Quins pay us a visit on October 13th.

While all this is going on, United take on Chepstow next Tuesday, as aforementioned, and are away to Bedford next Saturday, and Richmond Vikings — who have been something of a

are away to Bedford next Saturday, and Richmond Vikings - who have been something of a

bogey side, of late - on the 13th. If you aren't going to Pontypool on the 10th, why not come along and support the Colts? they have Nuneaton Colts that evening, and Reg Collins tells me there are some very promis-

ing lads in the squad this season.

## Put your money on the table

John Beaman asks me to remind you that he has copious supplies of both Patrons and Supporters ties, on sale, just inside the clubhouse door. There are also lapel badges and club sweaters in various colours and all shapes and sizes.

You'll probably want to kit yourself out for the Winter, and while doing so, don't forget that you will need a Social Club membership card to use the club facilities — unless you already have a complex pass, that is.

Might as well get everything buttoned up at once.

## Well done, Sandoe Luce Panes

You may remember that, in my piece about Sandoe Luce Panes generous Sponsorship of the Bristol game, I commented on the 'Relay Run' the company organised in aid of victims of Multiple Sclerosis. David Foyle tells me that many Gloucester RFC people supported the venture, and asks me to thank them for their generosity. So he might — I hear that the effort raised about £4,000, which is remarkable, and a credit to all concerned.

### Time for the County

It won't be long until the County matches are upon us again, and Terry Tandy suggests that it might not be a bad idea to remind you that all such matches are played in daylight, with no lights being used. That means that kick-offs are earlier than usual. The Yorkshire game, here at Kingsholm on November 10th, for example, will commence at 2.45. When you get your tickets -- news about them when I hear — it's just as well to check that point. Hate you to miss anything.

## Welcome home

There aren't many clubs who can claim an England International as their fourth-string scrum half, but wasn't it nice to see Peter Kingston turning out for the United the other night. All the old flair and delicacy was there, and it's a great pity that he's not available on a regular basis, these days.

## **Tailpiece**

There is a Worthy Patron — who shall remain nameless, because I can't stand the sight of blood, especially mine — who I had always believed haled originally from Bristol. However when he referred, the other day, to Mike Longstaff as a "left handed kicker", I began to suspect some Irish ancestry. Nice turn of phrase, though.

PETER ARNOLD.