

TIGERS v GLOUCESTER

SATURDAY JANUARY 12TH 1985 - K.O. 3.00 P.M. **OFFICIAL PROGRAMME 25p**

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LEICESTER

Colours: Red, White, Green

0	W. H. Hare*	Full Back
N	B. Evans	Right Wing
M	I. Bates	Centre
L	V. Afflick	Centre
K	K. Williams	Left Wing
J	L. Cusworth*	Fly Half
1	S. Kenney	Scrum Half
Α	Stu. Redfern	Prop
В	P. Wheeler*	Hooker
C	W. Richardson	Prop
D	N. Joyce	Lock
E	M. Foulkes-Arnold	Lock
F	J. Wells	Wing Forward
G	D. Richards	No. 8
H	I. Smith (Capt.)	Wing Forward

Repl: R. Pell A. Marriott

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GLOUCESTER

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15	T. Smith	Full Back
14	D. Morgan	Right Wing
13	R. Mogg	Centre
12	P. Taylor (Capt.)	Centre
11	N. Price	Left Wing
10	M. Hamlin	Fly Half
9	M. Hannaford	Scrum Half
1	M. Preedy	Prop
2	K. White	Hooker
3	R. Pascal	Prop
4	N. Scrivens	Lock
5	J. Brain	Lock
6	J. Bennett	Wing Forward
7	L. Cummins	Wing Forward
8	I. Smith	No. 8

Repl: G. Sargent D. Pointon

Referee: C. Leeke — E. Midlands Society

^{*} Internationals

Barker's ifs and buts

Improve Your Rugby Knowledge

1. Who is the most capped international player not to be a British Lion?

2. Who is the most capped Welsh fly-half?

- Which New Zealander played his 100th game in an All-Black shirt during the Wales v New Zealand Welsh Centenary Match?
- 4. Which English club did Prince Obolensky play for?

5. Name the Club that plays at Blundellsands?

Which player set a points record of 18pts for a test match during the Lions tour of South Africa in 1980?

For the Record:

Gloucester founded 1873 Ground: Kingsholm

Leicester and Gloucester first played in 1891-2 with the West Country side notching a double. Since then the clubs have met 143 times with Gloucester leading 76-61, including their 1978 J.P.C. Final victory, the only time we have met in the Cup.

Leicester's biggest win is 31-9 at home 1971-2 Gloucester's biggest win is 39-6 (Kingsholm) 1977-8 Gloucester's biggest win at Leicester 29-6 1973-4

This season Leicester lost 15-37 (A)

Last season: Home 30-20 (W) Away 21-22 (L)

Matches between Leicester and Gloucester these days are considered one of the big games of the season. The result always provides a good pointer of how each club's form is progressing especially with the John Player Cup Matches only a fortnight away. Both sides will be keen to put last weeks inactivity behind them and put it together rather than hope for a "It'll be alright on the night" performance.

Gloucester after a slow start to the season have really moved into top gear as Leicester found out at Kingsholm on Dec 1st. We have not been the only team to feel this Gloucester revival, as their record shows. They have already played 31 games this season of which 20 have been won and 10 lost. In this period they have scored 678pts, the highest by a 1st class English club, but rather blotted their copybook by losing their only match of 1985 16-7 at Moseley on New Years Day.

Leicester have not played since the Barbarians match in which they ran up a record victory, so today's game will be a real test of character and stamina. However, England's squad training weekend at Bisham Abbey has robbed the Tigers of three players, Paul Dodge, Clive Woodward and Rory Underwood, and likewise Gloucester. Our visitors lose three forwards John Orwin, Phil Blakeway and Mike Teague. It will be very interesting to see which team offsets its missing players the best — forwards or threequarters.

Today marks Les Cusworth's 200th game in the Leicester colours, and our congratulations also go to Kevin Williams who finally scored his 50th try against the Barbarians.

We have been notified of our allocation for the home international matches v France and Scotland. The number of tickets is less than in previous seasons so a ballot will be held. The successful applicants will receive their tickets in due course, any refunds will be forwarded after the ballot.

On Thursday January 17th there will be a Video Evening in the Clubhouse commencing at 7.30. Many of the Tigers greatest rugby moments will be shown and entry is free of charge to Club Members.

The 1985 Tigers Sports Quiz begins on January 21st. All rounds will be held on Monday evenings this year starting at 7.30. You are welcome to come along and test your sporting knowledge.

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RUGBY NEWS This is a new rugby newspaper sold only through rugby clubs. The first edition, which contains an article on the Leicester Football Club, is on sale price 50p.

While the season is still young and full of good cheer may we wish Les Parlby a speedy recovery after a stroke. Les is one of our unsung heroes having been a gateman for 32 years.