

GLOUCESTER V. NEWBRIDGE

WEDNESDAY
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GLOUCESTER

(Cherry & White)

Full Back

15. **P. Wickenden**

Three Quarters

14. **J. Breeze**

13. **P. Taylor**

12. **R. Mogg**

11. **M. Smith**

Half Backs

10. **M. Evans**

9. **S. Baker**

Forwards

† 1. **M. Preedy**

2. **K. White**

3. **R. Pascall**

† 4. **J. Orwin (Capt.)**

5. **J. Brain**

6. **J. Gadd**

7. **I. Smith**

8. **J. Bennett**

REPLACEMENTS

S. Artus

S. Mills †

NEWBRIDGE

Full Back

15. **P. Goodfellow**

Three Quarters

14. **G. Howells**

13. **C. Manley**

12. **S. Crandon**

11. **C. Phillips**

Half Backs

10. **P. Williams**

9. **M. Oliver**

Forwards

1. **G. Hewlett**

2. **J. Stokes**

3. **S. Jenkins**

4. **C. Jarman**

5. **S. Harris**

6. **P. Jones**

7. **T. Collins**

8. **N. James**

REPLACEMENTS

D. Hussey

B. Cripps

Referee: **L. PRIDEAUX** (North Midlands)

† International

Good luck to one special team from another!



Richard Cound

BMW in Gloucestershire

Time to set the record straight?

Newbridge are always welcome visitors, of course, but we're particularly pleased to see them this year, if for no other reason than it's about time that Gloucester ended up on the heavy end of the scoreline. Last season, at the Welfare Ground, we had to be content with coming second to the tune of 17 points to 9, but it was the year before that which really sticks in the memory.

We've all seen Gloucester go down by large margins before, but the 36-16 lesson they handed to us that night will take some forgetting; not just because of the size of the defeat, but for the style in which Newbridge administered it.

To put things in perspective, just a few days before, Gloucester had visited Harlequins on a County day, and come away with a 16-3 win, so we weren't playing that badly at the time.

Yet, to be quite frank, Newbridge ran us ragged.

This season, tonight's visitors haven't yet quite got their act together, but Welsh sides always grow a few inches taller, when they cross the Severn, so we can expect them to give Gloucester all they can handle, not withstanding the efficient demolition job we did on Pontypridd, last Saturday.

I'm sure that both sides are well aware of recent history and will be going all out to see that their own colours come out on top, tonight. Whatever happens, however, we're very glad to see the lads from Gwent again, and we're sure they will enjoy their visit. After all, that's what the game's about.

Patrons

Just to remind Patrons that this is the last game when their cards will be valid without a receipt. If the matter has slipped your mind it would be as well to see to it tonight.

Thanks to Honeywell, yet again

It's a far cry from a chap tinkering with his boiler in Minneapolis to Gloucester City Council's move to the Docks, and even further, you may think, to the visit of Newbridge to Kingsholm, but a connection there is, and a highly welcome one too.

If, a century or so ago, the worthy American gentleman hadn't found a way to control his room temperature by automatically adjusting the air flow to his solid fuel boiler, then the Honeywell organisation would not have developed, and some of the largest and most complex oil refineries in the world would have to have found another way to control their essential processes. What's more, the 'Honeywell' name plate would now not have been appearing on some of the world's largest—and smallest—computers.

You'll have twigged the connection with tonight's game already — Honeywell are, once again, generously sponsoring a Kingsholm occasion. But Gloucester Docks?

The answer lies in the superb Victorian warehouses, now undergoing conversion into City Council offices. We live in an age when the same computers which control the working environment can be used to automate the offices to today's demanding standards. And it's doubtful if anyone in the world knows more about the complex technology involved than do Honeywell.

In the Docks it will be necessary to set up efficient communications between the warehouses concerned, as well as with the Shire Hall. Telephone systems are closely linked, as are fire and security systems. Yet the facades of the warehouses must not be affected at all.

Honeywell have a seven-year link with both City and County Councils. What's more, they have a continuing policy of being involved with the community — witness tonight's sponsorship — and the Docks project gave the company a unique chance to demonstrate this. Honeywell have in fact, provided all the initial survey work at their own expense, helping the City identify and specify all the necessary voice and data communications requirements.

But don't think you have to have a project of that size to use Honeywell. If you have any office automation or control requirements, get in touch.

So we hope Honeywell have a good evening. Alun Pritchard certainly will — there aren't many Kingsholm games where he isn't very much in evidence.

Thanks again, Honeywell.

Open all hours?

You can't keep a good man down — not even when he's sporting crutches and enough plaster to mould an Epstein masterpiece.

I'm told that we are about to have our long-awaited Club Shop, situated in the old

Secretary's Office in the former changing room buildings. I'm further informed that none other than Nick Price, broken ankle and all, will be in charge.

Terry Tandy tells me that the actual date when things start to happen depends rather on the arrival of the necessary merchandise, but it would be nice to think that all systems could be 'go' in time for Saturday's John Player game. As of last Saturday, there were no actual guarantees of that, but Nick was hoping.

The idea is to provide a much wider range of items than has hitherto been possible. When I have full details, I'll let you know.

Don't forget the banquet

Mike Burton, who is on the menu for the event, told me to keep plugging the Tour Banquet, scheduled for October 28th at Pineholt. Tickets £17.50 each, for an all-male do.

As a certain pop star is alleged to have discovered, it isn't safe to argue with Mike Burton, so here goes.

Mike will be joined as a guest speaker by Phil Blakeway, and their old skipper, Bill Beaumont. The seating will be arranged in tables of ten, with a current player on each table. There will also be a draw for a weekend for two in Paris, complete with tickets for the England v. France match.

If you prefer, your company could become a Tour Sponsor for £250, which enables you to bring seven guests to the Banquet. Naturally, there's a lot more to the Sponsorship than that, and there is an informative Tour Sponsorship Brochure, which spells it all out for you.

There's a high-powered Committee organising the whole thing, so if you would like tickets, or further information, have a word with Jim Jarrett, Peter Ford, Doug Wadley, Pete Hawker, John Orwin or either Bennett.

John Player on Saturday

It's probably superfluous to tell you that we have the first game in this year's John Player campaign on Saturday. You'll probably also be aware that, under the rules of the Competition, it's an all-pay affair.

It's worth noting, however, that there are no tickets for this match, not even for the Stand. You are therefore implored not to leave it until the last minute to get through the turnstiles, or Gloucester might be a dozen or so points up, before you get in. Don't forget, either, that Exeter University will probably bring along a fair few supporters of their own.

One small bone of contention concerns the car park. Because all proceeds have to be split, we have to charge everyone for parking space at the John Player games, so don't run over the attendant's foot as you drive in. It isn't his fault.

. . . and then, the rest

There is, of course, life after the John Player, and you can't get livelier than Llanelli, who arrive on the following Wednesday.

On Monday next, the United will be entertaining Glamorgan Wanderers, and will, no doubt, want to do better than their Seniors. Anyway, the United are always worth a visit especially this season when so many promising newcomers have put in an appearance.

The very next night — my birthday, actually, October 1st — you can have the first chance to see the present crop of Colts in action. They've been putting up some good performances, and as part of the idea is to give the lads the experience of playing in front of reasonable crowds, your presence would be appreciated by everyone. The opposition will be provided by Brixham Colts; old friends and always a formidable proposition.

Tailpiece

Like our new cover? Thanks to Phil Cooke at the Leisure Centre for supplying the photograph. You'll know Phil. He'll be the one wearing an old St. Luke's tie on Saturday.

PETER ARNOLD.