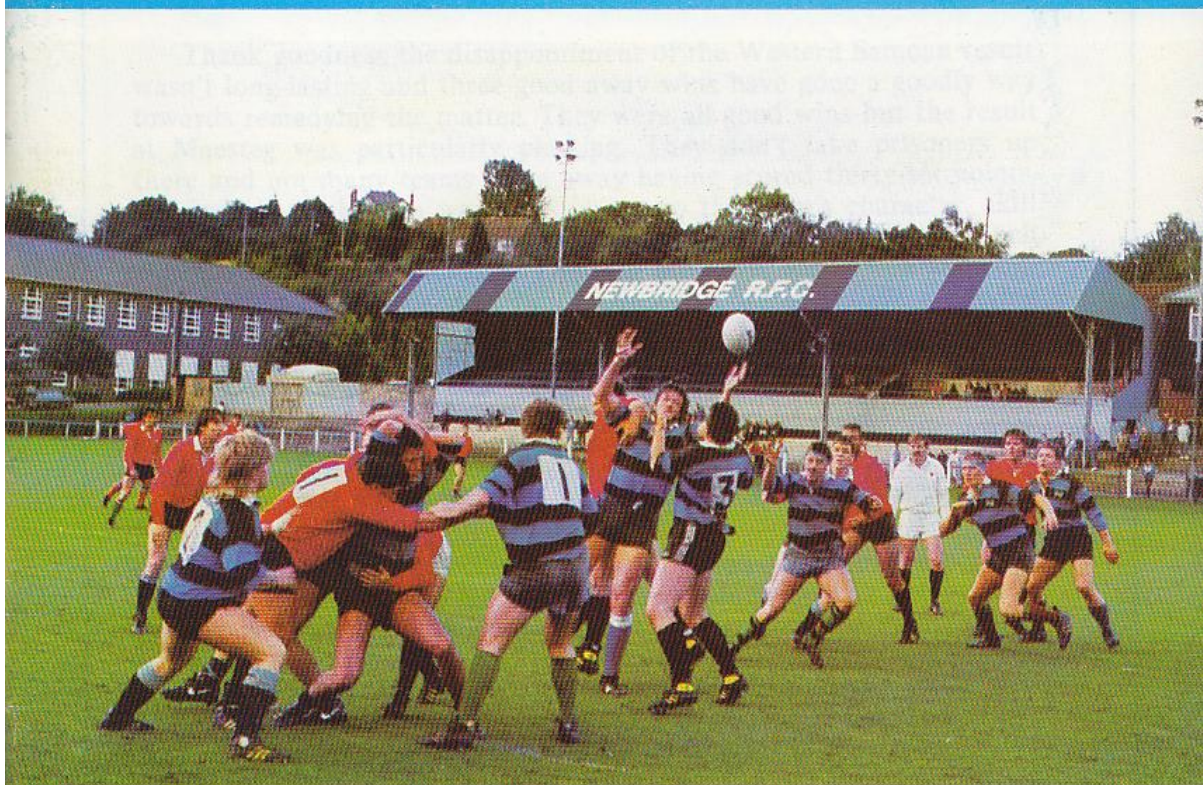
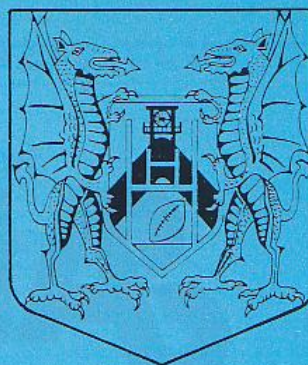


Newbridge Rugby Football Club

1888 Centenary Season 1988

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NEWBRIDGE R.F.C.

versus

GLOUCESTER R.F.C.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH, 1988

Official Programme 30p.

NEWBRIDGE

Colours: SKY BLUE & BLACK/RED

15. ALUN HARRIES
14. SIMON WILLIAMS
13. CHRIS MANLEY
12. SIMON HILL
11. CHRIS PHILLIPS
10. PAUL TURNER (Captain)
9. RICHARD LEWIS
1. LANCE TIMOTHY
2. ROBERT HURN
3. SIMON JENKINS
4. ANDREW ALLEN
5. ANDREW SUTTON
6. KEVIN DUNN
8. NEIL JAMES
7. HEMI TAYLOR

Replacements: David Wright, Robert Smith,
Peter Jones.

- Full Back
Right Wing
Right Centre
Left Centre
Left Wing
Outside Half
Inside Half
Forwards

Referee:
MR. OWEN JAMES,
Pontypridd.

Next home game: Whitbread Merit XV
Mon. October 31st, 1988. K.O. 7.15 p.m.

GLOUCESTER

Colours: CHERRY AND WHITE

15. T. SMITH
14. N. PRICE
13. R. MOGG
12. R. TEMPLE
11. J. BREEZE
10. M. HAMLIN
9. M. HANNAFORD (Captain)
1. P. JONES
2. K. DUNN
3. R. PASCALL
4. J. BRAIN
5. J. ETHERIDGE
6. P. ASMEAD
8. B. CLARK
7. A. STANLEY

Replacements: R. Winter,
K. White.

NEWBRIDGE RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

A Grand Rugby Match

NEWBRIDGE v. GLOUCESTER

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Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

Thank goodness the disappointment of the Western Samoan result wasn't long-lasting and three good away wins have gone a goodly way towards remedying the matter. They were all good wins but the result at Maesteg was particularly pleasing. They don't take prisoners up there and not many teams come away having scored thirty-six points. The nature of the win was a testimony to the team's character, skill and fitness. The game at Tredegar impressed since it was a much changed team. Our matches at Tredegar are never easily won and confirmation was really needed, this proved that we now have a playing squad with strength in depth.

Congratulations to our two representatives, David Rees and Ken Waters, in the Welsh B squad. Our thoughts will be with them during this afternoon. Both selections are well deserved and puts them very much in the selectorial eye. It's unfortunate that Ken has to sit on the replacement bench, but the hard work has been done and it can only be a matter of time before he achieves complete recognition. We cannot complain at not being visited by the selectors, but are perhaps a little saddened by the fact that our representation has not been as numerous as we would have liked. The performances of Paul Turner, Chris Manley, Terry Shaw and Jonathan Rowlands must have given the selectors food for thought. Andrew Allen and Hemi Taylor made welcome reappearances on Tuesday after a period of illness and didn't they make their presence felt. A fully fit squad will be badly needed for the exacting programme now facing us.

It's a pleasure to welcome Gloucester on their bi-annual visit to the ground. They will most probably feel the same as us, it will be a welcome relief to play a game without having to worry about the result having an influence upon their position in the table. Of course, this doesn't mean that it will be any the less competitive since national pride will be at stake, it does however mean that the pattern of play doesn't have to be so safety conscious.

Many thanks to the loyal members who rallied around on the day of the Samoan game. As always, their effort made the day a real success. A final plea. Of late there has been a tendency for part of the ground to be used for exercising dogs, we would be grateful if the practice could be discouraged.

TODAY'S VISITORS — GLOUCESTER

Gloucester arrive at the Welfare Ground today aiming for their first victory here since 1973. They have had a good start to the season in the Courage League division one where they have won three out of four matches. They have defeated Moseley (37-9), Wasps (19-3) and Liverpool/St. Helens (31-9). Their only league defeat coming at the hands of Bath (9-19).

Last week hooker Kevin Dunn was on England B duty against the Australians, while on Wednesday several of his teammates appeared for South and South West against the tourists.

RESULTS SINCE 1980:-

1980-81	W	18-9	Home.
1981-82	L	0-6	Away
1982-83	W	20-18	Home
1983-84	W	36-16	Away
1984-85	W	17-9	Home
1985-86	W	12-10	Away
1986-87	W	16-13	Home
1987-88	L	13-28	Away.

POST WAR RECORD :—

Played: 36. Won: 17. Drawn: 3. Lost: 16.
Points For: 459. Points Against: 420.
Biggest Victory: 42-0. 28th November, 1964 (Home).
Biggest defeat: 3-29. 27th December, 1975 (Away).

It was the season that Newbridge won the Championship Under the leadership of Elliot Williams that our biggest victory was obtained. We scored ten tries with Arthur Hughes getting his second consecutive hat-trick. The other tries came from brother Dennis (2), John Worwood (2), K. Jones (2) and A. Evans. Dewi Jones converted six of the touch downs.

The full team :-

D. Jones, L. Hewer, K. Jones, A. Evans, J. Worwood, E. Williams, J. Palmer, R. Shipp, R. Hamer, G. Williams, D. Hackling, K. Broder, K. Braddock, A. Hughes, D. Hughes.

NOTE:

Congratulations to Chris Phillips who played his 350th game for the Club last Tuesday in Tredegar and to Chris Manley who, in the same match, made his 100th appearance.

D. P. M.