

WASPS FOOTBALL CLUB

1989 - 1990123rd Season



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WASPS **GLOUCESTER**

Courage Clubs Championship

Saturday, 14th October, 1989 Kick-off 3 p.m.

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OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

50p



This afternoon, we offer a particularly warm welcome to Gloucester, for this game in the Courage Club Championships. Although we have had a regular fixture with the West Country club for many years, it was usually in January and more often than not it was cancelled due to waterlogged grounds, snow etc. In fact this is only their fourth visit to Sudbury in over ten years. In 1976, they beat us in the quarter-final of the John Player Cup, a splendid game which we lost by the creditable margin of 13— 3. They then went on to win the Cup, beating Leicester in the final by 6—3. Games between the two clubs at Kingsholm regularly produced a seemingly inevitable win for the home side until the 1987-88 season. In January 1988, in the regular fixture, we fielded a much weakened side as it was the day of the England A and B Internationals in Paris. The game was consequently demerited but we did well to hold Gloucester to 22—13. A month later we were back at Kingsholm in the fourth round of the John Player Special Cup, a game that also counted in the Courage Clubs Championship. At the time, Gloucester had only lost three home games that season—to Pontypool, Bath and Bristol—but we came away the victors by 24—13, the first time we had won at Kingsholm since the Second World War. Last season, however, things were back to normal, as we lost away by 19-3. Gloucester are undefeated in the league so far this season, having beaten Moseley by 16—12 and Bath, the favourites, by 13—6, a result which has thrown the league wide open and established Gloucester as the side to beat. Our own progress has been mixed, with a fine win over Leicester by 29—12 balanced by a sorry defeat at the hands of London rivals, Harlequins, by 12-9.

On Wednesday evening this week we had a friendly fixture against Loughborough Students which proved to be a good run out for our midweek Wasps XV. An interesting game with some good running despite poor conditions resulting in a win for the Club by 25 pts—17 pts. Scorers for Wasps— P. Young (5 penalties; 1 conversion), P. Hopley (1 try), I. Armstrong (1 try).

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- MARK BAILEY*
- ROB ANDREW* (Capt.)
 STEVE BATES* 10
- PAUL RENDALL*

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 ALAN SIMMONS
 JEFF PROBYN*
 COLIN PINNEGAR
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 MIKE WHITE
 DEAN RYAN
 DAVE PEGLER
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- Replacements
- TOM HILLIER GARY HOLMES
- CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP

GLOUCESTER

- 15 T. SMITH
- D. MORGAN R. MOGG D. CASKIE J. BREEZE 14 13
- 12 11
- 10 M. HAMLIN (Capt.)
- L. GARDINER
- M. PREEDY*

- K. DUNN R. PASCALL N. SCRIVENS
- J. ETHERIDGE J. GADD B. CLARK I. SMITH
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