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# WASPS FOOTBALL CLUB



1989 — 1990  
123rd Season

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## WASPS v GLOUCESTER

PILKINGTON CUP ROUND 3

**Saturday, 27th January, 1990**  
**Kick-off 2.30 p.m.**

*President:* M. J. CUTTER  
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**OFFICIAL PROGRAMME**

**50p**

## WASPS

- 15 STEVE PILGRIM
  
- 14 SIMON SMITH\*
- 13 FRAN CLOUGH\*
- 12 KEVIN SIMMS\*
- 11 MARK BAILEY\*
  
- 10 ROB ANDREW\* (Capt.)
- 9 STEVE BATES\*
  
- 1 PAUL RENDALL\*
- 2 ALAN SIMMONS
- 3 JEFF PROBYN\*
- 4 MARK ROSE
- 5 SEAN O'LEARY
- 6 COLIN PINNEGAR
- 8 DEAN RYAN
- 7 DAVID PEGLER
- Replacements*
- 16 STUART CASSIDY
- 17 GARY HOLMES

### PILKINGTON CUP

*In the event of a drawn game in the Pilkington Cup, the following rule applies:—*

*In all rounds, except the final, if after 40 minutes of play each way the scores are level there shall be an immediate period of replay between the same teams of 10 minutes each way, with a one minute interval. If the scores are then still equal, the team that scored the most tries shall go forward into the next round. If this does not produce a result, the team that has scored the most goals from tries goes forward into the next round. If the scores still be equal, the tries still be equal and the goals from tries still be equal the visiting team shall go forward into the next round.*

## GLOUCESTER

- 15 T. SMITH
  
- 14 D. MORGAN
- 13 R. MOGG
- 12 D. CASKIE
- 11 J. BREEZE
  
- 10 M. HAMLIN (Capt.)
- 9 M. HANNAFORD
  
- 1 M. PREEDY\*
- 2 K. DUNN
- 3 R. PASCALL
- 4 N. SCRIVENS
- 5 J. BRAIN
- 6 J. GADD
- 8 M. TEAGUE\*
- 7 I. SMITH
- Replacements*
- 16 L. GARDINER
- 17 J. HAWKER

\* INTERNATIONAL

Referee: Mr. D. J. LESLIE (Man RFU) Home Touch Judge: Mr. P. KINGHAM (LSRFUR)



We offer a very warm welcome this afternoon to our old friends from Gloucester for this third round tie in the Pilkington Cup. It is their second visit to Sudbury this season and only their fifth in over ten years. We have had a regular fixture with Gloucester for many years but it used to be in January and was very often cancelled due to snow or waterlogged pitches. We have twice played the West Countrymen in the days of the John Player Cup. In 1976 they beat us in the quarter final here at Sudbury, a splendid game which we lost by the creditable margin of 13-3. They then went on to beat Leicester in the final by 6-3. Then in February 1988, we played them at Kingsholm in the fourth round with the game also counting in the Courage Clubs Championship. At the time, Gloucester had lost at home only to Pontypool, Bath and Bristol but we came away the winners by 24-13, the first time we had won there since the Second World War. When Gloucester visited us here last November, we played our best rugby of the season so far, scoring six tries and winning by 29-4 but it would be foolish indeed to expect anything even close to that today. Gloucester were without a number of their best players in key positions including Hannaford, Teague, Mogg, Brain and Tim Smith, all of whom are restored to their side this afternoon. Mike Teague in particular will be hoping to force his way back into the England side against France, due to be announced tomorrow, and the entire Gloucester side will be determined to gain revenge for that earlier defeat.

We have Dean Ryan and Steve Pilgrim back after injury but there must be a doubt about Jeff Probyn, who had 20 stitches in a damaged ear after last Saturday's international.

Fran Clough has been added to the England squad to play France, replacing Alan Buzza who will be playing his first game for the England B side in Paris next Saturday morning. David Pegler captains the B side for the fifth time and the side also includes Dean Ryan and Sean O'Leary with Gloucester's Hannaford and Dunn on the bench.

Gloucester were in tremendous form a fortnight ago when they played Leicester in the league, beating the home side by 26-16 after running up a half-time lead of 20-9.

Our league game was a home match with Orrell who opened the scoring with a penalty goal levelled with one from Rob Andrew. Then two minutes from halftime came a moment of pure magic from Simon Smith. Colin Pinnegar began the move on his own 22 and Clough and Andrew combined to send Simon on his way to the line. A try didn't look on but Simon beat three defenders by turning inside and side-stepping past them. When he was finally collared, David Pegler was at his elbow to finish the move with a try under the posts which Andrew converted. The second half was an anti-climax with a penalty goal to each side but our 12-6 win kept us in third place in the league, a point behind Gloucester who are themselves just a point behind Bath.

Last week's evening game against Nottingham saw our much-weakened team 19-0 down at half-time and although we played better in the second half, a try from Gary Holmes and two penalty goals from Phil Hopley were not enough to prevent us going down by 29-10.

Members of the Society of Devoted Supporters (SODS) may now apply for tickets for the Annual

Supper in the Clubhouse on Friday, May 4th. Two tickets per member at £5 each can be obtained from Andrew Willis, 116 Cavendish Avenue, Harrow, Middlesex. Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

Should we win this afternoon and since there is no home game between now and the next round on February 10th, details of any rearrangement to the fixture list will be given on the Wasps Information line from next Wednesday including whether there will be a supporters coach if the game is away and whether it will be all-ticket.

Next Saturday we are away to Sale while the Vandals are away to Richmond Vikings.

Today we welcome as our match sponsor, Mr. Tony Cleary, Chairman of Metro Breakers plc, his staff and friends. We thank them for their support and hope they have an enjoyable afternoon. Also thanks to our match ball sponsors, Sports Systems of Stratford-upon-Avon, who are the Clubs medical suppliers.

*Kevin O'Shea*