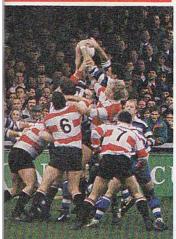




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TOUCH LINES by Peter Arnold



THE CUP THAT CHEERS

It only seems a few weeks ago that we were all wheeling and dealing, trying to acquire just that one extra ticket for the 1990 Pilkington Cup Final. You may not wish to be reminded of past grief, but the fact remains that Gloucester did reach Twickenham — and only two teams per season can do that.

And in fact, by the standards of previous seasons, it isn't so long ago since we made the trip. So used are we to forgetting about Cup matters until mid-January that to find ourselves involved before Christmas is almost a shock to the system. One consequence of that is that we have generally known who the Opposition is, and where we are to be playing months before the event. This time we have had a bare couple of weeks to digest the fact that the Cup Draw has given us the chance to entertain old friends who we haven't seen for a while.

How quickly we forget. It isn't all that long ago that we saw the black-and-white of Broughton Park every other Easter. We also used to travel to Chorley early in the season, and lost to them on at least one occasion, right at the start, before either side knew what sort of a team they were going to have that year.

I point that out to remind you that nothing is ever certain in this game, and that although the gap between Courage League Division One and Three is a wide one, the Cup is the Cup, and no match in the competition can ever be taken lightly. There's usually a giant-killer somewhere along the line.

And, don't forget, Broughton Park is Tony Neary's old club. It's also the outfit which was, at one time, skippered by Irish Full Back, Kevin O'Brien, and many of us remember that character crucifying a full Gloucestershire side at Vale of Lune in the rain on one memorable day out. No side with that sort of pedigree is going to be short of commitment or know-how, as I'm sure we'll find out in the next hour or two.

It's one good thing about the Cup. You do get to see sides which are prevented from visiting us by the League structure and by the generally crowded fixture lists. When the side in question is such a valued and respected former opponent, then the occasion becomes a very pleasant one. Welcome once again, 'Park'. It's great to see you back.

DIVISION

From one all-ticket game to another: magic bits of cardboard for the South and South West v. London in the Divisional Championship are now available. They cost £7.00 for Centre Stand (Reserved) and £5.00 for Wing Stand (Unreserved). No ground tickets — just pay at the gate.

I am advised that seats in the Stand could just be in short supply, because London usually bring a healthy crowd to these matches, and you never know — it could be the deciding game of the Championship. In any case, with all the refugees from the North now playing for the Great Metropolis, there is no doubt that London can field a highly attractive side. So if you want to come and sit down, send your cheque to David Foyle, not forgetting a stamped, addressed envelope. And, for the reasons stated, it might be a good idea to do it sooner rather than later.

GLOUCESTER GAME

You've probably read about the intriguing new item now on sale, called 'The Gloucester Game', which features all the attractions of our fair City. Money raised is to go to the YMCA, and the major Sponsor of the project is the Original Holloway Society, who as you know, were one of the very first organisations to take one of our magnificent new Hospitality Boxes.

In fact, they've gone one better. The Society has donated enough copies of the Game for one to be awarded at every home First XV match between now and the end of January. The winners will be decided simply by drawing an extra Lucky Programme number each time. So two numbers



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It's a nice idea, and a generous gesture. We hope the whole project is a thundering success.

GUESTS FROM THE EAST

If you hear loud shouts in a language you don't recognise today, it's not some abstruse Greater Mancunian dialect — it's Russian.

The Russia 'B' side are to play Gloucestershire tomorrow, at Cheltenham, and the party has come along to see today's match. Welcome strangers!

'PRIVO BURTONSKI'

Talking about Russians, I wonder if they still drink 'Privo Burtonski'? I mention it because I discover, through my good friend Alan Jenkins of Bass, that our major sponsors used, at one time, to sell their ale in Russia under that name. In fact, Bass and Worthington, who amalgamated their two Burton-on-Trent breweries in 1926, used to sell practically all their output to what was known as the 'Baltic Trade'. It was apparently cheaper to ship their beer by sea to Russia and the Baltic states than it was to take it by road to London and the South.

This was in or around 1820, and later the process continued, much of the export trade going to India and Asia — hence the famous 'India Pale Ale'.

Then a ship bound for the Far East was shipwrecked, and the cargo salvaged. The underwriters sold it in Liverpool, and the Scousers approved of it to such a degree that Bass became a household name in Britain as well.

You might also like to reflect that the first team ever to visit Kingsholm was Burton-on-Trent, so our generous benefactors have come home, so to speak.

Alan also sent me a brochure about the Bass Museum, also at Burton, and it looks like a splendid place to visit should you be in the area. Especially interesting are the Shire Horses, of which Bass are quite justifiably extremely proud. Apparently, the original Mr. Bass spent most of his working life as a carrier, but finding he was transporting an awful lot of beer, though he might as well get in on the act himself. So he did that — and sold his haulage business to another chap of whom you may have heard. Fellow called Pickford. But they still ran their horse-drawn drays, and at one time had 200 Shire Horses.

Bass are here in strength today, and we're glad to

welcome Clive Buckle and his guests here again.

Of course, today's official Sponsors are Pilkington — we must get that straight — so not only do we have glass; we also have something to put into it. THANKS TO PILKINGTON

Anyone who knows anything about Rugby has cause to be extremely grateful to the Pilkington organisation, and I sometimes think they don't really get the credit they deserve for their extreme generosity. I don't think that a simple 'Thanks to Pilkington' in programmes up to and including the Final really does their open-handedness justice.

For example, did you know that, over the past three years, over 350 clubs have received mini-Rugby equipment as part of the sponsorship arrangement? Or that Pilkington, whose products range from simple glass, through optical material to high-tech fibre optics, are now supporting a Junior Referee scheme?

It was very good to read that Sir Anthony Pilkington has just announced that the Company is to continue its Sponsorship for another three years. And that may be the most important piece of information you've read in this programme today. TAILPIECE

But we haven't finished with sponsorship matters yet. Here's a chance for you to win yourself a couple of dozen cans of Bass Traditional Ale, kindly donated by the Bass company itself. All you have to do is answer the following question:

What is the biggest-selling bitter in Gloucester's Rugby Clubs.

If you don't know, you should be able to make a fair guess. If not, look in the programme for the recent League game against Moseley.

Send your answer to the Club, and please mark your envelope 'BASS COMPETITION'. That way, Terry Tandy won't have to plough through all the answers, and can simply relay the envelopes to Alan Jenkins. Closing date, next Saturday. And don't forget to add your own name and address. Sounds silly, but it's surprisingly easy to do.

First correct answer out of the traditional hat wins the nectar. And I hope it's you.

ONE FIRST CLASS TEAM SUPPORTING ANOTHER



THE THOROUGHBRED BANK



TALKING RUGBY with Mike Harris

on top throughout the game but only managed a narrow 21-16 win.

The cup campaign starts today with the visit of Manchester-based National Division Three side Broughton Park to Kingsholm

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On paper it should be a reasonably straightforward task for Gloucester who will be relieved to have a home cup tie after last season when all their cup games were played away from home.

And an added bonus to the players is the knowledge that either Bath or Leicester will be out of the competition by this evening.

Having played five Courage Division One games in the last seven weeks, Gloucester's attention today switches from the league to the cup.

And with Bath riding high at the top of the league with six wins from six matches the Pilkington Cup is probably the only chance Gloucester have of bringing some silverware back to Kingsholm this season.

The pressure of a series of crucial clashes in both competitions at the end of last season eventually told on the players who failed at the final hurdle in the league and the cup.

And although they will be desparately keen to win their remaining league games and finish near the top of the table next Spring, Gloucester will be equally anxious to produce another cup run and return to Twickenham.

Bath's crushing victory over Gloucester in last seaon's final is the game which sticks in the mind from last year's cup run.

But on their way to Twickenham, the cherry and whites played some of their best rugby of the season, notably at Wasps and Nottingham.

And their recent form suggests that they are well capable of another final appearance provided they can finish chances as well as they create them.

Saturday's league win over Saracens was a prime example of this. Gloucester were well

COURAGE CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION ONE

	P	W	F	A	Pts
Bath	6	6	121	31	12
Harlequins	7	5	153	78	10
Leicester	.7	5	140	66	10
Orrell	6	4	167	42	8
Wasps	6	4	89	74	8
Rosslyn Park	7	4	88	92	8
Gloucester	6	3	100	83	6
Nottingham	6	3 -	67	89	6
Northampton	6	3	66	125	6
Bristol	7	2	66	108	4
Saracens	7	2	81	147	4
Moseley	6	1	63	116	2
St. Helens	7	0	53	203	0

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