

BATH FOOTBALL CLUB

(Rugby Football Union)



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BATH v. GLOUCESTER

SATURDAY, 20th APRIL, 1991

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BATH

Colours: Blue, White & Black

Full Back 16 AUDLEY LUMSDEN*
Right Wing 15 DAVID TRICK*
Right Centre 14 JON BANSEY
Left Centre 12 PHILIP DE GLANVILLE
Left Wing 11 ADEDAYO ADEBAYO

Outside Half 10 STUART BARNES* (Capt.)
Scrum Half 9 RICHARD HILL*

Forwards
1 VICTOR UBOGU
2 JIMMY DEANE
3 RICHARD LEE
4 NIGEL REDMAN*
5 DAMIAN CRONIN*
6 GARETH ADAMS
7 JOHN HALL*
8 STEVE OJOMOH

Replacements 17 IAN SANDERS
18 MARK CRANE

Referee: David Hudson (R.F.U. Panel)

GLOUCESTER

Colours: Cherry & White

Full Back 15 TIM SMITH
Right Wing 14 DEREK MORGAN
Right Centre 13 DON CASKIE
Left Centre 12 JEREMY PERRINS
Left Wing 11 NICK PRICE

Outside Half 10 MIKE HAMLIN (Capt)
Scrum Half 9 MARCUS HANNAFORD

Forwards
1 PETER JONES
2 KEVIN DUNN
3 BOB PHILLIPS
4 NIGEL SCRIVENS
5 DAVID SIMS
6 MIKE TEAGUE*
7 IAN SMITH
8 PETER MILES

Replacements 17 To be named
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Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

Today's Gilbert Match Ball sponsored by Noble Lowndes & Partners Ltd.

*Internationals

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Having secured the Courage League Championship last Saturday, Bath's position at the pinnacle of the English game is beyond question.

Though short of hard evidence, it is also fair to assume that they have no equal at Club level anywhere in the world.

Despite chronic injury problems, to add to the usual disruption caused by so many representative calls, Bath have again left a trail of destruction in their wake this season.

The likes of Romania, Toulouse, Cardiff and Ulster have been blown apart by performances of aesthetic genius.

To their great credit Gloucester, today's visitors, gave Bath quite a fright when the two clashed in a league game a fortnight ago.

Only two points separated the sides that day and local pride should ensure a similarly close encounter this afternoon.

While evolution on the field, under the leadership of coach Jack Rowell, continues to make Bath the side for others to follow, development elsewhere has been harder to maintain.

The decision to apply for planning permission to build a stand compatible with the Club's playing status is a wholly positive step.

In particular, revenue raised from the lease of hospitality boxes will ultimately provide all supporters at the Rec with the creature comforts they deserve.

If Gloucester remain, for the moment, in Bath's playing shadow, their facilities are rightly cause for envy.

The erection of a stand at the Tump End, which can house 3,000 out of a capacity of 11,000 people, means 85 per cent of spectators at Kingsholm are under cover.

After becoming the first rugby club in the country to gain a safety certificate under the new legislation, Gloucester are set to accommodate both an England XV and the USA v New Zealand World Cup game in the autumn.

Their ground now probably likes second only to Leicester (who can comfortably seat 14,000) and Mike Burton, the club's newly-appointed commercial adviser, hopes to narrow the differential by furnishing Kingsholm with an executive restaurant.

The people of Bath are justly proud of their rugby team, which provides such superb entertainment to the thousands who flock to see them.

So it is only proper that the Club should seek to keep abreast of the Gloucester's of this world by creating facilities worthy of the Bath name.

Let us support plans that will help Bath remain kings of the modern game. And let us start by backing the proposal for a new stand.

Its construction will help Bath, our champions, to pursue excellence for many years to come.

Alan Pearey