





BRISTOL FOOTBALL CLUB (R.F.U.) **GLOUCESTER**

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Saturday 3rd April 1992/93

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BRISTOL v GLOUCESTER

April 3rd, 1993 Kick off 3pm

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		BACKS	
A	PAUL HULL	—— FULL BACK ——	TIM SMITH 15
В	DAVID JOHN	— RIGHT WING —	PAUL HOLFORD 14
C	RALPH KNIBBS	- RIGHT CENTRE -	DON CASKIE 13
D	WILL WAGHORN	— LEFT CENTRE —	DAMIAN CUMMINS 12
E	KEVIN MORGAN	— LEFT WING —	SIMON MORRIS 11
F	MARK TAINTON	OUTSIDE HALF	PAUL BEECH 10
G	KYRAN BRACKEN	— SCRUM HALF —	LAURIE BECK 9
		FORWARDS	
H	DARYL HICKEY	—— PROP ——	PETE JONES
1	MARK REGAN	HOOKER	DAVE KEARSEY 2
J	DAVID HINKINS	PROP	ANDY DEACON 3
K	SIMON SHAW	—— LOCК ——	DAVE SIMS 4
L	ANDY BLACKMORE	—— LOCК ——	RICHARD WEST 5
M	BOB ARMSTRONG	FLANKER	PAUL ASHMEAD 6
N	IAN PATTEN	NO.8	ROB FOWKE 8
0	DEREK EVES (Capt)	FLANKER ——	IAN SMITH (Capt)
P	GARRY BECCONSALL	REPLACEMENT	GLYN MANN 16
Q	TIM GRIFFIN	— REPLACEMENT —	IAN MORGAN 17

REFEREE: STEVE LANDER (Liverpool & District Referees' Society)
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HAT a performance in the last League game against Rugby as the Bristol lads, on only their second visit to Webb Ellis Road, came back from being down 16pts-6 at half time to win by 32pts-21 with Club Captain Derek Eves running a hat-trick of tries. Add to that another two points in the League game against Leicester as the lads ran out 15pts-10 winners which means that Bristol are now fifth in the table with two games to go.

It's League action this afternoon as we extend a warm welcome to the Memorial Ground the players, officials and the many supporters of Gloucester for the 186th local derby between these two great clubs.

The Cherry and Whites are ninth in the table just one place away from the relegation zone. West Hartlepool and Rugby are both relegated but London Scottish and Saracens are snapping at the heels of Gloucester and Harlequins for Division One survival.

The remaining League game for Gloucester is at home to Harlequins whilst Bristol have to travel to Southgate to play the former League leaders Wasps.

Next season, if we are both in Division One, there will be two League games between the Clubs. The first will be here at the Memorial Ground on 13th November with the return game at Kingsholm on 26th March 1994.

A provisional fixture listing for next season appears later in this programme.

In our "Press Box" feature Alastair Hignell looks at the tradition of the local derby.

This afternoon we feature Derek Eves in the "Dressing Room" feature as today he celebrates his 50th League game and hungry to lead the Club for another season as Club Captain. Derek also talks about the pre-season tour to Canada by the players which is also featured in a special tour programme on sale today around the ground.

Don't forget it's our final question today in our Cup Competition and also your last chance to vote for the Supporters Player of the Year. Nomination forms are available at the Club Shop or in the Bars.

The last game here at the Memorial Ground this season for the 1st XV is on Easter Monday against Glamorgan Wanderers. Easter bonnets are optional.

Finally, our thanks to the Rugby programme editor Ian Capewell for the kind thoughts about the Bristol programme. They said ". . . wish we could do the same."

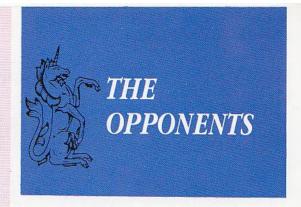
John Harding



Ground for this afternoons League game with their 1st Division status still hanging in the balance after last weeks home defeat by Orrell, a result which secured Orrell's place for next season. In a closely contested game Dewi Morris, who had just returned from playing 10's in Hong Koing, turned in a match winning performance. Gloucester's points were scored by Tim Smith with a try and penalty. This season has been an indifferent one for Gloucester, who have lost a lot of experienced players in recent times for a variety of reasons.

Since the inception of League Rugby Gloucester have never finished lower than 6th and were runners up to Bath and Wasps in 1988/89 and 1989/90. This season's League results are: London Scottish (A) 3-8, Leicester (A) 21-22, Rugby (H) 21-12, Wasps (A) 9-14, West Hartlepool (H) 6-21, Saracens (H) 19-5, London Irish (A) 18-6, Bath (H) 0-20, Northampton (A) 21-16, Orrell (H) 8-13.

Tim Smith is the leading points scorer in



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these games with 51 (1 try, 14 pens, 2 cons), and another full back, Martin Roberts is next highest scorer with 22 (1 try, 1 con, 5 pens).

The first game between Bristol and Gloucester was played on 24th September 1892. Since then the 'Cherry & Whites' have gone on to win 25 times on their journey south. It would probably be true to say that they would trade in all of those victories for 2 precious League points this afternoon.

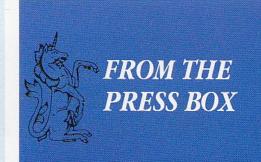


YOU don't wanna do that! If the Harry Enfield character had been alive and kicking in February 1974 he'd surely have persuaded me not to play my first game of senior rugby for Bristol United against Gloucester United. But I was Nice-But-Dim then (only then? ed.), and though the Slobs in the United pack did a fair impression of the Double-Take Brothers when they saw the puny 19-year-old who was to be their scrum half, we're all Old Gits now and time does funny things to the memory

Actually, there can never again be a match like it. Those were the days before global warming (the Memorial Ground was ankle deep in mud), the five point try (the final score was 4-3), and replacements (we played most of the match with fourteen men after Ken Phelps had his cheekbone split by a stray Gloucester fist).

The Courage League hadn't been invented either, but as far as Bristol-Gloucester matches were concerned, we didn't need it. I suspect that nothing much has changed. Even if today's match wasn't v ital for the League aspirations of both teams, it would still be played with all the pride, passion and fury of past local derbies. But Bristol have their best ever League position to play for, while Gloucester still need a win to guarantee First Division survival.

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Minis Under 10's and donated
£600 to provide kit. The Company
have also supplied Andy
Blackmore and Paul Hull with
contact lenses. We thank them for
their support and hope that they
enjoy the game this afternoon.



It would be unthinkable for a Club with such a great and glorious past to be consigned to the Second Division. Mischievious tongues have suggested that it would be neighbourly for Bristol to come in second this afternoon, but we Old Gits won't have it. If anyone's going to be Smash and Nicey to Gloucester, let it be Harlequins!

Alastair Hignell HTV West Sport BRISTOL 1973/80 – 58 games 14 tries, 34 cons, 28 pens, 208pts.

Mini Zuiz Answers

- 1. SIMON HOGG in season 1988-89 with 228 points.
- DEREK EVES against Devon 1.9.91.
- MIKE TEAGUE.
- 4. SERGE BLANCO, 93 caps for France.
- IAN SMITH and PETER JONES.