

CIS INSURANCE COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

1994/95

# QUARTER-FINAL GLOUCESTERSHIRE — V — SURREY

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## **GLOUCESTERSHIRE RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION**

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### **WELCOME**

Today we play the quarter-final against Surrey to determine which side will continue to the semi-final of the County Championship, away against Northumberland on 11th March.

It gives me much pleasure to welcome the President, Basil Miles, and the Surrey team and officials to the Memorial Ground, Bristol, today.

The two sides have not met since the semi final of the Championship in 1982/83, when Gloucestershire won 19-16 and we went on to beat Yorkshire 19-7 in the final. It is gratifying to find that, under the new more equitable format for the Championship, the two sides are able to meet against today.

I am delighted to welcome the Referee, Chris Harrison, and Touch Judges, Laurie Prideaux and John Grindle, and I wish them an enjoyable game.

Thank you to all my colleagues and to the clubs for their work and support for the County.

Thank you also to Co-Operative Insurance Society for their Sponsorship of the County Championship and close co-operation, enabling us to develop the game to the benefit of the players, administrators and spectators alike. A warm welcome to Martin Bailey and his party today.

I would particularly like to thank the Bristol Club and officials for hosting today's match and for making all the arrangements.

A special welcome to the patrons of the County and to all the spectators for supporting us. We shall look forward to renewing old acquaintances and to making new ones.

Finally, to the Captain, Mike Hamlin, thank you for all your efforts. Good luck and best wishes .....

*Roy Phillips*

President of Playing GRFU

### **WE HADN'T THE FOGGIEST!**

If I were ever asked to recommend a clip for BBC's Question of Sport's "What happened next?" feature, I would suggest a completely blank grey screen. Once everyone had given up, I would roll on to show the unmistakable figure of Nick Price in full flow, emerging from the murk, only to disappear again just as mysteriously. The slightly aggrieved voice of Nigel Starmer-Smith would comment - "They tell me he's scored a try, but I can't really see" - or words to that effect.

As quite a few people may recall, the occasion was Gloucestershire v Surrey, and the game was played, albeit invisibly, right here at Bristol. Gloucestershire came out on top that day, in spite of a fog quite as dense as anything which Sherlock Holmes had to contend with in either his forays into the Surrey Docks, or his occasional safari into the leafy glades of the County itself.

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**GLOUCESTERSHIRE***Colours: Red*

15	TIM SMITH	Gloucester	Full Back
14	DERRICK MORGAN	Cheltenham	Right Wing
13	ANDY WILLIAMS	Bristol	Right Centre
12	IAN MORGAN	Gloucester	Left Centre
11	DAVID JOHN	Bristol	Left Wing
10	MIKE HAMLIN (Captain)	Gloucester	Outside Half
9	JULIAN DAVIS	Lydney	Scrum Half
1	TONY WINDO	Gloucester	Prop
2	NICK NELMES	Lydney	Hooker
3	SIMON BALDWIN	Gloucester Old Boys	Prop
4	TIM CLINK	Cheltenham	Lock
5	CHRIS BLAKE	Clifton	Lock
6	IAN PATTEN	Bristol	Flanker
7	ANDY STANLEY	Gloucester	Flanker
8	DARREN MANN	Matson	No. 8

## Replacements from:

JASON MERCHANT	Matson
JEFF COLE	Gloucester Old Boys
LAURIE BECK	Gloucester
PETE MILES	Gloucester

*Referee:*  
Mr C HARRISON  
(RFU/East Midlands)

**SURREY***Colours: Maroon & White Hoops*

15	GARETH ALLISON	Oxford University	Full Back
14	SHANE ROISER	Wasps	Right Wing
13	TIM HARRISON	Guildford & Godalming	Right Centre
12	ANDY HUTCHINSON	Harlequins	Left Centre
11	MARK BAILHAM	Old Wimbledonians	Left Wing
10	SAM FROST	Sutton & Epsom	Outside Half
9	CRAIG GREVILLE	Dorking	Scrum Half
1	JAMES CLIBBON	Richmond	Prop
2	ANDY SACHA	Guildford & Godalming	Hooker
3	ANDY HAYES	Sutton & Epsom	Prop
4	BRIAN MILWARD	Dorking	Lock
5	PAUL ASHWORTH	Wimbledon	Lock
6	ROWAN WESTLAKE	London Welsh	Flanker
7	CHRIS RITCHIE	Rosslyn Park	Flanker
8	MARK BUTTERWORTH	Old Whitgiftians	No. 8

## Replacements:

16	JOHN ROLLS	Rosslyn Park
17	DANNY SPOKES	London Irish
18	JIM SPOKES	Kingston

*Touch Judges:*  
Mr L PRIDEAUX  
Mr J GRINDLE  
(Cornwall)

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**Mr Fred Mansfield and Bristol F.C.**



/'We hadn't the foggiest' continued

That wasn't always the case. I also recall an extremely muddy day at Kingsholm when the great Bob Hillier kicked Gloucestershire out of the Championship, quite stunning both the home supporters and all the pundits who hadn't given Surrey a light, before the game.

Good old rugby county is Surrey. Remember - 'Twickers' itself comes under the purview of the Mayor of Richmond, so they're almost the official Headquarters county.

They have some fine old clubs too - Sutton and Cheam, Old Alleynians .... there's also Streatham and Croydon who, legend has it, once celebrated some anniversary or other by inviting every club they had ever played against, and provided an entire *tanker* of beer to fortify the occasion. Apparently they sank it too, though it took an entire wet weekend to do so.

Perhaps the nicest thing today is that we can entertain our very welcome visitors at Bristol. It's great to see the game being played on one of the County's two National League Division One grounds, and as a devout and practising Kingsholm man myself, my personal ambition is to see them appearing at the other one before too long. Of course, today's crowded fixture lists are the very devil, but it's a consummation devoutly to be wished.

We must, therefore, most sincerely thank the Bristol Club for their co-operation and hospitality, while welcoming our respected visitors. I have no doubt at all that the match will live up to the occasion.

*Peter Arnold*

## GLoucestershire FIXTURES 1994 / 1995

			VENUE	RESULT
Wed	Nov 9	Warwickshire (F)	Nuneaton	W 31-13
Sun	Nov 13	Somerset (F)	Weston-Super-Mare	W 31-18
Sat	Nov 19	Devon (CC)	Lydney	W 25-12
Sat	Nov 26	Buckinghamshire (CC)	Clifton	W 41-13
Sat	Dec 3	Sussex (CC)	Worthing	W 42-19
Sat	Jan 21	Surrey (CC ½ Final)	Bristol	
Sat	Mar 11	Semi-Final (CC)		
Sat	Apr 22	FINAL (CC)	Twickenham	

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