

## Welcome to Gloucester



'Shell-shocked' is how Bristol vicecaptain Paul Burke described the player's feelings after the 14pts-12 defeat by Worcester in the Fourth Round of this season's Tetley's Bitter Cup at a rain soaked Sixways last Tuesday.

"I thought that we had got ourselves out of jail and was ready to grab the ball and punt it down the M5 when Stewart Piercy blew the final whistle. Instead we were penalised, and the rest is history.

"We want to thank the travelling fans for all their support in terrible conditions and we owe it to them to pick ourselves up and get two League points from this game."

So it's back to the Allied Dunbar Premiership this Sunday afternoon as we welcome to the Memorial Ground the supporters, players and officials of Gloucester Rugby Football Club. This is the 202nd meeting between the two clubs with the fixture dating back to 24 September 1892 when Gloucester, with home advantage, scored through two tries and two drop goals to win by 14pts-nil. The return leg was nearly six months later, 11 March 1893, when the game finished 2pts-2 with both sides scoring a try. The Cherry and Whites won the first League game, on 26 September 1987 here at the Memorial Ground, by 21pts-16 with the visitors' tries coming from Dave Spencer, Jim Breeze and Tim Smith while Nick Marment kicked three conversions and a penalty. Bristol's reply came from an Andy Dunn try and four penalties from the boot of Jonathan Webb.

The League honours couldn't be more even with seven wins a piece and one draw. Gloucester's last League success here was on 3 April 1993 while Bristol have won on three occasions since. Full details of the League encounters are on page 7.

This season Gloucester are in ninth place in the table, two above Bristol, have won three of their nine matches plus a draw against Sale. Last Sunday Gloucester lost 26pts-20 against Wasps at Loftus Road to make it just one win in their last ten away matches. Quite how the League champions managed a win will probably be the talk of The Shed for some weeks in a match of great spectacle and huge commitment. The victory for the Londoners means that they were two points ahead of Bristol, before this weekend's games, and one point behind Gloucester with a game in hand on both West Country clubs. "Wasps showed great character to come back from the dead as they did. They are clearly on the way back to their best form," said Gloucester boss Richard Hill. "You have to get grit and spirit back when you find yourselves third from bottom of the table. That's more important than playing flowing rugby initially.

"I am not going to blame any individuals because overall I'm very happy because we are playing some excellent rugby. It's when you play badly and lose that you have to start worrying.

"In fact, I have not seen a Gloucester side play so well away from home since I got involved here. We are still learning, as a young side has to do, and if you want to become a great side you have to go through this harsh learning process."

Gloucester beat Jewson National League One leaders London Welsh 34pts-18 in their Fourth Round Tetley's Bitter Cup tie at Old Deer Park. They now face another away tie next Saturday when they take on Northampton who beat Bedford 34pts-21 at Franklins Gardens in the last round

This afternoon the Cherry and Whites are without Frenchman Philippe Saint-Andre who is suffering from calcification of the muscles surrounding a tear in his left thigh. The 33 year old, in his first season at Kingsholm, is likely to be sidelined for four weeks.

#### Match Officials

It had been planned that the referee this afternoon would be from the Federation Francaise de Rugby but then the RFU must have realised the French connections at both clubs and changed their minds.



The referee this afternoon is Brian Campsall from Sowerby, Halifax in Yorkshire who is now in his

fifteenth year of refereeing. For the past four seasons Brian has been a member of England's International Panel.

Brian's first International was in Dublin in 1996 when Scotland beat Ireland 16pts-10. It was Ireland's 60th defeat at home in the Five Nations, the worse return of all the countries.

He has refereed in the Dubai Sevens, Malaysian 10's and the Hong Kong Sevens as well as the historic crosscode challenge between Bath and Wigan at Twickenham.

Last weekend Brian, a married teacher with two daughters, was in charge at Vicarage Road as Saracens beat Harlequins 25pts-16.

The touch judges this afternoon are Graham Hughes from Runcorn in Cheshire and Ashley Reay from Stonebridge in Somerset.

TODAY'S COLLECTION
BRISTOL MINI'S

WANTED!
Past Bristol Players
Rewards Available
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#### Gloucester Football Club

Formation of club: 1873 Colours: Cherry & White

Ground: Kingsholm, capacity 10,500.

Honours: Cup Winners 1972, 1978, 1982 (shared). League Runners-up 1988-89, 1989-90

Director of Coaching: Richard Hill Captain: Pete Glanville. First capped player: Frank Stout, England v Wales at Newport on January 9, 1897.

Players in: Philippe Saint-Andre, Raphael Saint-Andre (both Montferrand),

Terry Fanolua (Western Samoa), Richard Tombs (New South Wales), Steve Ojomoh, Ian Sanders, Neil McCarthy (all Bath), Nick Osman (Newbury), Andrew Gibbs (Northlands, New Zealand), Brian Johnson (Newbury).

Players out: Paul Holford (Worcester), Don Caskie, John Hawker (both Cheltenham), Charlie Mulraine (Moseley), Eral Anderson (Stourbridge RU, Hull RL), Peter Hart (Waterloo).

Last season: Seventh in the League. Pilkington Cup semi-finalists (lost 26-13 to Leicester) Last Season's Leading Points Scorer: Mark Mapletoft (269pts (6T, 25C, 58P) Leading Try Scorer: Mike Lloyd - 7 Pre-season prospects: In Richard Hill, Gloucester possess arguably the finest English club coach. And with motor racing chief Tom Walkinshaw's money to spend, Hill has imported several foreign stars, including former French captain Philippe Saint-Andre. Mid-table finish likely – away form questionable. Pre-season Bookmakers odds: 250-1



	played	won	lost	drawn	pts for	pts agst
Home	99	54	38	7	880	704
Away	102	26	64	12	718	1142
Total	201	80	102	19	1598	1846

1st AWAY game was on 24 September 1892, Gloucester won 14pts-NIL (2T, 2DG) 1st HOME game was on 11 March 1893, DRAW 2pts-2 (1T-1T)

		HOME	AWAY		
Most Points FOR	29pts	29 September 1956	25pts	26 September 1959	
Most Points AGST	34pts	27 April 1977	38pts	17 October 1992	
Biggest WIN Margin	23pts-NIL	3 February 1962	25pts-11	26 September 1959	
Biggest DEFEAT Margin	9pts-34	27 April 1977	11pts-38	17 October 1992	

#### Previous League Meetings: HEAD TO HEAD - Bristol 7, Gloucester 7, Drawn 1

Date	Venue	Bristol	Glos	Bristol scorers	Gloucester scorers
26.09.87	Bristol	16	21	Andy Dun (T), Jonathan Webb (4P)	Dave Spencer (T), Jim Breeze (T), Tim Smith (T), Nick Marment (3C, P)
19.11.88	Kingsholm	11	10	Jonathan Webb (2T), Simon Hogg (1P)	Mike Hamlin (T), Mike Teague (T), Tim Smith (1C)
18.11.89	Bristol	6	13	Simon Hogg (1P), Jonathan Webb (1P)	Richard Pascall (T), Nick Marment (1T, 1C, 1P)
13.04.91	Bristol	15	12	Doug Woodman (T), David Thomas (1C, 3P)	Bob Phillips (T), Pete Miles (T), Tim Smith (2C)
11.04.92	Kingsholm	15	29	Julian Davis (T), Mark Tainton (1C, 3P)	Simon Morris (2T), Nigel Scrivens (T), Dave Sims (T), Sam Masters (T), Tim Smith (3C, 1P)
03.04.93	Bristol	9	22	Mark Tainton (3P)	Don Caskie (T), Tim Smith (T), Bob Phillips (T), Paul Beech (2C,1P)
13.11.93	Bristol	16	12	Ralph Knibbs (T), Mark Tainton (1C, 3P)	Ashley Johnson (4P)
26.03.94	Kingsholm	24	6	Rob Kitchin (2T), Alastair Saverimutto (T), Mark Tainton (3C, 1DG)	Gareth Fenwick (2P)
15.10.94	Kingsholm	17	19	Derek Eves (T), Mark Tainton (4P)	Dave Sims (T), Mark Mapletoft (1C, 4P)
08.04.95	Bristol	21	17	David John (2T), Mark Tainton (1C, 2P, 1DG)	Paul Holford (21), Mike Teague (1), Lee Osborne (1C)
21.10.95	Bristol	22	16	Arwel Thomas (1DG), Paul Hull (1T, 1C, 4P)	Martyn Kimber (T), Tim Smith (1C, 3P)
06.04,96	Kingsholm	14	18	Gavin Sharp (T), Arwel Thomas (3P)	Martyn Kimber (DG) Gareth Fenwick (3P), Mark Mapletoft (2P)
18.02.97	Bristol	18	13	Paul Burke (6P)	Pete Glanville (T), Don Caskie (DG), Mark Mapletoft (1C, 1P)
26.04.97	Kingsholm	20	20	Kevin Maggs (T), Josh Lewsey (T), Paul Burke (2C, 2P)	Mike Lloyd (T), Nathan Carter (T), Mark Mapletoft (2C, 2P)
23.08.97	Kingsholm	13	35	David Corkery (T), Paul Burke (C, 2P)	Philippe Saint-Andre (2T), Tony Windo (T), Rob Fidler (T), Mark Mapletofi (3C, 3P)















#### Sunday 18th January 1998 ko 3.00

#### 13 **BRISTOL**

Blue and Yellow Quarters

#### GLOUCESTER 14

Cherry and White

A JOSH LEWSE	Y Full Back	CHRIS CATLING	15
B KEVIN MAGO	Right Wing	BRIAN JOHNSON	14
© PAUL HULL	Centre	TERRY FANOLUA	13
D ADAM LARKI	N Centre	RICHARD TOMBS	12
E DARREN YAP	P Left Wing	AUDLEY LUMSDEN	Ιī
F PAUL BURKE	Outside Half	MARK MAPLETOFT	10
G ROBERT JON	ES * Scrum Half	SCOTT BENTON	9
H MICHAEL WO	ORSLEY Prop	TONY WINDO	1
FABRICE LAN	DREAU Hooker	CHRIS FORTEY	2
J KRIS FULLMA	N Prop	PHIL VICKERY	3
K CHAD EAGLE	Lock	ROB FIDLER	4
L THIERRY DEV	ERGIE Lock	MARK CORNWELL	5
M STEVE PEARC	E Flanker	PETE GLANVILLE *	6
N JIM BROWNE	RIGG No.8	NATHAN CARTER	8
O CRAIG SHOR	T Flanker	SIMON DEVEREUX	7
P GARETH BAB	ER Replacements	LAURIE BECK	16
KEVIN DUNN		NICK OSMAN	17
R SIMON MART	rin nin	STEVE OJOMOH	18
5 MIKE MORGA	AN .	PHIL GREENING	19
T DAVE TIUETI		ADEY POWLES	20
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Referee

**Brian Campsall** 

**RFU** Adviser

Alan Mansell (Billericay)

**PIZZ** PROVENCALE

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Touch Judges

Graham Hughes (Runcorn) **Ashley Reay** (Stonebridge)

\* = captain





#### Philippe Saint-Andre - wing

Born: 19 April 1967

Height: 5ft 11in Weight: 13st 8lb

Former clubs: Romans, Clemont-Ferrand, Montferrand, Born in Romans-sur-Isere, Philippe became the first wing to lead his country, since Christian Darrouy in 1967, when he succeeded Olivier Roumat as captain at Murrayfield in March 1994. France won in Scotland for the first time in 16 years.

Originally joined Montferrand from his home club Romans in 1988, and was soon capped at B level that year before making his full debut as a centre in the 12pts-6 defeat by Romania (their first on French soil) in May 1990 at Stade Patrice Brocas, Auch.

Probably his most treasured try was when he scored under the posts at Twickenham in January 1991. Serge Blanco had launched a counter attack from the French dead-ball line and fed through Jean-Baptiste Lafond, Didier Camberabero, Philippe Sella and then Camberabero's boot to behind the line for Saint-Andre to scorch through.

Missed most of last season due to surgery on a groin strain, although he did return to appear in time for Italy's unexpected 40pts-32 victory at Grenoble's Stade Lesdigieres in March 1997.

Became Gloucester's first major overseas signing at the start of the season and made his League debut against Bristol at Kingsholm scoring two tries in their 35pts-13 victory last August.

#### Steve Oziegbe Ojomob - Backrow

Born: 25 May 1970

Height: 6ft 2in Weight: 15st 10lb
Former clubs: Rosslyn Park, Bath.Born in
Benin City, Nigeria and educated at West
Buckland School in Devon and the
University of the West of England.
Joined Bath, from Rosslyn Park, in 1989 but
became the second England international to
be transfer-listed by them, following the
departure of wing Jon Sleightholme to
Northampton, and became a Gloucester player at the start of this year.

England A debut was in New Zealand in 1992 with his debut being at Twickenham in the 13pts-12 defeat by Ireland in February 1994.

Also played for England at Schools 18 Group, Colts, Under 21 and Emerging Players plus the South West and the Barbarians. Honours outside Rugby: South West decathlon champion in 1988; runner-up in 1988 Schools discus championship; South West long jump and triple jump champion; third in All England decathlon championship.





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# EAGLE STAR Mapletoft

#### Mark Sterland Mapletoft - full back/flybalf

Born: 25 January 1971 Height: 5ft 7in. Weight 13st 8lb Previous club: Rugby

Born in Mansfield and educated at Bawnmore Middle and Lawrence Sheriff School in Rugby and Loughborough University.

Scored 201pts in his 41 League appearances for Rugby through 6 tries, 14 conversions, 45 penalties and 3 drop goals. Joined Gloucester and scored a try in his League debut away to Wasps in September 1994. He went on to score in the next 7 League games and equalled Tim Smith's record of 85 League points in a season.(On his debut for England A at Kingsholm he kicked two conversions and two penalties as they were beaten 35pts-20 by South Africa A in December 1996.

Mark made his senior debut in the Second Test against Argentina in Buenos Aires in June 1997. Playing at flyhalf he kicked one penalty as England lost 33pts-13. Also represented England at Schools 18 Group, Under 21's and the Sevens plus the Midlands Divisional side. Briefly had signed for Bath in the summer of 1995 before changing his mind and returned to Gloucester. A series of knee injuries have dogged his career and recently he has been troubled by a chronic injury from the over use of leg.

As a schoolboy represented Coventry City Reserves.

#### Dave Sims - lock

Born: 22 November 1969 Height: 6ft 7in Weight 17st 10lb Former club: Longlevens, Sunnybank (Brisbane).

Born in Gloucester and educated at Churchdown School.

Grandson of the former Cheltenham prop Thomas William Price who gained the first of his six England caps at Murrayfield when Scotland won by 6pts-3.

Dave played his early rugby with Longlevens and enjoyed a spell with the Sunnybank club in Brisbane before representing England Under 21's and touring New Zealand with England B in 1992.

Played 22 games for England A/B and was in the English Rugby Partnership XV that played New Zealand at Ashton Gate last November. Also made 12 appearances for the South West and has played for the Barbarians.





