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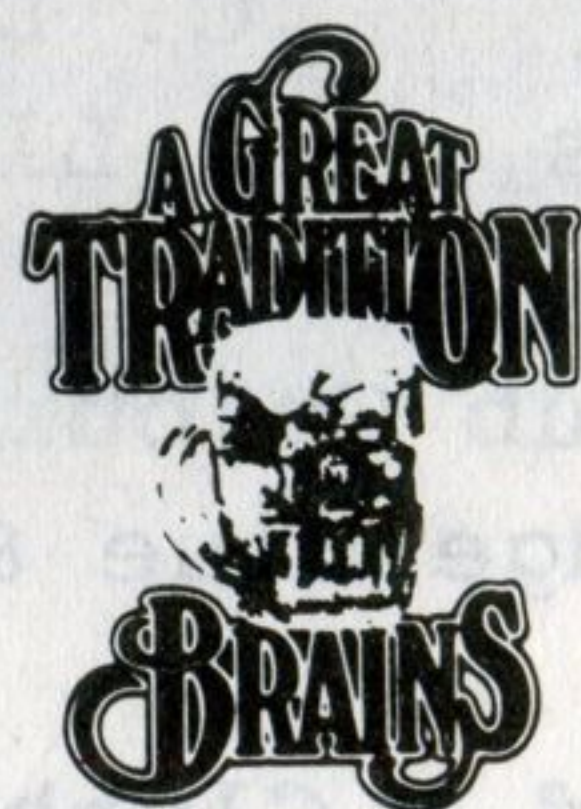
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### September

			<u>Res.</u>
Thu	1	Abertillery	A....
Sat	3	East District	H....
Mon	5	Glasgow & District	H....
Wed	7	Glam. Wanderers	A....
Sat	10	Neath	H....
Wed	14	Bristol	H....
Sat	17	Coventry	A....
Wed	21	Gloucester	A....
Sat	24	Aberavon	H....
Wed	28	Pontypridd	A....

### October

Sat	1	Newport	A....
Wed	5	Bridgend	H....
Sat	8	Northampton	H....
Wed	12	Penarth	A....
Sat	15	Cambridge Univ.	H....
Wed	19	Pontypool	A....
Sat	22	Harlequins	A....
Wed	26	Maesteg	H....
Sat	29	Moseley	H....

### November

Sat	5	Leicester	A....
Wed	9	Oxford	H....
Sat	12	Ebbw Vale	H....
Sat	19	Cup	
Sat	26	Llanelli	A....

### December

Sat	3	Swansea	H....
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### December cont.

	<u>Res.</u>
Sat 10 London Welsh	H....
Sat 17 Cup	
Sat 24 Bridgend	A....
Mon 26 Pontypridd	H....
Sat 31 Coventry	H....

### January

Mon 2 Bath	H....
Sat 7 Moseley	A....
Sat 14 Cup	
Sat 21 France v. Ireland	
Wales v. Scotland	
Sat 28 Aberavon	A....

### February

Wed 1 S. Glam. Inst.	H....
Sat 4 Ireland v. Wales	
Scotland v. England	
Sat 11 Bristol	A....
Wed 15 Newbridge	H....
Sat 18 Wales v. France	
England v. Ireland	
Sat 25 Cup	

### March

Sat 3 Ebbw Vale	A....
Ireland v. Scotland	
France v. England	
Sat 10 Pontypool	H....
Sat 17 London Welsh	A....
Scotland v. France	
England v. Wales	
Sat 24 Newport	H....



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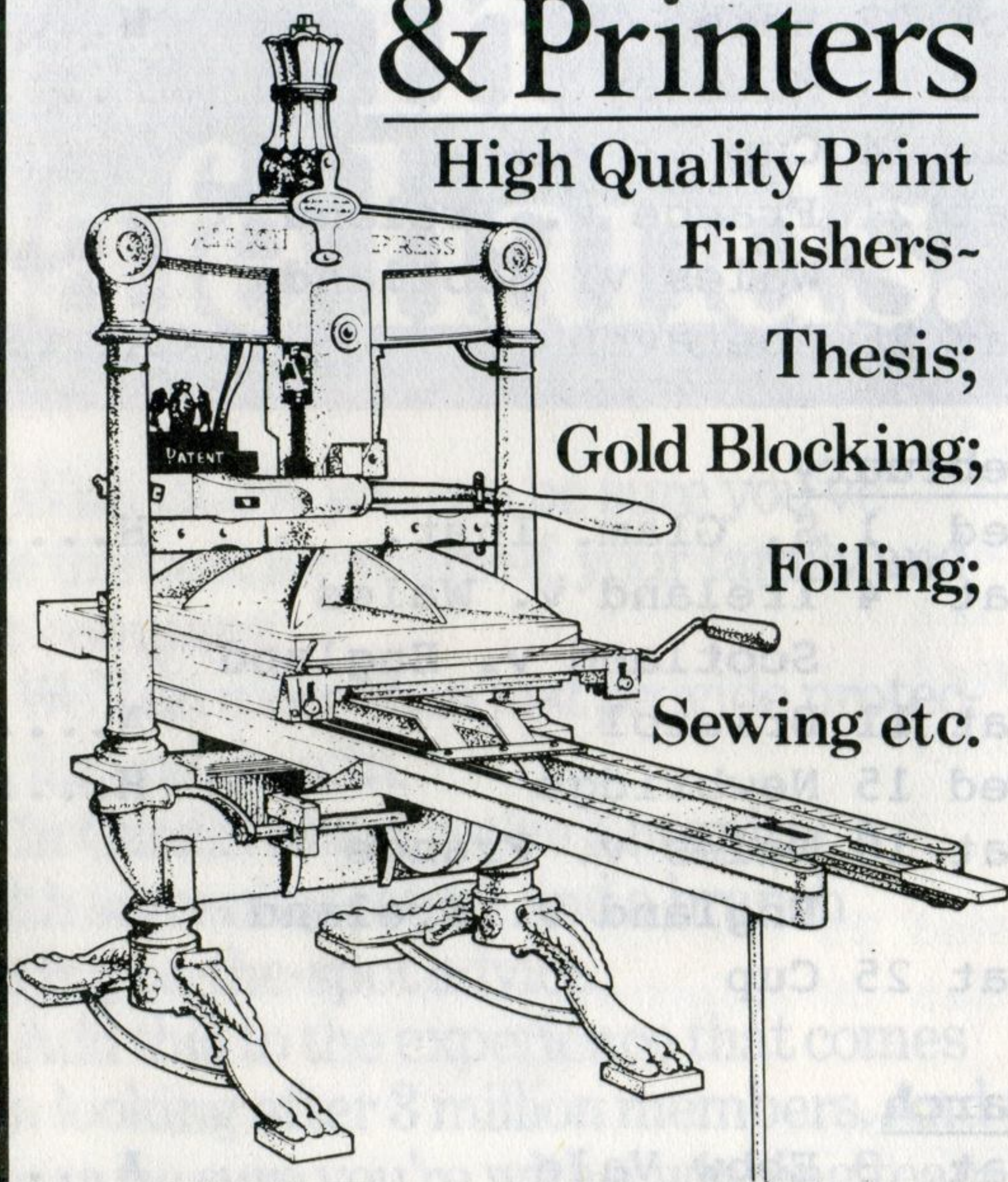
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### March cont.

Sat 31 Llanelli

Res.

H....

### April

Sat 7 Bedford

H....

Gala Centenary 7's

A....

Sat 14 Swansea

A....

Sat 21 Barbarians

H....

Mon 23 Harlequins

H....

Fri 27 Neath

A....

Sat 28 W. R. U. Cup Final

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### September

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Sat	3 Llantwit Major	A....
Wed	7 Cardiff HSOB	H....
Sat	10 Blackwood	A....
Wed	14 Bristol United	A....
Sat	17 Coventry Extras	H....
Wed	21 Penygraig	H....
Sat	24	
Wed	28 Treorchy	H....

### October

Sat	1 Newport United	H....
Wed	5 Pontypridd Ath.	A....
Sat	8	
Wed	12	
Sat	15 Neath Ath.	H....
Wed	19 Llantwit Major	H....
Sat	22 Caerleon	H....
Wed	26 Newport Saracens	A....
Sat	29 Moseley United	A....

### November

Sat	5 Leicester Extras	H....
Sat	12 Treorchy	A....
Sat	19	
Sat	26 Bridgend Sports	H....

### December

Sat	3 Swansea Ath.	A....
Sat	10 Caerleon	A....
Sat	17 Abercynon	A....
Sat	24	



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# December cont.

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## January

Sat 7 Moseley United H....

Sat 14 Bridgend Sports A....

Sat 21

Sat 28 Llandaff H....

## February

Sat 4

Sat 11 Bristol United H....

Sat 18

Sat 25 Pontypool United A....

Wed 29 Pontypridd Ath. H....

## March

Sat 3 Garndiffaith A....

Sat 10 Pontypool Ath. H....

Sat 17

Wed 21 Penygraig A....

Sat 24 Newport United A....

Sat 31 Neath Ath. A....

## April

Sat 7 Talywain H....

Wed 11 Pontypool United H....

Sat 14 Swansea Ath. H....

Sat 21 Llandaff A....

Sat 28





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### September

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Sat	3	Penarth	H....
Wed	7	Caerphilly	A....
Sat	10	Leicester	A....
Wed	14	Bryncethin	H....
Sat	17	Bridgend	H....
Wed	21	Rumney	H....
Sat	24	Bristol	H....
Wed	28	Hereford[F1.]	A....

### October

Sat	1	Pontypridd	H....
Sat	8	Rosslyn Park	H....
Sat	15	R.F. High School	H....
Sat	22	Neath	A....
Mon	24	Pontypool[F1.]	A....
Sat	29	Glam. Wanderers	H....

### November

Sat	5	Llantwit Major	A....
Sat	12	Nuneaton	H....
Sat	19	Newport	A....
Sat	26	Llanelli	A....

### December

Sat	3	Pontypool	H....
Sat	10	Swansea	H....
Sat	17	Crosskeys	H....
Sat	24	Glam. Wanderers	A....
Mon	26	Llandaff	A....



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## December cont.

Sat 31 Hereford

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H....

## January

Sat 7 Worcester

A....

Sat 14 St. Peters

A....

Sat 21

Sat 28 Penarth

A....

## February

Sat 4 Rosslyn Park

A....

Sat 11 Bristol

A....

Sat 18

Sat 25 Swansea

A....

## March

Sat 3 St. Albans

H....

Sat 10 Neath

H....

Sat 17

Sat 24 Newport

H....

Sat 31 Pontypridd

A....

## April

Sat 7 Bridgend

A....

Sat 14 Bath

A....

Sat 21 Llanelli

H....

Mon 23 Llandaff

H....



# SCORERS

Player

Points

# SCORERS

Player

Points



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1908 1909 1911 1950  
1952 1965 1969 1971  
1976 1977 1978 1979

ENGLAND: 1884 1892 1913 1914  
1921 1923 1924 1928  
1934 1937 1954 1957  
1960 1980

SCOTLAND: 1891 1895 1901 1903  
1907 1925 1933 1938

IRELAND: 1894 1899 1948 1949  
1982

## THE MAORIS TOUR RESULTS & SCORERS:

Cardiff 10                      Maoris 17

try:                              tries:

A. Phillips                      P. Tuoro

pens.:                              P. Quinn

D. Barry                      R. Kururangi

(2)                              pen.:

                                 R. Dunn

                                 con.:

                                 R. Dunn

Maesteg 10                      Maoris 10

try:                              tries:

P. Phillips                      A. Baker

pens.:                              K. Woodman

I. Hall                              con.:

(2)                              A. Baker

Swansea 15                      Maoris 12

pens.:                              try:

M. Wyatt                      S. Pokere

(5)                              pens.:

                                 R. Dunn

                                 con.:

                                 (2)

                                 con.:

                                 R. Dunn

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Monmouth. 9 Maoris 18

pens.: try:

P. Lewis E. Dunn

(2) pens.:

drop.: R. Dunn

P. Turner (4)

con.:

R. Dunn

Llanelli 16

try:

P. Hopkins

pens.:

K. Thomas

(4)

Maoris 9

pens.:

R. Dunn

(3)

Aberavon 6

pens.:

M. Lewis

(2)

Maoris 34

tries:

M. Clamp

(3)

S. Pokere

(2)

W. McLean

pens.:

(2)

con.:

(2)

WALES 25

tries:

E. Rees

Holmes

con.:

Wyatt

drop:

Dacey

pens.:

Wyatt

(4)

MAORIS 19

tries:

Kururangi

Stone

con.:

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## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

SEASON 1982-83

A former Committee man, after congratulating me on my appointment as Chairman of Cardiff Rugby Football Club for season 1982-83 remarked "enjoy it". This I have done despite the disappointing results.

Before I start on my report I would like to welcome a new name and face to the Rugby Committee but certainly no stranger to Cardiff supporters, Ian Robinson. Whereas we welcome Ian and hope that he stays a long time, I feel and hope we have not seen the last of Colin Howe who has put in an enormous amount of work on the Rugby Committee over many years.

Supporters may well ask "What's gone wrong this season?", after two successful seasons in the Cup and in the Western Mail Championship. You may recall a statement made by Roger Beard (Coach) in the newspapers before the season started that both coaches, after the success of last season, would like to see the players expand their game using a different approach and that we would like to see more passing, less kicking and therefore more enjoyment for both players and supporters. Although the



Committee viewed this statement with some concern they were prepared to wait and see what the outcome would bring. The outcome as we all know is now history and the statistics for September read: played 8, lost 4, drew 1, won 3.

October saw the arrival of the Maoris With their fleet-footed back division and superfit forwards, some just like giants. Cardiff could not match them for speed and went down by 10 points to 17 points. Other sides in Wales to play the Maoris must have watched this game and made notes on how to counter the fast passing and speedy backs because from that game on, with a few exceptions, they were not allowed the same freedom to play their own game.

By Christmas, we had lost 11 games, but in the early part of November we saw signs the Cardiff we all knew were starting to take shape when we saw convincing wins over Leicester (32-9), Llanelli (24-13), narrowly losing to Swansea (13-18) in December and crushing defeats of Bridgend (29-6) and Pontypridd (56-3).

We must, of course, remember that during this period there was a late start to the season by Terry Holmes and that we had more than our fair share of injuries,

in particular to Rodri Lewis and Tony Mogridge and also that Kevin Edwards decided he needed some time off from rugby, now returned and showing us how much he was missed.

In 1980-81 season Cardiff lost 13 games but still won the Cup. I felt confident with a fully fit side we could do the same. Our run in the Cup with wins over Cilfynydd, Gowerton and Blackwood caused us no real problems but we knew it would be a different story at Pontypool Park, especially without the services of Terry Holmes who was recovering from a shoulder injury. The three-quarters were never able to capitalise on the sufficient supply of ball from the forwards plus missing vital penalty kicks, in the first half, dashed our hopes of making it a Cup treble and we lost the game 9-13.

Easter weekend saw the popular Barbarians visit the Arms park on the Saturday and the Halequins on the Monday. The least said about the Harlequins game the better, for everybody in Cardiff that is, but full marks to the "Quins". Against the Barbarians and without our Captain, John Scott, we saw the true fighting spirit Cardiff are capable of when they came "back from the dead" to snatch a draw and with the last kick of the match could have won the game;



the result 32-32.

The triumphs over Swansea and Neath show us what the season might have brought playing well controlled rugby.

In spite of the disappointing season, results-wise, we can still produce two British Lions in Terry Holmes and Robert Norster and wish them on behalf of everyone connected with Cardiff Rugby Football Club a successful and injury-free tour in New Zealand. A further great honour was that of John Scott to captain England, being the first Cardiff player to achieve this. Congratulations also to Ian Eidman on his hat-trick having played for Wales B, Wales and Barbarians; to Mark Ring on his selection for Wales; to Jeff Whitefoot on his selection for Wales B; and Terry Charles honoured by the Barbarians. Also Adrian Hadley, Mark Ring, Ian Eidman and Jeff Whitefoot have been selected to tour Spain this May; both Paul Rees and Owen Golding were reserves. Further honours will I am sure come to present youngsters in the Cardiff team in the not too distant future.

Cardiff's tour to Devon and Cornwall was a complete success with wins over Brixham (25-12), St. Ives (41-25) and Penzance Newlyn (60-7), the welcome in Cornwall being as good as ever. Add these

scores to the existing total for the season and we have a new Club Points Record of 1,126, not bad considering we lost so many games. This total does not include the two Centenary games this season against Dinas Powis (which we won 22-6) and Pentyrch (50-8).

I have not mentioned every game in my report, mainly those that show us that despite the worst record ever in regard to games lost we have shown in certain games with a fully fit side that we can match and beat the best of them! Let us not forget that the success of any rugby side depends on injuries and the availability of players throughout the season.

C. D. Williams, last year's Chairman, made a short report on the South African Tour taken up by Cardiff in May 1982 and the results are as follows:

#### **SOUTH AFRICAN TOUR - May 1982:**

Cardiff v Natal	Lost 14-27
Cardiff v Pretoria Police	Won 6-0
Cardiff v Pretoria Defence	Lost 22-27
Cardiff v Pretoria University	Lost 17-18
Cardiff v Western Province	Won 14-13

#### **SNELLING 7's - August 1982 Pool "A":**

Cardiff 12	- Swansea 22
Cardiff 20	- Glamorgan Wanderers 4



### SNELLING 7's cont.

Cardiff 30 - Maesteg 6

[Swansea were Pool Winners and eventual  
Tournament Winners.]

### HAIG 7's - April 1983:

Cardiff 18 - Watsonians 16

Cardiff 16 - Kelso 18 (in injury time)

[Kelso were Pool and eventual Tournament  
winners.]

### CARDIFF FIRST XV:

1982-83 John Scott (Captain)

Gareth Davies (Vice-Captain)

### FULL PLAYING RECORD:

P 46 W 26 L 18 D 2

Points For 1,126 Against 665

### FIRST XV CAPS AWARDED TO:

Adrian Hadley

Mark Ring

Mark Rodgers

Howard Stone

### HIGHEST NUMBER OF GAMES:

Robert Lakin 42

Jeff Whitefoot 38

Alan Phillips 38

### HIGHEST POINTS SCORERS:

Gareth Davies 182 pts. Mark Ring 117 pts.

### HIGHEST TRY SCORERS:

Adrian Hadley 24

Derek Preece 18

Alan Phillips 14

Owen Golding 13

### HIGHEST INDIVIDUAL SCORES:

Gareth Davies 22pts.:

1 try, 6 pens. v Pretoria Defence.

Derek Preece 24 pts.:

6 tries v Gowerton (Cup).

My personal thanks go to Alun Priday  
(Hon. Secretary) for his guidance  
throughout the season. To my Vice-  
Chairman, Stan Bowes, and Committee men  
who have supported me during the season,  
in particular our Hon. Fixture Secretary,  
Brian Mark who has the hardest job of  
all with our Fixture List and Peter Nyhan  
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I will also take this opportunity to  
thank Messrs. Ken George, Albert Francis  
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To Don Davies and his stewards for their  
loyal support week in, week out. To the  
Souvenir Shop and conducted tours of  
the Hubert Johnson room. To Ken Jones  
and our loyal supporters who had every  
right to moan and criticise this season,  
but have not. That's the sign of true  
supporters.



Last, but not least, my thanks to Roger Beard and Gary Samuel for their efforts and for being able to continue the same club spirit amongst the players as last season, and to Elwyn Williams (Youth Coach) and Gary Davies (Youth Secretary) for their work with the Youth and taking them to the final of the Welsh Youth Cup.

A. D. WILLIAMS,  
Chairman, Cardiff Rugby Football Club.

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## **CARDIFF ATHLETIC XV**

SEASON 1982-83

CAPTAIN: Terry Charles.

PLAYING RECORD

P 40 W 32 L 8

Points For 949 Against 434

True to form the Captaincy of the Athletic XV was not decided on by the start to season. Terry Charles accepted the appointment but this did not stop him from playing for the First XV when required. One such occasion was the Barbarian game at Easter when his performance was appreciated so much by the Barbarian selectors that they asked him to play for them against Swansea on the following Monday, an honour well deserved.

Once again the majority of the "Rags" caps gained this season were by former Youth players so continuing from last season and therefore showing the true value of running a Youth XV.

This season's playing record, although having played six more games than last season is very similar in results; but their season has been disrupted by injuries to players in the First XV which



on the bright side has given opportunities to present Youth players to fill the gaps.

#### ATHLETIC CAPS AWARDED TO:

Martin Daly	Jeff Howells
Geraint Jones	Keri Lowe
Tony McClean	Nigel Webb
Neil O'Brien	Jose Souto

#### HIGHEST POINTS SCORERS:

Peter Goodfellow 78 pts.

Julien O'Brien 74 pts.

Owen Golding 20 pts.

(i.e. 5 tries v. Pentyrch)

#### HIGHEST TRY SCORERS:

Martin Daly 19; Gerald Cordle 15

#### REPRESENTATION FROM CARDIFF YOUTH

##### FOR ATHLETIC XV:

Mathew Harris (6)	Gerry Singer (2)
Russell Gardner (2)	Henry Watts (1)
Terry Bishop (1)	Chris Seal (1)

#### SELECT GAME:

Cardiff v. Tumble: Won 40-26

A. D. WILLIAMS,

Chairman, Cardiff Rugby Football Club.

## YOUTH REPORT

### SEASON 1982-83

That Cardiff Youth had a poor start to the season would be an understatement to say the least. Three of the first four games were lost, the only success being the first game of the season against Cardiff H. S. O. B. at the Diamond Ground where we struggled to a 10-3 win. Then came the reverse against Bristol at the Arms Park 3-21. St. Peter's at the Harlequins Ground 12-33 and Leicester at the Arms Park 0-13. My only consolation at this stage, mid-way through September was that we had only four of last season's players available, still perturbing though. Rosslyn Park in London on 9th October was the next reversal where we were beaten by 10-6. At this stage we had played 9 and won 5 but were beginning to play together at last.

The second part of the season was a distinct improvement on the first. Only the home match against Llanelli at Sophia Gardens on 27th November, 1982 was lost, the last between 9th October, 1982 and the match against Bryncethin on 12th February, 1983 where we lost, 9-12, and deservedly so. That Llanelli defeat incidentally was reversed when we went



to Stradey Park for the second round of the W. Y. R. U. (Esso) Cup and played superbly to win 13-0.

However, in the latter part of the season our biggest disappointment was to come. After progressing to the final of the Welsh Youth Cup we lost to Whitland at Ammanford by 10-9. We played poorly on the day and that was that, runners up we were. The players themselves accepted defeat in the proper manner and I was proud of them.

I feel it my duty, however, to mention one or two facts about this Welsh Youth Knock-Out Cup Competition. From one season to the next no-one knows when or where the final is actually to be played. Between the semi-final and the final is a grey area where it is anybody's guess what is going on. Why the Final is not played at a major Welsh ground, fixed the season before, is beyond belief! In the last couple of years I have seen Cardiff Youth play in the final against Newport at Caerphilly (Mid-week, evening!) and now at Ammanford. It seems that Youth Rugby is still the Cinderella of Welsh Rugby, when compared with the Schools, for instance. The ground at Ammanford was good even though the whole partisan population of Whitland lined the touch-

line! The after match facilities were poor and never really conducive to a Welsh Cup Final. Enough of that.

Notable victories were recorded against Pontypridd at Sardis Road 16-6, Newport (away) 27-7 (even though six of our players were involved in a District match) and that Llanelli Cup game at Llanelli, 13-0. Swansea were beaten 25-0 at Sophia Gardens and Durban H. S. 24-3 as a curtain raiser to the Cardiff v. Barbarians game.

A typically cold day at Rumney on Monday, May 2nd, 1983 saw Cardiff Youth "A" beaten in the semi-final by the best side in the annual Cardiff & District 7-A-Side Tournament. The Rumney Youth side were in fine form and went on to win the final. Better fortunes for our "B" side, however, they won the plate.

#### SOME STATISTICS ARE:

P 39 W 30 L 9

Points For 755 Against 336

#### TOP TRY SCORERS:

Richard Adams 13	David Hopkins 13
Chris Evans 12	Richard Chilcott 12

A special mention here for Mathew Harris, our goal kicking outside half, who contributed 228 points out of the total



including 8 tries. In season 1980-81 Mark Ring scored 354 points out of 1,196, so Mathew, I think, is on target for a successful career in the Seniors. If he can emulate Mark he will do well! He has already turned out for the "Rags" on six occasions this season and accounted for himself very well - at full back too! Russell Gardner, our tall centre, who scored 10 tries this season, has also played in the Athletic side and I will again be looking with interest to his progress at Senior level next season. Gary Singer, of course, should easily make his mark in the second row next season, at least at Athletic level. Gary, a very mobile Secondary Schools and Youth International, will be welcomed by the Senior selectors, I am sure.

Congratulations to Stephen Gordon (centre) who has won Secondary School caps this season and to Andrew Sutton (outside half) who was replacement. Both have been selected to tour Canada in May where Andrew could still win that elusive first cap. Both players have assisted Cardiff Youth on many occasions when school commitments allowed.

In June 1982 Elwyn Williams was appointed Youth Coach in succession to Peter Davies and he can look back at the 1982-83 Season with some satisfaction as only

9 games were lost. With 6 or 7 of this year's team available for next season I think Elwyn can look forward to 1983-84 with enthusiasm.

Not least of the encouraging thoughts for next season is the fact that Chris Lakin, this year's Captain, has next year also in Youth Rugby. Chris is the third of the Lakin brothers to captain Cardiff Youth and I feel that this amiable, talented and well-respected player has honours in store for himself next season.

My personal thanks are extended to Jim O'Donnell, Dave Chilcott and Ray (Paddy) Collins for their company and their help throughout the season. To Albert Francis I offer my personal thanks for all his help and special considerations to the Youth fraternity.

On behalf of her "Cherubs", as she affectionately calls the Youth boys, I pay tribute to Mrs. Gaynor Parsons, our Club Stewardess, for everything she and her staff did for the Youth during the season. My appreciation too, to Mr. Ted John for his talks to visiting teams on the occasions that the Trophy Room was visited. To Evan Thomas, our popular trainer, may I say on behalf of all the Youth Section, I am pleased that you



are able to perform your duties this year. In my report last year I wrote that you were in some doubt as to whether you could continue through business commitments. On the few occasions Evan could not attend Mr Maurice Pinchers took his place and I thank Maurice too for his help and efforts.

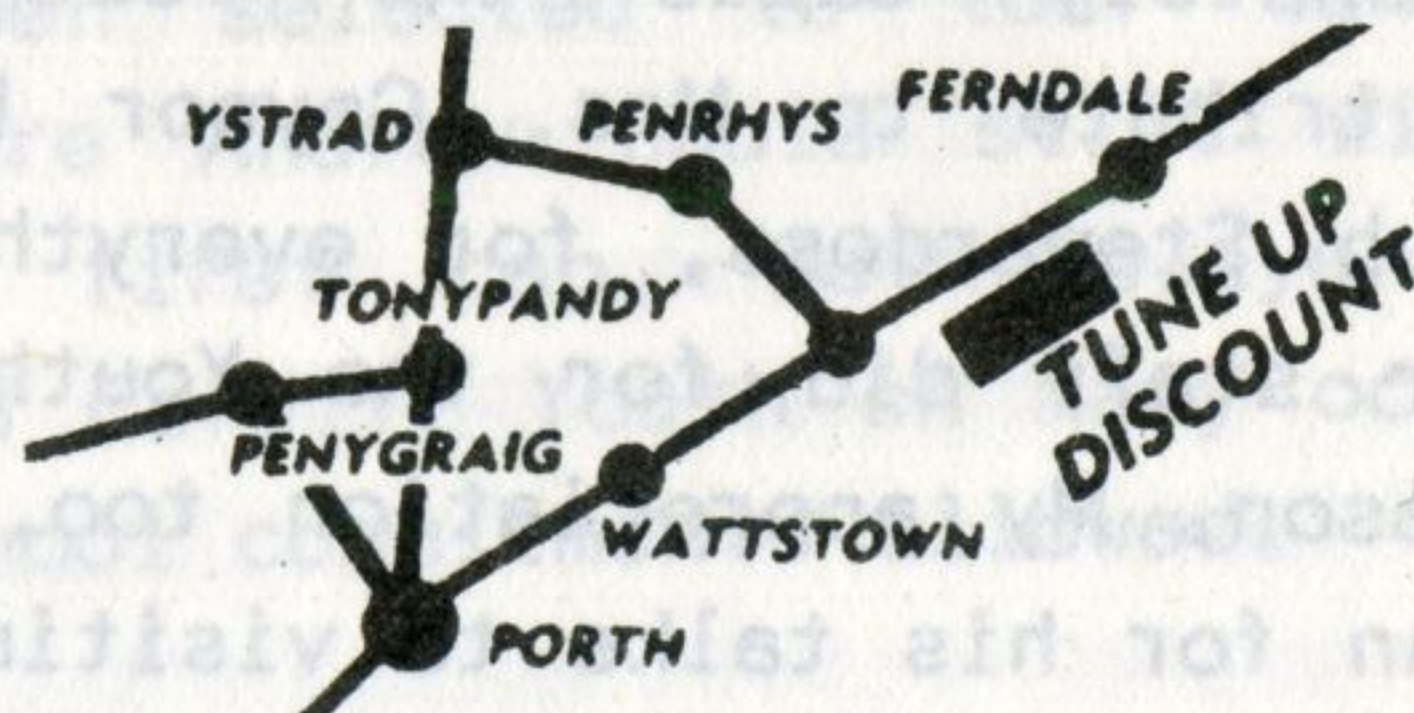
Finally, the elected "Player of the Year" for 1982-83 is Mathew Harris; "Most Promising Player" is second row forward Nick Jones; and "Clubman of the Year", Richard Chilcott. Trophies were presented at the Youth Dinner at the Clubhouse on June 17th, 1983.

GARY DAVIES,  
Hon. Secretary, Cardiff R. F. C. Youth.

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