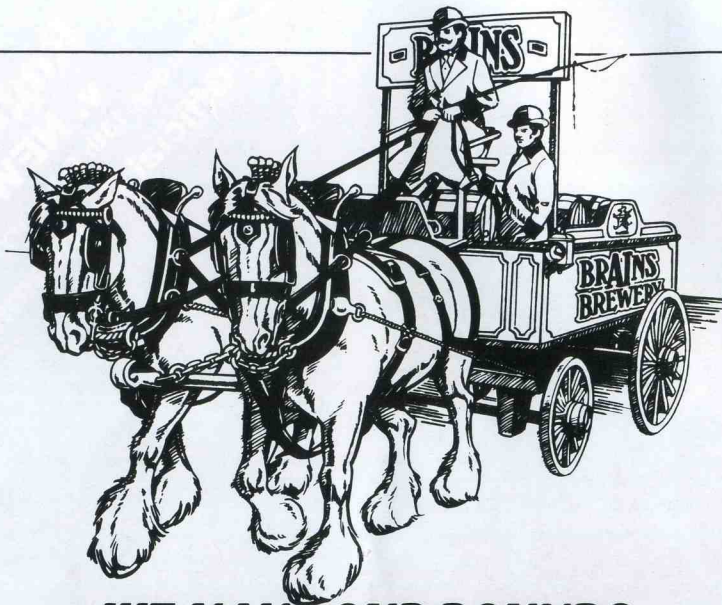


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KICK-OFF 3.00p.m.

Well, here we are more than six weeks into the year and for those of you who only see each other at Cardiff home games, it will be but only the second time your paths have crossed in 1988. Since our last home game against Bath on January 2nd we failed to get a home cup drawn but should have had, what could have been a very interesting encounter with Llanelli. The weather however put paid to that, pushing the fourth round away cup clash against Newport back by a week. Yes, once again the great old unpredictable British weather was the villain of the piece.

Just think at the corresponding time last season, you could hardly get the sharpest of penknives to make an impression on the ground turned into concrete by the bitter cold. Characteristically this year there was a real fear that a player could have been asphyxiated in the inches thick mud which would have done the Eton Wall Game proud.

Ironically enough too, it had to be Llanelli who were involved again. I say again because it now seems to be an annual event that disruption will prevail when we are due to play the Scarlets either here or at Stradey. Unbelievably the curse has already struck yet again for next year, but I'll tell you more about that in the programme for the rearranged visit of Llanelli.

Today then let's hope we get a bit of the very amiable condition like those that prevailed at Twickenham last week. The sun shone in more ways than one for the Welsh side on the day and the very creditable victory has certainly put a new spring into the step of Welsh Rugby. It was great to see two such magnificent tries for Wales so dynamically finished by our own Adrian Hadley. This coupled with Bob Norster's massive contribution as pack leader reflects great credit on them both. Well done lads.

Mind without detracting one iota from the great 'Twickers' win, Scotland certainly gave notice of their resolve in the way that they took France apart. By the end of the game the Frenchmen were reeling and it makes you wonder whether they can get that 29-9 beating by the All Blacks in The World Cup final out of their system. What it does mean is the forthcoming game at Cardiff next Saturday could be something of a humdinger.

It will also be instrumental in putting tremendous pressure on players in the National side. Beside our own skirmish with Newport today, Llanelli entertain Pontypool and Swansea take on Neath. Saturday week then sees the next round of the Schweppes Cup to be followed the Saturday after by Wales' trip to Dublin on 5th March. Some more tough Welsh fixtures are featured on the 12th including Pontypool's visit to our ground. The 19th sees the visit of France to The National Stadium and the following Saturday heralds the cup semi finals. Now you couldn't task for a more exacting schedule for players involved at the top level than that could you.

On to today though and it's a most warm welcome to our friends from Rodney Parade, Newport, the great Black and Ambers. This season, as yet, has been something of a nightmare experience for Newport with every malaise possible befalling their way. Resignations, retirements, suspensions and injury, you name any adversity in the rugby vocabulary and poor old Newport have copped for it. This, obviously, has been hard to stomach for a club with such a magnificent history and who have walked with the tallest in the land. They have suffered the slings and arrows from all quarters however in a manner in keeping with the dignity of such a great club. There is a firm resolution with all those concerned at Rodney Parade however and they are all working with admirable industry and enthusiasm to get the club back where it belongs, with the best in the land. To that end we wish them all good fortune.

This season's Cardiff/Newport encounter resurrects a bit of past history of the series inasmuch as we will have met on four occasions. This was the case for some 88 years between seasons 1887-88 and 1975-76. During that long period about the only honour that eluded Newport was to register four wins in a season against us. We managed it on four occasions but in spite of many a near miss the Black and Ambers never quite made it. The four games this season have come about due to the fact that besides the two normal fixtures we also met them in the cup a fortnight ago and we will be making another visit to Rodney Parade in March to compensate for a game that could not be played last season.

Perhaps its just as well then that we won that cup match recently because it would have been the stuff that dreams are made of had Newport gone on to win the four games in this the probable worst season of their illustrious history.

Today's game takes the series to a total of 355 since it all began on 2nd December 1876. Of the previous 354 we have won 169 to their 128 with 57 drawn. We have amassed 2927 points for to 2223 against. On reflection these are quite amazing statistics and I wonder if there are any other two such sporting bodies who have met on so many occasions.

The longevity of the series or the vast number of games played doesn't breed any sense of complacency however. Indeed it's just the contrary. It appears that some mystique or aura enshrouds each and every game as if it was the very first time the sides had ever met. All in the past is forgotten and both sides play with a new born enthusiasm and a steely determination to win. This was the case on our first visit to Rodney Parade this season. Newport had had an even worse start than even ourselves and had suffered a string of seven consecutive defeats. Come the sight of the Blue and Black jersey however and, hey presto, it's a 16-9 win for them.

Fortunately (from our point of view of course) we reversed that result in our recent cup encounter when we came away winners 26-13. That will only serve to motivate 'The Port' today however and they will be hell bent on spoiling our winning sequence of six from six games in 1988.

It's welcome again then to Newport and particularly so to their captain Rhys Morgan who achieved his record breaking number of appearances for the Black and Ambers in our recent cup duel.

At the time of going to press I had hoped to be able to announce that Llanelli would be coming to play on the eve of the Scotland game next weekend. They have declined however so moves are now afoot to provide alternative opposition. Another point to note is the forthcoming Bristol game will be played on 1st March but this is a Tuesday and not a Wednesday as shown on your fixture lists.

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RESULTS: Competition No. 12 (Boxing Day) was won by Martin H. Taylor, of Fidas Avenue, Llanishen, whose all-correct entry was drawn from the hat by Mr. Haydn Wilkins, chairman of Cardiff Athletic Club Management Committee. The names hidden in the mock story extract were Hadley, Greedy, Stone, Rowley, Evans, Cardus, Phillips, Eidman, Crothers, Donovan, Crandon, Cordle, Rayer, Crane, Webber, Giles, Scott, Lakin, Dacey, Norster, Knowles, Blackmore, Williams, Edwards, O'Brien, Greenslade, Golding, Parry, John and Collins.

Competition No. 13 (match v Bath) was won by B. Barton, of Wilson Road, Ely, Cardiff, whose correct answer was drawn from the hat in a record entry by Barry John. Try scorers in England/Wales matches hidden in the wordsquare were Roberts, Carleton, Hare, Hannaford, Horton, Bevan, Richards, Rees, John, Slemen, Duckham, Fenwick, Squire, Novak, Edwards, Hopkins, Smith and Ripley.

QUIDNUNC'S COLUMN

ROUND ABOUT 8 a.m. on Tuesday morning, Adrian Hadley walked into a Cardiff hotel for what is euphemistically called a working breakfast. The girl distributing name tags for the guests at the occasion — to launch a new Cardiff weekly newspaper — gazed in awe at the two-try hero of the weekend and said, "Good morning, Mr Hadley." She then turned to his companion and said, "And you must be Mr Thomas?" Mr Thomas, whose name was also on the list as representing the OCS Group of Companies, was not initially amused.

For Clive Thomas, controversial former World Cup soccer referee extraordinary and Adrian's boss, is not used to bathing in anybody else's reflected glory. He refused to acknowledge that he had been in the least excited by his junior colleague's triumphant activities at Twickenham. Don't believe him, Adrian: he was standing up shouting with the rest. A small word of advice though: don't let another work mate Malcolm Dacey, persuade you in future to sit at Clive's desk (even if he is out of town) when being interviewed for TV.

It was, though, no punitive measure that sent Mr. Hadley to such illuminating places as Caerphilly and Maesteg for much of the week (when he wasn't playing golf or breakfasting, that is): that was fixed in advance so that he could learn about his company's security services branch.

At least he went to the right hotel for that reception. Last Saturday, after the international, Adrian, Bob Norster and selector David Richards and their wives had been invited to a party at the Grosvenor Hotel by London Welsh and spent an hour and a half cheerfully drinking champagne and talking happily amongst themselves. It was only then that Saturday's other Cardiff hero, the usually reliable Mr. Norster, remarked that there were present curiously few people that they knew. They were at entirely the wrong party — and do not know even now who were their hosts. If by any chance your party was crashed in the Grosvenor last Saturday evening and are reading this, please accept their most grateful thanks

Adrian — or Aid, or Adolf (AH) as he is also known — was also surprised to read on Monday in one of the more erudite and factual of our daily newspapers that his brother Matthew had played a crucial role in the splendid morning victory over London Welsh. Brothers he has, yes, rugby-playing brothers indeed, but not called Matthew. Younger brother John has been playing a bit for the Rags and his elder brother skippers North Walsham, which is near Norwich.

Inevitably those two tries sparked off the questions in Quidnunc's local hostelry which happens to be run by the chairman of the Cardiff selectors and where self-styled rugby buffs like me are as thick on the ground as ex-internationals. When did a Cardiff player last score two tries in an international at Twickenham? Back to the record books

Two-try wonders of that kind at Twickers are rare: JPR did it in 1976, Dewi Bebb did it in 1964, and Ken Jones did it in 1952. And before that? Zilch. Nix. So Adrian became only the fourth Welshman to score two tries in a Twickenham international and the first from Cardiff. Oddly, the last time a Cardiff player did score two tries in an international in England was in 1908 — just two years (and one fixture therefore) before HQ held its first international on January 15, 1910. On January 18, 1908, R.T. Gabe scored twice in the 28-18 victory played for the most part in fog at the Bristol City football ground at Ashton Gate.

Rhys Gabe had a habit of making headlines: it was his tackle which brought down the New Zealander Bob Deans in the did-he, didn't-he-score incident in the legendary match of 1905. And he was later to cause the headlines by being the Western Mail's chief rugby correspondent.

But I digress. As an Englishman with a Scottish name, an Irish wife and Welsh passport, Quidnunc can usually salvage something from international match Saturdays and, if anyone was going to lay low the land of my father (all grandparents were Scottish), then there are no complaints that it should have been Adrian Michael Hadley with the help of Robert Leonard Norster.

The last thing we want Bob to do is to keep his feet firmly on the ground: line-out ball for both Cardiff and Wales could ultimately decide the destination of Triple Crowns, Schweppes Cups and that sort of fringe activity. And if Adrian Hadley should ever stray from his normal modesty as the result of being accosted, for example, by total strangers in Cardiff or perfume girls in Maesteg factories, his colleagues Messrs Thomas and Dacey lay many traps for the unwary.

As far as I can understand it the leg-pulling outside-half — not all that long ago he conducted a 15 minute telephone interview about the attributes of Alun Donovan with our chairman of selectors who was fondly under the impression he was talking with a well-known journalist — has so far contented himself with telling coach and teammates that Mr. Hadley would not be attending training because he was appearing on Wogan.

There will surely be more to come in what has been an extraordinary season for Adrian. A new job, two tries while getting England's Twickers in a twist and a baby due to he and wife Ann in early summer. What next? Well, Gerald Davies did once score a spectacular hat-trick in a cup tie against Pontypool. Now there's a record to equal





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2. What is Newport's highest ever contribution to a British Lions tour?
3. What is unusual about Newport's administrative set up?
4. On February 7th 1951 48,500 spectators were present at the Arms Park for a Cardiff v Newport game. The gate receipts were a) £2,587; b) £3,264; c) £4,108.
5. On 30th April 1921 Newport played Bristol on Rodney Parade. The home side won by 17-0 but what was unique about the Newport side of the day?

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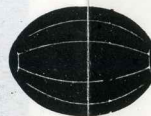
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| 1. J. WHITEFOOT | Forwards |
| 2. A. PHILLIPST | |
| 3. S. BLACKMORE | |
| 4. M. ROWLEYT | |
| 5. R. NORSTER (Captain) <i>PARRY</i> | |
| 6. R. LAKIN | |
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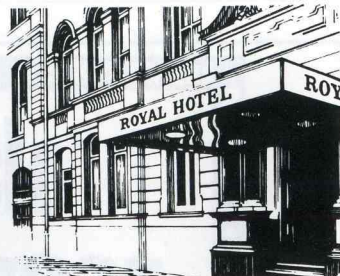
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A. HADLEY	22	9	3	43	188	110	3	447
D. EVANS	12	—	11	31	50(1)	10	77	216
C. WEBBER	9	2	8	26	102(7)	19	113	364
M. ROWLEY	19	5	—	20	40	7	—	28
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A. GLASSON	9	3	—	12	28	13	—	52
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* Total includes two penalty tries.

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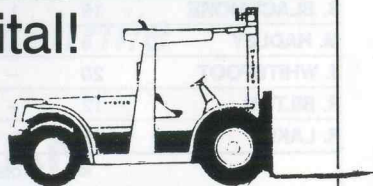
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By J. E. MALCOLM THOMAS

QUESTION (1) An attacking player with the ball in his possession in his opponents' In-goal area is so held that he cannot ground the ball.
What should the referee award?

ANSWER:— Order a **Scrum five metres** from the goal line, in line with where he was held, and the **attacking side** to have the put in to the scrum.

QUESTION (2) A defending player and an attacking player are chasing the ball in the In-goal area. The attacking player pushes the defending player from his path and grounds the ball.

How should the referee react to this situation?

ANSWER:— The referee should disallow the try, caution the attacking player for foul play and award a **drop out on the 22 metre** line to the defending team.

QUESTION (3) As a player commences his run-up for a place kick at goal from a penalty, the ball rolls over, whereupon the opponents advance and play the ball.

What is the correct decision?

ANSWER:— The **penalty kick should be taken again.**

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1987		
SEPTEMBER		
Wed. 2	Taffs Well (Centenary)	A 28-4
Sat. 5	Bristol (Centenary)	A 20-15
Wed. 9	Glamorgan Wanderers	A 6-6
Sat. 12	Neath	H 6-35
Wed. 16	Maesteg	H 9-9
Sat. 19	Coventry	A 14-21
Wed. 23	Pontypridd	A 18-16
Sat. 26	Aberavon	H 12-15
OCTOBER		
Sat. 3	Newport	A 9-16
Wed. 7	Bridgend	H 6-7
Sat. 10	Northampton	A 14-7
Wed. 14	Pontypool	A 0-31
Sat. 17	Cambridge University	H 48-9
Wed. 21	Caerphilly (Centenary)	A 19-12
Sat. 24	Harlequins	A 20-12
Sat. 31	Moseley	H 10-14
NOVEMBER		
Sat. 7	Leicester	A 19-27
Mon. 9	Welsh XV	H 17-13
Wed. 11	Oxford University	H 22-27
Sat. 14	Ebbw Vale	H 35-9
Sat. 21	Ystradgynlais (Cup)	A 12-9
Sat. 28	Llanelli	A 6-41
DECEMBER		
Wed. 2	Newbridge	H 20-0
Sat. 5	Swansea	H 17-6
Sat. 12	London Welsh	H 27-21
Sat. 19	Aberavon Quins (Cup)	A 36-0
Sat. 26	Pontypridd	H 6-6
Mon. 28	Bridgend	A 9-25

1988		
JANUARY		
Sat. 2	Bath	H 38-9
Sat. 9	Aberavon	A 16-10
Sat. 16	Ebbw Vale	A 32-10
Sat. 23	Newport (Cup)	A Post.
Sat. 30	Newport (Cup)	A 26-13

FEBRUARY		
Sat. 6	London Welsh	A 38-7
Sat. 13	Newport	H.....
Sat. 27	W.R.U. Cup 4th Round	

MARCH		
Tue. 1	Bristol	H.....
Sat. 12	Pontypool	H.....
Wed. 16	Penarth	A.....
Sat. 26	W.R.U. Cup Semi Final	
Mon. 28	Newport	A.....

APRIL		
Sat. 2	Barbarians	H.....
Tue. 5	Llanelli	A.....
Sat. 9	Swansea	A.....
Sat. 16	Neath	A.....
Sat. 23	Wasps	H.....
Wed. 27	Barry (Centenary)	A.....
Sat. 30	Nottingham	H.....

MAY		
Sat. 7	W.R.U. Cup Final	

ATHLETIC XV FIXTURES

1987		
SEPTEMBER		
Sat. 5	Bristol United	H 21-26
Wed. 9	Glamorgan Wanderers II	H 17-8
Sat. 12	Kenfig Hill	A 65-4
Wed. 16	Bridgend Sports	A 19-19
Sat. 19	Coventry Extras	H 77-4
Wed. 23	Llandaff	H 10-16
Sat. 26	St. Peters	A 10-25
Tue. 29	Pontypool United	A 10-12
OCTOBER		
Sat. 3	Newport United	H 31-23
Sat. 10	Neath Athletic	A 13-19
Wed. 14	Pontypool Athletic	H 34-0
Sat. 17	Bridgend Ravens	A 11-27
Wed. 21	Cardiff & District	H Post.
Sat. 24	Abercarn	H 8-13
Wed. 28	Garndiffiath	H 44-6
Sat. 31	Moseley United	A 19-17
NOVEMBER		
Sat. 7	Leicester Extras	H 30-20
Wed. 11	Caerphilly	A Canc.
Sat. 14	Ebbw Vale Athletic	A 37-0
Sat. 21	Berry Hill	A 27-9
Sat. 28	Bridgend Ravens	H 14-18
DECEMBER		
Sat. 5	Swansea Athletic	A 6-25
Sat. 12	Llanharan	A 9-15

Sat. 19	Newport Saracens	H 26-6
Sat. 26	Rumney	A 7-7
1988		
JANUARY		
Sat. 2	Bath United	A 23-16
Sat. 9	Neath Athletic	H 4-10
Sat. 16	Ebbw Vale United	H 52-0
Sat. 23	Llandaff	A Post.
Sat. 30	Pontyclun	A 38-3

FEBRUARY		
Sat. 6	London Scottish II	A 16-23
Sun. 7	Abbey	A 38-3
Sat. 13	Newport United	A.....
Sat. 27	Pencoed	A.....

MARCH		
Wed. 1	Bristol United	A.....
Sat. 5	Maesteg Celtic	A.....
Sat. 12	Pontypool Athletic	A.....
Wed. 16	Bedwas	H.....
Fri. 18	Risca	A.....
Wed. 23	Pontypool United	H.....
Wed. 30	Cardiff H.S.O.B.	A.....

APRIL		
Mon. 4	Blackwood	A.....
Sat. 9	Swansea Athletic	H.....
Tue. 12	Llanharan	H.....
Sat. 16	Bridgend Sports	H.....
Sat. 23	Mumbles	A.....



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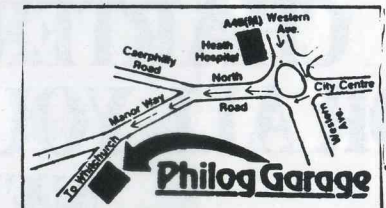
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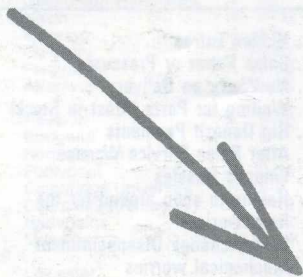
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