



CARDIFF ARMS PARK

CARDIFF RUGBY CLUB

SEASON 1972 - 1973

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CARDIFF
v
NEWPORT
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SATURDAY, 17th FEBRUARY, 1973

KICK OFF 3 P.M.

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME

PRICE 5 PENCE

Cardiff v. Newport

Well, it will come as a relief to players and to Supporters to play again on a Saturday afternoon. Our last three games have been played under lights on a Friday night. The fact that they have been eminently successful for us, is by the way, there are definite symptoms of disorientation in the Club. Take the players for example, after three weeks in the dark, their knees have gone white. Three of the team are now unrecognisable because their hair has turned red after eating carrots and they have all lost weight because their after match drinking time has been drastically curtailed. It is the first time in the history of the club that we have had expense claims from the players for electric light used by their wives, because they have to wait up longer for them on match nights — well at least — some of them. Also, all the players have been issued with torches and luminous safety patches in case they miss the bus. They are all much more domesticated because they now spend Saturdays shopping, gardening and baby sitting, instead of indulging in more masculine pursuits such as bitching at referees and biting ears.

And who better to return to normality with than our old friends and near neighbours from Monmouthshire — Newport. At the risk of offending some Aldermen of Newport Corporation I will say 'Croeso Casnewydd'. There are dozens of Newport's in the world but only one Casnewydd.

Our guests today are not enjoying one of the best spells in their illustrious history, but that doesn't mean that this match will be any easier than those of the past. In every Newport - Cardiff match the teams start equal, whatever the past record and composition of the sides may suggest. In addition, as they showed against the All Blacks, they are showing positive signs of returning to their best form. We have won two games against them this year, but to start talking of four wins in a season is highly premature. I have a strong feeling that it may never be done again by either side. If I am wrong, would it be ungracious of me to hope that it is Cardiff that does it?

We beat Newport away in October by 18 pts. - 14 pts. and again at home on November 8th by 24 pts. to 3. So far in the series we have played Newport 318 times, won 145, and lost 117, drawing 56.

D. J. H.

W.R.U. KNOCK OUT CUP COMPETITION 4th ROUND

CARDIFF v. BLAINA, March 24th at Blaina Central Park, Kick off 2.30 p.m. Tickets 20p available at Clubhouse from Monday, 19th February

Know the Laws

by FRED CROSTER

What a sad day again that Saturday in Edinburgh when the whole Welsh team seemed to be affected by, what? The hotel tragedy of the night before when village neighbours of Clive Rowlands were involved? Difficult to say, but what is not difficult to say is that where, on the previous two Saturdays — England and the Baa Baa's — we had seen splendid games aided considerably by splendid French refereeing with the attitude of allowing the game to flow, at Murrayfield it was the opposite. Time and time again the game was stopped and never ever did it 'get going' from our point of view.

One aspect was the early penalty against Gareth for delay in putting the ball into the scrum. What does the Law say? I quote,

"Law 20, Scrummage!

(8) The ball shall be put in without delay as soon as the two front rows have closed together. A team must put the ball in when ordered to do so." But, and here comes the rub. It is seldom as simple as it first appears, Section (2) of the same Law states

"The scrummage must be stationary with the middle line parallel to the goal lines until the ball has been put in."

This is the conflict which has never been satisfactorily resolved. When the scrum half has to wait for the scrum to be stationary, often it cannot be put in without delay.

As always the final say is up to the referee himself. He has the last word. His must be the decision.

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WALES v. IRELAND

10th March, 1973

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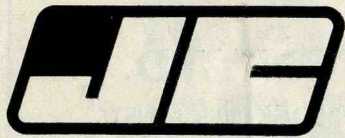
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- 7. M. JOHN

Referee: R. LEWIS (Llangynwyd)

- Full Back
- Right Wing
- Right Centre
- Left Centre
- Left Wing
- Outside Half
- Inside Half
- Forwards

Newport

- R. WILLIAMS 15.
- G. TALBOT 14.
- N. EDWARDS 13.
- G. FULLER 12.
- M. SHORE 11.
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FIRST XV FIXTURES

Date	Opponents	Venue	Results
1972			
Sept. 2	La Rochelle	.. H	26-20
6	Ebbw Vale	.. A	12-10
9	Blackheath	.. A	20-6
13	Bristol	.. H	13-7
16	Coventry	.. H	18-19
20	Pontypool	.. A	19-7
23	Neath	.. H	6-14
27	Bridgend	.. A	6-6
30	Aberavon	.. A	16-3
Oct. 4	Penarth	.. A	26-4
7	Newport	.. A	18-14
11	Cdf. Col/Education	H	32-12
14	Northampton	.. A	4-15
18	Ebbw Vale	.. H	26-0
21	Cambridge Univ.	A	36-10
28	Pontypool	.. H	37-10
Nov. 4	New Zealand	.. H	4-20
8	Newport	.. H	24-3
11	Auvergne	A	0-36
18	Wasps	.. H	26-6
22	Oxford	.. H	C
25	Llanelli	.. H	18-12
Dec. 1	Swansea	.. A	C

6	Gloucester	.. H	C
9	Harlequins	.. A	47-8
16	London Welsh	.. A	13-20
23	Maesteg	.. H	77-9
26	Pontypridd	.. H	29-0
27	Watsonians	.. H	30-4
30	Leicester	.. A	29-13
Jan. 13	Coventry	.. A	6-13
19	London Welsh	.. H	27-6
26	Aberavon	.. H	9-3
Feb. 9	Bristol	.. A	16-9
17	Newport	.. H
23	Llanelli	.. A	C
Mar. 3	Newport	.. A
9	Bective Rangers	.. H
17	Swansea	.. H
28	Bridgend	.. H
31	Newbridge	.. A
Apr. 7	Gloucester	.. A
14	Neath	.. A
21	Barbarians	.. H
23	Harlequins	.. H
28	W.R.U. Cup Final	H
29	La Rochelle	.. A
30	Cognac	.. A
May 5	Snelling Sevens	.. H

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