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# CARDIFF V NORTHERN SUBURBS

WEDNESDAY, 10th OCTOBER, 1973 KICK OFF 7.15 P.M.

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### Cardiff v. Northern Suburbs (N.S.W.)

This is the first time that we have entertained a Club side from Australia, and I feel that it shows a fine initiative on behalf of the fixtures committee in bringing Northern Suburbs here. I am all for sweetening the bread and butter fixtures with a little jam from overseas, particularly if they invite us back. I know little about our visitors except that they are one of Australia's top club sides, and that they come from Sydney in New South Wales, which is the strongest Rugby playing province in Australia. They beat Streatham and Croydon on Saturday 26 pts - 10 pts., which is no mean performance so soon after arriving here. It speaks volumes for their enthusiasm that they can contemplate a tour of this magnitude, particularly when it is realised that they virtually pay their own way.

Cardiff have done particularly well against Australian sides and we can claim the distinction of beating all the Touring Wallaby Sides to come to the Arms Park. However, and this may be ominious, we lost to New South Wales (The Waratahs) in 1927. We defeated the 1908, 1947, 1957 and 1967 touring sides. We can be sure that Suburbs will be all out to win at the Arms Park today, and in the traditional Australian manner — of playing open football.

WELCOME COBBERS.

D.J.H.

PROFILE.

#### LYN DAVID BAXTER

Todays profile concerns someone who appears to have been in the Cardiff VX longer than Hubert Johnson. Lyn Baxter height 6'5", weight 15 stone 4 lb, has been a regular Cardiff member since 1964, and must be heading for a record number of first team appearances. Lyn is a schoolmaster by profession, having been educated at Tonypandy Grammar School and Glamorgan College of Education. He lives and teaches in Cardiff.

Lyn is a fitness fanatic, and this shows in his play, because his mobility is truly phenomenal for a lock-forward and explains why he is one of the very few locks, to make a success of 7-a-side Rugby. He has appeared in Several Trophy winning Cardiff 7's.

Lyn's greatest ambition is to play for Wales. He has come close enough in all conscience. He has toured Argentina with Wales and played against Canada for Wales. He has also played for Wales 'B' against France 'B' and Canada. No one who has followed his career, can fail to wonder and be saddened at the twist of fate that caused him to dislocate an elbow in the dying minutes of a Final Welsh Trial in which he had played an absolutely wonderful game. The fact that he was injured in the act of

scoring a try, that must surely have clinched his first cap, adds poignancy to the tale. He has some consolation in the fact that he has played for the Barbarians and has one of those elusive County Caps.

Lyn's quiet and somewhat diffident demeanour off the field belies a deep-thinking mind and a polished wit. In the questionnaire put out to players for the purpose of these profiles is a section headed — Funniest Happenings. He has put in that section — 'seeing David Duckham run around the linesman to score the winning try for Coventry against Cardiff last year.' However, I feel that his most devastating shaft of wit was during the Rhodesian Tour last year. We had been taken around the mysterious and massive Zimbabwe ruins by a very exhuberant guide, who after an exhaustive explanation of the obscure origins of this remarkable ruin, asked "Well what do you think of them?" A quiet, but instantaneous response came from Lyn who said "They'll be smashing when they're finished".

He rates his greatest player as Barry John and the greatest game he has seen as New Zealand v. The Barbarians. Very few would quarrel with those ratings. To sum up this profile on a remarkable player and a very loyal Clubman, he quotes his interests as psychology, music and reading. I can well believe that.

D.J.H.

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A. EVANS 12.

K. GROVES/M. WHITTER 11.

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