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#### MOSELEY V. CARDIFF

#### GOOD AFTERNOON

We are particularly pleased to welcome our visitors from the Cardiff Club this afternoon and hope that in the very near future there will be a regular fixture between the two clubs. Their last visit to The Reddings was in November, 1965, the occasion being the initial "Switching-on" of the floodlights by Mr. Denis Howell, the then Minister of Sport.

There are only two of our players still playing who took part in that game, namely Colin McFadyean and John Finlan, and both are still playing as well as ever, long may they continue to do so.

The Cardiff Club was formed in the year 1876 and since then more than 150 of their players have won International Caps. Space is not available to mention more than a handful, namely Cliff Morgan, Wilf Wooller, Bleddyn Williams and Rex Willis, and perhaps the greatest scrum half of all time, Gareth Edwards, who we are all looking forward to seeing in action today. In 1948 the club supplied ten players to the Welsh XV, which no other club has done either before or since.

They have the best record of the Welsh clubs so far this season and we note their substantial victory against London Welsh last week. As long ago as 1885 we were playing Cardiff, and in that season they won every single game except their very last game when they suffered defeat at our hands in the final match of the season.

The Club side is at full strength with the return of Alan Hill and John White. Alan Thomas, who had such a fine game at Bedford, scoring 3 excellent tries, was not considered as he is not available. Nigel Horton plays his fourth successive game and has fully recovered from his serious leg operation, and is partnered by Barry Ayre, who is the sole ever-present so far this season.

#### PLAYING RECORDS

CARDIFF	 	P. 25	W. 20	L. 4	D. 1	Points for 479	Points agst 230
MOSELEY		P. 19	W. 13	L. 6	D. 0	Points for 350	Points agst 293

#### MOSELEY 1st XV FIXTURES, 1973-74

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Sep	tember					January	100
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8		Н	W	25		12 Northampton H	
11		A	W	31		18 Sale (7.30 p.m.) H	
15		A	L	7	43	26 London Irish A	
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3	Loughborough Colleges		-	local r	10.00	15 Metropolitan Police	
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	- 12	_ A	W	16	0	20 Leicester (7.30 p.m.) H	
6				4	24	23 Cambridge University A	
10	Gloucester (7.30 p.m.)	A	W	10	3	March	
13	Rugby (7.30 p.m.)	A		8	3	1 Abertillery (7.30 p.m.) H	
20	Roundhay (7.30 p.m)			14	22		
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10		A	L			27 Barbarians (6.45 p.m.) H	70
17	Rosslyn Park	Н		18	9	30 Waterloo H	
24		A	W	24	13	April	
De	cember		_			3 Ebbw Vale (evening) A	
1	Liverpool	Н		_	_	6 Notts A	
8	Bristol	A	L	21	25	12 Weston-super-Mare A	
15	Bedford	A		43	12	13 Plymouth Albion A	
22	- 11.00	Н				15 Exeter A	1 3
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29	NI	A				24 Cheltenham (7.30 p.m.) H	
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M. J. COOPER *	11	Left Wing	P. L. JONES	11
J. F. FINLAN *	10	Fly Half	K. JAMES	10
J. G. WEBSTER *	9	Scrum Half	B. WILLIAMS	9
J. H. DAWSON	1	Forwards	G. WALLACE	1
D. PROTHEROUGH	2		G. DAVIES	2
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B. AYRE	5	,,	J. LUFF	5
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#### **CLUB NOTES**

#### MOSELEY 18 v. ROSSLYN PARK 9

Prior to this game the "Park" had only suffered two defeats, but with 4 penalty goals from Sam Doble and a try by Bob Wain, converted by Sam, a fairly comfortable victory was achieved.

#### MOSELEY 24 v. LEICESTER 13

An excellent win, thanks to tries by Cooper, Hill and Horton, the latter playing his first game of the season, and 4 penalty goals by Doble. Early in the second half we were in arrears by 13 points to 4, but completely dominated the game during the closing minutes.

#### MOSELEY 21 v. BRISTOL 25

What a game! Well worth the journey.

This was "one that got away". The whole team played well and but for two errors would have won and deservedly so. None played better than Nigel Horton, who was playing his second game of the season, but the whole pack more than held their own against one of the strongest in the country. Of the backs, lan Webster and Alan Hill were the pick and young Bob Wain again showed up well.

Martin Cooper scored 2 tries and Sam Doble kicked 3 penalty goals and 2 conversions and on two occasions saved certain tries by fine defensive work.

#### MOSELEY 43 v. BEDFORD 12

The first few minutes belonged to Bedford, and when they were leading by 12 points to 3 things looked black, but thanks to a penalty by Sam Doble and a try by Martin Green close on half-time we were within striking distance. From being 9 points to 12 the score rapidly reached 31 points to 12 and eventually 43 to 12.

Alan Thomas had a field day with a hat trick of tries, duly converted by Sam, who finished up with 1 penalty and 6 conversions. The remaining scorers were Cooper, Wain and McFadyean a try each. John Finlan once more showed that there are no better fly halves in the country and likewise |an Webster at scrum half, perhaps there is still time for them to partner each other in the national side. In the pack none played better than John Dawson and Bert Greaves, ably supported by Nigel Norton and Barry Ayre.

#### MOSELEY v. THE BARBARIANS-Wednesday, 27th March, 1974

Reserved tickets for East Stand at £1.50 and the West Stand at £1.00 are now on sale from Mr. "Bill" Edwards, who will be in the Clubhouse both before and after the game.

Tickets for the Committee Box at £1.50 can be purchased from the writer at 26 Hartford Close, Harborne, Birmingham, 17, on receipt of remittance and stamped and addressed envelope.

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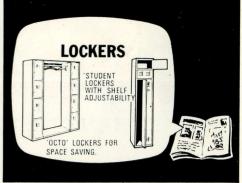
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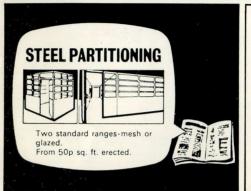
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