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## INTRODUCTION

It is natural in the Introduction to the Report for the year ended May 4th, 1936, that one should refer to the death of his late Majesty King George V. In the previous Report reference was made to the Silver Jubilee of King George V and specially to the visit of our present King, Edward VIII, to the Cardiff Arms Park, on Saturday, May 11th, 1935, when as Prince of Wales, he visited Cardiff to represent H.M. King George V at the National Jubilee celebrations for Wales which were held in this city.

The death of his Majesty King George V came as a great blow to the nation, particularly after a period of such great national rejoicing. It is not for one in this report to refer at length to the very great feeling of loss which came over the nation on the death of its Sovereign. In common with all others, the members of the Cardiff Athletic Club mourn the loss of a great King who had shown his interest in the every day life of his subjects in so many ways. The late King never visited the Cardiff Arms Park but we know that he was interested in Rugby Football because on several occasions he visited the Headquarters of the Rugby Union at Twickenham and received both teams prior to the match. Our present King, to whom the members of the Club wish a long life and a successful reign, has also shown an interest in Athletics and Rugby Football. Not only did he visit the Cardiff Arms Park on May 11th last year, but he was also present and received the teams on the occasion of the Ireland v. Wales match on the 12th March, 1932, when Ireland won by 12 points to 10. We have every reason to believe that His Majesty on that occasion and on all occasions when he has been present at a Rugby Football match has thoroughly enjoyed the game and we hope that circumstances will permit of his continuing to take an interest in and give his support to Rugby Football in a manner similar to that in which it was supported by the late King, his father.

Death has also deprived the Club of the services of two of its Vice-Presidents since the publication of the last Report, in the persons of Sir William Reardon Smith, Bart., and Mr. Ridgeway Fitzgerald.

Sir William Reardon Smith, who was a Vice-President for a number of years, was one of those who gave the Club practical support, at the time when the ground was purchased from the Marquis of Bute, by taking up a considerable block of debentures. Further, he materially assisted the Club by refraining from taking the steps to which he was legally entitled during the difficult days when the Club was unable to meet the interest on these debentures.

Mr. Ridgeway Fitzgerald was well known to a large number of the members of the Club because he was actively engaged in so many of its interests. He was a member of the Management and Football Committees for many years and a member of the General Committee, and Captain of the Cardiff Athletic Golf Club at the time of his death. In the appropriate sections of the Report references are made to his activities and services in connection with the Rugby Club and the Golf Club. As a member of the Management Committee, his services from the point of view of general administration had been invaluable, and it was with a very real sense of loss

and regret that the Management Committee accepted his resignation from that body some few years before his death, owing to his continued ill-health. He continued, however, as a member of the General Committee until the time of his death, as it was always hoped by his colleagues on the Management Committee, and by those who knew of his very great interest in the Club that his health would improve sufficiently to permit him to become an active member of the Management Committee once again.

During the year another blow of a different kind has fallen on the Club. When the ground was purchased by the Cardiff Arms Park Co., Ltd., the Marquis of Bute retained the frontage along Westgate Street, letting to the Company the ground which comprised the three Lawn Tennis Courts along the Westgate Street wall on a nominal monthly tenancy. Since the issue of the last Report, the Company has received notice from its landlord to quit this strip of land, which at the time of writing, as most members know, is being utilized for the erection of a large block of flats which will overlook the cricket ground. Not only will the erection of this block of flats be detrimental to the ground in that it will be more shut in and completely overlooked by this large building, but, in addition, the general amenities of the members have been curtailed. We have lost the three lawn tennis courts which were along the Westgate Street wall without being able to replace them as yet, and, in addition, the cricket ground itself has been reduced in width by some ten feet. The Management Committee, however, has very carefully considered the problem with which it has been presented, and is hoping that circumstances will permit it to take steps which will permit of an enlargement of the cricket ground, and the restoration in some other part of the ground of the amenities which the Lawn Tennis Section has lost. With this end in view the Management Committee has considered certain plans and schemes, but it is probable that some time will elapse before it will be able to take any definite steps in the matter, because there are various parties to be consulted and with whom agreement has to be reached before any definite action can be taken. In the meantime, members may rest assured that the Management Committee is taking every step possible to safeguard their interests in the difficult situation in which the Club finds itself.

During the Football season the New Zealand Rugby Team, which was touring Great Britain and Ireland, paid two visits to the Cardiff Arms Park. In the first match they played and defeated Cardiff in a delightful game, to which reference is made in the Rugby Club's Report. In the second match they played and were defeated by Wales by 13 points to 12 points, in what was probably the most exciting football match that has ever been played. New Zealand led by 3 points at half-time and in the second half, the lead actually changed hands four times before the final whistle left Wales the victors. The match was watched by a very large crowd, all of whom felt no doubt that they were having the privilege of seeing a really great and exciting game of Rugby Football. In addition, in March, Wales played Ireland on the Park and won by three points to nil, thereby becoming the champion country for the year.

Following usual practice, the serious attention of members is once again drawn to the Statement of Accounts which accompanies

this Report. An examination of this will show that we made a profit on the year's working of £317 8s. 5d. as compared with a loss in the previous year of £264 18s. 5d. An examination of the Asset side of the Balance Sheet will also disclose that not only are the Assets written down to a nominal figure, but also that the liquid Assets of the Club amount to about £2,800. These figures are liable to mislead members very considerably as from them they will probably conclude that the Club is in a very strong financial position. Actually, the position is one which should receive most careful attention from every one concerned. Leaving aside the beneficial effect of such an attraction as the New Zealand Rugby Football side on our financial results last year, the attention of members is once again directed to the true financial position of the Club. The Arms Park (Cardiff) Greyhound Racing Co., Ltd., pay the Club a subscription of £1,000 per annum. If the Club had not received this subscription instead of making a profit of over £300 it would have incurred a loss of nearly £700. The Club is not liable for any rates on the ground, nor for practical purposes does it have to meet any bills as regards repairs and upkeep of the Stands, at any rate at present, while, in addition, there are certain other small items of extraneous income of a somewhat similar nature which certainly help the finances in the course of the year. If one makes allowance for all these helpful factors, the truth is that instead of making a profit each year on its own working the Club actually makes a substantial loss. Though it is difficult to realise, the fact remains that during the last three or four years no single Section would have made a profit on the year's working if it had been charged with that share of the general expenses which it would have incurred had it been conducted as a unit entirely apart from the others. This is the position after expenditure has been curtailed in every possible direction. What is really required is increased revenue. With expenditure at its minimum a comparatively small increase in revenue would assure the finances of the Club. It is hoped that all members will do what they can to assist the Club by endeavouring to secure additional members amongst their friends, and that the public will show their appreciation of the wonderful ground situated in the centre of the city by supporting the Club more handsomely than they have in the past at the Football and Cricket Matches.

In conclusion, it is fitting that reference should be made to the work of the General Secretary, the Head Groundsman, and of the staff under them. The curtailment of the ground, owing to the construction of the Westgate Street flats has created a lot of extra work because as far as possible turf had to be moved and preserved and other matters of a similar nature had to be attended to. Often, in this connection, decisions had to be made at very short notice, as naturally the needs of the builders could not wait on the decisions of the various Committees, who would otherwise have to be consulted. In these circumstances the members of the Club should be grateful to the Secretary and the other members of the permanent staff, not only for the excellent general condition of ground, which is up to its usual standard, but also for the way in which all the Staff have faced these emergency problems and have handled them to the best of their ability in the general interests of the Club.

## CARDIFF RUGBY CLUB

*Completed  
by P. & D. Davis*

The Season 1935-36 must be written down as a sort of "Mixed Bag," containing as it did its measure of hope, optimism, success, and perhaps, too, disappointment. Nevertheless, it was notable in two respects.

Firstly, we had the visit of the most famous of all Colonial Touring sides, the New Zealanders, more popularly known as the "All Blacks." We had watched them, prepared and trained hard for them, but were beaten in a game which was stated by these famous opponents to have been their most enjoyable one up to that time. True, we were not beaten pointless and Cardiff certainly had a glorious spell in which the team carried all before it—a phase of sparkling football. However, we suffered defeat at the hands of a combination which played the better all round football and which was never slow to profit by error; no Cardiffian cavilled at the result of this really fine game.

Secondly, and happier to relate, we achieved the distinction of inflicting on the famous Barbarians their first defeat in Wales after a sequence of twenty-two winning matches in six seasons. At the end of this thrilling struggle, Tommy Stone, our Captain, was carried off "Shoulder high" and he must have been mighty proud to have led the Cardiff team that day. Praise and congratulation first came from the sporting "Baa-baas" themselves and the merit of the victory is reflected by the strength of their team, which was as follows:—

V. G. J. Jenkins (Wales); K. C. Fyffe (Scotland), W. Wooller (Wales), P. Cranmer (England), G. V. Boyle (Ireland); W. R. Logan (Scotland) R. W. Shaw (Scotland); S. J. Deering, J. Russell, C. E. St. J. Beamish, A. Alexander (Ireland), R. J. Longland (England), D. L. K. Milman, and R. J. L. Hammond.

The season's results in terms of wins and losses do not perhaps, reflect too favourably from the point of view of the record—which, on comparison at some future date, might be regarded as only a moderately successful one. The glory of this incomparable game of Rugby football is

only achieved, however, by the spirit in which it is played, and as far as Cardiff are concerned the necessary spirit always prevailed, as doubtless it always will.

We are everywhere welcomed, pressed to come again, and—almost to the point of embarrassment—begged to enlarge or amend our already very strenuous fixture list.

For charity and similar causes, nine "Extra" engagements were fulfilled in addition to the official fixtures.

The most notable features were : The successful Cornish tour when all three matches were won, followed by a victory over Llanelly at Stradey on the ensuing Saturday ; at Bridgend, the home team included D. Solomon, F. Vorrath and W. R. Collins of the "All Blacks," but victory was won by Cardiff ; London Welsh and Plymouth Albion were also twice beaten ; whilst we had the better of our four fixture argument with our Swansea rivals.

E. Watkins was the Club's representative in the victorious Welsh team against New Zealand on the Cardiff Arms Park, and, while on the subject of these tourists, we would like to state that the Club's congratulations were extended to the Swansea Club in its hour of deserved victory over the Colonials at Swansea.

To our popular Skipper, Tommy Stone, we tender our sincere appreciation in the accomplishment of the onerous duties of Captain.

The lack of the inspiration of a strong personality among the mid-field players was, no doubt, the chief cause of most of the defeats, but the Club's prestige remains unsullied and Tommy can look back on his year of Captaincy as one of success.

Incidentally, the presence of Cliff Jones in the ranks of the Blue and Blacks for 1936-37 is, we understand, assured, as well as the services of W. Wooller, who will be taking up an appointment in Cardiff on the 1st September, 1936.

In conclusion, we regret to record the death of Mr. Ridgeway Fitzgerald after a long illness. He was an ardent worker in the cause of Rugby football and had served as Vice-President and member of the Management and

Football Committees of our Club for a number of years. He had also rendered nearly twenty years service to the Cardiff & District Rugby Union and was its President until his resignation from that body owing to the illness which preceded his untimely death. Always outspoken, the late Mr. Fitzgerald was a capable administrator, and had greatly helped the cause of charity through his assistance in organising Rugby matches during and immediately after the War of 1914-18.

#### CARDIFF ATHLETIC XV.

For the third successive season, Hubert Johnson filled the role of Captain. This in itself is a very high honour and one which takes its place in the features of the Club's history.

The ideal Captain is one who obtains the maximum effort from his team, and is able to maintain that *esprit de corps* before, during, and after the game.

Hubert again showed his capacity for the task, by no means an enviable one, of leading the Athletic XV, indeed he proved himself an almost ideal Captain.

Praise in this respect has been meted out to him not only officially, but by the expression of his players also, and, but for an injury sustained whilst training, which caused him to stand down one match, he would have played in all the Athletic games. He assisted the first XV on several occasions and was always available to play in the Club's "Extra or Charity" games. Opinion has been expressed that had it not been for his worth as Captain of the Athletic, he would have merited and retained his place in the first XV.

The results obtained for 1935-36 compare most favourably with those of any Cardiff Reserve or subsidiary fifteen in post-war seasons. What, however, is more important is the fact that the real Cardiff type of football was produced, and several promising youngsters brought to the front.

We congratulate Hubert Johnson, not only for splendid results obtained during 1935-36, but also on his election as a member of the Football Committee for 1936-37. He should be an ideal acquisition to that body.

# FIXTURES AND RESULTS, 1935-36

## FIRST FIFTEEN.

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Rslt.	Score for					Score Against											
				G.	T.	D.G.	P.G.	M.G.	Pts.	G.	T.	D.G.	P.G.	M.G.	Pts.					
1935																				
Sept. 3	Cardiff & Dist.	H	Won	7	2	I	...	45	I	...	...	...	...	5						
" 7	Bristol	A	Lost	...	I	...	...	3	...	I	...	...	4							
" 14	Bridgend	H	Won	I	2	...	...	11	...	2	...	...	6							
" 21	Swansea	H	Won	...	I	...	...	3	...	...	...	0								
" 23	Pontypool	A	Won	...	I	...	...	3	...	...	...	0								
" 28	London Welsh	H	Won	I	I	...	...	8	...	I	...	3								
Oct. 5	Newport	H	Drn.	...	...	...	...	0	...	...	...	0								
" 12	Gloucester	H	Lost	...	...	...	...	0	...	I	...	3								
" 19	Swansea	A	Drn.	...	...	...	...	0	...	...	...	0								
" 26	New Zealand	H	Lost	I	...	...	...	5	2	2	I	...	20							
Nov. 2	Llanely	H	Lost	...	...	I	...	3	I	I	...	8								
" 9	Newport	A	Lost	...	...	...	...	6	I	...	2	...	13							
" 16	Plymouth Alb.	H	Won	2	2	...	...	16	...	...	...	0								
" 23	Pontypool	H	Won	...	3	...	I	...	12	...	2	...	6							
" 30	Richmond	A	Lost	...	...	...	...	0	...	I	...	3								
Dec. 7	Coventry	A	Lost	...	I	...	...	3	I	I	...	11								
" 9	Northampton	A	Lost	...	2	...	...	6	2	I	...	13								
" 14	Pontypool	H	Lost	...	...	2	...	6	I	2	...	11								
" 21	Harlequins	A	Lost	...	I	...	I	...	6	3	...	15								
" 26	London Irish	H	Won	4	2	...	...	26	I	I	...	8								
" 27	Watsonians	H	Won	I	3	...	...	14	...	3	...	9								
" 28	Bristol	H	Won	I	I	...	...	8	...	...	...	0								
1936																				
Jan. 1	*Penarth	H																		
" 8	Bridgend	A	Won	I	...	...	...	5	...	I	...	3								
" 11	Swansea	H	Won	2	...	...	...	10	...	...	...	0								
" 25	†Swansea	A																		
Feb. 1	Llanely	H	Won	...	I	...	I	...	6	...	I	...	3							
" 8	Gloucester	A	Drn.	...	2	...	...	6	...	I	...	6								
" 15	Newport	H	Lost	...	...	...	...	0	I	I	...	8								
" 22	Llanely	A	Lost	...	...	...	...	0	...	I	...	3								
" 29	Blackheath	H	Won	I	4	...	...	17	...	...	I	...	3							

## First Fifteen—continued.

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Rslt.	Score for					Score Against											
				G.	T.	D.G.	P.G.	M.G.	Pts.	G.	T.	D.G.	P.G.	M.G.	Pts.					
1936																				
Mar. 7	Newport	A	Won	...	...	...	I	...	3	...	...	...	0							
" 11	Cheltenham	A	Lost	...	...	I	...	4	I	2	...	11								
" 14	London Welsh	A	Won	3	...	I	...	18	...	I	...	3								
" 19	Swansea	A	Lost	...	...	...	...	0	4	2	...	26								
" 21	Plymouth Alb.	A	Won	2	2	...	...	16	...	I	...	9								
" 23	Falmouth	A	Won	...	3	I	...	13	...	...	I	...	3							
" 24	‡Penzance	A	Won	I	5	...	I	...	23	...	...	0								
" 28	Llanely	A	Won	...	3	I	...	13	I	I	...	12								
April 4	Richmond	H	Won	2	3	I	...	23	...	I	...	3								
" 11	§Barbarians	H	Won	...	I	I	...	7	...	I	...	3								
" 13	Harlequins	H	Lost	...	I	...	...	3	2	I	I	...	17							
" 14	Coventry	H	Won	I	...	I	...	8	...	...	...	0								
" 18	Neath	A	Lost	I	I	...	...	8	3	...	...	15								
" 25	Pontypool	A	Lost	...	...	...	...	5	...	I	...	6								
May 2	Neath	H	Lost	...	I	...	...	3	I	...	...	5								

\* Abandoned owing to wet ground.  
 † Abandoned owing to the death of H.M. King George V.  
 ‡ Re-arranged as West Cornwall XV.  
 § Barbarians record of 22 Consecutive Wins in Wales over five years broken.

RECORD FOR SEASON	Played.		Won.		Lost.		Drawn.					
	44	..	23	..	18	..	3					
	SCORE FOR				SCORE AGAINST							
	G.	T.	D.G.	M.G.	P.G.	PTS.	G.	T.	D.G.	P.G.	M.G.	PTS.
	33	52	6	10	0	375	26	30	6	11	0	277

## FIRST XV SCORERS.

*Tries* : A. Bassett, 26; A. H. Jones, 9; H. O. Edwards, 7; D. Brown, E. Watkins, 4; H. M. Bowcott, A. Skym, L. Spence, 3; C. Cross, J. J. Davies, C. W. Jones, J. D. Jones, W. R. Reardon, H. Rees, Gwyn Williams, 2; J. E. Bowcott, A. Clarke, C. L. Germanacos, R. J. L. Hammond, V. R. Osmond, G. L. Porter, E. Noel Rees, J. Regan, T. Ransome, E. J. Roberts, T. J. Roberts and T. Stone, 1.

*Dropped Goals* : A. H. Jones, 3; A. Bassett, T. J. Roberts and T. Stone, 1.

*Penalty Goals* : D. Brown, 5; E. Noel Rees, 2; F. Instone, J. P. Lewis and T. Stone, 1.

*Converted Goals* : D. Brown, 11; L. Spence, 10; E. Noel Rees, T. Stone, 4; F. Instone, 2; R. W. Boon and H. Rees, 1.

## CARDIFF ATHLETIC FIFTEEN.

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Rslt.	Score For					Score Against						
				G.	T.	D.G.	M.G.	Pts.	G.	T.	D.G.	M.G.	Pts.		
1935															
Sept. 7	Bristol Utd.	H	Lost	2	1	1	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	
" 14	Chepstow	A	Won	2	1	1	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	
" 21	Pill Harriers	A	Lost	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	
" 24	C. & D.R.U. (Wed. Sect.)	H	Won	4	1	1	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	
" 28	Treorchy	A	Los	2	1	1	6	1	2	1	1	1	1	11	
Oct. 5	Newport Utd.	A	Drn.	2	1	1	6	2	1	1	1	1	1	6	
" 12	Gloucester U.	A	Won	3	1	1	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	
" 19	Glam. Wand.	H	Won	1	1	1	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	
" 26	O. Edwardians	A	Drn.	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	
Nov. 2	Maesteg	A	Won	1	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	
" 9	Newport Utd.	H	Won	1	2	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	
" 16	M'tain Ash	A	Won	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	
" 23	Ebbw Vale	A	Won	1	2	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	
" 30	Pill Harriers	H	Won	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	
Dec. 7	Tredegar	H	Won	3	1	1	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	
" 14	Cilfynydd	A	Lost	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	
" 26	Tredegar	A	Drn.	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	
" 28	Bristol Utd.	A	Won	2	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	
1936															
Jan. 11	Glam. Wand.	A	Won	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	
" 18	Cheltenham	H	Won	1	3	1	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	
" 25	*Cardiff H.S. Old Boys	H													
Feb. 1	†Bargoed	A													
" 8	‡Gloucester U.	H													
" 15	Newport Utd.	A	Won	2	1	1	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	
" 22	Chepstow	H	Won	3	5	1	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	
" 29	Ynysybwl	A	Won	1	2	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	
Mar. 7	§Newport Utd.	H													
" 21	O. Illydians	A	Won	1	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	
" 28	Barnstaple	H	Won	1	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	
April 4	Cardiff H.S. Old Boys	A	Won	3	1	1	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	
" 13	Barnstaple	A	Lost	3	1	1	9	2	1	1	1	1	1	13	
" 18	Treorchy	H	Won	1	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	
" 25	Penygraig	H	Won	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	
May 2	Penygraig	A	Lost	2	1	1	6	1	1	2	1	1	1	16	

\* Cancelled owing to the death of H.M. King George V.  
 † Cancelled (by Bargoed) owing to Scotland v. Wales match.  
 ‡ Cancelled owing to Frost.  
 § Cancelled to protect ground for Wales v. Ireland.

RECORD FOR SEASON	SCORE FOR.					SCORE AGAINST.					
	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.		G.	T.	D.G.	P.G.	M.G.	Pts.
	30	21	6	3		19	46	1	4	0	249
						8	17	6	7	0	136

## PAST CAPTAINS AND VICE-CAPTAINS.

### RUGBY.

Captain.		Vice-Captain.
1876-7	T. S. DONALDSON SELBY	W. D. PHILLIPS
1877-8	E. C. FRY	W. D. PHILLIPS
1878-9	R. H. FOA	W. D. PHILLIPS
1879-80	W. D. PHILLIPS	B. E. GIRLING
1880-1	W. D. PHILLIPS	B. B. MANN
1881-2	B. E. GIRLING	W. D. PHILLIPS
1882-3	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. H. TREATT
1883-4	H. J. SIMPSON	W. D. PHILLIPS
1884-5	H. J. SIMPSON	W. D. PHILLIPS
1885-6	F. E. HANCOCK	A. F. HILL
1886-7	W. M. DOUGLAS	A. J. HYBART
1887-8	C. A. YOUNG	A. F. HILL
1888-9	A. F. HILL	C. S. ARTHUR
1889-90	C. S. ARTHUR	S. H. NICHOLLS
1890-1	W. E. O. WILLIAMS	D. W. EVANS
1891-2	D. W. EVANS	F. N. JONES
1892-3	T. W. PEARSON	A. LEWIS
1893-4	N. BIGGS	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT
1894-5	A. F. HILL	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT
1895-6	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT	F. MILLS
1896-7	J. E. ELLIOT	S. BIGGS
1897-8	S. BIGGS	E. GWYN NICHOLLS
1898-9	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	T. DOBSON
1899-1900	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	H. V. P. HUSSEY
1900-1901	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	J. BLAKE
1901-2	H. B. WINFIELD	D. L. BOWEN
1902-3	H. B. WINFIELD	C. STRANAGHAN
1903-4	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	C. F. BIGGS
1904-5	C. F. BIGGS	W. NEILL
1905-6	PERCY F. BUSH	GEO. NORTHMORE
1906-7	PERCY F. BUSH	GEO. NORTHMORE
1907-8	RHYS T. GABE	J. BROWN
1908-9	PERCY F. BUSH	F. SMITH
1909-10	J. L. WILLIAMS	F. SMITH
1910-11	R. A. GIBBS	J. PUGSLEY
1911-12	L. M. DYKE	J. A. POWELL
1912-13	W. SPILLER	W. J. JENKINS
1913-14	W. J. JENKINS	R. F. WILLIAMS
1914-19	EUROPEAN WAR.	
1919-20	F. GACCON—W. J. POWELL	W. J. JENKINS
1920-21	CLEM LEWIS	R. A. CORNISH
1921-22	R. ARTHUR CORNISH	I. RICHARDS
1922-23	DR. T. WALLACE	I. RICHARDS
1923-24	IDRIS RICHARDS	T. A. JOHNSON
1924-25	T. A. JOHNSON	D. E. DAVIES
1925-26	D. E. DAVIES	W. J. DELAHAY
1926-27	W. J. DELAHAY	D. E. DAVIES
1927-28	B. R. TURNBULL	B. O. MALE
1928-29	B. O. MALE	K. P. TURNBULL
1929-30	S. C. CRAVOS	H. POOLE
1930-31	B. R. TURNBULL	S. C. CRAVOS
1931-32	HOWARD POOLE	H. M. BOWCOTT
1932-33	TOM LEWIS	B. R. TURNBULL
1933-34	GRAHAM JONES	R. GABE-JONES
	R. GABE-JONES	
1934-35	A. SKYM	T. STONE
1935-36	T. STONE	L. SPENCE

## CARDIFF CRICKET CLUB 1935

Another season ended with results not quite so satisfactory as in 1934. The record of games is:—

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Abandoned
First XI "A"	22	5	10	5	2
First XI "B"	19	9	4	5	1
Second XI	16	8	8	—	—
Extras XI	18	6	4	8	—

FIRST XI "A."—Owing primarily to the frequent absences of J. T. Morgan, E. R. K. Glover, engaged in County matches, and N. V. H. Riches, the successes of the previous season were not repeated. The batting, on the whole, was rather inconsistent, and the lack of a really effective bowler to assist our professional was very evident.

Reed, who appeared for the County on several occasions, had another good year and gained the distinction of heading the batting and bowling averages.

FIRST XI "B."—This eleven had another satisfactory season, although they were called upon very frequently to supply players for the "A" XI.

SECOND XI.—Records, it is stated, are made to be broken, but the Second Eleven established one by going through the season without defeat, an achievement of which their skipper was very proud.

EXTRAS XI.—Considering their difficulties the Extra eleven deserve congratulations upon the results. With the addition of three or four promising young players, the side should be stronger than in the past.

The Committee tender their thanks to the Umpires and Scorers for their voluntary work, and to all members and players for willing support.

SCHOOLS COMPETITION—The Elementary Schools Competition promoted by the Cricket Section in 1928 was again very successful. Fourteen schools entered and after a very interesting series of games, the final match was won by Stacey Road, the Challenge Cup being held by them for one year.

Messrs. F. Lewis and W. Pritchard were untiring in their efforts for the success of the competition. They umpired all games and deservedly received the hearty thanks of the Schools Committee.

A very popular member, F. W. Mathias, is Captain of the Club for 1936, and all players will undoubtedly give him the support which is so essential to ensure another happy season.

## LIST OF CAPTAINS.

### CRICKET.

From 1867 to 1876 there is no record of Captains.

1877 .. E. W. JONES	1907 .. A. GIBSON
1878 .. E. W. JONES	1908 .. A. GIBSON
1879 .. E. W. JONES	1909 .. A. GIBSON
1880 .. E. W. JONES	1910 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1881 } Names of Captains	1911 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1882 } not recorded.	1912 .. N. V. H. RICHES and
1883 } J. HORSPOOL	
1884 .. J. P. JONES.	1913 .. J. HORSPOOL
1885 .. J. P. JONES.	1914 .. J. HORSPOOL
1886 .. J. P. JONES	1915 }
1887 .. T. H. WILLIAMS	1916 } EUROPEAN WAR
1888 .. T. H. WILLIAMS	1917 }
1889 .. T. H. WILLIAMS	1918 }
1890 .. A. MORRIS	1919 .. J. HORSPOOL
1891 .. A. MORRIS	1920 .. H. G. SYMONDS
1892 .. W. H. BRAIN	1921 .. G. E. CORDING
1893 .. W. H. BRAIN	1922 .. G. E. CORDING
1894 .. W. H. BRAIN	1923 .. T. R. MORGAN
1895 .. J. H. BRAIN	1924 .. H. W. TAYLOR
1896 .. J. H. BRAIN	1925 .. F. W. MATHIAS
1897 .. J. G. CLARK	1926 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1898 .. J. G. CLARK	1927 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1899 .. J. G. CLARK	1928 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1900 .. J. H. BRAIN	1929 .. A. N. MORGAN
1901 .. J. H. BRAIN	1930 .. A. N. MORGAN
1902 .. J. G. CLARK	1931 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1903 .. V. T. HILL	1932 .. E. C. DOLMAN
1904 .. V. T. HILL	1933 .. G. L. RATTENBURY
1905 .. J. P. CADOGAN	1934 .. J. T. MORGAN
1906 .. A. GIBSON	1935 .. J. T. MORGAN.



## CARDIFF ATHLETIC LAWN TENNIS CLUB

Season 1935.

For some reason or other the opening of the Tennis Season is the signal for the "Summer" rain to fall upon us. This year was no exception and old members as well as intending new ones hesitated before changing into their whites. Unfortunately, the result of all this was that we were unable to get into that "swing" which is necessary for a really good start, and a good start is half the battle.

Conditions, however, gradually improved with the result that progress was made and a good season was enjoyed by all.

This year found the Men's first team playing in the 2nd Division of the W.L.T.A. Competitions, but it is very pleasing to record that the stay there was of short duration. A highly successful season was experienced, and the climax was reached when the team opposed Port Talbot on our own Courts on the 13th of July for the 2nd Division Championship of Wales, winning by seven events to two. In addition to carrying off the "Spoons," a return was made to the 1st Division. This was a splendid performance and hearty congratulations are extended to all those concerned.

The efforts of the 2nd team, who, by the way, were also in the 2nd Division, are also worthy of special mention. They easily maintained their place there and with a little luck would have been opposing the first team for the Championship of the Eastern Section. While the first team did not lose a match, the second team was beaten by the odd event in their first game. Otherwise, they too were undefeated.

Whilst the Ladies' team did not do quite as well as was generally expected, they were able to maintain their position in the league. The difficulties which confront the ladies in their endeavour to place the strongest sides in the field are not generally realised, but despite these difficulties they certainly did very well and are to be applauded for their efforts.

The Tournaments this season were under the control of D. B. Morgan, ably assisted by Miss M. Oxenham, and our sincere thanks are due to them for the sacrifices made by them on our behalf. The organization of a tournament is a thankless task, but it is a pleasure to record that their work, and it is work, was well done and appreciated by all.

Results were as follows :—

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP	..	W. L. Bright.
MEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP	..	A. Wetherell and C. Williams.
WOMEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP	..	Miss M. Nigh.
WOMEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP	..	Miss M. Oxenham and Miss V. Planck.
MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP	..	D. B. Morgan and Miss W. Cornwell.

MEN'S SINGLES HANDICAP	..	G. T. Weaver.
MEN'S DOUBLES HANDICAP	..	R. Pritchard and C. Humphries.
WOMEN'S SINGLES HANDICAP	..	Miss M. Treseder.
WOMEN'S DOUBLES HANDICAP	..	Mrs. M. Jermain and Mrs T. W. Richards
MIXED DOUBLES HANDICAP	..	C. T. Hemming and Miss M. Treseder.

This report cannot be considered complete without reference to those lady members of the Club who so unselfishly give up their afternoons to attend to their fellow members at the tea table. The opportunity is now taken of assuring them that we appreciate very much their efforts on our behalf and we are indeed very grateful for this attention. Our thanks are also extended to the Ground Staff. Their difficulties we know are numerous, but nevertheless, they carried out their duties extremely well considering all things.

## CARDIFF ATHLETIC BOWLING CLUB

1935.

The following is the record of matches played in Season 1935. On the whole, both the first team and "A" team did very well, perhaps, better than previous seasons. We reached the semi-final of the Private Greens' League, a very difficult task considering the Clubs we played; also, in the W.B.A. Competition (Carruthers Shield) we did very well and are hoping to do better in Season 1936.

### FIRST TEAM.

W.B.A. MATCHES	..	Played 6. Won 4. Lost 2. Shots for 478, Shots against 426.
PRIVATE GREENS' LEAGUE		Played 6, Won 4, Lost 2. Shots for 570, Shots against 406.
FRIENDLY MATCHES	..	Played 16, Won 5, Lost 11. Shots for 1,279, Shots against 1,290.

The total matches played, W.B.A., Private Greens, and Friendly were 28, of which we won 13 and lost 15. Shots for 2,327, shots against 2,122. This record for all matches played was better than in previous Seasons.

### "A" TEAM.

The record of the "A" team is as follows :—

Matches played 18, Won 12, Lost 6.  
Shots for 1,536, Shots against 1,444.

A good performance and far better than in previous Seasons.

The following members of the Club were selected by the Glamorgan County Bowling Association to play in County matches in Season 1935 :—

A. Milsom.	J. Thomas.	L. C. Watters.
H. J. Salter.	W. Tucker.	C. A. Williams.
C. Standfast.		

## CARDIFF ATHLETIC LADIES' HOCKEY CLUB.

Season, 1935-36.

Weather favoured us this season, and—for the first time for three seasons—our Trial was held on a sunny afternoon. An innovation much appreciated by the members was the coaching by F. French after the trial game.

The latter played for Wales in all three International matches this season. In common with E. Winfield, she retained her place in the Glamorgan County First XI. while M. Horspool played in the County Second XI.

Our umpire, W. Cornwell, was awarded her "A" Umpire's Badge and was selected to umpire the International Match between Wales and Ireland in North Wales. We are very grateful to her for so ably refereeing our Club games.

On the 22nd February, the Ladies' International Hockey Match between Wales and Scotland was played on our ground. In spite of appalling weather, the match was a great success. The ground was covered with snow in the morning, then rain set in, but—following some hard work by the groundsmen, to whom our thanks are due—the match was played and resulted in a win for Wales by three goals to one.

In spite of the bad weather which prevented the carrying out of many fixtures, the first eleven had a very successful season. Eighteen matches were played, of which 10 were won, six drawn and two lost—both away matches. Sixty nine goals were scored for us and 36 against. M. Horspool was top scorer with 27 to her credit, F. French, playing in seven matches only, scored 19.

The presence of 1st eleven members in County, Territorial and International games, had its effect on the second eleven. They played 15 matches, of which one was won, two drawn and 12 lost.

We were invited to take part in the Tournament run by the Monmouthshire Hockey Association. We won and were presented with a Hockey Ball.

Our fourth Annual Dance held at the Hut was a wonderful success, and our thanks are due to Mr. Watters for his help and to Mr. F. Davies for acting as M.C.

This year we have lost two of our most valued members—Miss C. Holley and Miss Q. Poole—who have taken up posts in London. Miss Holley has been a member of the Club since its inception in 1927; she was Captain of the First XI from 1927-1930, and has been Vice-Chairman since 1931. Miss Poole was Secretary from 1930-1934. We wish them both every success in their new spheres.

## CARDIFF ATHLETIC GOLF CLUB.

1935.

The competition for the Welsh Rugby Club's Golf Cup was again held this year on the first Sunday of Summer Time, April 19th, at Southerndown.

The Cardiff Rugby Club was the holder of the Cup, and it is pleasant to be able to report that its representatives succeeded in retaining it for yet another year.

The names of those who qualified, as representing the Club on this occasion, together with their respective net scores are given below:—

W. G. Morgan	..	74	Dr. Tom Wallace	..	78
A. E. Taylor	..	75	H. T. Joseph	..	79
J. T. Morgan	..	75	P. R. P. Mathias	..	81
John Duncan	..	77			—
			Total	..	539

We were fortunate in that the weather was kind and the course played excellently. As usual, the day concluded with a supper in the Club House. at which Mr. John Duncan, a Vice-President of the Cardiff Rugby Club, and the donor of the Cup, presided. Before the commencement of supper the Chairman called on all those present to stand for a moment as a silent tribute to the late Ridgeway Fitzgerald who had passed away since the last competition. It will be remembered that the competition in its present form originated out of some friendly matches between ourselves and Newport which were organised and sponsored by the late Ridgeway Fitzgerald.

The social part of the meeting was undoubtedly a great success. The cup was received by the representatives of the Cardiff Athletic Club, and brief speeches of appreciation of the excellent meeting and thanks to the Chairman, who not only presided at the dinner but also organised the competition, was made by representatives of all the Clubs present.

The following clubs, in addition to ourselves, took part in this year's competition:—

Bridgend, Merthyr and Penarth.

Unfortunately, another competition being played at the Rogerstone Club on the same day prevented Newport from sending a side on this occasion. We hope that they will be able to compete next year and we would also like to see Swansea as competitors once more. In addition we would welcome teams from other Rugby clubs who have not as yet competed, as undoubtedly this meeting is one which is very much enjoyed by all who participate in it, and promotes a feeling of general goodwill between the clubs.

## CARDIFF BASEBALL CLUB.

### Season 1935.

Although the first year of the revived Baseball Club did not end with any material honours, great credit reflects on the team as a whole. It was no mean feat to figure sixth in the league table after being placed directly into the first division of the Welsh League.

F. H. Fish, our Captain, must feel pleased with the first effort of his team. He must be congratulated, too, on having again represented Wales in the International Match against England at Liverpool.

The season opened with an encouraging away victory against Peuarth. Then followed a series of defeats by the more experienced League teams, Newport, Penylan and Splott U.S. After two more victories against Canton and Fair Oaks, we crashed badly in both cup matches against John Williams' Welfare and Splott U.S. Next followed a most disheartening period of league defeats until away victories against Canton and Fair Oaks at the end of the season gave us promise for 1936.

The batting averages were headed by T. H. Maile, followed by our Captain, F. H. Fish, who both compiled over two hundred runs. The most successful bowler was again T. H. Maile who bowled 97 men, followed closely by R. H. Jenkins who bowled 89 men. In the field P. Jones must be congratulated on the 25 catches he made, many of them little short of miraculous. Although these individuals figure at the head of the averages, each member of the team played his part with credit.

In conclusion, let us congratulate the Committee; through the tact and guidance of our Chairman, R. A. Cornish, and our Secretary, L. C. Watters, the burden of reviving interest in baseball was greatly eased. We, too, must thank H. D. Evans for his generosity, especially at half-time and after the matches. He considers that no team bats well on an empty stomach. Our best thanks must also be given to J. Powell, whose fingers eased many a sore muscle, and for his kindness in looking after the kit.

We have the nucleus of a fine team and next year we should do even better.

CARDIFF BASEBALL CLUB. Season 1935.



Back Row: W. I. BRYNON (Hon. Secretary), R. W. BARRY (Committee), J. ROGERS (Committee), A. PEEL, J. DESMOND,  
 W. H. CROCKER, H. D. EVANS (Committee), L. LAWREY (Committee).  
 Second Row: W. H. BOON (Committee), E. GEORGE, A. PARSONS, F. H. FISH (Captain), T. RYAN, C. WESTON, T. MAILE,  
 L. C. WATTERS (General Secy).  
 Front Row: P. JONES, J. SMITH, A. COULTHARD, R. JENKINS.

CLUB CAPTAINS, 1935-36.



Inset: F. H. FISH,  
 Baseball.  
 Miss M. I. NIGH,  
 Ladies' Lawn Tennis.

Mr. T. STONE,  
 Rugby First XV.

Inset: J. T. MORGAN,  
 Cricket.  
 Mr. W. L. BRIGHT,  
 Lawn Tennis.

Mr. H. JOHNSON,  
 Athletic Rugby XV.

Inset: A. MILSOM,  
 Bowls.  
 Miss E. WINFIELD,  
 Hockey.

CARDIFF RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB, 1st XV. Season 1935-36.



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*Back Row:* J. POWELL (Hon. Masseur), G. E. HISLOP (Committee), H. JOHNSON (Committee), D. E. DAVIES (Committee),  
 R. A. CORNISH (Vice-Chairman).  
*Second Row:* Dr. W. G. WILLIAMS (Medical Officer), W. M. DOUGLAS (Chairman), S. DAVIES, R. BALE, W. A. WILLIAMS,  
 H. REES, H. O. EDWARDS, V. R. OSMOND, K. STREET, F. DAVIES (Committee), J. BATSTONE (Committee), L. C. WATERS  
 (Secretary).  
*First Row:* D. BROWN, J. E. BOWCOTT, G. I. PORTER, L. SPENCE (Vice-Captain), W. T. MORGAN (President), T. STONE (Captain),  
 A. BASSETT, J. J. DAVIES, J. REGAN, A. H. JONES.  
*In Front:* J. D. JONES, G. WILLIAMS.



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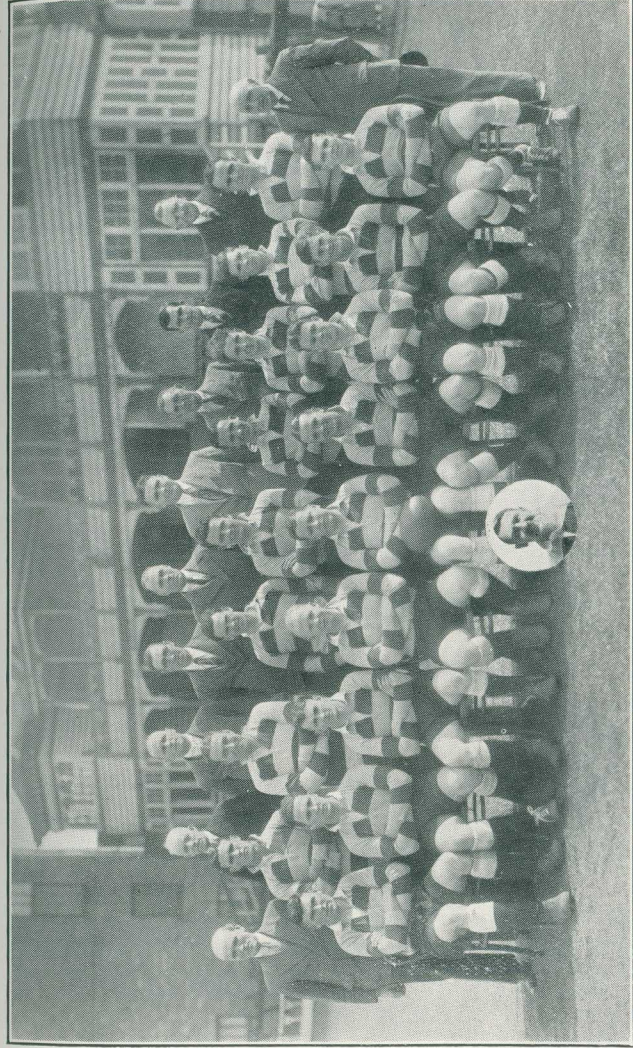
Mr. W. T. MORGAN,  
 President of the Cardiff Athletic Club.

CARDIFF RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB, 1st XV. Season 1936-37.



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*Second Row:* J. KELLER, A. B. BERTT, H. REES, I. HEATLEY, W. M. DOUGLAS (Chairman of Committee),  
 J. KELLER, A. B. BERTT, H. REES, I. HEATLEY, W. M. DOUGLAS (Chairman of Committee),  
*Front Row:* E. JONES, C. WILLIAMS, H. O. EDWARDS, W. WOOLLER, W. T. MORGAN (President), L. M. SPENCE (Captain),  
 G. L. PORTER.  
*In Front:* L. WILLIAMS, G. MORGAN.

CARDIFF RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB, ATHLETIC XV. Season 1936-37.



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*Second Row:* Capt. H. J. M. EDWARDS (Committee), E. JONES, H. GARLAND, E. R. TIPPLE, R. ROBERTS, G. S. LEWIS,  
 A. TURNBULL, J. KELLER, K. STREET, W. M. DOUGLAS (Chairman of Committee),  
*Front Row:* T. STEVENS, E. CARTER, J. I. DAVIES, A. CLARKE, V. R. OSMOND, D. BROWN, K. I. JONES, T. J. ROBERTS, G. DAVIES,  
 G. V. WYNNE-JONES (Captain).

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**INTRODUCTION**

During the year which ended May 10th, 1937, the Club was deprived of the services of Mr. H. M. Ingledew, who died on February 1st last. Of those who have been interested in the welfare of the Club since the War it may be said that no one has worked harder on behalf of the Club than the late Mr. Hugh Ingledew, whose interest in it dates from the time when he was a prominent member of the football side. He played at half-back from the season 1887-88 to 1891-92, and played for Wales against Ireland in 1890 and against England and Scotland in 1891. After his active playing days were over he served as a member of the Ground Committee and continued to take a great interest in the Club on all occasions. When, in the early years after the war, the Marquis of Bute offered the ground for sale, he was one of the prime movers in forming the Cardiff Arms Park Co., Ltd., and in raising the capital necessary to purchase the ground. Since that time as honorary solicitor to the Club he has worked indefatigably in its interests, being very largely responsible for the successful negotiations between the Cardiff Arms Park Co., Ltd., and the Arms Park (Cardiff) Greyhound Company Ltd., and also for the negotiations between the Cardiff Arms Park Co., Ltd. and the Welsh Rugby Union, which culminated in the reorganisation of the Company. He was a Director and Vice-Chairman of the Company from the outset to the time of his death and when, as a result of the reconstruction of the Company, the Club itself was reconstituted, he became the Vice-Chairman of the General Committee. It is probable that the ordinary member of the Club has no idea of the debt that the Club owes to the late Hugh Ingledew, because

his activities on the Club's behalf were rarely of a nature that the average member could see them or appreciate them. They were nearly always carried out either in his own office or in Committee, but it can be truthfully said that had he not taken the very great interest that he did in the Club it is doubtful whether members would be enjoying the amenities that they do to-day.

It is fitting to note that he has been succeeded as Vice-Chairman of the General Committee by his friend, Mr. John Elliot, who, incidentally, came into the football side in the season 1892-93, the season after Hugh M. Ingledew retired, and who also served on the Ground Committee in succession to him. The new Vice-Chairman has also given much of his time to the interests of the Club during the post-war period, having also been a Director of the Cardiff Arms Park Co., Ltd., ever since the Company was formed. The members may be assured that the General Committee, in appointing Mr. John Elliot as Vice-Chairman, has made a very wise appointment, and that all are very fortunate in having a person of such wide experience as Vice-Chairman of the General Committee. As yet no one has been appointed Vice-Chairman of the Cardiff Arms Park Co., Ltd., in succession to Mr. H. M. Ingledew.

As will be seen from the sectional reports, the Club has had a very successful year. Reference should particularly be made to the Football Team, which has had its most successful season since the war, and to the Men's Lawn Tennis Team who won the South Wales Lawn Tennis Championship Bowl for the first time in the Club's history.

This year has seen the abdication of King Edward VIII and the succession of King George VI and his gracious consort, Queen Elizabeth, to whom the members of the Club wish a long life and a successful reign.

In last year's report, reference was made to the loss of the three Lawn Tennis Courts along the Westgate Street wall as the result of the erection of the flats on this site. In making this reference members were informed that the Management Committee had certain plans and schemes in view to compensate the members for the loss of amenities caused in this way. It was also indicated that a considerable time would elapse before definite steps could be taken. As yet, no definite official announcement can be made, but members may rest assured that the Management Committee has in every way considered the interests of the Club and that there is a distinct possibility that in the near future the Management Committee's negotiations will produce definite results of advantage to the members.

In conclusion reference should be made to those who help to make the Cardiff Arms Park what it is. Not only should members be grateful to the General Secretary and the members of the permanent staff who are responsible for the excellent condition of the ground on all occasions, but it is also fitting that some tribute should be paid in this Report to the work of the Ladies' Committee who are responsible for carrying out the catering arrangements during the summer months. The Club is indeed very fortunate that it should have amongst its members ladies who are prepared to devote a considerable amount of their time on Saturday afternoons to preparing and serving Teas in rather difficult circumstances. It is hoped that the members, particularly those who use the grounds in the summer either for the purpose of playing or watching Club matches or watching County Cricket games, will realise the debt of gratitude they owe to this Ladies' Committee.

Compiled  
by R.S. Davies

## CARDIFF RUGBY CLUB

The year 1936-37 proved to be the most outstanding of Post-War Seasons. Play was consistently good, at times brilliant and sparkling, and always in keeping with the very high traditional Cardiff Rugby standard.

For independent testimony to this successful year let us cite an extract from the report of "Old Stager" on the Cardiff v. Barbarians game last Easter, which reads . . . . "Cardiff dictated the trend of events for lengthy periods, and made their famous opponents feel the full weight of the best club side of the season."

X Incidentally, an Irish International who took part in that game expressed the view that "No Club should be allowed to have such a good Club side as Cardiff!" X

At the season's outset, prospects looked promising and the assistance of Cliff Jones and Wilfred Wooller was to be forthcoming. It was, perhaps, a little time before the pack settled into an efficiently blended "eight" which, when the team was at full strength, was subjected to fiery opposition thoroughly determined on defeating it with the object of lessening the effectiveness of our clever backs. The fine team spirit, however, which prevailed throughout, overcame a few early shocks and proved the dominating factor in a really wonderful year.

Doubtless, the season would have been even better had it not been for the unfortunate injury to Cliff Jones at Swansea on the 28th November, 1936, which prevented him from playing during the remainder of the season.

Some compensation was available in the person of Wilfred Wooller who, in spite of trial and International Matches and injuries was able to assist the Club in half of its matches, and his assistance proved invaluable.

Our thanks is due to both of these players who lost no time in joining in the traditional team spirit and ever-prevailing good fellowship of the Cardiff Club.

Unstinted praise must be given to the loyal Captain, Leslie Spence, for his tireless and energetic example. To successfully lead a first-class side is creditable, but to maintain the necessary team spirit and, when occasion

demands, lead your team to victory with half-a-dozen of your best players absent, is a greater test, and one which "Les." successfully accomplished on several occasions.

If we say that Spence proved an extremely valuable and genuine "back row" forward, we mean that he proved entirely the opposite to the destructive, spoiling, non-shoving and ornamental "type" who is, unfortunately, still regarded in other quarters as "worth his place." Always in the thick of the fray, standing up to a lot of hard knocks, he set a sterling example to his team, and, particularly to his pack, which developed into one of the finest "eights" we have had for many years.

It is a great honour to Captain the Cardiff Rugby Club, and it is one which was worthily upheld by Leslie Spence, whom we sincerely congratulate on the valuable service rendered to those inseparable partners—Our Club and the Rugby Game—in this most excellent season.

Outstanding accomplishments were: the great win over the Barbarians by 16 points to 3; the maximum wins against Swansea—four times, Pontypool—three times, Neath, Coventry, and Plymouth Albion—twice each, the successful Midlands and Cornish tours—five games played all of which were won.

Against our Newport rivals, we were successful in three out of the four annual matches; incidentally, we consider that a more "healthy" rivalry continues to be shown in these games, which are doubtless keen but without the elements of rough Rugby.

Club players capped for Wales were W. Wooller (who captained the team against Ireland), E. Watkins, and H. Rees.

Unfortunately for Tommy Stone and H. O. Edwards, the postponement of the original match against Ireland at Belfast owing to snow, deprived them of their caps. These two players, however, played for the Barbarians during the year against the East Midlands XV in the Annual Edgar Mobbs' Memorial Match at Northampton, on the 4th March, 1937.

We were genuinely sorry to lose the services of Tommy Stone, who, late in the season, decided to turn professional,

but it would be ungenerous to let this occasion pass without offering our thanks to this great player and product of our Elementary Schools, for his valuable service to the Club in the seasons, 1928-29 to 1936-37.

During the season a broadcast talk on the interesting features of the Club's history was given from the West Regional programme in which W. J. Hoare ("Old Stager"), R. T. Gabe, R. A. Cornish, and Louis Bush, the son of the illustrious Percy Bush, took part.

The First XV visited Port Talbot to play Aberavon on the 28th September, 1936, to commemorate that Club's Jubilee.

We were honoured too by an invitation from the Middlesex Rugby Union to take part in its popular Annual Seven-a-Side Tournament in the cause of charity. In deference to our status we were to be exempted from the preliminary rounds, but owing to the terms of the Welsh Rugby Union bye-laws, the invitation had to be declined.

OBITUARY.—Mr. R. W. Barry passed away at the Llan-dough Hospital on the 4th November, 1936, after rather a long illness. The late Mr. Barry was for three years a member of the Football Committee, which body he conscientiously served. He was, perhaps, better known as a Welsh Rugby Union Referee, and in his lengthy career as such had controlled many important first class matches in Wales and England.

RETIREMENT.—We are sorry to record that Mr. B. R. Turnbull, owing to increasing pressure of business, was unable to allow himself to be nominated for re-election to the Football Committee for the season 1937-38.

Mr. Turnbull was a member of this Committee since his football retirement, but we are glad to learn that his services on the General and Management Committees of the Cardiff Athletic Club will still continue to be available.

CHARITY.—In response to the Cardiff Royal Infirmary Centenary Appeal, the Club staged a Cardiff Past versus Present match on the 28th April, 1937, and it is hoped that a sum in the region of £200 will be forthcoming.

As a matter of interest we give below the team of those old players who so willingly emerged from retirement—some

after a great number of years—to respond to the Club's invitation to do their bit for such a worthy cause:—

CARDIFF PAST XV: Roy Gabe-Jones; R. A. Cornish, Danny Davies, Graham Jones, J. Daley; W. J. (Bobby) Delahay and H. M. Bowcott; Ted Spillane, D. E. J. Hughes, Dai Westacott, Ifor Thomas, Hugh Johnson, Bob Barrell, Percy Bunce and Jim Burns.

Playing prospects for Season 1937-38 are very bright and with almost all of the current season's players available, we feel sure that with good fortune in the matter of players escaping injury, the new Captain, backed up by an energetic Committee, will achieve as successful a season in terms of Club spirit and record as that of 1936-37.

Before passing to the full record for the year 1936-37, we append below as a further item of interest, details of the best post-war seasons:—

Year.	Played.	Won.	Drawn.	Lost.	Points.	
					For.	Agst.
1936-37	.. 44	.. 36	.. 1	.. 7	.. 553	.. 173
1929-30	.. 44	.. 30	.. 5	.. 9	.. 560	.. 244
1924-25	.. 42	.. 30	.. 3	.. 9	.. 507	.. 253
1922-23	.. 40	.. 26	.. 6	.. 8	.. 541	.. 242

#### CARDIFF ATHLETIC XV.

Another healthy season in the Nursery.

This opening remark aptly describes the result of the season 1936-37.

Under the leadership of G. V. Wynne-Jones, it was a most successful one and, on reference to records, might also be described as the best of post war years.

Against almost all of the best second-class sides in Wales, and against such English ones as Barnstaple and Old Edwardians, the Athletic—or as they are known in "select" circles "The Rags"—played excellent and popular football. Why the nom-de-plume of "The Rags" was tagged on to the Athletic in the days of Syd. Cravos is, perhaps, hard to follow. We like to think it indicates a certain loyalty—in any case, the Athletic has always been a loyal lot to the Club.

A keen team spirit always prevails and none more keener than in the current season existed.

It is a grand feature of our Club that all the players are equally enthusiastic to play, whether it be for the First XV or the Athletic XV. ; playing for the Club is the keynote, with the prospects of promotion to the First XV. always in the offing.

The lot of the Athletic XV. Captain is one of difficulty, some folk assert it is a more difficult one than that of the Captaincy of the First XV. We will avoid controversy on the point, but will agree that the difficulties in the matter of last minute changes, sudden calls for players to the premier side, the trying out of new and unknown players makes the lot of the Athletic Skipper an unenviable one.

G. V. Wynne-Jones ("Geevers") has done well in the difficult role and it was with regret to all that he was, at Eastertime, suddenly stricken with illness which necessitated his urgent removal to hospital. All join in wishing him a speedy recovery to health.

On the departure of G. V. Jones, the mantle of Captaincy fell on the shoulders of V. R. Osmond, who right nobly led the side well and successfully until the end of the season.

"Viv." Osmond has been a grand and faithful servant and his loyalty to the Club (mainly with the First XV) for a great many years is deserving of the highest praise. We feel sure that future players will benefit from his loyal example.

A word of praise is also due to Hubert Johnson who emerged from his retirement to assist in several matches ; he is now a number of the Committee and a Selector.

Perhaps the most successful achievement of the season was the distinction of defeating those rivals Newport United in all four matches.

The records of the best post-war seasons are as follows :

Year.	Played.	Won.	Drawn.	Lost.	For.	Agst.	Points.	
							For.	Agst.
1936-37*	33	25	2	6	448	179		
1935-36*	30	21	3	6	249	136		
1924-25è	31	23	2	6	342	158		
1921-22è	32	24	2	6	266	118		

\* Cardiff Athletic. è Cardiff Reserves.

## FIXTURES AND RESULTS, 1936-37

### FIRST FIFTEEN.

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Rslt	Score for					Score Against								
				G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.		
1936																	
Sept. 1	Cardiff & Dist.	H	Won	8	5	..	..	..	..	55	I	I	..	..	..	..	8
" 5	London Welsh	H	Won	2	4	..	..	..	..	22	..	I	..	..	..	..	3
" 10	Pill Harriers ..	A	Won	2	2	..	..	..	..	16	..	I	..	I	..	..	6
" 12	Bridgend ..	H	Lost	..	I	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	I	..	..	..	4
" 19	Bristol ..	H	Won	I	I	..	I	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 21	Pontypool ..	A	Won	2	2	..	..	..	..	16	..	I	..	2	..	..	9
" 26	Neath ..	H	Won	3	..	..	I	..	..	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 28	Aberavon ..	A	Won	..	I	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
Oct. 3	Newport ..	A	Won	I	..	I	..	..	..	9	..	2	..	..	..	..	6
" 7	Bridgend ..	A	Won	..	2	I	..	..	..	10	..	I	..	..	..	..	3
" 10	Gloucester ..	A	Lost	..	3	..	..	..	..	9	..	I	I	2	..	..	13
" 17	Swansea ..	H	Won	I	I	I	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	2	..	..	6
" 24	Blackheath ..	A	Won	4	I	..	..	..	..	23	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 31	Pontypool ..	H	Won	2	2	..	..	..	..	16	..	2	..	..	..	..	6
Nov. 7	Llanelly ..	A	Lost	..	2	..	..	..	..	6	I	I	..	..	..	..	8
" 14	Plymouth Alb.	H	Won	2	2	I	2	..	..	26	..	..	..	I	..	..	3
" 21	Newport ..	H	Won	I	2	..	..	..	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 28	Swansea ..	A	Won	2	3	..	..	..	..	19	I	..	I	..	..	..	9
Dec. 5	Coventry ..	A	Won	I	I	..	..	..	..	8	..	I	..	I	..	..	6
" 7	Northampton	A	Won	4	..	..	..	..	..	20	..	I	..	..	..	..	3
" 12	Llanelly ..	H	Won	..	I	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 19	Harlequins ..	A	Won	I	2	..	I	..	..	14	I	..	..	2	..	..	11
" 26	Glasgow H.S	H	Won	3	3	2	..	..	..	32	..	..	I	I	..	..	7
" 28	Watsonians ..	H	Won	..	2	I	..	..	..	10	..	I	..	..	..	..	3
1937																	
Jan. 2	Bristol ..	A	Lost	..	I	..	..	..	..	3	I	..	..	..	..	..	5
" 9	Llanelly ..	A	Won	3	..	I	..	..	..	19	I	..	..	..	..	..	5
" 16	Bath ..	H	Won	..	I	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 23	Swansea ..	H	Won	..	I	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 30	†Richmond ..	H	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Feb. 13	Gloucester ..	H	Won	I	3	..	..	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 20	Newport ..	A	Lost	..	I	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	8
" 27	Blackheath ..	A	Lost	..	..	I	..	..	..	4	I	..	..	..	..	..	5

First Fifteen—continued.

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Rslt.	Score for					Score Against							
				G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	
1937																
Mar. 6	Newport	H	Won	1	2				11							0
" 10	Cheltenham	A	Won	1	1				8							0
" 13	Neath	A	Won	1					3							0
" 16	*Oxford Univ.	H	Won	2	1				13	1	1					8
" 20	Swansea	A	Won	1	1				4							0
" 27	Barbarians	H	Won	2	1				16							3
" 29	Harlequins	H	Drn.						0							0
" 30	Coventry	H	Won	1	1				11							3
April 3	Richmond	A	Won	2	1				16	1	1					11
" 10	Plymouth Alb.	A	Won	2	1	2			16							0
" 12	Falmouth	A	Won	5					25							6
" 13	Penzance	A	Won	1	2				11							0
" 17	Llanelly	H	Lost			1			3	1						5
" 24	Pontypool	A	Won	1	1				8	1						5

† Cancelled owing to snow and frost.  
\* Not included in records.

RECORD FOR SEASON	SCORE FOR					SCORE AGAINST					
	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.		G.	T.	D.G.	P.G.	M.G.	PTS.
	44	36	7	1		57	61	13	11	0	553
						10	18	6	15	0	173

FIRST XV SCORERS.

Tries: A. Bassett, 22; W. Wooller, 15; Les. Spence, 12; A. H. Jones, 9; H. O. Edwards, 8; Gwyn Porter, 6; R. W. Boon, C. W. (Cliff.) Jones, E. Gwyn Lewis, T. J. Roberts, Gwyn Williams, 5; J. J. Davies, 3; Selby Davies, M. Hughes, J. D. Jones, A. Skym, 2; R. Bale, E. Carter, Pat Cox, Glyn Morgan, H. Rees, J. Regan, M. Strong, F. L. Templeman, E. Watkins, and Lyn Williams, 1.

Dropped Goals: W. Wooller, 7; A. H. Jones, 4; Glyn Morgan and T. Stone, 1.

Penalty Goals: W. Wooller, 6; R. W. Boon and T. Stone, 2.

Converted Goals: T. Stone, 35; W. Wooller, 9; E. Watkins, 7; R. W. Boon, 3; D. Brown, W. E. N. Davies, and Les Spence, 1.

CARDIFF ATHLETIC FIFTEEN.

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Rslt.	Score For					Score Against							
				G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	
1936																
Sept. 5	*Crumlin	A														
" 12	Treorchy	A	Won	5					15	1	2					11
" 15	Penygraig	H	Won	1	4				17							0
" 19	Bristol Utd.	A	Lost	1					3	2	1					13
" 26	Mountain Ash	A	Lost	1	2				11	1	1					12
Oct. 3	Newport Utd.	H	Won	1	2				11	1	1					8
" 7	Bargoed	A	Won	1	4				17							0
" 10	Gloucester U.	H	Won	2	5				25							0
" 15	Cardiff Univer.	H	Won	1	1	1			10	1	1					9
" 17	Skewen	A	Won	1	2				11		1	1				7
" 24	Pill Harriers	H	Won	3		1			19	1						5
" 31	Chepstow	A	Won	1		1			9	1	1					8
Nov. 7	Mountain Ash	H	Drn.						0							0
" 14	Maesteg	A	Lost	1	1				8	1		1	1			11
" 21	Newport Utd.	A	Won	2					10		2					6
" 28	Treorchy	H	Won	3		1			27							0
Dec. 5	Glam. Wand.	H	Lost	1					5	1	1	1				12
" 12	Penygraig	A	Won	2	3				19	2		1				14
" 19	Chepstow	H	Won	1	2	1	1		18	1						5
" 26	Pill Harriers	A	Won	1	1				8	1						5
1937																
Jan. 2	†Bristol Utd.	H														
" 9	Skewen	H	Won	5	3				34							0
" 23	‡Ebbw Vale	A														
" 30	§Old Iltydians	A														
Feb. 6	Cardiff H.S.	H	Won	1	3				14		2					6
" 13	Old Boys															
" 20	Gloucester U.	A	Won	2	6	1			32			1				3
" 27	Newport Utd.	H	Won	3	2				21							0
Mar. 6	†Tredegar	H														
" 13	Newport Utd.	A	Won	1					3							0
" 18	Maesteg	H	Won	2	1				13							0
" 20	‡Cardiff Uni.	A														
" 24	‡Cheltenham	H														
" 27	Glam. Wand.	A	Won	1					3							0
" 29	Aberaman	A	Won	2	1	1			17		2					6
April 3	Barnstaple	A	Lost	1					3	1	2					11
" 10	Barnstaple	H	Won	3					15							0
" 17	Old Edward's	H	Won	3	2				21	1						5
" 24	Cardiff H.S.	A	Won	1	3				14		1					3
" 24	Old Boys															
May 5	Tredegar	A	Drn.	2					6		2					6
" 5	Ebbw Vale	A	Lost	3					9	2	1					13

\* Cancelled—Crumlin unable to obtain ground.  
† Cancelled owing to use of ground by W.R.U.  
‡ Cancelled owing to wet state of ground.  
§ Cancelled owing to snow and frost.

RECORD FOR SEASON	SCORE FOR.					SCORE AGAINST.					
	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.		G.	T.	D.G.	P.G.	M.G.	PTS.
	33	25	6	2		44	65	6	3	0	448
						18	20	5	2	1	179

## PAST CAPTAINS AND VICE-CAPTAINS.

### RUGBY.

	<i>Captain.</i>	<i>Vice-Captain.</i>
1876-7	T. S. DONALDSON SELBY	W. D. PHILLIPS
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1878-9	R. H. FOA	W. D. PHILLIPS
1879-80	W. D. PHILLIPS	B. E. GIRLING
1880-1	W. D. PHILLIPS	B. B. MANN
1881-2	B. E. GIRLING	W. D. PHILLIPS
1882-3	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. H. TREATT
1883-4	H. J. SIMPSON	W. D. PHILLIPS
1884-5	H. J. SIMPSON	W. D. PHILLIPS
1885-6	F. E. HANCOCK	A. F. HILL
1886-7	W. M. DOUGLAS	A. J. HYBART
1887-8	C. A. YOUNG	A. F. HILL
1888-9	A. F. HILL	C. S. ARTHUR
1889-90	C. S. ARTHUR	S. H. NICHOLLS
1890-1	W. E. O. WILLIAMS	D. W. EVANS
1891-2	D. W. EVANS	F. N. JONES
1892-3	T. W. PEARSON	A. LEWIS
1893-4	N. BIGGS	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT
1894-5	A. F. HILL	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT
1895-6	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT	F. MILLS
1896-7	J. E. ELLIOT	S. BIGGS
1897-8	S. BIGGS	E. GWYN NICHOLLS
1898-9	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	T. DOBSON
1899-1900	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	H. V. P. HUSSEY
1900-1901	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	J. BLAKE
1901-2	H. B. WINFIELD	D. L. BOWEN
1902-3	H. B. WINFIELD	C. STRANAGHAN
1903-4	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	C. F. BIGGS
1904-5	C. F. BIGGS	W. NEILL
1905-6	PERCY F. BUSH	GEO. NORTHMORE
1906-7	PERCY F. BUSH	GEO. NORTHMORE
1907-8	RHYS T. GABE	J. BROWN
1908-9	PERCY F. BUSH	F. SMITH
1909-10	J. L. WILLIAMS	F. SMITH
1910-11	R. A. GIBBS	J. PUGSLEY
1911-12	L. M. DYKE	J. A. POWELL
1912-13	W. SPILLER	W. J. JENKINS
1913-14	W. J. JENKINS	R. F. WILLIAMS
1914-19	EUROPEAN WAR.	
1919-20	F. GACCON—W. J. POWELL	W. J. JENKINS
1920-21	CLEM LEWIS	R. A. CORNISH
1921-22	R. ARTHUR CORNISH	I. RICHARDS
1922-23	DR. T. WALLACE	I. RICHARDS
1923-24	IDRIS RICHARDS	T. A. JOHNSON
1924-25	T. A. JOHNSON	D. E. DAVIES
1925-26	D. E. DAVIES	W. J. DELAHAY
1926-27	W. J. DELAHAY	D. E. DAVIES
1927-28	B. R. TURNBULL	B. O. MALE
1928-29	B. O. MALE	K. P. TURNBULL
1929-30	S. C. CRAVOS	H. POOLE
1930-31	B. R. TURNBULL	S. C. CRAVOS
1931-32	HOWARD POOLE	H. M. BOWCOTT
1932-33	TOM LEWIS	B. R. TURNBULL
1933-34	GRAHAM JONES	R. GABE-JONES
	R. GABE-JONES	
1934-35	A. SKYM	T. STONE
1935-36	T. STONE	L. SPENCE
1936-37	L. M. SPENCE	T. STONE

## CARDIFF CRICKET CLUB 1936

In common with Clubs throughout the country, the season of 1936 was far from encouraging. Wet and dreary days at times made the playing of matches rather difficult and unpleasant, and it follows that the records of all teams were disappointing.

The match results were as follows:—

	<i>Played.</i>	<i>Won.</i>	<i>Drawn.</i>	<i>Lost.</i>	<i>Abandoned.</i>
First XI "A"	25	4	8	7	6
First XI "B"	19	2	6	6	5
Second XI	20	3	7	5	5
Extras	16	4	—	8	4

FIRST XI "A."—Excepting on rare occasions, the batting was inconsistent. Lack of practice, due to the wet weather, coupled with inability to deal effectively with spin bowling, accounted for several batting failures.

The only century for the Club, 118, was scored by L. G. Jones. With the exception of the Skipper's (F. W. Mathias) slows, the bowling was also not up to the usual standard, and, unfortunately, Reed did not produce his best form with the ball. Frequently called upon to play for the County, it is very gratifying to see in their report an appreciation of the services he rendered to them.

The FIRST XI "B" had a very poor season, and it was not until towards the end of August that they registered their first win.

SECOND XI.—A keen captain kept this side together well; they were unfortunate in not having more wins to their credit.

EXTRAS.—This young team is carrying on the useful work of preparing players for the higher elevens.

Despite their difficulties and disappointments on the field the four Captains did all possible for the welfare of the Club.

The Committee wish to acknowledge with many thanks the willing help of Umpires, Scorers, Captains and others who assisted throughout the Season.

The Schools Competition, which has now been running ten years, was again a great success, due in a very great measure to the unselfish interest of Messrs. Frank Lewis and Will Pritchard, who gave a great deal of their time to the smooth running of the series of matches.

The Captain of the Club for 1937 is F. Thomas, who for the last three Seasons has captained the "B" XI. He will have the support of all members, and although the Club appears to be passing through a lean period, there will undoubtedly be the same keen interest for the success of the coming season.

## LIST OF CAPTAINS.

### CRICKET.

From 1867 to 1876 there is no record of Captains.

1877 .. E. W. JONES	1908 .. A. GIBSON
1878 .. E. W. JONES	1909 .. A. GIBSON
1879 .. E. W. JONES	1910 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1880 .. E. W. JONES	1911 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1881 } Names of Captains	1912 .. N. V. H. RICHES and
1882 } not recorded.	J. HORSPOOL
1883 }	1913 .. J. HORSPOOL
1884 .. J. P. JONES.	1914 .. J. HORSPOOL
1885 .. J. P. JONES.	1915 }
1886 .. J. P. JONES	1916 } EUROPEAN WAR
1887 .. W. H. WILLIAMS	1917 }
1888 .. W. H. WILLIAMS	1918 }
1889 .. W. H. WILLIAMS	1919 .. J. HORSPOOL
1890 .. A. MORRIS	1920 .. H. G. SYMONDS
1891 .. A. MORRIS	1921 .. G. E. CORDING
1892 .. W. H. BRAIN	1922 .. G. E. CORDING
1893 .. W. H. BRAIN	1923 .. T. R. MORGAN
1894 .. W. H. BRAIN	1924 .. H. W. TAYLER
1895 .. J. H. BRAIN	1925 .. F. W. MATHIAS
1896 .. J. H. BRAIN	1926 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1897 .. J. G. CLARK	1927 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1898 .. J. G. CLARK	1928 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1899 .. J. G. CLARK	1929 .. A. N. MORGAN
1900 .. J. H. BRAIN	1930 .. A. N. MORGAN
1901 .. J. H. BRAIN	1931 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1902 .. J. G. CLARK	1932 .. E. C. DOLMAN
1903 .. V. T. HILL	1933 .. G. L. RATTENBURY
1904 .. V. T. HILL	1934 .. J. T. MORGAN
1905 .. J. P. CADOGAN	1935 .. J. T. MORGAN.
1906 .. A. GIBSON	1936 .. F. W. MATHIAS
1907 .. A. GIBSON	

## CARDIFF ATHLETIC LAWN TENNIS CLUB Season 1936.

A review of the Tennis Season for the year 1936 should properly commence at the General Meeting held on the 28th March, 1936. Here it was disclosed that the wall courts, often despised but now given their true value, were no longer to be in use and were not likely to be replaced during the forthcoming season. It is necessary to mention this as no doubt the loss was primarily responsible for the regrettable decrease in membership.

The Committee considered the non-team members of the Club by arranging for the majority of league matches to be played away, but the fact was not known to prospective members, who consequently made other arrangements.

Continuing on the debit side, the weather which greeted the opening of the season proper was appalling. The effect of this was particularly felt by the Tournament Committee who found it necessary to run the Annual Tournament under conditions which were almost impossible. Despite this fact, the work of the umpire, D. B. Morgan, and his assistant, Miss M. Oxenham, was such that all events were completed prior to the commencement of the holiday season. The results were:—

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP	.. J. M. Hopkins.
LADIES' SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP	.. Miss M. Oxenham.
MEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP	.. J. Broad and W. L. Bright.
LADIES' DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP	.. Misses M. Davies and M. Nigh.
MEN'S HANDICAP SINGLES ..	.. D. HUZZEY.
LADIES' HANDICAP SINGLES ..	.. Miss M. Gillings.
MEN'S HANDICAP DOUBLES ..	.. A. Wetherall and C. Williams.
LADIES' HANDICAP DOUBLES	.. Misses D. Jones and M. Gillings.
MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP	.. Miss M. Oxenham and J. M. Hopkins.
MIXED DOUBLES HANDICAP ..	.. Miss M. Planck and W. O. Morgan.

Having reached the credit side of the review, the good work can be continued.

The Men's first team won for the first time in the history of the Club the W.L.T.A. Challenge Bowl, beating Swansea in the final, and losing only one match *en route*. The second team, while not so successful, suffered very badly from the weather, the majority of their matches being played in mid-week, with the result that a settled side was impossible. Next season should, however, see them assume their proper place near the head of the section.

The Ladies' team, playing their matches on week-days, did not strike their true form and, unfortunately, will find it necessary to play in Division 2 next season. To compensate for this, however, the second team did excellently to win their section. With this additional talent to call upon, the premier side should regain its place in the first division.

Mention must be made of the first supper which was held for the purpose of presenting the Tournament prizes. We were favoured with the presence of Mr. Frank Jones, the President of the W.L.T.A., and our thanks for a particularly enjoyable evening are due to the Committee and, in particular, to the Hon. Secretary of the Section, Mr. C. T. Hemming.



## CARDIFF ATHLETIC BOWLING CLUB

Season 1936.

The season's results in terms of wins and losses do not, perhaps, "shine" quite as well as was generally expected according to records of previous years. It was, perhaps, owing to meeting stronger opposition in the W.B.A. Competitions. At the same time, we did fairly well in the Private Greens League.

The "A" team's record was moderate, not quite as good as 1935.

The Club were honoured by a visit to our Green of the Irish Bowlers' Touring Club (which included several internationals) on Whit-Tuesday. A large crowd watched the game which was a huge success and, thanks to Mr. L. C. Watters, General Secretary, for his assistance in providing for their enjoyment whilst here with us, every member of the Irish Club was loud in his praise of a "grand day." Our heartiest thanks must also be given to Mrs. Watters and other ladies for the assistance they gave to make the event a great success.

I am pleased to record in this report, the heartiest congratulations of all the members of the Club to our Captain for 1937—Mr. Cliff. W. Standfast. He was successful in winning the Club Championship (second time in succession), the Handicap Cup, and the Bowcott Cup. He was also the winner of the Private Greens' Single-handed Championship Cup open to all members of Private Greens Clubs, 1936—a "grand performance."

The following is the record of matches played in Season 1936 :

### FIRST TEAM.

W.B.A.	.. .. .	Played 6. Won 1. Lost 5. Shots for 449. Shots against, 513.
PRIVATE GREENS LEAGUE	..	Played 11. Won 7. Lost 4. Shots for 889. Shots against 818.
FRIENDLY MATCHES	..	Played 17. Won 10. Lost 7. Shots for 1,454. Shots against 1,315.

The total matches played, W.B.A., Private Greens League, and Friendly, were 34; 18 of which were won and 16 lost. Shots for 2,792. Shots against 2,646.

### "A" TEAM.

The record of the "A" Team is as follows :—  
Played 18. Won 9. Lost 8. Drawn 1. A fair performance.

The results of the Club Tournaments for 1936 were as follows :—

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP	..	Mr. Cliff. W. Standfast.
CLUB HANDICAP	.. ..	Mr. Cliff. W. Standfast.
CLUB PAIRS	.. ..	Messrs. J. Thomas and D. Dimond.
BOWCOTT CUP	.. ..	Mr. Cliff. W. Standfast.
SPOON COMPETITION	..	Mr. J. Lee.

The following members of the Club were selected by the Glamorgan County Bowling Association to play in County Matches in 1936 :

Messrs. J. Oxenham, L. Smith, K. Toozer, A. Hayes, H. J. Salter, J. D. Roberts, C. W. Standfast, L. C. Watters, and C. A. Williams.

This report cannot be complete without expressing the very best thanks of the Bowling Section to the ladies who willingly and excellently attended to the wants of the Bowlers, and visitors, at the tea tables. We take this opportunity of assuring them that we very much appreciate their efforts. Our thanks are also extended to the General Secretary and the Ground Staff for the able assistance and the attention given to the Green and keeping same in good condition at all times.

## CARDIFF ATHLETIC LADIES' HOCKEY CLUB.

Season, 1936-37.

Owing to the wet weather at the beginning of the season we had very little practice, and no matches at all in September.

The first home match was played on the 24th October, when the second Eleven opened the season in brilliant style with a victory over St. Mellons by eighteen goals to nil.

Our Captain—E. Winfield—and F. French retained their places in the Glamorgan team; P. L. Jones, T. Jones and W. Pearce played for the County Seconds.

J. Davies played for Monmouthshire, and F. French, W. Pearce and E. Winfield were invited to take part in the South Wales trials; the first two were again selected to represent the South.

E. Winfield and G. Arthur toured America with the Welsh touring team during October and November.

Our Umpire, W. Cornwell, was selected to umpire the International Match between Wales and Scotland at Glasgow. We are very grateful to her for so ably refereeing our Club games.

Bad weather was responsible for the cancellation of ten of the First Eleven fixtures. Of the remaining 15 games, one was drawn, seven were lost and seven won; 56 goals were scored for us and 59 against. Eight of the Second Eleven fixtures had to be cancelled owing to inclement weather. Of the remaining 18 games, three were drawn, seven lost and eight won; 84 goals were scored for us and 59 against.

This year—as in the previous year—we were invited to take part in the Tournament run by the Monmouthshire Hockey Association, but were not as successful as we were last year. We obtained the same number of points as Pontywaun, but having a slightly lower goal average, had to yield first place to them.

Our Fifth Annual Dance, held at the Hut, was a decided social success, though not financially so. We are very grateful to Mr. Watters for his help and to Mr. F. Davies for acting as M.C.

Early this season we lost three valued members—M. Thomas, who left us to get married, and F. French and M. Horspool, who obtained new positions in Birmingham and Folkestone respectively. Later in this season, E. Butterworth also left to get married. We wish all four every success in their new spheres.

## CARDIFF ATHLETIC GOLF CLUB.

1936.

The competition for the Welsh Rugby Clubs Golf Cup was, in accordance with the established practice, held on the first Sunday of Summer Time, April 18th, at the Southerndown Golf Club.

The Cardiff Rugby Club was the holder of the Cup and it is pleasant to be able to report that its representatives succeeded in retaining it for the third year in succession.

The names of those who qualified, as representing the Club on this occasion, together with their respective net scores are given below:—

E. N. Morgan	..	69	G. T. Cattell..	..	78
R. S. Sugden	..	71	W. G. Morgan	..	81
D. B. Morgan	..	75	J. H. Brain	..	83
J. T. Morgan	..	77			
			Total	..	534

The weather was kind and the course was in excellent condition. It was, however, unfortunate that Mr. John Duncan, the donor of the Cup was unable to be present to preside at supper in the evening. In his absence and at his invitation, Mr. D. B. Morgan, Captain of the Cardiff Rugby Club team presided. Mr. Duncan was absent because the meeting clashed with the Halford Hewitt meeting, in which competition he also takes a very great interest.

During the course of the evening, the acting Chairman proposed and Mr. Idris Richards, of Merthyr, seconded, a proposition to the effect that instead of holding the meeting in subsequent years on the first Sunday of Summer Time as heretofore, the meeting should be held on a date suitable to Mr. John Duncan, in order to avoid a clash of dates of this nature again. This resolution was carried unanimously as everybody present felt that the meeting would have been even more delightful had Mr. John Duncan been present.

During the evening, when making a short speech on behalf of the Merthyr team, our old friend Idris Richards, drew attention to the fact that the party sitting down to supper consisted of the whole of the Merthyr representatives together with only a few from the Cardiff and Bridgend Clubs. He also pointed out that once again only four teams had competed for the Cup. His remarks had the sympathy of everyone present and it is to be hoped that in the future more Clubs will compete and that more players will remain to Supper.

The following Clubs in addition to ourselves took part in this year's competition, with the total net scores as stated against each:

Bridgend, 539; Merthyr, 544; Penarth, 559.

## CARDIFF BASEBALL CLUB.

Season 1936.

In reviewing the activities of the Baseball Section, it is with regret we record the deaths of two members of our Committee—Mr. R. W. Barry and Mr. George Lewis—and whilst it is our duty to fill their places, their names will always be held in esteem by this Club.

The spirit of optimism, which prevailed at the end of the season 1935, was more than justified, for at the end of season 1936 we finished third in the Welsh League and are still one of the finalists for the W.B.U. Cup. Our congratulations must go to our skipper, H. J. Rowlands, and the players who attained these records.

While writing of congratulations, we must feel proud of the four players who represented Wales at Cardiff, and F. H. Fish who captained Wales must have been proud of the performances of his three Clubmates—T. H. Maile, E. L. George, and R. H. Jenkins—on their initiation into International Baseball.

Our most significant wins were those against Pill (away), Newport (home and away), Grange Albions (away), and Splott (home). While the high spot of our play was seen against Splott, the match played at Newport will go down in the Club's baseball history as an historic event. The Cardiff team, depleted through injuries, had to shanghai "veterans," "crocks" and Committee men in order to play. To the amazement of everyone, including themselves, they not only beat Newport, but beat them well.

The most pleasing episode of the season was our trip to Watchet at the invitation of Splott, to play an exhibition match. The game was excellent considering the fact that many of the men had refused nourishment for some hours previous to the match. They dared not eat!

Individual honours for the season go to F. H. Fish again for heading the batting averages with a total of 274 runs for an average of 9.13 runs per innings, closely followed by E. L. George, whose total of over 300 runs constitutes a Club record.

The bowling averages were headed again by T. H. Maile, with 117 men out for 4.22 runs apiece, closely followed by J. Rees and R. H. Jenkins with averages of 5.75 and 5.76 runs for each man out, respectively.

In the field our new players distinguished themselves, and the 26 catches of E. Jenkins is even greater than that of P. Jones of the previous season.

The smooth running of any section depends on its officers and committee, and the season 1936 reflects great credit on our Chairman, Mr. R. A. Cornish; our Secretary, Mr. L. C. Watters, and on the Committee, among whom is Mr. H. D. Evans, whose hospitality after the matches did much to cement the friendship among the players.

What 1937 holds in store for us cannot, as yet, be predicted, but it is safe to forecast that with an equal improvement next season as there was this, Baseball on the "Park" will be a most pleasant entertainment.

CARDIFF RUGBY FOOTBALL COMMITTEE. Season 1936-37.



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 Front Row : Dr. W. G. WILLIAMS (Medical Officer), R. A. CORNISH (Vice-Chairman), J. BATSTONE, W. T. MORGAN (President),  
 W. M. DOUGLAS (Chairman), J. THOMAS.  
 Inset : H. JOHNSON, D. L. EVANS CAPT. H. J. M. EDWARDS.

CLUB CAPTAINS  
1936-37

A.C. CALDER  
BOWLS

J. BROAD  
LAWN TENNIS

L.M. SPENCE  
RUGBY  
1ST XV.

F.W. MATHIAS  
CRICKET

E. WINFIELD  
HOCKEY

1st TEAM GENTLEMEN'S LAWN TENNIS CLUB.



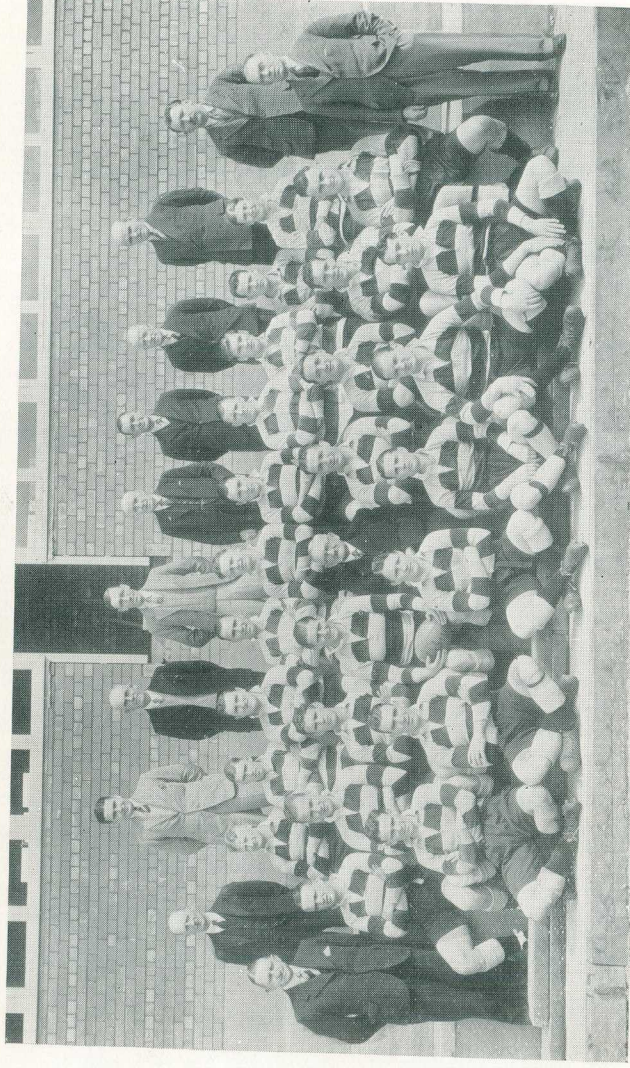
Top (left to right) : C. TAYLOR, A. WETHERALL, and CHARLES WILLIAMS.  
Bottom (left to right) : W. L. BRIGHT, J. BROAD, and J. M. HOPKINS.



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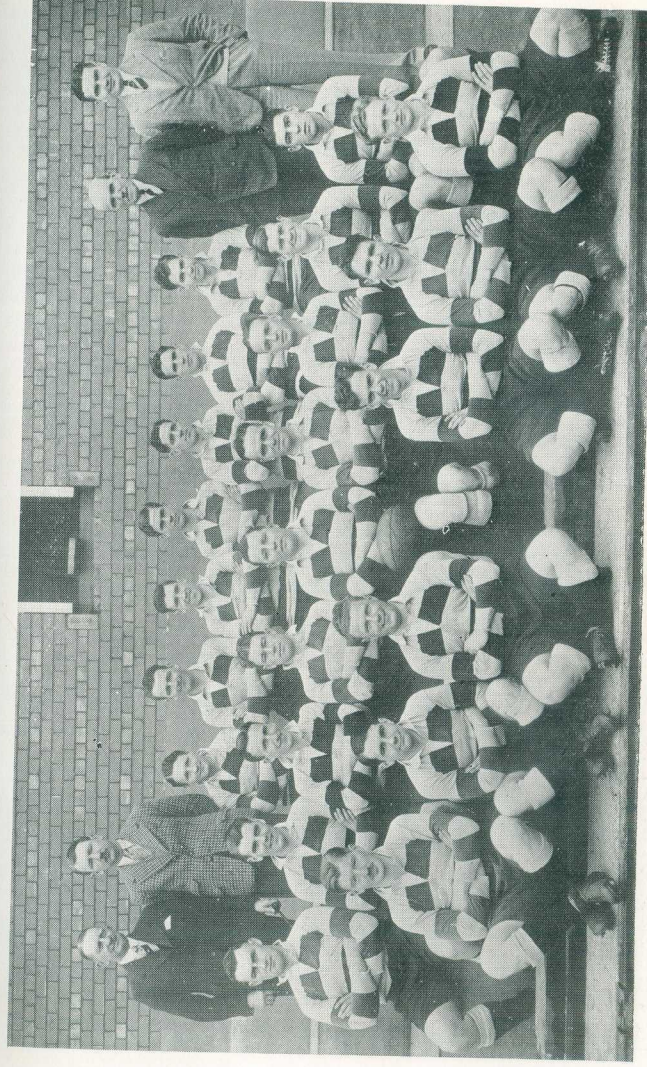
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CARDIFF RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB, 1st XV. Season 1937-38.



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CARDIFF RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB, ATHLETIC XV. Season 1937-38.



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 R. D. OWEN, E. JONES, G. WILLIAMS, Capt. H. J. M. EDWARDS (Committee), H. JOHNSON (Committee).  
*Second Row :* J. HEATLEY, E. L. BEVAN, G. S. LEWIS, K. JONES, V. R. OSMOND (Captain), K. STREET, D. BROWN, T. J. ROBERTS,  
 R. E. MICHAEL.  
*Front Row :* T. R. TURNBULL, W. H. PUGH, T. A. PARRY, R. TIPPLE, G. DAVIES, E. R. KNAPP

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**INTRODUCTION**

During the year which ended on May 7th, 1938, the Club has lost the services of Mr. J. Gowan Clark, who died on November 28th, 1937, and of Mr. John Elliot, who died on March 30th, 1938.

In the Introduction to the Report for the year ended May 10th, 1937, reference was made to the close association which always existed between the late Mr. Hugh Murray Ingledew and the late Mr. John Elliot in activities connected with the Cardiff Rugby Football Club and the Cardiff Athletic Club. Like his friend, Mr. Hugh Ingledew, Mr. John Elliot was always one who took the very greatest interest in the Club. He never sought the limelight but did his hardest work for the Club behind the scenes, and was always ready to do anything he could to further the interests of the Club whenever he was called upon to do so.

He originally became associated with the Club as an active member of the Football side, playing as a three-quarter and half-back in the seasons 1892/93 to 1898/99. He was Captain of the Club in the season 1896/97 and secured three International Caps, playing for Wales against Ireland in 1894, and against both England and Ireland in 1898.

After his playing days were over, for some time he continued to take an interest in the Club, an interest which lapsed for a period but which was revived when the ground was purchased from the Marquis of Bute shortly after the War. He was one of the original Directors of the Cardiff Arms Park Co., Ltd., and in this capacity was jointly responsible with his friend, Mr. Hugh Ingledew, for the successful negotiations between the Cardiff Arms Park Co., Ltd., and the Arms Park (Cardiff) Greyhound Racing Co., Ltd., and also for the negotiations with the Welsh Rugby Union which led up to the re-organisation of the Company.

As was stated in the last Report, he succeeded Mr. Hugh Ingledew as Vice-Chairman of the General Committee of the Club and, subsequent to the publication of the last Report, he was appointed Vice-Chairman of the Cardiff Arms Park Co., Ltd., in succession to Mr. Hugh Ingledew. During the years when he was actively connected with the Club, in addition to his natural charm and geniality, he gave the Club the benefit of his great business experience, coupled with very marked ability in all negotiations. By his death the Club has in every way suffered a very great loss.

By the death of Mr. J. Gowan Clark, the Club has lost the services of one who was also associated with it for a number of years. During his younger days, as members will learn from the Cricket Club's report, he was a prominent cricketer, captaining the side in the seasons 1897, 1898, 1899, and again in 1902, during which period he also played for Glamorgan for a number of seasons. After his playing days he continued to take an interest in the Cricket Section, being for many years a member of the Cricket Committee and latterly the Chairman of the Cricket Club. He was, as members well know, for many years a member both of the General Committee and the Management Committee of the Club. During this period he proved himself to be a capable administrator. He took a great interest in the well-being of the Club and devoted a considerable amount of time to its interests. By his death the General Committee and the Management Committee have lost the valued assistance of a very old and genial friend.

As yet, no appointment has been made to fill the vacant positions on the General Committee caused by the deaths of Mr. John Elliot and Mr. J. Gowan Clark, nor has anyone been appointed to succeed Mr. John Elliot as Vice-Chairman of the General Committee of the Club, or as Vice-Chairman of the Cardiff Arms Park Co., Ltd. During the year Mr. Kenneth Ingledew was co-opted as a member of the General Committee and consented to act as Honorary Solicitor to the Club in succession to his father, while Captain H. J. M. Edwards, a member of the

General Committee, was appointed a member of the Management Committee in the place of Mr. J. Gowan Clark.

In the last two reports, reference has been made in a somewhat cryptic and enigmatical manner to plans and schemes which have been brought forward to compensate members for the loss of amenities caused through the erection of the flats along the Westgate Street wall. This work entailed considerable negotiations between the Club and its landlords, The Cardiff Arms Park Co., Ltd., and its co-tenants, The Arms Park (Cardiff) Greyhound Racing Co., Ltd., work in which both Mr. Ingledew and Mr. Elliot participated during their lifetime. This work has now reached a successful conclusion with results known to all the members. The Mezzanine floor of the North Stand has, as far as the structure of the Stand permits, been successfully adapted to accommodate a members' lounge and new and up-to-date changing rooms with baths attached to each. In addition, separate rooms have been provided for the use of the Referee in the Football season and the Umpires in the Cricket season, and for the Medical Officer in case of serious injury, two small points of considerable importance to a ground of the standing of the Cardiff Arms Park.

The old wooden Pavilion had for many years been giving the General Committee considerable worry. It was generally in a dilapidated condition, had come to the end of its days and required replacing in some way or another. The adaption of the Mezzanine floor in the manner indicated permitted the dismantling of the old Pavilion which in turn resulted in the moving of the County Cricket Score Board to the Angel entrance and the erection of a Cricket Pavilion and Tea Room in the south-east corner of the Cricket Ground. This Pavilion, which is connected to the members' lounge by a communicating passage, also contains a Skittle Alley which promises to be very popular in the winter.

In addition, as those members who attend the Football matches are aware, the stands around the Football Ground have been altered and improved out of all recognition

by the Welsh Rugby Union. The result is that today we have not only the finest Athletic Ground in Wales, but also a Football Ground more in keeping with the traditions of the Club and the importance of the matches played on it.

Naturally, the very considerable alterations and improvements effected during the past year have entailed an enormous expenditure on the part of the Club, as is shown in the Annual Statement of Accounts, to which the attention of all members is particularly directed, involving a liability extending over the next twelve years. The Committee embarked on this expenditure and liability with considerable misgiving. It felt on the one hand that the Club had accumulated certain funds which could be used to the general advantage and benefit of the members. On the other hand, it found that when the scheme was completed, owing to a variety of circumstances, it involved a liability extending over a considerable period as has already been stated. It feels, however, that the actions it has taken have in every way been in the best interests of the Club. It hopes that the existing members and all others who use the Club premises will appreciate the improvements that have been effected and that as a result there will be a considerable increase, not only in the number of members of the various sections, but also in the number of consolidated members who, together with life members, control the destiny of the Club.

One cannot conclude this Introduction to the Annual Report without once again paying tribute to all those who make life on the Park so pleasant. Particularly one would mention the General Secretary and the members of the permanent staff who are responsible for the excellent appearance and condition of the ground and also the Ladies' Committee who carry out the catering arrangements during the summer months. It is to be hoped that the ladies who devote so much time preparing and serving teas for the benefit of their fellow members will find the new Tea Pavilion more pleasant in every way than their old quarters.

*Rev. in Talent*

## CARDIFF RUGBY CLUB

The Season 1937/38 was another very successful one and provided the best record since 1910-11, and to the Captains of both the First and Athletic Fifteens we offer our sincere congratulations.

It is a wonderful performance to win 38 out of a total of 46 matches, all against first-class opposition, a feat which the Cardiff Team accomplished in 1937/38; it also indicates the continued existence of a band of capable players imbued with a healthy team spirit.

The record is more remarkable when the frequent selection of the Club's players for Internationals, Trials and other representative Matches is borne in mind, which testifies to the strength of the reserve side. Twelve Cardiff Athletic Players were fielded against Blackheath at home; nine against Llanelly at home, and nine against Bath away, yet the wearers of the Blue and Black jerseys were victorious in each encounter.

Throughout the season, the football provided was typical of Cardiff, open, attractive and often brilliant, and it cannot be said that the team at any time resorted to a close style of play in order to preserve a slender lead, whatever the class of the opposition, or even when a temporary lapse of form was apparent. Yet it is a remarkable fact that, compared with the Season 1936/37, gate receipts were down. Cannot our Members help by introducing new members to a Club which provides so many pleasing facilities and so much brilliant Rugby Football?

Our reputation has been built up and continues to be maintained by playing Rugby Football in its true spirit. Ample testimony to this fact is borne by the popular welcome given to the Cardiff Team when playing away from home.

Read what the Newport programme for the Match versus Cardiff on the 13th November, 1937, has to say:

“ Cardiff are a bigger attraction than any other Club in the Kingdom at Newport,” and that even before the return of W. Wooller and Cliff Jones . . . . “ Cardiff had a brilliant side.”

Here, we would like to pay tribute to our Newport rivals, who, whilst not perhaps possessing many players comparable to those who have served the Club in some of its former brilliant seasons, continue to join in mutual and successful endeavour to provide a clean, hard and open type of football in our four annual games. The continued good feeling between the two Clubs is much to be admired, and must be maintained.

In the series of Internationals we were represented by Arthur Bassett, Cliff Jones, Harry Rees, E. Watkins, and Wilfred Wooller.

The Reserves were W. E. N. Davis, H. O. Edwards, W. G. Morgan, and Jim Regan, and we all sincerely wish that next season National honours will be the lot of these deserving and sterling players.

In Club Matches, Wilfred Wooller set up a record of nine dropped goals, thus comfortably surpassing the previous best of seven by Percy F. Bush and D. E. (Danny) Davies in the Seasons 1908/09 and 1922/23 respectively. Most of Wooller's goals were worth four points and on occasions proved match winners.

Arthur Bassett scored the highest number of tries.

All praise is due to the Captain, Arthur H. Jones, who proved a very capable and unselfish skipper. He was ever ready to encourage the selection of a younger or promising player, even if it meant “ standing down ” himself. In spite of several nasty injuries, he played in over thirty matches, and can look back with pride on the Captaincy of the Cardiff Team in such a successful season.

Aberavon were again given a fixture—at Aberavon on the 25th April, 1938—and the match, which proved a keen one, was played before what was almost a record crowd and lost in a sensational manner in the last five minutes.

All supporters of the Cardiff Club will be pleased to note the election of the Club's nominee, R. A. Cornish, to a seat on the Match Committee (East District) of the Welsh Football Union, and all concerned will, no doubt, endeavour to maintain uninterrupted representation of the Club's nominee in the future.

Christmas 1937 saw the demolition of the old Football and Cricket Pavilion, and the provision of new changing rooms on the mezzanine floor of the North Stand. Many will be sorry at the disappearance of the fine old Pavilion and sporting landmark which had accommodated players whose names are famous wherever Rugby Football is played.

A welcome visitor to the Club during the Season was the Reverend John Roberts, home on leave from missionary work in China.

Wilfred Wooller has been elected Captain for next Season and all will join in wishing him the greatest of success in his leadership.

Prospects appear bright, and who knows but what the writer may next year be required to write of an even better season than the last ?

OBITUARY. Finally, we regret to record the sudden death of Mr. John E. Elliot, J.P., on the 30th March, 1938. In respectful tribute to him a one minute's silence was observed on the occasion of the Cardiff v. Plymouth Albion game on the 2nd April, 1938. As one of the Club's valued Vice-Presidents, a Club Captain in the year 1896-7, and one who played for Wales in the years 1894 and 1898, his passing is a great loss. Reference at greater length is made in the Introduction to the Annual Report.

Before turning the record of the Season's results, we give a comparison with the Season 1910/11 :

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points for	Points against	Captain
1937/38	46	.. 38	.. 6	.. 2	.. 580	.. 260	A. H. Jones
1910/11	36	.. 29	.. 6	.. 1	.. 485	.. 135	R. A. Gibbs

## CARDIFF ATHLETIC XV.

It is a singular fact, although logical enough, that the record of the Athletic side for 1937/38, in common with that of the First Fifteen, is the best since 1910/11, and this, achieved under modern playing conditions, must rank as a really excellent performance.

Under the Captaincy of V. R. Osmond, the players united in an admirable team spirit, and, as the details reveal put up a splendid "show" of open, spectacular, and successful Rugby on most occasions.

For a very long period it appeared as if the Athletic were destined to carry a mantle of invincibility as it was not until the 17th February, 1938, that the season's unbroken record was lost at Newport to the United XV, by 6 points to 5, as a result of a lucky try scored in the last minute. Lucky it certainly was, seeing that it arose from a poor attempt at a drop goal which resulted in the ball veering almost to touch in goal. A crooked Athletic centre who had been transferred to the wing limped vainly in an effort to prevent the final, desperate and successful dive of a Newport player for the touch-down which he obtained only a yard from the dead ball line!

Such, however, is the grand game of Rugby Football and in no way was the victory of the Newport United XV belittled, slender though the margin was.

A worse fate befell the Old Iltydians who, in their very last game of the season, surrendered an unbroken certificate on their own ground to the Athletic by 12 points to 5. This was a splendid performance on the part of the Athletic as the St. Iltyd's Old Boys are a very capable side, bounding with Club enthusiasm, and they play a very keen game.

As the report on the First XV suggests, the Athletic can perhaps claim to have defeated such first-class Clubs as Blackheath, Llanelly, and Bath against whom twelve, nine and nine players respectively were fielded. Six and seven players were fielded with the First XV on several other occasions.

It certainly proves the availability of capable players as substitutes for the premiers, yet there is no need for wonder, for all the players seem to delight in "playing for the Club," irrespective of their selection for either the First or Athletic Fifteens.

An instance of Club spirit was that, when a former Cardiff player, Cambridge Blue and Welsh International—none other than the famous (now the Reverend) John Roberts—was home on leave from Missionary Work in China, he not only offered his services to the Athletic "if in real need," but actually played for them in three matches and, incidentally, scored twice. In the last of the three games, on a very hard ground, John finished the game in his stockinged feet.

The Club's appreciation of a very fine sportsman goes to him and wherever his future Missionary work may take him, we all feel an assured conviction that the Reverend John Roberts will always be found "playing the game—of life!"

V. R. Osmond was proud and appreciative of the players he led, showing always the stamp and quality of experienced leadership, with tactful and pleasing disposition to them all, founded, no doubt, on his playing experience with the First XV, dated back to the Season 1928/29.

The Club admires his sportsmanship in accepting the onerous task of leadership of the Athletic XV.

Before passing to the detailed results for the Season, we give a comparison with the Season 1910/11, cited in the first paragraph of this Report:

	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Points for	Points against	Captain
1937/38	35	.. 30	.. 3	.. 2	.. 469	.. 129	V. R. Osmond
1910/11	29	.. 24	.. 3	.. 2	.. 436	.. 69	W. A. Jones

# FIXTURES AND RESULTS, 1937-38

## FIRST FIFTEEN

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Rslt.	Score for					Score against											
				G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.					
1937																				
Sept. 1	Cardiff & Dist.	H	Won	4	5	..	I	..	38	..	..	..	I	..	3					
" 4	Cross Keys ..	H	Won	3	I	..	I	..	21	..	..	..	I	..	3					
" 9	*Pill Harriers	A																		
" 11	Bridgend ..	H	Won	..	..	..	I	..	4	..	..	..	I	..	3					
" 18	Bristol ..	A	Won	2	..	..	I	..	14	..	I	..	I	..	6					
" 20	Pontypool ..	A	Won	3	2	..	I	..	24	..	I	..	2	..	9					
" 23	Pill Harriers	A	Won	2	2	..	..	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	0					
" 25	Neath ..	A	Won	I	4	..	..	..	17	..	I	..	..	..	3					
Oct. 2	Newport ..	H	Lost	I	..	..	..	..	5	..	I	..	I	..	6					
" 6	Bridgend ..	A	Won	..	..	..	I	..	4	..	..	..	..	..	0					
" 9	Gloucester ..	H	Won	I	5	..	..	..	20	..	..	..	2	..	6					
" 16	Swansea ..	A	Lost	..	..	..	..	..	0	..	I	..	I	..	7					
" 23	Blackheath ..	A	Lost	..	..	..	..	..	0	..	I	..	I	..	6					
" 30	Bristol ..	H	Won	..	4	..	I	..	15	I	..	I	..	12						
Nov. 6	Blackheath ..	H	Won	I	I	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	..	..	0					
" 13	Newport ..	A	Drn.	..	..	..	I	..	3	..	..	..	I	..	3					
" 20	Llanely ..	A	Won	I	I	..	..	..	8	..	2	..	..	..	6					
" 27	Swansea ..	H	Won	2	I	2	..	..	21	..	I	..	..	..	3					
Dec. 4	Llanely ..	H	Won	I	I	I	I	..	15	I	I	..	..	..	8					
" 11	London Welsh	H	Won	..	2	..	I	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	0					
" 18	Harlequins ..	A	Won	2	I	..	..	..	13	..	2	..	I	..	9					
" 27	London Irish	H	Won	I	4	I	I	..	24	..	I	..	..	..	3					
" 28	Watsonians ..	H	Won	..	3	..	I	..	12	..	I	..	..	..	3					
1938																				
Jan. 1	Pontypool ..	H	Won	..	2	..	I	..	9	I	..	I	..	8						
" 8	Llanely ..	A	Lost	..	..	..	..	..	0	..	I	..	I	..	7					
" 15	Bath ..	A	Won	..	2	I	..	..	10	I	..	..	..	..	5					
" 22	Swansea ..	H	Won	..	2	..	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	0					
" 29	Richmond ..	A	Won	2	..	I	I	..	17	2	I	..	..	..	13					
Feb. 5	Coventry ..	A	Lost	..	..	..	I	..	3	I	2	..	..	..	11					
" 7	Northampton	A	Won	2	2	..	..	..	16	..	..	..	2	..	6					
" 12	Gloucester ..	A	Won	..	I	2	..	..	11	..	2	..	I	..	9					
" 19	Newport ..	H	Won	..	I	2	..	..	11	..	..	..	I	..	3					
" 26	Llanely ..	H	Won	2	2	..	..	..	16	I	..	..	I	..	8					

## First Fifteen—continued.

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Rslt.	Score for					Score against											
				G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.					
1938																				
Mar. 5	Newport ..	A	Won	..	2	I	I	..	13	..	I	..	I	..	6					
" 9	Cheltenham ..	A	Won	I	2	..	I	..	14	I	..	..	I	..	8					
" 19	Swansea ..	A	Won	..	..	2	..	..	8	..	I	I	..	..	7					
" 26	Plymouth Alb.	A	Won	2	..	I	..	..	14	..	2	..	I	..	9					
" 28	Falmouth ..	A	Won	2	4	..	..	..	22	I	2	..	..	..	11					
" 29	†Penzance ..	A	Won	2	4	I	..	..	26	I	..	..	I	..	8					
Apr. 2	Richmond ..	H	Won	..	2	..	I	..	9	..	..	I	..	..	4					
" 9	Plymouth Alb.	H	Won	..	5	..	..	..	15	..	I	..	..	..	3					
" 16	Barbarians ..	H	Drn.	I	..	..	I	..	8	I	..	..	I	..	8					
" 18	Harlequins ..	H	Won	2	..	..	I	..	13	..	..	..	2	..	6					
" 19	Coventry ..	H	Won	2	I	I	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	0					
" 23	Neath ..	H	Won	2	3	..	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	0					
" 25	Aberavon ..	A	Lost	..	I	..	I	..	6	2	I	..	I	..	16					
" 30	Pontypool ..	A	Won	..	2	..	..	..	6	I	..	..	..	..	5					

\* Cancelled at request of Pill Harriers.  
 † Re-arranged as "East Cornwall" XV.

RECORD FOR SEASON	Played.	46	Won.	38	Lost.	6	Drawn.	2			
	SCORE FOR				SCORE AGAINST						
	G.	T.	D.G.	P.G.	M.G.	PTS.	G.	T.	D.G.	P.G.	M.G.
45	75	19	18	0	580	15	27	5	28	0	260

## FIRST XV SCORERS.

*Tries* : A. Bassett, 28; Gwyn Porter, 18; H. O. Edwards, 13; W. Wooller, 10; A. H. Jones, C. W. (Cliff) Jones, R. Tipple, 5; Glyn Morgan, T. J. Roberts, Gwyn Williams, Lyn Williams, 4; Selby Davies, L. Spence, 3; R. Bale, J. Regan, Roy Roberts, 2; W. E. N. Davies, I. Heatley, H. S. Garland, Ken Jones, E. R. Knapp, A. McCarley (Neath), A. D. Turnbull, Ivor Williams, 1.

*Drop Goals* : W. Wooller, 9; A. H. Jones, 5; R. W. Boon, R. H. Millar, Gwyn Porter, Lyn Williams, Tom Williams, 1.

*Penalty Goals* : W. Wooller, 6; Tom Williams, 5; D. Brown, 3; R. W. Boon, Evan Jones, Roy Roberts, E. Watkins, 1.

*Converted Goals* : D. Brown, 13; Tom Williams, 10; W. Wooller, 9; Roy Roberts, 4; W. E. N. Davies, H. O. Edwards, E. Watkins, 2; Evan Jones, Glyn Morgan, H. Rees, J. Regan, 1.

CARDIFF ATHLETIC FIFTEEN.

Date	Opponents	H. or A.	Rslt.	Score For					Score Against									
				G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.	G.	T.	DG	PG	MG	Pts.			
1937																		
Sept. 4	Treorchy	A	Won	3	2	I	...	25	..	I	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
" 6	Cilfynydd	A	Won	3	..	..	..	15	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
" 11	Pontyclun	A	Won	I	5	I	...	24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 15	Taffs Well	A	Won	..	3	I	...	13	..	I	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
" 18	Bristol Utd.	H	Won	..	3	I	I	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
" 21	Llandaff	A	Won	4	4	..	..	32	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 25	Skewen	H	Won	3	3	..	..	24	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9
Oct. 2	Newport Utd.	A	Won	..	3	..	..	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 9	Gloucester U.	A	Won	I	3	..	..	14	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
" 16	Briton Ferry	H	Won	2	3	..	I	22	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
23 23	Pill Harriers	H	Won	..	I	..	I	6	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
" 30	*Bristol Utd.	A																
Nov. 6	†Old Illydians	A																
" 13	Newport Utd.	H	Won	I	..	I	...	9	..	I	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
" 20	Glam. Wand.	H	Won	..	4	..	I	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
" 27	Skewen	A	Won	2	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
Dec. 4	Glam. Wand.	A	Won	I	4	..	..	17	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4
" 11	Cardiff Univ.	A	Won	I	4	..	I	20	..	2	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	9
" 18	Chepstow	A	Won	..	5	..	..	15	..	..	I	I	..	..	..	..	..	7
" 27	Tredegar	A	Won	..	I	..	I	7	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
1938																		
Jan. 1	†Abergavenny	A																
" 8	‡Treorchy	H																
" 22	Cardiff Univ.	A	Won	2	3	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 29	Chepstow	H	Won	I	5	..	..	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
Feb. 5	†Penygraig	H																
" 12	Gloucester U.	H	Won	..	I	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 19	Newport Utd.	A	Lost	I	..	..	..	5	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
" 26	Penygraig	A	Won	..	2	..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
Mar. 5	Newport Utd.	H	Won	..	I	..	I	6	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	3
" 12	Cardiff H.S.O.B.	H	Won	..	5	..	..	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 19	Llanharan	A	Won	I	4	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	0
" 26	Abergavenny	A	Won	2	3	..	..	19	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	3
Apr. 2	Pill Harriers	A	Won	I	2	..	I	14	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	9
" 7	Cardiff H.S.O.B.	A	Won	I	4	..	..	17	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	3
" 9	Old Edward's	A	Won	..	3	..	..	9	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	3
" 16	Briton Ferry	A	Lost	..	I	..	..	3	I	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	II
" 18	Bargoed	A	Drn.	..	I	..	..	3	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3
" 23	Cilfynydd	H	Lost	I	..	..	..	5	I	..	I	I	..	..	..	..	..	12
" 30	Old Illydians	A	Won	I	I	..	..	12	I	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5
May 2	Maesteg	A	Drn.	..	I	..	..	3	..	..	..	I	..	..	..	..	..	3

\* Cancelled at request of Bristol.  
 † Cancelled by Mutual Arrangement.  
 ‡ Cancelled owing to wet state of Ground.

RECORD FOR SEASON	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Drawn.							
	35	.. 30	.. 3	.. 2							
	SCORE FOR.		SCORE AGAINST.								
G.	T.	D.G.	P.G.	M.G.	PTS.	G.	T.	D.G.	P.G.	M.G.	PTS.
33	85	7	7	0	469	3	16	3	18	0	129

PAST CAPTAINS AND VICE-CAPTAINS.

RUGBY.

	Captain.	Vice-Captain.
1876-7	T. S. DONALDSON SELBY	W. D. PHILLIPS
1877-8	E. C. FRY	W. D. PHILLIPS
1878-9	R. H. FOA	W. D. PHILLIPS
1879-80	W. D. PHILLIPS	B. E. GIRLING
1880-1	W. D. PHILLIPS	B. B. MANN
1881-2	B. E. GIRLING	W. D. PHILLIPS
1882-3	W. D. PHILLIPS	W. H. TREATT
1883-4	H. J. SIMPSON	W. D. PHILLIPS
1884-5	H. J. SIMPSON	W. D. PHILLIPS
1885-6	F. E. HANCOCK	A. F. HILL
1886-7	W. M. DOUGLAS	A. J. HYBART
1887-8	C. A. YOUNG	A. F. HILL
1888-9	A. F. HILL	C. S. ARTHUR
1889-90	C. S. ARTHUR	S. H. NICHOLLS
1890-1	W. E. O. WILLIAMS	D. W. EVANS
1891-2	D. W. EVANS	F. N. JONES
1892-3	T. W. PEARSON	A. LEWIS
1893-4	N. BIGGS	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT
1894-5	A. F. HILL	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT
1895-6	R. B. SWEET-ESCOTT	F. MILLS
1896-7	J. E. ELLIOT	S. BIGGS
1897-8	S. BIGGS	E. GWYN NICHOLLS
1898-9	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	T. DOBSON
1899-1900	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	H. V. P. HUSSEY
1900-1901	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	J. BLAKE
1901-2	H. B. WINFIELD	D. L. BOWEN
1902-3	H. B. WINFIELD	C. STRANAGHAN
1903-4	E. GWYN NICHOLLS	C. F. BIGGS
1904-5	C. F. BIGGS	W. NEILL
1905-6	PERCY F. BUSH	GEO. NORTHMORE
1906-7	PERCY F. BUSH	GEO. NORTHMORE
1907-8	RHYS T. GABE	J. BROWN
1908-9	PERCY F. BUSH	F. SMITH
1909-10	J. L. WILLIAMS	F. SMITH
1910-11	R. A. GIBBS	J. PUGSLEY
1911-12	L. M. DYKE	J. A. POWELL
1912-13	W. SPILLER	W. J. JENKINS
1913-14	W. J. JENKINS	R. F. WILLIAMS
1914-19	EUROPEAN WAR.	
1919-20	F. GACCON—W. J. POWELL	W. J. JENKINS
1920-21	CLEM LEWIS	R. A. CORNISH
1921-22	R. ARTHUR CORNISH	I. RICHARDS
1922-23	DR. T. WALLACE	I. RICHARDS
1923-24	IDRIS RICHARDS	T. A. JOHNSON
1924-25	T. A. JOHNSON	D. E. DAVIES
1925-26	D. E. DAVIES	W. J. DELAHAY
1926-27	W. J. DELAHAY	D. E. DAVIES
1927-28	B. R. TURNBULL	B. O. MALE
1928-29	B. O. MALE	K. P. TURNBULL
1929-30	S. C. CRAVOS	H. POOLE
1930-31	B. R. TURNBULL	S. C. CRAVOS
1931-32	HOWARD POOLE	H. M. BOWCOTT
1932-33	TOM LEWIS	B. R. TURNBULL
1933-34	GRAHAM JONES	R. GABE-JONES
1934-35	R. GABE-JONES	T. STONE
1935-36	A. SKYM	L. SPENCE
1936-37	T. STONE	T. STONE
1937-38	A. H. JONES	H. REES

## CARDIFF CRICKET CLUB

### Season 1937.

RESULTS OF MATCHES PLAYED are as under :—

		Total		Won		Tied		Drawn		Lost
First XI. A	..	23	..	9	..	1	..	9	..	4
First XI. B	..	21	..	3	..	-	..	12	..	6
Second XI	..	22	..	11	..	-	..	6	..	5
Extras	..	15	..	4	..	-	..	1	..	10

The Season opened with every prospect of a happy and successful time, and the players were not disappointed. Records might have been better, but, after all, the game is the important consideration and from close observation, the members of all Elevens thoroughly enjoyed their cricket.

FIRST XI. The Skipper, F. Thomas, spared neither time nor trouble in his efforts for the Club both on and off the field, and he was ably supported by his deputy, H. Friend. W. J. Evans headed the batting averages, scoring 658 runs for an average of 31 per innings. He was followed by L. G. Jones, 461 runs, average 30, and this player had the distinction of scoring the only century for the Club during the season, in a great game at Bath. The bowling was not always effective, but between the end of June and August, H. Friend and Reed, G. H., put up some good performances.

The "B" side had, on paper, a moderate season, but their Captain is to be commended for taking risks in declaring on several occasions in the desire to obtain a definite result. Unfortunately, the bowling did not always come up to the required standard.

SECOND XI, under H. J. Bartlett, were very successful, winning their highest number of games for many seasons.

M. Braddon, the Extras Captain, earned the thanks of the Committee and players for his great interest in his team; this side has already supplied several promising young players to the higher elevens.

The new Skipper, W. J. Evans, now one of the oldest playing members, will have the hearty support and best wishes of all in his work during the coming season.

Our Report ends on a sad note. We have to record with the deepest regret the passing of a valued and highly esteemed member, the late Mr. John Gowan Clark. It is given to few to serve a club so faithfully and so long (fifty-eight years) as player, member of Committee, and, for the last ten years, as Chairman of the Section. "Gowan," as he was so familiarly spoken of, will be greatly missed, but he has left behind him happy memories of a life well lived, a game well played, a shining example for all cricketers, young and old.

## LIST OF CAPTAINS.

### CRICKET.

From 1867 to 1876 there is no record of Captains.

1877 .. E. W. JONES	1908 .. A. GIBSON
1878 .. E. W. JONES	1909 .. A. GIBSON
1879 .. E. W. JONES	1910 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1880 .. E. W. JONES	1911 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1881 .. E. W. JONES	1912 .. N. V. H. RICHES and J. HORSPPOOL
1882 } Names of Captains not recorded.	1913 .. J. HORSPPOOL
1883 }	1914 .. J. HORSPPOOL
1884 .. J. P. JONES.	1915 }
1885 .. J. P. JONES.	1916 } EUROPEAN WAR
1886 .. J. P. JONES	1917 }
1887 .. W. H. WILLIAMS	1918 }
1888 .. W. H. WILLIAMS	1919 .. J. HORSPPOOL
1889 .. W. H. WILLIAMS	1920 .. H. G. SYMONDS
1890 .. A. MORRIS	1921 .. G. E. CORDING
1891 .. A. MORRIS	1922 .. G. E. CORDING
1892 .. W. H. BRAIN	1923 .. T. R. MORGAN
1893 .. W. H. BRAIN	1924 .. H. W. TAYLER
1894 .. W. H. BRAIN	1925 .. F. W. MATHIAS
1895 .. J. H. BRAIN	1926 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1896 .. J. H. BRAIN	1927 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1897 .. J. G. CLARK	1928 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1898 .. J. G. CLARK	1929 .. A. N. MORGAN
1899 .. J. G. CLARK	1930 .. A. N. MORGAN
1900 .. J. H. BRAIN	1931 .. N. V. H. RICHES
1901 .. J. H. BRAIN	1932 .. E. C. DOLMAN
1902 .. J. G. CLARK	1933 .. G. L. RATTENBURY
1903 .. V. T. HILL	1934 .. J. T. MORGAN
1904 .. V. T. HILL	1935 .. J. T. MORGAN.
1905 .. J. P. CADOGAN	1936 .. F. W. MATHIAS
1906 .. A. GIBSON	1937 .. F. THOMAS.
1907 .. A. GIBSON	



## CARDIFF ATHLETIC LAWN TENNIS CLUB.

Season 1937.

For the first time for many years the season opened in summer-like weather and an American Tournament was held on the opening day. This was an excellent opportunity for old and new members, whom we were glad to welcome, to become acquainted.

Soon afterwards, however, the weather deteriorated and matches had to be postponed and played in mid-week. Both the first and second teams retained their places in their respective Divisions. The second team for the greater number of their matches was an experimental one, as several of the new members were picked to play, and time was required to strike the right combination for each pair. The coming season should find the second team a very strong one.

The two ladies' teams also retain their places in their Divisions; the second team narrowly missed leading their Division for the second year.

Mr. D. B. Morgan, the Tournament Umpire, and Miss M. Oxenham, his assistant, again worked hard on the Tournaments and despite rather mixed weather, they were completed in good time.

The results were as follows:—

MEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP	.. J. M. Hopkins.
LADIES' SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP	.. Miss G. Turpitt.
MEN'S DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP	.. A. C. Taylor and J. M. Hopkins.
LADIES' DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP	.. Misses G. Turpitt and W. Cornwall.
MEN'S HANDICAP SINGLES ..	.. D. Crowther.
LADIES' HANDICAP SINGLES	.. Mrs. Rank.
MEN'S HANDICAP DOUBLES	.. R. McCullum and R. Pritchard.
LADIES' HANDICAP DOUBLES	.. Miss G. E. Davies and Mrs. Rank.
MIXED DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP	.. Miss G. Turpitt and G. Weaver
MIXED DOUBLES HANDICAP	.. Miss B. Bowen and C. T. Hemming.

During this Season, the Pavilion was used for the last time, and next season the Members will have new accommodation in the North Stand, with better facilities.

The Second Annual Supper was held, and we were favoured with the presence of Mrs. Riches, who presented the Tournament prizes. An enjoyable evening was spent, for which our thanks are due to the Committee, and, in particular, to Mr. C. T. Hemming, the Hon. Secretary of the Section.

Our very best thanks are also due to the Ladies who attended to our wants at the tea-table during the season, and their efforts were much appreciated.

## PAST CAPTAINS OF TENNIS SECTION.

	<i>Men's</i>	<i>Ladies'</i>
1923	.. T. J. HOPKINS .. ..	—
1924	.. T. J. HOPKINS .. ..	Miss E. CLARE.
1925	.. T. J. HOPKINS .. ..	Mrs. G. D. HORSPPOOL
1926	.. T. J. HOPKINS .. ..	Miss D. A. CALDER
1927	.. F. C. ORAM .. ..	Miss D. A. CALDER
1928	.. F. C. ORAM .. ..	Mrs. M. JERMAIN
1929	.. E. R. HANCOCK .. ..	Miss M. OXENHAM
1930	.. W. L. BRIGHT .. ..	Miss M. OXENHAM
1931	.. W. L. BRIGHT .. ..	Miss M. OXENHAM
1932	.. T. W. RICHARDS .. ..	Miss E. TAYLOR
1933	.. D. B. MORGAN .. ..	Miss W. CORNWELL
1934	.. W. DAVID .. ..	Miss W. CORNWELL
1935	.. W. L. BRIGHT .. ..	Miss M. NIGH
1936	.. J. BROAD .. ..	Miss E. BELMAN
1937	.. J. M. HOPKINS .. ..	Miss W. CORNWELL

## CARDIFF ATHLETIC BOWLING CLUB.

### Season 1937.

At the request of the General Secretary, I am privileged to give a short report of the progress and records of the Bowling Section for 1937.

I have now been Honorary Secretary for three years, and I have no hesitation in saying that the members are as fine a lot of fellows as those to be found in any Bowling Club. They are very keen and enthusiastic in their games, and are grand sportsmen. It has been a pleasure to me to do the necessary work appertaining to the Section. We have somewhere about 70 playing members. The Bowls Club has now been in existence since 1924 and I can safely say that our popularity has gained considerably with other Clubs judging upon the request for fixtures for 1938.

The Club was, perhaps, not so successful from a playing point of view as we had hoped in the beginning of the 1937 Season, but we have extended the hand of friendship and goodwill to all Clubs and cemented in the hearts of all the true spirit of sportsmanship.

There is one item I am glad to report of the purchase of a new small Pavilion. This was needed and the foresight of the General Secretary, Mr. L. C. Watters, is to be praised, as the accommodation was getting a little bit congested with the increase in Membership. He it was who suggested the purchase by the Members. They subscribed towards the cost of same and raised the wherewithal to pay for it, and it was decided to present it to the Management Committee as an asset to the Cardiff Athletic Club. The Committee accepted it gladly, and the Bowling Members were thanked for their spontaneous effort.

I would like to record the great services rendered by the General Secretary and his staff in bringing about the excellence of the Green and its surroundings. All visiting Clubs were loud in their praise.

I also record here the best thanks of the Members to Mrs. Watters and her lady helpers for so admirably and willingly assisting in preparing teas for the Members and their visitors, and for making every effort to give all the help necessary for the enjoyment of the game.

Our heartiest congratulations are extended to our Captain, Mr. Cliff W. Standfast, upon gaining International honours for Wales against England, Scotland and Ireland, a selection which reflects on the Club a great honour indeed.

County honours were granted to the following Members for 1937: Messrs. Frank Davies, W. Gregory, S. Jones, J. D. Roberts, H. J. Salter, L. C. Watters and C. A. Williams.

The Club Record is as follows:—

### FIRST TEAM.

W.B.A.	.. ..	Played 6. Won 4. Drawn 1. Lost 1. Shots for 488. Shots against 426.
PRIVATE GREENS LEAGUE	..	Played 10. Won 5. Lost 5. Shots for 832. Shots against 739.
FRIENDLY MATCHES	..	Played 24. Won 14. Lost 10. Shots for 2,218. Shots against 1,990.
ALL MATCHES	.. ..	Played 40. Won 23. Drawn 1. Lost 16. Shots for 3,538. Shots against 3,155.

### "A" TEAM.

Played 27. Won 13. Lost 14. Shots for 2,486. Shots against 2,258.

### PAST CAPTAINS OF BOWLS SECTION.

1924	..	J. BATSTONE	1931	..	J. OXENHAM
1925	..	M. WOOD	1932	..	L. C. WATTERS
1926	..	W. M. DOUGLAS	1933	..	F. DAVIES
1927	..	J. PRATT	1934	..	W. T. GRIFFITHS
1928	..	W. H. JENKINS	1935	..	A. MILSOM
1929	..	C. A. WILLIAMS, M.A.	1936	..	A. CALDER
1930	..	D. L. EVANS	1937	..	C. W. STANDFAST

## CARDIFF ATHLETIC LADIES' HOCKEY CLUB.

Season 1937-38.

Once again the day chosen for Trials proved a bad one. A drought prevailed until the day before, but that day it poured, and Trials had to be postponed until the following week.

Throughout the Season we suffered from a shortage of members and frequently had difficulty in raising a second eleven. This difficulty was aggravated by the presence in the County Team of three of our First Eleven players—the Misses T. Jones, D. Bowen and G. P. Evans—and by the fact that the Club Captain (Miss E. Winfield) as a County Selector, had to watch the County games. The Secretary (Miss D. O'Brien) was also chosen to act as County Selector.

Miss Bowen and Miss Evans played for South Wales and in the final Welsh Trial.

Miss Winfield and Miss O'Brien were appointed South Wales selectors; the former was also appointed Welsh Selector.

In spite of the absence in County and Territorial Matches of these Members, the First Eleven had a successful season. Eighteen matches were played and of these, 11 were won, 4 were drawn, and 3 lost. Forty-eight goals were scored for us and 28 against, the top scorer being Miss B. Powell.

The Second Eleven played 15 matches, 8 of which were won, 1 drawn and 6 lost. Forty-four goals were scored for us and 41 against.

On the 5th March, Miss W. Cornwell umpired the England v. Wales Match at the Oval. We realised again then how fortunate we are to have her umpiring our Club games.

On the 12th March, the Scotland v. Wales Match was played on our ground. The pitch was in perfect condition—players said it was better than the Oval! We are very grateful to the groundsmen for the time and energy they expended on it. The arrangements for the Match went off without a hitch and the weather was just what was hoped for, but the gate was disappointing. Probably, the Men's Hockey International on the previous week and the Rugby International on the same day caused this.

The Rugby and Hockey Clubs combined this year to run two dances, the first in January, and the other in March. We did not make much money, but the dances were very successful socially.

### PAST CAPTAINS OF LADIES' HOCKEY SECTION

1927-28	..	C. HOLLEY	1933-34	..	E. WINFIELD
1928-29	..	C. HOLLEY	1934-35	..	E. WINFIELD
1929-30	..	C. HOLLEY	1935-36	..	E. WINFIELD
1930-31	..	G. WILLIAMS	1936-37	..	E. WINFIELD
1931-32	..	G. WILLIAMS	1937-38	..	E. WINFIELD
1932-33	..	G. WILLIAMS			

## CARDIFF ATHLETIC GOLF CLUB.

Season 1938.

Once again in accordance with established practice, the annual meeting of the Welsh Rugby Clubs' Golfing Society was held on the first Sunday of Summer Time, April 10th, at the Southerndown Golf Club.

The Cardiff Rugby Club, as holder of the Cup, was well represented and succeeded in retaining the Cup for the fourth year in succession, while J. T. Morgan, with a net score of 72, headed the individual returns. The names of those who qualified as representing the Club on this occasion, together with their respective net scores, are given below:—

	G.	H.	N.		G.	H.	N.		
J. T. Morgan	..	78	6	72	John Duncan	..	85	4	81
Noel Morgan	..	78	4	74	A. H. Jones	..	100	18	82
G. Porter	..	94	18	76	H. T. Joseph	..	102	18	84
D. B. Morgan	..	92	15	77					

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It is particularly gratifying to note that the above list includes the names of two of the playing members of the Rugby Club, namely, A. H. Jones, the ex-International, and last season's Captain, and G. Porter, the trial Cap wing. In addition, Ivor Williams, who is now on tour with the British team in South Africa, played in the meeting, but failed to qualify. This is the first occasion on which any playing member of the Cardiff Rugby Club has participated in the meeting. Their presence was particularly welcome and it is hoped that in future years other players will follow their example by supporting the meeting.

The meeting was favoured with glorious weather and the course was in excellent condition. It is to be regretted that with conditions as they were, the Competition did not receive greater support, the number of entries being considerably fewer than in previous years.

While the number of entries was less than previously, it is however gratifying to be able to report that the number of those who stayed to the subsequent supper was considerably greater than for some years past.

At the supper the Chair was taken by Mr. John Duncan, the founder of the Society and donor of the Cup, who presented the cup to A. H. Jones, who as Captain of the Cardiff Rugby Club, received the cup on behalf of the Club.

The following clubs in addition to ourselves, took part in the Competition with the total net scores as stated against each:—

Bridgend, 549. Merthyr, 559.

## CARDIFF BASEBALL CLUB.

### Season 1937.

When the Season 1936 came to an end, there were distinct signs that 1937 would produce even a more successful team, but accidents and other causes prevented many players turning out regularly so that at the end of 1937, Cardiff finished fifth in the League Table. A very creditable performance in so far as at no other time have so many veterans had to disturb the moths in their kit and play.

It was unfortunate, too, that the Captain, Mr. C. Weston, was unable to play, but his deputy, Mr. F. Fish, who again played for Wales, carried out the duties in a very able way.

The Season opened with a series of surprise defeats by the Cardiff Harlequins and John Williams B.C., in spite of the fact that J. Desmond performed one of the best feats in Welsh League Baseball by bowling out the whole of the Harlequins for 6 runs and 4 extras. Three excellent victories, however, against Grange Albions (away), Pill (home), and Newport (home) restored much of the confidence until the "bogey" team, Penylan, was encountered, and, although Penylan were met four times in all, they still remain the only side in Welsh Baseball whose scalp has not been collected.

From thereon a series of accidents and poor weather led to only varied successes until Pill were met, away. The fact that Pill were defeated, thanks to an excellent bowling performance by R. Jenkins, and the excellent tea, made this a memorable fixture. Later, however, Pill, were amply rewarded when they defeated Cardiff in the Final of the 1936 W.B.U. Cup. From thereon, the team met with but little success until both Canton and Newport were beaten away, to end the Season on a keynote of promise.

This year the batting averages saw a change. F. H. Fish, who has held the first position since the Club started, scored the highest total of 217 runs for an average of 7.00, but was beaten by A. Presdee, a new member of the Club, with an average of 8.19. Closely behind was D. W. George, a brother of the more famous E. L. George, whose average of 5.21 was an excellent performance for the youngest player.

In the bowling section, J. Desmond and A. Presdee headed the averages with an average of 6.17, followed by J. Rees with an average of 6.38 and R. Jenkins, the only player to score a hundred runs and bowl out a hundred men, a performance he has repeated each year and once only done by another Club man, T. Maile.

In the field, F. H. Fish took 19 catches, while the holder of the record, E. Jenkins, whose 26 catches still stands, held only 14.

The aggregates and averages, while being lower than those of other years, show that the team was a sound one all round and this is exemplified by the number of men who figured in the International Trials.

Although the Season 1937 did not end so well from the point of view of the League position, the good comradeship shown was excellent, and the run to Chepstow, together with the frequent teas provided by the generosity of Mr. H. D. Evans, and the work of the Chairman, Mr. R. A. Cornish, the Secretary, Mr. L. C. Watters, and the Committee, did much to make the season an enjoyable one.

While the season ended pleasantly, the close season was marred by the death of one of our most popular players, Mr. A. G. Wheeler. Though it was but his first season in the Cardiff Colours, he showed qualities which endeared him to his fellow players, and when 1938 opens, although his position on the field will be filled by another, there will remain a corner for him in the memories of the Club.

To Mr. W. H. Crocker, my successor as Match Secretary, and his Committee for 1938, go my best wishes for the most successful season ever.

### PAST CAPTAINS OF BASEBALL SECTION.

1935	..	F. FISH	1937	..	T. H. MAILE
1936	..	H. J. ROWLANDS			

CARDIFF INTERNATIONALS AND RESERVES.

Wales versus Scotland, 5th February, 1938



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CLIFF W. JONES (Capt.)

*Reserves :* W. E. N. DAVIES, H. O. EDWARDS, W. G. MORGAN, J. REGAN.

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W. CORNWELL  
LADIES TENNIS



F. THOMAS  
CRICKET.



C.W. STANDFAST  
BOWLS.

