

# CARDIFF RUGBY CLUB



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**Official Programme 10p**

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Today we extend a warm welcome to the second of our traditional Eastertide visitors, the Harlequins. I only hope that we get correspondingly warm weather to match our welcome and the game can be played on a reasonably firm ground. The atrocious weather is keeping a firm grip on things and won't even give us the consolation of seeing the dying weeks of the season graced with a bit of sun. At this time of the year players usually start becoming a little concerned about sun-baked playing surfaces. There is very little fear of that happening this season however.

This afternoon sees the 103rd game in the series between our clubs which first started in 1882. Of the previous 102, Cardiff have won 73 and lost 19, while 10 games have been drawn. The points tally shows 1,318 for Cardiff with 705 against. The Quins, who perhaps could be called the aristocrats of London rugby, are some ten years older than ourselves having been formed in 1866. They must have one of the most ornate jerseys in world rugby because the colours consist of light blue, magenta, chocolate, French grey, light green and black. The mind boggles — imagine what Ponty an' Pop would make of that lot if the Quins ever went to play at Aberflyarff. Prior to the acquisition of their now very practical club ground they played their home matches at the R.F.U. ground Twickenham. This afforded many club opponents the opportunity of playing on the famous ground. It made their fixture list very unbalanced however because they played all their home matches before Christmas and away after it due to the international season. Their very pleasant Adrian Stoop Memorial Ground has helped to solve that particular problem however, but Cardiff players always like the chance to play at Twickenham when we travel to London to play them.

The Quins of course are steeped in rugby tradition and their players and administrators have graced the scene in their 113 year history. In the post war era names like Vic Roberts, Sandy Saunders, David Marques, Ricky Bartlett, Micky Grant, W.P.C. Davies, Colin Payne and Bob Hiller have added glory and lustre to the club's reputation. The latest honour bestowed on the club is the appointment of one of their old stalwart forwards Mike Davies, to the position of England's coach. He joins another old Quin, R.F.U. secretary Bob Weighill, in the driving seat of English rugby to further depict the influence the Harlequins have in their national set-up. Prior to World War 1 it was Adrian Stoop who held the limelight for the Quins. During the period between the wars, particularly in the 1920's, the London club produced its greatest son W.W. Wakefield who won 31 caps during the period from 1920 to 1927. Now of course he is the ageless and indefatigable Lord Wakefield of Kendal and his charm and dignity make him a most welcome visitor wherever he appears. Greetings to you Lord Wakefield from Cardiff Rugby Club.

The Quins of course figured in one of the milestones in Cardiff history when we played them at the White City in London in a floodlit game. It was played on the 12th October, 1954 and was the first floodlit rugby match to be staged in the South of England. I was a reserve in that match and I well remember a hilarious incident that took place. Lord Wakefield had arranged for the officials and reserves to have dinner in a room which overlooked the pitch beautifully. During the course of this very stately dinner a certain Cardiff committee man became very excited when Cardiff scored an excellent try. He raised his arm aloft and slammed it down on the table. Unfortunately however on its way down to the table, his hand hit one end of a large spoon, the other end of which was embedded in a large tureen of peas. The result I will leave to your imagination.

Anyway, to the Harlequins we again say welcome, and may your day in Cardiff be an enjoyable one.

The Rags continue on their way to an invincible season. I intend to give you a summary of their excellent performance in a later programme. Other good news: we have arranged for Aberavon to visit us on Friday, 27th April and we are hoping Moseley will come on the 30th but this is still in the balance.  
P.N.

## KNOW THE LAWS

By FRED CROSTER

Here, as promised, are the answers to last Saturday's quiz. Not too difficult were they? Remember, if you are a member, a pint awaits the first all correct answers in the clubhouse. If you are not, meet me at the club entrance and copies of 'Welsh Rugby' Magazine will be the prize.

1. A push-over try is possible because a scrum can only take place in the field of play. Hence, when the ball is on or over the line it is no longer a scrum and the ball can then be handled.
2. If a defending player is FORCED over his own line and has to touch down, the scrum 5 would then be awarded to the attacking side.
3. The difference in deciding the result in the Schweppes W.R.U. Cup Final from the semi-finals if after the accepted conditions, i.e. most points, most goals, etc., have been applied it is still a draw, is that the Cup would be shared by each team for six months. In the semi-finals a toss of the coin would decide.
4. The conditions which decide a penalty try are: if but for obstruction, misconduct, unfair or foul play by the defending team, a try would probably have been scored or scored in a more favourable place. The conversion is from between the posts.
5. The only two occasions when a touch judge should keep his flag raised are, when the thrower has a foot or feet in the field of play, or the wrong team throws the ball in.
6. If the ball is thrown in from touch in the wrong place, even if nearer the thrower's goal line than where it went out of play, it would not be allowed. It MUST be thrown in from the correct place and this is the referee's decision.
7. If a scrum is awarded after an offside player next plays the ball after one of his own side has knocked the ball on, it would be because that act did not prevent a member of the opposite side from taking advantage of the knock-on.
8. If, after a try has been scored and the conversion taken, play is re-started from halfway with a penalty kick it would be because of foul play, or misconduct even though the ball was dead.
9. The two law changes about which I have written, being implemented in South Africa under the dispensation ruling is that they allow the ball to be handled in a ruck situation after a line-out and they do not play shortening of a line-out.
10. The recent decision of the International Board to allow the use of a 'sin bin' as an experiment next season (amongst other rulings) is the one which the W.R.U. has resolved not to implement.

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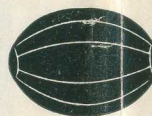
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- 13. ~~M. MURPHY/G. MEEHAN~~ *H. DAVIES*
- 12. P. DANIELS/A. ~~YEANDLE~~
- 11. N. WARD
- 10. ~~H. DAVIES G. DAVIES~~ *Con P. DAVIES*
- 9. B. WILLIAMS
- 1. B. NELMES (Capt.)
- 2. M. WATKINS
- 3. J. DIXON
- 4. H. de GOEDE
- 5. R. NORSTER
- 6. D. CHURCH
- 8. R. LANE
- 7. R. DUDLEY-JONES
- ~~T. HOLMES~~
- J. SCOTT
- G. DAVIES*

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



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- J. Mcenally* ~~G. GILBERT~~ 10.
- CLAXTON* J. J. DYSON 9.
- R. F. BEST 1.
- I. C. SMITH 2.
- A. J. CUTTER 3.
- P. K. SUTTON 4.
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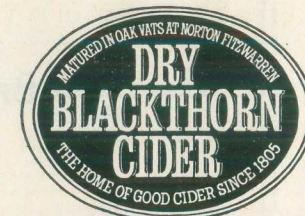
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3 p.m.

Fri., 27th April: **CARDIFF v. ABERAVON**

7.15 p.m.

### FIRST XV FIXTURES

#### 1978 SEPTEMBER

Fri. 1		
Sat. 2	East District	H 38-17
Wed. 6	Glamorgan Wands.	H 55-13
Sat. 9	Neath	A 13-11
Wed. 13	Bristol	A 42-14
Sat. 16	Coventry	H 76-9
Wed. 20	Penarth	H 62-0
Sat. 23	Aberavon	A 14-13
Wed. 27	Pontypridd	A 9-23
Sat. 30	Moseley	A 9-3

#### OCTOBER

Sat. 7	Newport	H 7-0
Sat. 14	Northampton	A 10-3
Sat. 21	New Zealand (All pay)	H 7-17
Wed. 25	Bridgend	A 10-12
Sat. 28	Harlequins	A 36-12

#### NOVEMBER

Wed. 1	Pontypool	H 14-16
Sat. 4	Maesteg	H 10-7
Sat. 11	Ebbw Vale	A 10-13
Sat. 18	Whitland (Cup)	H 65-6
Sat. 25	Llanelli	H 9-15
Wed. 29	Oxford University	H 47-12

#### DECEMBER

Sat. 2	Swansea	A 4-10
Sat. 9	London Welsh	A 25-23

Sat. 23	Crumlin (Cup)	H 12-0
Tues. 26	Pontypridd	H 18-0
Sat. 30	Coventry	A 36-10

#### 1979

#### JANUARY

Mon. 1	Bath	H P
Sat. 6	Moseley	H P
Fri. 19	Heriots F.P.	A 4-3
Sat. 27	Aberavon	H P

#### FEBRUARY

Wed. 14	Bristol (Abandoned)	H 3-10
Sat. 24	Pontypool (Cup)	A 23-12
Tues. 27	Llanelli	A 6-12

#### MARCH

Sat. 3	Pontypridd (Cup)	A 7-9
Tues. 6	Bridgend	H 10-12
Sat. 10	Pontypool	A 36-10
Fri. 16	London Welsh	H 23-3
Wed. 21	Ebbw Vale	H 13-0
Sat. 24	Newport	A 21-10
Sat. 31	Swansea	H 22-10

#### APRIL

Sat. 7	Gloucester	A 3-6
Sat. 14	Barbarians	H.....
Mon. 16	Harlequins	H.....
Sat. 21	Neath	H.....
Fri. 27	Aberavon	H.....



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