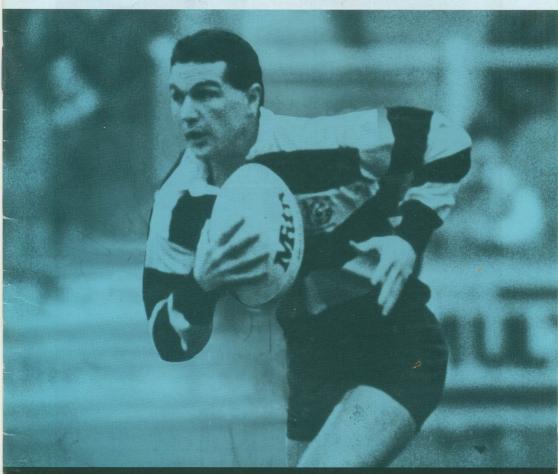


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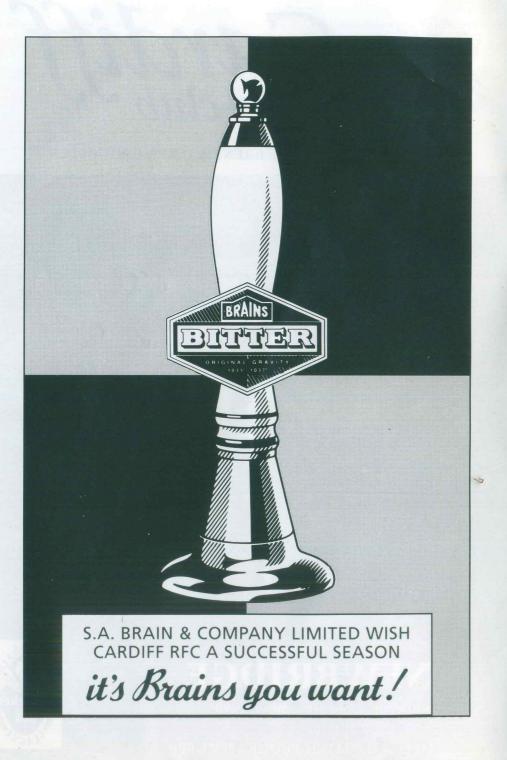


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Cardiff v. Newbridge

SATURDAY 22nd DECEMBER, 1990 KICK-OFF 2.30 p.m.

Christmas is but a whisker away yet again (where oh where has 1990 gone), so we should be really getting up a full head of steam in the "goodwill to all men" department. No matter how benevolent we may feel on all other fronts however the goodwill sentiment will not be very prevalent on the Arms Park between half past two and quarter to four this afternoon when we lock horns with Newbridge in a league encounter.

Needless to say however we extend a most hospitable welcome to the Welfare Ground brigade and we hope they enjoy their Christmas visit to the big city.

Before our last home appearance against Neath a quiet confidence in a win was very much in evidence. A great crowd and full hospitality suites engendered a marvellous pre-match atmosphere. Sad to say however we just couldn't put things together on the field and the day proved to be a non event from our point of view. Mind, Neath made sure of that and regardless of what people say about individual Neath players, as a team they have swept aside all else in Wales.

That Arms Park victory now puts them in a 9 out of 9 situation and it rapidly looks like becoming a one horse race for the inaugural Premier Division Championship. It will

come as a great surprise if anything other was to transpire.

There was certainly an element of bad luck in our defeat at Swansea last Saturday and the score certainly didn't actually reflect the game situation. The loss of Jonathan Humphreys was a disaster and a clear case of mis-identification. It most definitely had its effect on the result of the game. Swansea were in buoyant mood after their overwhelming victory against Pontypool and were far more expectant of a much better result. It was good to see our players competing to the very last but with only 14 men the task was just that little bit too much. St. Helens is becoming a bit of a bogey ground to us these days. In the 12 games played there since 1980, we have won only 3 of them.

Last Saturday's weather turned out to be a bit of a villain in several places and caused the postponement of 3 premier division games. This will prove to be somewhat of a nuisance as far as rearrangements are concerned because they will probably have to be played in mid week under lights. It also gives the league table a bit of an unbalanced look where each team hasn't played the same number of games.

Our visitors today were affected by the bad weather last week and missed out on their home game against Pontypool. At present they stand in 8th place in the table but of course have that one game in hand. Of their 9 games played they have won 3 and lost 6. Their first league encounter saw them go under at Pontypool by the narrow margin of 17-14. Their second game saw ourselves visiting the Welfare Ground and we were duly sent packing with a 11-0 defeat. Four defeats followed on the trot then, though going under away to Swansea 22-3, away to Neath 19-7 and then disappointingly at home to Bridgend. Their visit to Pontypridd resulted in a win for the home side by 23-10. Since then however things have become somewhat brighter. A thumping 55-6 home win over Abertillery was followed by healthy non league victories over Aberavon and Tredegar. In their next league encounter they put Glamorgan Wanderers to the sword to the tune of 40pts to 6. They were looking forward with relish to last Saturday's home game against Pontypool but were as equally disappointed when the weather prevented play. They fancied their chances at home to "Pooler" who are going through rather traumatic times at present but now they have the tricky business of rearrangement of that game.

Today's game then becomes very important to both of us. After our successive defeats against Neath and Swansea we are on a bit of a slippery slope but home advantage will be a bonus. Losing games at home is a commodity which sides want to

keep to the very minimum these days. David Evans will be very keen to get his side back on a winning trail. Newbridge however will be equally as anxious to keep their bandwagon rolling and climb up the table. It will be our last league match of 1990 so lets hope, like the first one of this now fading year we can celebrate with a win.

Although Newbridge was founded in 1890 they are relatively infants on our fixture because we first met in season 1964 when a 3-all draw resulted on the Arms Park. Since then a further 22 games have taken place and the up-to-date record reads played 23 with 16 wins to Cardiff, 5 to Newbridge and 2 drawn. Points wise we have scored 393 to their 239.

Newbridge is a club that certainly travels well. During the early days of formation they changed their ground as often as Elizabeth Taylor changed husbands. They played on exotic sounding grounds as The Drill Hall Field, Ty Hir Farm, Top Hill Flats (now the site of Treowen Housing Estate), Show Field and Waen Bedr. The latter field of that list was reputed to have a one-in-four slope but Newbridge played there for some 25 years before they acquired their present ground in 1921. At the time it was no more than a morass and tons of waste from local tips was used to drain what has now become their present day field. They first played on it in 1926 and this was mainly due to the great efforts of striking miners of the time who were rewarded with a bowl of soup and a Woodbine for their daily stint.

From such adverse beginnings Newbridge clawed their way along to the halcyon days of season 1964-65 when they won their first ever and only Welsh Club Championship. Since those heady days things haven't been all roses either. They have suffered such disasters as the clubhouse being blown up and then burnt down on separate occasions. They have come through such catastrophes in remarkable fashion however and are now experts on coping with adversity and the unexpected.

On their day with their best side on the field selected from their large squad they can shake the best of sides. Coach Paul Evans is convinced he has the makings of a more than good side. He has a good blend of experience and youth at his disposal and no doubt he is hoping that they put their act together today.

To Newbridge then we again say welcome to The Arms Park, we hope you enjoy your day.

Talking of goodwill wasn't it a nice gesture to see our two Andrews Booth and Moore shaking hands at the first scrum of the recent Varsity Match. They both put in a cracking performance in great spirit and at the end of the game Andrew Booth was in possession of the ball which he very sportingly handed over to Andy Moore in recognition of Oxford's rather unexpected victory. Well done lads, your performance and attitude on the day did you both proud and you proved very worthy ambassadors of the Cardiff Club.

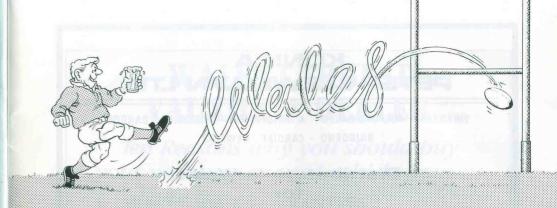
On the home front it is sad news that lan Watkins has lost his fitness battle for consideration for the forthcoming English game. His injured knee has failed to recover in time. It's good news however for Newbridge hooker Ken Waters who has been called up to the squad to replace lan.

The Rags winning sequence continues with Garndiffaith as their latest victims. They have now won all their Silver Ball games and are now top the table. They will be well tested today away to Neath Athletic so I'll let you know more of that in a later programme.

Don't forget you still have a few days to get your Christmas presents from the club shop.

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- 2. How many times have we met in the cup?
- 3. Who is their record points scorer in any one season?
- 4. Newbridge are current holders of the Snelling Sevens. Have they ever been losing finalists?
- 5. Who was their top try scorer last season?



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By J. E. MALCOLM THOMAS

Question A:

At a lineout the throwing in side line up two men, one 8 metres and the other 15 metres in from the touch line. The scrum half runs up to the thrower in, confers and immediately joins the lineout 6 metres in. The ball is thrown into the linout and he gathers it and runs upfield. Is this allowed?

Answer: YES, Play on.

Question B:

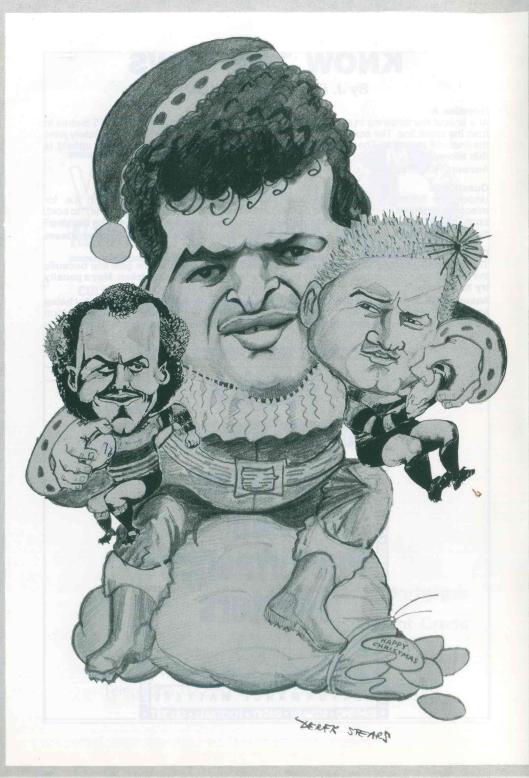
Under Law 6(B)(6), a touch judge may signal for offences under Law 26(3) (i.e. for misconduct and dangerous play). Is barging in the lineout included in Law 26(3)(e) "to hold, push, charge, obstruct or grasp an opponent," i.e. may a touch judge signal for barging? Answer: YES. The law is specific and the referee and touch judges should work as a team.

Question C:

The attacking side are awarded a series of penalties 5 metres from the goal line because the defending side continually charge before the tapped penalties are taken. May a penalty try be awarded?

Answer: YES. If the referee feels that this repeated infringement is preventing a try being scored, the referee may award a penalty try. The referee may feel that he wishes to inform the defenders that repeated infringements make them liable to the award of a penalty try,

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QUIDNUNC'S COLUMN

FRIDAY AFTERNOON — and it's time to think about the Christmas shopping and hopefully, as Quidnunc does each year, some last-minute gifts for personalities around the club.

For everybody, a couple of resounding league wins or more would not go amiss which is why our festive and seasonal illustration suggests that Mark Ring, as a frequent provider of goodies, should receive plenty of ball to distribute. Poor Steve Ford might be excused on occasions for failing to recognise the object though he proved at Swansea yet again that he knows what to do when he is given one.

Mikey Rayer is another, of course, who would welcome a stream of passes from Santa Playmaker – along with, it is suggested by some of his colleagues, a new curly wig: they preferred some of his old hair styles. Going back to Steve Ford, certain officials of the club were contemplating acquiring for him a portable telephone or a medical-style bleeper in order that they might occasionally find out where he is.

In which case, Quidnunc suggests that team manager John Scott, badly in need himself of the gift of a course in marriage guidance in order to understand some of the difficulties with which one or two of his charges have presented him recently, might be persuaded to give up one of his own telephones: "I have so many telephone numbers for Scottie, his shop, his car and so on that he would take up a page of secretary John Nelson's filofax, if he had one," says one source close to the action.

Telephones, in fact, crop up frequently when you make inquiries about suitable presents. Simon Hill, for example, should be given a private phone to prevent him from running up huge bills on other lines (though he does pay up) while those University scrum halves, the two merry Andrews, Moore and Booth, clearly had no method of telephonic communication in the days following the Varsity match (unless, of course, they did not wish for one reason or another to make contact with the outside world after the triumph or disaster depending on whether you were Oxford or Cambridge).

For Ringo himself, it has been suggested now that he has a job as a financial adviser that he should have a financial adviser - and, the annual gift, a guide to genuine racing form.

For hooker Jonathan Humphreys, a total disguise in order that he should not be the object of mistaken identity by touch judges who, and if you don't believe me ask Mike Griffiths, appear to be seeing things which don't exist being done by the wrong people who were not committing an offence in the first place. Both Jonathan and Mike could also well receive a gift of a brand new book written by Pontypridd coach Mike Watkins entitled "How to Make Friends with the WRU, its Referees and its Disciplinary Committee".

Mark Bennett, who three young readers believe should be nicknamed Prancer because of his antics when Cardiff score a try, might be given the present of a job which does not involve working in the Antarctic or Sellafield (are you over-qualified, Mark, or do you simply have a degree in a subject for which there is no known job?).

A few more suggestions offered by finks for their friends; that committee man Chris Webber, living in the lofty, snow-covered heights of Brecon, should be given a pair of skis to trek to his splendid local pub three doors down the road; that Terry Charles should be given a new Volkeswagen Beetle to cut down on his cadging lifts home; that Peter Nyhan should have a new and funny joke book; that Tony Orrell should receive a voucher for a two-week holiday on a health farm that does not serve burgers and chips and that Ceri Thomas should be given a pair of contact lenses that stay in.

There were plenty of other ideas which might be more suitable as New Year

Resolutions, in which case we may well return to them next Saturday.

In the meantime, however, Quidnunc wishes players, committee, officials, readers and supporters a very happy and pleasing Christmas with lots of team spirit but not too much of the other kind.

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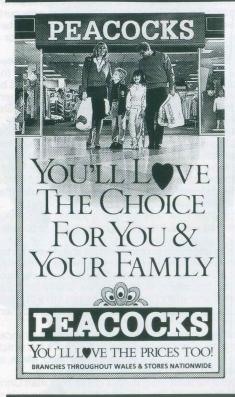
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- Paul JOHN
- Mike GRIFFITHS
- Ian GREENSLADE
- Steve BLACKMORE
- Mark EDWARDS
- Stuart ROY
- Robert LAKIN
- **Howard STONE**
- Mark BENNETT
- 16. Andrew BOOTH
- 17. Kevin MORGAN
- Jonathan HUMPHREYS
- 19. Tony ORRELL Owen GOLDING
- 21. Ian HEMBROW

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Left Wing

Outside Half

Inside Half

Forwards

Full Back Right Wing Chris MANLEY 13. Right Centre Left Centre

Richard BROWN 12.

Paul WILLIAMS 10.

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Mike RAYER	10	5	-	1	_	23	16	9	5	4	-	58	1801/2	42	113	96	2	688
Mark BENNETT	7	-	_	_	-	-	11	1	_	-	_	4	13	1	_	-	-	4
Steve BLACKMORE	6	_	-	_	-	-	11	2	_	_		8	1631/2	11	_	-	5-7	44
Richie COLLINS	9	1	-	-	_	4	14	1	-	-	-	4	591/2	8	-	-	-	32
Matthew De MAID	1-		-	-	-	14	31/2	-	3-1	_	-	1/4	131/2	3	-	-	-	12
Mark EDWARDS	10	-	12	_	4-	-	18	7-3	_	-	_	-	981/2	19	-	_	-	76
Paul EDWARDS	1	-	_	_	-	_	4	_	_	-	_	-	4	-	-	_	_	_
Steve FORD	8	3	_	_	-	12	11	5	_	_	_	20	68	44	_	_	_	176
Ian GREENSLADE	61/2	_	_	_	-	_	9	_	_	-	-	_	74	12	_	_	-	48
Mike GRIFFITHS	4	_	_	_	-	_	7	_	-	-	_	_	20	_	-	_	_	-
Mike HALL	2	_	_	_	_	_	6	1	_	_	_	-	11	5	_	-	_	20
Simon HILL	41/2	2	-	_	_	8	81/2	5	_	_	_	-	10	6	_	-	_	24
Jonathan HUMPHREYS	2	-	-	_	12	_	51/2	-	_	_	-	_	101/2	3	_	-	-	12
Geraint JOHN	7	-	3	3	_	15	12	_	5	3	1	22	133	23	120	79	11	602
Paul JOHN	10	5	_	-	-	20	15	6		-	_	24	39	8	8	_	-	48
Robert LAKIN	7	2	-	_	_	8	10	4	_	_	_	6	304	67	_	-1	_	268
Kevin MORGAN	1/2	_	_	_	_	_	31/2	1	_	-	_	4	191/2	4	-	-	-	16
Stuart NUNNERLEY	3	-		_	-	_	8	_		_	_	_	32	4		_	-	16
Tony ORRELL	21/2	_	-	_	-	-	31/2	-	-	_	-	_	241/2	-	-	_	_	-
Mark RING	9	2	_	_	-	8	12	2	-	-	_	8	205	81	64	45	9	614
Stuart ROY	9	1	-	_	-	4	16	2	_	-	-	8	511/2	3	-	_	_	12
Howard STONE	51/2	-	_	_	_	_	81/2	-	_	_	_	_	182	29	_	1	_	116
Greg SWAIN	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	_	18	-	_	_	-	-
Ceri THOMAS	8	2	_	_	_1	8	131/2	7	\	_	_	28	491/2	18	-	1	_	75
lan WATKINS	3	1	_	_	-	4	6	3	_	_	-	12	32	12	-	_	_	48
Anthony DONOVAN	2	4		_		12	4	6			_	24	27	18	_	_		72

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ABERTILLERY BRIDGEND CARDIFF SLAM WANDS. LANELLI NEATH NEWTRIDGE

P	W	D	L	Т	Pt	
9	9	0	0	25	18	
10	7	1	2	19	15	
10	6	0	4	31	12	
9	5	1	3	22	11	
10	5	0	5	26	10	
9	4	0	5	20	8	
9	3	1	5	26	7	
9	3	0	6	29	6	
10	2	0	8	9	4	

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ABERTILLERY	H		9-9	12-55	10-16	12-7	9-16	6-55	3-30	3-30	9-23
BRIDGEND	H	9-9		10-9	14-3 12-10	18-12	16-22	18-12	14-9	16-14	21-22
CARDIFF	H	55-12	9-10		27-13	16-22	3-24	0-11	22-12	21-20	28-13 15-23
GLAM WANDS.	H	16-10	10-12 3-14	13-27	H	9-55	9-26	6-40	10-33	9-17	6-3
LLANELLI	H	7-12	12-18	22-16	55-9		12-21	19-11	19-10	10-10	16-12
NEATH	H A	16-9	22-16	24-3	26-9	21-12		19-7	24-13	28-27	23-14
NEWBRIDGE	H	55-6	12-18	11-0	40-6	11-19	7-19	41	14-17	10-23	3-22
PONTYPOOL	H	30-3	9-14	12-22	33-10	10-19	13-24	17-14		19-11	6-63
PONTYPRIDD	H	30-3	14-26	20-21	17-9	10-10	27-28	23-10	11-19		18-21
SWANSEA	H	23-9	22-21	23-15 13-28	3-6	12-16	14-23	22-3	63-6	21-18	
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First Division

	7	VV	D	L		Pt
Newport	7	7	0	0	41	14
Aberavon	7	5	0	2	21	10
S. W. Police	7	5	0	2	15	10
Maesteg	6	4	0	2	18	8
Cross Keys	7	2	0	5	12	4
Ebbw Vale	5	2	0	3	10	4
Tredegar	6	1	0	5	5	2
Penarth	7	0	0	7	5	0

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Second D	ivi	sion					Third Divi	sic	n				
	P	W	D	L	T	Pt		P	W	D	L	T	Pt
Mt. Ash	9	7	1	1	28	15	Llandovery	9	8	0	1	27	16
Llanharan	9	7	0	2	25	14	Cilfynydd	9	7	0	2	22	14
Dunvant	7	7	0	0	16	14	Tenby Utd.	9	7	0	2	22	14
Treorchy	8	4	1	3	18	9	Tumble	9	5	0	4	17	10
Blaina	8	4	1	3	17	9	Kidwelly	9	4	0	5	17	8
Rumney	8	2	2	4	13	6	Blackwood	9	4	0	5	15	8
Bonymaen	9	3	0	6	12	6	St. Peter's	8	3	1	4	19	7
Narberth	8	2	1	6	15	5	Kenfig Hill .	9	3	1	5	18	7
Wrexham	8	2	0	6	8	4	P'pool Utd.	8	2	0	6	14	4
Aber'von Q	9	1	0	8	12	2	Ruthin	9	0	0	9	1	0

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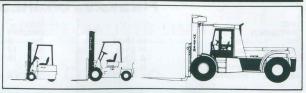




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- 1. Don Hayward, 15 Caps.
- **2.** 3 times. Semi-final 1981/82, 4th Round 1983/84, 3rd Round 1984/85. We won all three.
- 3. Paul Turner 405, 1983/84.
- 4. Yes, twice. Lost to Newport 1965 and to Llanelli in 1973.
- 5. Steve Fealey. 22 tries.



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FIRST XV FIXTURES

			IIIOI AVI	IXI	OII	LU		
Sat. 2	MBER 1 8 15 22	Bristol Leicester Bath Swansea (L) Newbridge (L)	H 28-15 H 35-9 A 23-45 H 28-13 A 0-11		1991 JANUA Sat. Sat. Sat. Sat.	ARY 5 12 19 26	Ebbw Vale Bridgend (L) London Welsh (a.m.) (at Sophia Gardens) W.R.U. Cup 5th Round	A A H
Sat. 2	ER 2 5 13 20 27	Penarth Newport Bridgend (L) Pontypridd (L) Abertillery (L)	H 48-21 A 9-34 H 9-10 A 21-20 H 55-12		FEBRU Fri. Sat. Fri. Sat.	1 9 15 23	Ayr Pontypridd (L) Bective Rangers W.R.U. Cup 6th Round	A H
	BER 3 7	Llanelli (L) Oxford University Glam. Wanderers (L)	A 16-22 H 16-11 H 27-13		Sat. Sat. Sat. Sat.	9 16 23 30	Abertillery (L) W.R.U. Cup Quarter Final Llanelli (L) Barbarians	H
Fri.	16 24	Newport Pontypool (L)	H 17-3 A 22-12		APRIL Sat. Sat. Sat. Sat.	6 13 20 27	W.R.U. Cup Semi-Final Glam. Wanderers (L) Pontypool (L) Neath (L)	A H
Sat. Sat. Sat. Sat. Wed.	1 8 15 22 26	Aberavon Neath (L) Swansea (L) Newbridge (L) Pontypridd	H 30-12 H 3-24 A 15-23 H		MAY Sat.	4	W.R.U. Cup Final	
Sat. 2	29	Harlequins	Н		(L) de	notes L	eague game.	

ATHLETIC XV FIXTURES

1990 SEPTEMBER Sat. 1 Wed. 5 Sat. 8 Wed. 12 Sat. 15	Bristol United Aberaman Leicester Extras Cwmtwrch Bath United	A 13-18 A 13-19 A 21-28 A 65- 0 H 12-24	1991 JANUARY Sat. 5 Sat. 12 Sat. 26	Ebbw Vale Athletic Bridgend Ravens Pontypool United	P
Wed. 19 Sat. 22 Sat. 29 OCTOBER Wed. 3 Fri. 5 Sat. 13	Garndiffaith Loughborough Moseley United Glam. Wanderers II Newport United Bridgend Ravens	A 18-13 H 18-15 H 23-19 H Post. H 40-4 A 20-13	FEBRUARY Sat. 9 Wed. 20 Sat. 23 Tue. 26	Pontypridd Athletic Mountain Ash Bedwas Pontypool United	A H A
Wed. 17 Sat. 20 Sat. 27 NOVEMBER Sat. 3 Wed. 7 Sat. 10 Fri. 16	Cardiff Medicals Pontypridd Athletic Wasps Vandals Senghenydd Barry Plastics Glam. Wanderers II Newport United	H 24-3 H 44-7 A Canc. H 32-4 A 18-12 A 26-4 A 14-13	MARCH Sat. 2 Sat. 9 Sat. 16 Fri. 29	Rumney Neath Athletic Blackwood Bridgend Sports	H H A A
Sat. 24 DECEMBER Sat. 1 Mon. 3 Sat. 8 Sat. 15 Sat. 22 Sat. 29	Pontypool Athletic Hirwaun Glam. Wanderers II Gloucester United Garndiffaith Neath Athletic Cardiff H.S.O.B.	H 40-0 A 36-7 H 59-6 A Canc. H 34-13 A	APRIL Sat. 6 Sat. 13 Wed. 17 Sat. 20 Sat. 27	Croesyceiliog Lianharan Llandaff North Pontypool Athletic Blackwood	H H A A H

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