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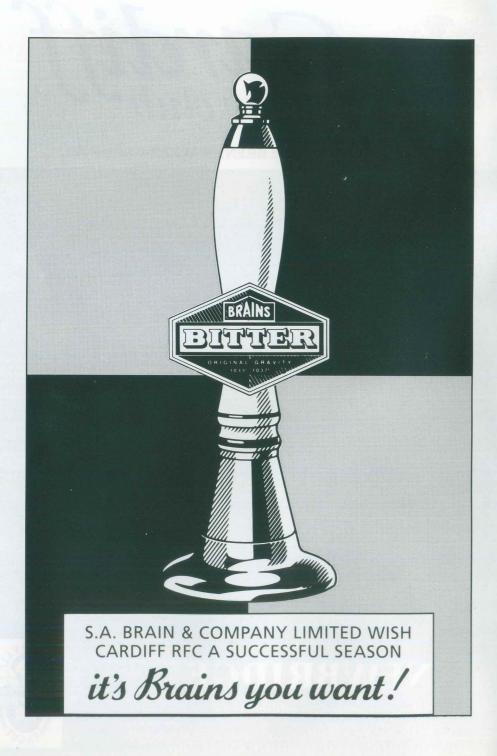


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## Cardiff v. Newbridge

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Nothing succeeds like success. Whoever coined that expression certainly knew his onions. Just look what Australia's success have done for them in the now historic World Cup II. Before they left their fair shores only about 10% of the population of the country knew that they had a Rugby Union side. Their success has put a new complexion on the game Down Under however and now Nick Farr Jones and his team are national heroes and don't they fully deserve it. To beat New Zealand in the semi and then do a bit of Pommie Bashing in the final wouldn't have filled the bill better even if it had been script written.

Mind I suppose success can be treated as a very relevant commodity. What joy it would have been for Wales to have been the beaten finalists. England on the other hand suffered withdrawal symptoms however from the very moment the final whistle announced the end of the game. Will Carling, until then the most photographed man in Britain suddenly disappeared from the media and his team looked as if a smile would never again grace their countenance. Time (and money) are great healers however and I'm sure that happy band of warriors will soon perk up again if the IB sanction the reputed monetary rewards that await them can be released.

On that particular point, it makes you wonder and speculate how far down the road to professionalism we will have gone by World Cup III in 1995. In speaking of those for yet to come days, hopefully South Africa will be well and truly back in the fold by then. They will certainly be a force to be reckoned with on the television evidence of the recently screened Currie Cup final. The game played between Transvaal and Northern Transvaal was quite sensational television viewing and the expertise and pace shown by both teams means that their national side will be an awesome outfit.

From our own national point of view the next hurdle Wales will face is The Five Nations Championship. It's going to be an extremely difficult task to get the show on the road again. Towards this end we wish our own Bob Norster and coach Alan Davies the best of luck in their extended term of office.

Life after the World Cup goes on however and now all efforts at this moment are homing in on the league programme. From day one of the First Division programme last Saturday it became more than apparent the competition will be as tough as ever. It's an obvious fact from last year that a reasonable start, such as winning your home games is vital. Neath's start last year meant that they were well out in from the start and the chasing pack had to rely on the Gnoll side slipping from grace in order to get in amongst the honours.

As we know now despite the fact that we beat them at The Gnoll in the last league game of the season, they were far enough in front to win the inaugural top division championships by five points from runners up Llanelli.

Our own current season's league opening resulted in that away defeat at St Helens to Swansea. At six points up perhaps we were somewhat too optimistic that we could have come away with a win. Swansea's determination to win at home became stronger as the game progressed and indeed had their kickers

been in any kind of form we would have suffered a far heavier defeat. As it was we have to go way back to season 1935/36 for the last time they scored that many tries against us.

We carry on our league programme today with a visit from Newbridge. Their season so far was going along in very sweet fashion until last Saturday. They had won all their previous 18 non league games and were more than happy with the squad they had assembled. With no second team of course their sides varied greatly from game to game in order to keep all the squad match fit. It was obvious then that the home defeat in their league opening against visiting Pontypool was a grave disappointment to them. Mind it's their norm these days as "Pooler" haven't tasted defeat by Newbridge for going on twenty games. It appears that John Perkins' outfit certainly has the Indian sign on them with Newbridge riding into the sunset of yet another defeat in that series.

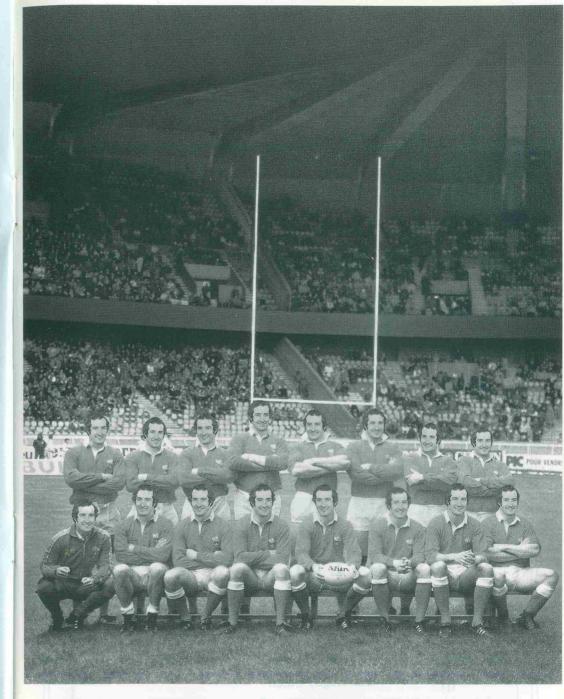
That being so Newbridge will come to The Arms Park this afternoon in determined mood looking for a repeat of last season's result when they beat us 11-0. They also beat us on their own patch and in so doing were the only team to double us in last season's league competition. For our part we must comply with the theory that it is vital to win your home games so defeat must be the last thing we should be contemplating. In fact it makes you wonder if a win away from home is of more merit points wise than a home win.

In all we have played Newbridge on 24 occasions. The record reads 16 wins to us, 6 to Newbridge and 2 drawn. Points wise we have recorded 402 to their 257. Three of the 16 games played have been cup encounters and we have won all 3. For their part though their Heineken League record against us is 100%, played 2 won 2, and no other club can claim the same. Let's hope we reverse that situation this afternoon.

To Newbridge then we welcome you to The Arms Park and we wish you well. Since our last home programme Tim Crothers Rags well and truly went down the Swanee on their visit to Gloucester to play their Kingsholm counterparts. It was on the night before the World Cup Final and due to late withdrawals and the like, were a bit late arriving at Gloucester. Perhaps it would have been better had they been prevented from turning up at all because the home side won by 39 pts to 3. Now that's a right royal hammering for the Rags. We have to go back to November 1983 for a bigger defeat than that Gloucester reverse. The Gloucester side were reported to have a very street wise pack who supplied the speedy back line with some great try scoring ball. If you cast your mind back to our last home game against Gloucester, the forwards on that night did the same to our 1st team pack and the fact that Gloucester gave an England Squad XV a good run for their money, beat an Irish XV and then last Saturday they beat Bath, perhaps they will be the English side to keep your eye on.

The Youth side are surging on at a cracking pace and their latest victory saw them pound Glamorgan Wanderers Youth by a massive 66-0. This included 13 tries so this time next year, and at no extra effort, the score would have been 79-0. Why oh why in their wisdom however did the IB leave the penalty kick worth 3 points. I'm sure it would have met with general approval had it's value been reduced to 2 points.

This afternoon's game is being sponsored by Wyndham BMW. We thank them for their generous support and we trust Mr Stewart Stephenson Managing Director of Wyndham BMW and all his guests will enjoy the occasion.



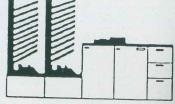
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- 1. What was our final record?
- 2. Who were the only side to double us?
- 3. What was our highest league score
- 4. Who was our single draw against?
- 5. Neath lost 4 games, who were the sides that beat them.?



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#### By J. E. MALCOLM THOMAS

Question 1 The ball is kicked into In-goal by an attacking player and he and the defender ground it "together". The referee is undecided as to who grounds it first. What is the correct decision for the referee?

Answer LAW 12(D) applies. The referee should award a scrum 5 metres out from the goal-line opposite the place where the ball was grounded (or 5 metres in from touch, whichever is the greater). The attacking side to put the ball in.

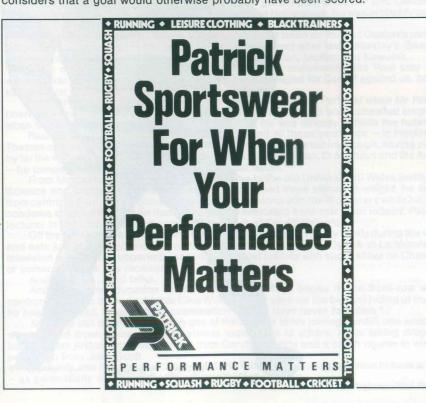
In my opinion, this is what the French referee should have awarded Western Samoa in their game against Wales, but the try awarded is now history.

Question 2 Does the word "first" relate to the player or the ball?

Answer The player. This then allows a momentum try even though the ball has first touched the ground in the field of play.

Question 3 A penalty is awarded to the attacking team in front of the posts and the player attempts to kick at goal. As he runs up and kicks the ball a defending player also runs and charges the ball down illegally. It would otherwise have gone over the

Answer: The goal should be awarded. Law II states "a goal may be awarded if the ball is illegally touched by any player of the opposing team and if the referee considers that a goal would otherwise probably have been scored."



PAUL PRICKETT



## QUIDNUNC'S COLUMN

TUESDAY EVENING, you may recall, was thoroughly unpleasant: hailstones as large as pickled onions hurtled from the heavens as high winds prevented us from leaving the saloon-bar warmth.

During all this, our heroes flogged themselves around Sophia Gardens in a training session – poor daps! The muddied oafs up front trudged through the boggy grass while the backs, those pampered, elite citizens, strode almost dry-footed across the astroturf.

Later, as they turned the shower baths into brown slurry and the single members of the squad attempted to clean their gear as well as themselves under the hot running water, the lads must have wondered whether their chosen hobby was really necessary. Training on a wild evening is a far cry from the glamour of World Cup finals and £1 million offers from Rugby League.

Let us consider this afternoon, for example, the case of Mr Paul William Prickett, whose 34th birthday is now a full summer away, who at the back end of last season was contemplating a rather more leisurely rugby future after playing some 460 matches for Glamorgan Wanderers and who rarely stops talking – hence his new nickname of "Ed" – the talking horse, along with accusations that he is sponsored by Webster's Bitter, whose ads feature just such a vociferous animal.

Paul P trained as enthusiastically on Tuesday as a teenager. Instead of moving down a level and joining, say, Llandaff after leaving the Memorial Ground, he throws himself into a totally new scene with glee.

Former colleagues at the Wanderers talk about his new horizons. "Despite his 460 games with us, he never played at such illustrious grounds as Leicester and Cambridge University, never played against the likes of Wasps and Nottingham. He was probably getting bored with going to Clifton and Lydney.

"In addition," says one particular fink, "he was never taken on tours of Canton's pubs by Mike Rayer" – this, apparently an allusion to a walkabout after last Saturday's Swansea match along with such worthies as Messrs Scott, Newman, McKim and Kawulok.

"Only once," recalls another Wanderer somewhat maliciously "did Paul play on a winning side for us at the Arms Park. And now, having played for Cardiff against us, he has still been on the winning side only the once."

Another friend recalls with affection an incident on tour in Portugal when Mr Prickett boarded a taxi, instructed the driver to take him to his hotel and was somewhat surprised when the driver merely opened the door opposite. He was already outside the hotel.

Paul William Prickett was in fact born in England all those years ago — in Henley-on-Thames no less and, indeed, represented Maidenhead and Berkshire though, having played by far the majority of his rugby down here — including Glamorgan, Crawshays and the Accies — he considers himself very clearly to be almost Welsh.

From Maidenhead Grammar School he came to the old University of Wales Institute of Science and Technology where, having rapidly gained three stones in weight, he moved from centre to prop. There followed more than 12 seasons with the Wanderers while his life in academe enabled him to join that rare breed of educated front-row men: indeed, Paul is a lecturer in the electrical engineering department at Cardiff University.

Off the field also, he enjoys Guinness and cider, though only very rarely during the week, and eats just about anything he can lay his mouth on — particularly fish at Le Monde. His television relaxation is apparently connected almost entirely with sport, either on Channel 4 or someone else's Sky receiver.

And he talks... and talks.

And the rugby education continues, lessons which began in the front-row with a confrontation with the redoubtable Clive Williams. "He gave me the biggest hiding of my life," he has confessed, "a searching examination which I have never forgotten."

And he is still learning — though one of the objects of his joining Cardiff, one suspects, was to hand down some of his enormous experience to others. He is taking drop-kick lessons from Arthur Emyr, economics from Gareth Roberts and a crash course in winding people up from John Scott.

Certainly, one thing is clear: Paul, or Ed, the Talking Horse, is a good man to have around

- as generations of Glamorgan Wanderers will tell you.

Caricature: Paul Prickett



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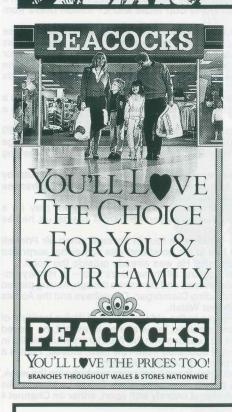
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- Ian WATKINS
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- 8. Ian HEMBROW
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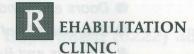
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- Byron HAYWARD 10.
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  - Ken WATERS 2.
  - Simon JENKINS 3.
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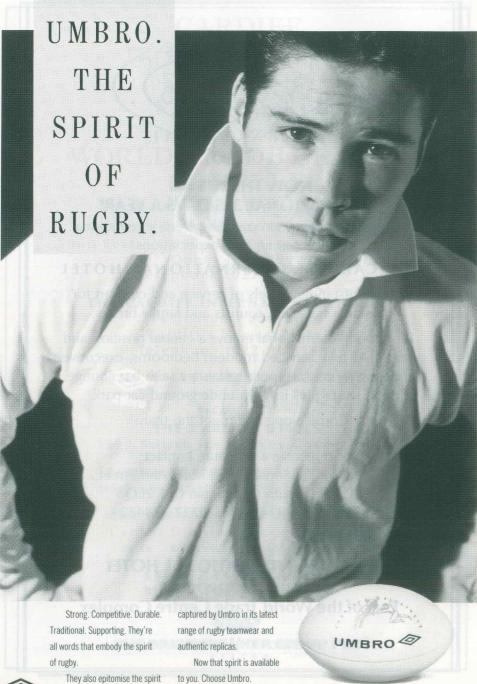
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Pontypool .	1	1	0	0	2	2
Llanelli	1	1	0	0	2	2
Bridgend	1	1	0	0	1	2
Pontypridd	1	0	0	1	2	0
Newport	1	0	0	1	1	0
Newbridge	1	0	0	1	1	0
Maesteg	1	0	0	1	1	0
Cardiff	1	0	0	1	0	0

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Llanharan	2	2	0	0	7	4
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Llandovery	4	3	0	1	7	6	Kenfig Hill .	4	2	1	1	8	1
Treorchy	4	2	1	1	11	5	Cilfynydd	4	2	0	2	13	4
Rumney	4	1	1	2	3	3	Y'gynlais	4	2	0	2	7	-
Wrexham	4	1	0	3	5	2	Blackwood	4	1	0	3	7	1
A'von Qns	4	1	0	3	5	2	Kidwelly	4	1	0	3	5	1
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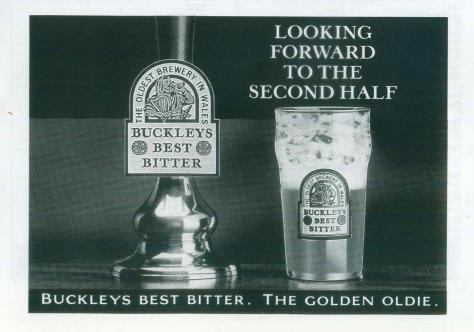




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### Rugby Quiz No. 5 - Answers

- 1. Played 18, Won 10, Lost 7, Drawn 1
- 2. Newbridge. 18-9 at home and 11-0 away.
- 3. 55 points against Abertillery home.
- 4. Bridgend away 15-15.
- **5.** Llanelli home 13-12, Newbridge away 12-7. Pontypridd away 24-9 and Cardiff home 18-4.



## Cardiff Rugby Club 1991-92

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Thu.	3	England v. N.Z.	Twickenham	1	
Fri.	4	Australia v. Argentina	Llanelli	3	
		France v. Romania	Beziers	4	
Sat.	5	Italy v. U.S.A.	Otley	1	
		Scotland v. Japan	Murrayfield	2	
		Fiji v. Canada	Bayonne	2 4 3 2	
Sun.	6	Wales v. W. Samoa	Cdf. Arms Park	3	
		Ireland v. Zimbabwe	Lansdowne R.	2	
Tue.	8	New Zealand v. U.S.A.	Gloucester	1	
		England v. Italy	Twickenham	1	
		France v. Fiji	Grenoble	4	
Wed.	9	Australia v. W. Samoa	Pontypool	3	
		Ireland v. Japan	Lansdowne R.	3 2 2	
		Scotland v. Zimbabwe	Murrayfield	2	
		Wales v. Argentina	Cdf. Arms Park	3	
		Canada v. Romania	Toulouse	4	
Fri.	11	England v. U.S.A.	Twickenham	1	
Sat.	12	Scotland v. Ireland	Murrayfield	2	
		Wales v. Australia	Cdf. Arms Park	2 3 4	
		Fiji v. Romania	Brive		
Sun.	13	Argentina v. W. Samoa	Pontypridd	3	
		New Zealand v. Italy	Leicester	1	
		France v. Canada	Agen	4	
Mon.	14	Zimbabwe v. Japan	Belfast	2	
Sat.	19	Winner Pool 2 v. RU Pool 3	Murrayfield	2 C B	
		Winner Pool 4 v. RU Pool 1	Parc des Princes		
Sun.	20	Winner Pool 3 v. RU Pool 2	Lansdowne R.	D	
		Winner Pool 1 v. RU Pool 4	Lille	A	
Sat.	26	B v. C – Semi Final	Murrayfield		
Sun.	27	A v. D - Semi Final	Lansdowne R.		
Wed	30	The Play Off	Cdf. Arms Park		
NOV.					
Sat.	2	The Final	Twickenham		

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