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v

HERIOTS F. P.

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Cardiff v. Heriots F. P.

First of all 'wakey wakey!'. I know most of you haven't been up this early, watching a match, since you were picked for the school second XV in the days when Cardiff Grammar schools used to run Rugby teams, but even so, pay attention. For those who crawled in straight from last night's old Players' Reunion at the Clubhouse, and are wondering what it's all about, this is Cardiff v. Heriots, and it should be about 10 o'clock in the morning. So having got your bearings take a deep breath (if your bronchitis will allow you) and clear your head of those fond memories of what you used to do to the opposition, and see what the modern game is all about. I know we didn't play Heriots in your day, but that's because they were having a bit of trouble with Bonny Prince Charlie up there at that time and couldn't raise a team. Now that you know everything you can put your feet up and go to sleep like the rest of us in the Committee Box.

For those of you still awake, let me inform you that Heriots F.P. are most probably the only team in the U.K. with a 100% record against Cardiff at the Arms Park. Without dwelling on the fact that they have only played us once at the Arms Park, we must pay due homage to this unique record and hope that today we can at least square the account. We lost 0-9 two years ago.

To play this match at all has presented unique problems. As you might be aware, even if you haven't been asleep for the last fortnight, there has been an energy crisis and we couldn't play this game under floodlights last night as was originally envisaged. We are indebted to the W.R.U. for allowing us to play this game on our ground, when they are somewhat involved themselves next door. Apart from the added administrative problems of co-ordinating the eating and drinking facilities of four teams — the Rags are playing Pontyclun this morning — we have experienced qualms about the more slothful of our players. We have had to engage the services of Gary Samuel, that well known insomniac, to tour the more peaceful areas of Monmouthshire and Glamorganshire in order to rouse the late sleepers and get them to Cardiff. Anyway, here's to a wide awake game against Heriots and after a day like today, happy hangovers tomorrow.

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THE RAGS

It is worthwhile recording that a much depleted Rags team beat Coventry Extras at Counden Road 11 pts. to 10 pts. This game saw the debut of youth player T. Brahm and he like all the Rags team that played deserve a bouquet for achieving this rare double (we beat them home by over 40 pts.). To those players who caused the late team changes a mild raspberry.

YOUTH TEAM NOTES

Due to the Cardiff & District Youth games and weather conditions only 9 games have been played this year. The record reads P.9 L.2 W.7 F.306 A.72.

The games lost were to Leicestershire Colts 22pts. — 12 pts., and to Llanelli Youth away 6 pts.—3pts. Whilst this may not sound a particularly impressive record it is worth noting that we have 13 players and 2 reserves in the Cardiff & District Youth team, that are in the final of the Crawshay Cup of the Welsh Youth Rugby Union. In addition Terry Holmes has played for the Rags and scored in his first game. R. Fields and T. Brahm have also played.

P. Simmonds, M. Owen, T. Debono, T. Holmes, V. Anzani, S. Donoghue, and T. Brahm are in the East Wales team in the Welsh Youth Trial. We wish them all the best of luck.

D.J.H.

Rothmans Quiz **ABERAVON v. CARDIFF RFC**

The Quarter Final of the above quiz will be held in the Club on the 23rd of January, and at Aberavon on the 30th of January.

Know the Laws

by FRED CROSTER

Will any of us, I wonder, ever forget that breathtaking 18-17 win over Scotland at Murrayfield in the Grand Slam year when John Taylor's boots earned their justifiable praise in the Hall of Fame?

I wonder how many of the suspense soaked crowd fully realised how close that result came to reversal when Scotland scored what seemed to be a perfectly good try with a fine threequarter movement right across the field from a line-out outside the Welsh twenty-five. The ball had been grounded, the Scots were enraptured and then, all for naught. The Scottish touch judge way over on the far side had his flag still in the air and Mike Titcombe, the referee, ran across to consult him with everyone in suspense.

To our relief and their dismay, he ruled 'No Try' and the line-out was re-taken. A Welsh victory, a Welsh Triple Crown and Grand Slam was then on. On what occasions should the touch judge keep his flag up? That is the point of these notes today. There are only TWO, and I quote, Law 6, "Referee and Touch Judges", Section 'B' para 5:

"The touch judge shall lower his flag when the ball has been thrown in except on the following occasions when he MUST keep it raised:

(a) *when the player throwing in the ball puts any part of either foot in the field of play*
(b) *when the ball has not been thrown in by the team entitled to do so. It is for the referee to decide whether or not the ball has been thrown in from the correct place."*

On this vital occasion it was the first instance.

It brings back memories to me of Twickenham in 1958. I was the touch judge and the first Welsh referee to perform this now established role. A player put his foot in touch, my flag went up, referee Ray Williams of Ireland did not see it, England went the length of the field to score and then were all brought back for the line-out, when his attention was called to little me, standing there like a Charlie. No Triple Crown though, it was a 3-3 draw. Do you remember?

Cardiff R.F.C.

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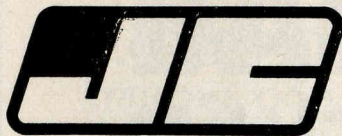
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- 6. R. LANE
- 8. T. WORGAN
- 7. M. JOHN

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

Heriots F. P.

- N. PUGH 15.
- G. J. LEE 14.
- J. A. B. GREIG 13.
- H. M. BURNETT 12.
- C. ROSS 11.
- F. N. F. DALL (Captain) 10.
- R. G. BURNETT 9.
- H. TAYLOR 1.
- C. MUNRO 2.
- J. N. BURNETT 3.
- G. BOWICK 4.
- D. McDOUGAL 5.
- P. WHITELAW 6.
- J. ANDERSON 8.
- W. MACKAY 7.

Referee: C. THOMAS (Cardiff)



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Date	Opponents	Venue	Result
1973			
Sept. 1	Cognac	H	56-0
5	Ebbw Vale	H	8-8
8	Blackheath	H	23-9
10	Paignton	A	28-6
12	Bristol	H	30-3
15	Coventry	A	16-20
19	Pontypool	H	27-9
22	Neath	H	11-7
29	Aberavon	H	18-6
Oct 3	Penarth	A	29-13
5	Newport	A	16-6
10	Northern Suburbs (N.S.W.) All Pay	H	44-6
13	Northampton	H	13-3
17	Ebbw Vale	A	13-3
20	Cambridge Univ.	H	17-3
24	Pontypool	A	9-14
27	Harlequins	A	20-19
31	Bridgend	H	11-13
Nov. 3	Oxford University	A	22-8
9	Newport	H	38-14
11	Clermont Ferrand	A	10-10
17	Wasps	A	
24	Llanelli	A	0-26

Dec. 1	Swansea	H	
8	Maesteg	A	
15	London Welsh	H	
22	Moseley	A	
26	Pontypridd	H	
27	Watsonians	H	
29	Abertillery	A	
1974			
Jan. 12	Coventry	H	
19	Heriots F. P.	H	
26	Aberavon	A	
Feb. 2	Bective Rangers	A	
9	Bristol	A	
23	Llanelli	H	
Mar. 2	Newbridge	H	
9	Newport	A	
16	London Welsh	A	
20	Bridgend	A	
23	Newport	H	
30	Swansea	A	
Apr. 6	Gloucester	H	
13	Barbarians	H	
15	Harlequins	H	
20	Neath	A	
27	Cornish Tour	A	

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