



Cardiff Rugby Club

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Official Programme 10p

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September 1st, 1979. And so commences the 103rd season of the Cardiff Rugby Football Club. That is, of course, for those of us who were neither fortunate or affluent enough to accompany the club on its recently completed tour of South Africa. This turned out to be a very successful venture in winning five of the seven games played. In retrospect, and as manager Brian Mark has already stated, the players could kick themselves for losing the sixth match against Northern Natal by 18 pts. to 16. One doesn't grumble about defeat when the other side is so much better, as was the case of the Western Province match, Albeit we were hit by injury rather badly but on the day, the South African side played exceptionally well and would have been a good match for any of the four home international sides. The Northern Natal game, however, was one which we were expected to win comfortably and indeed looked like doing so during the first twenty minutes. However, we appeared to relax, drop our guard and let the opposition deliver a couple of super punches. This, added to our poor goal kicking, caused us the consequences of suffering our second defeat. Perhaps the moral to be learnt from this reverse is the fact that in order to be consistent we should never underestimate the opposition, always be at full concentration and never drop our guard. However, the side soon showed its undoubted character by defeating the full Natal Province XV on the following Saturday to round off the tour in a victorious manner.

On the injury front, Stuart Lane is the most serious casualty and he could be out for a fair spell with damaged ligaments of his right leg which could well necessitate an operation. Several other players have niggling complaints but hopefully these should not take long to clear up. However, taking all things into consideration the tour was a great success and the whole party did the Cardiff club proud. The injury situation, the travelling and the never ending changes of environment all combined to sap the strength of all but the most resolute. The travelling was particularly arduous because coach transport was employed and with a stringently imposed speed limit of some 55 m.p.h. it made hard work of a couple of hundred miles. Still, I'm sure that the experience gained by Gareth Davies in his role of captain, John Scott as vice captain and all the other players should reap rich dividends for the forthcoming season. I feel then that you will all be pleased to join with me in congratulating the whole touring party on putting up such a great display both on and off the field. Well done gentlemen.

Changes that have occurred during the close season see a long serving player being elected to the committee in place of the sadly missed Don Pill. The player I refer to, of course, is Mervyn John. Merv finished his playing career in a blaze of glory by captaining the "Rags" to an invincible 1978/79 season and now comes straight on to committee. We all hope you enjoy administration as much as you did playing and your stay is even longer. Another long serving player/committee man has been elected to the chair, Howard Norris, and we also wish him well. Another change sees the introduction of a new coach to the Arms Park. After several years of very creditable service John Evans has decided to take a rest from the very hectic life that the modern day coach endures. His place has been taken by John Ryan. John is a W.R.U. staff coach who has a very impressive track record. He was afforded the golden opportunity of getting to know the players quickly as he was our coach in South Africa. He performed his duties in a manner commensurate with his high reputation and has quickly earned the respect of the players. Welcome to Cardiff John, may your stay be both happy and successful. This also applies to Neil Hutchings, a player of great promise who has decided to throw in his lot with Cardiff.

And now last but certainly not least we offer a very warm welcome today to East District, our opening opponents of this brand new season. Their correct title should really be District B being one of nine districts, A to J, that covers 181 clubs in the whole of Wales and forms the W.R.U. Each of the

nine districts provides representatives to the governing body which in turn is the sole administrative machinery of the game in Wales. As a matter of interest, District B, of whom Cardiff is a member club, is represented by Mr. Glyn Bidder of Pencoed and our own Keith Rowlands. East District is a hangover of the previous title and its side will be selected from any of the 23 clubs that comprise the district other than the major clubs. Last season's corresponding game ended in a 38-17 victory for Cardiff in an entertaining opening game. This year, however, with quite a few of the touring party being rested, it may be a different story.

Finally a must for your Rugby diary. The Don Pill Memorial game will be played on Wednesday, 31st October, 1979. Cardiff will play a selected Welsh XV which we hope will comprise most of the players who played in the championship matches last year. So spread the word around about what should be a fascinating game and for a very worthy cause.

P.N.

KNOW THE LAWS

By FRED CROSTER

Seems just incredible, doesn't it, that the season is with us again? Close seasons as we used to know them just don't exist any more.

Congrats to Gareth and the boys on their successful South African tour, overcoming difficulties destined to despair lesser mortals. Of the law problems there we shall discuss later.

It seems inevitable that any new season brings with it new law changes. Yes! The International Board, bless them, have done it again. Not many, yet the official communication occupied EIGHT pages of type. Mostly clarifications which we shan't bother with but the actual changes we must.

'Sin Bin'. We've all heard about it. The 'rest' therein, already experienced. But, NOT to be used here in the U.K. What WILL come into immediate effect are:

'Fair Catch' or 'Mark'. Only permissible in one's own 22m area, thus, purely a defensive measure.

'Knock-on'. The definition now includes the loss of the ball from a tackle, should it go forward. This was a 'natural' following Steve Fenwick's try against Scotland last year. Remember?

'Pile-up' — prevention! Falling on top of tackled players wilfully to stop the ball being played by the opposition, jumping on to rucks or mauls and lying on the ball after a tackle is OUT. Players MUST immediately play the ball or roll away from it or get up.

This will receive special attention from referees to prevent the 'Pile-up' situations which have beguiled the game in recent years.

There are a couple more changes to be dealt with next time. It's good to be back.

NEXT HOME FIXTURES

Sat., 8th September:	CARDIFF v. NEATH	3 p.m.
Wed., 12th September:	CARDIFF v. BRISTOL	7.15 p.m.
Wed., 19th September:	CARDIFF v. CANADA	7.15 p.m.

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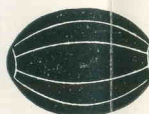
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| 15. C. WEBBER | Full Back |
| 14. D. THOMAS | Right Wing |
| 13. N. HUTCHINGS | Right Centre |
| 12. P. ELLIOTT | Left Centre |
| 11. J. ROBINSON | Left Wing |
| 10. Gareth DAVIES (Capt.) | Outside Half |
| 9. T. HOLMES | Inside Half |
| 1. D. LLEWELLYN | Forwards |
| 2. A. PHILLIPS | |
| 3. I. EIDMAN | |
| 4. H. JONES | |
| 5. C. SMITH | |
| 6. B. LAKIN | |
| 8. R. LANE | |
| 7. T. CHARLES | |
| J. DAVIES | |
| D. CHURCH | |

Referee: J. D. SAMUEL (W.R.U.)



Replacements

East District

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|------------------------------|-----|
| R. WILLIAMS (Llanharan) | 15. |
| W. TYLER (Pentyrch) | 14. |
| B. DAVIES (Pentyrch) (Capt.) | 13. |
| B. DIAMOND (St. Peters) | 12. |
| P. LYN JONES (Pencoed) | 11. |
| H. JONES (Pentyrch) | 10. |
| A. JONES (Pencoed) | 9. |
| J. DAVIES (Barry) | 1. |
| W. HALL (Pencoed) | 2. |
| S. SILVESTER (Pencoed) | 3. |
| A. WOOD (Pentyrch) | 4. |
| S. MIDDLETON (Llandaff) | 5. |
| R. McPHERSON (Dinas Powis) | 6. |
| P. BARRY (St. Peters) | 8. |
| A. MARSH (Dinas Powis) | 7. |
| S. HERMAN (Taffs Well) | |
| A. COLES (Pontyclun) | |



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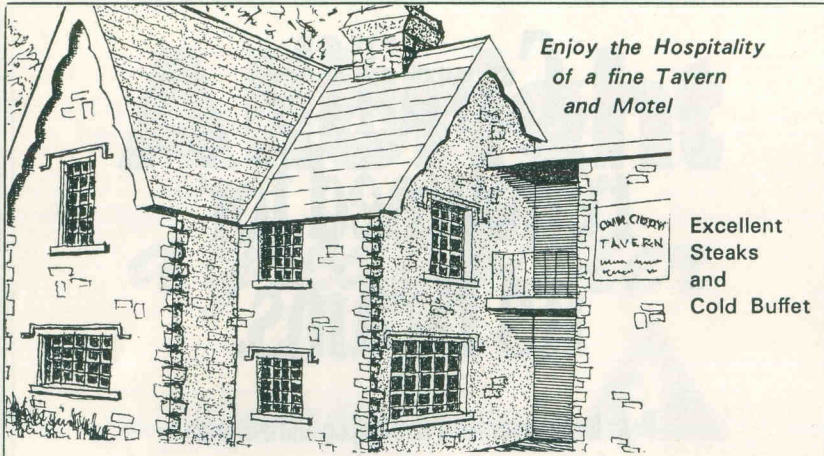
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FIRST XV RESULTS FOR SEASON 1978/79

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

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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 40-22
Mon.	16	Harlequins	H 21-15
Sat.	21	Neath	H 31-6
Fri.	27	Aberavon	H 16-6



● Pat Daniels runs into trouble in this attack during last season's game at Swansea.

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