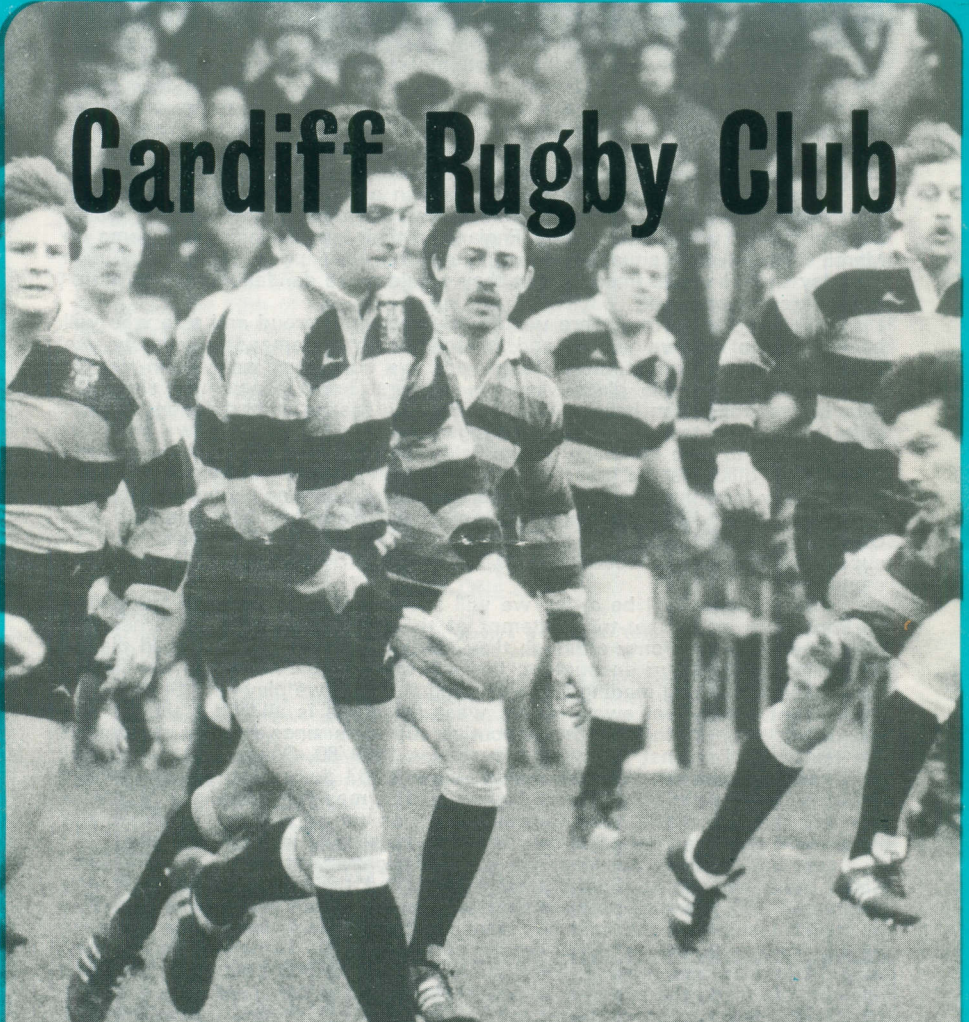


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Official Programme 15p



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For Irishmen with any slight knowledge of rugby, and that seems to embrace the whole population of the Emerald Isle these days after their Triple Crown success of last season, Cardiff will be the focal point of their interest tomorrow. They will be here, if not in physical presence then certainly in spirit for what has become one of the most interesting international matches that our capital city has staged for many a long day. As a result of their away win in Scotland followed by the home win against France they are on course to repeat their Triple Crown success and also scoop the coveted Grand Slam. Anticipation of tomorrow's match has escalated to fever pitch and tickets have become as scarce as dandelions on the astroturf at Sophia Gardens. If the men in green can emulate Scotland's win on the Arms Park last season and record their first victory at Cardiff since 1967 then I know where I would put my money when Ireland play England in their last championship game on March 19th. If that situation does materialize what price tickets in Dublin that day then. I would imagine that they would make dandelions on the astroturf look commonplace.

Still come tomorrow there will be 15 Welshmen proud and true who will be flat out to achieve victory and consolidate their tremendously gusty win at Murrayfield. Amongst those 15 players, we hope that Ian Eidman will be fit enough to take his place. As it is our first home programme since his selection we offer him belated but nevertheless hearty congratulations. It was quite a daunting task to replace the legendary Graham Price so we hope Ian is fit enough to take his place on the field tomorrow and may he have as long a tenure of office as the great Pontypool prop. We have also got good cause to be happy for John Scott on his deserved appointment as captain of England, well done John. Having already supplied many captains for Wales also Des O'Brien to Ireland whilst he was playing for Cardiff, we only now need to supply the top man to Scotland for a full house of Home Country International captains.

Last Saturday will be a day we will soon want to forget with the defeat at Pontypool in our hat-trick attempt at the Schweppes Cup. It turned out fifth time lucky for Ponty although they readily admitted that they had played better in previous cup encounters, but still lost. A quick look at your fixture list makes interesting reading too when you see who we play next Saturday — that's right, Pontypool away. That's what the game is all about though and the defeat puts an end to 15 consecutive cup wins since our last reversal in the third round against Pontypridd in season 1979/80. Our overall cup record now reads played 56, won 46, lost 10 with 1,363 points for, against 448. It might be quite right why we are having such a mediocre season it is due to the fact that we didn't have Corpus Christi on the ground last summer, the Pope went to Ninian Park and now the City are second in their division.

Last but certainly not least we get to tonight's visitors, Bective Rangers. Since their last trip to Cardiff they have joined the centenary clubs having celebrated 100 years of rugby during last season. They marked the occasion in stylish fashion off the field but were not quite able to match the grandeur on the field with only a 50-50 record of success. Of 29 games played they won 14 lost 14 and drew 1. They scored a total of 368 points for with 391 against. We made the trip over to help them celebrate their centenary and won by 23-12. They had an excellent run in the Leinster Cup and got to the final with a fine win over U.C. Dublin. They played an exciting draw against Wanderers in the final but lost the replay by 12-0. The cup flourish, however, helped to make the centenary celebrations worthy of their 100 year contribution to Irish Rugby.

Tonight we meet Bective for the 19th time since our first encounter in Dublin in season 1946/47 which resulted in a no score draw. We next played then in 1953/54, again in Dublin, when the Donnybrook side recorded their solitary victory in the series by 21-8 and now the full record reads played 18,

14 wins to us, 1 to Bective and 3 drawn games. We have scored 297 points to Bective's 135.

This season Bective are captained by full back and Leinster player Brendon Murphy. He also had a Leinster team-mate in the centre in Ian Finnegan and together these helped their province to share the championship with Munster. Another interesting point is the fact that Bective have been asked to play Lansdowne forward Donal Spring so the Irish selectors can run the rule over him. Incidentally in speaking of the Irish selectors it is a pleasure to see one of Bective's stalwarts being elevated to this grand office. I refer, of course, to Michael Cuddy who has spared no efforts in his capacity as first a player and then administrator in keeping the Bective flag flying proud and high. If he can pick a team as well as he can sing McNamara's Band it's no wonder Ireland are having such a purple patch. Other stalwarts in the Bective side tonight include hooker Harry Harbison who was on the bench in Scotland and John Daley a Munster player who now works in Dublin. Lois Magee has also been around quite some time and in company with John McElree they are the only players on the Bective side to have appeared in the corresponding game of February 1979. They will miss their experienced 'B' cap prop Tom Kavanagh, out through injury, however, but I'm sure they will be all out to gain their first ever victory at Cardiff. Welcome to the Arms Park once again then Bective and may your visit be as enjoyable as they have been in the past.

On the home front the 'Rags' have been rather inactive as their game at Bristol on the 12th of February could not be played. They resumed operations last Saturday but were well beaten by Newport Saracens 14-3. All is not lost however, because the Youth are still winning and they are now looking forward to their final game in the W.Y.R.U. Cup against Whitland at Ammanford on 26th March. To our young ambassadors then, win or lose, you have done us proud to get to the final once again so we wish you all good luck for the day.

P.N.

## KNOW THE LAWS

By J. E. MALCOLM THOMAS

### THE LINE-OUT

Q. When is the Line-out formed?

A. A line-out is formed by at least two players from each team lining up in single lines parallel to the line-of-touch in readiness for the ball to be thrown in between them. If, at a formed line-out, the team throwing in the ball line up less than the normal number, their opponents must be given reasonable opportunity to conform. Opposing players who are retiring for that purpose must do so directly and without delay to a line 10 metres behind the line-of-touch. Loiterers must be penalised. Subject to this, when the line-out is ended players so retiring may rejoin play, even if they have not reached the 10 metres line.

Q. When does the Line-out begin?

A. The line-out begins when the ball leaves the hands of the player throwing it in.

Q. When does the Line-out end?

A. The line-out ends when:

- a ruck or maul is taking place and all feet of players in the ruck or maul have moved beyond the line-of-touch, or
- a player carrying the ball leaves the line-out, or
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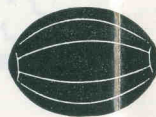
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- E. MURPHY 9.
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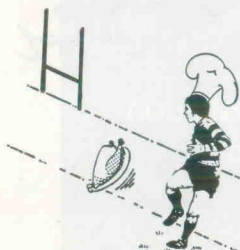
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#### SEPTEMBER

Wed. 1	Glamorgan Wand.	H	9-15
Sat. 4	Munster	A	6-22
Wed. 8	Bristol	A	9-22
Sat. 11	Neath	A	16-9
Wed. 15	Penarth	H	70-0
Sat. 18	Coventry	H	25-25
Sat. 25	Aberavon	A	20-16
Wed. 29	Pontypridd	A	9-15

#### OCTOBER

Sat. 2	Newport	H	13-3
Wed. 6	Bridgend	A	16-21
Sat. 9	Northampton	A	40-9
Wed. 13	Maesteg	A	24-31
Sat. 16	Newbridge	H	10-12
Sat. 23	Maori XV	H	9-17
Wed. 27	Oxford University	A	17-9
Sat. 30	Moseley	A	33-19

#### NOVEMBER

Tues. 2	Ebbw Vale	A	10-12
Sat. 6	Leicester	H	32-9
Wed. 10	Pontypool	H	12-16
Sat. 20	Clifynydd (Cup)	H	66-9
Sat. 27	Llanelli	H	24-13

#### DECEMBER

Sat. 4	Swansea	A	13-18
Sat. 11	London Welsh	A	38-12
Sat. 18	Gowerton (Cup)	A	70-6

Wed. 22	Bridgend	H	29-6
Mon. 27	Pontypridd	H	56-3

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#### JANUARY

Sat. 1	Moseley	H	31-19
Sat. 8	Aberavon	H	20-10
Sat. 15	Ebbw Vale	H	19-20
Sat. 22	Blackwood (Cup)	H	21-6
Sat. 29	Llanelli	A	15-16

#### FEBRUARY

Sat. 5	London Welsh	H	25-3
Sat. 12	Bristol	H	16-3
Fri. 18	Heriots F.P.	A	13-12
Sat. 26	Pontypool (Cup)	A	9-13

#### MARCH

Fri. 4	Bective Rangers	H.....	
Sat. 12	Pontypool	A.....	
Wed. 23			
Sat. 26	Newport	A.....	

#### APRIL

Sat. 2	Barbarians	H.....	
Mon. 4	Harlequins	H.....	
Sat. 9	Swansea	H.....	
Sat. 16	Neath	H.....	
Sat. 23	Bath	A.....	
Sat. 30	W.R.U. Cup Final		

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