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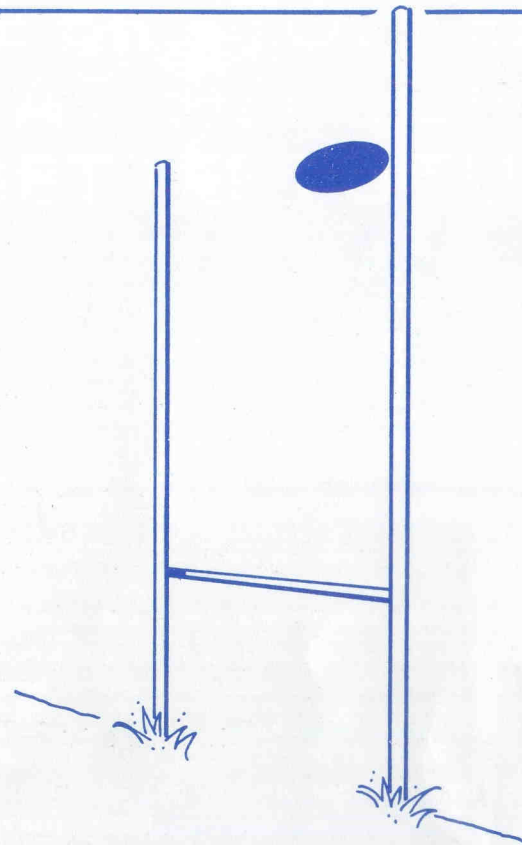
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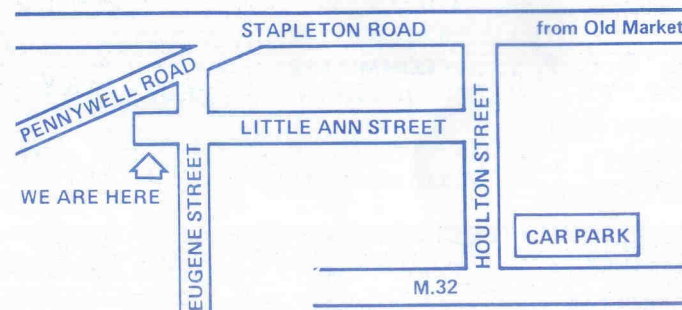
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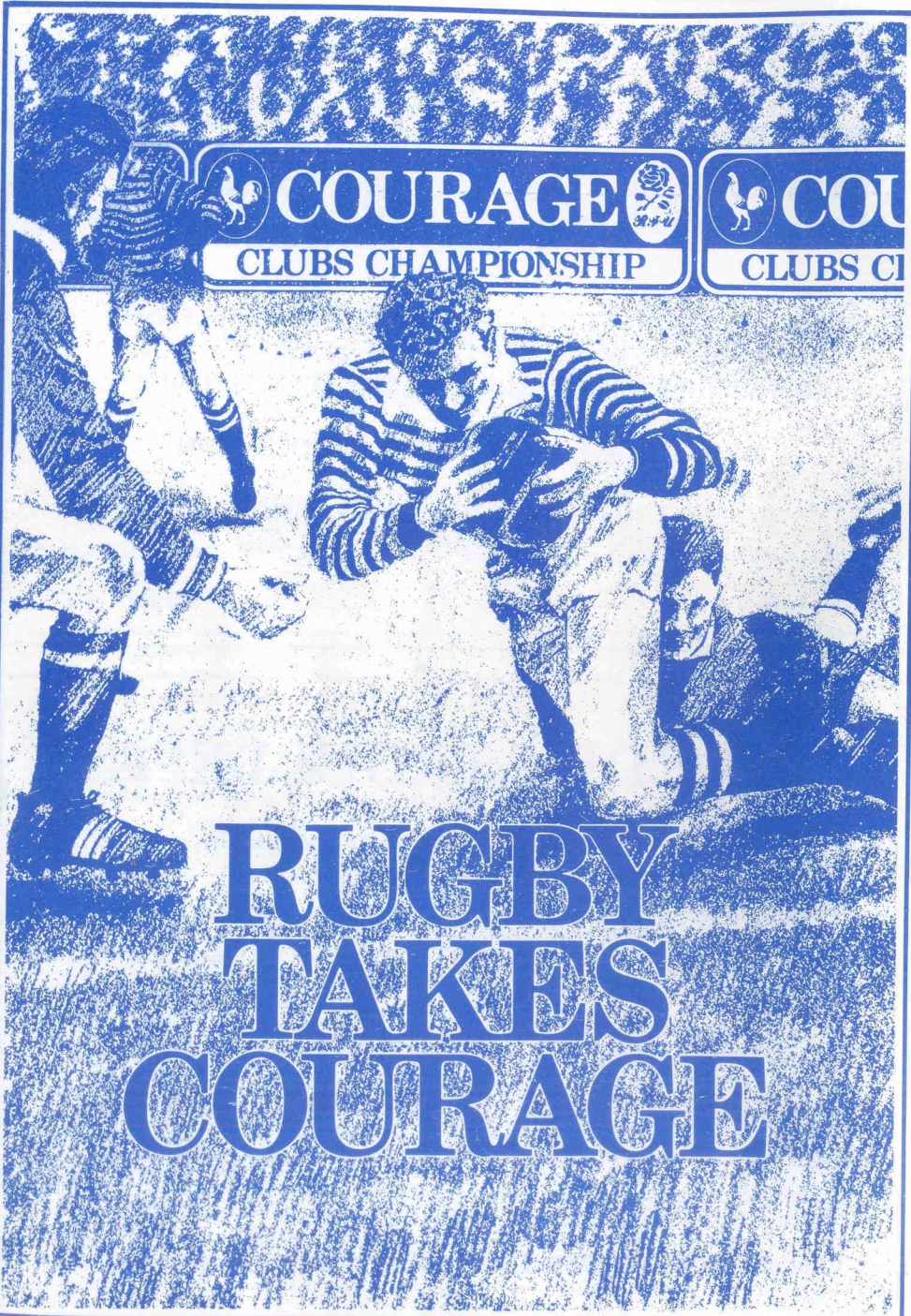
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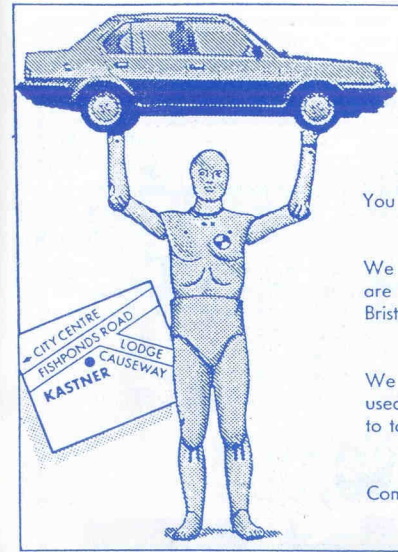




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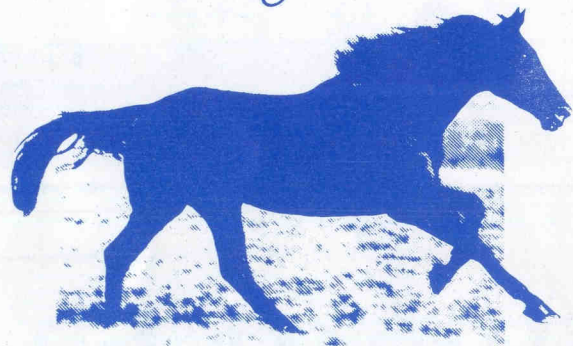
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There is, and always has been, something special about a home game with Cardiff. The Club's first official fixture was against the famous 'blue and blacks' in 1888 and they were our first fixture in our recent Centenary season. Interspersed between these two dates were two other celebratory fixtures: the opening of the Memorial Ground in 1921 and the silver jubilee match in 1946. There have, of course, been the regular inter club fixtures which have been played on an home and away basis. These Club games have usually provided some marvellous Rugby for both Clubs have a tradition of fifteen man Rugby. It is interesting to read that Gareth Edwards, Cardiff's record cap holder with fifty three appearances for Wales, and Terry Holmes, two of Cardiff's finest half backs, have both publicly written that they both have the happiest of memories of playing in this fixture.

There is a sad note to tonight's match. For over fifty years, firstly as a player and then as an official, Stan Bowes has been a member of the Cardiff Club. Sadly Stan died earlier this season. Those of us on this side of the Bristol Channel always relished his company. He was able to galvanize the most solemn occasion with some thought or wit that would soon have the smiles appearing. He rejoiced in telling of escapades in Harvey's cellars following a Rex Willis game; of the warmth of New Zealanders when they found out that Stan had played for a team that had beaten the All Blacks; but above all stories of his Club's games and players gave him enormous pleasure. He frequently confessed to having a great affection for the Bristol Club. It's no secret that the feeling was reciprocated many times over to a fine man.

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**Club Notes**

Following the disappointment at Cardiff last Saturday we welcome our old friends from the Cardiff Club. Whilst Rugby is a team game there is little doubt that the most significant contribution to Wales' victory was the superb line out display given by Robert Norster of Cardiff. We were, of course, disappointed by the result, but readily admit that once having secured the lead the Welsh forwards, supported by an astute scrum half, provided some 'quality ball' to ensure prolonged Welsh pressure. It is intriguing to ponder if last Saturday's match will significantly change the composition of the British Lions tour party which is due to be announced on Wednesday.

Cardiff, after an unusual slow start to the season, have recently showed improved form. They crushed London Welsh last Friday evening. They are also a fine cup side and they have taken their place in the semi-finals of the Schweppes Cup. Tonight's rearranged game was caused by Cardiff's involvement in the quarter final tie of the Cup. It is pleasant to record that, inspite of a heavy club fixture list, a semi-final cup tie, they have honoured the re-arranged fixture.

Last weekend's fixture at Leicester in the Courage Clubs League was again one of those close encounters which slipped away from our grasp. When one recalls the events at Rosslyn Park, Bath and Leicester one wonders when Dame Fortune will show her other side. However, six of our players, Andy Dun, Wayne Hone, Andy Blackmore, John Carr, Ralph Knibbs and Tim Edbrooke plus coach Bob Hesford supported members of the Gloucestershire Rugby Union's Coaching Committee in a two hour coaching session for 50 Bristol Schoolboys aged 14 and 15 held at the Memorial Ground on Sunday Morning. The Schoolboys thoroughly enjoyed the session and hope to show their newly acquired expertise at the Festival of Youth Rugby which is being staged at the Memorial Ground on Saturday, 1st April. The Festival starts at 10.30 a.m. and ends at 5.30 p.m. There are Mini Rugby Competitions spliced in with representative matches at Under 12, Under 14, Under 15, Under 18 and a Colts game. This promises to be a good day's Rugby and is commended to you.

Another fixture we recommend most strongly to you is the 18 Group international between England and France which is being staged at the Memorial Ground on Easter Tuesday, March 28th Kick-off 3.00 p.m. The French Schools are a formidable combination and seldom lose at Schools and Youth level. It was at this age group that Serge Blanco first attracted attention of the French National selectors. The England Schools team has grown in stature in recent years and achieved a remarkable series of victories last Summer in the Southern hemisphere defeating both Australia and New Zealand.

Members and supporters are reminded that next Saturday's opponents will be New Brighton and on Easter Monday we entertain Glamorgan Wanderers.

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A	<b>JON WEBB</b>	<i>Full Back</i>
B	<b>DAVID ESSIEN</b>	<i>Right Wing</i>
C	<b>RALPH KNIBBS</b>	<i>Right Centre</i>
D	<b>DAVID THOMAS</b>	<i>Left Centre</i>
E	<b>DOUG WOODMAN</b>	<i>Left Wing</i>
F	<b>SIMON HOGG</b>	<i>Outside Half</i>
G	<b>JULIAN DAVIS</b>	<i>Scrum Half</i>
H	<b>ALAN SHARP</b>	<i>Forwards</i>
I	<b>DAVID PALMER</b>	
J	<b>JOHN DOUBLEDAY</b>	
K	<b>PETER STIFF</b>	
L	<b>ANDY BLACKMORE</b>	
M	<b>ANDY DUN (Capt.)</b>	
N	<b>PAUL COLLINGS</b>	
O	<b>DEREK EVES</b>	
P	<b>A.N. OTHER</b>	<i>Replacements</i>
Q	<b>MIKE COTTON</b>	

**CARDIFF**

Cambridge blue, black & white

<b>MIKE RAYER (Capt.)</b>	15
<b>GERALD CORDLE</b>	14
<b>MARK RING</b>	13
<b>ROGER BIDGOOD</b>	12
<b>A.N. OTHER</b>	11
<b>DAVID EVANS</b>	10
<b>ANDREW BOOTH</b>	9
<b>ANDREW WILLIAMS</b>	1
<b>ALAN PHILLIPS</b>	2
<b>DAVID YOUNG</b>	3
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<b>GARETH ROBERTS</b>	6
<b>MARK EDWARDS</b>	7
<b>MATTHEW LLOYD</b>	8
<b>IAN GREENSLADE</b>	16
<b>RAY GILES</b>	17

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## Supporters Notes

### Player Profile — Derek Eves

Derek Eves was born in Bristol on the 7th January 1966. His vital statistics are height 5 ft. 10 ins., weight 13½ stone and boot size 9. He graduated through the Colts, and had the great honour of captaining the England Colts side. At the time of writing he has made 54 appearances and has scored 30 tries. He is married and employed as a sales rep. His favourite rugby moment was captaining the England Colts.

His favourite British player is Peter Winterbottom and he chose John Kirwin from the rest of the world. He rates his most difficult opponent as Wayne Hone. Some more favourites: T.V. — Only Fools and Horses, Food — Chinese, Comedian — David Jason, and Music — Witney Houston. The person he would most like to meet is Alan Sharp (*at the bar*).

His rugby ambition is to gain a full England cap. A final comment by the editor — Derek is a fine example of our successful Colts set-up and looks set for a long career with Bristol.

### Other Dates for your diary

Wednesday, 19th April — Supporters Quiz Night.

Friday, 19th May — Supporters Club Dinner.

### Special Matches at The Memorial Ground

Tuesday, 11th April 1989 — Kick-off 7.00 p.m.

#### ENGLAND SOUTH WEST v. U.S.A.

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Tuesday, 28th March 1989 — Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

#### ENGLAND SCHOOLS UNDER 18 v. FRANCE UNDER 18

Saturday, 1st April 1989 — comencing 10.30 a.m.

#### Festival of Youth Rugby

### Important Notice

It is with profound regret that we learn of the untimely death of Mr. Anthony Setter on Thursday 16th March.

“Tony” was a staunch and loyal supporter of this Club from an early age and was enormously proud of his father, Cecil, a former President of the Club for many years.

Tony Setter will be greatly missed by his many friends who will remember him for his cheerful disposition in the face of adversity.

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Played 35, Won 23, Drawn 1, Lost 11, Points For 805, Points Against 418 — correct 18/3/89.

**Appearances:** 30, Blackmore, 28, Doubleday, 27, Dun, Hogg, 24, Collings, Knibbs, 23, Palmer, Carr, 22, Hone, 21, Woodman, 19, Harding, 18, Sharp, 17, Thomas, 16, Webb, Stiff, 14, Phillips, 13(1), Hodges, Painter, 13, Eves, 12, Skuse, 11, Duggan, G. Crane, 10(1), Davis, 9(1) Tainton, 9, Jeffery, 8, Hull, Adams, Watson, 7(1), Cotton, 6(1), Mann, 6, Smith, Polledri, Essien, 3, Hickey, Whitehead, Sorrell, 2, Wring, Lear, 1(1), Edbrooke, 1, Farmer, Perkins, M. Crane, Bennett, de Glanville, (1) Biggins, Lander.

**Tries:** 12, Collings, 11, Hodges, 10, Carr, 8, Woodman, 7, Eves, 6, G. Crane, Hone, Stiff, Knibbs, 4, Harding, Hogg, Jeffery, Dun, Webb, Essien, 3, Blackmore, Davis, Duggan, Whitehead, Polledri, Smith, Harding, 2, Phillips, Edbrooke, 1, Hull, Cotton, Painter, Skuse, Thomas, Wring, Palmer, Doubleday.

**Conversions:** 20, Hogg, 16, Tainton, Webb.

**Penalties:** 27, Webb, 16, Hogg, 7, Tainton, 5, Sorrell, 3 Hull.

**Dropped goals:** 5, Hogg, 1, Tainton, Sorrell.

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Sept.							Jan.						
1	Stroud ..... Thurs.	H	W	42	0	7.15	2	Clifton ..... Mon.	A	W	31	15	
3	Cardiff ..... A	W	23	17			7	London Welsh ..... H	W	48	8	3.00	
10	Orrell ..... L	H	W	15	6	3.00	14	Waterloo ..... L	H	W	14	3	3.00
17	Swansea ..... H	W	22	21	3.00		21	Taunton ..... A	W	41	3		
24	Nottingham ..... L	A	L	6	10		28	Orrell (Cup) ..... H	W	13	7	3.00	
28	Met. Police ..... Wed.	H	W	29	0	7.15	Feb.						
Oct.							3	Gloucester ..... Fri.	H	L	13	15	7.15
1	London Irish ..... H	W	43	8	3.00	11	London Irish (Cup) ..... H	W	45	16			
8	Moseley ..... L	H	W	18	0	3.00	18	Begles ..... A	D	9	9	3.00	
12	Newbridge ..... Wed.	A	L	9	24		25	Bath (Cup) ..... A	L	12	14		7.15
15	Northampton ..... A	W	20	16			Mar.						
22	Bath ..... L	A	L	9	16		3	Pontypridd ..... Fr.	H	L	3	12	
26	G.Wanderers ..... Wed.	A	W	18	10		11	Leicester ..... L	A	L	12	13	7.15
29	Coventry ..... H	W	51	9	3.00	18	Plymouth ..... A	W	31	4			
Nov.							21	Cardiff ..... H					3.00
1	Weston-s-Mare ..... A	W	46	15			25	New Brighton ..... H					3.00
5	Bridgend ..... A	W	23	19			27	G. Wanderers ..... H					3.00
12	Harlequins ..... L	H	W	18	16	3.00	Apr.						
19	Gloucester ..... L	A	W	11	10		1	Harlequins ..... A					
26	Rosslyn Park ..... L	A	L	16	18		8	Wasps ..... L	A				7.15
Dec.							12	Exeter ..... Wed.	H				
3	Newport ..... Div.	H	L	15	22	3.00	15	Newport ..... A					3.00
10	Moseley ..... Div.	A	L	10	18		22	Liverpool ..... L	H				3.00
17	Nottingham ..... Div.	H	W	10	0	3.00	29	Waterloo ..... Cup	A				
24	Llanelli ..... A	L	3	48									
26	Weston-s-Mare ..... H	W	73	6	3.00								
30	Bedford ..... Fri.	H	W	34	4	7.15							

### Bristol Football Club (R.F.U.) United Fixtures

1988	Opponents	V	R	F	A	K.O.	1989	Opponents	V	R	F	A	K.O.
Sept.							Jan.						
3	Cardiff Athletic ..... H	W	25	22	3.00		7	Lon. Welsh Druids ..... A	L	22	23		
10	Nelson ..... A	W	30	18			14	Coventry 'A' ..... A	W	51	19		
17	Bridgwater ..... A	W	49	8			20	Croesyceiliog ..... H	W	43	0	7.15	
24	Plymouth X 1st ..... H	W	41	3	3.00		28	Richmond Vikings ..... A	W	24	18		
Oct.							Feb.						
1	Abercarn ..... A	W	16	11			4	Gloucester United ..... A	W	15	9		
8	Wasp Vandals ..... A	W	16	14			11	Moseley United ..... A	W	23	13		
15	Bath United ..... H	W	37	6	3.00		18	Bridgend Ravens ..... A	Cancelled				
19	Bris. Com. v. Bath Com.						25	Neath Athletic ..... A	Cancelled				
22	Bridgend Sports ..... H	W	29	6	3.00		28	Cardiff Athletic ..... A	W	9	8		
29	Nott'ham Centaurs ..... A	W	30	7			Mar.						
Nov.							4	Blaina ..... A	W	16	12		
5	Bridgend Ravens ..... H	W	42	9	3.00		8	Bris. Comb. ..... Wed.	H	Postponed	3.00		
12	London Irish ..... A	D	15	15			11	Leicester 'A' ..... H	W	13	6	3.00	
16	Bris. University ..... H	Postponed	3.00				18	Barnstaple ..... H				3.00	
19	Gloucester United ..... H	W	26	12	3.00		22	Bris. Combination ..... H				7.15	
26	Neath Athletic ..... H	W	37	4	3.00		25	Bath United ..... A					
Dec.							Apr.						
3	Newport United ..... A	W	20	10			1	Pontypool United ..... A					3.00
10	Moseley United ..... H	W	39	8	3.00		8	Bedford 2nds ..... H					3.00
17	Bournemouth ..... A	W	25	0			15	Newport United ..... H					3.00
24	Abercarn ..... H	Cancelled	3.00				22	Coventry 'A' ..... A					
							29	Not. Centaurs ..... H					3.00

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1988	Opponents	V	R	F	A	K.O.	1989	Opponents	V	R	F	A	K.O.
Sept.							Jan.						
3	Tiverton ..... H	W	82	0	3.00		7	Barkers Butts ..... H	W	26	10	3.00	
10	Pencoed ..... A	L	13	19			14	Cardiff H.S.O.B. .... A	L	6	30		
17	Harlow ..... A	W	23	10			21	Moseley ..... H	W	19	0	3.00	
24	Ivybridge ..... H	W	23	3	3.00		28	Harlow ..... H	W	30	10	3.00	
Oct.							Feb.						
1	Winchester ..... A	D	7	7			4	Nottingham ..... A	W	36	0		
8	Honiton ..... A	W	19	8			11	Tredegar ..... H	W	27	6	3.00	
17	Bristol Schools ..... A	W	33	0			18	R.A.F. .... H	Cancelled	3.00			
29	Builth Wells ..... A	W	14	8			25	Nuneaton ..... A	W	20	4		
Nov.							Mar.						
5	Polytec. of Wales ..... H	W	15	8	3.00		4	Bedwas ..... A	L	7	20		
15	Bridgwater ..... A	W	17	6			11	Cardiff ..... H	W	23	6	3.00	
19	Weston Hornets ..... H	W	18	0	3.00		19	Army ..... Sun.	H				3.00
Dec.							26	Taunton ..... Sun.	H				3.00
3	Bedwas ..... H	W	37	0	3.00		Apr.						
10	Wolverhampton ..... H	W	32	4	3.00		1	Pencoed ..... H					3.00
17	Worcester ..... A	W	7	0			8	Leicester ..... H					3.00
24	Chepstow ..... H	W	34	16	3.00		15	Bath ..... H					3.00
31	Taunton ..... A	W	29	0			22	Wasps ..... A					3.00
							29	G. Wanderers ..... H					3.00

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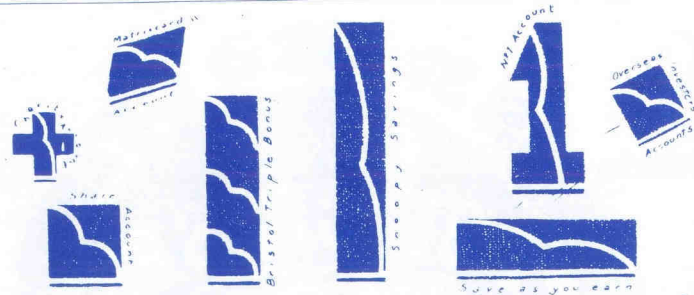
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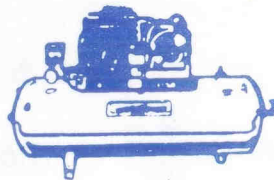
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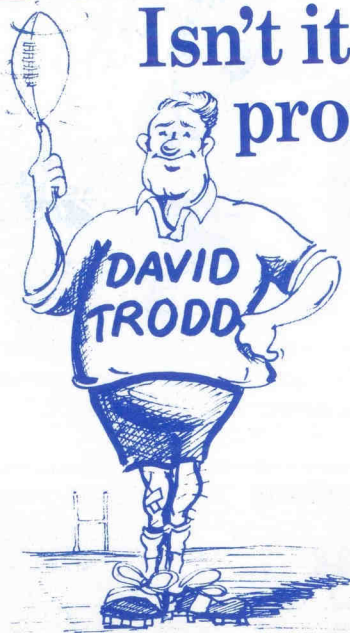
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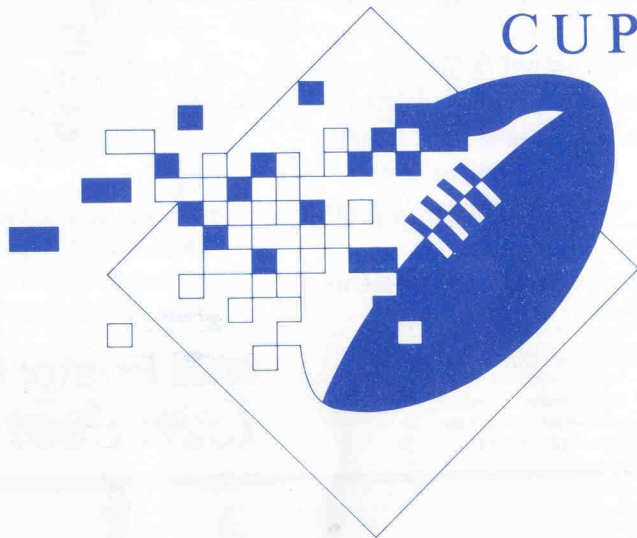
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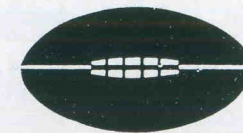
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