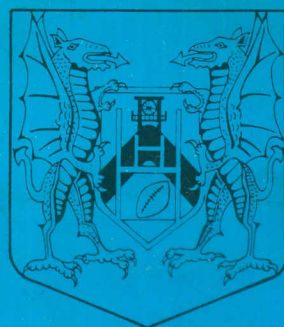


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I asked the question in Wednesday's programme, could the standard of our Cup Semi-final be repeated within a fortnight? The answer was provided and it was a very definite yes. The large crowd went away knowing that they had seen a game played at pace and with exceptional skill, but unfortunately we were unable to reverse the previous result. Again it was a case of what could have been with just a slight "rub of the green." Our team has played magnificently on both occasions, they have enhanced the Club's image and demonstrated that standards within Welsh Rugby at Club level have not unfortunately been translated into similar performances at international level. It might well be that we are suffering from the lack of a more adventurous approach on the highest level. Sufficient to say that the two matches against Llanelli have been an advertisement for the game and it would be nice to think that they could signal the way forward.

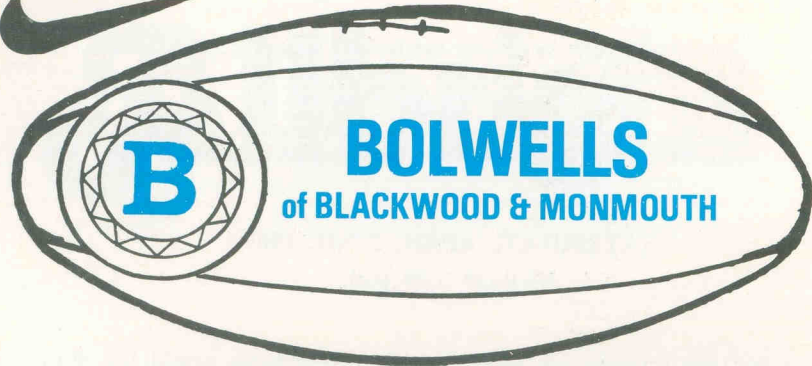
Welcome to Cardiff whose visit will provide an interesting and exciting final to what has been a long and hard season. They had a slow start to the season which was completely out of character for them, but things have improved considerably since then. Their performance against Neath on Saturday last confirmed what we already knew. They are a force to be reckoned with and no doubt they will be intending to prove that today. Despite two recent defeats our form is good and we look forward to a game to remember.

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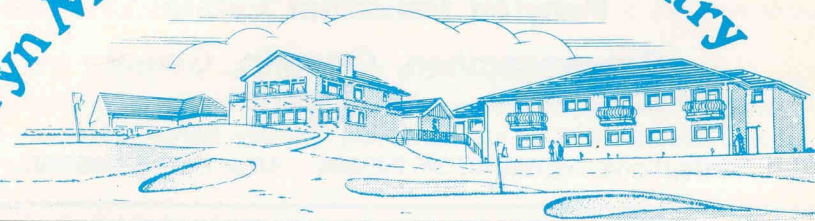


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NEWBRIDGE R.F.C. SUPPORTERS CLUB NOTES

Today we welcome Cardiff for the last Saturday home fixture of our Centenary Season. Although both Clubs have relinquished their hopes of victory in the Cup and Merit Table, this match should provide the Supporters with plenty of excitement.

Will Supporters who have paid their deposits for the weekend trip to Nottingham please contact members of the Supporters Committee to obtain full details and pay the remainder of their fare and accommodation.

There are still a few places available on a further trip to Nottingham which will return after the match. Please put your name on the bus list if you are interested.

A further supply of replica and Club jerseys have arrived. If you have ordered any goods please collect them from Jack or Bob at the supporters Shop.

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POST WAR CLUB RECORDS

- Biggest Victory:** Exeter, home — 64-14, Sat., 11th February, 1984.
- Record previously:** Penarth, home — 53-10, Sat., 23rd September, 1972.
(This was the first time 50pts had been scored).
Met. Police, home, 56-0, Sat., 28th February, 1976.
- Biggest Victory Away:** Pontypool Utd, 54-21, Sat., 17th November, 1984.
(Schweppes Cup 1st Round)
- Most points in a season:** Paul Turner 405, 1983-84.
- Record previously:**
- | | | |
|---------------|---------|---------|
| Glyn Meredith | 105 pts | 1947-48 |
| Dewi Jones | 144 pts | 1962-63 |
| Dewi Jones | 154 pts | 1963-64 |
| Dewi Jones | 226 pts | 1966-67 |
| Brian Anthony | 273 pts | 1969-70 |
| Paul Turner | 274 pts | 1979-80 |
| Paul Turner | 289 pts | 1981-82 |
| Paul Turner | 360 pts | 1982-83 |
- Most points in a game:**
- 28 Tony Browning — v Slavia Prague, May, 1977
(4 tries, 3 cons, 2 pens).
 - 27 Alun Harries — v Newport Saracens, Feb, 1988
(3 tries, 6 cons, pen).
 - 26 Paul Turner — v Pontypool Utd (cup), Nov, 1984
(2 tries, 6 cons, 2 pens).

Most points in a season: 1,129 in 1983-84 (first time the club passed 1,000 pts).

Full record: Played 52, won 37, drawn 2, lost 13, pts for 1,129, pts against 744.

Most tries in a match: Four. This has been attained on 14 occasions.

Ron Coles	14th Oct	44 v Abertillery	H	w	51-3
Gordon Robinson	23rd Oct	48 v Ebbw Vale	A	w	19-3
Ron Coles	14th Feb	49 v Plymouth	H	w	32-3
John Dawes	1st Sep	60 v Newbridge Utd	H	w	19-0
Ken Braddock	17th Apr	65 v Old Blues	H	w	24-0
Les Hewer	23rd Apr	66 v Rugby	H	w	48-0
John Worwood	23rd Apr	66 v Rugby	H	w	48-0
Roger Hill	11th Sep	73 v Meraloma (Can)	H	w	38-7
Tony Browning	May	77 v Slavia Prague	A	w	48-3
Chris Phillips	15th Dec	79 v Risca (cup)	A	w	38-0
Alun Glasson	31st Jan	84 v Pontypridd	H	w	44-6
Alun Glasson	11th Feb	84 v Exeter	H	w	64-14
Alun Glasson	26th Apr	85 v Penarth	H	w	54-0
Simon Hill	14th Mar	87 v Cheltenham	H	w	54-0

Steve Flower also scored four tries in the tour match against Seville at the end of the 83-4 season. Newbridge won 42-0.

Continued.....

Most tries in a season: 28 — Ron Coles, 1948-49.

Most conversions in a match: Eight. Paul Turner. 19th Apr, 1980, v South Wales Police, home, won 52-6.

Most penalties in a match: Six. Paul Williams. 8th Oct, 1986, v Neath, home, lost 22-34.

Most drop goals in a match: Three. This has happened on 3 occasions.

Paul Turner	23rd Oct 82	v Pontypridd	H w 31-9
Paul Turner	22nd Jan 83	v Tredegar (cup)	H w 34-6
Paul Turner	23rd Feb 85	v Maesteg	H w 25-22

INTERNATIONALS

Wales: Billy Gore 3 47, S, F, I.
Ray Cale 7* 49, E, S, I, 50, E, S, I, F (*4 with Pontypool)
Don Hayward 15 49, E, F, 50, E, S, I, F, 51, E, S, I, F, SA, 52, E, S, I, F.
Ken Braddock 3 66, A, 67, S, I.
Dennis Hughes 6 67, NZ, 69, NZ 2, 70, SA, S, E, I.
Clive Davis 3 78, A2, 81, E, S.
Terry Shaw 1 83 Rom.
Paul Turner 3 89 I (rep), F, E.

England: Derek Morgan 9 60, W, I, F, S, 61, SA, W, I, F, S.

British Lion: Don Hayward 3 50, NZ1, NZ2, NZ3.

Welsh XV: Dennis Hughes v Canada, 71.
Terry Shaw v Japan, 83.

Welsh U-23: John O'Shea v Canada, 62.
Andrew Allen v Western Samoa, 88

Wales B: Clive Davis v France, 77 (replacement)
Jim McCready v France, 78
Mike Dowling v France, 79
Alun Glasson v France, 84 (try)
Steve Crandon v Spain, 85
Paul Turner v Spain, 85 (replacement), (2 cons)
David Rees v France, 88 (pen, con).

OVERSEAS TOURISTS

1950	British Lions to NZ	Don Hayward
1968	Wales to Argentine	Dennis Hughes, Terry Evans
1969	Wales to New Zealand	Dennis Hughes
1978	Wales to Australia	Clive Davis
1980	Wales B to North America	Clive Davis, Mike Dowling
1983	Wales to Spain	Terry Shaw

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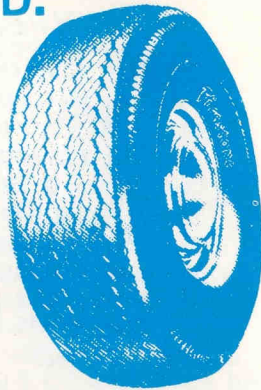
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TODAY'S VISITORS — CARDIFF

Two weeks ago both sides had thoughts of a possible match against one another on 6th of May, but Neath and Llanelli had other ideas, and it is those sides that meet in the Schweppes Cup Final.

For Cardiff this is their penultimate game of the season (they have to travel to Llanelli next Saturday) and their record to date is: Played 41. Won 24. Drawn 4. Lost 13. Pts. For 975. Pts. Against 708.

Their top scorer is full back Mike Rayer with 207 points (7 tries, 31 penalties, 43 conversions). The wing partnership of Gerald Cordle and Steve Ford have collected over a half century of tries between them, with 32 and 26 respectively. No other player has entered double figures for the season.

Tonight will also see Alan Phillips make one of his last appearances for the Club. Earlier in the season he passed Howard Norris's record number of appearances of 413. During his career Alan has poached 156 tries.

The Club has several players involved with overseas tours this summer. Club captain Robert Norster travels with the Lions to Australia while Steve Ford, David Evans and Mark Ring travel to Canada with Wales B.

A PAST ENCOUNTER:

On the 16th October 1982 Newbridge won for the first time at the Arms Park. A Brendan McAloon penalty clinched a 11 points to 10 victory. He kicked the goal with only four minutes to go and was quoted as saying "I knew somehow that this was the one for me." He returned two seasons later to the Welfare Ground with Cardiff and scored two tries as Cardiff won the Cup match.

The full Newbridge XV:-

Brendan MacAloon, Dai Owen, Ian Goslin, Jeff Harris, Chris Phillips, Paul Turner, Lloyd Davies, Mark Pugh, Jim Stokes, Brandon Cripps, Mike Whitson, Clive Davis, Steve Flower, Alan Morgan, Dennis Hughes.

Geraint Williams replaced Goslin, Len Sims replaced Brandon Cripps.

Scorers: Tries: MacAloon, Owen. Penalty: MacAloon.

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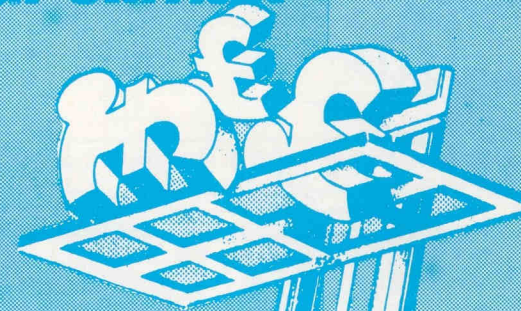
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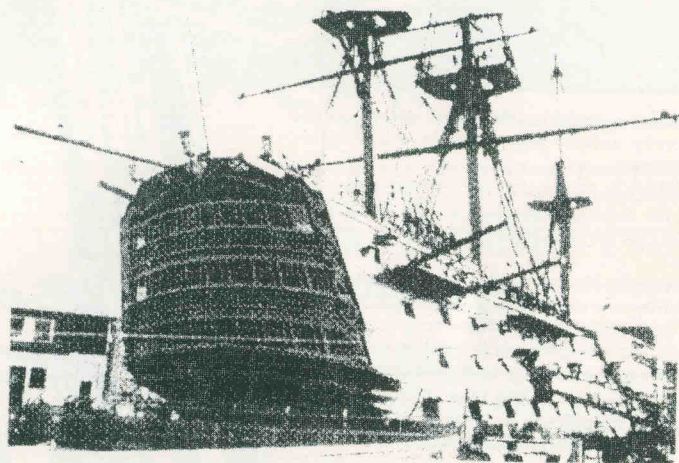
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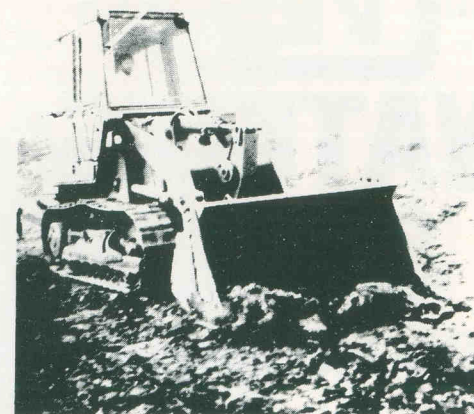
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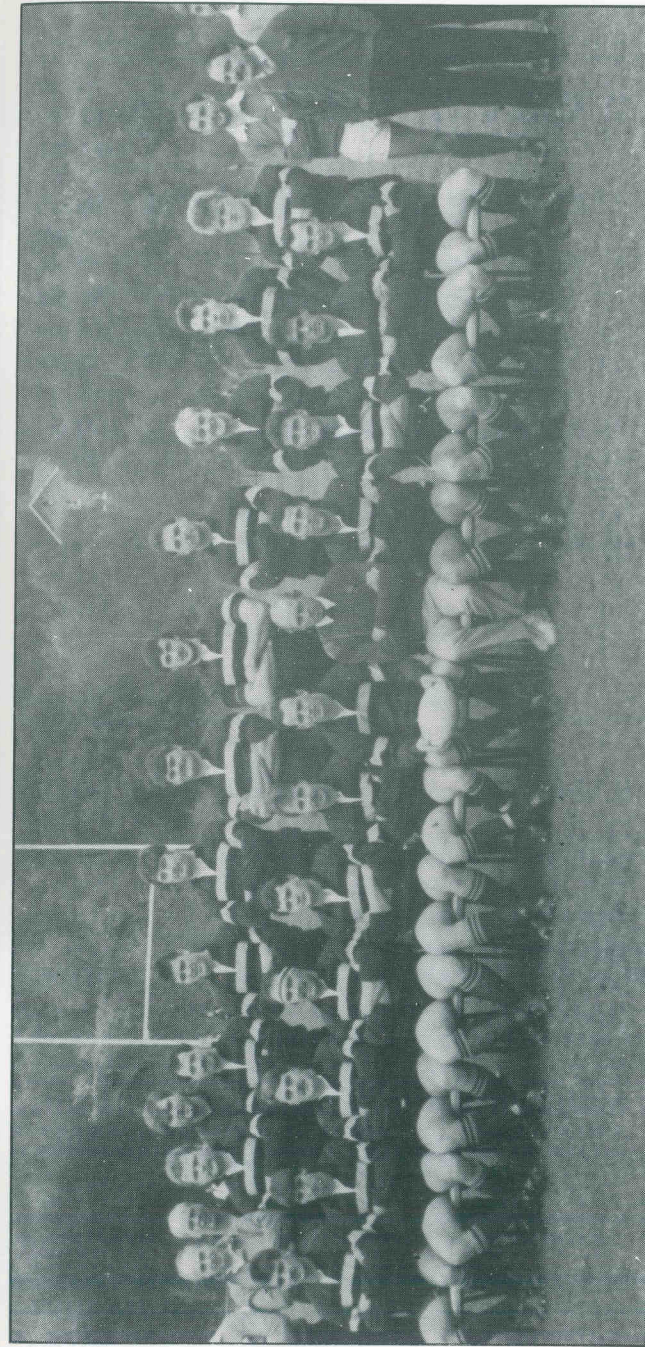
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Front row: David Rees, Richard Lewis, Neil Hitchman, Ken Waters, John Rowlands, Paul Turner, Stuart Griffiths, Keith Westwood, Simon Hill, Chris Phillips, David Hussey, Steve Fealey.

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	Pld	Won	Drn	Lost	Pts For	Pts Agt	Top Scorer	
1945-6	44	32	5	7	496	186	R. Coles	75 pts
1946-7	44	30	5	9	428	164	G. Meredith	82 pts
1947-8	46	35	4	7	421	150	G. Meredith	105 pts
1948-9	42	34	4	4	497	126	R. Coles	87 pts
1949-0	50	30	7	13	369	228	G. Meredith	66 pts
1950-1	37	21	9	7	249	140	C. Bosley	38 pts
1951-2	41	22	3	16	309	220	D. Hayward	63 pts
1952-3	46	20	8	18	290	276	J. Lewis	72 pts
1953-4	42*	16	6	19	263	285	G. Trenchard (1 ab)	31 pts
1954-5	44	15	6	23	271	317	G. Evans	93 pts
1955-6	45	24	3	18	280	244	R. Knott	64 pts
1956-7	43	23	4	16	333	317	D. Waite	39 pts
1957-8	43	13	5	25	342	346	G. Wilton	46 pts
1958-9	45*	17	8	19	332	272	R. Pritchard (1 ab)	71 pts
1959-0	43	22	4	17	407	266	R. Pritchard	71 pts
1960-1	45	15	7	23	329	347	J. Dawes	56 pts
1961-2	44	21	2	21	405	377	A. Jenkins	89 pts
1962-3	40	24	2	14	388	187	D. Jones	144 pts
1963-4	43	28	3	12	472	269	D. Jones	154 pts
1964-5	42	31	8	3	645	234	D. Jones	122 pts
1965-6	43	25	3	15	516	284	R. Thomas	93 pts
1966-7	43	33	4	6	672	299	D. Jones	226 pts
1967-8	49	32	4	13	639	355	B. Anthony	126 pts
1968-9	40	21	4	15	527	373	B. Anthony	203 pts
1969-0	45	23	1	21	615	513	B. Anthony	273 pts
1970-1	43	17	2	24	441	464	B. Anthony	225 pts
1971-2	47	21	1	25	600	593	B. Anthony	261 pts
1972-3	53	30	2	21	815	611	A. Browning	254 pts
1973-4	45	16	4	25	498	649		
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1976-7	50	21	0	29	658	748	A. Browning	164 pts
1977-8	50	23	2	25	567	544	A. Browning	121 pts
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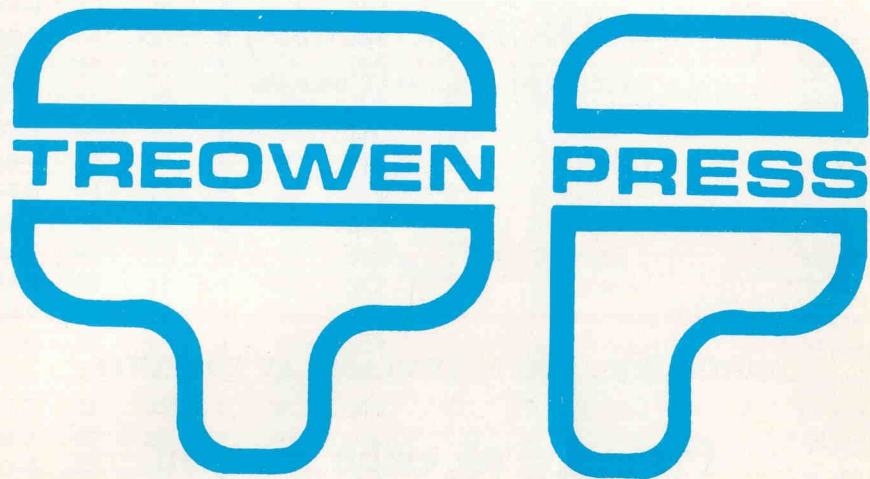
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September

1	Blackwood	...	A	L	6-4
3	Ebbw Vale	...	H	W	37-10
10	Bridgend	...	A	L	24-13
17	Aberavon	...	A	W	22-9
21	Tredegar	...	H	W	30-13
23	Glam. Wanderers	...	A	W	24-6
25	Penguins	...	H	W	34-17

October

2	Saracens	...	H	W	41-7
8	Newport	...	H	W	26-13
12	Bristol	...	H	W	24-9
15	Western Samoa	...	H	L	15-16
18	Penarth	...	A	W	56-7
22	Maesteg	...	A	W	36-12
25	Tredegar	...	A	W	25-6
29	Gloucester	...	H	W	17-10
31	Merit Table XV	...	H	W	58-13

November

6	Abertillery	...	A	W	21-10
11	Pontypridd	...	H	L	12-19
19	Mold (W.R.U. Cup)	...	H	W	49-6
23	South Wales Police	...	A	W	19-14
26	Bridgend	...	H	W	9-6
29	Neath	...	A		

December

3	Crosskeys	...	H	W	30-9
5	Mon. County XV	...	H	W	35-0
9	Swansea	...	H	W	33-17
17	Blackwood (Cup)	...	H	W	36-3
23	Bath	...	H	L	18-22
26	Newport	...	A	W	25-20
30	Moseley	...	H	W	16-10

January

7	Plymouth Albion	...	H	W	30-10
14	South Wales Police	...	H	W	50-6
21	Scotland v. Wales	...			
22	Coventry	...	A	W	30-13
28	Newport (Cup)	...	A	W	7-3

February

1	Maesteg	...	H	D	4-4
4	Wales v. Ireland	...			
8	Neath	...	H	W	19-18
11	Penarth	...	H	W	16-12
18	France v. Wales	...			
25	Abertillery (Cup)	...	H		

March

4	Abertillery (Cup)	...	H	W	12-9
7	Neath	...	A	L	73-3
11		...			
14	Pontypridd	...	A		
17	Wales Universities v. England Univ.	...	H	W	21-7
18	Wales v. England	...			
19	Crosskeys	...	A	W	17-0
22	Glam. Wanderers	...	H	W	11-3
25	Public School Wand.	...	H	W	33-24
27	Abertillery	...	H	W	39-24

April

1	Ebbw Vale	...	A	W	33-15
8	Llanelli (Cup S/F)	...	A	L	26-24
15	Richmond	...	H	W	25-15
19	Llanelli	...	H	L	15-23
22	Cardiff	...	H		
26	Aberavon	...	H		
29	Nottingham	...	A		

1988 Newbridge R.F.C. Youth XV Fixtures 1989

September

3	Talywain	...	Home
10	Risca	...	Home
17	Blackwood	...	Away
24	Cardiff Harlequins	...	Home

October

1	Llanhilleth	...	Away
8	Newport H.S.O.B.	...	Home
22	Blackwood	...	Home
29		...	

November

5	Blackwood Stars	...	Home
12		...	
19	Girlings	...	Away
26	Aberbargoed	...	Away

December

3		...	
10	Llanbradach	...	Away
17		...	
24		...	
31		...	

January

7	Penallta	...	Away
14	Abertillery	...	Away
21	Newport H.S.O.B.	...	Away
28	Bargoed	...	Away

February

4		...	
11		...	
18	Bargoed	...	Home
25	Talywain	...	Away

March

4		...	
11	Llanhilleth	...	Home
18		...	
25	Deri	...	Away
27	Abertillery	...	Home

April

1	Aberbargoed	...	Home
8	Llanbradach	...	Home
22	Penallta	...	Home
29	Blackwood Stars	...	Home

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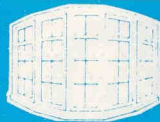
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MEET THE PLAYERS — No. 27

Peter Thomas

Peter Thomas joined Newbridge at the beginning of the season from Pontypool. However when he played against Aberavon in the fourth game of the season it wasn't his Club debut. He played one game back in season 1985-86 on the wing against South Glamorgan Institute. He then decided to join Pontypool.

He started his rugby career with Trinant and while with them won his Monmouthshire Union cap. He played once for the Monmouthshire County side and this was against Newbridge back in October 1981. Newbridge won by 21 points to 4.

To date he has played 24 times for the Club and has collected 39 points. These coming from nine tries and one penalty. He has the misfortune of being the only Newbridge back to have been sent to the sin bin this season.

Nickname (and why): None.

Occupation: Gas Service Layer.

Favourite Player: Graham Price.

Favourite Other Club: Leeds United.

Most Respected Opponent: John Devereux.

Best Try Scored: The last one.

Best Rugby Memory: Going on tour with Troggs (Trinant R.F.C.).

Biggest Influence on Career: Arthur Lewis.

Worst Injury: Broken Arm.

Favourite Food: Wife's cooked dinner.

Favourite Drink: Allbright.

Favourite Singer: Michael MacDonald.

Favourite Film: Any Basil Rathbone Film.

Favourite Book: Janet and John.

Who Would You Most Like To Meet: John Wayne.

Rugby Ambition: To tour to Canada.

Personal Ambition: To have loads of money.

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