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## Disappointment in a week of curious results

A WEEK, to employ a cliché, is a long time in rugby football; certainly, last Saturday morning, you could have taken long odds against the Heineken League Division One table looking as it did yesterday morning.

The beneficiaries of some surprising results have been Pontypridd, with those emphatic victories over Neath and Cardiff, and Swansea, albeit only single-point victors over Dunvant in midweek, who were able to give themselves a little breathing space at the top.

Llanelli have been curiously at odds with themselves, with Bridgend making a mockery of form and league position by beating them at Stradey.

But where does Wednesday's deeply disappointing result leave Cardiff, other than safe in mid-table and with further queries about performance against stronger sides?

Mike Hall, the captain, felt that it was the worst Cardiff display he can remember. "We all made mistakes on the night," he said, "but supporters should be reassured that we will still be determined to win every league match between now and the end of the season. We will not be simply concentrating on the Cup — though that has clearly taken on an added importance."

And Terry Holmes, in the absence of the sick Alec Evans, was philosophical in defeat. "You win some and you lose some, but this was very disappointing. We will not play so badly again."

Certainly, Newbridge will not be taken lightly this afternoon on what is the first Sunday league match to be played at the Arms Park. They have in the past few weeks showed real signs of casting aside their early season pessimism and a winning double for Cardiff is by no means assured.

Even with the odd game in hand, however, Newbridge's Division One status is by no means secure and they will without doubt recall that the first four League meetings between the two clubs all went their way — although

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Cardiff have won the three since then.

From next Saturday, the league programme begins to tick down for a time. Cross Keys come to Cardiff on Monday, January 3, and we travel to Stradey on the last Saturday of January but February is bare of league matches.

After the trip to friendly Dunvant next week — and their narrow defeat by Swansea shows how difficult they are to beat at Broadacre — we have Pontypool at home in the fourth round of the Swalec Cup before, on December 27, Pontypridd return for the traditional Boxing Day “friendly”.

Which brings us back to last Wednesday evening again. Pontypridd President Sam Simon possibly summed it up best when he said it was a fine victory for his club but that the match had done nothing for rugby football with the lone try coming from Howard Stone as the very last move of the match.

It made many wonder why Cardiff had not earlier stretched the Pontypridd defence. “We planned all along to keep it tight,” said the Pontypridd and former Cardiff line-out man Mark Rowley, “but I must admit I was surprised that we were not stretched.” The mischievous Mark added meaningfully that “it may not be a waste of money to have a gamble on Ponty for the Cup.”

It may not be, indeed. But it may not, given the feeling of disappointment at the Arms Park and the determination to show that Cardiff can equal the strong sides, be a bad idea to have a couple of bob on Cardiff as well.

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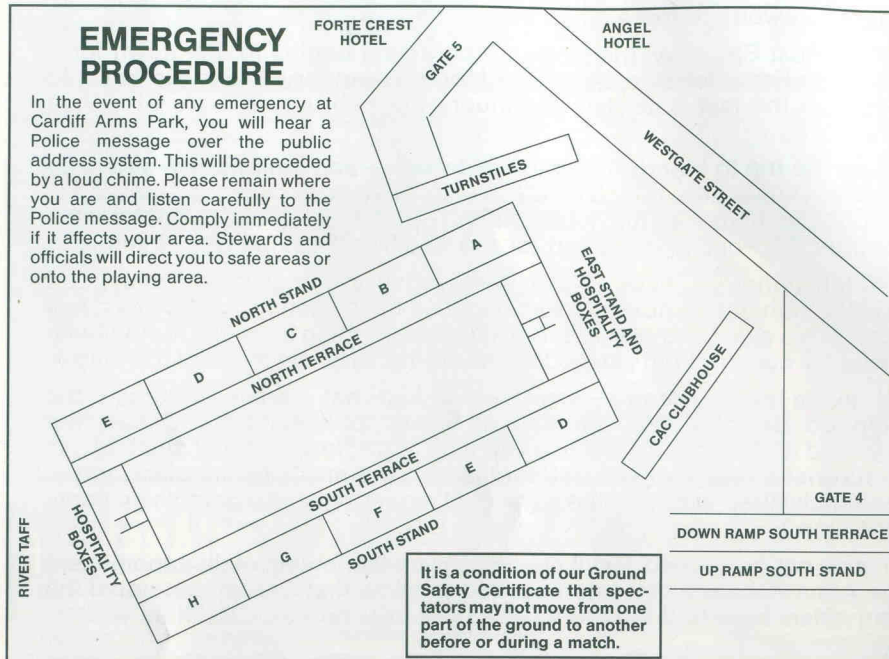
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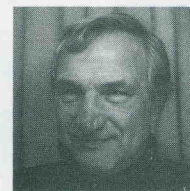
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## GUEST APPEARANCE



**DAI HAYWARD**, Newbridge man, former Cardiff captain, six times a Welsh international, rugby wit (only half so, claim his friends) and student of the game, tells of...

## GOATS, SPOONS AND HEMI-SPHERES

CROESO i Drecelyn, and if you like, Welcome to Newbridge. Perhaps with Christmas in the air we'll opt for Trecelyn, meaning Hollytown, and hope that their team prove not to be as prickly as their name suggests. Although we can assume that the Ebbw Valley Village, with a total population that could be accommodated with ease in our stands, will inflict upon us, their usual maximum quota of discomfort and occasional grief.

The first time I saw Cardiff play was against Newbridge at what is now called The Welfare Ground in 1945. With the pristine clarity of a memory, as then unsullied by alcohol and age, I have vivid recollections of watching with awe, as Bleddyn Williams, Billy Cleaver and other great names trotted onto the pitch. Nevertheless it was a Newbridge 'great' who dominated the game. 'Spike' Meredith, one of the best fly-halves I have ever seen, dropped a goal and created three tries for Newbridge to win 16-6.

Newbridge, then, is not a very big place, but it has produced a remarkable number of famous players and Cardiff RFC has had three Captains from there in recent decades. Apart from Yours Truly, there was J. P. O'Shea, a Wales and Lions prop, famous and infamous, and an earthquake of a man. Another prop not noted for his reticence, Gerry Wallace, would have most certainly played for Wales had he not broken his thumb whilst exacting retribution from the head of a Coventry prop who had demeaned the image of Welsh Rugby.

Now of course, we have Hemi Taylor, who played with Newbridge for five seasons and remembers the people of the village with great affection. They also remember him with great affection. Hemi has created a sphere of influence in the valleys of North Gwent, and he has also created a new sphere of influence further South.

It can truly be said that he has operated successfully in both the Northern

and Southern Hemi-spheres. (It is Christmas, and you'll read worse jokes than that in the crackers — so spheres to you as well).

In 1984 Cardiff travelled to Newbridge to play in the quarter-finals of the Schweppes Cup. It was a grand occasion, and the ground was full long before the kick-off. The expectant crowd whiled away the time and soothed their nerves by listening to the truly excellent music played by the Cross Keys Silver Band. They politely applauded every rendering from Sousa to Sondheim until the band took its bow five minutes to the kick-off.

As they were leaving the pitch, there was a mild diversion created by a rather short, dark man who was walking along the touch line in front of the stand trailing a long piece of string behind him. Nothing very remarkable in that, except that at the end of the string, was a billy goat in all its prime, with a pair of horns that would not have disgraced the Great Hall of Glamis Castle.

The crowd was stilled in anticipation of what would happen next. The small, dark man stopped in front of the stand, bowed to the crowd and, it must be said to some rather red-faced Newbridge officials.

Then he stood to attention, took a spoon in each hand and rattled out the liveliest and best rendering of the Symphony for Dessert Spoons 'Molto Allegro' ever heard in South Wales. It brought the house down, and the applause was still ringing as he disappeared past the corner-flag and into the crowd, never to be seen again.

I don't remember too much about the match — but I do remember feeling rather sorry for the up-staged Cross Keys Silver Band. It couldn't happen anywhere else but in the South Wales Valleys, certainly not at the Adrian Stoop ground, or at Bath, or the Wasps. Perhaps those who advocate a super-league of Anglo-Welsh Clubs might remember this.





## QUIDNUNC'S COLUMN

NOT EVERY groom is taken to church for his wedding on the back of a tandem. But that was the fate of Huw Bevan, our happy hooker, a schoolteacher who treats his wards in class a little more gently than the straight left illustrated.

At the front of the tandem — the pair were in full wedding regalia, top hat and tails — was Owain Williams, arguably not the best steerer of multi-bikes. "We did have a couple of wobbles on the way to the church in Pembroke," recalls Owain, "but we never fell off. Mind you, on the two-mile ride there were also a couple of big hills and we did get off and push a bit."

This was in July 1992, Huw's wife Ann coming from Pembrokeshire, and the couple now live in Cardiff in a house with an unpronounceable name. Why, Quidnunc asked, should Huw and Ann call their home "Viva X-XEMX?" The previous owners, it turns out, were Maltese and, I think, it means "God Bless this Street" or something like that.

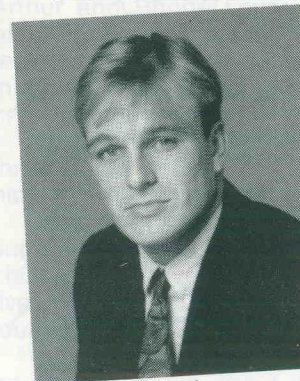
Huw Rowland (not a lot of people know that: it's from his grandmother's maiden name) Bevan was born in Pontycymmer on October 23, 1964, "ten days after Owain Williams despite the misleading date he claims," and went to Ynysawdre Comprehensive in Tondy before moving on to the South Glamorgan Institute.

Huw had early rugby success, caps at Under 15, 16 and 18 levels, before

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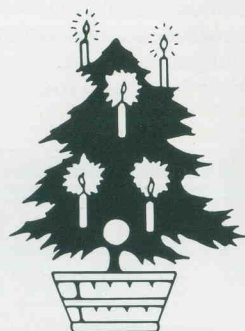
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## QUIDNUNC'S COLUMN (continued)

captaining the college in a team which included such worthies as John Devereux, Colin Laity Tony Rees and David Rees.

Indeed, that was the year (1986) in which they met Cardiff in the cup and lost only by 25-16 but, by then, Huw had played his first game for Bridgend as a schoolboy, and was to stay with the club until he came to Cardiff last year.

Huw's in the Bridgend record books, too, and for all the wrong reasons, to the delight of Mike Budd. "I captained the side when we lost 49-0 to Neath, the highest ever losing margin for the club. We had seven internationals missing..."

But where does Buddy come in? "Ah, well, Buddy captained Bridgend against Bristol once and they lost 48-3 but the referee blew up early, honestly, otherwise he'd have the record".

Huw is a placid fellow, really, but he has been sent off once (in a Sevens final against Pontypridd when he came to the rescue of his mate Owain) and, more spectacularly, was sin-binned during those halcyon experimental days.

"I came on for Bridgend against Glamorgan Wanderers with only 12 minutes left. Actually, I was eating a hamburger at the time, thinking it was nearly all over, but I immediately got into a scrap with Jim Freeman (*Didn't everyone? — Quidnunc*) and was sent to the cooler. I came back on for 30 seconds."

Rugby, nevertheless, has given Huw many good memories also — including trips to Hong Kong, Dubai, Canada, America, and Sicily as well as last summer with Cardiff to Australia.

Off the field, he's a Friday night television addict, watching Cheers!, Whose Line is it? and Clive Anderson, likes a glass of wine or two (or beer after a match) and eats just about anything and everything with a preference for Chinese (at the Happy Gathering if you're paying). He's also a gifted windsurfer.

Brought up at Ynysawdre School under John Lloyd, Baden Evans, David Arthur and Rhodri Lewis and at SGIHE under Leighton Davies, rugby is naturally a crucial part of his life. But, as PE teacher at Bargoed (wife Ann also teaches) he can occasionally get a bit heavy about his job and politics — "too much administration, not enough teaching," he says, which sounds a familiar cry.

Unsurprisingly, he does not find it easy to have his car insured, having had three stolen including an XR2 and an Astra GT. Maybe someone has it in for him.

Huw, who insists on running out on to the pitch second and whose superstitions also make him go through a curious pre-match dressing routine, claims not to have a party turn for club events — but has been known to juggle five rugby balls with Owain Williams, and to drink a pint of beer without touching the glass with his hands (just think about it).

His ambition is very simple: to stay away from injury. For two or three years he played only in about 10 matches as the result of dislocations, broken cheeks and so on but his main problem since joining Cardiff has been his own teammates.

A purler of a black eye in the Newport match was a gift from Derwyn Jones while Tony Rees has been responsible for six stitches.

A high-risk happy hooker is our Huw.



## MISCELLANY... reporting on news

### CAPTAINS FROM NEWBRIDGE

IN WELCOMING the Newbridge team, committee and supporters to the Arms Park this afternoon for the first-ever Sunday Heineken League match at the stadium, it's curious to reflect that the clubs had never met before October 4, 1962.

There have been strong links between the clubs as David Hayward, the former Cardiff captain and Newbridge player, mentions in his Guest Appearance article on page 7, with John O'Shea being another ex-Newbridge man to captain Cardiff and Hemi Taylor, the current Cardiff vice-captain, also having cut his Welsh rugby teeth at Newbridge.

Even that first game did not count as an official senior fixture. The match was arranged to open, in one of Dai Hayward's two consecutive years as captain, the new Newbridge clubhouse and the home side duly won 6-0.

From the following season, fixtures were played on a regular basis. In all there have been 29 meetings between the clubs, with Cardiff winning 19 times, Newbridge eight and there have been two draws. Cardiff have scored 410 points, Newbridge 305.

At Heineken League level, Newbridge won on the first four occasions (0-11, 9-18, 3-6 and 6-16), with Cardiff winning the three since then (39-14, 24-12, and 36-0).

### WHEN HEMI DOES THE HAKA

THERE ARE, in the Cardiff area, 70-odd schools which do not have rugby on their PE syllabuses.

Hemi Taylor and Jonathan Humphreys are currently attempting to improve this situation — and thereby, hopefully, ensure in the long-term a supply of potential players to the Cardiff club.

The two forwards have, as we reported some time ago, been appointed development officers, working out of the club and with close co-operation with former Cardiff star Geraint John as the WRU development officer for the area.

"We are slowly making inroads," reports Jonathan Humphreys, "and, after writing to some 25 schools to offer the services, have been introducing ball skills to both nine

year-old boys and girls.

"We are trying to increase their co-ordination but first we have to persuade the teachers that it is a good scheme and to have them involved also."

The funding for the operation comes through the generosity of Atlantic Property Developments and a Sportsmatch award from the Sports Council for Wales, under an arrangement whereby a grant is matched by sponsorship.

"The response from the kids so far is good," says Jonathan, "and when Hemi does the haka in front of them, it really winds them up."

The pair hope that they will be able to organise an award scheme, as well as providing schools with items of necessary gear.

Teachers interested can contact either Hemi or Jonathan at the club on 0222-229837.

With this sort of activity, enthusiastically backed by Alec Evans, a wider interest should be developed in rugby at a very young level to help keep Cardiff at the forefront in future.

### YOUTHFUL SUCCESS

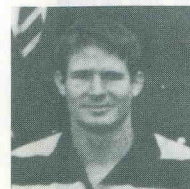
AT A SLIGHTLY more senior level, and as we reported in Wednesday's match programme against Pontypridd, the unbeaten Cardiff Youth team has been named as the Rugby World Magazine youth team of the month.

The award is recorded, with photograph, in the January issue of the magazine (price £2) which will be on sale later this month.

### DON'T FORGET...

...that there's a selection of Christmas gift possibilities in the club shop suitable for all the family (see page 10)... that the next Cardiff RFC lottery draw for a Renault 5 Campus Prima (see page 14) is part of an evening of Clubhouse fun on December 21... that you can win a rugby ball signed by the Cardiff team (see page 15)... and that bookings for Christmas lunches in the Clubhouse are now being taken.

## and views from CARDIFF ARMS PARK



### 'BLUES'-EYED BOYS

— or why STUART ROY (left) and ADAM PALFREY want to be remembered



TWO CARDIFF players will on Tuesday play in front of the biggest crowd of their lives and they are, understandably, looking forward to it with huge anticipation.

The University match is really something different and at Twickenham in two days' time Dr Stuart Roy and Adam Palfrey will savour the atmosphere generated by a crowd of 60,000-plus.

Yet, when Miscellany spoke to them after the teams had been announced, both players stressed one thing: we belong to Cardiff and we don't wish to be forgotten simply because we are out of sight.

Both will play for Cambridge and their "Blues" will without doubt add further to their rugby reputations — and both are anxious that Alec Evans and the Cardiff committee and supporters have not forgotten them in their absence from the club.

Stuart Roy, who will be 25 on Christmas Day, is of course the more experienced of the two. Already a Welsh cap, he also was on the bench for Wales against England and therefore knows something of the Twickenham atmosphere.

"But this will be something special again," says the big man who is seeking a post-graduate Master of Philosophy degree based on a thesis on cartilages and who will probably work then in the Casualty Department of the Cardiff Royal Infirmary at the end of his study.

"I will," he says, "be available for Cardiff in the New Year if required but, clearly, the University match is my target immediately. I quite enjoy the fact that we are the underdogs but we can win."

Adam Palfrey, on the other hand, is a new boy at this level. He is reading Land Economy which, in the old days, was what rugby players studied at University. "It's not

like that now," says the 22 year-old centre. "I suspect that when players like Mike Hall and Adrian Davies were up here reading the same subject, they might have been treated a bit leniently. Now, we have to take exams at the end of the first year with the result that I have not been able to concentrate entirely on rugby.

"Fail them and we're out. On the rugby field, I thought at first it was a bit of a step down from Cardiff but, as the season has progressed, we have played quality sides and it all comes to a climax against Oxford on Tuesday.

"It will be a great day which, everyone tells me, will pass in a split second. You take the first 20 minutes to settle, suddenly it's half time and then it's over..."

The great day continues after the match with banquets and balls. "I'm going to have to work hard in 1994 for my exams but I don't want Alec Evans to forget me," he pleads.

Nor will Adam and Stuart be the only Cardiff interests in the match. On the Cambridge wing will be Andy Arentsen, former Cardiff High School boy and Cardiff Harlequin.

Dr Roy and Mr Palfrey are both students in Hughes Hall College — "a centre for sporting, sorry, academic, excellence," says Stuart — but to the best of their knowledge the Hughes has no Welsh connections.

Finally, at out-half for Oxford is Gareth Rees and at scrum-half for the light Blues is Chris Tynan. We last saw them hereabouts as the Canadian pairing when they beat Wales at the next-door ground just a few weeks ago.

For those of us who can't make Twickenham on Tuesday, then, there are many reasons to find the nearest television set.



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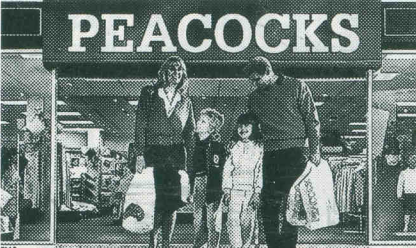


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2. Jonathan HUMPHREYS
3. Phil SEDGEMORE
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8. Owain WILLIAMS
7. Mark BENNETT

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18. Hemi TAYLOR
19. Howard STONE
20. Kevin MATTHEWS
21. Huw BEVAN

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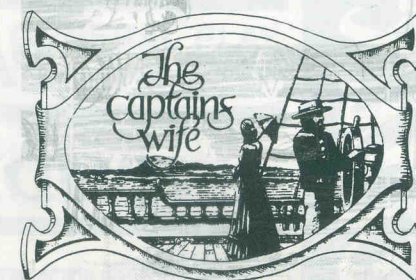
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## OFFSIDE IN GENERAL PLAY

A player is in an off-side position if the ball has been kicked, or touched, or is being carried by one of his team behind him.

There is no penalty for being in an off-side position **unless**:

- a) the player plays the ball or obstructs an opponent,  
or
- b) he being within ten metres of an opponent waiting to play the ball or of the place where the ball pitches does not retire without delay and without interfering with the opponent;  
or
- c) he, on all other occasions, moves towards the opponents waiting to play the ball or to the place where the ball pitches, **before** he is put on-side.

**PENALTY:** The penalty kick should be at the place of the infringement, or, at the opinion of the non-offending team, a scrummage at the place where the ball was last played by the offending team.

If the latter place is in In-goal, the penalty kick shall be taken or the scrummage shall be formed five metres from the goal line on a line through the place.

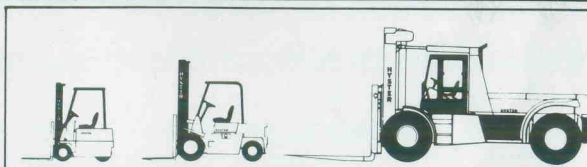
For the infringement of (c) above, by more than one player, the place of infringement will be that of the off-side player closest to the player waiting for the ball or where the ball pitches.

Please note, however, that:

- a) players who advance towards the touchline, from an offside position in front of the kicker after the ball is in touch are not deemed to be offside and will not be penalised. They can, therefore, legitimately present themselves to the touch line in order to prevent the effect of a quick throw in by the opposition. Remember, **once the ball is in touch it is dead.**
- b) However, if players moved forward from the same offside position whilst the ball is still in the field of play, they will be offside from the particular position they moved forward. Therefore, they will not be able to prevent a quick throw-in.

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### ...ON TAPE

ANOTHER "present" possibility is a tape of Cardiff's league tries to date this season.

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### ALL-PAY DAY

WITH FORTHCOMING home matches in mind also, the SWALEC cup-tie on December 18 against Pontypool will, as usual, be all-pay.

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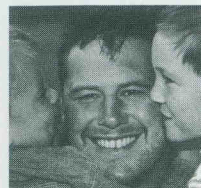
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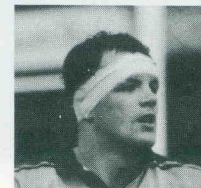


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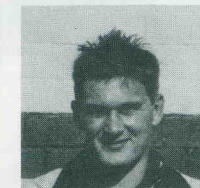
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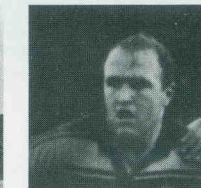
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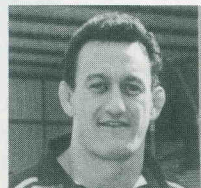
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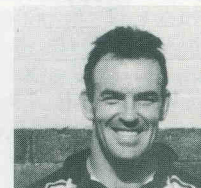
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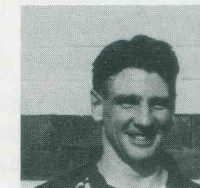
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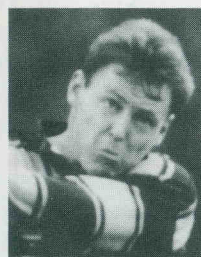
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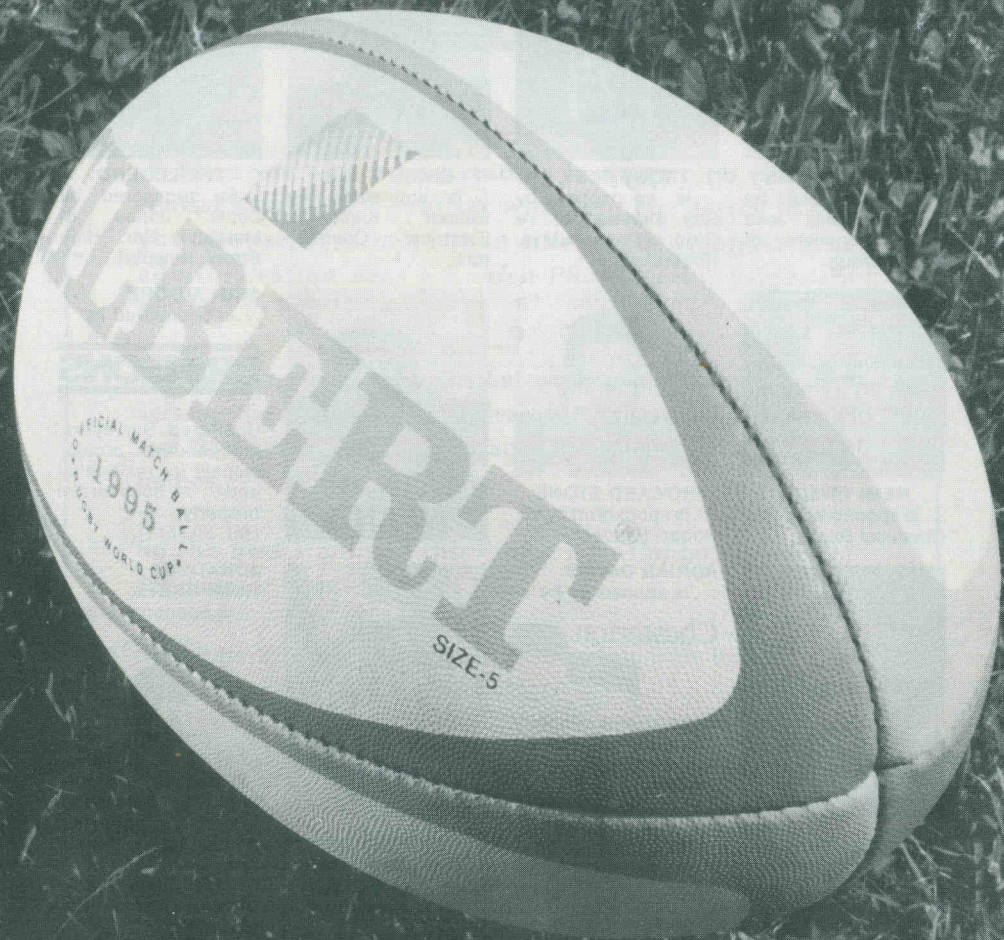
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TODAY'S match mascot deserves a special round of applause for his efforts.

**JONATHAN LONG**, from Llanishen, goes to Ty Groes Special School — and won a gold medal in the Special Olympics for his 10-pin bowling prowess. Nor is that Jonathan's only achievement. In the special Welsh games Jonathan, who is 17, loves rugby and names his Cardiff favourites as Mike Rayer and Andy Moore, won a silver and a bronze in swimming events.



### FUN AND GAMES BETWEEN NOW AND THE NEW YEAR

**TODAY:** Sports forum after the game. Come and put your questions to Hemi Taylor, Mike Rayer and Jonathan Humphreys.

**PONTYPOOL (Dec 18):** SWALEC Cup-tie. All pay (£4 for junior stand) with clubhouse open as usual.

**PONTYPRIDD (Dec 27):** Karaoke straight after the match.

**CROSS KEYS (Jan. 3):** Bring a friend, to a special invitation day. See Karl, Richard, Steve or Dave to book for the karaoke and to bring a friend.

### OTHER NEWS

The mystery prize for spotting the Junior Blue and Blacks sign at Swansea (on the Cricketers pub) was won by Michael Bennett... our thanks to The Fields Lab Ltd. for all their help... and see Quidnunc's column for the chance to win a Cardiff replica jersey.

### NEW MEMBERSHIP

WITH the season progressing, membership for the remainder of the year has been cut to £15, with free registration as a special offer.

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# FIXTURES AND STATISTICS

DATE	OPPONENTS	F-A	15	14	13	12	11	10	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
SEPTEMBER 1993																	
Wed. 1	Tonyrefail	A 36-15	P. Armstrong	M. Liddiatt (1T)	S. John	S. Davies	A. Jenkins	C. John (2T,3C)	G. Treharne	M. Griffiths	B. Wakefield	A. Lewis (1T)	T. Rees	G. Davies	N. Baxter	M. Bennett (1T)	P. Agar
Sat. 4	ABERAVON (L)	H 59-3	M. Rayer (1T)	N. Walker (1T)	M. Hall (1T)	J. Hewlett	S. Hill (1T)	A. Davies (1T,5C,3P)	A. Booth (2T)	P. Sedgemore	J. Humphreys	K. Matthews	P. Kawulok	D. Jones	H. Stone (1T)	O. Williams	H. Taylor
Tue. 7	PONTYPRIDD (L)	A 24-17	M. Rayer	O. Thomas (1T)	M. Hall	J. Hewlett	N. Walker (1T)	A. Davies (3P,1C,1D)	A. Moore	M. Griffiths	J. Humphreys	P. Sedgemore	T. Rees	D. Jones	O. Williams	M. Budd	H. Taylor
Sat. 11	NEWBRIDGE (L)	A 36-0	M. Rayer (1T,1C)	S. Hill	M. Hall	J. Hewlett	N. Walker (1T)	A. Davies (3P)	A. Booth (1T)	M. Griffiths	H. Bevan	L. Mustoe	P. Kawulok	D. Jones	C. Mills	M. Budd (1T)	H. Taylor
Wed. 15	Penarth	H 17-26	P. Armstrong (1T)	S. Ford	C. Laity	A. Palfrey	M. Liddiatt (A. Jenkins)	S. Davies (1T,2C,1P)	G. Treharne	A. Lewis	B. Wakefield	C. Johnson	J. Davies (P. Kawulok)	T. Rees	S. Roy	St. J. Towell	J. Allen
Sat. 18	DUNVANT (L)	H 55-3	M. Rayer (6C, 1P)	S. Hill (2T)	M. Hall (2T)	C. Laity (1T)	N. Walker	C. John	A. Moore (2T)	K. Matthews	J. Humphreys (1T)	L. Mustoe	T. Rees	S. Roy	H. Stone	O. Williams	H. Taylor
Sat. 25	CROSS KEYS (L)	A 61-21	M. Rayer (1T, 3C, 2P)	S. Hill	J. Hewlett	C. Laity (1T)	O. Thomas (2T)	C. John (1T,2C)	A. Booth (1T)	M. Griffiths	H. Bevan	P. Sedgemore (1T)	P. Kawulok	D. Jones	H. Stone (1T)	M. Budd (1T)	O. Williams
OCTOBER																	
Sat. 2	LLANELLI (L)	H 9-15	M. Rayer	S. Hill	M. Hall	J. Hewlett	N. Walker (C. John)	A. Davies (3P)	A. Booth	M. Griffiths	J. Humphreys	P. Sedgemore	T. Rees	D. Jones	M. Budd	H. Stone	H. Taylor
Sat. 16	Gloucester (3.00p.m.)	A 5-16	(P. Armstrong)	S. Ford (1T)	C. Laity	C. Thomas	O. Thomas	S. Davies	A. Moore	K. Matthews	H. Bevan	P. Sedgemore	P. Kawulok	A. Kembury	O. Williams	M. Budd	C. Mills
Sat. 23	NEATH (L)	A 6-11	M. Rayer	S. Hill	M. Hall	C. Laity	S. Ford	A. Davies (1P,1D)	A. Booth (A. Moore)	M. Griffiths	J. Humphreys	L. Mustoe	P. Kawulok	D. Jones	H. Stone	O. Williams	H. Taylor
Sat. 30	PONTYPOOL (L)	H 78-0	M. Rayer (2T)	S. Ford (1T)	M. Hall	C. John (2T)	S. Hill (1T)	A. Davies (1T,10C,1D)	A. Moore (2T)	M. Griffiths	H. Bevan	P. Sedgemore	T. Rees	D. Jones	H. Stone (C. Mills 1T)	O. Williams	H. Taylor (1T)
NOVEMBER																	
Sat. 6	BRIDGEND (L)	A 29-3	M. Rayer	S. Ford (1T)	C. John (1T)	M. Laity	S. Hill	A. Davies (1T,3C,1P)	A. Moore	A. Lewis	J. Humphreys	M. Griffiths	T. Rees	D. Jones	H. Stone (C. Mills)	O. Williams (1T)	H. Taylor
Sat. 13	NEWPORT (L)	H 52-3	M. Rayer	S. Ford (2T)	S. Hill	C. Laity	N. Walker (2T)	A. Davies (3P,4C)	R. Howley	A. Lewis	H. Bevan (1T)	M. Griffiths	D. Jones	T. Rees	M. Bennett	O. Williams (1T)	H. Taylor (1T)
Sat. 20	SWANSEA (L)	A 6-22	M. Rayer	S. Ford (C. Laity)	C. John	S. Hill	N. Walker	A. Davies (2P)	R. Howley	M. Griffiths	J. Humphreys	P. Sedgemore	A. Rees	D. Jones	H. Stone	O. Williams	H. Taylor
Sat. 27	ABERAVON (L)	A 17-3	M. Rayer (1P)	S. Hill (1T)	C. Laity	C. John	N. Walker	A. Davies (1T,2C)	A. Moore	A. Lewis (M. Griffiths)	H. Bevan	P. Sedgemore	T. Rees	D. Jones	M. Bennett	C. Mills	H. Taylor
DECEMBER																	
Wed. 1	PONTYPRIDD (L)	H 10-15	M. Rayer	S. Ford	M. Hall	C. Laity	S. Hill	A. Davies (1P,1C)	R. Howley	M. Griffiths	J. Humphreys	P. Sedgemore	T. Rees	D. Jones	H. Stone (1T)	O. Williams	H. Taylor
Sun. 5	NEWBRIDGE (L)	H .....															
Sat. 11	DUNVANT (L)	A .....															
Sat. 18	P'pool (SWALEC 4)	H .....															
Wed. 22	Cilfynydd	A .....															
Mon. 27	Pontypridd	H .....															
Thur. 30	Bath	A .....															
JANUARY 1994																	
Mon. 3	CROSS KEYS (L)	H .....															
Sat. 8	Glamorgan Wanderers	A .....															
Fri. 14	Ayr	H .....															
Sat. 22	WRU Cup 5th Round																
Sat. 29	LLANELLI (L)	A .....															
FEBRUARY																	
Fri. 4	Maesteg	A .....															
Sat. 12	Cambridge University	H .....															
Fri. 18	Bristol	A .....															
Sat. 26	WRU Cup 6th Round																
MARCH																	
Sat. 5	NEATH (L)	H .....															
Sat. 12	Maesteg	H .....															
Tue. 15	Penarth	A .....															
Sat. 19	London Welsh	A .....															
Sat. 26	PONTYPOOL (L)	A .....															
APRIL																	
Sat. 2	Barbarians/ WRU Cup Q.F./Wasps	H .....															
Sat. 9	BRIDGEND (L)	H .....															
Sat. 16	WRU Cup Semi-Final/ Bristol	H .....															
Sat. 23	NEWPORT (L)	A .....															
Sat. 30	SWANSEA (L)	H .....															
MAY																	
Sat. 7	WRU Cup Final																

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### AWAY MATCH COACH ARRANGEMENTS

- Sat. Dec. 11th — DUNVANT
- Sat. Jan. 29th — LLANELLI
- Sat. March 26th — PONTYPOOL
- Sat. April 23rd — NEWPORT

All Coach Bookings can be made at our Clubroom **after** Home Matches.

### SOCIAL EVENTS 1994

- Thurs. 27 Jan — To be arranged
- Fri. 22 Apr. — Annual Dinner
- Fri. 25 Feb. — Country & Western
- Wed. 18 May — A. Gen. Meeting
- Fri. 25 Mar. — Horse Race Night

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### First Division

	P	W	D	L	T	Pt
Swansea	13	12	0	1	32	24
Neath	12	10	1	1	40	21
Llanelli	13	10	0	3	42	20
Cardiff	13	9	0	4	57	18
Pontypridd	12	8	1	3	26	15
Bridgend	12	6	1	5	29	13
Newport	13	5	1	7	19	11
Dunvant	12	4	0	8	10	8
Newbridge	11	3	1	7	16	7
Aberavon	12	2	1	9	13	5
Pontypool	13	2	0	11	15	4
Cross Keys	12	0	0	12	12	0

### Second Division

	P	W	D	L	T	Pt
Treorchy	12	12	0	0	25	24
Abertillery	12	8	1	3	32	17
Maesteg	12	8	0	4	21	16
Tenby Utd	12	7	0	5	18	14
SW Police	11	6	0	5	19	12
Narberth	12	6	0	6	16	12
Ebbw Vale	12	5	1	6	24	11
Llandovery	12	5	0	7	11	10
Penarth	12	4	0	8	18	8
Mt. Ash	11	4	0	7	11	8
Llanharan	12	3	2	7	10	8
Glam Wands	12	1	0	11	16	2

## STATISTICS FROM Baytrack for VOLVO

### FIRST DIVISION RESULTS 1993-94



	ABERAVON	BRIDGEND	CARDIFF	CROSS KEYS	DUNVANT	LLANELLI	NEATH	NEWBRIDGE	NEWPORT	PONTYPOOL	PONTYPRIDD	SWANSEA
ABERAVON	H A	12-12 3-59	3-17 9-29	42-15 30-0	18-12 11-18	21-24 20-19	0-10 11-33	8-28 24-11	6-30 34-20	11-18 14-26	7-28 16-20	3-10
BRIDGEND	H A	12-12 17-16	9-29 17-16	30-0 11-18	15-6 20-19	11-18 11-33	24-11 24-17	6-30 10-15	34-20 6-22	14-26 10-15	16-20 6-22	
CARDIFF	H A	59-3 17-3	29-3 29-3	61-21 15-24	55-3 10-43	9-15 6-25	6-11 20-23	38-0 3-17	52-3 13-10	78-0 9-13	24-17 8-8	6-22
CROSS KEYS	H A	15-42 0-30	16-17 0-30	21-51 24-15	10-43 14-26	6-25 35-14	20-23 44-8	3-17 31-17	13-10 20-9	10-20 12-22	3-18 40-18	
DUNVANT	H A	12-18 6-15	3-55 24-15	24-15 43-10	10-43 14-26	20-23 35-14	20-23 44-8	3-17 31-17	13-10 20-9	10-20 12-22	3-18 40-18	
LLANELLI	H A	24-21 18-11	19-20 15-9	43-10 5-27	14-26 17-11	35-14 19-16	44-8 43-20	31-17 17-21	20-9 11-15	12-22 11-15	40-18 6-26	
NEATH	H A	33-11 10-0	11-6 0-38	26-14 25-8	27-5 11-17	17-11 17-17	19-16 25-0	22-22 14-31	22-27 9-30	40-18 9-30	6-26 9-30	
NEWBRIDGE	H A	28-8 30-6	0-38 11-24	25-8 20-20	11-17 13-7	17-11 7-12	19-16 8-44	25-0 20-43	14-31 0-25	9-30 21-35	9-30 18-51	
NEWPORT	H A	16-11 20-34	0-78 0-78	10-13 17-31	17-3 10-71	9-20 10-71	0-25 31-14	21-35 51-18	18-51 15-25	10-30 15-25	15-25 15-25	
PONTYPOOL	H A	28-7 26-14	17-24 15-10	17-24 20-10	6-8 22-22	21-17 31-14	31-14 51-18	15-25 15-25	15-25 15-25	15-25 15-25	15-25 15-25	
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### Third Division

	P	W	D	L	T	Pt
Abercynon	11	10	0	1	45	20
Bonymaen	10	8	0	2	24	16
Kenfig Hill	10	7	1	2	20	15
Y'gynlais	10	7	0	3	19	14
Tondu	11	6	0	5	21	12
Aberavon Q.	11	5	0	6	15	10
Tredeggar	11	4	0	7	18	8
St. Peter's	11	3	1	7	28	7
Blackwood	11	3	1	7	15	7
Blaina	11	3	1	7	14	7
Llanharan	10	3	0	7	18	6
Pontyp' Utd.	11	3	0	8	11	6

### Fourth Division

	P	W	D	L	T	Pt
Builth Wells	10	9	0	1	12	18
Caerphilly	11	7	1	3	24	15
Pyle	11	7	0	4	23	14
Vardre	10	7	0	3	22	14
Kidwelly	10	6	2	2	17	14
Oakdale	10	6	0	4	21	12
Carmarthen	11	5	1	5	17	11
Whitland	11	5	0	6	10	10
Rumney	11	4	0	7	12	8
Cardiff Qns	11	3	0	8	17	6
Wrexham	11	2	0	9	8	4
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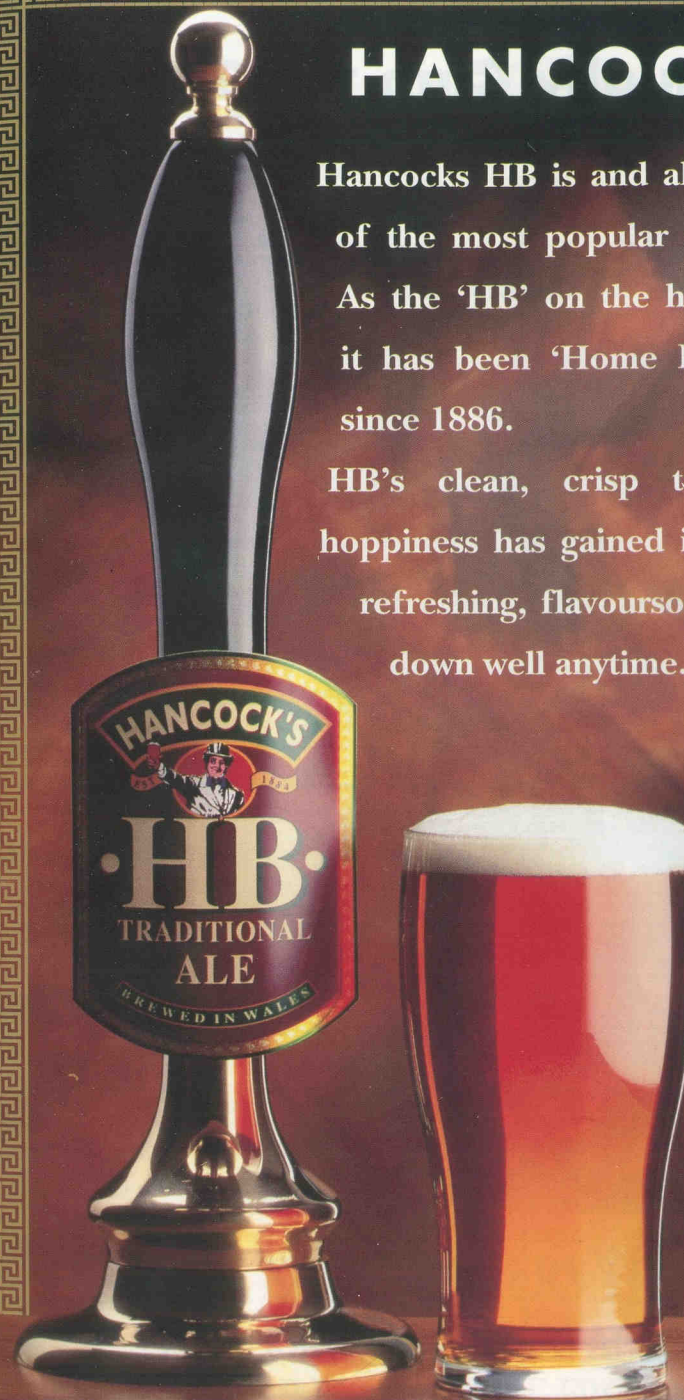
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## ATHLETIC XV FIXTURES and UNDER 21s

1993  
SEPTEMBER

Wed. 1	Bristol U21	H 22-13
Sat. 11	Tenby U21	H 53-10
Sat. 18	Rosslyn Park U21	H 12-27
Wed. 22	Bridgend Sports	A 27-34

OCTOBER

Fri. 1	Llanelli U21	A 3-18
Mon. 18	Rosslyn Park U21	H 17-27
Wed. 20	Treorchy U21	H 22-30
Sat. 23	Leicester U21	H 23-13
Wed. 27	Maesteg U21	A 12-20
Sat. 30	Pontypool Athletic	A 20-8

NOVEMBER

Wed. 3	Newport U21	A 12-16
Sat. 6	Exeter U21	H 30-8
Sat. 13	Wasps U21	A 17-15
Sat. 20	Swansea U21	H 13-8

DECEMBER

Sat. 4	Swan. Uni. (a.m. S. Gdns)	H.....
Sat. 11	Bristol University	A.....
Sat. 15	Cardiff University	H.....

1994  
JANUARY

Sat. 1	Bath U21	H.....
Wed. 12	Pencoed U21	H.....
Wed. 19	North Cheshire U21	H.....
Sat. 22	Wasps U21	H.....
Wed. 26	Llanelli U21	H.....
Sat. 29	Richmond U21	H.....

FEBRUARY

Wed. 2	Bridgend Sports	H.....
Sat. 12	Cardiff University	A.....
Wed. 23	Exeter University	H.....
Sat. 26	Harlequins U21	H.....

MARCH

Sat. 5	Bristol U21	A.....
Wed. 9	Mountain Ash U21	H.....
Sat. 12	Rosslyn Park U21	A.....
Sat. 19	London Welsh	A.....
Sat. 26	Pontypool Athletic	H.....
Wed. 30	Cardiff Inst. U21	A.....

APRIL

Sat. 9	Crumlin	A.....
Sat. 16	Tenby U21	A.....
Sat. 23	Newport U21	H.....
Sat. 30	Swansea U21	A.....

## YOUTH XV FIXTURES

1993  
SEPTEMBER

Sat. 4	Pembroke	H 88-0
Sat. 11	Dunvant	H 48-6
Wed. 15	Bedwas	H 13-3
Sat. 18	Coventry	H 29-19
Wed. 22	Glam. Wanderers	A 68-0
Sat. 25	Leicester	A 20-19

OCTOBER

Wed. 6	Llanharan	H 49-10
Sat. 9	Beddau	A 18-14
Fri. 15	Blaenau, Gwent	A 17-16
Sat. 23	Neath	A 20-7
Wed. 27	St. Peters	H 60-0
Sat. 30	Pontypool	A 17-5

NOVEMBER

Sat. 13	Blaina	H 34-7
Sat. 20	Pontypridd	H 16-16
Sat. 27	Wasps	A.....

DECEMBER

Sat. 11	Llanelli	A.....
Sat. 18	Cup/Pool	A.....
Mon. 27	Llandaff/ W. George XV (a.m.)	A.....

Saturday Kick Off - 2.30 p.m.

1994  
JANUARY

Sat. 8	Cup/Pool	A.....
Wed. 19	Bridgend	H.....
Sat. 22	Cheltenham	H.....
Sat. 29	Carmarthen	H.....

FEBRUARY

Sat. 5	Neath (a.m.)	H.....
Sat. 12	Cup/Pool	A.....

MARCH

Sat. 5	Llanelli	H.....
Sat. 12	Bristol	A.....
Wed. 16	Glam. Wanderers	H.....
Wed. 23	Llandaff North	H.....
Sat. 26	Swansea	A.....

APRIL

Sat. 2	Crawshays	H.....
Mon. 4	Newport Festival	H.....
Sat. 9	Tour	A.....

MAY

Sat. 16	Bedwas	A.....
Sat. 23	Pontypool	H.....

Mid Week Kick Off - 7.15 p.m.



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