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ONE THING is certain this afternoon: there could be no greater giant for Merthyr to slay. Cardiff are not only the holders of the SWALEC Cup but also stand with some pride at the head of the Heineken League first division.

What a Goliath, then, for a potential David to fell! Yet Merthyr will be taken seriously, Division Five side as they may be, Cardiff will remember too well the humiliation of two years ago when St Peter's, then in Division Three, travelled along Newport Road to create arguably the Cup's greatest ever surprise. The romance of the Cup, indeed.

Merthyr currently nestle in third place behind the divisional leaders who include Rumney, winners of all eleven league matches and yet whom Merthyr dealt with in the last round of the cup. The rugby revival in the town is discussed at greater length and with rich humour by Dai Hayward in the Guest Appearance column on page 13 but, in the meantime, we welcome back warmly to the Arms Park for the first senior match between the clubs since 1908 their players, officials and followers.

Heineken League rugby then returns to the Arms Park next Thursday evening with the rearranged fixture with Pontypridd which will surely have a crucial bearing on the final destination of the championship.

Last Saturday's splendid win at Bridgend — at a cost insofar as the injuries to Emyr Lewis, in particular, and Derwyn Jones come at a worrying time for club and country — took us into the second half of the league season with a few points, and tries, in hand.

But there are difficult matches ahead; Neath away on New Year's Eve, a visit from Swansea on January 7 and a trip to Stradey on February 4 show fully that there is still a long way to go. Mike Hall, Alex Evans and the squad are well aware that the current points cushion is not enough on which to relax.

All this and talk of a super-competition, too. Cardiff chief executive Gareth Davies explains the current state of play on page 6.

For the moment, though, it's the Cup that counts as Cardiff aim to defend the hard-earned trophy.

D.G.

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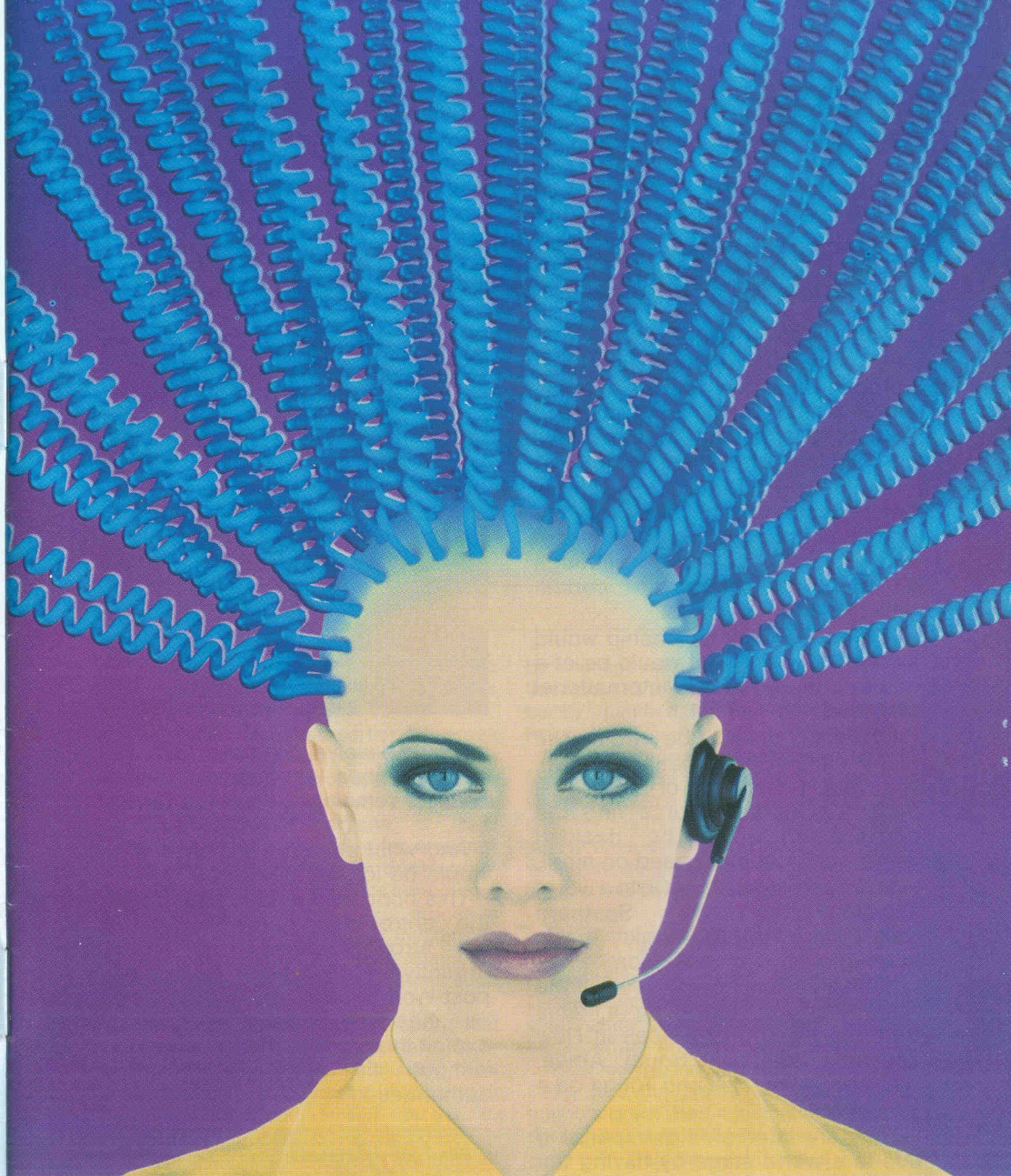


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EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS, even World Championships, are under discussion at club level as Rugby Football moves towards the 21st Century. What is the current state of play? GARETH DAVIES, Cardiff Rugby Club Chief Executive, brings us up-to-date following the recent International Board talks in Dublin.

CLUB RUGBY – AT WORLD LEVEL?

YOU HAVE probably read a great deal recently about a proposed European League for the leading clubs from Wales, England and France, together with the Provinces and Districts of Ireland and Scotland.

Cardiff Rugby Club, along with the other First Division clubs of the Heineken League, are supporters of the original concept, although accepting that there are certain difficulties to overcome.

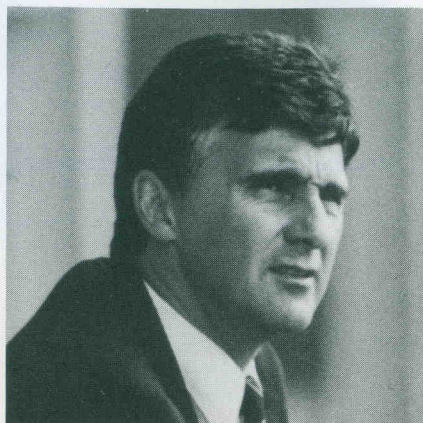
A European Championship would involve 20 teams and would be of a quality just below international standard.

Eligibility would be from the identified European nations above, with the possibility of additional countries in due course and the qualification would be decided within each country based on merit.

And where does this fit in to a world situation? In the Southern Hemisphere, the Carnegie Sports International organisation has organised for two years the Supertens Cup, consisting of teams from the leading provinces in New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, Western Samoa, Fiji and Tonga on a similar basis.

They are interested in expanding this to a world stage by having the Superten winners – and this title does *not* imply 10-a-side rugby as some believe – meet the winners of a European competition for the World final.

For most European clubs involved,



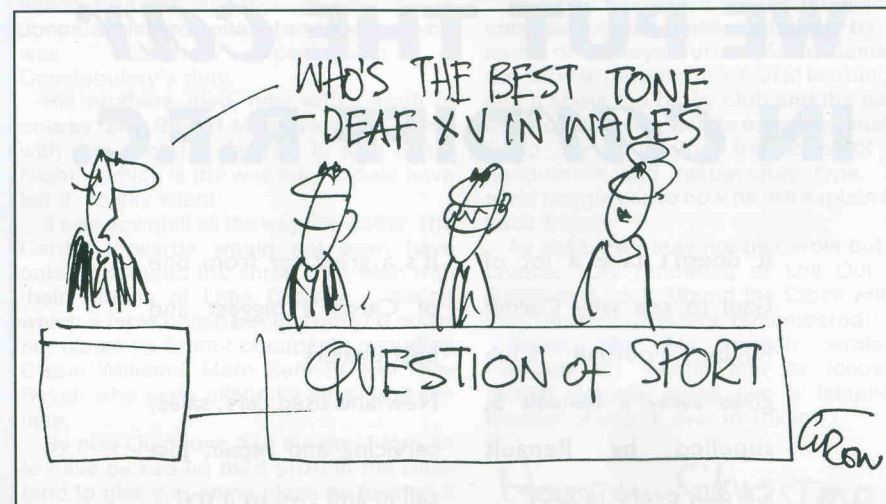
it would involve no more than six extra matches – in midweek over a season, remember – on the fixture list.

And what attractive matches they would be for the followers.

This concept would remain under the control of the game itself. If it is not strongly pursued, I stress urgently that the Unions beware as, post-World Cup, the commercial piranhas and pariahs will look to exploit the game to the full – with or without the backing of the authorities.

What are your views? Your opinions on this – and, indeed, any Cardiff rugby subject – are welcome for possible publication. Send them to the Programme Editor, Commercial Department, Cardiff Rugby Club, Cardiff Arms Park, Westgate Street, Cardiff).

QUIDNUNC'S COLUMN



THERE IS within the Cardiff team a fair amount of talent. Not too much of it, alas, is musical.

I say "alas" because earlier this week Quidnunc paid his now customary visit to the players' annual carol evening, during which a good meal is had by all, a few stories are told, everyone is fined outrageous sums of money for wearing/not wearing a paper hat, for drinking/not drinking a particular wine, for spending a penny or what-have-you, proceeds apparently going into some mysterious fund which may/may not accompany the players on tour to Bermuda or some such exotic place.

In fairness, our Music Critic reports that the standards of discipline, *così fan tutti* (or at least that's what I think he said), have improved with the *ensemble* singing a revelation in comparison with last year's.

With certain exceptions, of course – which makes me reproduce the view of South Wales Echo cartoonist Gren (who is, incidentally, compiling a special 'Guest Appearance' cartoon for next Thursday's programme for the Pontypridd match).

The better moments included a joyful rendering of Good King W by Hemi Taylor, Jonathan Humphreys and their table and

by what appeared to be Howard Stone and the Radyr Cricket Club (which table also surely qualified for the top-of-the-fines league).

There were some emotional moments, too. Mike Rayer led a moving couplet or two of Away in a Manger (if the Pontypridd desperados had heard of this, they would surely have considered next Thursday a walkover, so gentle, so sweet, so tender were some of our Saturday thugs in their rendering).

But there were also some moments of total farce, fiasco.

That gifted musician, Maestro Adrian Davies, might have been expected to have established some rapport with his half-back partner Andy Moore by now.

Their calypsoed version of Mary's Boy Child was the first to receive the real thumb's down. Had it just been a thumb's down, that might have been O.K., but before the thumbs went down, a variety of missiles, beer-sodden napkins, buns and sundry other messages of disapproval had been dispatched in their general direction.

Dewi Griffiths, the genial MC for the evening and a veteran of exuberant bunfights, now had his problems – one of

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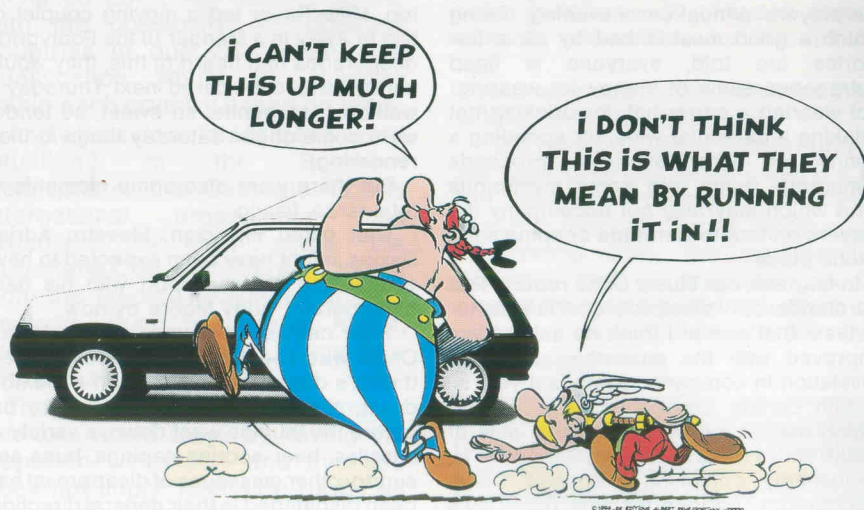
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QUIDNUNC'S COLUMN – continued

which was the absence of Mr Derwyn Jones, a talented guitarist and vocalist who was elsewhere performing a Constabulary's duty.

His brothers Aled, now with Cardiff of course, and Rhodri from Bridgend, along with dad, stood in for him to sing Silent Night – which is the way they should have left it. Totally silent.

It was downhill all the way thereafter. The Cardiff forwards would not even have outscrummaged the Three Wise Men with their version of Little Donkey – during which a table collapsed though you could not blame its former occupants including Owain Williams, Marc Bennett and Huw Bevan who were allegedly singing at the time.

By now Quidnunc had the good fortune to have picked up third prize in the raffle (and to give you some ideas as to what a fiddle this was, Alec Evans drew his own number) but the star turn of the evening was yet to come.

You may have seen around the club an enthusiastic Japanese rugby nut by the name of Katsuya Furuta. Katsu came to Cardiff with the sole intention of learning as much about the rugby club and the game as he could with a view to exporting back to Tokio some of the traditions of an honourable and respectable type. The mind boggles as to how he will explain this back home.

All right, they may not be carols but his unique, solo rendering of Loll Out the Ballell and Lock Around the Clock will be long lemebered (sorry, remembered).

Katsu, after his triumph, wrote a message for Cardiff and its followers (which actually looks like a telephone number, if you're ever in Tokyo):

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THERE'S ALWAYS an air of excitement on Cup day, with a favourite spectator sport being Spot the Shock.

Will there be any today – and, if so, where?

Below is the complete draw for the SWALEC Cup fourth and fifth rounds which shows, for example, that the winners of this afternoon's match at the Arms Park will travel to either Pyle or Tylorstown on January 28th.

The winners of the ties preceded by an asterisk will be at home to the winners of the other Group match in the fifth round on Saturday, January 28, 1995.

Group 1: (seeded club – Bridgend)

Bridgend v. Cross Keys;

*Ystrad Rhondda v. Penarth.

Group 2: (seed – Pontypridd)

*Pontypridd v. Newport; Resolven v. Pontypool

Group 3: (seed – Swansea)

*Swansea v. Llanharan; Abertillery v. Abercynon

Group 4: (seed – Newbridge)

Newbridge v. Treorchy; *Nelson v. Fleur De Lys

Group 5: (seed – Maesteg)

*Maesteg v. Ebbw Vale;

Hartridge HSGB v. Old Illtydians

Group 6: (seed – Cardiff)

Cardiff v. Merthyr; *Pyle v. Tylorstown

Group 7: (seed – Tenby Utd)

*Aberavon Green Stars v. Tenby Utd;

Abercrave v. Aberavon

Group 8: (seed – Dunvant)

*Neyland v. Dunvant; Aberavon Quins v. Tonyrefail

Group 9: (seed – Bonynmaen)

Blaina v. Bonynmaen; *Ruthin v. Builth Wells

Group 10: (seed – Llanelli)

Llanelli v. Caerphilly; *Glynneath v. Vardre

Group 11: (seed – Neath)

Neath v. Aberaman; *Morrison v. Gilfach Goch

Group 12: (seed – Narberth)

Narberth v. Mountain Ash; *Pentyrch v. Whitland

Group 13: (seed – South Wales Police)

*Carmarthen Quins v. South Wales Police;

Old Penarthians v. Bargoed

Group 14: (seed – Maesteg Celtic)

*Maesteg Celtic v. Penygraig;

Rhyl & District v. Llantwit Fardre

Group 15: (seed – Ystradgynlais)

*Seven Sisters v. Ystradgynlais;

Blackwood v. Glamorgan Wanderers

Group 16: (seed – Llandovery)

Cardiff Institute v. Llandovery; *Tondur v. Pwllheli.

ALL TICKET – AND A CURTAIN-RAISER

NEXT THURSDAY's Heineken League table-topper with Pontypridd is of course an all-ticket match and members and season ticket holders are reminded of the need to have their special tickets for the match.

They are available today before and after the game.

There will be, incidentally, good reason to take your seats early. Weather-permitting and as a curtain-raiser to the "big" match, Cardiff Under 11s will meet Pontypridd Under 11s to play for the Les Spence Trophy.

"We are aware that the all-ticket decision may cause one or two minor problems," says Cardiff chief Executive Gareth Davies, "and do ask people for their co-operation.

With late-night shopping and because of the proximity to Christmas, the city will be crowded and we would ask people to come early and to take their seats early."

'ROVER' AFTERNOON

FURTHER ARRANGEMENTS for matches over the holiday period show that for the match with Cardiff Institute on Boxing Day afternoon, there will be a charge of £3 for non-members.

These £3 "rover" tickets will enable spectators to watch the match from wherever they wish – grandstand or enclosure.

WELCOME TO WELSH WOMEN'S TEAM

AMONG THE spectators expected today at the Arms Park are the Welsh Women's rugby team squad who tomorrow meet Scotland in an attractive international fixture at the Brewery Field, Bridgend (kick-off 2p.m.).

And they will be appearing on this ground in the New Year. The Welsh Women will play the Irish Women at the Arms Park on the day after the Men's international, Sunday, March 20.

Six of the Welsh pack tomorrow are Cardiff girls, all players with the Cardiff

HOW TO SOLVE PRESENT PROBLEMS...

THE CHRISTMAS countdown is really on with only a handful of shopping days left.

A look at the Cardiff Collection in the club shop could solve a number of problems – either large or small, from key rings to shell suits, from baseball caps to polo shirts.

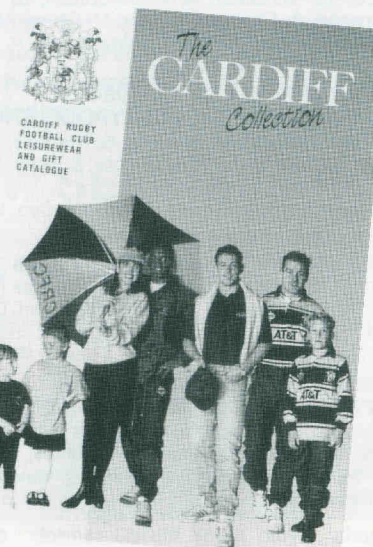
Mugs, tankards, autograph books, ties, purses, pennants, bobble hats, umbrellas... all can be seen in the Cardiff Rugby Football Club leisurewear and gift catalogue.

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...BY WATCHING CARDIFF

AND THERE'S more... With the Heineken League hotting up, with several attractive friendlies ahead, it is not too late to think of a season ticket for a present.

A stand season ticket for all remaining home matches except cup-ties after



January 1 will now cost you £30 (£20 for pensioners and juniors) and an enclosure season ticket will cost £20 (£15 for pensioners and juniors).

They are available at the club offices.

Harlequins side. Janet Watkins, Nadine Griffiths and Cathy Lloyd make up the front row, Samantha James will be at no 5, Lisa Jones at No 8 and Jacquie Morgan is one of the flankers.

Delyth Morgan, the Welsh Women's Rugby Union press officer, another Cardiff Harlequin and a centre who will be on the bench tomorrow, reports that in two previous internationals Wales beat Scotland 23-0 last December and 8-0 in the Women's World Cup quarter-finals, in which Wales finished fourth.

THROUGH – BUT SORRY!

DISAPPOINTMENT for the unbeaten Cardiff Youth team on Tuesday evening when they were due to meet Swansea

Youth for a place in the last 16 of the Welsh Youth Cup.

Swansea were unable to produce a side with the result that Cardiff go through by default but, says teams manager and committee man Jim O'Donnell, they would naturally rather have played.

More details on the Youth successes and the representative honours their players are collecting in the programme next Thursday evening, along with Under 21 news.

DOES ANYONE KNOW GEORGE JOHNSON?

CARDIFF Rugby Supporters Club secretary Hugh Earwicker wonders

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RECENT RESULTS

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 19, 1994: TAIBACH YOUTH 0, CARDIFF YOUTH 83

Cardiff Team: L. Abdul; R. Saddler, D. Jones, J. Colderley, R. Edwards; G. Cooper (P. Davies), A. Driscoll (J. Williams); A. Winterbottom, J. Kemble, M. Davey (P. Bennett), J. Lewis, P. Greenwood, A. Fowler, J. Ringer, M. Green (R. Jones).

Scorers: Tries: R. Saddler (5), J. Colderley (3), R. Edwards (2), D. Jones, J. Ringer, A. Driscoll. *Cons:* G. Cooper (5), L. Abdul (4).

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 19, 1994

CARDIFF ATHLETIC 21, PONTYPOOL ATHLETIC 13

Cardiff Team: N. Stork; A. Hurford, G. Thomas, P. Wintle, O. Thomas; S. Davies, G. Baber; L. Mustoe, B. Wakefield, P. Sedgemore; P. Hennessy, C. Hare, St. John Towell, E. Christopher, P. Ager.

Scorers: Tries: St. John Towell, S. Davies. *Con:* S. Davies. *Pens:* S. Davies (3).

SATURDAY DECEMBER 3, 1994

CARDIFF ATHLETIC 14, NEWPORT 2nds 10

Cardiff Team: J. Westwood; A. Hurford, P. Wintle (G. Price), G. Thomas, O. Thomas; I. Williams (C. Wilkins), O. Edwards; A. Lewis, B. Wakefield, D. Joseph; N. James, C. Hart, St. John Towell, M. Budd, P. Ager.

Scorers: Tries: M. Budd, C. Wilkins. *Cons:* J. Westwood (2).

SATURDAY DECEMBER 10, 1994

CARDIFF ATHLETIC 27, BRISTOL UNIVERSITY 16

Cardiff Team: J. Westwood; A. Hurford, G. Price, S. Davies, A. Evans; I. Williams, O. Edwards; J. Ronan, B. Wakefield, L. Mustoe, N. James, C. Hart, C. Lawicki, P. Ager, H. Stone.

Scorers: Tries: A. Hurford, O. Edwards, B. Wakefield, C. Lawicki. *Cons:* J. Westwood (2). *Pen:* J. Westwood.

MORE MISCELLANY

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whether anyone on the ground today can help him with information about a former Merthyr RFC player of the Fifties.

The gentleman concerned is George Johnathan, who was a fireman with the British Rail Western Region based at Dowlais Cae Harris.

He worked regularly with Hugh's father Roy on the route from Dowlais, via Cwm Bargoed and Bedlinog to Nelson, before being transferred to the Bristol area.

"My father is now 90," says Hugh, "and often talks of his friend and colleague George. He would like to meet him again.

Can any of the Merthyr supporters give me any information on this long lost friend?"

SOCIAL PLANS...

THE SUPPORTERS Club has also confirmed plans for its programme of social events for the early part of 1995.

On Friday, February 24, they will be

holding a *Country and Western evening and on Friday, March 24, it will be a Horse Race night in aid of the Cardiff Youth team.*

Then, on Friday, April 28, the club will hold its annual dinner.

...AND SINGALONGA LOTTERY

THE CLUB lottery draw for the December car will take place as usual in the clubhouse on the night of December 21 – but the evening will have a different and attractive format.

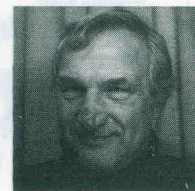
It coincides with the **Great Cardiff Club Raffle**, with loads of prizes to be won for only 10p a ticket.

And there'll also be a singalong to enhance the party atmosphere.

CHEERS!

AND TALKING of the Clubhouse, Geoff, Betty, Darren and their staff wish everybody a very Happy Christmas.

GUEST APPEARANCE



DAI HAYWARD, seven times capped by Wales while playing for Cardiff, now writes with impish humour for a variety of newspapers and magazines. Here, he looks back to the days when there were several rugby clubs in Merthyr, including...

THE TROEDYRHIW SEARCHLIGHTS

THE RIVER TAFF, that normally flows with deceptive serenity past the West boundary of the Arms Park, starts its journey in the hills behind Merthyr. On its route to the sea it threads its way through the beads of villages that link Merthyr to Cardiff and creates a sparkling necklace that reflects the triumphs, tribulations and tragedies of the turbulent history of Industrial South Wales.

The great iron towns of Dowlais and Merthyr, that manufactured the cannons for Wellington's artillery at Waterloo, and the sleepy fishing village that became the world's greatest coal port are both adapting, in their respective ways, to the challenge created by the demise of coal and iron, and, I suppose, to the radical changes in Rugby Football.

It might seem a long way from the top of Division Five to the top of Division One, but not only are there names in Division One in 1994 that would have seemed highly improbable five years ago, but this is the Cup, and who knows better than Cardiff that strange things can happen in the Cup.

Merthyr RFC have spent many years languishing in the backwaters of Welsh Rugby since their heydays in the 1870s when they regularly played Cardiff. Indeed, they together with Swansea and Newport were Cardiff's only opponents in their inaugural season in 1877. However there is a new spirit abroad in the Club, and fed-up with being called a Soccer Town, they are intent on filling a Rugby vacuum that Welsh Rugby can't afford, with a team worthy of a town of Merthyr's significance.

They beat Rumney (Cardiff, and no aitches) in the last round of the Cup to arrive at the Arms Park today, but they lost to them in their vital league game, and one detects a strong feeling that they wish it had been the

other way around. They know they have to make progress through the leagues, however glamorous a run in the SWALEC Cup may be.

Several of the Merthyr team will be familiar to Cardiff supporters. Steve Sutton, Wales and Pontypool, Mark Tittley formerly a clever wing with Swansea and Wales, now an even more accomplished outside-half for Merthyr, Ritchie Donovan in the centre, Colin Hillman at Hooker, Mark Pugh, prop, Martin Burridge at scrum half, top try scorer and a former Cardiff Youth player, should all be known to the Cardiff faithful. Around this core Merthyr have built a solid layer of home-grown talent and look good prospects for promotion from the 5th and even the 4th Division. They have the facilities at Ynysfach Park, and an excellent Clubhouse with a superb carpet in the Concert Room.

As one would expect from a Club with a half a dozen P.C.s in the team, and Alwyn Jenkins P.C., as Coach, they have a great respect for law and order. This has been recognised by the fact that their main sponsors are H.J.J., the largest firm of solicitors in Wales.

Not that Merthyr has always been so tranquil, and neither has its Rugby Club. In their annual Boxing Day match with Dowlais in 1892 a player was sent off for accusing the referee of being bought off by the opposition and, to quote the official records, "The nearness of Dowlais to Merthyr, was it seems no guarantee of fraternity between players, and the proximity of many fast flowing streams gave many officials an early bath."

It isn't generally known that on Christmas Eve 1908, Merthyr and North Glam played the Wallabies at Penydarren

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GUEST APPEARANCE

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BILLY SPILLER... played for the Wallabies against Merthyr, for Cardiff against the Wallabies two days later... and also cricket for Glamorgan.

Park, losing the game 13 points to 5 points. An even lesser known fact is that the Wallabies borrowed the Cardiff outside half, Billy Spiller, and two Merthyr players E. Lewis and R. H. Gunn. It is not surprising that they were short of players, because two days later they played Cardiff on Boxing Day losing 24 points to 8 points, with Billy Spiller in the centre for Cardiff, and then Swansea on December the 28th. Modern players would blanch at the thought.

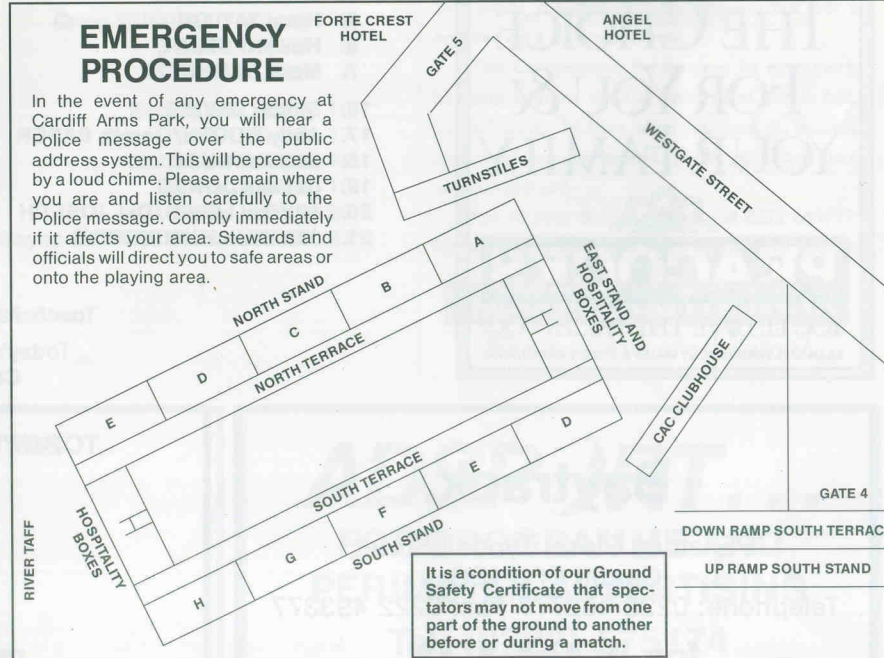
Whatever the outcome of today's match, we wish Merthyr all the best of luck in re-establishing Rugby Football as the major game in the town, and we are delighted to know that they have built up a large and loyal band of supporters. They still have some way to go to match the Merthyr of the 1890s, which listed the following teams as playing regularly.


Merthyr Thursdays, Merthyr Excelsiors, Cyfarthfa Juniors, Georgetown Juniors, Dowlais Quins, Dowlais Hibs, and Dowlais. Gellifaelog, Penderyn Rifles, Penderyn Excelsiors, Troedyrhiw Searchlights, Merthyr Police and Merthyr White Stars.

Troedyrhiw Searchlights?
'Croeso i Merthyr Tudful'.


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3. Lyndon MUSTOE
4. John WAKEFORD
5. Stuart ROY
6. Hemi TAYLOR
8. Howard STONE
7. Mark BENNETT
16. Simon DAVIES
17. Andy BOOTH/Gareth BABER
18. Michael BUDD
19. Derwyn JONES
20. Andrew LEWIS/Dai JOSEPH
21. Jonathan HUMPHREYS

Full Back
Right Wing
Right Centre
Left Centre
Left Wing
Outside Half
Inside Half
Forwards



Replacements

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- Gareth WILLIAMS 13.
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- Mark TITLEY 10.
- Martin BURRIDGE 9.
- Mark PUGH 1.
- Colin HILLMAN 2.
- Mike WILSON 3.
- Keith SNAPE 4.
- Steve SUTTON 5.
- Craig DUMMETT (Capt.) 6.
- Mark DICKS 8.
- Chris LAWLESS 7.
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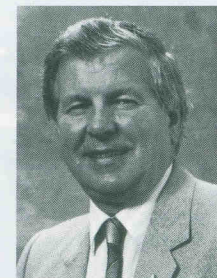
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QUESTION 1

At a formed lineout are all players of either team allowed to "**STEP**" away from the line of touch prior to the ball being thrown in?

Answer

YES, a recent International Board directive allows this. Individual players may not do so however, as they would be considered to have left the lineout and were therefore subject to penalty, i.e. a free kick.

QUESTION 2

If a team, (or teams) "**STEPS OUT**" at a line out where must the hooker of the throwing in side stand and where must the ball be thrown?

Answer

The hooker must remain on the line of touch and throw the ball so that it is first touched by a player at least five metres from the touch line along the line of touch.

This will mean that if the throwing-in side "step out" the ball must land nearer the line of opponents (unless they have also "stepped") **or**, unless they all step back in to compete for the ball.

Note should be made of the fact that some hookers are throwing the ball at an angle across the widened gap towards their own team. Referees should be aware of this and apply the law accordingly, i.e., "if a player wilfully or repeatedly throws the ball in not straight a penalty kick should be awarded."

In the first game of the Season against Bridgend, John Reason maintained that Cardiff were winning prizes in "formation dancing" with the way they stepped into and out of the line outs, and criticised Welsh referees in particular for allowing them to do so, and for having their own laws.

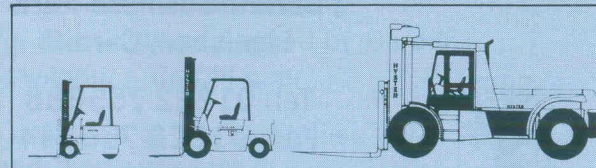
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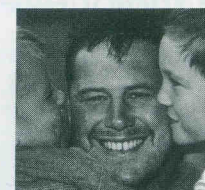
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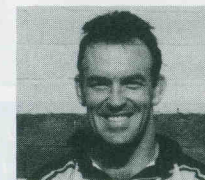
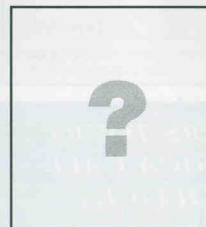
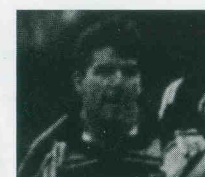
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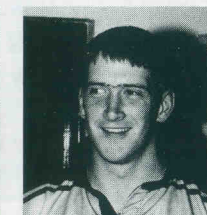
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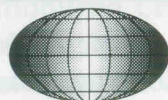
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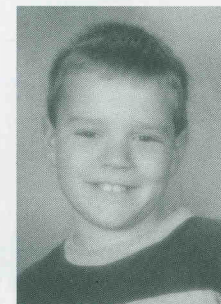
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... is being combined this year with a
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the fixture list has worked out and it
will be held on the day of the home
match with Swansea on Saturday,
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IT'S NOT TOO LATE...

... to book in for our special away trip
to Llanelli on Saturday, February 4,
when after the Cardiff match at
Stradey Park and an overnight stop,
we'll be taking part in a tournament on
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WELCOME HOME...

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LEAGUE TABLES

First Division

	P	W	D	L	T	Pt
Cardiff	12	11	0	1	46	22
Pontypridd ..	11	9	0	2	27	18
Bridgend ..	12	7	1	4	35	15
Swansea ...	12	7	0	5	26	14
Neath	12	6	2	4	13	14
Treorchy ...	12	5	0	7	20	10
Dunvant ...	11	4	1	6	18	9
Llanelli* ...	11	5	0	6	24	8
Abertillery ..	12	4	0	8	17	8
Newbridge ..	12	4	0	8	16	8
Pontypool ...	12	3	0	9	20	6
Newport ...	11	3	0	8	9	6

*Two points deducted for an illegally-large first-team squad.

Second Division

	P	W	D	L	T	Pt
Aberavon ...	12	10	0	2	35	20
Abercynon ..	12	8	0	4	25	16
Ebbw Vale ...	12	7	1	4	23	15
Bonymaen ...	11	7	1	3	20	15
Tenby Utd. ...	12	7	0	5	17	14
SW Police ...	11	6	1	4	26	13
Cross Keys ...	11	5	0	6	11	10
Narberth ...	12	3	2	7	19	8
Llandovery ...	10	4	0	6	13	8
Maesteg ...	11	3	1	7	13	7
Llanharan ...	11	3	0	8	17	6
Penarth	11	2	0	9	11	4

STATISTICS FROM Baytrack for VOLVO

FIRST DIVISION RESULTS 1994-95



	ABERTILLERY	BRIDGEND	CARDIFF	DUNVANT	LLANELLI	NEATH	NEWBRIDGE	NEWPORT	PONTYPOOL	PONTYPRIDD	SWANSEA	TREORCHY
ABERTILLERY	H A	17-19	13-50	15-16	19-25	19-12	13-17	21-31	24-17	20-42	12-10	20-61
BRIDGEND	H A	19-17	10-34	34-26	16-3	20-20	16-14	51-7	72-14	6-22	15-45	12-8
CARDIFF	H A	50-13	50-20	29-8	27-10	37-9	45-8	19-6	51-0	12-6	13-17	18-15
DUNVANT	H A	16-15	10-27	18-22	11-11	15-16	16-6	22-11	22-11	17-15	12-20	8-19
LLANELLI	H A	25-19	3-16	8-28	22-19	10-20	29-3	15-12	20-32	35-23	16-23	0-16
NEATH	H A	12-19	20-20	9-37	11-11	20-10	10-8	23-25	18-12	6-27	27-19	10-6
NEWBRIDGE	H A	15-16	14-16	16-15	3-29	8-10	15-6	13-8	6-30	13-32	6-13	16-37
NEWPORT	H A	31-21	7-51	6-16	12-15	25-23	6-15	29-17	11-17	21-20	13-12	11-16
PONTYPOOL	H A	17-24	14-72	0-51	11-22	32-20	12-18	8-13	30-25	32-10	39-13	21-16
PONTYPRIDD	H A	42-20	22-6	6-12	15-17	27-6	10-3	17-11	11-17	25-30	10-32	16-21
SWANSEA	H A	45-15	17-13	23-16	19-27	32-13	16-8	20-21	10-32	10-32	10-32	16-21
TREORCHY	H A	61-20	8-12	15-18	19-8	20-22	37-16	12-13	13-38	16-21	16-21	16-21

Third Division

	P	W	D	L	T	Pt
Y'gynlais	13	12	0	1	25	24
Caerphilly ...	12	10	0	2	26	20
Blackwood ...	13	7	2	4	16	16
Mt. Ash	12	7	1	4	33	15
Kenfig Hill ...	13	7	0	6	19	14
Glam. W.	13	7	0	6	16	14
Blaina	13	6	1	6	14	13
Tredegart ...	12	6	0	6	19	12
Builth W.	13	4	0	9	13	8
Aberavon Q. ...	13	3	2	8	5	8
Tondu	12	2	1	9	11	5
Pontypool U. ...	13	1	1	11	16	3

Fourth Division

	P	W	D	L	T	Pt
Whitland	12	10	0	2	29	20
Pyle	13	9	1	3	30	19
Cardiff Ins ...	12	9	0	3	29	18
St. Peter's ...	12	7	0	5	27	14
Rhymney	11	7	0	4	16	14
Tumble	13	6	1	6	24	13
Carm'then Q. ...	11	6	0	5	23	12
Vardre	13	5	0	8	9	10
Glynnneath ...	11	4	1	6	13	9
Oakdale	12	4	1	7	10	9
Kidwelly	13	2	0	11	15	4
Llantrisant ...	13	2	0	11	7	4

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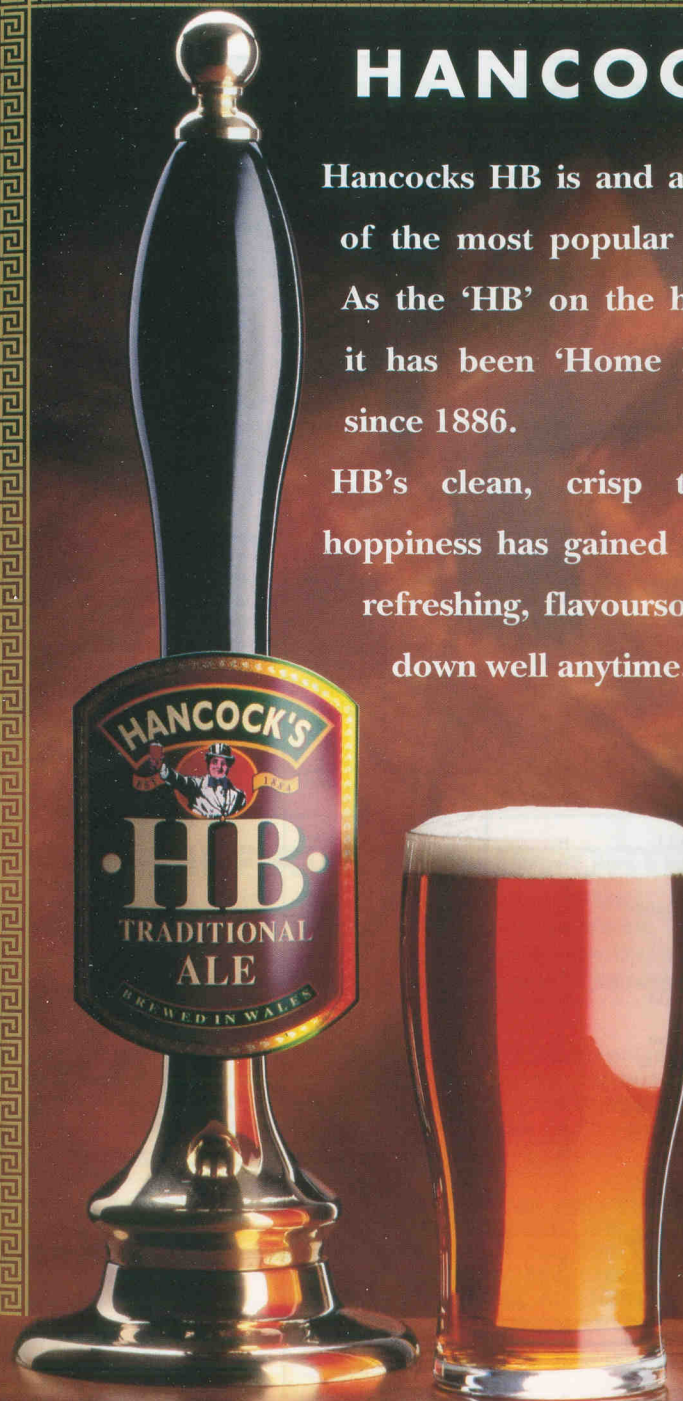
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DATE	OPPONENTS	F-A	15	14	13	12	11
AUGUST 1994							
Sat. 27	BRIDGEND(L)	H 50-20	M. Rayer (1T)	S. Ford (2T)	A. Palfrey	J. Hewlett (1T)	S. Hill
SEPTEMBER 1994							
Sat. 3	PONTYPRIDD(L)	A 12-6	M. Rayer (3P, 10G)	S. Ford	M. Hall	J. Hewlett	N. Walker
Thu. 8	NEATH(L)	H 37-9	M. Rayer (1T, 3C, 2P)	S. Ford (1T)	M. Hall	C. Laity	S. Hill (1T)
Sat. 10	Pontypool	H 29-16	N. Stork	O. Thomas	A. Palfrey (C. Laity)	P. Wintle	N. Walker (2T) (P. Agar)
Fri. 16	Newport	A 13-20	S. Davies	G. Lewis	C. Laity	J. Hewlett	N. Walker
Sat. 24	SWANSEA(L)	A 13-17	M. Rayer (1C, 2P)	S. Ford (1T)	M. Hall	C. Laity	S. Hill
OCTOBER							
Sat. 1	LLANELLI(L)	H 28-8	M. Rayer (1P)	S. Ford (1T)	M. Hall	C. Laity	S. Hill
Sat. 8	Cambridge University	A 67-23	N. Stork (1T)	S. Ford (5T)	S. Davies (1T)	P. Wintle (1T) (G. Baber)	G. Lewis
Sat. 15	TREORCHY(L)	A 18-15	M. Rayer (1C, 1P) (P. Booth)	S. Hill (C. John)	M. Hall	C. Laity	N. Walker
Sat. 22	South Africa (Nat.Stad.)	H 6-11	C. John (1P)	S. Ford	M. Hall	C. Laity	N. Walker
Sat. 29	PONTYPOOL(L)	H 51-0	C. John	S. Ford (1T)	G. John	C. Laity (1T)	S. Hill (2T)
NOVEMBER							
Wed. 2	Penarth	A 42-17	J. Westwood (2T, 1C, 1P)	N. Stork	S. Davies (1T, 1C)	P. Wintle	A. Hurford (1T)
Sat. 5	ABERTILLERY(L)	H 50-13	C. John (6C, 1P)	N. Walker (J. Hewlett)	S. Davies	C. Laity	S. Hill (3T)
Tue. 8	Gloucester	H 20-17	J. Westwood (2C, 2P)	N. Stork	S. Davies	P. Wintle	G. Price
Sat. 12	DUNVANT(L)	A 27-10	J. Westwood (G. John)	S. Hill	M. Hall (2T)	C. Laity	S. Ford
Sat. 19	NEWBRIDGE(L)	H 45-8	C. John	S. Ford (2T)	M. Hall (1T)	G. John	S. Hill
Thu. 24	The Pirates	H 86-13	N. Stork (1T)	G. Price (A. Evans)	P. Wintle (4T)	C. Laity (4T)	M. Payne
DECEMBER							
Sat. 3	NEWPORT(L)	A 19-6	C. John	S. Ford	G. John	C. Laity	S. Hill (1T)
Sat. 10	BRIDGEND(L)	A 34-10	C. John (1T)	S. Ford	M. Hall (1T)	C. Laity	S. Hill
Sat. 17	Merthyr (Cup 4th)	H					
Thu. 22	PONTYPRIDD(L)	H					
Mon. 26	Cardiff Institute	H					
Sat. 31	NEATH(L)	A					
JANUARY 1995							
Sat. 7	SWANSEA(L)	H					
Sat. 14	Maesteg	H					
Fri. 20	Bristol	H					
Sat. 28	(Cup 5th Round) Moseley	H					
FEBRUARY							
Sat. 4	LLANELLI(L)	A					
Wed. 8	TREORCHY(L)	H					
Sat. 11	Swansea	A					
Fri. 17	London Welsh	H					
Sat. 25	PONTYPOOL(L)	A					
MARCH							
Sat. 4	Watsonians (a.m.)	A					
Sat. 11	ABERTILLERY(L)	A					
Fri. 17	Bath	H					
Sat. 25	Cup 6th Round						
APRIL							
Sat. 1	DUNVANT(L)	H					
Sat. 8	Cup Quarter Final						
Thu. 13	NEWBRIDGE(L)	A					
Sat. 15	Barbarians	H					
Sat. 22	Cup Semi Final						
Sat. 29	NEWPORT(L)	H					
MAY							
Sat. 6	Cup Final						

FIXTURES AND STATISTICS

10	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
A. Davies (6C, 1P)	A. Moore (1T)	A. Lewis (M. Griffiths)	J. Humphreys (1T)	L. Mustoe	S. Roy	D. Jones	M. Bennett (1T)	H. Taylor	O. Williams
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S. Davies (3C, 1P)	A. Moore (1T) (G. Baber)	D. Joseph	J. Humphreys	L. Mustoe (M. Griffiths)	H. Stone	M. Voyle	M. Bennett	M. Budd (1T)	O. Williams
C. John (1C, 2P)	A. Booth (A. Moore 1T)	D. Joseph	J. Humphreys	A. Lewis	H. Stone	S. Roy	P. Agar	V. Davies	O. Williams
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C. John (1T, 6C)	A. Moore (1T)	A. Lewis	H. Bevan	P. Sedgemore	P. Ager	S. Roy	M. Bennett (J. Ronan)	M. Budd (1T)	H. Stone (1T)
A. Davies (1DG)	A. Moore	M. Griffiths	J. Humphreys	L. Mustoe	S. Roy	D. Jones	M. Bennett	M. Budd (1T)	H. Stone
A. Davies (1P)	A. Moore	M. Griffiths	J. Humphreys	L. Mustoe	S. Roy	D. Jones	H. Taylor	O. Williams	E. Lewis
A. Davies (5C, 2P)	A. Booth (1T)	A. Lewis	H. Bevan (1T)	D. Joseph	S. Roy	D. Jones (H. Stone)	H. Taylor	M. Budd	E. Lewis (1T)
G. John (1T)	J. Hewlett (G. Baber)	A. Lewis	J. Humphreys (1T) (H. Bevan)	P. Sedgemore	J. Wakeford	S. Roy (1T) (St. John Towell)	H. Stone	M. Budd	O. Williams
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S. Davies (8C)	L. Mustoe (A. Jones)	A. Lewis	B. Wakefield	P. Sedgemore	J. Wakeford	H. Stone (1T) (N. James)	H. Merrett (2T)	St. John Towell	O. Williams
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SEPTEMBER		
Thu. 1	Abercrave*	A 55-5
Sat. 3	Wasps U21's	A 17-21
Sat. 10	Moseley 2nds	H 16-13
Sat. 17	Coventry Extras	A 17-24
	Richmond U21's	H 18-11
Sat. 24	Swansea 2nd's	H 39-15
OCTOBER		
Wed. 5	Mountain Ash U21's	A 17-22
Sat. 8	Bristol University	H 37-27
Sat. 15	Rosslyn Park U21's	A 20-10
Tue. 18	Bristol U21's	A 11-39
Tue. 25	Mountain Ash	A 36-12
Sat. 29	Abercynon 2nd's	A 11-25
NOVEMBER		
Sat. 5	Exeter U21's	A 24-6
Sat. 12	Dunvant 2nd's	H 50-0
Sat. 19	Pontypool Athletic	H 21-13
DECEMBER		
Sat. 3	Newport 2nd's	H 14-10
Sat. 10	Bristol University	A 27-16
Sat. 17	Gloucester U21's	H.....
Fri. 23	Bath U21's	A.....
Thu. 29	Maesteg 2nd's	A.....

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JANUARY		
Mon. 2	Exeter U21's	H.....
Sat. 7	Swansea 2nd's	A.....
Wed. 11	Exeter University	H.....
Sat. 14	Gloucester U21's	A.....
Sat. 28	Bath United	A.....
FEBRUARY		
Wed. 1	Mountain Ash U21's	H.....
Sat. 4	Wasps 2nd's	H.....
Sat. 11	Coventry Extras	H.....
Wed. 15	Bristol U21's	H.....
MARCH		
Sat. 4	Exeter University	A.....
Wed. 8	Pontypool Athletic	A.....
Sat. 11	Rosslyn Park U21's	H.....
Wed. 15	Rumney U21's	H.....
Sat. 25	Moseley 2nd's	A.....
APRIL		
Sat. 1	Bath	H.....
Sat. 8	Cardiff Institute	A.....
Fri. 14	Abercynon 2nd's	H.....
Sat. 22	Richmond U21's	A.....
Sat. 29	Newport 2nd's	A.....

* - Centenary Fixture

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1994		
AUGUST		
Sat. 27	Cornelly 7s	A.....
SEPTEMBER		
Sat. 3	Pembroke	H 69-5
Sat. 10	Moseley	H 58-0
Sat. 17	Coventry	A 46-6
Wed. 21	Bedwas	A 27-8
Sat. 24	Leicester	H 45-22
OCTOBER		
Sat. 1	Llanelli	H 43-14
Sat. 8	Pontypridd	A 22-6
Sat. 15	Carmarthen Athletic	H 64-6
Wed. 26	Glamorgan Wanderers	A 67-0
Sat. 29	Ottley	H 68-6
NOVEMBER		
Sat. 5	Neath	A 55-12
Sat. 12	Dunvant	H 47-5
Sat. 19	Taibach	A 83-0
DECEMBER		
Sat. 17	Pontypool	A.....
Mon. 26	Llandaff/	A.....
	W. George XV (a.m.)	A.....
Sat. 31	Llandaff North	H.....

Saturday Kick Off - 2.30p.m.

1995		
JANUARY		
Sat. 7	Bath	A.....
Wed. 11	Lydney	A.....
Sat. 14	Brecon	H.....
Sat. 28	Cheltenham	H.....
FEBRUARY		
Sat. 4	Llanelli	A.....
Sat. 11	Swansea	H.....
Wed. 15	Cornelly	A.....
Sat. 25	Bridgend	A.....
MARCH		
Wed. 1	Bedwas	H.....
Sat. 11	Llanharan	H.....
Wed. 15	Old Illtydians	H.....
Sun. 19	Bristol	A.....
Sat. 25	Moseley	A.....
APRIL		
Sat. 8	Tour	H.....
Sat. 15	Crawshays	H.....
Mon. 17	Newport Festival	H.....
Sat. 22	Neath	H.....
Sat. 29	Pontypool	H.....

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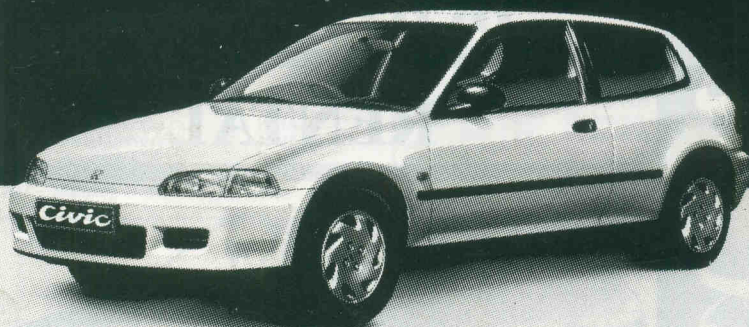
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