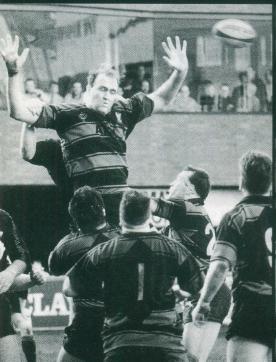


# CARDIFF RUGBY CLUB









AT THE CARDIFF ARMS PARK THIS EVENING...

# **BRISTOL**

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20th, 1995 KICK-OFF 7.15 p.m. OFFICIAL MATCH PROGRAMME — 30 p

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# Cardiff v. Bristol

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QUITE INEVITABLY, the eyes of rugby followers this weekend are concentrated upon Paris and Dublin where the Five Nations championship openers provide the main talking points: can Wales, with arguably a better side than last year in some areas, repeat or even improve on last season's table-topping success on the run up to the World Cup? Or will England cast aside the Irish hoodoo that so often trips them up?

Equally inevitably, bearing in mind the importance of both Bristol and Cardiff in their respective countries, any eve-of-international "friendly" between the clubs

will be missing leading players.

And so it is this evening although that in itself should not remove either the meaning or entertainment value of such a match as there will be plenty of young players eager to show their skills as well as more experienced men still highly competitive

and, possibly, seeking full fitness.

Bristol, of course, are always popular visitors to the Arms Park as they have been since October 1888 (see page 5) and we offer the warmest of welcomes to their players, officials and followers while regretting the absence of such exciting players as Kyron Bracken who was once, incidentally, recommended to Cardiff before he settled elsewhere. They have had a mixed season - as can be seen from the leading positions in the Courage Clubs Championship in which, under the experienced and unlucky in terms of caps Derek Eves, they have achieved rather less than they have sometimes promised



Some of their problems stem undoubtedly from the inability to score tries away from home - only two in the league so far - with possibly an overreliance on the boot of Mark Tainton, the outside-half who played his 200th game for the club last Saturday at Sale, who has taken his penalty-goal tally to a club record of 42 in the season to date and who has been under the tutelage of the kicking guru Dave Alred.

Alred is the man who added yards to Jonathan Webb, who has apparently sharpened Rob Andrew's length and accuracy and who had the odd session with Adrian Davies, Chris John and the unfortunate Mike Rayer earlier this season.

Let us hope that kicking is not of paramount importance this evening - though Cardiff can hardly hope to run in tries as they did against Maesteg last Saturday.

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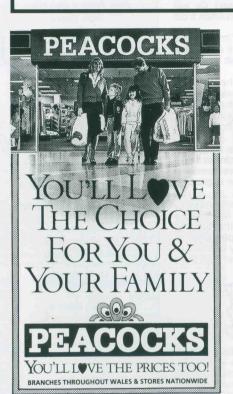
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- 18. Phil AGER
- 19. Rhodri JONES
- 20. A. N. OTHER
- 21. Brett WAKEFIELD

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# MISCELLANY... reporting on news

## ROBERT'S REMARKABLE RUN

CARDIFF YOUTH team wing three-quarter Robert Saddler has just completed a remarkable week.

Playing with the Youth team at Bath, on Saturday, January 7, Robert, in his second season with the team, ran in four tries in a 32-8 victory.

He was then selected to play for the Cardiff Seconds against Exeter University on the Wednesday evening of January 11 and scored twice more as Cardiff recorded a 58-28 success.

The two games and his free-scoring record clearly impressed those even further up the scale as he was chosen to play for the First XV in the friendly against Maesteg at the Arms Park last Saturday.

And, if anything, he overshadowed even Steve

Ford's hat-trick of tries by crossing twice himself to record eight tries for three different Cardiff teams in eight days.

Open the record books, please! Is there any previous example of such a performance?

Robert, who was 19 in August, and who lives in Gwent, is currently at Swansea University.

The Cardiff Youth team, meantime, continue their unbeaten record but face an important match at Felinfoel on Saturday, January 28. Victory in the brewery town will give them a semifinal tie against Aberystwyth.

"The best all-round side from full-back to hooker that I have known in 20 years," says team manager Jim O'Donnell. Seven are in the Welsh Youth squad and a further two, Richard Field and Grabham, in the Welsh Schools team.

### **CARDIFF v. BRISTOL - THE FACTS**

THE GEOGRAPHICAL proximity of the cities — it is marginally less mileage from the Arms Park to the Memorial Ground that it is to Stradey Park, for example — in addition to the traditional friendship means that Cardiff have met Bristol on many more occasions than any English Club other than Gloucester.

This evening, in fact, the teams come together for the 173rd time, Cardiff having won on 128 occasions, Bristol 36 with eight draws. Cardiff have totalled 2474 points during that time and Bristol 1230.

From the first meeting on October 6, 1888, when Cardiff won by 58-0, Bristol were beaten on 18 consecutive occasions before, in October 1901, Cardiff lost to a solitary try to nil.

Those with long memories might remember one unique match between the clubs. On March 14, 1961, Bristol won 19-14 under floodlights — at



### **TODAY'S MATCH MASCOT**

...is eight year-old HYWEL MORGAN, of Glyn Rhosyn, Pentwyn, Cardiff, who goes to Ysgol y Wern.

Hywel plays mini-rugby for CRICC and says his favourite Cardiff players are Mike Rayer and Nigel Walker.



 We apologise for using the wrong photograph for the match mascot last week. The error will be corrected fully in our next league match programme.

Ninian Park. Floodlighting was not to come to the Arms Park until October 1964 (the year in which Cardiff won the inaugural Floodlight Alliance tournament between senior Welsh clubs).

# and views from CARDIFF ARMS PARK

# RECENT RESULTS

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 1995 CARDIFF YOUTH 55, LLANISHEN YOUTH 3

Cardiff Team: L. Abdul; T. Brace, D. Jones, J. Calderley, M. Dineen; G. Cooper, P. Davies; A. Winterbottom, J. Kemble, J. Lewis; P. Greenwood, P. Savage, A. Fowler (J. Ringer), G. Mahoney, M. Green.

Scorers: Tries, G. Cooper (2), M. Green (2), J. Colderley, A. Fowler, G. Mahoney, J. Ringer. Cons, G. Cooper (6). Pen, G. Cooper.

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 1995 SWANSEA 2nds 13, CARDIFF 2nds 38

Cardiff Team: N. Stork; A. Hurford (G. Price), P. Wintle, A. Palfrey, A. Evans; C. John, G. Baber; A. Lewis, B. Wakefield, D. Joseph, P. Hennessey, R. Jones, D. Davies, M. Budd, P. Ager. Scorers: Tries, P. Wintle (2), G. Baber (2), A. Evans, R. Jones. Cons, N. Stork (4).

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 1995 BATH YOUTH 8, CARDIFF YOUTH 32

Cardiff Team: L. Abdul; R. Saddler, D. Jones, J. Colderley, R. Edwards; G. Cooper, S. Driscoll; P. Booth, A. Winterbottom, J. Lewis (G. Mahoney), S. Gardner, P. Savage, A. Fowler, J. Ringer, M. Green. Scorers: Tries, R. Saddler (4), J. Ringer. Cons, G. Cooper (2). Pen: G. Cooper.

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1995 CARDIFF 2nds 58, EXETER UNIVERSITY 28

Cardiff Team: I. Williams (M. Gould); R. Saddler, P. Wintle (G. Thomas), C. Laity, R. Wintle; S. Davies, J. Hewlett; A. Jones, J. Kemble (B. Wakefield), J. Craddock, N. James, C. Hart, R. Jones, E. Christopher (G. Price), D. Davies.

Scorers: Tries, R. Saddler (2), P. Wintle (2), C. Laity, R. Wintle, J. Hewlett, A. Jones, R. Jones, M. Gould. Cons, S. Davies (4).

#### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11th, 1995 LYDNEY YOUTH 0, CARDIFF YOUTH 76

Cardiff Team: L. Abdul (S. Driscoll); J. Williams, R. Jones, R. Edwards, T. Brace; G. Cooper (D. Jones), P. Davies; P. Booth (J. Lewis), A. Winterbottom, M. Davey, S. Gardner, P. Greenwood, A. Fowler, J. Ringer (J. Colderley), M. Green.

Scorers: Tries, A. Fowler (2), J. Ringer (2), L. Abdul, J. Williams, R. Jones, R. Edwards, G. Cooper, A. Winterbottom, J. Colderley, D. Jones. Cons, R. Edwards (4), G. Cooper (4).

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 14th, 1995 CARDIFF 85, MAESTEG 3

Cardiff Team: C. John; S. Ford, G. John, A. Palfrey, R. Saddler (N. Stork); S. Davies, A. Booth; A. Lewis (D. Joseph), H. Bevan, P. Sedgemore, H. Stone, J. Wakeford, M. Bennett, M. Budd, P. Ager. Scorers: Tries, S. Ford (3), C. John (2), R.Saddler (2), A. Booth (2), A. Palfrey, G. John, M. Budd, P. Ager. Cons: C. John (10).

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 14th, 1995 GLOUCESTER UNDER 21s 19, CARDIFF UNDER 21s 3

Cardiff Team: M. Gould; O. Edwards, A. Evans, G. Thomas, N. Gabir; I. Williams, D. Hobbs; J. Ronan, J. Kemble, J. Craddock (C. Johnson), C. Hart, N. James, P. Beard, D. Davies, E. Christopher. *Pen:* I. Williams.

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 14th, 1995 CARDIFF YOUTH 81, CWMBRAN YOUTH 5

Cardiff Team: L. Abdul; P. Davies, D. Jones, J. Colderley, J. Williams; G. Cooper, A. Driscoll; P. Booth, J. Kemble, J. Lewis (M. Davey), S. Gardner (P. Savage), P. Greenwood, A. Fowler, M. Green, J. Ringer. Tries: P. Booth (2), A. Driscoll (2), D. Jones, J. Colderley, J. Williams, J. Kemble, A. Fowler, M. Green, J. Ringer, M. Davey.



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