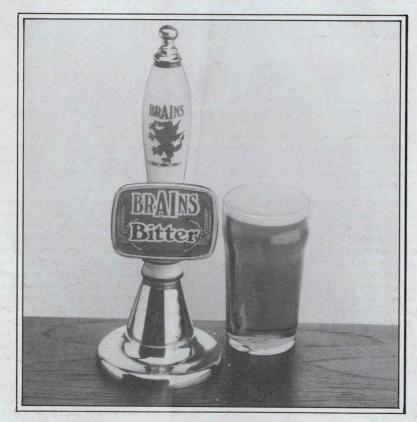


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## **Cardiff v. Harlequins**

SATURDAY, 27th OCTOBER, 1984 KICK OFF 3 p.m.

Well, after the dramatic happenings of the past ten days, this afternoon we get back to some sort of normality and rationality. After the blood and thunder of the Pontypool game, which unfortunately put our captain out of contention for some time, came our second defeat of the season at Cambridge. We were a bit disjointed because of injury and the imminence of the Australian game but nonetheless nearly pulled it off.

That Pontypool occasion however was really something to behold. I don't think there have ever been so many people in the ground in its comparitively short history including the Corpus Christi celebrations which have taken place over the last several years. It certainly wasn't a game for the weak at heart, definitely as a spectator but even more so as a player. It was nerve tingling to watch and the only sad feature of the whole evening was to see Terry holding his shoulder in such an awkward position when being taken off the field which subsequently spelt disaster. What a forward battle it turned out to be and the break-neck speed and commitment shown by all players, only went to emphasise the fantastic competitiveness of the game in our little neck of the woods in South Wales. Can it be equalled anywhere else in the rugby world? I would say a definite never.

Then of course we had last Wednesday. What more can be said of a record that absolutely and emphatically speaks for itself, played six won six. The players who took part in the latest victory can take justifiable pride in maintaining the magnificent record against Australia which all started with Percy Bush's side in December 1908. The Australian players for their part were very gracious in defeat and once more testimony of Gareth Davies' form was expressed in-as-much as they hoped he wouldn't be included in the Welsh side for the forthcoming test. For Alan Phillips it was a special day, because of Terry's unfortunate injury he led the side and with Gareth Davies they now join what was the exclusive prerogative of Gerald Davies in appearing in two Cardiff sides to get the better of the Wallabies. Perhaps the only slight disappointment of the day was the fact that the game didn't appear to generate the atmosphere that abounds on a Saturday. One thing is for sure and that is New Zealand by far and away get more support from their own countrymen than Australia or South Africa. Still the game is now safely tucked away in the record books and again congratulations to the players concerned in maintaining our clean sweep.

As I've already said, this afternoon we get back to some sort of normality and in so doing we bid a fond welcome to our aristocratic friends from 'The Smoke', Harlequins. Including floodlit games our sides have met previously on 113 occasions. Of these we have won 82 to their 21 and the remaining 10 have been drawn. We have collected 1594 points to the Quins' 891.

This afternoon's game begins another chapter in the Cardiff/Quins series in-asmuch as from today on we will be playing them on this particular fixed date, the 4th Saturday of October, only once per year on a home and away basis each successive year. That means, of course, that we will no longer see the famous colours (light blue, magenta, chocolate, French grey, black and light green) cavorting over the Arms Park on an Easter Monday.

This situation has came about due to the fact that Easter Monday does not now seem to be a very attractive date whereas this particular Saturday, when we always

travelled to Twickenham, left the Quins with a plum date every year. Now, rather ironically, the Quins' success rate in Cardiff is fairly restricted but they can feel well satisfied that although their Easter Monday visits have come to an end, they certainly went out with flying colours having won both the last two holiday games. The first of these two victories must have given them immense satisfaction because it ended a record 13 straight wins in a row for us and gave them their first victory on the Arms Park since Easter 1968.

But what of the Quins to date. Well, last season they got off to a slow start but eventually they really got their side together to become one of best outfits in English Rugby. They were well served by All Black centre Jamie Salmon and a colourful American wing Willie Jefferson. Chris Butcher and David Cooke were also outstanding and Ray Dudman scored 223 points. They progressed to the semi finals of The John Player Cup but just lost to the losing finalists Bristol by 21-18. In their Merit Table they won the London Division with a 100% record winning all seven games played.

This season their best win has been over Llanelli whom they saw off at Twickenham by 24-15. They also took London Welsh very close before finally losing by 25-21. Rather ironically after their last few visits to Cardiff at the Easter holiday period when they have come practically full strength, they will be sorely depleted today due to the calls of the scourge of club rugby in England, the County Championship. Their playing strength will be tested to the full today therefore but it no less weakens the welcome hand of friendship we extend them today, we hope you enjoy your visit.

P.N.



### **KNOW THE LAWS**

By J. E. MALCOLM THOMAS

#### THE ADVANTAGE LAW

This is the most important Law in the game yet it was only in the re-write of the Laws in 1969 that it became a Law in its own right. Over the years the scope of this law has been extended and it now applies to almost every phase of the game.

Yet it is one of the most difficult to interpret. Properly used it makes a referee an artist not a lawyer. A wise use of this law can make the game flow, attain rhythm and continuity instead of 'shreds and patches'.

"An advantage must be either territorial or such clear possession of the ball as constitutes an obvious tactical advantage." Therefore, possession is recognised as constituting an advantage.

"The referee is the sole judge of whether an advantage has been gained." Therefore, the referee has very wide discretion as to what constitutes an advantage. It is highly significant that the Law itself, and the Notes, are stated in relatively few words compared with some other Laws. It is a subtle law that does not lend itself to precise instruction, but relies on the skill of the referee to implement it. The referee must work out for himself his own method of administering the Law.

Consistency, as ever, must be the referee's primary aim. The referee must also aim to maintain the continuity and rhythm of the game. He must let play go on for a time, whenever an 'advantage' is in prospect; but if that time is excessive, rhythm is destroyed. This is very much a matter of experience and experiment, for it calls for a "finely balanced judgement."

The advantage Law therefore means that you do **not** blow your whistle merely because you see that an infringement has taken place, you **only blow if no advantage** accrues to the non-offending side. Before blowing the whistle it might be worthwhile for the referee to ask himself the question, "Would the captain of the non-offending team opt for a stoppage?"

A good referee will always go to the spot where the infringement took place. Once there, he will be in full control of the situation especially for the knock-on, throw forward or forward pass. What happens? The knock on etc. will first of all carry play towards the non-offending side and the whistle should be blown. However, if play comes back to where the referee is and continues in the direction of the offending side's goal line, then play should be allowed to continue. The referee then is ideally placed to decide on 'territorial advantage' and also well positioned to move immediately with the play. The referee will also have gained the confidence of the players.

With the exception of three situations in law, this Advantage Law applies to every phase of play.

The only occasions when advantage does not apply are:-

- (a) When the ball or player carrying it touches the referee.
- (b) When the ball emerges from either end of the tunnel at a scrummage and not having been played.
- (c) When a player is 'accidentally off-side'.

## Rugby Quiz - No. 7

#### A bit of who said what this week

- 1. Which British Lion when blatantly fouled by a New Zealand opponent in 1959 confounded both the opposition and his colleagues by grasping the aggressor's hand, shaking it gravely and explained afterwards "I thought I'd make him feel a cad"?
- 2. Who said he found Keith Murdoch's vocabulary very limited and told Murdoch he could beat him at swearing?
- 3. Who said: "I think I was only there to kick off each time they scored?"
- 4. Who said: "You university blokes are all the same, always using great long words like 'corrugated iron' and 'marmalade'?
- 5. Which prop forward when warned by the referee in an international, "You're boring" replied, "You're not so exciting yourself, ref."?

#### concerned.

- Asy Prosser on some of the Varsity types on the 1959 Lions Four.
   Phil O'Callagham capped 16 times by Ireland. Meirion Joseph was the referee
  - Sevens tournament in 1972.

    Sevens tournament in 1972.
- 3. Bob Hiller after playing for a Harlequins VII beaten 62-0 by London Scottish in a
- 2. Sir William Ramsey, R.F.U. President after a reception for the 1972-73 All Blacks.
  - David Marques, Harlequins, 23 England caps.

Rugby Quiz No. 7 - Answers

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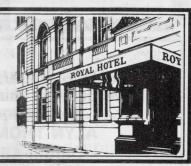
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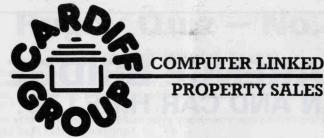
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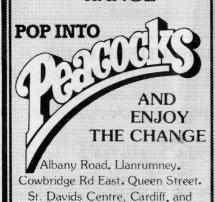
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The players were joined by members of the committee, and guests from other clubs and sports. It was nice to see Alan Durban the Cardiff City manager enjoying himself amongst rugby people. Peter Walker who spoke on behalf of the guests, George Spear a former Cardiff player who responded for the many sponsors. C.D. and Gareth thanked the guests and sponsors and our Chairman thanked the Cardiff Golf Club.

Tony Davies, the Golf Club Captain (a former Aberavon player) welcomed us. What a memorable day it was for him, he achieved a 'hole in one'. Gareth presented Tony with the jersey he wore against the Wallabies. Brian Mark also had quite a day, he won a Gallon Bottle of Whisky, donated by Welsh Brewers for 'nearest the hole on the 18th green'.

A team, sponsored by Terry Holmes' company General Engineering Services Limited, won the teams prize. The team was captained by Haydn Wilkins. Second prize was won by a team sponsored by Alan Lyddon, a Gloucester County Golf player who personally scored a gross 66. A fine effort. His company, Illustrated Golf Tee Markers, must feel proud of him.

Third prize was won by a team sponsored by William Younger, Maldwyn James captained this team and Maldwyn also won a Cardiff/Wallabies autographed ball.

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