



Cardiff v. Llanelli

TUESDAY, 4th MARCH, 1986 KICK OFF 7.15 p.m.

Will we or will we not be able to get back into action this evening at long last or will the arctic like weather fail us once again. The dreadful elements of the past month have already created a situation which is unique in our 109 year history inasmuch as we failed to play a single game during the whole month of February. And even now as my scrawling hand scratches over the paper, I have in mind the sight, albeit very graceful, but nevertheless most disheartening of people skating on Roath Park Lake. When will it all end we ask. Well I sincerely hope it's in time to play the game this evening.

The postponement of the cup clash with Glamorgan Wanderers has now put us in a situation which goes from the sublime to the 'cor blimey' because our five scheduled March fixtures were demanding enough without the interjection of the cup quarter final tie. The new date for this clash now means that we have to rearrange our game against Pontypool. Furthermore, if Newport or ourselves get through to the semi-finals it will mean disruption of our home game with the Black & Ambers on March 22nd. So from a situation of being desperate for a game we could well find ourselves back in the grind of two games a week. Still the weather experts can at least see a chink of warm light at the end of the icy

tunnel so let's hope for the best.

On to this evening then, and first and foremost we would like to thank Llanelli for their ready co-operation in coming to Cardiff a day earlier than scheduled. This was done in order to give us a little more breathing space prior to next Saturday's Cup clash. Now there could be great irony about this very situation but I won't dare mention it in case it does materialise (perish the thought). It's an ill wind however and I would well imagine that our visitors tonight would dearly love to be in the situation whereby their own quarter final tie still had to be played. As we all know however, they were the only ones who managed to stage their game and, it must be said, were firm favourites with home advantage against Aberavon even though the 'Wizards' have shown a very marked inprovement of performance over the past few months. We know that only too well after the goings on at The Talbot Athletic Ground on 11th January. After the way The Scarlets disposed of Pontypool in the third round they put a tight stranglehold on that cup which seemed that no one could loosen.

This fact was substantiated by the superb rugby that they have been playing most of this season. Everything appeared to be coming on song together. They were playing with great flair and every position in the side was more than adequately covered. With Gary Pearce probably playing better now than ever, orchestrating the show things looked very rosy indeed for the Stradey Park men. Cup tradition is no respector of reputation however and out went The Scarlets much to the elation of the Wizards. I bet Mrs Mainwaring had an enjoyable evening that day. The Aberavon victory certainly put the cat amongst the pigeons though and it has now left the competition as wide open as ever. That's the intriguing situation as it stands then and it highlights what a great shame it will be if the current

dispute concerning the cup is not settled in an amicable fashion.

The Scarlets come tonight then intent on recouping some of their lost pride. They have already beaten us at Stradey this season by 13-3 when even Terry Holmes playing what was his last game for Cardiff could not affect their defence. Gary Pearce too is within a whisker of overtaking Andy Hill's points total for a season of 372. They also have four players in double figures as try scorers and their points total for the season is only bettered by Pontypool. Let's hope tonight then that despite our long lay off we can get back into the swing of things with an enjoyable and open game of good Welsh club rugby. In all we have played on 207 previous occasions including five cup encounters. Of these we have won 115 to The Scarlets 76 with 16 drawn. We have scored 1984 points to their 1449. We are ahead by 3 wins to 2 in the Cup games as well but both Llanelli wins have come in the finals of 1973 and 1985.

To Llanelli then welcome to the Arms Park this evening and again thank you for your co-

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Rugby Quiz - No. 16

These will make you scratch your head.

- 1. Which then current international was dropped by Wales after the national coach of the time saw him score four tries in a club match?
- 2. Who scored his first try for his country when winning his 62nd cap?
- 3. Who was named to win his first Welsh cap at 10a.m. on the Saturday and discovered he wasn't playing at 12 noon?
- 4. Who is believed to be the tallest man ever to have played international rugby?
- 5. Who never touched the ball during his first international for Wales?



KNOW THE LAWS

By J. E. MALCOLM THOMAS

THE UNUSUAL

Can you be offside in your own In-Goal area?

The answer is **YES**. Cast your minds back to the Wales v. Scotland game. During the first half, a Scottish defender, in his own in-goal area failed to gather a high kick, knocked the ball on, whereby a member of his own team, in front of him, and still in goal, next played the ball. **This second Scottish player was offside**.

Many colleagues have asked me should not Bob Francis, the New Zealand referee, have awarded Wales a penalty. **He did** – he gave Wales a 5 metre scrum opposite the place of infringement.

Unlike the field of play, the penalty for being offside in-goal is a scrum 5 metres out, opposite the place of infringement, attacking side ball.

Why not a penalty try? Well, a penalty try shall be awarded between the posts if but for **foul play** by the defending team — and in no way did this offside merit that decision. Therefore, Bob Francis' interpretation and decision was correct.

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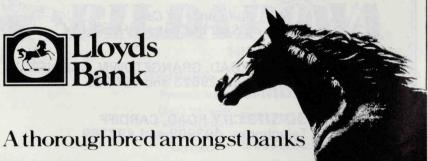
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Social Events

Please watch the notice board in the Club for details regarding Social Events.

Coach Arrangements

Following last years successful coach bookings, we have made similar arrangements for this season again with National.

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QUIDNUNC'S COLUMN

Remember the man with the bionic elbow? Big Bob Penberthy? If you have to look round the new men in the Cardiff colours this season, do you spot in the lineout a similar awkward customer? Not surprising, then, to discover that Mark Rowley rates Bionic Bob - who is still not only running half marathons for charity around the Glamorgans but has also appeared for Pontypridd firsts this season as one of the major influences on his career to date. They are both awkward cusstomers and Quidnunc misspells the word deliberately this time as any opposing jumper will justify. The name Bob, in fact, looms large in the Rowley manual: Big Bobs, too, for the redoubtable Norster is the current influence. "I really came down to Cardiff from Pontypridd this season to sit in the wings a bit," says Mark, modestly, "to play for the Rags and learn from Bobby Norster. With his help I seem to have come on a lot both as a front and middle jumper." Those whose opinion Quidnunc respects reckon that the 6ft 7in Rowley could well join Norster in the Welsh side one day (and how big line-out jumpers were missed this season) if only there were a bit more bulk - on shoulders and thighs. "I eat anything I can lay my hands on," says the big fellow known as Tiny - and at only 21 the extra weight and power have plenty of time to develop. He doesn't regret one bit his move downstream: "The attitude at Cardiff is more conducive to playing serious rugby, looking more towards rugby than the social side perhaps." All of which augurs well for the future for Cardiff and for

MARK ANDREW ROWLEY

PERSONAL DETAILS

Birthplace: Church Village. Birthday: November 18, 1964.

Height/Weight: 6ft 7ins and 16 stone

71b.

Schools: Hawthorne Comprehensive.
Previous Clubs: Pontypridd.

Married: Yes, to Katheryn.

Children: One small son, Andrew.

Employment: Linesman with the South Wales Electricity Board.

Car: Saab 99L.

Superstitions: None.

Career: "Nothing really. Pontypridd. Oh, yes, Crawshays. But more to come, I

hope.'

Club Nickname: Tiny. Tootall.

Hobbies: All sports, especially darts and

snooker in Ponty.

PERSONAL FAVOURITES

Rugby Player: John Scott — "simply because he's a good player."

Referee: "And Bobby Norster is going to hate me for this. Kenny Rowlands. Apart from that one game." Biggest Influence: Father. And Bob

Penberthy.

Other Sports: Basketball.
Film: Beverley Hill Cop.
Actor: Clint Eastwood.
Actress: Jamie-Lee Curtis.

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Comedian: John Cleese.

TV Programme: He-Man. Black Adder.

Pop Star: Bono.

Holiday Resort: Anywhere.

Food: Turkey. Not just at Christmas. Any time.

Drink: Anything in a pint pot. Especially Lager. Tennents.

Politician: None. "I don't understand politics."

Rugby Ground: Sardis Road, Pontypridd.

MEMORIES

Best: First game in the Pontypridd first team at Nottingham and my first game with Cardiff.

Worst: Breaking my jaw on Halloween last year at Ponty.

AMBITION

Obviously to play for Wales.

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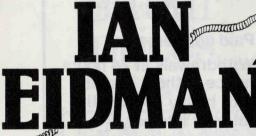


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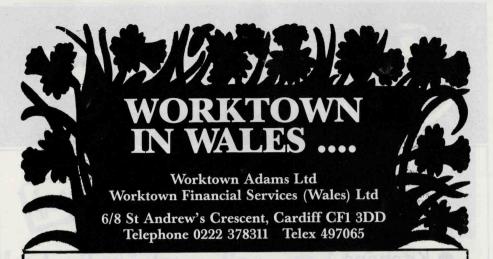
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Phil Bennett who went on as replacement in the closing seconds of Wales' match in France 1969 when Gerald Davies dislocated his elbow.

- 4. Peter Stag, Scotland with 28 caps was 6ft 10in tall.
- 3. Ex. coach John Bevan. Phil Bennett reported sick on the morning of the Wales-France match in February 1974, but subsequently decided he was fit to play.
 - 2. Willie John McBride in Ireland's 25-6 victory over France in March 1975.
- 1. Current coach Tony Gray after coach David Nash saw him score four tries for London Welsh against Neath in February 1968.

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