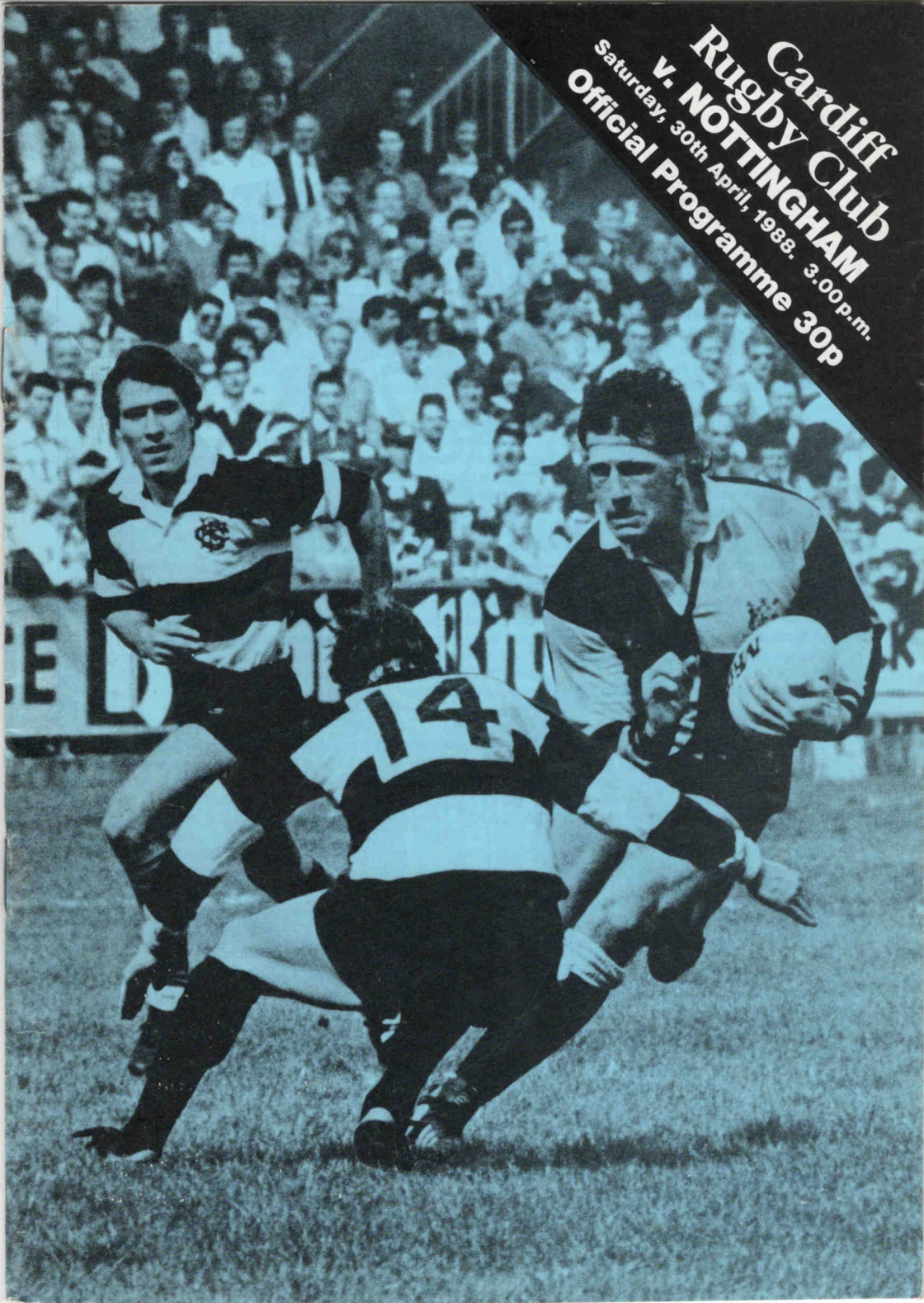
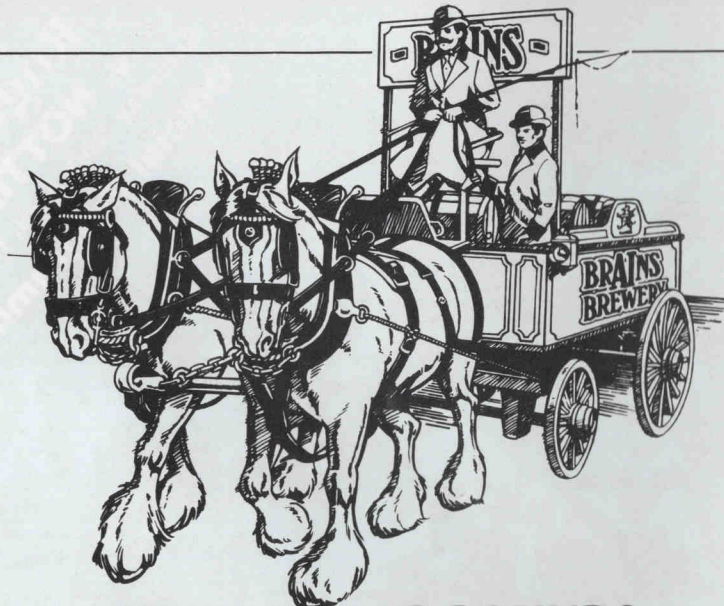


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SATURDAY, 30th APRIL, 1988

KICK-OFF 3.00 p.m.

Well here we are on the last day of April and yet another rugby season is about to bite the dust. Where does the time go? When we played our opening game last September 2nd, today's game against Nottingham seemed light years away. But, as it is said, time and tide wait for no man so season 1987-88 will be but a memory by half past four this afternoon.

That's speaking of the domestic scene of course because for the lucky participants it will soon be time to be on their world travels again as this year's major tour takes us to New Zealand. This venture will be breaking brand new grounds for us as it will be our first ever visit to that rugby crazy stronghold of the game. Invitations have been extended in the past but the demanding itinerary of six or seven Lions fixtures in order to raise enough finance to cover the costs has been considered far too exacting for a club side.

With sponsorship now becoming a very important part of the game however, we have had a magnificent offer from **The Rizla Cigarette Paper Company** to fund such a tour which will mean meeting opposition at club level instead of provincial level. The tour will take in three games in the North Island with an outward stop in Los Angeles and a homeward stay in Honolulu. Oh lucky, lucky them. Chairman Mervyn John will be leading the party with Tony Williams as No. 2 and Roger Beard as coach. With Bob Norster on duty on the concurrent Welsh Tour, Alan Donovan will be the captain. And to think during the 1950's the 5 day stay in Penzance was considered the tour to end all tours.

First things first though, so it's on to this afternoon when it becomes our very great pleasure to welcome Nottingham to the Arms Park for the first time. It will certainly give our fast dying season a distinctly English flavour after having Rosslyn Park here last Saturday. And what an immensely satisfying retirement Andy Ripley had too. He thoroughly enjoyed every moment of it from the time he stepped off the team coach until he boarded it again some six hours later.

Speaking of the retirement syndrome, I think a lot of people were expecting our own John Scott to say something about that particular point too weren't they. Well we heard it straight from the horse's mouth after the Rosslyn Park game when he declared that he would decide when to pack it in on a far less beautiful day than it was last Saturday. So, happily, perhaps we haven't seen the last of 'Great Scott' just yet.

Back to Nottingham now however and it must be said that because of their victory over us on their ground a few weeks ago, they have a 100% record against us. That game happened to be the only time we have ever met so it's played 1, won 1.

The Nottingham club was first formed in 1877 and have been playing at their current ground at Beeston since 1890. Their first real milestone came in season 1944-45 when they won the Middlesex Sevens. Then, just prior to their centenary, they opened their very impressive new clubhouse, and squash courts. In their centenary year 1977 their Club President Col. Sir Anthony Wharton became President of the R.F.U. In 1981 they rebuilt their stand and did major retraining work on the ground. Later, refurbishment of their old clubhouse and provision of players' weight training facilities were completed.

On the field Brian Moore and Gary Rees are current internationals. In fact Gary Rees has now become their most capped player having overtaken the 12 caps won by V.H. Cartwright between 1903 and 1906. It is also interesting to note that Dusty Hare won his first cap whilst playing for Nottingham before his transfer to Leicester. His 416 points for Nottingham in season 1974-75 is still a record for the club.

Over the last ten seasons or so the Nottingham club has been making progress in leaps and bounds fashion. From 21 defeats in 1977-78 they steadily reduced that number to just a mere 5 defeats in 1985-86. During that particular campaign they also notched up a record number of points for a season when they scored 979. It was also during that season that they were runners up in The John Smith's Merit Table. This success was achieved again last season, 1986-87 when they lost only 6 of the 37 games and accumulated 955 points.

This season their momentum has dropped off somewhat though. For quite a long time during the first half of the season they were lying second to ultimate winners, Leicester in Division One of the Courage Championship. They have had to be content with a final fifth place however. Their John Player Cup exploits also ended in the third round away to Waterloo by 19-6. Perhaps their best wins this year have come in the shape of Moseley home 21-12, Bath home 25-15, Aberavon home 21-0 and Pontypridd home 14-3. On their last trip to Wales a fortnight ago Nottingham were put to the sword by Newbridge to the tune of 37-6. They got that game out of their system last Saturday however when they hammered

Birkenhead Park by a massive 88-0. This created a new club record and passed the previous highest ever score of 79-0 against Old Merchant Taylors in March 1973.

No doubt then they would relish a win at the Arms Park today to finish their season on a high note. I'm sure our players will be equally keen to make sure that doesn't happen. Mind, whatever does transpire today, as far as tours are concerned Nottingham will say anything you can do we can match. They have planned a world tour taking in Sydney and Brisbane in Australia and also such exotic places as Hawaii and Bangkok. This takes place between July 27th and August 17th so we wish them all the very best of luck for that particular venture.

To Nottingham then we again say welcome on this your inaugural visit to the Arms Park, the home of Cardiff Rugby club.

Chris Webbers' Rags also finished their campaign today and ended with a better record than that of last season. Of the 40 games played prior to today, 25 were won, 13 lost and 2 drawn. Points wise his side scored 1084 with 557 against. It has been a difficult year for Chris because of all the necessary chopping and changing required. This was proved by the fact that a massive 70 plus players featured throughout the season.

More news on the retirement front comes with Alan Donovan deciding to call it a day after the New Zealand tour. Alan can take great pride in his career with ourselves and Swansea. He is a superb technician of the game and a very much unsung hero. His attitude both on and off the field made him a great man to know. Well done Alan and thank you for the numerous happy memories you have given to so many people in your five seasons with Cardiff.

Well that's it for this season. All that now remains is to wish you a very happy summer and I hope you manage to get all those jobs done that you have put off since last summer (I know the feeling only too well). It now goes without saying then how much the players appreciate the magnificent support they get from you, the best crowd in the world. See you all next September.

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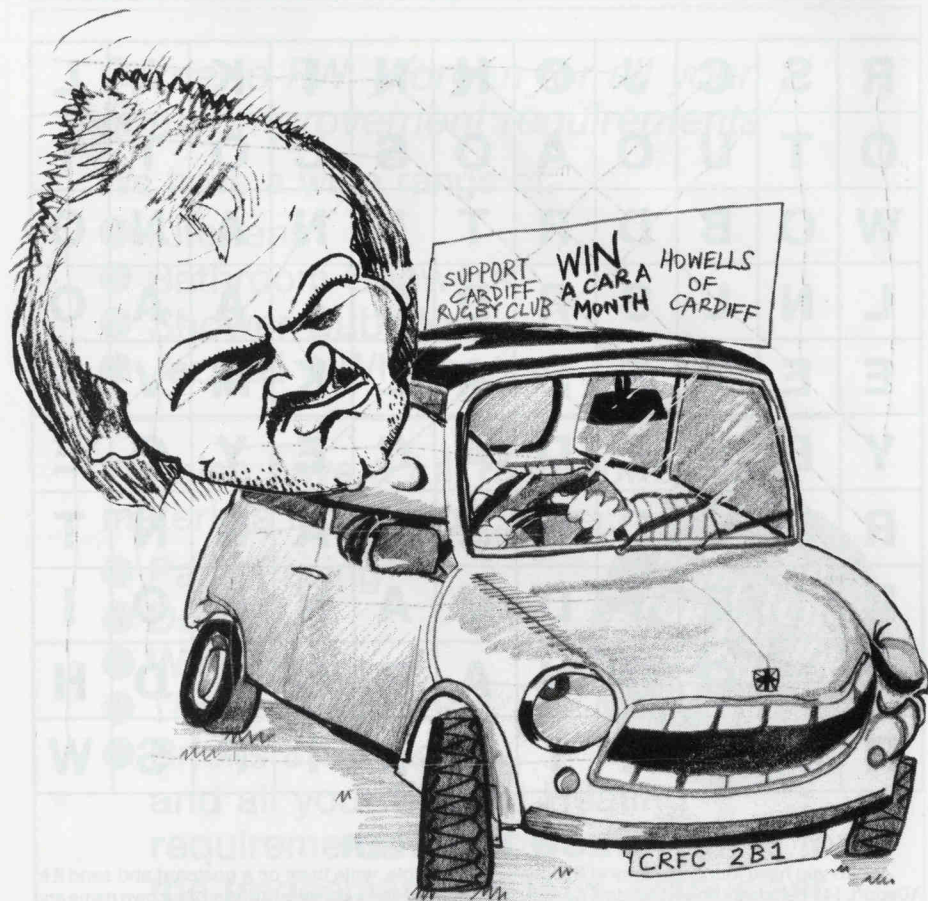
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WINNERS

Yes, well, we dropped the small brick, as we say, with the result that there were 16 English teams hidden and not 14 as we said. As the result, we put into the hat all those who had either 14 or 16 names and out came the card of Gill Watkins, of Llandennis Avenue, Cyncoed, Cardiff. Congratulations, Gill, yours is the £10 worth of goods to be claimed from the shop. The full list of names was: Harlequins, Sheffield, Leicester, Morley, Bath, Bristol, Vale of Lune, Exeter, Coventry, Fylde, Birmingham, Nottingham, Orrell, Sale, Gloucester and Waterloo.



QUIDNUNC'S COLUMN

WHAT A SEASON! Even the major prize went to Swansea. It's all well and good Neath and Llanelli fighting it out for the WRU/Schweppes Cup next Saturday — after all, we can't really claim it's ours for keeps — and for Pontypool to win the Whitbread Merit Table and the Western Mail Championship. But when we can't even win our own lottery, well, it's enough to make you give up writing slanderous columns.

There we all were flogging ourselves to death persuading our enemies — and the odd friend — to invest £6 a month in the Alun Priday memorial fund, better known as the Cardiff Rugby Football Club Lottery, in order to win a car and what happens? 'Ming' Roberts, Ming the 'Orrible, sells a couple of entry forms down West and bingo! ALFIE — The Albert Francis Indicator Equipment randomly choosing a number a la mode of ERNIE — picks out a Swansea winner. I ask you, Swansea! I wouldn't mind but I turned up personally on the night to receive the car from Cliff Morgan and I didn't get a whiff of the second or even third prizes.

When the next draw is made, the majority of the boys will be out in New Zealand in one guise or another and I'm sure that ALFIE will this time come up with a deserving number. Just for the record, ALFIE, it begins with a 1...

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By the way, if you do want to take part in the car-draw, contact the Supporter's Club, the Office staff, any of the players or committee or even Quidnunc: we'll be very pleased to give you a form.

It is at this stage of proceedings that Quidnunc feels like a headmaster. The end of term report is due, the boys are scattering for their summer hols — I personally would not choose New Zealand as the most idyllic venue in which to have an injury-free sporting vacation even notwithstanding the departure date of Friday the Thirteenth. But there you go; some people are gluttons for punishment and Adrian Hadley's decision to opt for parenthood, clearly a supreme example of forward and family planning instead of touring, is to be commended.

So Mr. Hadley's report for the end of term would be some what on the lines of "Passed his ordinary levels" and his "Advanced levels" in the same year — and I'm only talking about those two tries at Twickenham.

Skipper Norster, of course, has already graduated to the Fine Arts — of painting, after-dinner speaking, line-out mastery and diplomacy. With rumour suggesting that he may be Head Boy again next term, he could be seeking more support from his fellow prefects.

And talking of prefects, I still do not entirely believe other evil scandal-mongers and flibbertigibbets who scribe for the popular sheets when they claim that Messrs Scott and Donovan are to become Old Boys, Former Pupils and Public School Wanderers. If, on the other hand, there were truth in other debates and general chat round the Arms Park that they may be at some stage adding to the strength of the teaching staff, then some of the younger pupils might be persuaded to pay more attention at the back there.

Mr Webber, sir, is a teacher already by profession and is also said to be Old Boy seeking to have a say in the Junior Common Room along with Mr Roger Beard, whose computer expertise might at least bring about a satisfactory result on the afore-mentioned ALFIE.

Talking about Old Boys, Alan Phillips will be still 26 next term. I cannot for the life of me understand how, in between administering the tour fund, he continues to remain the youngest boy in the Sixth Form. As a former Head Pupil, his experience of the school curriculum and how to beat it should continue to be as important as his knowledge of opponents and how to beat them.

When Mark Rowley has finished paying for his Michael Jackson tickets, he will be in for the high jump — practice sessions, that is. Gerald Cordle has shown great ability this term in his craft and design, but his hand work technique could still improve. 'Grunt' John shouldn't watch Penarth so often; having become a Master of some Arts, will he be the next to lose his Bachelor's degree?

Wally Blackmore and Steve Crandon really must learn to keep their hair on in and out of class, Gilesey to assist the redoubtable Stone to justify those splendid reports coming in from several of his form masters, and Mike Rayer may do better if he were to seek further lessons in hairstyling from outside Llandaff North.

Messrs Whitefoot, Lakin and Eidman (nice to see you back around the place, Ivor) are the eternal students while Dacey (M) made rapid progress after being let off games for such a long period.

There are whispers, too, about one or two promising new boys who will be wearing the school blazer next term. I know not the strength of such hearsay as we have quick and illegal drag behind the pav, but there seems plenty of reason to believe that the next School year will be filled with interest.

See you next term — if I haven't been expelled.



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Rugby Quiz – No. 19

Let's look at the season's individual performances today.

1. Gerald Cordle is top try scorer with 25. Who comes next?
2. Who is the top try scoring forward?
3. Who has scored the most dropped goals?
4. Who has scored most tries in any one game?
5. What is the highest score in one game by an individual player?

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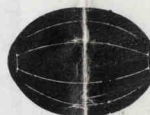
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| 11. A. HADLEY | Left Wing |
| 10. M. DACEY | Outside Half |
| 9. R. GILES | Inside Half |
| 1. J. WHITEFOOT | Forwards |
| 2. I. GREENSLADE | |
| 3. S. BLACKMORE | |
| 4. M. ROWLEY | |
| 5. M. PARRY | |
| 6. T. CROTHERS | |
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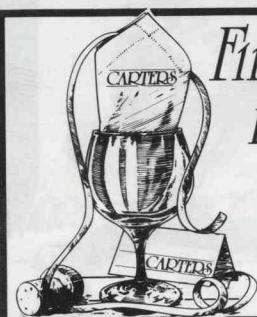
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Rugby Quiz No. 19 – Answers

1. Richard Cardus with fifteen.
2. Alan Phillips with eight.
3. Geraint John and Malcolm Dacey, three each.
4. Gerald Cordle three v London Welsh (away) and Alan Phillips three v Penarth (away).
5. Nineteen by Geraint John v Penarth (away). Two tries, four conversions and one dropped goal.

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M. RAYER	34	9	45	140	103(1)	22	60	252
G. CORDLE	38	25	—	100	146(1)	107	1	430
R. CARDUS	22	15	—	60	47	28	—	112
A. HADLEY	27	12	3	55	193	113	3	459
D. EVANS	14	2	18	53	52(1)	12	84	238
A. PHILLIPS	28	8	—	32	419	151	—	604
M. ROWLEY	28	7	—	28	49	9	—	36
H. STONE	27	7	—	28	124(1)	21	—	84
C. WEBBER	9	2	8	26	102(7)	19	113	364
R. GILES	21(1)	5	—	20	21(1)	5	—	20
M. DACEY	13	2	3	17	13	2	3	17
C. HUTCHINGS	15(1)	4	—	16	28(2)	5	—	20
G. ROBERTS	25	4	—	16	108	31	—	124
S. CRANDON	19	4	—	16	19	4	—	16
A. DONOVAN	27	4	—	16	155	22	—	88
A. GLASSON	9	3	—	12	28	13	—	52
M. EDWARDS	17	3	—	12	17	3	—	12
R. NORSTER	22	2	—	8	256	15	—	60
R. JONES	5	2	—	8	5	2	—	8
T. CROTHERS	16(1)	2	—	8	111(3)	25	—	100
N. O'BRIEN	5(1)	2	—	8	43(14)	17	—	68
D. WILLIAMS	2	—	3	8	6	2	3	12
J. BURNELL	9	2	—	8	12	3	—	12
M. HADLEY	8	2	—	8	29	7	—	28
C. NORMAN	8	2	—	8	22	16	—	64
M. PARRY	19(1)	1	—	4	47(1)	2	—	8
P. CRANE	4	1	—	4	23	2	—	8
I. GREENSLADE	14(1)	1	—	4	19(4)	1	—	4
J. SCOTT	17	1	—	4	255(1)	36	—	144
S. BLACKMORE	28	1	—	4	88	4	—	16
R. LAKIN	19	1	—	4	270(3)	60	—	240
D. GIBBON	1(2)	1	—	4	8(5)	1	—	4
J. WHITEFOOT	29	—	—	—	262	7	—	28
R. BILTON	13	—	—	—	15	—	—	—

* Total includes two penalty tries.

Also played: 10 – I. Eidman. 7 – O. Golding. 6 – C. Collins (+1). 5 – M. Knowles, A. Martin. 3 – V. Evans, C. Greedy (+1). 2 – A. Moore, C. Conway, J. Hadley. 1 – C. Miller, A. Carter, G. Pritchard (+6), T. O'Donnell, S. Crothers, J. White, R. Mynott. Subs: R. Williams (1), M. Poole (1).

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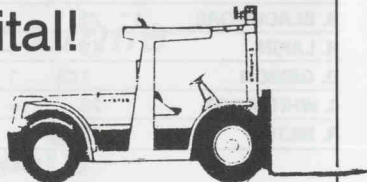
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By J. E. MALCOLM THOMAS

QUESTION I The whistle for 'no-side' has been blown and as both teams are leaving the field, the referee sees a player striking an opponent rendering him unconscious. How should the referee react?

ANSWER:— The referee, the game having ended, can take no action against the guilty player. The referee should however report the incident to the appropriate Union.

QUESTION II A player is returning from an off-side position relating to a ruck. **Is he on-side when an opponent passes the ball?**

ANSWER:— No. An off-side player in this situation is **NOT** put on-side when an opponent passes the ball, but becomes on-side **only** when either; (1) an opponent carrying the ball has run five metres or (2) when an opponent has kicked the ball.

QUESTION III A team takes a **quick penalty kick** from the correct place before the opponents have had time to retire ten metres and appeal to the referee for another kick ten metres on. What action should the referee take?

ANSWER:— The referee should ignore or reject the appeal and **allow play to continue.**

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1987			1988		
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Wed. 2	Taffs Well (Centenary)	A 28-4	Sat. 2	Bath	H 38-9
Sat. 5	Bristol (Centenary)	A 20-15	Sat. 9	Aberavon	A 16-10
Wed. 9	Glamorgan Wanderers	A 6-6	Sat. 16	Ebbw Vale	A 32-10
Sat. 12	Neath	H 6-35	Sat. 23	Newport (Cup)	A Post.
Wed. 16	Maesteg	H 9-9	Sat. 30	Newport (Cup)	A 26-13
Sat. 19	Coventry	A 14-21	FEBRUARY		
Wed. 23	Pontypridd	A 18-16	Sat. 6	London Welsh	A 38-7
Sat. 26	Aberavon	H 12-15	Sat. 13	Newport	H 21-9
OCTOBER			Fri. 19	S.W. Police	H 38-6
Sat. 3	Newport	A 9-16	Sat. 27	Pontypridd (Cup)	H 6-9
Wed. 7	Bridgend	H 6-7	MARCH		
Sat. 10	Northampton	A 14-7	Tue. 1	Bristol	H 10-12
Wed. 14	Pontypridd	A 0-31	Sat. 12	Pontypridd	H 16-17
Sat. 17	Cambridge University	H 48-9	Wed. 16	Penarth	A 55-19
Wed. 21	Caerphilly (Centenary)	A 19-12	Sat. 26	Nottingham	A 15-16
Sat. 24	Harlequins	A 20-12	Mon. 28	Newport	A 19-26
Sat. 31	Moseley	H 10-14	APRIL		
NOVEMBER			Sat. 2	Barbarians	H 32-27
Sat. 7	Leicester	A 19-27	Tue. 5	Llanelli	A Canc.
Mon. 9	Welsh XV	H 17-13	Sat. 9	Swansea	A 18-13
Wed. 11	Oxford University	H 22-27	Sat. 16	Neath	A 12-41
Sat. 14	Ebbw Vale	H 35-9	Sat. 23	Rosslyn Park	H 38-22
Sat. 21	Ystradgynlais (Cup)	A 12-9	Wed. 27	Barry (Centenary)	A 23-0
Sat. 28	Llanelli	A 6-41	Sat. 30	Nottingham	H
DECEMBER			MAY		
Wed. 2	Newbridge	H 20-0	Sat. 7	W.R.U. Cup Final	
Sat. 5	Swansea	H 17-6			
Sat. 12	London Welsh	H 27-21			
Sat. 19	Aberavon Quins (Cup)	A 36-0			
Sat. 26	Pontypridd	H 6-6			
Mon. 28	Bridgend	A 9-25			

ATHLETIC XV FIXTURES

1987			1988		
SEPTEMBER			JANUARY		
Sat. 5	Bristol United	H 21-26	Sat. 2	Bath United	A 23-16
Wed. 9	Glamorgan Wanderers II	H 17-8	Sat. 9	Neath Athletic	H 4-10
Sat. 12	Kenfig Hill	A 65-4	Sat. 16	Ebbw Vale United	H 52-0
Wed. 16	Bridgend Sports	A 19-19	Sat. 23	Llandaff	A Post.
Sat. 19	Coventry Extras	H 77-4	Sat. 30	Pontyclun	A 38-3
Wed. 23	Llandaff	H 10-16	FEBRUARY		
Sat. 26	St. Peters	A 10-25	Sat. 6	London Scottish II	A 16-23
Tue. 29	Pontypridd United	A 10-12	Sun. 7	Abbey	A 38-3
OCTOBER			Sat. 13	Newport United	A Post.
Sat. 3	Newport United	H 31-23	Sat. 20	Old Iltydians	A 40-4
Sat. 10	Neath Athletic	A 13-19	Sat. 27	Pencoed	A 29-21
Wed. 14	Pontypridd Athletic	H 34-0	MARCH		
Sat. 17	Bridgend Ravens	A 11-27	Sat. 5	Maesteg Celtic	A 29-9
Wed. 21	Cardiff & District	H Post.	Sat. 12	Pontypridd Athletic	A 28-18
Sat. 24	Abercarn	H 8-13	Wed. 16	Bedwas	H 30-14
Wed. 28	Garndiffiath	H 44-6	Fri. 18	Risca	A Canc.
Sat. 31	Moseley United	A 19-17	Wed. 23	Pontypridd United	H Canc.
NOVEMBER			Wed. 30	Cardiff H.S.O.B.	A 39-21
Sat. 7	Leicester Extras	H 30-20	APRIL		
Wed. 11	Caerphilly	A Canc.	Mon. 4	Blackwood	A 22-13
Sat. 14	Ebbw Vale Athletic	A 37-0	Sat. 9	Swansea Athletic	H 65-16
Sat. 21	Berry Hill	A 27-9	Tue. 12	Llanharan	H 42-16
Sat. 28	Bridgend Ravens	H 14-18	Sat. 16	Bridgend Sports	H 6-28
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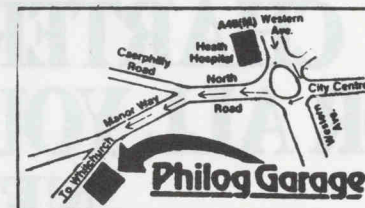
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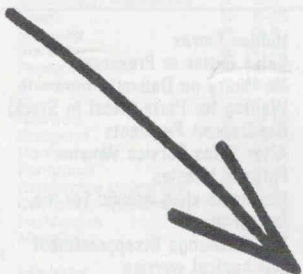


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