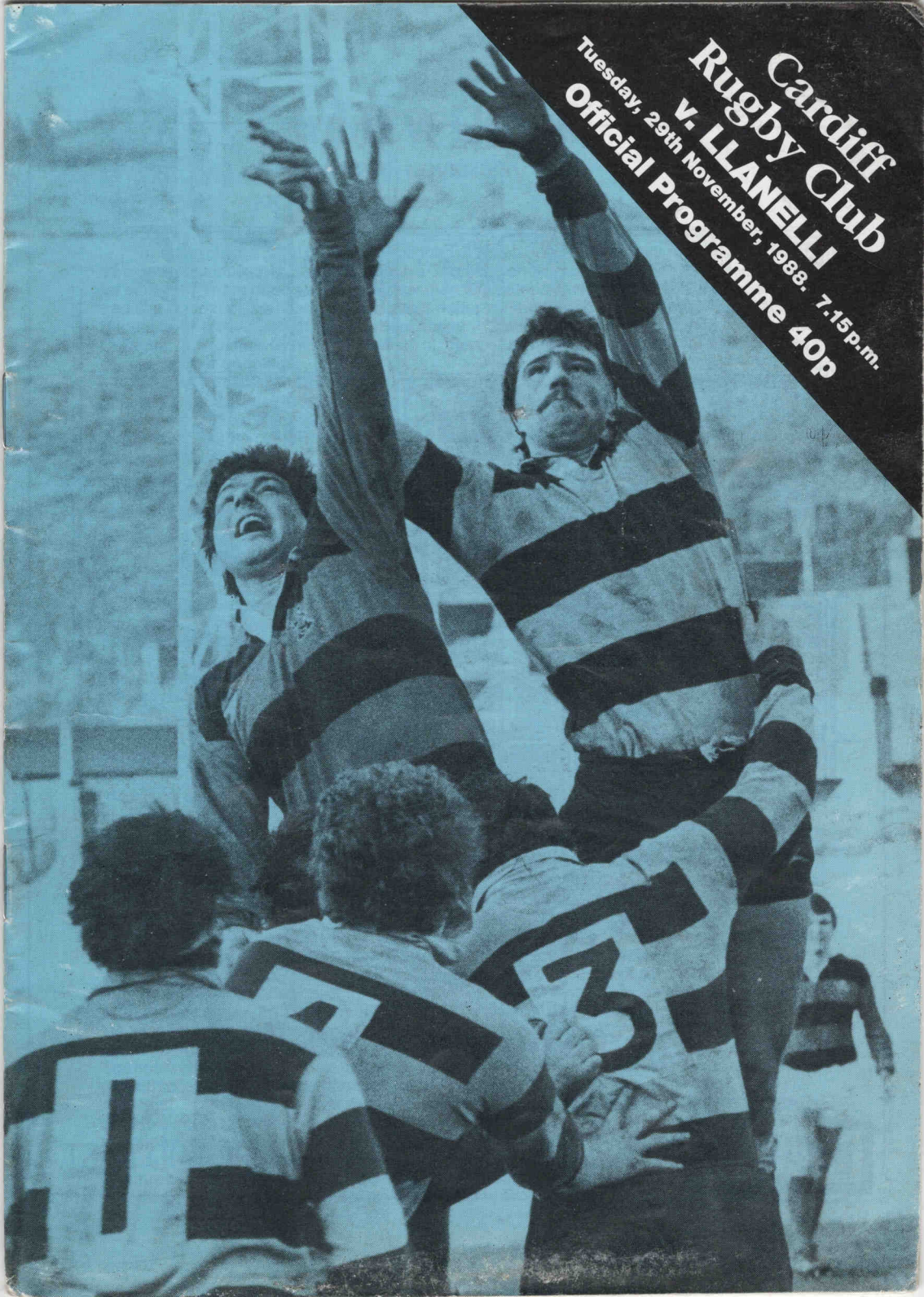
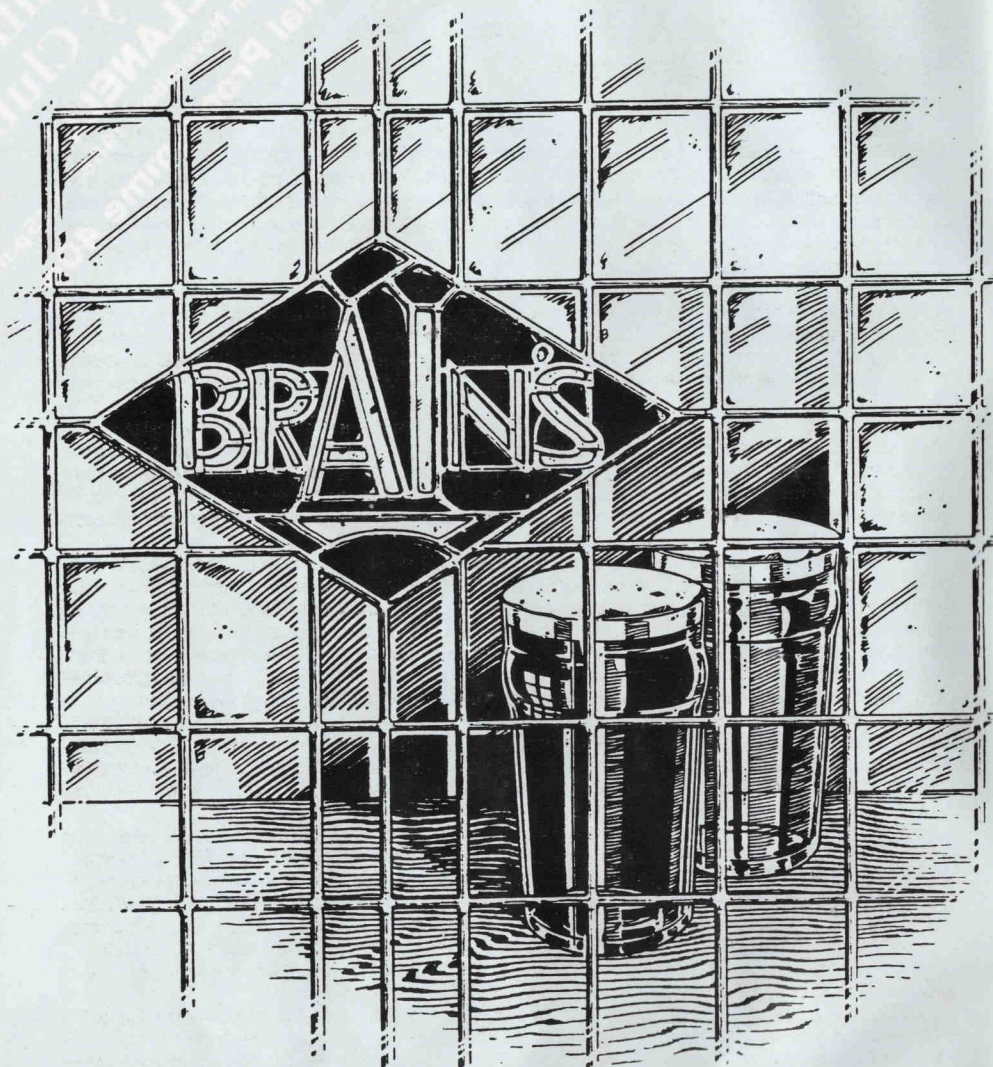


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## **Cardiff v. Llanelli**

**TUESDAY, 29th NOVEMBER, 1988**

**KICK-OFF 7.15p.m.**

Tradition plays a great part in the livelihood of Welsh Rugby — and rightly so. What then would be a better example of such tradition than a Cardiff v Llanelli encounter. It has been going on now for some 107 years during which no fewer than 210 games have been played. Indeed the great tradition of both clubs has even stimulated debate in the House of Commons. An extract from Hansards of 17th April 1946 gives a brief account of a slight verbal altercation between James Callaghan and James Griffiths as to which of their constituencies could boast of the finest rugby club in the four countries.

Such is the history that has made the clubs known world wide. Circumstances however have paid no respect whatsoever to tradition. Consequently, and particularly so during the 1980s we have experienced a disruption of fixtures which is hard to believe. For some reason or another to have played on the pre-arranged date has been the exception rather than the rule. Incoming tours, cup commitments and weather have all been factors in this sorry scene of disruption and rearrangement.

Last season, as you may well remember we were due to meet three times to redress the balance because icy weather had intervened to stop the game at Stradey the previous season. True to form however after playing at Stradey we were unable to play on our ground due to a cup game postponement. Both sides then found it impossible to rearrange mutual dates so the three games for season 1987-88 became just one. And this after the sweat and blood lost by fixture secretaries of both sides.

The situation continues unabated and lo and behold here we are yet again meeting on a date other than that first scheduled. Last Saturday's BaaBaas v Australia game put paid to that so firstly we thank Llanelli for agreeing to come this evening because, unfortunately, another Saturday is just an impossibility. Furthermore our scheduled date for the visit to Stradey this season is April 29th, 1989. Now that's just one week before the cup final and a situation I will leave you to dwell on rather than me pass comment. Let's hope the future will treat us in a kinder fashion with agreeable mutual dates free of disruption being the order of the day and of benefit to both clubs.

As previously stated the series has already seen 210 games played, 115 of which Cardiff have won to The Scarlet's 76 with 19 games drawn. Points wise we have scored 2022 to their 1522. Behind those bland statistics however lies the blood and thunder that typifies the soul of Welsh Club Rugby. It has engendered a highly competitive rivalry between the clubs with the pendulum of success swinging one way and then the other.

Nothing is truer testimony of their situation than our respective records in the cup competition. The Scarlets dominated the scene in the early seventies and in all have appeared in seven finals, winning six of them. We were slow starters however but in all we have featured in eight finals, five of which have brought the cup to Cardiff. The probable highlights for each club in this truly magnificent competition came for us when we halted Llanelli's 26 consecutive wins sequence in season 1976-77, our centenary season. Their turn for glory came again in 1985 when a Gary Pearce drop goal in the dying seconds snatched the cup from Terry Holmes grasp in a game which The Scarlets were rated to be very much second favourites.

The supposedly called domestic fixtures have also fluctuated in a similar manner. Llanelli's purple patch in the series came in the 1920s when a run of nine unbeaten games ensued, eight wins and one draw. Cardiff's turn came in the 1960s when an eleven games unbeaten sequence of ten wins and one draw resulted. The points scoring record sees Cardiff with the highest in any game with 45 but this is closely followed by the 41 points defeat we suffered at Stradey last season. Strangely enough The Scarlets last two visits to the Arms Park have resulted in a sixteen all draw on both occasions. Strange because the last time the sides drew was as far back as 1971.

Such is the rivalry then that has resulted in both clubs having a very healthy respect for the other. No doubt Llanelli would like to see their number of victories getting nearer to the Cardiff total and they see every game played as an opportunity to do so. Their form at present, with only three defeats in eighteen games would seem to make them favourites to do that very thing this evening. The three defeats have come at the hands of Leicester at home 27-7, Neath away 22-16 and Bath at home 25-12. Unavailability and injury have featured prominently on their scenario however and,



no doubt, could have been instrumental in those defeats. Jonathan Davies of course is a top box office attraction these days and hopefully he will be in action here this evening. Indeed once the Scarlets are in a position to field their best team there are not many around at the moment who will live with them. Such is their form and that of Neath even at this stage of the season it seems a good bet that, if the draw keeps these two clubs apart, we could well see a repeat of last years cup final coming up again next May.

There's a lot of water to flow under the bridge before then however so to Llanelli we say welcome and thank you again on yet another rearranged date.

In speaking of the cup, our trip to Pyle didn't prove quite as hazardous as their coach Clive Shell had predicted prior to the game. His T.V. interview left you in no doubt as to who would be the victors. The pity of the afternoon however was the arrival of the rain which was not forecast and rather put the damper on the occasion. The home club had certainly made their preparations however and which all contributed to a good day out — well done Pyle, we wish you every success for the remainder of the season.

So the next hurdle comes in our home game against West Wales League club Amman United. Their progress to this, the fourth round was achieved after a high scoring but very tight away victory over Blaenau Gwent 27-26 — now you can't get much tighter than that can you. Like Pyle, we have not played them previously and they became the 45th club we have met in the competition. More of that in the programme of the day however.

Last Saturday's game came well up to the standard of entertainment which is now expected of the occasion. The men from down under have certainly finished their tour in a more spectacular fashion than they began it. I'm sure they would give a million didgeridoos to have another crack at England. Their finger tip passing behind is a joy to watch and David Campeser must surely be the most entertaining player in the game today. The Lions have certainly been served notice as to what they can expect next summer when they visit Oz.

All that remains this evening then is to offer our sincere thanks to **W.T. Davies Group Ltd.** for their generous sponsorship of the game. We sincerely trust that Mr. Bill Davies and all his guests will thoroughly enjoy the occasion.

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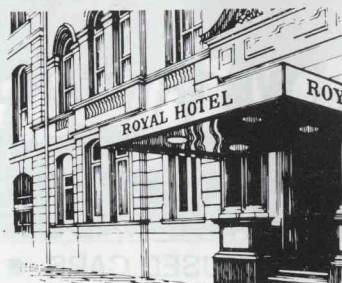
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## Rugby Quiz – No. 10

It's all about the Cardiff/Llanelli Cup association tonight.

1. How many times have we met in the competition?
2. What is the highest number of points scored by either side?
3. Have we ever played a round at Stradey?
4. How many ties have we played on The Arms Park?
5. How many semi-finals have we been engaged in?

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By J. E. MALCOLM THOMAS

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It is high time that players, coaches and referees in Wales changed their attitude and realised that rugby is played by staying on your feet. Those who lie on the ground are out of the game.

Pile-ups are illegal and an unsightly feature of Welsh rugby. **Welsh referees have a duty and responsibility to outlaw and ban the pile-up.**

A slight law change would help to tidy the situation, i.e. change “**BEFORE**” to “**WHEN**” so that “Any other player must be on his feet **WHEN** he plays the ball”.

If we don't change our approach and attitude, next season's tour by New Zealand will inevitably lead to friction and controversy for they know how to ruck correctly. Many referees allow bad habits to persist.

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WHETHER IT be the imminence of Christmas — well, December starts on Thursday and, by my calculations, there are only two more Quidnunc days before December 25; there would have been only one had not Amman United appeared on the horizon — or simply that the silly season has arrived early, for once your columnist is at something of a loss for words.

I mean, I could talk about the lack of success of a certain Cardiff Rugby Club team recently in a Sports Quiz cum physical tests competition in aid of Children in Need. And how Messrs Bob Newman, Ron Ayres, Chris Collins and, as a last minute replacement, Mrs John Scott, failed lamentably to be anything other than a middle-of-the-table team that evening. But they, in turn, could point out with justification that a further team involving Quidnunc, John Scott and Pat Daniels did no better.

It could be that the boys are determining what to sing at the players' Christmas Carol evening — though, once more judging by personal experience insofar as they scarcely achieved glory when singing along with Frank Hennessy at the draw last week for the Cardiff Club Lottery car, they should be advised to leave it up to the committee who at least know the words of 1930s hit tunes. Or it could be that they are deeply involved with wives and girlfriends in determining what to wear at the fancy dress evening planned for Boxing Day.

Either way, not a lot seems to be happening. Quidnunc had planned this evening to devote this space and that opposite to the intellectual full-back and tourist extraordinary, Mr. Andy Martin, insofar as he will be helping deep under the South Stand to entertain guests of his company Debenham Tewson, who are taking advantage of our attractive opposition to introduce visitors from far and wide into some of the intricacies of Welsh club rugby and friendship and hospitality surrounding the general scene, Andy, alas, you had left before I could get my promised claws into you.

Nor did it seem quite apposite yet to send one or two of the newer recruits to the club seeking out their solicitors (Messrs Sue, Grabbit and Runn) about what I might write. Well, Richie Collins is a policeman and, apart from borrowing from Gareth Roberts his magic hair restoring lotion, has yet to reveal characteristics about which I can legitimately take the Michael. Similarly, Steve Ford. What does he get up to when he is not cadging cigarettes off Committee man 'Robbo'?

Further research is required before we dig deeper into their affairs.

I could ask why it was that the lovely April was left in the Cardiff clubhouse after the cup victory at Pyle the Saturday before last while her redoubtable Dai Young was seeking yet even further sustenance at a local kebab house. I could ask what Mike Parry got up to that same evening in Bonvilston. I could ask why Chris Collins, when he's not overseeing another Rags' success, is covered in baby powder and driving a new car.

And I could report that one of our old boys, Mr. Adrian Hadley, has lost some of his youthful good looks by nearly getting his ear ripped off, by acquiring a black eye and four or five stitches through playing that heathen game up north. (The other fellow was sent off, by the way).

Instead, though, I thought we would dwell just for a moment on a man who did not like Derek Stears's cartoon of his hair style on the previous occasion we examined him. In addition to this, he had the sort of game at Pyle in conditions dreaded by full-backs which, had it not been for injury, would surely have seen him into the Wales B side against France up at Brecon the other week.

Mike Rayer took a bit of gentle stick from his colleagues after the Pyle match for fighting the particular war entrenched and wearing a tin helmet behind sandbags in his own 25. It was not weather for heroics and this very favourite son of the Cardiff crowd was in no mood to have any one pass him. "I was disappointed we did not run the ball a bit more," he said later to the accompaniment of considerable derision, "but we did what we had to do."

Too true — and he did it flawlessly. Mike, in fact, still has twinges from the shoulder injury as he will tell you, if you can hear over the barking of the family dog Charlie, if you're not interrupting his viewing of Neighbours, his running round Hailey Park, Llandaff North (he is determined to become even fitter), and if he's not eating at Miguel's Spanish restaurant in Whitchurch with fiancée Debbie or, indeed, if he's not socialising at Llandaff North rugby club.

But ask him what else has been happening to him and he'll tell you "Not a lot." Which is where I came in. Much further research will have to go into our Christmas specials which will coincide at some point with the 100th Quidnunc column. Watch, as they say, this space.



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| 11. Steven FORD                     | Left Wing                      |
| 10. *Malcolm DACEY                  | Outside Half <i>C. STEPHEN</i> |
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| Jonathan GRIFFITHS* | 9.  |
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| David FOX           | 2.  |
| Laurence DELANY     | 3.  |
| Phil MAY*           | 4.  |
| Russell CORNELIUS   | 5.  |
| Emry LEWIS          | 6.  |
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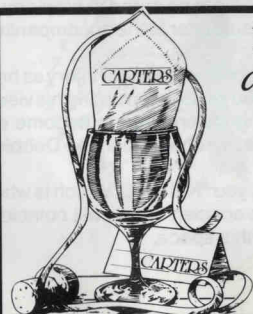
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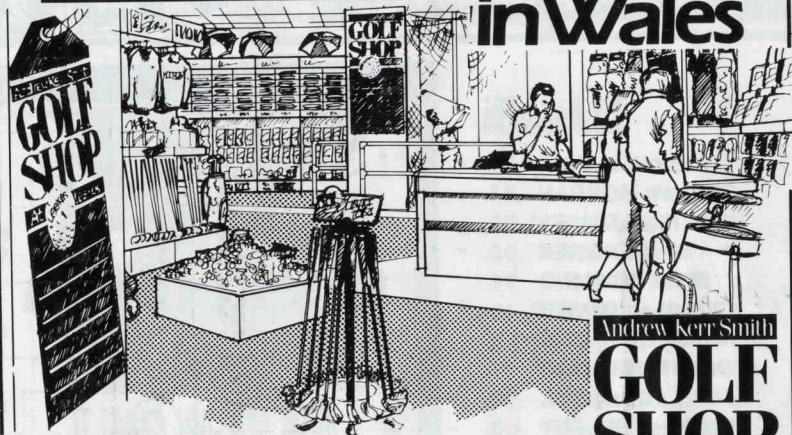
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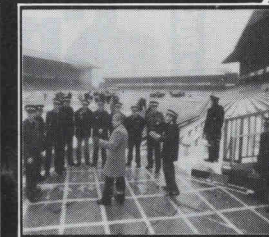
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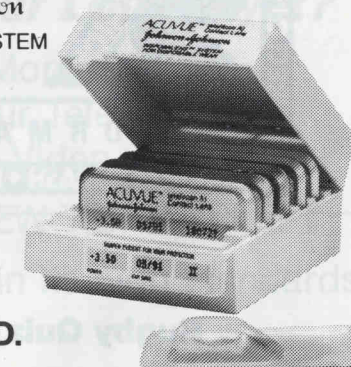


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## Rugby Quiz No. 10 – Answers

1. Five times.
2. Thirty by Llanelli in the 1972-73 final.
3. No.
4. Twice – third round 1976-77 and fourth round 1981-82.
5. One, at Swansea 1983-84.

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### Cardiff

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Left Wing  
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Forwards

### Llanelli

15. P. BENNETT
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- R. GRANVELLE
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## FIRST XV FIXTURES

1988  
SEPTEMBER

Thur. 1	East District	H 48-17
Sat. 3	Bristol	H 17-23
Wed. 7	Glamorgan Wanderers	H 36-18
Sat. 10	Neath	A 10-49
Tue. 13	B. Columbia	H 25-25
Sat. 17	Coventry	H 17-10
Sat. 24	Aberavon	A 20-9

OCTOBER

Sat. 1	Newport	H 36-10
Wed. 5	Bridgend	A 6-28
Sat. 8	Pontypool	H 17-6
Sat. 15	Harlequins	H 38-20
Sat. 22	Cambridge University	A 11-28
Wed. 26	Pontypridd	A 27-27
Sat. 29	Moseley	A 20-20

NOVEMBER

Sat. 5	Leicester	H 26-24
Wed. 9	Oxford University	H 6-20
Sat. 12	Ebbw Vale	A 19-24
Sat. 19	Pyle (Cup)	A 25-9
Tue. 29	Llanelli	H .....

DECEMBER

Sat. 3	Swansea	A .....
Sat. 10	London Welsh	A .....
Sat. 17	W.R.U. Cup 4th Round	.....
Sat. 24	Bridgend	H .....
Mon. 26	Pontypridd	H .....
Sat. 31	Maesteg	H .....

1989  
JANUARY

Sat. 7	Bath	A .....
Sat. 14	Aberavon	H .....
Tue. 17	Maesteg	A .....
Sat. 28	W.R.U. Cup 5th Round	.....

FEBRUARY

Sat. 11	Newport	A .....
Wed. 15	Penarth	H .....
Sat. 25	W.R.U. Cup 6th Round	.....
Tue. 28	Bristol	A .....

MARCH

Sat. 4	Ebbw Vale	H .....
Sat. 11	Pontypool	A .....
Fri. 17	London Welsh	H .....
Sat. 25	Barbarians	H .....

APRIL

Sat. 1	Nottingham	A .....
Sat. 8	Swansea (W.R.U. Cup Semi-Final)	H .....
Sat. 15	Neath	H .....
Sat. 22	Newbridge	A .....
Wed. 26	Pencoed	A .....
Sat. 29	Llanelli	A .....

MAY

Sat. 6	W.R.U. Cup Final	.....
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## ATHLETIC XV FIXTURES

1988  
SEPTEMBER

Thur. 1	Llantwit Fardre	A 18-8
Sat. 3	Bristol United	A 22-25
Wed. 7	Glamorgan Wanderers II	A 30-9
Sat. 10	Mountain Ash	H 19-4
Wed. 14	Garndiffaith	A 49-13
Sat. 17	Coventry Extras	A 31-25
Wed. 21	Llandaff North	H 19-15
Sat. 24	Sengenhydd	H 39-4
Wed. 28	Kenfig Hill	H 11-7

OCTOBER

Sat. 1	Newport United	A 24-10
Wed. 5	Newport Saracens	H 30-13
Sat. 8	Pontypool Athletic	A 32-13
Wed. 12	Barry	H 38-3
Wed. 19	Bridgend Ravens	H 27-9
Sat. 22	Abercarn	A 13-13
Wed. 26	Pontypridd Athletic	H 42-7
Sat. 29	Moseley United	H 76-20

NOVEMBER

Sat. 5	Leicester Extras	A 4-50
Sat. 12	Ebbw Vale Athletic	H 38-26
Sat. 19	St. Josephs	A 30-15

DECEMBER

Sat. 3	Swansea Athletic	H .....
Sat. 10	Old Illydians	H .....
Sat. 17	St. Peters	H .....
Sat. 24	Bridgend Ravens	A .....
Sat. 31	Bridgend Sports	A .....

1989  
JANUARY

Sat. 7	Bath United	H .....
Sat. 14	Neath Athletic	A .....
Sat. 28	Newport Saracens	A .....

FEBRUARY

Fri. 3	Llangennech	A .....
Sat. 11	Newport United	H .....
Fri. 17	Pontypool United	A .....
Sat. 25	Llandaff	H .....
Tue. 28	Bristol United	H .....

MARCH

Sat. 4	Ebbw Vale	A .....
Sat. 11	Pontypool Athletic	H .....
Wed. 15	Pontypool United	H .....
Wed. 22	Cardiff HSOB	H .....
Wed. 29	Llanharan	H .....

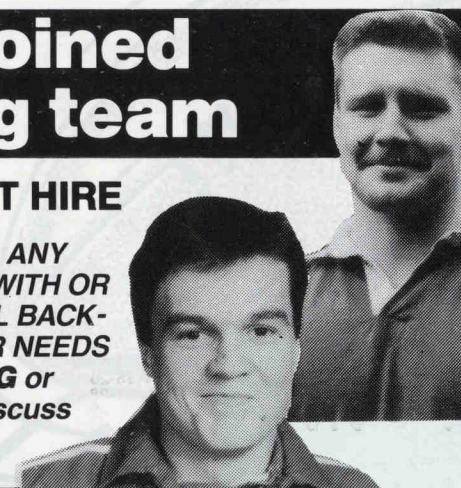
APRIL

Sat. 1	Rumney	H .....
Wed. 5	Pontypridd Athletic	A .....
Sat. 8	Swansea Athletic	A .....
Wed. 11	Llandaff North	A .....
Sat. 15	Llanharan	A .....
Sat. 22	Bridgend Sports	H .....
Wed. 26	Bedwas	A .....
Sat. 29	Neath Athletic	H .....

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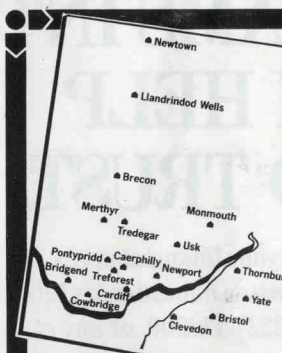


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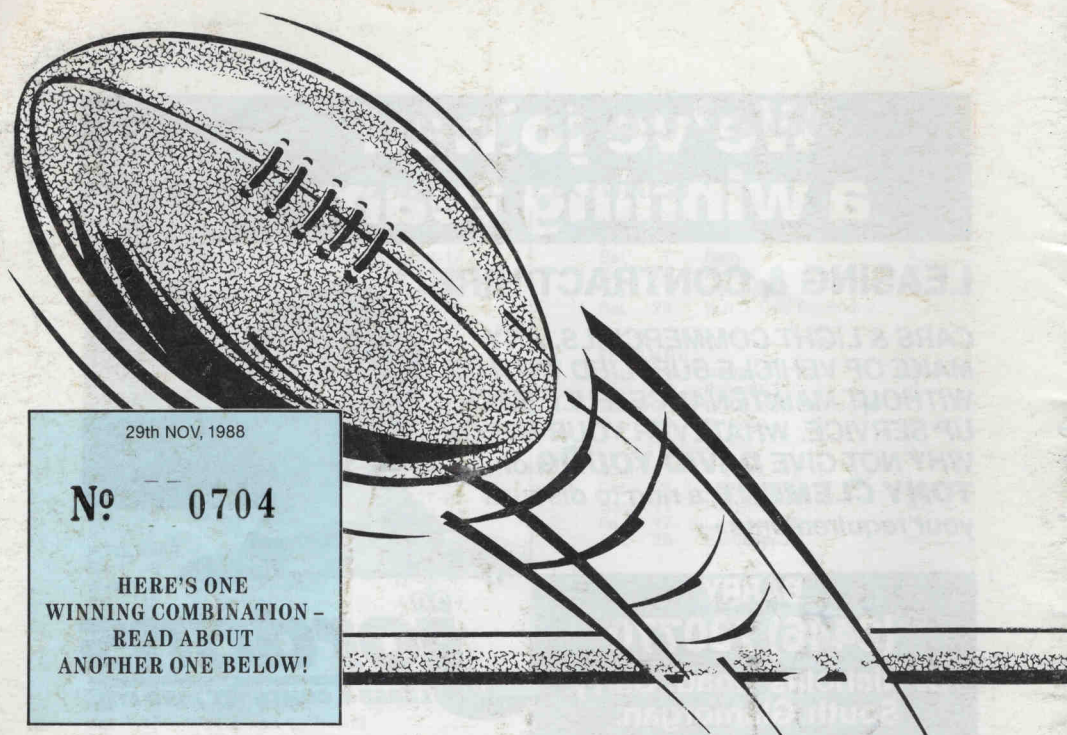
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