



**New Zealand**

v.

**Cardiff**

**CARDIFF ARMS PARK**

**Saturday, 21st November**

1953

*Kick-off 2.45 p.m.*

*Official Programme - Price 6d.*



# WELCOME TO CARDIFF!

By THE EDITOR.

It is with very great pride and pleasure that we welcome the Fourth "All Blacks" to the Cardiff Arms Park, the most famous Rugby Ground in Wales. Fresh from their fine victory at Stradey Park over Llanelly, they will match their strength against Cardiff to-day.

Not since the first visit of the "All Blacks" in 1905 have Cardiff succeeded in defeating the Tourists, although they have tried bravely. To-day they will make their traditional effort, in the manner which has endeared them to the Rugby World.

The brilliant handling and running of the post-war Cardiff back divisions has gained the admiration of Touring sides. The "Wallabies" in 1947 fell before it and the mighty "Springboks" in 1951 were fortunate to escape defeat in an exciting match. Indeed so lucky did they regard themselves, that they presented the Cardiff Club with a "Springbok" head, which now holds a place of honour in the Cardiff museum.

Thus the Fourth "All-Blacks" will enter the field to-day, knowing full well the great traditions and spirit that fosters successive Cardiff Teams. They themselves have great traditions. Rugby Football is the national Game of New Zealand. Victory on the field of play is important, and so is the comradeship after the final whistle. The Cardiff Club have always been great hosts, and the full hospitality of the Club and the great crowd present will be extended to the visitors to-day.

May the match be worthy of the great occasion. Let the trumpets sound and the great Game of Rugby Football be honoured by great deeds. Welcome to Cardiff, "All-Blacks!"

## CARDIFF R.F.C. OFFICIALS, 1953-54



Chairman:  
H. JOHNSON



Vice-Chairman:  
D. E. DAVIES



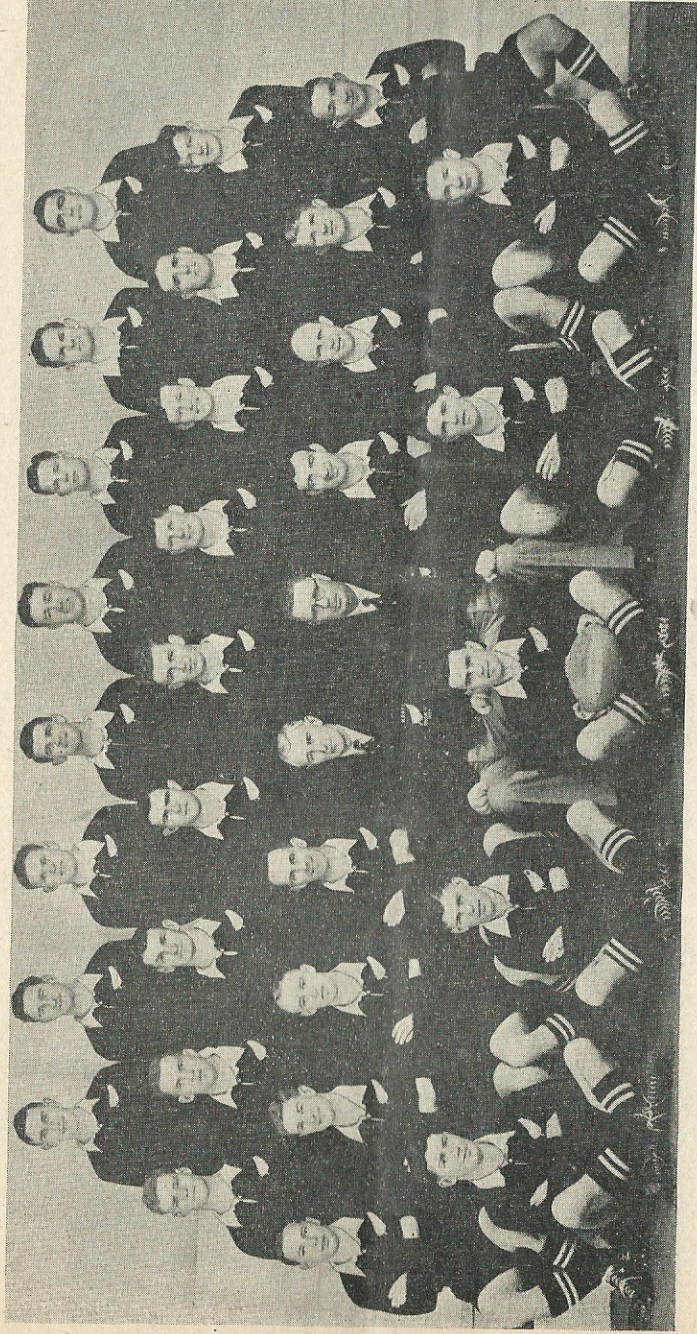
Hon. Secretary:  
B. H. JENKINS



THE ORIGINAL ALL BLACKS (NEW ZEALAND) 1905-6

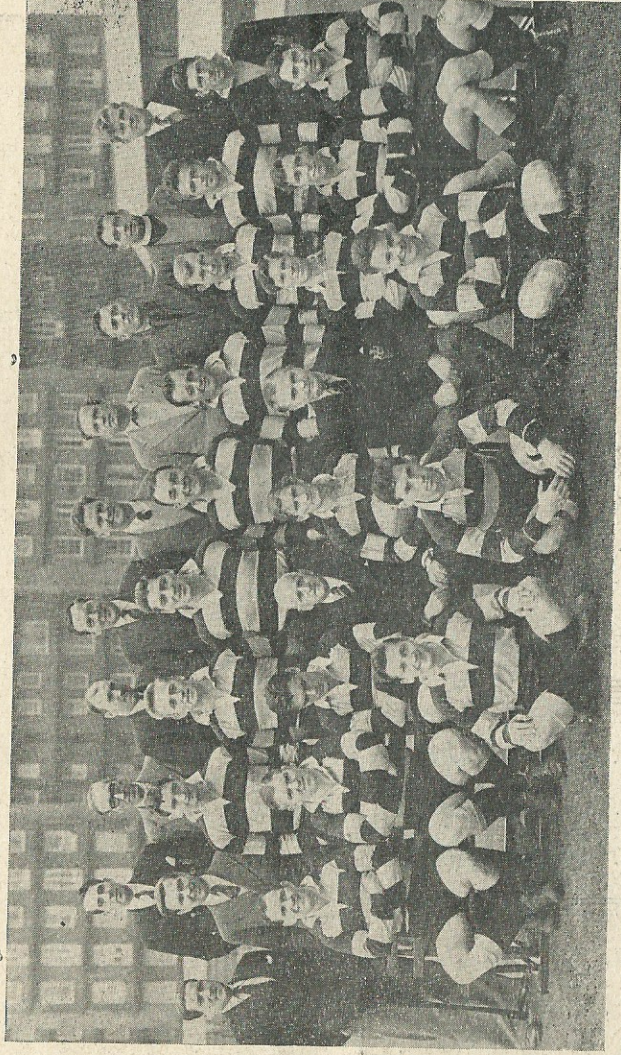


NEW ZEALAND TEAM, 1953-54



Back Row:—C. J. Loader, A. F. G. Elsom, J. W. Kelly, W. A. McCav, K. L. Skinner, R. C. Hemi, J. M. Tanner, I. J. Clarke.  
 Second Row:—C. A. Woods, H. L. White, P. F. H. Jones, K. P. Bagley, R. J. O'Dea, D. O. Oliver, G. N. Dalzell, W. H. Clark.  
 Sitting:—R. A. Jarden, J. T. Fitzgerald, R. C. Stuart (Captain), J. N. Millard (Manager), A. E. Marslin (Assistant Manager), L. S. Haig  
 In Front:—B. B. J. Fitzpatrick, R. G. Bowers, K. Davis, M. J. Dixon, W. S. S. Freethairn.

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Back Row:—T. L. Williams, D. E. Davies (Vice-Chairman), G. Forter, L. M. Sience, T. Hooley, D. A. Brown, D. M. James, Rev. H. Loveluck  
 W. B. Cleaver.  
 Second Row:—G. Arcas, B. L. Williams, J. E. Llewellyn, E. Thomas, M. Collins, J. D. Evans, G. Beekingham, G. Jenkins, C. I. Davies,  
 R. F. Trott.  
 Front Row:—C. D. Williams, A. D. S. Bowes, S. Judd (Vice-Captain), B. H. Jenkins (Hon. Secretary), R. Willis (Captain), H. Johnson  
 (Chairman), J. D. Nelson, H. Morris, G. Rowlands.  
 Sitting:—B. Mark, C. Morvan, D. J. James.





# NEW ZEALAND

1 R. W. H. SCOTT (*Auckland*)

R. C. STUART (*Captain*)

- 4 A. E. G. ELSOM (*Canterbury*)
- 6 J. T. FITZGERALD (*Wellington*)
- 2 R. A. JARDEN (*Wellington*)

- 12 D. D. WILSON (*Canterbury*)
- 10 L. S. HAIG (*Otago*) (*Vice-Captain*)
- 13 V. D. BEVAN (*Wellington*)

- 25 H. L. WHITE (*Auckland*)
- 29 R. C. HEMI (*Waikato*)
- 27 K. SKINNER (*Otago*)
- 21 W. H. CLARK (*Wellington*)
- 22 G. N. DALZELL (*Canterbury*)
- 23 R. A. WHITE (*Poverty Bay*)
- 18 D. O. OLIVER (*Otago*)
- 16 R. C. STUART (*Canterbury*) (*Captain*)

Touch Judge: W. A. McCAW (17).

## THE TEAMS

### Full Backs

### Three-Quarters

- Right Wing*
- Centre*
- Left Wing*
- Left Wing*
- Left Centre*
- Right Centre*
- Right Wing*

### Halves

- Second 5/8*
- First 5/8*
- Inside Half*
- Outside Half*
- Inside Half*

### Forwards

KICK OFF

2.45 p.m.

Referee:

Mr. V. S. LLEWELLYN  
(Llansamlet).

# CARDIFF R.F.C.



B. L. WILLIAMS (*Captain*)

1 J. LLEWELLYN

- 2 G. GRIFFITHS\*
- 3 B. L. WILLIAMS\* (*Captain*)
- 4 A. THOMAS\*
- 5 G. ROWLANDS
- 6 C. MORGAN\*
- 7 W. R. WILLIS\*

- 8 A. D. S. BOWES
- 9 G. BECKINGHAM\*
- 10 J. D. EVANS
- 13 J. D. NELSON
- 11 E. THOMAS
- 12 M. COLLINS
- 15 C. D. WILLIAMS
- 14 S. JUDD\* (*Vice-Captain*)

Touch Judge: W. B. CLEAVER.

\*Internationals.



# Memories of the Past

## 1905

Dave Gallaher's First "All Blacks" of 1905 were one of the greatest ever of New Zealand combinations. They swept through the four Home Counties in a riot of scoring and it was not until they came to Wales that they experienced stern opposition. The first match in the Principality was lost by a try to nil against Wales, and this was the only defeat they sustained on tour. However, Welshmen felt they were lucky to win against Cardiff at the Arms Park on Boxing Day, 1905.

They won by two goals (10 pts.) to a goal and a try (8 pts.). Gwyn Nicholls and Ralph Thomas scored tries for Cardiff, one of which Bert Winfield converted. New Zealand's tries were obtained by Thompson and Nicholson, but the second was scored as a result of a regrettable error by the Cardiff captain, Percy Bush. The ball was kicked into the in-goal area and Bush had plenty of time to clear. However, he mis-kicked and the "All Blacks" forwards scored a try. Percy Bush still regrets this error, for had Cardiff won it would have crowned a wonderful season under his captaincy.

## 1924

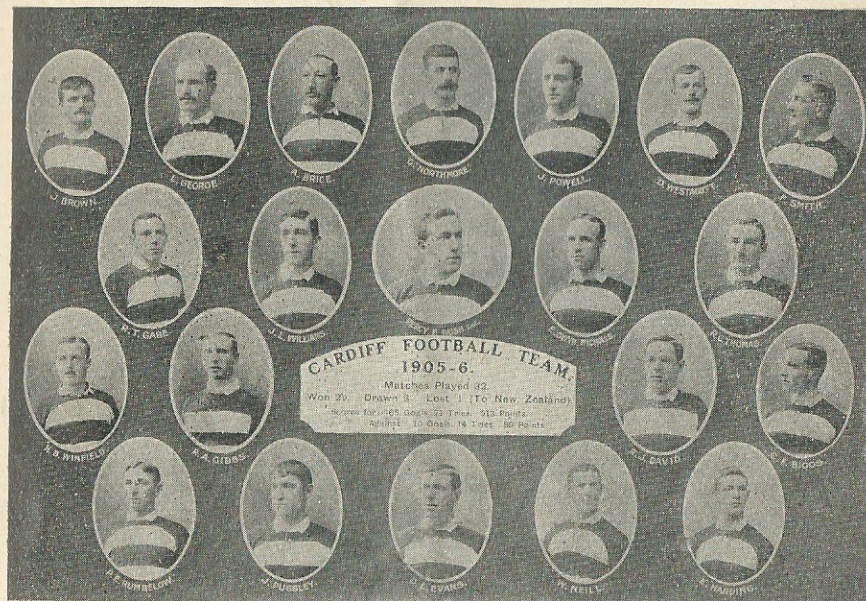
The Second "All Blacks", under the captaincy of C. G. Porter, were a magnificent side. They did even better than the First "All Blacks," for they remained undefeated. However, there were several matches in which they experienced a hard time, and one of these was the game at the Arms Park against Cardiff on November 22, 1924. They won by two goals, a penalty goal and a try (16 pts.) to a goal and a penalty goal (8 pts.). At half-time they led by 11 points to nil, but were fortunate to have gained such a commanding lead over the Welsh club. In the second half, Cardiff fought back magnificently. First Dr. Tom Wallace kicked a penalty goal and then W. J. "Billy" Delahay crossed for a try between the posts for Wallace to convert. Throughout this half it was a ding-dong struggle, and although the "All Blacks" scored again they had to defend desperately before the end came with Cardiff sharing a great deal of the honours.

## 1935

The Third "All Blacks," under J. E. Manchester, were a happy band of players, and although they lost three matches to Swansea, Wales and England, they gained a big victory over Cardiff in a delightful game of Rugby. At half-time they led by 15 points to nil; but in the second half, each side scored five points and thus the final score was 20 points to five. The New Zealanders said they were delighted naturally to win at Cardiff, but appreciated the reception from the crowd and the approach of the home team to the open game. Caughey (2), Mitchell and Reid scored tries for New Zealand and Gilbert converted two and dropped a goal. Vic Osmond scored a try for Cardiff, which Ronnie Boon converted. Cardiff's captain was Tommy Stone.

Thus in three matches played and won against Cardiff, the "All Blacks" have scored 46 points against 21.

# CARDIFF R.F.C., 1905-6



# CARDIFF and NEW ZEALAND TEAMS, 1924





# New Zealand Team "Who's Who"



Name and Team Number    Union    Occupation    Wght. Hght. Age

## FULL-BACKS.

R. W. H. (Bob) Scott (1)	Auckland	Salesman	12.8	5.10	32
J. W. (John) Kelly (15)	Auckland	Teacher	13.8	6.0	26

## WING-THREEQUARTERS.

R. A. (Ron) Jarden (2)	Wellington	Oil Co. Rep.	12.12	5.8	23
M. J. (Morrie) Dixon (7)	Canterbury	Fitter	11.10	5.8½	24
A. E. G. (Allan) Elsom (4)	Canterbury	Land Agent	12.7	6.0	28
W. S. S. (Stuart) Freebairn (3)	Manawatu	Chemist	11.6	5.9	21

## CENTRE-THREEQUARTERS.

J. T. (Jim) Fitzgerald (6)	Wellington	Teacher	12.7	5.9	25
J. M. (John) Tanner (5)	Auckland	Dentist	12.10	5.11	26

## FIVE-EIGHTHS.

D. D. (Doug) Wilson (12)	Canterbury	Insurance Clerk	11.7	5.10	22
C. J. (Colin) Loader (9)	Wellington	Salesman	11.2	5.10	22
B. B. J. (Brian) Fitzpatrick (8)	Wellington	Oil Co. Clerk	13.2	5.10½	22
L. S. (Laurie) Haig (10)	Otago	Miner	12.9	5.9½	30
R. G. (Guy) Bowers (11)	Wellington	Garage Hand	11.3	5.7½	20

## HALF-BACKS.

V. D. (Vince) Bevan (13)	Wellington	Timber Foreman	11.3	5.4	31
K. (Keith) Davis (14)	Auckland	Clerk	10.10	5.6	23

## BACK-ROW.

R. C. (Bob) Stuart (16)	Canterbury	Farm Adviser	14.6	6.0½	32
W. A. (Bill) McCaw (17)	Southland	Teacher	13.9	5.11½	26

## SIDE-ROW FORWARDS.

P. F. H. (Peter) Jones (19)	North Auckland	Farmer	15.0	6.2	21
W. H. (Bill) Clark (21)	Wellington	Clerk	13.2	6.2	23
D. O. (Des) Oliver (18)	Otago	Medical Student	14.7	6.2	22
R. J. (Bob) O'Dea	Thames V.	Farmer	14.10	6.3	23

## LOCK FORWARDS.

R. A. (Dick) White (23)	Poverty Bay	Sheepfarmer	16.2	6.3	28
K. P. (Keith) Bagley (24)	Manawatu	Farm Contractor	15.6	6.3	22
G. N. (Nelson) Dalzell (22)	Canterbury	Farmer	16.0	6.2	32

## FRONT-ROW FORWARDS.

K. L. (Kevin) Skinner (27)	Otago	Grocer	15.4	6.1	25
H. L. ("Snow") White (25)	Auckland	Decorator	15.0	6.0	24
B. P. (Peter) Eastgate (26)	Canterbury	Carpenter	14.7	5.10	26
I. J. (Ian) Clarke (28)	Waikato	Farmer	14.9	5.10	22

## HOOKERS.

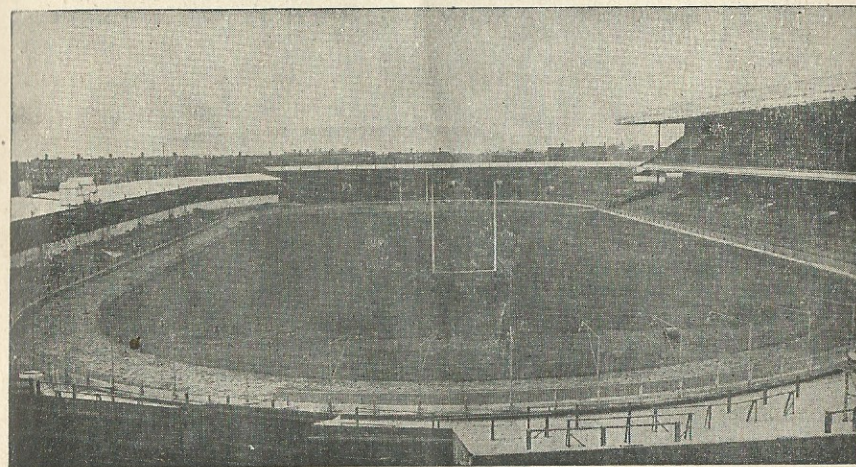
R. C. (Ron) Hemi (29)	Waikato	Accountant	13.11	6.0	20
C. A. (Arthur) Woods (30)	Southland	Farmer	13.7	6.0	24

## RECORD OF THE 1953 "ALL-BLACKS."

Oct. 31st v. Southern Counties (Brighton)	...	...	W 24—0
Nov. 4th v. Cambridge University (Cambridge)	...	...	W 22—11
Nov. 7th v. London Counties (Twickenham)	...	...	W 11—0
Nov. 11th v. Oxford University (Oxford)	...	...	W 14—5
Nov. 14th v. Western Counties (Bristol)	...	...	W 11—0
Nov. 17th v. Llanely (Llanely)	...	...	W 17—3

Played 6—Won 6; Points for 99; Against 19.

## CARDIFF ARMS PARK



Scene of To day's Great Rugby Football Match

## CARDIFF R.F.C. FIXTURES TO DATE.

1953	Result	1953	Result
Sept. 2—Cardiff & District	h17—3	Oct. 3—Newport	... h15—6
„ 5—Cheltenham	... h12—3	„ 5—Llanely	... a 3—8
„ 12—Birkenhead Park	h33—3	„ 10—Bristol	... a 8—3
„ 14—Aberavon	... a10—0	„ 17—Swansea	... a 9—11
„ 19—Coventry	... a12—6	„ 24—Neath	... h 6—6
„ 21—Leicester	... a12—3	„ 31—Cambridge Un.	a14—9
„ 26—Pontypool	... h21—0	Nov. 3—Northampton	a9—22
„ 30—Penarth	... i12—3	„ 7—Oxford Un.	... h30—0
		„ 14—Newport	... a 5—3

Played 17—Won 13; Lost 3; Drawn 1; Points for 228; Against 89.



