



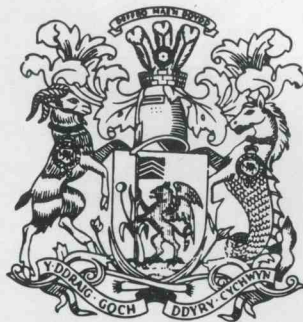
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The Lumley Insurance Fijian Tour

# Cardiff Rugby Club

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## Bula Wales (Croeso I Cymru)

As I sit writing this, the rain is rattling the window panes, the wind is howling, and it is a thoroughly rotten day. A day for being inside the house — where I am at least warm and dry. It is a day that is fairly representative of the worst summer I can remember and certainly not the weather with which to greet our guests from the other side of the world.

Those silver beaches, waving palms and balmy breezes must seem a long way away to the Fijian Tourists, particularly as they are probably training at this very moment, with the SAS on their favourite playground high up in the Brecon Beacons.

Although I am full of admiration for the SAS, and I cannot but admire the determination of the Fijians, my heart bleeds for them.

What a start to a tour. Acclimatising after jet-lag is one thing — but closeting a group of Pacific islanders, with some of the toughest soldiers in the world amongst Wales' most lethal mountains for a long, wet week-end, smacks somewhat of overkill. It's like sending the Howells Girls Choir to a pop festival at Woodstock to brush up on their tonic solfa.

Nevertheless, looking at the bright side of things whatever comes next has to be an improvement. I should imagine that when they got to Cross Keys last Wednesday they thought they were in Shangri La. (Come to think of it, that valley is rather nice anyway).

It is going to be very interesting to see the results of this intriguing experiment. Anything is possible. On the assumption that enough of them survive the week-end to raise a team — will they land at the Arms Park in free-fall parachutes, in camouflaged jerseys, with whitened faces, and proceed to demolish the Cardiff pack with a demonstration of unarmed combat? The mind boggles.

However in reality the Fijians do not need anything but their own rugby ability to hit the Welsh Rugby scene with the impact of a stun grenade. The effect of their last visit was certainly stunning and the memories of that tour give lasting delight to this very day, let me quote David Smith and Gareth Williams in Fields of Praise:—

"the door of a rather stale room was opened now to a South Seas Country who, unexpectedly and wonderfully, blew in like a warming zephyr. The Fijians were bright, they were exuberant and they were entertaining. Above all they ran. They put a lot of joy back into the game. On their final spectacular day and despite losing a man after ten minutes they came back from a 21 point deficit to score thirteen points in twelve minutes. Wales had scored seven tries, the Fijians six in the 28 points to 22 extravaganza."

I remember the game because I was playing, and I recall very well the feeling of mounting panic as the game we thought we had truly sewn-

up started to slip away from us. In fairness you don't expect prop forwards like Walisoliso to score three tries, and neither do you expect a team one man short to come back at you with superb running Rugby from players like Sela Toga, Sogo Sogo, Noucabalavu, and Cavu.

I remember feeling like trying to reason with them, and explain that things like they were doing were not really on. I probably would have too if I could have pronounced somebody's name. You can make what you like out of the names I have quoted — but I guarantee you that your efforts will sound nothing like the correct pronunciation (e.g. Sogo Sogo is pronounced Songa Songa).

Anyway, they were a marvellous team to play against and to watch, and I hope they have retained their flair and joy in running. If so, we are in for a treat.

It seems a strange coincidence that I should be Chairman of the

Cardiff Club, where we are hosts for the first time against a team from Fiji. For many years I went under the nickname of Fiji. I was called many other things by many other people, but to the players in Cardiff I was Dai Fiji.

How I acquired the name was not hard to understand. Probably some pasty-faced Aryan, jealous of my Celtic colouring and jet-black hair (Ah! those were the days) thought it an appropriate tag. I can assure you that after meeting those delightful, song-singing citizens of the South Seas, who brought back some sanity to our game, I was very proud to accept the name.

I am equally proud to welcome their successors today, and I certainly hope that the warmth of our reception and the brightness of our rugby will make up for the bleakness of our weather.

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# The 'Fire Walkers' are sure to make it hot!

By JOHN BILLOT (*Western Mail*)

Sharks fins jutting menacingly from the brilliant blue swell of the South Pacific, leaning coconut palms, mangrove swamps, roaring surf, kava juice, breadfruit, screw pine trees, and those wonderful war canoes breasting the breakers, banks of paddles rippling in faultless unison, rhythmical and precise like a Cardiff training session under the watchful eyes of coaches Roger Beard and Gary Samuel.

Probably that is how quite a few of us think of Fiji. Things have changed, of course, and though the sharks and coconuts are still very much in evidence, war canoes are considered to be more or less out of favour these days, though inter-island rivalry is keen. With more than 300 large islands and close on 800 islets covering one million square miles, there appears plenty of scope for rivalry.

However, there is another dimension to Fiji for those of us who can recall the events of 21 years ago. Then we had real-life Fijians racing about our rugby fields as aggressively as mongooses in their homeland. Who can forget the thrilling manner in which they kept running the ball from everywhere; props as eager as back row forwards to power through, skip past a tackler with a side-step or two or hoist a terrifying up-and-under? Back in 1964 they brought more than just a breath of the exotic South Seas with them to Wales.

They brought Sevaro Walisoliso, a prop who scored three tries against Wales. Not a bad performance for a prop. Jeff Whitefoot never quite made that sort of scoring impact, though Ian Eidman did stomp over to collect the try that brought Cardiff the 1982 Schweppes Cup — the first try Ian had scored for the club.

The Great Council of Chiefs doubtless would recognise the indefatigable efforts of Messrs Eidman and Whitefoot if they were playing in Fiji and reward them suitably. But they would have to get their skates on to keep up with Mr. Walisoliso. Some Fijians are famed for their skill of 'fire walking', which involves treading warily across white hot stones. They should have no trouble with opposing packs after those sort of tricks, although the way some Cardiff backs hop around looking for gaps to slip through, we might be forgiven thinking 'Gary Sam' has been using the hot stones system.

Certainly these popular tourists are aiming to set an extremely warm pace by playing to their strength, which is fast, forceful and constant attack or counter-attack. They love to crash through, spread the ball and keep coming from all parts of the field, overwhelming defences by sheer persistence and volume. Rugby is the national game of Fijians now they have locked up their war canoes in the museums, and we expect a thrilling tussle today.

When Cardiff played their first game against a touring team back in December 1888 and defeated the New Zealand Native Team, or the Maoris as they were called, Norman Biggs scored a try within 90 seconds of the kick-off. That was a remarkable feat considering the match was contested on a wet and heavy ground — and there are so many of us who well recall the old Arms Park gluepots that bogged down runners as if they were struggling through quick-sands.

Hugh 'Sawdust' Hughes, the Cardiff full back, converted the other try which was scored jointly by Sid Nicholls and

W.T. Morgan, fellow forwards who wallowed with enthusiasm in the mud, so the club won by a goal and a try to a try. Nowadays, rugby is full of scores, though sadly too many of them are dreaded penalty goals.

Appropriately, there was a minimum of penalty kicks when Wales and Fiji fought their epic duel at the Arms Park in September 1964. Just one, in fact, kicked by Newport's David Watkins. Otherwise the 50,000 onlookers were dazzled by a total of 50 points and 13 tries before Wales won 28-22. The Fijians had to battle virtually throughout the game with only 14 players because they lost Nalio, their heaviest forward, with a dislocated shoulder after 10 minutes. There were no replacements allowed in those days.

Being 28-9 in arrears was no discouragement to skipper Suliasi Cavu and his men. They never sought to close down play: their only thought was to hit back, pounce on the loose ball and whisk it away and release their runners. Hit back they did with 13 points in the closing 12 minutes. It was all a bit like that nail-biting finish when Japan stormed away to steal 14 points during the closing minutes and all but snatch a victory from Wales in

front of a shocked Arms Park crowd two years ago.

Three years ago it was the Maoris who left Cardiff gasping as they plundered 14 points in the space of five minutes and toppled the club 17-10. So no-one takes such visitors lightly. After all, Fijians might well be Maoris who were long distance swimmers! And just like the Maori names, we have quite a few tongue-twisters with us today.

If they are as dynamic as Sela Toga, Aca Soqosoqo, Jope Naucabalavu, Seru Tuisese and that hat-trick try star Sevaro Walisoliso from 1964, then Welsh rugby is in for another glittering spectacle. But a word of warning — the Fijian sulus, wrap-around skirts, are worn by men and women. So you need to be careful who you chat up from Fiji.

Caerphilly Mountain and the Garth may not impress the tourists in comparison with Joskes Thumb, most famous 'dead' volcano in Fiji. We hope Welsh rugby, however, will impress them and it will take an all-out effort from our visitors if they plan to leave our teams as impotent as Joskes Thumb. Cardiff, for their part, have no intention of playing the role of the extinct volcano.

## Well done the 'Buns' Band!

A tribute to the St. Albans Band —  
65 years of entertainment at the Arms Park

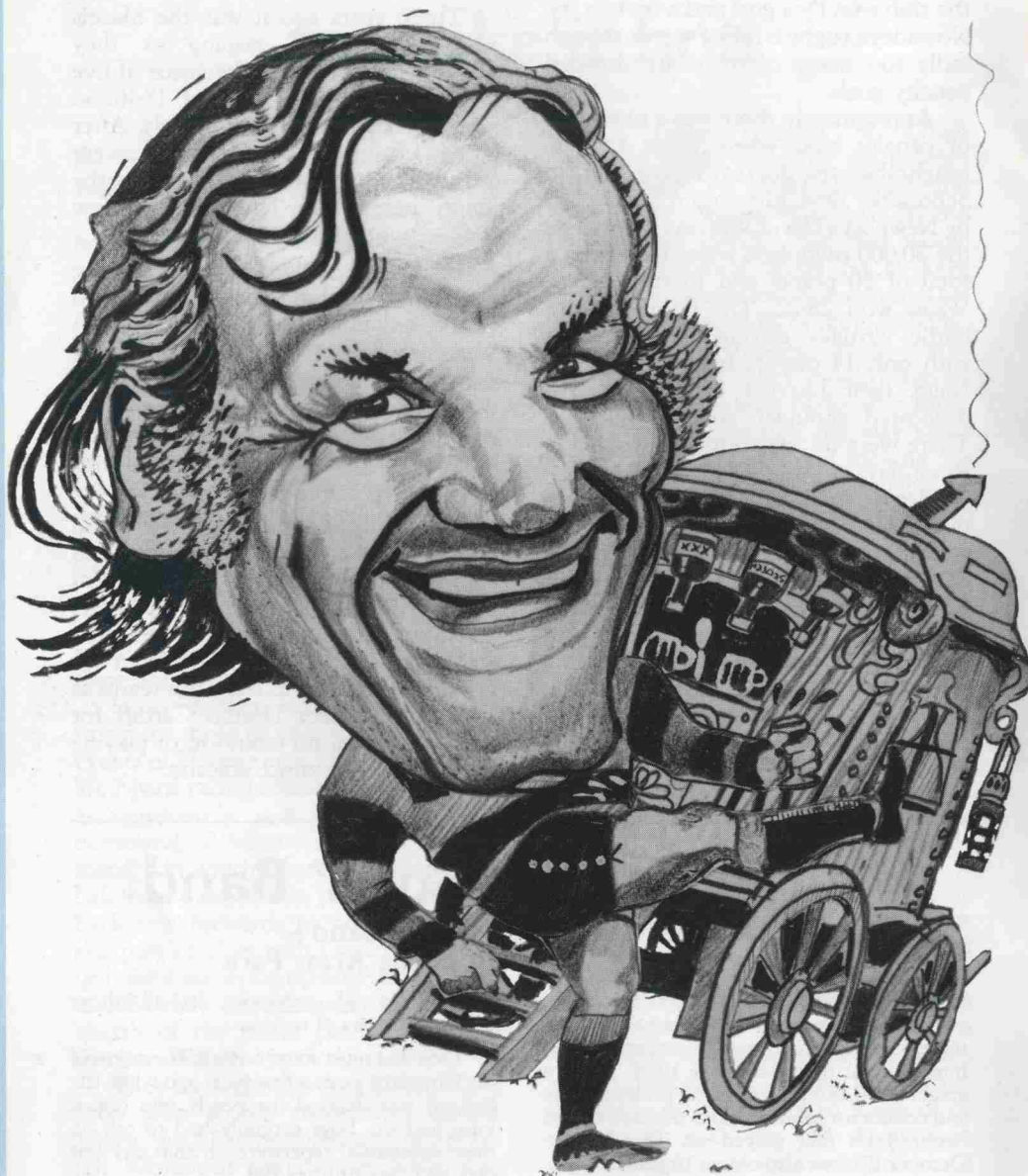
St. Albans Band have now been playing on The Arms Park for club games since 1920, some 65 years. They have also entertained on International occasions since 1958. That's a great record, but the one of the present leader and conductor John Williams perhaps is even better. John first played on The Park in October 1926 as a sparkling 16 year old.

That means of course he is now entering his sixtieth year of 'playing on The Arms Park'. He is master of the clarinet, bassoon and the whole range of brass instruments and I'm sure he must have a

whole host of memories in all those wonderful years of service.

One that must stand out is the occasion of the Coventry game a few years ago when the kick-off was delayed for nearly two hours. John and the boys certainly had to call on their substantial repertoire on that day but play and play on they did.

Let's hope we have very many more harmonious and happy years from them, so well done lads with particular greetings to John Williams going into his sixtieth year.



# QUIDNUNC'S COLUMN

DAVID J. HAYWARD

(Chairman, Cardiff Rugby Club)

DAVID HAYWARD, says a colleague on the Cardiff committee, was born at just the wrong time. "His parents got it slightly astray. If he had been born just few years later, he could well have been one of the greats. As it is, he was merely very, very good — arguably the first of the destructive and constructive flankers." Dai himself must surely agree — if only on the basis that fate brought him into the Welsh side for his first cap on that frozen January day in 1963 when England last won in Cardiff. "I rarely mention the fact in Wales," he writes in David Parry Jones's splendid book *Taff's Acre*, "but in England if I ever want to bring a smile to the faces of my friends, or earn a pint, or merely attract their attention, I tend to introduce it discreetly into the conversation."

This column reverts temporarily to last season's format of a profile in order to introduce for this special match against the exciting Fijians, the chairman of Cardiff Rugby Football Club, Mr. David Hayward, variously known now, previously and topically as Fiji, Gipsy or Sine Dai. The nicknames do have a link. It was, I understand, Alun Priday who coined the name Fiji back in the 60's because of Dai's long, black, curly hair at a time when the Fijians made their first tour and stretched Wales in the September sunshine by 28-22. The name Gipsy was given for similar reasons of hairstyle, coupled with the fact that he was — "nor, indeed, is"

says the colleague — never there when needed. Hence, also, Sine Dai.

David Hayward was born on St. David's Day in 1934 "under the Crumlin viaduct," he has claimed. The cognoscenti of the Gwent Valleys will appreciate that this is crucially north of the Glyn Fault, a geographical subtlety which sorts out the men from the boys. Education followed at Newbridge Grammar School where the young Dai skippered the school team and in the RAF mostly in Scotland — where he played for Musselburgh — as a fighter controller (referees of the past, please note). National Service over, Dai studied Geography and P.E. at Loughborough before starting as a teacher at Cardiff's Radnor Road school.

Round about this time, in 1957, he joined Cardiff and, as a player and committee man, has served the club since except for a few years when he was working in London. At one time he was working as a vacuum cleaner salesman — "always looking superficially immaculate with rolled umbrella and a white collar so stiff that he cut his throat if he turned his head," recalls a friend — when the late Hubert Johnson drove one filthy evening to Dai's home in Newbridge to steer him to a job with Bulmer's. He was to spend many years in the drinks trade before he moved to his current post with Keith Evans, the Bridgend contract furnishers. A man of many parts, he even learned Welsh

to keep up with his Llanelli wife Afis.

As a player he was a character. Not the biggest of men, he is said to have thrown the first punch at the huge South African Hopwood which led to mayhem and considerable press coverage in a bruising international against South Africa; when Newport's Malcolm Thomas complained that Hayward had bitten his finger, Dai counter-complained to the referee that Thomas had put his finger in his mouth. He captained Cardiff in 1962-63 and was certainly unlucky to win only six caps.

Off the field, he appears to be remembered because he is always missing. "Also for the team Christmas pantomimes," recalls another colleague. "He used to script them and if you can imagine Keith Rowlands a Snow White, Howard

Norris as the Fairy Queen and men like Colin Howe, John Price and John O'Shea in the cast of Babes in the Pudding, you might get some ideas as to the fun." Dai himself regrets that such club functions are no longer held. "Scottie could script it," he says, "but perhaps as a team we were a little more sociable then."

The one story that constantly comes up in talking about Dai Hayward, however, concerns a Cornish sheep. Ask him, or any member of a certain Crawshaw's touring side, why police were making inquiries as to the presence of a sheep in a Newquay hotel. And why, simultaneously, Gipsy was beating a hasty retreat at the other end of town. Prepare to laugh for half an hour as he tells the tale. If you can find him that is . . .

## Know The Laws

By J.E. MALCOLM THOMAS

At the W.R.U. Coaches and Referees Conference held, during the summer, in Cardiff, it was decided that if the ball was within "close proximity" of the tackled players on the ground, then the next player to play the ball had to be standing on his feet. 'Close proximity' was defined as an 'arms length' from the players on the ground.

If the ball is more than an arm's length from the tackled players, then other players are allowed to fall on the ball to secure possession.

Present interpretation appears to leave a grey area which involves 'close proximity', 'arm's length', and

**'touching a player on the ground'.** This is already causing referees some concern, and they feel that there should be no discretion regarding distance, time or contact for the next player playing the ball after a tackle. **In our opinion, the next player MUST be on his feet even if the ball has moved some way from a tackle and a new phase of play has developed.**

In the interests of common interpretation this grey area must be removed for **LAW 18(i) on the tackle clearly states that:-**

"Any other player must be on his feet before he can play the ball."

"The  
Grey Area  
of the  
Tackle Law"

## Tall Stories about Touring!

By GERALD DAVIES

"I like very much people telling me about their childhood but they'll have to be quick about it or else I'll be telling them about mine". And Dylan did enjoy telling us about his childhood and to our eternal delight. Rugby players delight in telling everybody, for eternity, about their tours. But they'll have to be quick about it or else they'll be lumbered with Mike Burton telling them about his.

For some it takes an age to recite in great detail of apology or excuse about the ones they missed; others in similar detail about the ones they gloriously survived. You get the feeling, whichever version you hear, that they must be grossly inaccurate and cannot possibly be true like, in fact, most of Dylan's stories. For a while, a long weekend, a week or three months grown men live improbable lives.

Some return home and complain how hard it all was which no-one believes, least of all their wives. Others have enjoyed themselves so much that they knuckle down to some hard thinking about the nature of the lives they have hitherto led. Some flee over the sea. Others for the first time in their lives get down to some serious training in the hope that the selection committee will see fit to choose them for a tour again.

A rugby life is in need of a few surprises — ruckin' and maulin' must have compensations — if it is only to go West on a Cornish tour, the height of luxury once, or as some do, disappear North to Halifax, which is some other kind of luxury, I suppose.

Horrendous tales which, however insane they might appear, are always believed. People laugh a lot, of course, just as they would at a joke which is what it is. Except that it is true, if you see what I mean. And there must be some kind of

law or other which must apply to rugby players on tour, to wit: the dafter the wheeze (meaning jape or prank in this case, not the noise that comes whistling out of any former rugby player's chest), the higher the man's education and more substantial his future prospects.

And what a good sport he is and always has been now that he is, these days, dressed neat and tidy in a sober suit, elevated to area branch manager of a Bank or Building Society. He doesn't mind being reminded of the night he was left stranded, shoeless and trouserless, in Truro or Toronto.

Jack the lad of all Rugby tours is alive and well and is found nowadays dispensing mortgages or conducting market research into how much more lager this country can stand.

And what has all this to do with Fiji playing Cardiff today? Nothing much is the easy, careless answer.

And what stories have I told about touring? Well, none in fact. I am easily interrupted, you see. But before I am, let me just say this. On a June night in 1969 the Welsh team flew into Nandi airport, after a terrible mauling at the hands of a superior New Zealand team (although we won in Australia), and were taken to the Isa Lei Hotel in Suva. And there for the next few days we were given such a welcome, so much sun and singing, that I found that all I had read or perhaps I had heard about the South Seas was true.

For a green young man it was a tempting experience. And I loved it. Rugby players, whatever you may read and hear, often lead charmed lives. For all too brief a time it was not Camborne or Halifax, not Auckland or Pretoria even but a whole different world away. It was Fiji. And who was I, growing up in West Wales, to ever dream of going there. But I did.

# The Lumley Insurance Fijian Tour



## Cardiff

15. P. REES
14. G. CORDLE
13. D. EVANS
12. A. DONOVAN
11. A. HADLEY
10. W.G. DAVIES
9. T.D. HOLMES
1. J. WHITEFOOT
2. A.J. PHILLIPS (Captain)
3. I. EIDMAN
4. H. STONE
5. R. NORSTER
6. R. LAKIN
8. J. SCOTT
7. G. ROBERTS
16. M. RAYER
17. S. CANNON
18. M. CARRINGTON
19. L. O'BRIEN
20. T. SHAW
21. To be announced

Full Back  
Right Wing  
Right Centre  
Left Centre  
Left Wing  
Outside Half  
Inside Half  
Forwards

Replacements



## Fiji

- Epeli TURUVA 15.
- Jimi DAMU 14.
- Peni RAULUNI 13.
- Acura NIUQILA 12.
- Serupepeli TUVULA 11.
- Tevita TUKUNIA 10.
- Paulo NAWALU 9.
- Sairusi NAITUKU 1.
- Epeli RAKAI 2.
- Rusiate NAMORO 3.
- Kali RAKORIO 4.
- Asaeli HUGHES 5.
- Iokimi FINAU 6.
- Esala TELENI (Captain) 8.
- Peceli GALE 7.
- Dusilele BOLA 16.
- Tomasi CAMA 17.
- Jone KUBU 18.
- Belasio VUKIWAI 19.
- Peni VOLAVOLA 20.
- Ifereimi TAWAKE 21.

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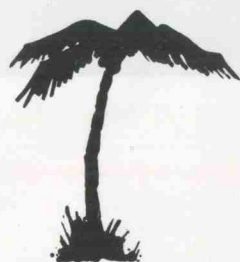


Touch Judges:  
Mr. M.J. BAILEY  
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Senivalati LAULAU  
Mosese NABATI  
Sairusi NAITUKU  
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Belasio VUKIWAI  
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Nadi Rugby Union  
St. John Marist Club  
Waimanu Club  
Nawaka Club  
Kaduva Club  
Rewa Rugby Union  
Lutu Club  
St. John Marist Club  
Nakelo Club  
Gaunavou Club  
Army/Navy Club  
St. John Marist Club  
Nadroga Rugby Union  
Nokonoko Club  
Kadavu Club  
Wailevu Club  
Nadi Rugby Union  
Western Marine Club  
Nawaka Club  
Nadi Rugby Union  
St. John Marist Club

## Fijian Rugby

By PETER NYHAN

Rugby was first played in Fiji around 1884, mostly by Europeans, and local soldiers of the Native Constabulary at Ba on Viti Levu Island. Around the turn of the century press reports began to appear of games played and although most of the players were expatriates a club competition was formed. Two of the earliest clubs on the Island were Civil Service and Constabulary.

In 1907, New Zealander A.C. Holmes, the Wairarapa full back, and three of his countrymen played on Albert Park, Suva and were firmly convinced that Fiji would one day make their mark in the rugby world. The crews of visiting warships were favourite opposition and by 1911 the first regular club in Suva was formed and called Davies.

In 1913 a group of New Zealanders arrived in Suva to build the Grand Pacific Hotel. One of them, a plumber named Paddy Sheehan from Dunedin and a former captain of Otago saw the immediate need to organise the very casual way the game was played on the Island. He formed the Pacific Club which was soon followed by United Services, Cadets and Rewa. These formed the basis of the Fiji R.F.U. although they only played in Suva. Sheehan became its first Chairman and the then Governor of Fiji, Sir Ernest Bickham Sweet-Escott donated the Escott Shield for a club championship. It was first won by the Pacific Club and it is still competed for to this day.

In 1915 the Fiji Native Union was begun and became affiliated to the Fiji R.F.U. Fiji's first overseas tour was

in August 1924 to Tonga. A stop off game in Apia, Samoa was played and the kick off was 7 a.m. in order to allow the Samoan opponents time to get to work afterwards. Not only was the kick off time rather unusual the pitch also provided another talking point with a large tree on the half way line. Fiji played in all black and won by 6-0.

The first visit to the Islands by a touring team was in 1926 when Auckland University arrived. Tonga were soon to follow when Fiji first played in their present strip of white jersey, black palm tree badge and black shorts. By 1928 schools were playing the game but it was 1939 before the Fiji Schools Union was established. The game was rather confined mostly to the Suva-Navsori area. This was due to the fact that almost every available and suitable ground already had a concrete pitch at its centre.

In 1938 the Maoris came to Fiji and in their honour the home side appeared in boots for the first time. There was very much a tendency by the home team players however to remove them during the game and cast them to the touch line. In 1939 they made an eight match tour to New Zealand during which they won 7 and drew 1. This has given them a very unique distinction of being the only side ever to tour New Zealand and come away unbeaten.

The war curtailed activities but games were played in Fiji by the numerous servicemen largely from Australia and New Zealand. The game grew again steadily after the

war and in 1963 the Fiji Rugby Football Union was renamed Fiji Rugby Union and it now administers on 750 clubs and 12,000 players in 300 islands over 100,000 square miles of the Pacific.

With all Fiji successes over the years such as victories over Australia and their triumphs in the Hong Kong Sevens perhaps the victory that gives them the greatest pleasure was the one against Phil Bennett's 1977 British Lions, on their way home from New Zealand, by 25-21. There must have been great celebrations in Suva that day. With their current visit they get a third crack at Wales having lost at Cardiff in 1964 by 28-22 and in 1969 at Suva by 31-11.

Although we have never played Fiji we can lay claim to social ties. On their 1964 tour they stayed in Cardiff and we made the facilities of the Club open house to them. As a mark of appreciation for this gesture they made us a presentation of a Whales' Tooth. The beautifully polished object was regarded by them as a very revered item of their culture and

was presented as the ultimate accolade of recognition. The presentation was made in our Trophy Room in a very moving ceremony. A Fijian Chieftain Ratu Sir Edward Cakobau who was part of their party made us all sit on the floor, cross legged, so we could be near Mother Earth as we were all her children. The handing over formalities took some 20 minutes and on completion some of our elder statesmen who hadn't adopted that particular posture for many a long year took a distinctly long time to get back on their feet. That Whales' Tooth hangs in the Trophy Room to this day. Also exhibited is a beautifully carved bowl presented to us in November 1972 by the then Fijian High Commissioner Josuh Rabukawaga, M.V.O., M.B.E.

It's nice to be able to say we have had some connection with Fiji in the past but today those past foundations will be really strengthened and become another milestone in both ours and Fijian history.

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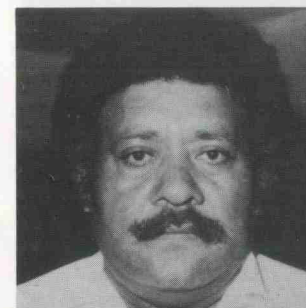
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5	Cross Keys	30	Newport
12	Cardiff		
16	Swansea	November	
19	Ireland XV	2	London Welsh
	(Landsdowne Road)	5	Llanelli
23	Ulster	9	Wales XV (Cardiff)

## Pen Pictures of the 1985 Fijian Tourists

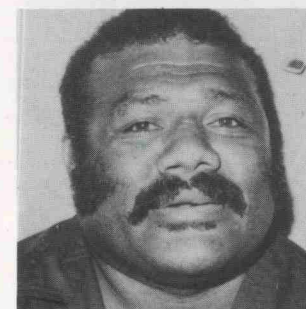
### DR. JOSAIKA TAKA, Manager

Govt. Medical Officer (Consultant Radiologist), Colonial Memorial Hospital, Suva. Former Suva Provincial rep. and Fiji Trialist 1965-68. Managed Rewa Provincial Team 1982-83, Nakelo Club since 1982, and Managed the Fiji Team to the South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament in Western Samoa in June this year.



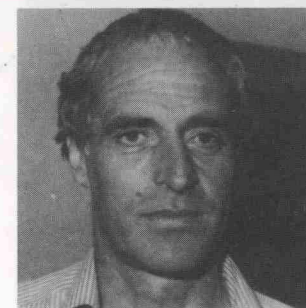
### JOSATEKI SOVAU, Coach

A former Fiji prop who toured England, Wales, U.S.A. and Canada with the Fiji Team in 1970 and played against Australia and the N.Z. Maoris in Fiji in 1972 and 1973 respectively. One of the most successful Provincial Coaches in Fiji today with his team, Nadi, being the holders of the F.R.U. premier Trophy for the past four Seasons. He is also a member of the 3-men Fiji National Selection panel.



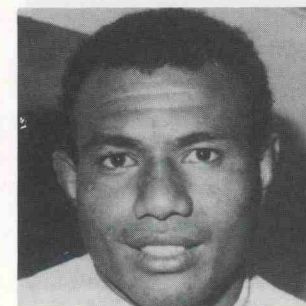
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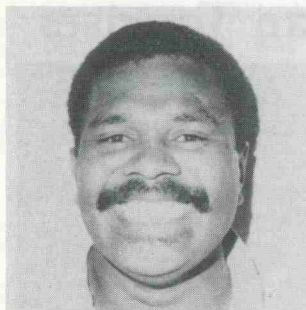
A former Otago University (N.Z.) rep. Coached Matamata College First XV 1967-74 and toured Wales with Matamata College Team 1974-75. Coached Waikato Under-23 Team 1975, and Waikato Provincial Team 1976-84 (holders of N.Z.R.F.U. premier Shield, Renfurly, in 1980 and 1981). A member of the N.Z.R.F.U. Technical Advisory Committee who had been attached to the Fiji Rugby Union as Coaching Technical Adviser since July this year.



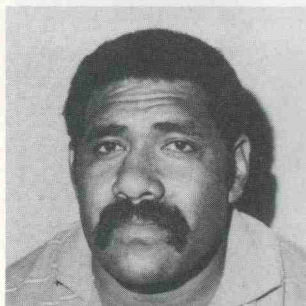
### ESALA TELENI, Captain

No. 8. Age: 27, Height: 5'11", Weight: 15st.3lb. Naval Officer. Army/Navy Club, Suva Rugby Union. Has been a regular member of the Fiji Team since 1982 when he first toured with the team to Western Samoa and to England and Scotland. Captained Fiji against Tonga, and Western Samoa 1983-84, and against Australia 1984. Was also Captain of Fiji Provincial tour of Australia 1984, and of the recent Fiji tour of Australia in July/August this year. A tireless worker who is equally good in both tight and loose play, and is an inspiring leader.

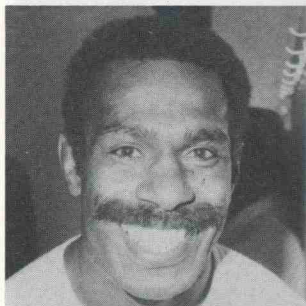




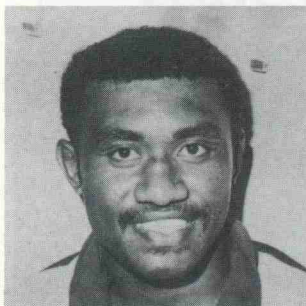
**Sairusi Natiuku**



**Tuimasi Tubananitu**



**Rusiate Namoro**



**Peni Volavola**

#### **SAIRUSI NATIUKU**

Prop. Age: 24, Height: 6'0", Weight: 16st.6lb. Technician. Rewa Rugby Union. Played for Suva Provincial Team 1983, Rewa 1984-85. Fiji Secondary Schools rep. 1980, Fiji Colts Tour of Australia 1982, Fiji President XV against N.Z. All Blacks 1984, Fiji Provincial tour of Australia 1984, and Fiji Tour of Australia 1985 (played in both Tests). A promising prop who is expected to reach his peak during this tour.

#### **TUIMASI TUBANANITU**

Prop. Age: 27, Height: 5'11", Weight: 16st.12lb. Boilmaker. Kadavu Club, Suva Rugby Union. Suva and Rewa Provincial rep. 1977-85. Toured Tonga with Fiji Colts 1976. Played for President XV against British Columbia 1978, and Fiji Under-23 against England 1979. Played for Fiji against Australia, N.Z. All Blacks, and Italy 1980; Western Samoa 1981 and 1983, Tonga 1983, Australia, and N.Z. All Blacks 1984. Toured with Fiji Team to New Zealand and Argentina 1980, Tonga 1981, Western Samoa 1982, England and Scotland 1982, South Pacific Games 1983, Australia 1984 and 1985. A good tight forward who can be difficult to stop when on the move.

#### **RUSIATE NAMORO**

Prop. Age: 29, Height: 5'11", Weight: 14st.12lb. Farmer. Lutu Club, Naitasiri North Rugby Union. Suva and Naitasiri North Provincial rep. 1980-85. Played for Fiji in the South Pacific 3-Nations Tournaments 1982-85 and against Australia, and N.Z. All Blacks, 1984. Toured with Fiji Team to England and Scotland 1982, South Pacific Games 1983, Australia 1984 and 1985. A dedicated player who plays 80-minute rugby.

#### **PENI VOLAVOLA**

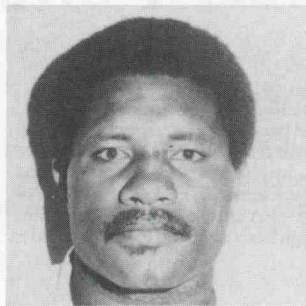
Prop. Age: 22, Height: 6'0", Weight: 16st.11lb. Security Guard. Nawaka Club, Nadi Rugby Union. Played for Navuso Agricultural College (Rewa Rugby Union) 1980-83; Nadi Provincial rep. 1985. A promising young prop who has potential to develop into a top class player in future. New Cap.

#### **EPELI RAKAI**

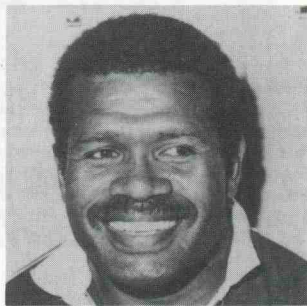
Hooker. Age: 24, Height: 5'10", Weight: 15st.10lb. Fitter. Gaunavou Club, Suva Rugby Union. Suva Provincial rep. 1983-85. Fiji Colts 1982-83, toured Australia 1982. Played for Fiji against Tonga and Western Samoa in the South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament 1983-85, South Pacific Games in 1983, and against Australia in 1984, Toured with Fiji Team to Australia in 1984 and 1985 (played in both Tests). An above average hooker and a hard worker in the tight.

#### **BELASIO VUKIWAI**

Hooker. Age: 28, Height: 5'10", Weight: 15st.3lb. Farmer. Nadi Rugby Union. Suva and Nadi Provincial rep. 1975-85. Fiji Colts tour of Tonga 1976, Fiji President XV against British Columbia 1978, Western XV against Australia, and N.Z. All Blacks 1984. Played for Fiji in the South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament 1985. An experienced Hooker who had been unfortunate to have missed selection for the Fiji Team until this year.



**Epele Rakai**



**Belasio Vukiwai**

#### **PECELI GALE**

Flanker/No. 8. Age: 25, Height: 6'1", Weight: 14st.6lb. Farmer. Nadi Rugby Union. Nadi Provincial rep. 1980-85. Played for Western XV against Australia 1984, and was a reserve for Fiji against N.Z. All Blacks in 1984. Played for Fiji in the South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament in Western Samoa, and toured Australia in 1985. Plays equally well at No. 8 or on the Flank. Fast in the loose, runs well with the ball, and tackles hard.

#### **IOKIMI FINAU**

Flanker. Age: 29, Height: 6'1", Weight: 14st.6lb. Airport Employee. St. Mary's Club, Nadi Rugby Union. Nadi Provincial rep. 1979-85. Played for Fiji in the South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament 1982-85; South Pacific Games 1983, against the N.Z. All Blacks 1984 and was a Fiji reserve against Australia also in 1984. Toured Australia with the Fiji Team in 1984 and 1985. Very fast in the loose and a solid tackler.

#### **ALIPOSO WAQAILITI**

Flanker. Age: 27, Height: 6'2", Weight: 14st.6lb. School Teacher. St. John/Marist Club, Suva Rugby Union. Suva Provincial rep. 1980-85. Played for Fiji in the South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament 1982-83, and against Sydney, Auckland, and Queensland in 1983. Played for Eastern XV against Australia 1984, and for Eastern XV and President XV against the N.Z. All Blacks also in 1984. Toured Australia with Fiji Team 1985. Fiji Sevens Team to Hong Kong Tournament 1981-85. A hard worker both in tight and loose play.

#### **IFEREIMI TAWAKE**

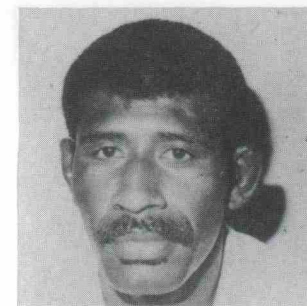
Flanker. Age: 22, Height: 6'4", Weight: 15st.0lb. Farmer. Nokonoko Club, Nadroga Rugby Union. Nadroga Provincial rep. 1982-85. Played for Fiji Colts against Tonga 1984, Western XV against the N.Z. All Blacks 1984, Fiji Rugby Union Executive XV against Fiji 1985. Fast in the loose and a good line-out jumper. Has the potential to develop into a good loose forward. New Cap.

#### **KOLI RAKOROI**

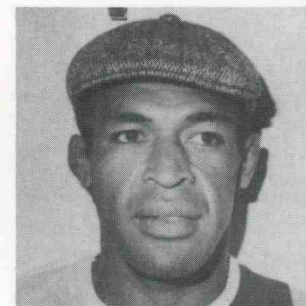
Lock. Age: 29, Height: 6'5", Weight: 15st.10lb. Naval Officer. Army/Navy Club, Suva Rugby Union. Suva Provincial rep. 1980-85. Played for Fiji in the South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament 1983, played against Australia in 1984 and toured Australia in 1985. A good line-out jumper and a hard worker in the tight.

#### **ILAITIA SAVAI**

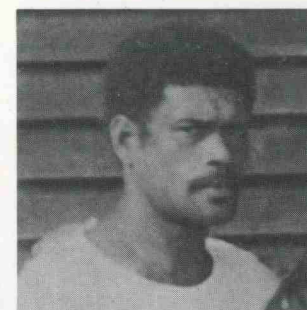
Lock. Age: 24, Height: 6'4", Weight: 15st.10lb. Hotel Employee. Nadroga Rugby Union. Nadroga Provincial rep. 1983-85. Fiji Colts 1982. Played for Fiji in the South Pacific 3-nations Tournament 1984-85, for Western XV against Australia 1984, for Fiji against the N.Z. All Blacks also in 1984, and toured Australia with Fiji Team in 1985.



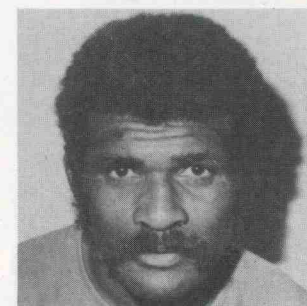
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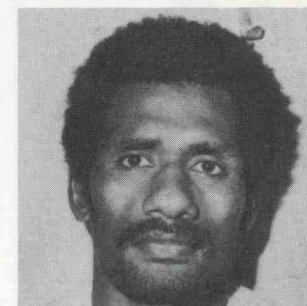
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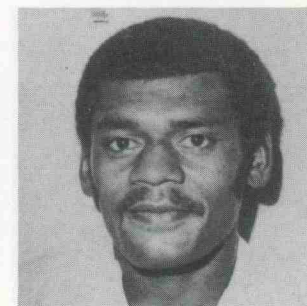
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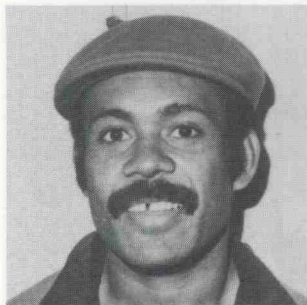
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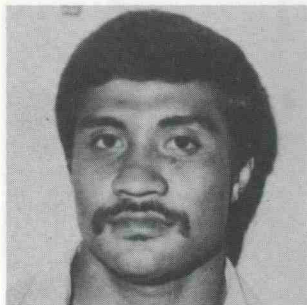
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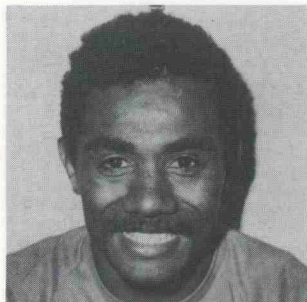
**Asaeli Hughes**



**Paulo Nawalu**



**Dusilele Bola**



**Acura Niuqila**

#### **ASAELI PATRICK TURAGA HUGHES**

Lock. Age: 22, Height: 6'4", Weight: 15st.7lb. Graphic Artist. St. John/Marist Club, Suva Rugby Union. Suva Provincial rep. 1983-85. Played for Eastern XV against the N.Z. All Blacks in 1984. Won his first cap during this year's South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament and toured Australia with the Fiji Team in July/August. Has the potential and the dedication to become a top lock in future years.

#### **PAULO NAWALU**

Scrum Half. Age: 25, Height: 5'9", Weight: 10st. 6lb. School Teacher. St. John/Marist Club, Suva Rugby Union. Suva Provincial rep. 1981-85. Played for Fiji in the South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament 1983-85, South Pacific Games 1983, against Australia and the N.Z. All Blacks 1984, and toured Australia 1984 and 1985. Played in the Fiji Sevens Team in the Hong Kong Tournament 1984-85. A steady player with a keen eye for the gaps.

#### **DUSILELE BOLA**

Scrum Half. Age: 23, Height: 5'6", Weight: 12st.0lb. Civil Servant. Gaunavou Club, Suva Rugby Union. Suva Provincial rep. 1983-85. Fiji Colts 1982-83, toured Australia 1982. Played for Fiji in South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament 1983-84, South Pacific Games 1983, reserve against Australia 1984, replacement for Nawalu in Fiji/All Blacks match 1984, toured Australia 1984. A good distributor of the ball from the base of the scrum.

#### **ACURA NIUQILA**

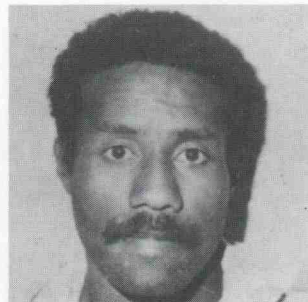
Fly Half. Age: 24, Height: 5'7", Weight: 11st.4lb. Technician. Nakelo Club, Rewa Rugby Union. Rewa Provincial rep. 1982-85. Played for Fiji in the South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament 1983-85, South Pacific Games 1983, against Australia and the N.Z. All Blacks 1984, and toured Australia in 1984 and 1985. An excellent link in the backline, very steady, a strong runner with good side-steps, and a solid tackler.

#### **JONE KUBU**

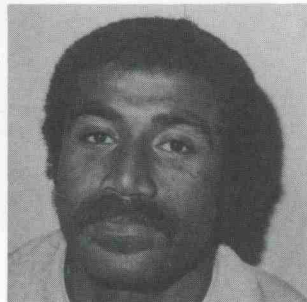
Utility Back. Age: 25, Height: 5'8", Weight: 12st.0lb. Farmer. Waimanu Club, Rewa Rugby Union. Naitasiri North Provincial rep. 1982-83, Rewa 1984-85. Played for Eastern XV against the N.Z. All Blacks 1984. Plays equally well at Fly Half, Inside Centre and Full-Back. Good in attack and defence. A reliable goal kicker. New Cap.

#### **TOMASI CAMA**

Inside/Outside Centre. Age: 24, Height: 5'11", Weight: 13st. 3lb. Hotel Employee. Nabua Rugby Club, Suva Rugby Union. Suva Provincial rep. 1984-85. Toured Australia with Fiji Team this year. A hard worker and a strong runner, good in attack and sound in defence.



**Jone Kubu**



**Tomasi Cama**

#### **PENI RAULUNI**

Outside Centre. Age: 24, Height: 6'0", Weight: 12st.10lb. Draughtsman. St. John/Marist Club, Suva Rugby Union and Redstar Club, Wairarapa/Bush Rugby Union (N.Z.). Suva Provincial rep. 1982-84, Wairarapa/Bush 1985. Played for President XV against N.Z. All Blacks 1984, and for Fiji in the South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament. Fiji Sevens Team 1984. Dangerous in attack with his quick side-steps and slicing run, and sound in defence.

#### **SENIVALATI LAULAU**

Wing. Age: 30, Height: 5'11", Weight: 13st.5lb. Bank Officer. Nawaka Club, Nadi Rugby Union. Nadi Provincial rep. 1978-85. Played for Fiji against Australia, N.Z. All Blacks, and Italy in 1980, Western Samoa 1981, Australia, N.Z. All Blacks, and Tonga 1984, South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament 1982-85, and South Pacific Games 1983. Toured with Fiji Team to New Zealand and Argentina 1980, Tonga 1981, Western Samoa 1982, England and Scotland 1982, Australia 1984 and 1985. Played for a World Invitation XV against Australia in 1981, and for the N.Z. Barbarians in Australia and New Zealand early this year. Fiji Sevens Team to Hong Kong Tournament 1979-85. The most experienced player in the side.

#### **JIMI DAMU**

Wing. Age: 23, Height: 5'10", Weight: 13st.2lb. Bank Officer. St. John/Marist Club, Suva Rugby Union and Grammar Old Boys Club, Auckland Rugby Union. Played for Wellington Colts 1983; Auckland B 1984-85, Auckland Provincial A Team 1985. (Has played most of his rugby in New Zealand where his father is Fiji's Consul). New Cap.

#### **MOSESE NABATI**

Wing. Age: 24, Height: 5'8", Weight: 12st.3lb. Insurance Clerk. Kadavu Club, Suva Rugby Union. Suva Provincial rep. 1983-85. Played for Fiji Juniors against Auckland 1983, for President XV against N.Z. All Blacks 1984, for Fiji against Tonga in the South Pacific 3-Nations Tournament 1985. Toured Australia with Fiji Team and played in both Tests 1985. A fast runner.

#### **SERUPEPELI TUVULA**

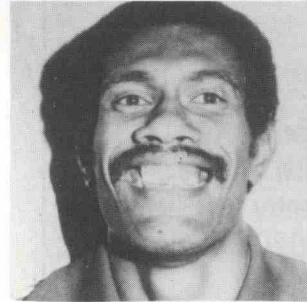
Wing. Age: 22, Height: 5'10", Weight: 13st.0lb. Airport Employee. Western Marine Club, Nadi Rugby Union. Nadi Provincial rep. 1983-85. Fiji Colts tour of Australia 1982, Fiji Colts against Auckland 1983, Western XV against Australia, and N.Z. All Blacks 1984, President XV against N.Z. All Blacks 1984. Toured Australia with Fiji Team 1985.

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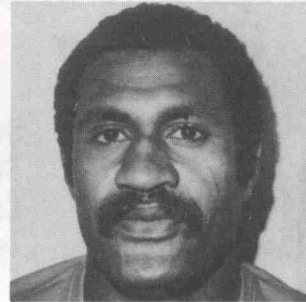
Fly Half/Full Back. Age: 24, Height: 5'5", Weight: 10st.4lb. Farmer. Wailevu Club, Labasa R.U. Labasa Provincial rep. and Soccer rep. 1980-85. Played for Northern XV against Tonga 1984, and for Fiji, also against Tonga in 1984. Kicks with either foot and steady under pressure.

#### **EPELI TURUVA**

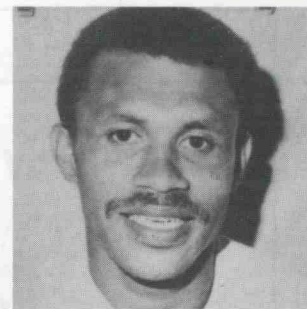
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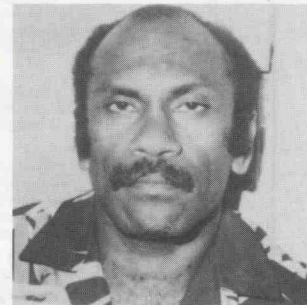
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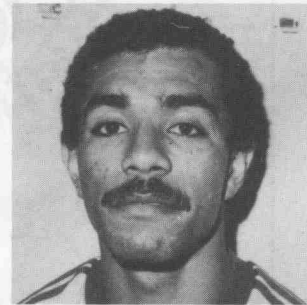
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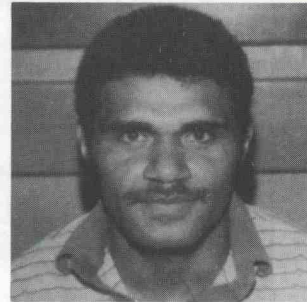
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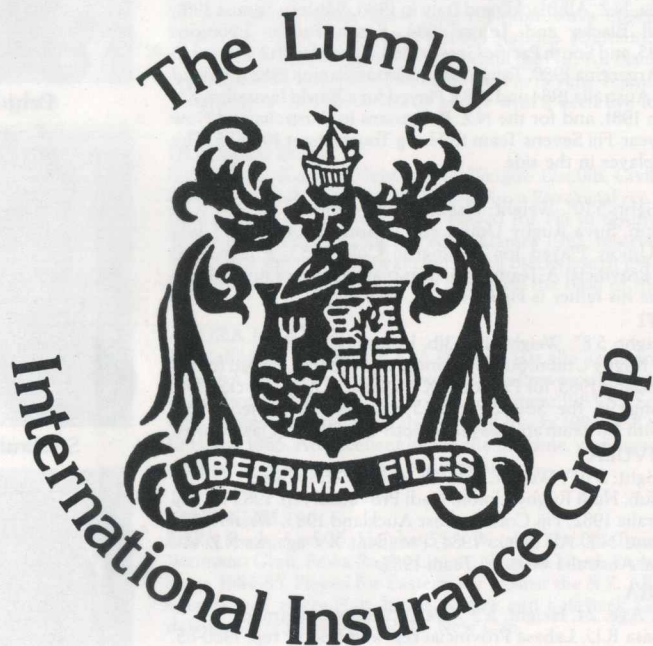


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# Cardiff Rugby Club 1985-86

## FIRST XV FIXTURES

<b>1985</b>			<b>DECEMBER</b>		
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			Sat. 7	Swansea	H.....
Mon. 2	Cross Keys	A 32-11	Sat. 14	London Welsh	H.....
Wed. 4	Glamorgan Wanderers	A 27-10	Sat. 21	W.R.U. Cup 2nd Round	
Sat. 7	Bangor	A 15-3	Thur. 26	Pontypridd	H.....
Wed. 11	Bristol	H 28-0	Sat. 28	Bridgend	A.....
Sat. 14	Neath	H 30-27	<b>1986</b>		
Wed. 18	Penarth	A 37-6	<b>JANUARY</b>		
Sat. 21	Coventry	A 20-13	Wed. 1	Bath	H.....
Sat. 28	Aberavon	H 24-14	Sat. 4	Moseley	A.....
<b>OCTOBER</b>			Sat. 11	Aberavon	A.....
Wed. 2	Pontypridd	A 32-6	Sat. 18	London Welsh	A.....
Sat. 5	Newport	A 13-7	Sat. 25	W.R.U. Cup 3rd Round	
Wed. 9	Bridgend	H.....	<b>FEBRUARY</b>		
Sat. 12	Fijis	H.....	Sat. 8	Bristol	A.....
Wed. 16	Pontypool	A.....	Sat. 22	W.R.U. Cup 4th Round	
Sat. 19	Wasps	H.....	Wed. 26	South Glam. Institute	H.....
Wed. 23	Bath	A.....	<b>MARCH</b>		
Sat. 26	Harlequins	A.....	Wed. 5	Llanelli	H.....
Wed. 30	Newbridge	H.....	Sat. 8	Pontypool	H.....
<b>NOVEMBER</b>			Sat. 15	Ebbw Vale	A.....
Sat. 2	Leicester	A.....	Sat. 22	Newport (S-Final Sch.)	H.....
Wed. 6	Oxford University	H.....	Sat. 29	Barbarians	H.....
Fri. 8	Ebbw Vale	H.....	<b>APRIL</b>		
Sat. 16	W.R.U. Cup 1st Round		Sat. 5	Bedford	H.....
Sat. 23	Llanelli	A.....	Sat. 12	Swansea	A.....
Wed. 27	Maesteg	H.....	Sat. 19	Neath	A.....
Sat. 30	South Wales Police	H.....	Sat. 26	W.R.U. Cup Final	

## ATHLETIC XV FIXTURES

<b>1985</b>			Sat. 21	Neath Athletic	A.....
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			Sat. 28	Bridgend Sports	H.....
Wed. 4	Bedwas	H 9-0	<b>1986</b>		
Sat. 7	Neath Athletic	H 44-10	<b>JANUARY</b>		
Wed. 11	Bristol United	A 0-9	Sat. 4	Moseley United	H.....
Sat. 14	Bath United	A 17-22	Sat. 11	Bridgend Sports	A.....
Wed. 18	Llandaff	H 16-0	Sat. 25	Llanharen	H.....
Sat. 21	Coventry Extras	H 7-10	<b>FEBRUARY</b>		
Wed. 25	Old Illtydians	A 25-7	Sat. 8	Bristol United	H.....
Sat. 28	Pontypool United	A 47-3	Sat. 15	Barry	A.....
<b>OCTOBER</b>			Wed. 19	Pontypool United	H.....
Wed. 2	Cardiff & District	H 42-6	Sat. 22	St. Peters	H.....
Sat. 5	Newport United	H 46-21	Fri. 28	Bryncoch	H.....
Wed. 16	Pontypool Athletic	H.....	<b>MARCH</b>		
Sat. 19	Rumney	A.....	Wed. 5	Abercynon	A.....
Wed. 23	Pyle	H.....	Sat. 8	Pontypool Athletic	A.....
Wed. 30	Pontypridd Athletic	A.....	Sat. 15	Ebbw Vale Athletic	H.....
<b>NOVEMBER</b>			Wed. 19	Pontypridd Athletic	H.....
Sat. 2	Leicester Extras	H.....	Sat. 22	Newport United	A.....
Wed. 6	Newport Saracens	A.....	Wed. 26	Maesteg Celtic	A.....
Fri. 8	Ebbw Vale Athletic	A.....	<b>APRIL</b>		
Sat. 16	Caerleon	A.....	Sat. 5	Blackwood	A.....
Wed. 23	Abercarn	H.....	Wed. 9	Bedwas	A.....
Sat. 30	Berry Hill	A.....	Sat. 12	Swansea Athletic	H.....
<b>DECEMBER</b>			Tues. 15	Resolven	A.....
Sat. 7	Swansea Athletic	A.....	Sat. 19	Talywain	H.....
			Wed. 30	Cardiff H.S.O.B.	A.....



## SCHWEPPE'S CUP SQUAD 1984-85

*Back Row:* (left to right): C. Collins, J. Souto, A. Hadley, C. Webber, P. Rees, K. Edwards, R. Norster, M. Carrington, G. Roberts, R. Lakin, I. Eidman.

*Front Row:* O. Golding, A. Donovan, G. Cordle, W.G. Davies, T.G. Holmes (Captain), A. Phillips, J. Whitefoot, S. Cannon, D. Evans.

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