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Cardiff Rugby Club Youth Section kicks off its 50th season with a match of celebration. In the pages following, some of the more memorable moments and names are recalled from those years

JUBILEE WELCOME TO THE ARMS PARK

. . . from Jim O'Donnell, Chairman, Cardiff Rugby Football Club Youth Committee



ON BEHALF of Cardiff Rugby Football Club, I extend a warm welcome tonight to the Welsh Youth President's XV as we start our fiftieth season in Youth rugby.

Cardiff were one of the first clubs to set up a Youth section following the formation of the Welsh Youth Rugby Union in 1949. Since then, the club has fielded a team every season.

The links between the Cardiff Club and the Youth Union have always been close and, indeed, on page 17 of this programme will be found details of all the Cardiff players who have been honoured with Youth caps, some as the prelude to full international careers to come.

The example to which present players could aspire is Terry Holmes, the present Cardiff senior coach. Terry was capped in each of the three seasons he played Youth rugby before going on to achieve senior and British Lions international honours.

My thanks to the Welsh Youth President, Dewi Davies, Chairman John Llewellyn, Secretary Morris Davies and their committee for agreeing to field a President's XV against a Cardiff Youth side to start the Jubilee season off on the right foot.

To them all, we extend a warm welcome to the Cardiff club in the certain knowledge that in the boys who play tonight the spectators can be assured that they will see a game worthy of the occasion and one where the stars of tomorrow will be on view.

Finally, my thanks to all our friends, supporters, sponsors and advertisers and I wish them all an enjoyable evening.

Jim O'Donnell,
Chairman,
Cardiff Youth Committee

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. . . and from John Llewellyn, Chairman, Welsh Youth Rugby Union



IT IS a great pleasure for me to welcome you all to this game which helps Cardiff Juniors launch their fiftieth season. Back in 1949, Cardiff were one of the few senior clubs who recognised the value of setting up the Welsh Youth Union. Indeed, the first chairman was the great W "Billy" Cleaver.

I am sure that we will witness a fine game tonight as the Cardiff team are renowned for their exciting brand of flowing rugby. Their record in Youth rugby is first class, supplying many internationals and players for the District team while also winning the Youth Cup on six occasions and being runners-up twice.

In addition, numerous products have moved up into the senior side with great distinction.

The success of any club depends greatly on the back-up staff who keep the wheels running smoothly. In this respect Cardiff have been very fortunate. Evan Thomas, Gary Davies, John Davies, Mike Ryan and Jim O'Donnell come readily to mind.

Congratulations to the club on their 50 years of unbroken service to the Youth rugby cause. I am sure that as long as the Youth Union is in existence, Cardiff Juniors will be an integral part of it.

John Llewellyn,
Chairman,
Welsh Youth Rugby Union



John Llewellyn with the WYRU Cup winning captain last season after Newport – John's club, incidentally – had beaten Cardiff in the final.

TEAM THAT NEARLY MADE IT ...



Last season's Cardiff Youth team won through to the final of the WYRU Cup only to be beaten by Newport at the Gnoll, Neath



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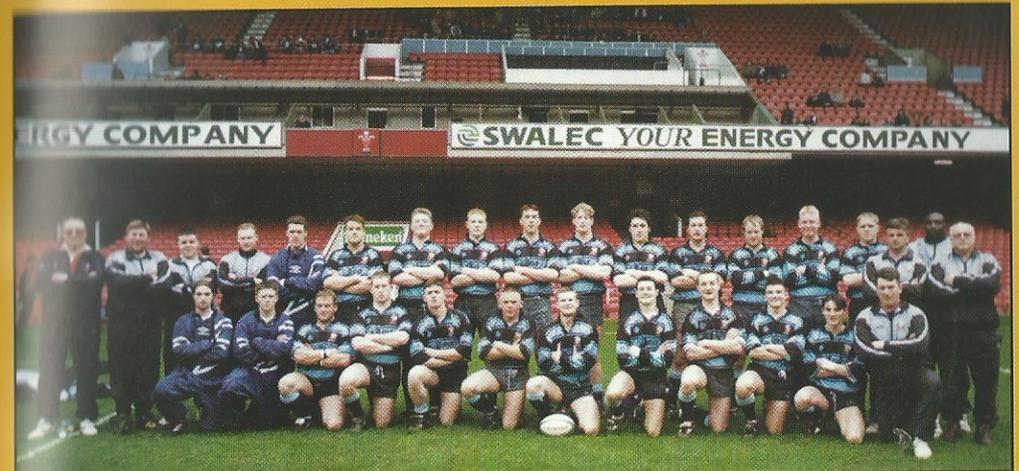
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AND AN UNBEATEN SIDE THAT DID



The Cardiff Cup winning squad at the National Stadium on April 5th 1995 before the final when they beat Pontypool Youth 42-3. The team were unbeaten throughout the season.



Welsh Youth President Ken Jones presenting the Welsh Youth Challenge Cup to Cardiff captain Gafyn Cooper.

IN THE BEGINNING . . .

Mike Ryan traces the story of Youth rugby in Cardiff

“The Welsh Rugby Union, in a five-point plan to further interest in the amateur code, appealed to the senior clubs to establish junior and youth teams and asked them to send Missionary teams to smaller clubs”

(Cardiff Rugby Club History and Statistics, 1876-1975 by D E (Danny) Davies)

THE YOUTH Union was set up by the WRU and formally constituted at a general meeting at Neath on May 11, 1949. The aim was to foster the game for youths under 18 not in secondary, grammar or public schools.

The book, "Cardiff Rugby Club, History and Statistics 1876-1975," by the late Danny Davies, refers to this time as the third era of the Cardiff Club's Youth Rugby. The first was recorded as "efforts to develop Youth Rugby Football" as long ago as January 1897. The club put up "The Cardiff Junior Rugby Football Challenge Cup" for boys under 17 years of age.



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BEATEN ONLY ONCE

IN THE first season, 1949-50, about 40 youths applied for trials with Cardiff Youth and it was soon realised that it would be possible to select a very good side. Coached by past and present members of the senior XV, with Peter Owen as captain and Jim Walsh of St Illtyd's, a schoolboy international, as vice-captain, they lost just the one match to Cardiff High School Old Boys (or Cardiff High School as recorded in the report of the first year). The full record was Played 21, Won 17, Drawn 3.

The side adopted the open type of play made famous by the senior team and many matches were won by big margins as the 497-52 season's overall points record suggests.

Some matches were played as curtain-raisers to the senior matches with other home games being played in Heath Park or at Blackwell.

The Cardiff club felt that it had made a valuable contribution to rugby in the city as it ensured a flow of well-coached players into its senior sides but also trained players who would be assets to other sides in the District.



Cardiff Youth XV, Season 1949-50

Back Row: A. Ashton, J. B. Crawley, J. M. Trafford, W. R. Speake, M. Harding, A. C. Trask.

Second Row: A. T. Thomas, T. Donovan, B. Walsh, B. G. Harris, M. V. Harris, J. Simon, G. G. Thorburn, G. Halpern, H. Johnson, L. J. Jones.

Front Row: J. Mahoney, J. Walsh, Peter Owen (captain), Ll. Williams, B. Mapstone.

This appears to have been run as a competition for junior sides from Cardiff but when it was discovered that the competition clashed with those organised by Cardiff and District Rugby Union, management was handed over to the District in 1902.

A second attempt occurred just after the First World War when the Cardiff and District Supporters Club, which produced an "excellent programme for the senior body's players," organised and ran an ex-schoolboys team with the approval of the club. This team ran into the middle 1930s.

The Youth team was formed and the opening match was played on Cardiff Arms Park on September 24, 1949, between Cardiff Juniors and Cathays High School. The record shows that the team that day was:

J Mahoney, E W A Crawley, J Brown, Bryn Mapstone, W Speake, J Walsh, Lloyd Williams, M Harding, T Donovan, Joe Erskine, Peter Owen (captain), B Harris, B Walsh, R Jones and M Harries.

Colin Hewitt and Geoff Thorburn (captain), both of whom went on to represent the Cardiff senior side, played for Cathays High School in that first game.

Two names are particularly familiar from the Cardiff team: Lloyd Williams, the first of no fewer than four of the famous Taffs Well family to play for Cardiff Youth, and Joe Erskine, who later gained international fame as British and European

heavyweight boxing champion.

W B Cleaver (Cardiff, Wales and British Lions) was the first Honorary Chairman of the Welsh Youth Rugby Union, a position he held until 1958, and Ewan Davies (Cardiff and Wales) was for some years its President.

The first captain of the Cardiff Juniors was Peter Owen from Monmouth School while ten players represented Cardiff and District Youth.

The winner of the race to be the first Cardiff player to win a Welsh Youth Cap was Derek Murphy who was in the Welsh side for the first Youth International on March 3, 1952, against France at Cardiff. Lloyd Williams was the second, some three weeks later, when he was capped against Munster at Cork on March 26. He also played the following season against France, a match in which Bryn Mapstone was also capped along with Billy Boston.

In the first year's report, there is a reference to Bryn Mapstone having been capped that season (1949/50) but Welsh Youth records seem to show that the first Youth international was that against France.

The Youth section had been established with Hubert Johnson as its first chairman. Other members of the first sub-committee were Duncan Brown and A T Thomas. The secretary of the Cardiff

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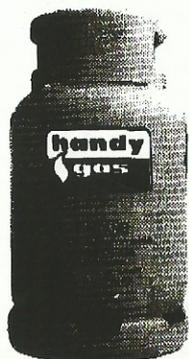
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Lloyd Williams does battle with Springbok scrum-half Richard Lockyear during a violent Cardiff-South Africa battle of 1960 which the tourists won 13-0. Lloyd, the second person to be capped after playing for Cardiff Youth, captained both club and country.

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Schools Union, Viv Phelps, and a colleague of his on that body, Les Jones, were co-opted on to the committee.

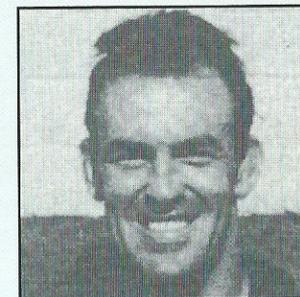
The Youth have since gone from strength to strength. They are still run by a committee – under chairman Jim O'Donnell – which consists of three Youth team "Old Boys" in Colin Davies, Neil O'Donnell, the fixtures secretary, and Howard Stone, the team's senior coach.

On page 17 the list of players who have won Welsh Youth honours since the inception of the Welsh Youth Union is recorded but it is perhaps pertinent to note that there is only one player who gained all his Youth caps from Cardiff, all his senior caps from Cardiff, played for the British Lions as a Cardiff player and is now Cardiff coach: Terry Holmes.

Gary Protheroe, who also played for Welsh Youth, Wales and British Lions, won only his Youth cap while playing for Cardiff.

In terms of the Welsh Youth National Knock-out Cup Competition, Cardiff won the trophy when it was the Esso Cup on six occasions and once more after it was re-named. They have finished runners-up on three occasions, the last time in April of this year.

The formidable fixture list arranged in 1949 still continues this time round (see page 18) as we complete our fiftieth season. In the place of local and district High Schools, too few of whom



Howard Stone: a loyal clubman through and through. Started with Cardiff Youth, won a Wales A cap, stayed with Cardiff to the end. Now senior coach with the Youth team.

play rugby now at this age group, there now appear fixtures against major Welsh Youth and English Colts teams and the two traditional fixtures.

These are the Boxing Day match against the "augmented" Llandaff side and the Easter Saturday game with Crawshays' Welsh Youth.

On top of this, of course, we are fortunate in having been granted a game against the Welsh Youth President's XV this evening to set our 50th season under way.

CARDIFF YOUTH

(Cambridge blue and black hoops, black shorts)

15. Chris ANDERSON/Rob PRICE

14. David BROWN

13. Owain ASHMAN/Scott HEADINGTON

12. Rhodri WILLIAMS/James ROBINSON

11. Karl REES

10. Gethin WORGAN/Matthew MAUNDER

9. Kerry McDONALD/D. POWELL/Andy HOWARD

1. David PATTISON/Sam McDONAGH

2. Saul NELSON/Euan POWELL

3. Greg WOODS/Marc TROAKE

4. Jason SIMPSON/George MUSTOE

5. Darryl GRIFFITHS/James GOODALL

6. Jason SIMPSON/Joe BARNES

7. Phil WHEELER

8. Dan McSHANE

REPLACEMENTS

from the above

Full Back

Right Wing

Right Centre

Left Centre

Left Wing

Outside Half

Scrum Half

Prop

Hooker

Prop

Lock

Lock

Flanker

Flanker

No.8

REFEREE

Mr. Geoff Williams

TOUCH JUDGES

Mr. D. Crookes & Mr. S. O'Reilly

WELSH YOUTH PRESIDENT'S XV

(Green jerseys, white shorts, Club socks)

15. Rhys POTTER*

(Abercarn)

14. Richard JOHNSON

(Neath Colts)

13. John BOWD*

(Abertillery) (Captain)

12. Rhys WILLIAMS

(Cowbridge)

11. Mark JONES*

(Llandovery)

10. Luc RICHARDS

(Neath Colts)

9. Andrew WILLIAMS*

(Dunvant)

1. Robert MILLS*

(Builth Wells)

2. Michael DIXON*

(Pencoed)

3. Tom SNELGROVE*

(Pencoed)

4. Ryan JONES*

(Risca)

5. Adam JONES

(Swansea) (Vice Captain)

6. Alix POPHAM*

(Newport)

7. Stephen TANDY

(Tonmawr)

8. Michael OWEN

(Pontypridd)

REPLACEMENTS

16, Mark DAVIES (Neath Colts); 17, Peter BURRIDGE* (Pontypridd);
18, Chris KINSEY (Cross Keys); 19, Kevin LEWIS (Abercarn);
20, Ian JONES (Pontypridd); 21, James BATER (Bridgend);
22, Tyrone MORRIS* (Abercarn)

* = Youth International

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IT WASN'T ALL MILK AND HONEY

THE FIRST Welsh Youth international was played at Cardiff Arms Park on what is now – or, more accurately, was in view of the building of the Millennium Stadium – the National Ground.

It was at that time the Cardiff club ground when, on March 3, 1951, French Youth were the visitors.

Competing on the ground alongside (which is now the Cardiff club ground but was then the Glamorgan County Cricket Ground) was a hockey international.

There was concern among the officials of the Welsh Youth Union even then about the health of its financial situation. The chairman of the Welsh Youth Union, Mr W B Cleaver, was reported in the Western Mail of March 1 just before the game as saying,

"The whole future of the Welsh Youth Rugby Union may depend on the measure of support given to Saturday's international youth match between Wales and France."

The report went on to say that while ticket sales were going steadily, the minimum figure aimed at by the Union was £500. The Lord Mayor was to kick off at 3pm.

There was yet another counter attraction. Cardiff were playing Newport that day at Rodney Parade.

The South Wales Echo of the same date reported: "Two sporting bodies are hoping that their international games on Saturday will relieve

their financial worries.

"The Mecca for supporters of their event will be Cardiff Arms Park.

"On the rugby pitch the Welsh Youth Rugby Union stage a match with French Youth and Welsh officials have as good as said that if this venture does not prove a financial success, the union may well fold up..."

Despite the counter attraction at Newport where, incidentally, the teams drew 3-3, the Western Mail sent that doyen of rugby writers, J B G Thomas, to the Arms Park to report on the Youth game.

On March 5, he reported that "a lack of cohesion behind the scrum robbed the Welsh Youth XV of a convincing win over their French counterparts at Cardiff Arms Park."

Wales lost 5-0.

Disaster was, however, averted. The South Wales Echo of March 22 printed an article about a committee meeting of the Welsh Youth Rugby Union under the chairmanship of Mr W B Cleaver.

"Reporting on the recent international game with the French Youth, the Secretary, Hermas Evans, said that the full financial details were not yet available but, at the moment, there was a net profit of £620."

"Thus," continued the report, "it appears that the Welsh Youth have reached their financial goal and, for the moment at any rate, are free from worry on that score."

DID YOU KNOW?

IN SEASON 1966-67, when no Cardiff Youth player was awarded an international cap, there were some interesting newcomers to the Cardiff 1st XV.

Dennis Gethin, the Cambridge University full-back blue who is now secretary of the Welsh Rugby Union, D J "Bill" Carling, a Welch (yes, it is spelt that way) Regiment officer, rugged prop and father of Will, former England captain and a man the Welsh loved to hate, and Gareth Edwards all joined the club.

Gareth's two sons, incidentally, did something that eluded their father. They both played for Cardiff Youth, Rhys being a member of the 1994/95 unbeaten side.

Season 1968/69 saw two innovations as far as the Youth team were concerned. Firstly, there was introduced a "colours" award after 20 appearances for the team and there was a Youth Player of the Year award.

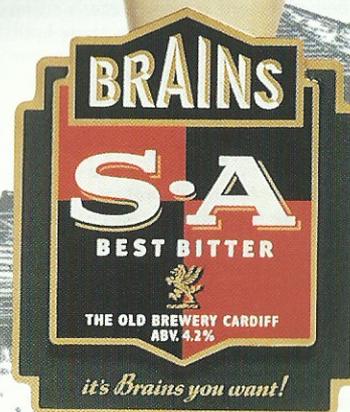
Keith Rowlands, now Chief Executive of the management team organising Rugby World Cup '99 in Cardiff, and Alun Priday took over the administration of the Youth team.

In that same season, incidentally, Dennis Gethin beat the existing club senior record by scoring 199 points.

And John Davies, now Cardiff and District Youth secretary, became captain of the Athletic XV, otherwise known as The Rags, a position he was to hold for three seasons.

In season 1971/72, when the value of the try was increased to four points, Cardiff Youth topped 1,000 points in a season for the first time. They scored 1,006 – and conceded only 142.

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As the dispute rumbles on between Terry Cobner, the WRU Director of Rugby, and the Welsh Youth Rugby Union over control of the Welsh Under-19 international team, Cardiff Youth secretary MIKE RYAN, with his tongue only partly in his cheek, asks where the clubs are going to find young players to go with the balls, *page 15*

... AND A CUDDLY TOY

THE WELSH Rugby Union is to be congratulated on its discovery that there exists in Wales a successful organisation which runs international teams and which, on balance, wins in the region of two-thirds of the matches they play.

It is to be congratulated on its discovery that this team has competed in four World Cup competitions in which it has finished ninth on two occasions, third once and second once. The maximum number of games lost in any competition was two and the team has in the last three years completed two Grand Slams.

It now seems to be aware that next year the FIRA Under 19 World Cup Competition will be coming to Wales.

Why do I mention all this? Because the Welsh Rugby Union apparently want to hijack the organisation and running of the team from the Welsh Youth Rugby Union, which, like Cardiff Youth, celebrates its fiftieth season as an organisation "set up by the WRU in 1949 to foster the game for youths under eighteen years of age who are not in secondary, grammar or public schools."

The Welsh Rugby Union now seems to accept that at age group level the FIRA Under 19 World Cup is the premier competition for the WRU and that in order to have any chance of winning the competition, the FIRA team must contain all our best players.

They perceive a conflict between the Welsh Schools Rugby Union and the Welsh Youth Rugby Union and give the resolution of this conflict as justification for taking over the preparation of the FIRA team, not the administration of the tournament when it comes to Wales next year, but just the coaching.

It is content to leave with the Youth Union the simple work of organising accommodation, training facilities, interpreters and matches for the visitors.

It is curious that the Welsh Rugby Union is now so interested in the FIRA competition because, if memory serves me right, it was the Welsh Youth Union who were originally keen to become part of the tournament but the Welsh Rugby Union did not want to know and went so far as to veto any potential involvement.

As to conflict between the Schools and Youth unions, none ever existed between the ages of 18 and 19. Once a player is over the qualifying

age (under 18 at the start of the season) he ceases to become eligible to gain Welsh Schools international honours and he becomes a full-blown Youth-qualified player. Any problems which did exist were at Under 18 qualifying age when players were still at school and wished to play for a Youth team.

These problems still will exist but the Welsh Rugby Union is happy to leave those to be sorted out by the respective "Junior Unions." It has always been accepted that the primary allegiance of players in this age group is to their school; one wonders whether there will be anything left for the Youth Union now.

The Dragons Rugby Trust (whose Directors bear a striking similarity to officials of the Welsh Rugby Union) and the Welsh Schools Rugby Union have now set up the Lloyds TSB Schools Saturday League. This is a Saturday morning league involving 24 schools which still play rugby and is nationwide.

Participating schools will receive six match quality balls, a set of jerseys (25), away transport costs and merit awards. This will deplete the pool of boys available to play Under 17 rugby and Youth rugby for clubs.

Clubs are, however, encouraged to run Under 17 Youth teams. Those clubs clever enough to invent sufficient players and interest at this age group have an incentive however.

Yes, that's right: six match quality balls, a set of jerseys (25) and £500 to offset administrative costs.

Apart from any other considerations, the WRU want to redraw the existing Youth District boundaries and if the new WYRU Districts can be agreed, guess what the rewards are.

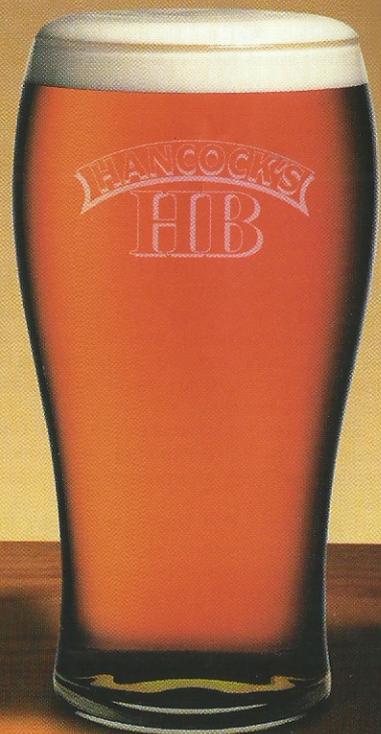
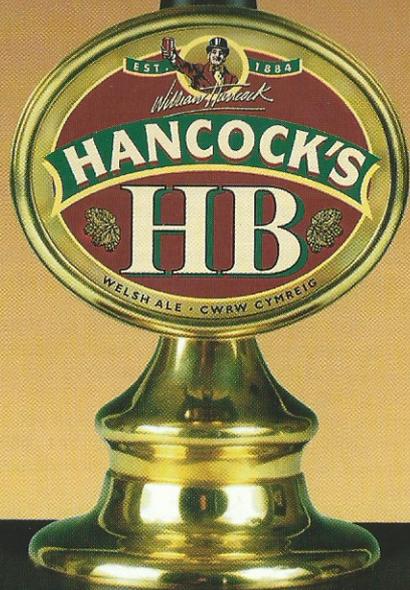
Correct again! Six match quality balls, a set of jerseys (25) per District, all away bus bills reimbursed, a participation fee and meritocracy awards.

Where are all the players coming from? Take away the boys participating in Schools games, take away the Under 17 squad players, take away the players involved in the FIRA training sessions from now until the tournament in February and, with a limit of 30 players per squad, what chance does a club have to field a youth team?

It is nothing really but a load of balls (six, match quality), a set of jerseys and a cuddly toy etc, etc . . .



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CARDIFF YOUTH INTERNATIONALS



Is this really the same fellow? Yes, that's Terry Holmes a little more than 20 years ago and, on the right, as he is now. Terry, who was capped for three years as a Youth player while captain of Cardiff Youth, is the only ex-Cardiff man who has represented his country at Youth and Senior level and with the British Lions while still at the club. He is, of course, now senior coach to the First XV.



H
D Hancock (1978)
R Harris (1971)
B Harries (1961)
L Heron (1961)
J Hewlett (1993)
I Higgins (1998)
T Holmes (1974/75/76)



Tony Williams, one of four members of the famous Taffs Well family to play for Cardiff Youth. A club youth captain, he also won his Welsh cap at this level.



Jamie Ringer, a member of the unbeaten 1994/95 Youth side and still with the club while being a regular member of the Wales Sevens squad.

I
D Ivins (1963)
J
N James (1975)
I Jewel (1961)
C John (1992)
N John (1993)
A R Jones (1982)
G Jones (1962)
H Jones (1963)
J V Jones (1963)
N Jones (1984)
K
G Kelleher (1953)
N Kelly (1996)
J Kemble (1995)

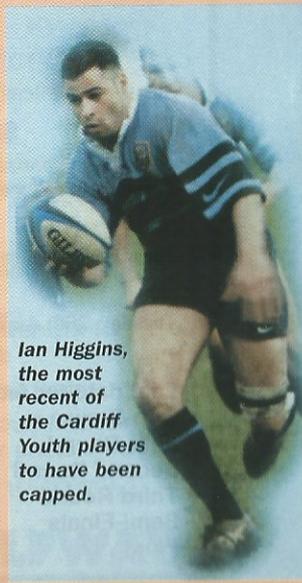
L
R Lakin (1978)
A Lewis (1992)
J Lewis (1995)
K Leonard (1956)
G Lougher (1958)
M
J Manders (1980)
B Mapstone (1952)
S Mason (1996)
I Matthews (1963)
S McCann (1971)
T McCarthy (1958)
A McDonagh (1996)
C Miller (1988)
J Mills (1962/63)
D Morris (1971)
D Murphy (1951)
O
L O'Brien (1976)
N O'Brien (1982)
A Orrell (1989)

P
A Parry (1984)
M Parry (1986)
R Payne (1953)
W Peckham (1973/75)
M Pengilley (1971)
M Powell (1979)
G Pritchard (1973)
C Prescott (1962)
G Protheroe (1960)
R
P Rees (1975)
M Ring (1981)
J Ringer (1995)
S
R Saddler (1995)
P Savage (1996)
P Simmonds (1974)
G Singer (1982)
J Souto (1980)
P Souto (1979)
T Stephenson (1965/66)

T
D Thomas (1978)
P Thomas (1957)
W V Thorn (1959)
K Trivett (1979)
M Truran (1964)
W
B Walsh (1962)
C Wilkins (1994)
A Williams (1951)
A D Williams (1959)
E Williams (1958)
L Williams (1951/52)
M Williams (1997)
W Williams (1996)

WYRU Under 18 Cap
M Ryce (1996)

Players in Secondary Schools matches only (no caps awarded)
G Curtis (1954),
D Griffiths (1954),
D Hurford (1996),
S Lewis (1975),
G Lucas (1996),
N O'Donnell (1976),
J Parfitt (1990),
J Rex (1953),
T Stephenson (1963)



Ian Higgins, the most recent of the Cardiff Youth players to have been capped.

CARDIFF YOUTH FIXTURES 98/99

SEPTEMBER

Sat 5	Maesteg	Away
Tue 8	WYRU Presidents XV	Home
Sat 12	Northampton	Home
Sat 19	Saracens	Away
Sat 26	Wasps	Away

OCTOBER

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Sat 10	Llanelli (District)	Home
Sat 17	Neath Colts	Away
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Sat 31	Swansea	Away

NOVEMBER

Sat 7	Leicester	Home
Sat 14		
Sat 21	Bridgend	Away
Sat 28	Cheltenham	Home

DECEMBER

Sat 5	Pontypool	Home
Sat 12	Newport	Away
Sat 19	Wasps	Home
Sat 26	Llandaff	Away

JANUARY

Sat 2	SWANSEA	Home
Sat 9	Cheltenham	Away
Sat 16	Pontypridd	Away
Sat 23	British Army	Home
Sat 30	Northampton	Away

FEBRUARY

Sat 6	Senior International	
Sat 13	Llanelli	Away
Sat 20	Senior International	
Sat 27	Reading	Home

MARCH

Fri 5	Neath Colts	Home
Sat 6	Senior International	
Sat 13	Maesteg	Home
Sat 20	Bath	Away
Sat 27	Leicester	Away

APRIL

Sat 3	Crawshays	Home
Sat 10	Senior International	
Sat 17	Bridgend	Home
Sat 24	Pontypool	Away

MAY

Sat 1	Newport	Home
Sat 8	Saracens	Home

WELSH RUGBY UNION SEASON 1998/99

WELSH YOUTH RUGBY UNION NATIONAL DISTRICT'S SEVEN-A-SIDE TOURNAMENT

Sunday, 20th September, 1998 Llandoverly RFC 11.30 am

SPECIAL GAMES, WYRU PRESIDENT'S XV

CARDIFF YOUTH v PRESIDENT'S XV

Tuesday, 8th September, 1998 6.15 pm (50 Years Youth Rugby)

CRYMYCH YOUTH v PRESIDENT'S XV

Tuesday, 15th September, 1998 6.15 pm (In aid of injured player)

NEWPORT YOUTH v PRESIDENT'S XV

Tuesday, 20th April, 1999 6.15 pm (50 Years Youth Rugby)

WYRU CHALLENGE CUP

Last date for receipt of entries

Cup Draw

First Round

Second Round

Third Round

Semi-Finals

Final

Saturday, 17th October, 1998

Wednesday, 21st October, 1998

Sunday, 22nd November, 1998

Sunday, 13th December, 1998

Sunday, 10th January, 1999

Sunday, 14th February, 1999

Mon/Fri, 26th/30th April, 1999

CARDIFF YOUTH CAPTAINS



Mark Ring, captained Cardiff Youth for two seasons in the Eighties and captivated crowds with his flamboyant flair. Mark, one of the great international entertainers, is now back in the senior Cardiff coaching set-up.



1949/50	Peter Owen	1968/69	Paul Barry
1950/51	Bryn Mapstone	1969/70	Steve Solman
1951/52	Jim Walsh	1970/71	Steve McCann
1952/53	John Rex	1971/72	Paul Kerrigan
1953/54	Eddie Heron	1972/73	Sean Gray
1954/55	Alan Jones	1973/74	Paul Simmonds
1955/56	John Heron	1974/75	Wayne Peckham
1956/57	Graham Buck	1975/76	Neil O'Donnell
1957/58	Emlyn Williams	1976/77	David Miller
1958/59	Haydn Thomas	1977/78	Robert Lakin
1959/60	Tony Canham	1978/79	Mark Powell
1960/61	Les Hewer	1979/80	Anthony Bartlett
1961/62	Colin Prestcott	1980/81	Mark Ring
1962/63	Islwyn Matthews	1981/82	Mark Ring
1963/64	Martin Truran	1982/83	Chris Lakin
1964/65	David Ivens	1983/84	Chris Lakin
1965/66	A Williams	1984/85	Mark Jones
1966/67	R Geddes	1985/86	Paul Evans
1967/68	Gilbert Lloyd	1986/87	Chris Greedy
		1987/88	Craig Miller
		1988/89	Alex Psai
		1989/90	Carwyn Williams
		1990/91	Martin Walsh
		1991/92	Howard Merrett
		1992/93	Jason Hewlett
		1993/94	Simeon Bruncker
		1994/95	Gafyn Cooper
		1995/96	Matthew Davey
		1996/97	Michael Clare
		1997/98	James Roach

MEET YOU HALF WAY...

Alex and Jill Anderson offer a warm welcome in the Halfway in Cathedral Road, Cardiff. Meals served daily at lunch and in the evenings. Skittle alley can be booked for parties.



- where Rugby people meet before and after a match
- where it's convenient for the Arms Park
- where you find Brains
- and where you'll find fair play, with fair prices in fair company

... IN THE HALFWAY