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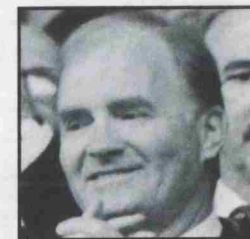
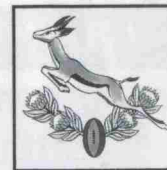
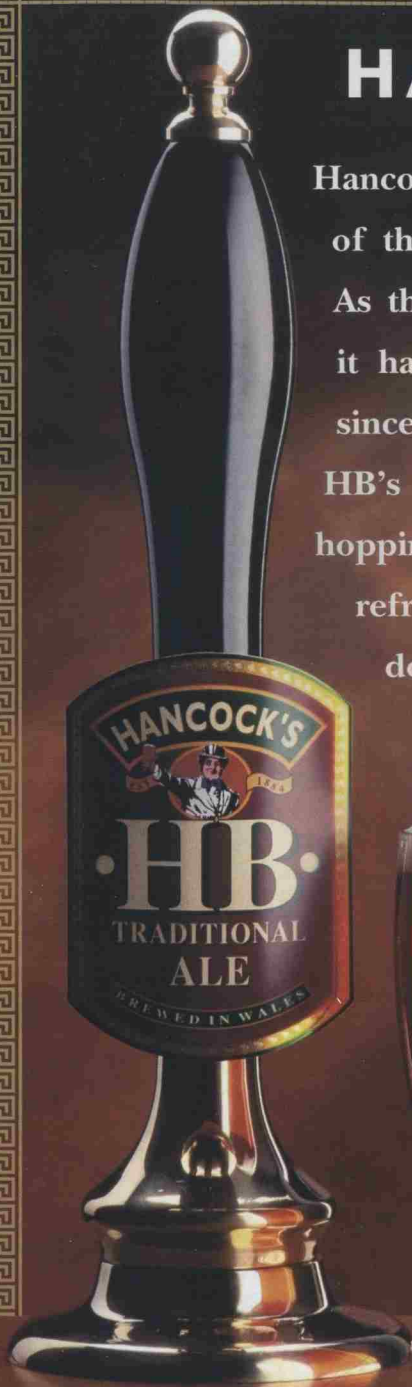
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A MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF CARDIFF RFC

On behalf of the Committee, Players and Members of Cardiff Rugby Football Club I am delighted to warmly welcome South Africa to Cardiff Arms Park today. We Cardiff rugby followers are overjoyed that after an absence of twenty-five years we are privileged to provide you with your first taste of Welsh Club Rugby. You have an outstanding record in the history of Rugby Football and it is our wish that the quality of today's game will stand uppermost in the list of matches played by you in Wales.

This Club with its glorious past of fine tradition and sporting expertise has built a strong bond with South African rugby. On our first visit in 1967 we met Northern Transvaal, Southern Universities, Eastern Province, North West Cape Districts and South West Africa; in 1979 it was South East Transvaal, Northern Transvaal, Western Province, Orange Free State and Natal, while our last visit in 1982 saw us play Pretoria University, Pretoria Defence, Pretoria Police, Natal and Western Province. We have made numerous long-standing friendships and we are very pleased to renew our association today.

On our Australian tour in 1993 we were present at your re-emergence with that convincing win against the Australians in Sydney. It was good to see some of your players supporting us in our fixture against a Sydney XV, while your coach on that occasion, Ian McIntosh, a long-standing friend of Cardiff RFC, attended one of our squad sessions.

Although my career did not fall within one of these exciting tours I am one of a very fortunate group of Cardiff players who have represented the Club against a touring nation. I will always remember that occasion twenty-five years ago, not for the result, but for the build-up, that special atmosphere on the day, the supportive crowd, the hard physical confrontation, the pace and a long evening of camaraderie. This was my "International" as I am sure it will be for some Cardiff players today. On that visit one player stood out in my mind, Piet Greyling, a strong back-row forward who was immense in attack and defence, directing operations with that other stalwart, Tommy Bedford.

Yes, this was my international, and although the game only seemed to last a few minutes my memories of the occasion will last forever. Somewhere in South Africa you will now find my No. 7 Cardiff jersey, while at Senghenydd Rugby Club you can see the jersey worn by winger Andy Van Den Watt that day.

We all look forward to a match that is full of what is best in Welsh and South African rugby and then to an evening when we attempt to emulate that special hospitality we have always received in your country.

A handwritten signature, likely of the Chairman, in dark ink.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN CONNECTION . . .

Cardiff Athletic Club President, HAYDN WILKINGS, recalls a Cardiff tour to South Africa in 1967.

Cardiff and South Africa stirs up the memories, and for me the highlight of my sporting days must relate to May 1961, when I was assistant manager to Lyn Williams when we took the Cardiff RFC to South Africa.

We were met at Johannesburg by Dr. Danie Craven, who in his speech of welcome spoke loudly to our liaison officer, Ike Froneman, and stated amongst other things "Don't let them sleep"! Innocent me, I thought he was joking. We were never short of friendship and hospitality right throughout the tour.

We were not long at Johannesburg and our next flight was to Windhoek, South West Africa – now Namibia of course. The team members had thought of the current pop tune to sing each time we took off en tour and each time we landed – "This will be the last time"! And each time we landed the pilot was awarded so many points out of ten for the smoothness or otherwise of the put down. We drew at Windhoek 11 – 11 and it was quite obvious we were not "equipped" for the high altitude. On to Upington, North West Cape, and a trip into the Kalahari Desert with George Young. What a welcome, what a place! We won 23 – 12.

Then on to Kimberley and to Port Elizabeth, where according to press reports we were to meet stiffer opposition from here on and of course we were back to sea level. It was here that I experienced quite a situation. The night before the game against Eastern Province, that is, those who weren't playing next day, were entertained to an Eve of the Game Dinner. I was sitting next to the Eastern Province coach who shall be nameless! He harassed me and gave me real verbal abuse and stated in no small measure

that he felt we had selected our "district side". He assumed that I was the coach, and I didn't argue, but I stated we had selected our best side, which was a credit to them. He insisted in strong language that we weren't in with a chance.

On the morrow, we journeyed by coach to the ground with much singing by all of us – including a grand crowd of supporters from the membership of the club. It was wonderful singing which, however, in superstition made me apprehensive.

The President of Eastern Province accompanied by THAT Coach visited our dressing room and the President stated to our side who were changing "never mind who wins" let's have a good game"! Walking out "that coach" said aside to me "That's a load of S..T – we'll massacre you! I said "We'll see". I wish all readers could have seen the game. It was rugby at its best with our boys starting movements from every conceivable point. We were, 29 points up at half-time and we ran out winners 34 points to 9. Maurice Richards had a wonderful game and Danie Craven turned to me and asked "My word, where did you find him"? "That coach" found me and said "You didn't tell me you were that good", to which I replied "You didn't give me much chance" and "by the way, I am not the coach as you presumed. That's the coach over there", pointing to Roy Bish. The look on his face was a picture and he gave me a lapel badge. I think he would have given me anything I asked for.

Then to Cape Town – over the garden route – with a "braai" on the Rhoder Fruit Farm – the guests of Dr. Jan Vorster under the snow-capped peaks. Hubert Johnson by request scattered the ashes of Col. Brand Mellish in the honoured

. . . A PERSONAL RECOLLECTION



Cardiff in South Africa, 1967

Back Row: T Holley, G Samuel, G Edwards, P Morgan, T G R Davies, J H Williams, C Evans, K Jones, K D Jones.
Middle Row: I Froneman (SA Liaison Officer), R Cheney, G Davies, J Harding, J Hickey, I Robinson, L Baxter, J Davies, A R Pender, G Thomas, M Richards Dr J H Naysmith.
Front Row: H C K Johnson, A D Williams, W H Thomas, T L Williams (Manager), W Hullin (captain), W H Wilkins (Asst. Manager), C H Norris, J P O'Shea, R Bish (Coach).

corner of Newlands. We lost to the Combined Universities 14 – 11 – a match we should have won – and Danie Craven expressed the opinion it was the best rugby he had ever seen.

Last but not least on to Northern Transvaal where we lost heavily. Yes we were high-up on the Veldt again; we were tired; we were frustrated because we couldn't understand the refereeing and we were up against a much stronger and bigger side.

Where else to finish other than in the Wanderers Club, where talking of retirement, some of our forwards were literally in tears. It had been a wonderful tour.

For months after the tour I talked much about that visit to South Africa, and I think I must have impressed my sons with my euphoria about the place because they each journeyed to South Africa and stayed there for some time. Alan took up broadcasting and he was lucky enough to have been taken under the wing of Charles Fortune, formerly public school headmaster, who was now into sports broadcasting. Charles covered our tour and later quite unexpectedly became Alan's mentor for which we are more than grateful. They still communicate.

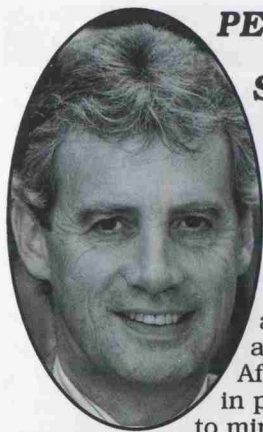
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**PETER JACKSON, Chief Rugby Writer of the
South Africa. Here, in welcoming the new
THEY HAVE COME OUT**

Whenever anyone asks for a quick word about post-apartheid South African rugby, one in particular springs to mind: Velocity.

The sheer pace of their domestic game, from the rarified atmosphere of the high veldt to the surfing splendour of the Indian Ocean and back again, is a sight to behold, a veritable kaleidoscope.

There were times early last December, far too many for Anglo-Saxon liking, when they had such a dazzling effect on England that they were almost literally out of sight. Rarely can any tour have had such an catalytic effect on the tourists.

The sight of England's finest being swept off their feet in the first match on a scorched cricket field at Bloemfontain was enough to persuade their leading clubs, most notably Wasps, to break the set-piece mould and start running as never before.

Nowhere during their historic trip round the new South Africa earlier this year was the gospel of the 15-man game spread with more evangelical verve than in the curtain-raiser to England's match against Transvaal at Ellis Park.

The Under-21 fixture between Transvaal and its neighbouring Northern Province was a masterpiece, a staggering blaze of movement played at a pace which had to be seen to be believed. Velocity.

The dust had no sooner settled than the Transvaal seniors were subjecting England's prospective Test XV to

pretty much the same treatment. No surprise, therefore, that it should leave Jack Rowell almost as breathless as his team.

"You have come out of isolation", the England manager, in avuncular mood, told their assembled guests afterwards. "Regrettably from our point of view, you have come out of it very fast. Please slow down but speed up your referees . . ."

It is two years, two months and one week since they came out of isolation and those neutrals amongst us who witnessed the occasion at Ellis Park on 5th August 1992, wondered whether it wasn't all going to end in a ghastly mistake.

'Die Stem', the old Afrikaaner anthem, has been played before the match in blatant contradiction of the agreement between the parties. Mercifully, the return of the Springbok survived the hiatus which nearly resulted in the Wallabies abandoning their test at Cape Town the following week and flying home in protest.

Since then they have played 19 full internationals, lost most of them but caught up swiftly on lost time. The squad which arrived here earlier this week bears no comparison to the ponderous bunch which England eventually put to their sword at Twickenham two years ago.

Only four backs, Pieter Hendriks, Pieter Muller, Jacques Oliver and Hennie Le Roux, have survived. The casualty rate among the forwards is even greater. Only two of them have stayed the course, Drikus Hattingh and Tiaan Strauss, the man from the Kalahari whose forms of relaxation

**Daily Mail, has watched post-apartheid sport in
contenders, he warns the Northern Hemisphere . . .
OF ISOLATION – VERY FAST . . .**

include diving off his motor bike into the path of a charging wilderbeest.

Coaches, too, have come and gone. Ian McIntosh succeeded John Williams until a losing series in New Zealand, hardly a national disgrace, cost him his job. It is a harsh fact of South African rugby life that two defeats in a row tend to constitute a crisis.

Kitch Christie, the coaching visionary behind Transvaal, is now being asked to maintain the tradition set by New Zealand in 1987 and emulated by England four years later of ensuring the hosts reach the World Cup final.

His promise is to play 'hard, fast, exciting rugby'. There is no doubt that the players at his disposal have the capacity to excite, among them the mercurial Hennie Le Roux, such an elusive runner that he might have come straight out of the Welsh outside-half factory.

Just as Wales have a New Zealander, so South Africa have one, too, Kevin Putt of Natal, propelled into the tour by the knee injury which cruelly denies Johan Roux the opportunity to consolidate the place he won out of the debris left by the English demolition squad at Loftus Versveld last June. By the following Saturday, Francois Pienaar had demonstrated his leadership in some style, turning the tables beneath table mountain with a vengeance.

Naas Botha and Danie Gerber, their best years blighted by the effect of the apartheid regime, have long gone but embryonic superstars are emerging in their place like Gavin Johnson, Transvaal's mighty goalkicking full-

back, and Christian Scholz, a newly-capped centre with everything it takes to become a household name in the rugby world come next June.

Naturally, the Springboks have three-quarters who run like gazelles, among them Chris Badenhorst, the Orange Free State captain who put the skids under England with two of the four 'Fry-Staadts' tries on the opening match of the tour last May.

All they need is the ball and it is ironic that one of their current test pack, Rudi Straeuli, should have served part of his rugby apprenticeship in Wales with Penarth. Who knows, had he not been called home on national service eight years ago, the same Rudi Straeuli might have been lining up on the opposite side.

Winning the ball was not much of a South African problem the last time Cardiff tried to catch the Springboks here in Wales, almost exactly 25 years ago. The fact that a young fellow called John had cracked a rib the week before did nothing to help the cause.

Despite the likes of Gareth Edwards, Stuart Watkins, Howard Norris and John O'Shea, Cardiff were beaten 17 – 3, undone 3 – 0 on tries and unable to offer a crowd of 28,000 anything more than a Dennis Gethin penalty.

Today will be different. There will be no barbed wire round the pitch to keep the anti-apartheid demonstrators out as there was a quarter of a century ago. As the first Springboks of the new united South Africa, they have never been more welcome.

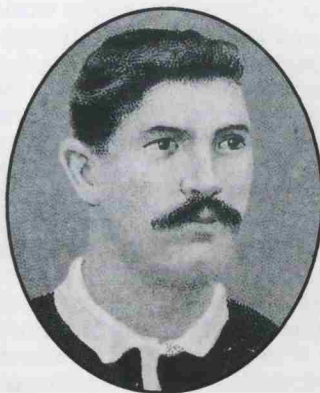
THE SOUTH AFRICAN CONNECTION . . .

1907

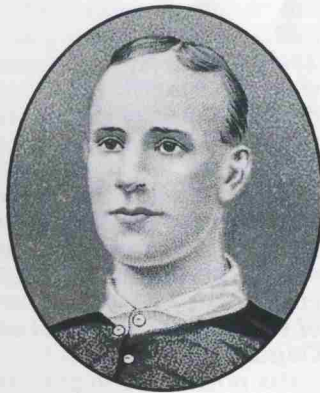
John Billot, the rugby historian, looks at the early tour matches and reveals how RENNIE MULLER KNOCKED THAT 1907 MYTH ON THE HEAD



PERCY BUSH: Pledged to 'show them' after he and Gwyn Nicholls had flopped for Wales against the Springboks



PAUL ROOS: Springbok skipper pleased for Gwyn Nicholls's sake that Cardiff "had such a glorious success".



E. G. NICHOLLS: Never played another big game after coming out of retirement to help Cardiff defeat the Springboks

Once upon a time, so the fairy tale went, the Springboks could not play rugby in the rain. This myth grew from the sensational defeat of Paul Roos' team 17 - 0 by Cardiff on New Year's Eve, 1907. The only other failure by the South Africans on that 1906-07 tour of 29 matches also was in the wet: 6 - 0 against Scotland at waterlogged Hampden Park (there was no Murrayfield in those dim and distant days).

I well remember walking across Newport Bridge 45 years later and anticipating the 1951-52 Springboks would be unhappy men, dragging their studs out of grey Rodney Parade in steady rainfall. But magnificent Hennie Muller soon made us all revise our opinions. There was to be no Bok-bashing! That vulnerability was a fallacy. The myth was exploded once

and for all and on wetter and muddier occasions to follow in Wales, the South Africans never showed so much as a smidgen of distress.

But, to return to 1907, distress was an understatement. The tourists have never looked so miserable. "Old Stager", rugby critic of the then *South Wales Daily News*, noted, "Never in Wales have worse conditions prevailed for so important a contest. The South African manager said it was the worst pitch they played on throughout the tour".

Unemployment figures left much to be desired in those days (what changes?), and there was no difficulty recruiting fifty-five men from the local labour exchange. Forecasters were a little erratic in those days, as well.

Head groundsman Nash was instructed to, "purchase a large number of loaves and a large quantity of cheese,

. . . FROM THAT FIRST TOUR ONWARDS

and also to brew copious quantities of hot tea". It was reported that the 'strawmen' were pleasantly surprised with the arrangements, especially when they were paid the going rate for skilled labourers. Cardiff RFC have always enjoyed a reputation for ensuring gracious living for those in their employ, particularly their players' lifestyle. However, after losing at Swansea last month, perhaps a crust and chunk of Cheddar was back on the menu for 'unskillful labourers'.

Gwyn Nicholls, after whom the Great Gates at the main entrance to the Arms Park are named, had been tempted out of retirement by the WRU selectors to lead Wales. It was an unhappy day for the Prince of Centres. An early, shattering tackle took terrible toll. In 11 - 0 defeat, Nicholls knew he had played his poorest game. "Come on, let's forget that and show 'em what we can do", urged Cardiff skipper Bush. Nicholls refused if it meant leaving out one of the regular backs to make a place for him. Bush solved the problem by picking seven forwards and eight backs. He deserved to be made Prime Minister.

Bush also had been written off as an outside-half failure in the Welsh match and was intent on answering his critics, even if revenge came mud-shaped and the tricky runner has to change his style to operate as a controlling tactical kicker.

Springbok skipper Roos said "It is only human to be disappointed in having



BOBBY WILLIAMS: Hero and villain. His 'professional foul' cost Cardiff the game.

been beaten in our last match on British soil, but I am glad for one man's sake that you had such a glorious success, and this is my friend, Gwyn Nicholls. My reason in saying that is that some of the newspapers were so unfair in going for him after the international match in Swansea".

One of the four tries was scored with breath-taking changes of direction by willow wing Johnnie Williams. He baffled the renowned Arthur Marsberg, but the full-back chased after him,

all the way to the goal-line. There, Marsberg gripped Williams's hand. "You are the only man who has beaten me like that throughout the tour", growled the Springbok "Let me shake your hand"! They stood in the mud, hands clasped, and the crowd roared their approval of that moment of extraordinary sportsmanship.

After the match, the tourists where cheered al the way down Westgate Street by onlookers and applauded every step of the way up the grand staircase in the Royal Hotel. One of the players was heard to admit, "It was worth losing the match to get this reception"! Marsberg responded to the clamour for a speech. "Gentlemen", he said, "I drink to the best side we have met and the finest sporting crowd in Wales". The crowd carried Marsberg shoulder-high along the platform when the tourists went to catch the Irish Express for Paddington; and Gwyn Nicholls and his great friend Percy Bush walked home together. "We showed



JOHNNIE WILLIAMS: "You are the only man to beat me like that", said the great Arthur Marsberg admiringly after Cardiff's sensational win.

PLAN OF GROUND

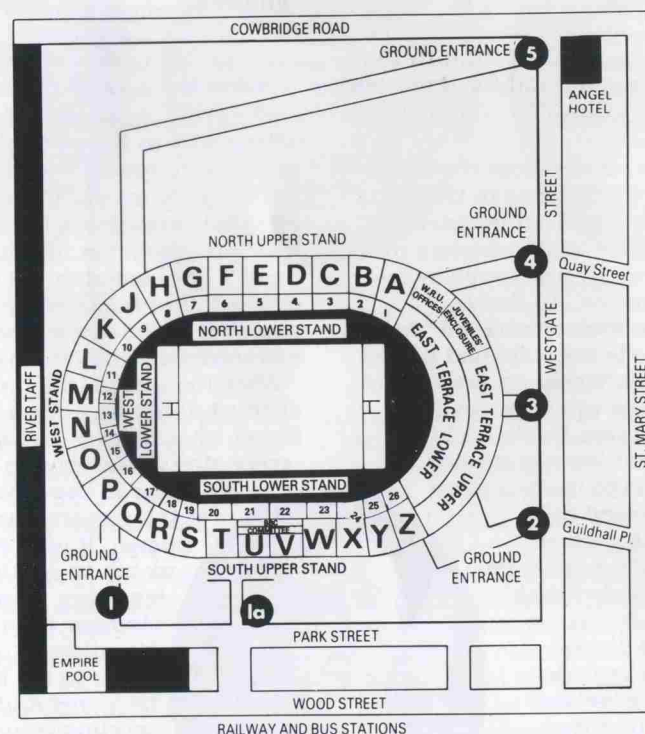
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The Welsh Rugby Union is very aware of its responsibilities towards spectators, for their safety, whilst attending events at this ground.

Improvements are ongoing to ensure greater safety and, fortunately, serious accidents at sports grounds involving injuries on a large scale are few, but, as demonstrated at the Bradford Fire in 1985 and the Hillsborough Disaster in 1989, the potential for disaster at a crowded sporting event is such that a word of caution, particularly on exit, is essential for your safety.

At the end of the matches there are large numbers of people leaving the ground. In order to achieve an orderly and safe exit you are asked to use the exit for that part of the ground that you occupy as shown on the plan. Spectators in the Upper Stands are asked to stagger their exit to allow the concourse below to clear.

Your co-operation in this matter would be appreciated. The W.R.U. hope you enjoy the match.



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	East Upper				

The Welsh Rugby Union asks all spectators to refrain from whistling and/or jeering while kicks are being taken.

them, Percy!" said Gwyn, but the Prince of Centres never played another big match.



Billy Millar brought the Boks back to face Cardiff five years later. It was a Mission Vengeance and achieved by one point at 7

– 6 on 21st December, 1912. They won their five international matches, but Cardiff was the proudest feather in the cap. Millar and Dugie Morkel has tasted the Arms Park mud in that amazing 1907 match and for them one point more than Cardiff was a feast indeed.

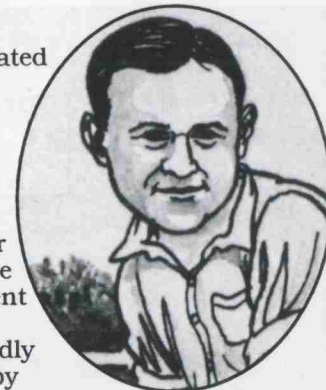
There were no tries and the Springboks marvelled at the man who prevented them from crossing the line for only the second time on the tour. Full-back Bobby Williams was 5ft 5ins and weighed 9st 4lb soaking set, as they say. Percy Bush said in awed tones, "You tackle too hard"! And Bobby certainly showed the Boks how it was done.

Six footer Johan Stegmann weighing five stones more than little Bobby, found himself pinned between the tackling terror and the touch-line repeatedly, and crunched off the park. Afterwards, Stegmann readily confessed, "Williams was the only man I could not get past".

It was a miracle that Bobby played the game. He was 15 years old, working in Dockland, when he trapped his right hand in an hydraulic engine. Bobby, his fingers pulped, walked a bloody mile to Cardiff Royal Infirmary, but they could not save three of his fingers. He already had a partially paralysed left hand from a previous accident. Now the man who had astounded the medical profession baffled the Springboks.

The frustrated Stegmann desperately launched a head-on charge and tried to jump over Bobby as the full-back went in low with another deadly tackle. Bobby was struck near the eye and the crowd booed. Ten years later, a growth formed as a result of the tremendous blow and it meant yet another operation to save the sight of the eye. "It was an accident", said Bobby. "The crowd should not have bood Stegmann".

BILLY SPILLER: scores the only try for Cardiff and, later, his first ever century for Glamorgan in the County Championship



Bobby was one of five international players in the Cardiff line-up, with Billy Spiller as captain. Spiller, nicknamed Splint by Bush because of his splinter-then build, was to become the first scorer of a first-class century for Glamorgan in 1921. This day in 1912, he scored the only try of the game – and if it had been valued at five points, Cardiff would have been winners!

Ironically, Bobby Williams gave away the penalty goal that cost the match. It was a case of the professional foul. Jack Morkel punted over Bobby's head, knowing it was suicide to try to run through him. The gallant full-back deliberately turned his back into the Bok to block him. Bobby risked giving away the penalty. Doug Morkel might have missed. He didn't: 7 – 6.

They said it should have been a draw; neither side deserved to lose. It was not much consolation for the maimed hero who had played his heart out with his greatest game for great club.



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THE SOUTH AFRICAN CONNECTION . . .

1931

HARRY BOWCOTT was captain of
Cardiff against the 1931-32 South
Africans.

*From his home in Wenvoe, Harry
remembers . . .*

Rugby football has
'become confused by the
loss of old fashioned
values with individuality
largely destroyed, by the
restrictive practices
encouraged, if not
introduced, by coaching
which in itself is
particularly foreign to
Welsh players who do the
unexpected by their ready
appreciation of any
situation.

This natural gift cannot be
taught but can be helped
considerably by the
complete command of the basic skills
of the game including an ability to
pass the ball with correct speed and
line to the supporting player who
must be moving forward, not across
the field, ever ready to explore the
smallest opening by avoiding
confrontation with opponents by
developing swerve and sidesteps, and,
equally important, by holding the ball
in two hands making it possible to
continue an attack with less fear of a
breakdown.

These days with most players
heavier and taller (and much fitter), it
seems that individual and team
thinking has ceased; certainly it
would be a real surprise if any team
changed its tactics during any one
game. Rugby football is now played to



HARRY BOWCOTT: Shrewd tactical
controller with masterly kicking from
outside-half.

a set formula by all teams
with captains unable or
unwilling to alter the
agreed pre-match pattern
of play.

Nineteen years had passed
since the last South
African team had visited
the United Kingdom and
everybody had anticipated
a good team. The big
query mark was the
possibility that our
visitors might equal the
unbeaten record of the
1924 All Blacks, and, at
the same time, uphold the

traditions of rugby.

In preparation for the tour, we were
told trial matches had been played
throughout the country, and the
outstanding players were then
nominated for a series of further
matches at the historic Newlands
ground in Cape Town. More than one
hundred players had been under
review, and at the conclusion of eleven
trial matches twenty-nine players were
selected. Many good players failed to
gain places but it was generally agreed
that the 1931/32 tourists under the
captaincy of Bennie Osler were more
than adequate to maintain the
reputation of the two earlier tours.

The forwards averaged 14½ stones
(before World War II this was
considered a powerful pack), were fast,

... POWERFUL, 14½ STONE PACK

and, with the exception of two forwards, the average height of the pack was over six feet. To complete the picture, it was a young side with an average age of 24 and as might have been expected seventeen players were labelled Western Province.

Sixty years is too long a period down memory lane, but the club has always maintained that rugby football is a game to enjoy and the ball must find the open spaces. the main responsibility for the forwards – I almost said only – was to obtain quick possession from line-outs and scrummages, and then allow the backs in all their finery to run the ball. By using this principle, the players enjoyed the game, the spectators enjoyed it, and in 1994 he media would also have enjoyed the open game.

Sadly, the club had to drop our captain and scrum-half Howard Poole, as he had completely lost his form and confidence. As vice-captain I took over for the remainder of the season.

With Maurice Turnbull replacing the captain he had little experience but had the ability to play at top level most team games including hockey and, of course, cricket for Glamorgan and England. As most people will know, he developed very quickly and was picked for Wales in that memorable victory against England at Twickenham in 1933. His service was always perfect, and I could not have played with a better partner. During the season we lost sixteen matches – too many but nine of these defeats were by five or loss points – and one should remember we were essentially in a period of change.

The challenge of the third South African side provided the necessary

challenge and incentive to reach levels above average club levels. It was a good game to watch and play; our supporters had much to cheer, particularly our equalising try towards half-time when Maurice Turnbull started the movement along the line with the ball moving through five pairs of hands to allow the ever confident Ronnie Boon to score near the corner flag. As a bonus, the very popular Tommy Stone, among the first of the running full-backs (and fly-half), converted a brilliant try.

Tactically, one accepts the better side had won but I remember thinking at the time that Bennie Osler's approach was much too negative with his touch kicking throughout the game, at least until play took place within the Cardiff 25. This must have been frustration to a neutral spectator, if not the Cardiff side, as the South African backs looked capable of at least testing our first line of defence. Even so it was a good game to play and one suspects the result justified the means. For the record, the final score against Cardiff was 13 points to 5 points that is, two converted goals and one try to one converted goal.

As an interesting afterthought, it will be of interest to mention that Danie Craven, aged 20, was one of the six university students on the tour. In fact, he played against Wales in December, and continued an active interest throughout his life, becoming a leading administrator as a member of the South African Board and the International Board. Rugby men throughout the world will accept that his enthusiasm and wisdom through long years of uninterrupted service deserved his second name of "Mr Rugby".

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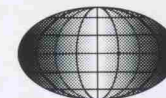
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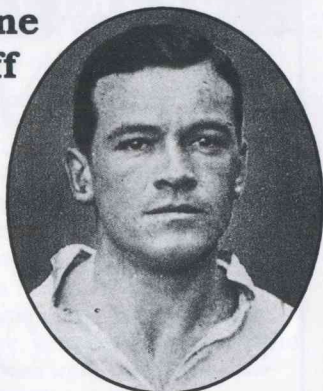


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THE SOUTH AFRICAN CONNECTION . . .



JACK MATTHEWS, one of the all-time Cardiff greats, nostalgically remembers a game that got away, when he claims realistically –



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‘October 20, 1951, Cardiff’s 75th anniversary season The South Africans won 11 – 9 but, I realise that everyone seems to have hard luck stories to tell, we were robbed, we really were.

We were leading 9 – 8 when I charged down a kick by the Springbok scrum-half Delofose right on the line. I fell on the ball over the line for the try but the referee, Mr. Joynson from Caerleon, gave a knock-on. In fact, the laws had changed that season and it was not a knock-on if it had happened while you were trying to charge the ball down.

It was definitely a legitimate try and even the Springboks said so afterwards. It would surely have completed our win after Bleddyn Bowen had scored a try for Cardiff but, as it happened and very close to the end, J. D. Bewis kicked diagonally and Ochse the winger raced through to score the winning try.

Later, Basil Kenyon, the South African captain, presented us as the best losing side against whom they played with a Springbok head which is in our trophy room today.

It was a fine game. Our forwards, very much smaller, still won plenty of ball and we would have deserved the win.

Bleddyn Williams played alongside Jack Mathews and who was listening as Dr Jack remembered the day, confirmed that the try should have been allowed. ‘The laws had changed only that season to allow for the very thing that happened – charge down and follow-up.’



JACK MATTHEWS: Believes still that he had scored the winning try

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CARDIFF v SOUTH AFRICA

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Sitting Left to Right: C D Williams, H Oelofse, W R Willis, H Brewis, J Mathews (captain), H Muller (captain), B L Williams, J K Ochse, G Beckingham, R Van Shoor, R F Trott.
In Front Left to Right: H Morris, M Sanders, C I Morgan, M I Lategan, A G Thomas, S P Fry.

Cardiff: 2 Penalties, 1 Try (9) South Africa: 3 Tries, 1 Conversion (11)



- T E A M S -



Cardiff

15. Chris John
14. Steve Ford
13. Mike Hall (captain)
12. Colin Laity
11. Nigel Walker
10. Adrian Davies
9. Andy Moore
1. Mike Griffiths
2. Jonathan Humphreys
3. Lyndon Mustoe
4. Stuart Roy
5. Derwyn Jones
6. Hemi Taylor
8. Emyr Lewis
7. Owain Williams

16. Jason Hewlett
17. Andy Booth
18. Mark Bennett
19. Howard Stone
20. Andrew Lewis
21. Huw Bevan

Full-Back
Right Wing
Right Centre
Left Centre
Left Wing
Outside Half
Scrum-Half
Loose-head Prop
Hooker
Tight-head Prop
Lock
Lock
Left Flanker
No. 8
Right Flanker
Replacements

Referee: **Jim Fleming** (Scotland)

No. 1 Touch Judge: **Ken McCartney** (Scotland)

No. 2 Touch Judge: **John Bacigalupo** (Scotland)

South Africa

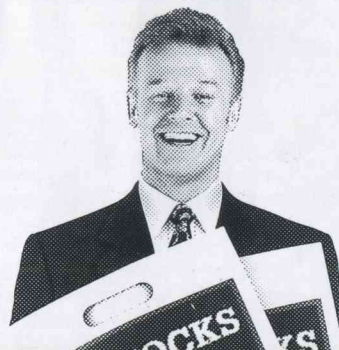
- Andre Joubert 15.
- Chester Williams 14.
- Brendan Ventner 13.
- Peter Muller 12.
- Chris Badenhorst 11.
- Joel Stransky 10.
- Joost Van Der Westhuizen 9.
- Balie Swart 1.
- Uli Schmidt 2.
- Ian Hattingh 3.
- Mark Andrews 4.
- Hendrikus Hattingh 5.
- Ruben Kruger 6.
- (captain) Rudi Straeuli 8.
- Gary Teichmann 7.

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- Kevin Putt 18.
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THE SOUTH AFRICAN CONNECTION . . .



LLOYD WILLIAMS, the Wales and British Lions scrum-half, was the Cardiff captain when the South Africans returned to Cardiff on 20 October, 1960.

“We were beaten well and truly by 13 points to nil but it was the manner of the game and the spirit of it which left us really disappointed.

Even J B G Thomas in the Western Mail wrote that “it was one of the most disappointing matches I have seen played by a Springbok

side. Cardiff were battered to submission by the most vigorous South African pack in my memory. The tourists were never in danger of defeat but they did not win any friends by their display”.

Soon after the start Dai Hayward was crocked and was a passenger thereafter. They we lost Tommy McCarthy, our outside-half, after about 35 minutes with a collar-bone injury but even the, with all the ball, they still did not run at us.

Alan Priday was magnificent at full-back, Meirion Roberts nearly scored a try and at least we kept at it but there was no fun, no humour either in the game itself or afterwards. I am not saying that we were entirely innocent but, even now, I feel that the referee Gwynne Walters, could have been more strict with some of their activities.

Maybe there was too much hype and publicity before the match too.”

THE CARDIFF TEAM WERE:

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. . . A DAY WITHOUT HUMOUR



LLOYD WILLIAMS loses out this time as the famous Springbok scrum-half Dick Lockyear set up another attack.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN CONNECTION . . .



The 1969-70 tour to Wales by the South Africans was, sadly, seriously marred by anti-apartheid demonstrations at most centres – both on and

off the field.

Apart, however, from some chanting at one corner of the ground and in Westgate Street, there was little interference at the Arms Park.

Far more disappointing from the crowd's point of view was the Cardiff performance against the sixth South African tourists.

A defeat by 17 – 3 led to Brian Mark, then club chairman, stating in his annual report that “the Cardiff team fell well below expectations and was soundly defeated by a superior side.

“It was not so much the defeat but rather the manner of it that made it difficult to bear”, he wrote.

In fact, Cardiff under the captaincy of John O'Shea did not have a bad season but not all the stars were available that

day. Because of injuries, Barry John and Gareth Edwards, for example, were unable to play as a pair until Easter on the “new” Cardiff ground – which was formerly opened in October, with the South Africans visiting in December.

Generally speaking, certainly, Welsh supporters would rather remember the international against the Springboks in the New Year when a dramatic try by Gareth Edwards in the closing minutes enabled Wales to draw six each, the last occasion on which the countries have met at international level.

Brian Mark, speaking at the dinner after the Cardiff match and relating a quotation of President Kennedy, said “there are many things which divide many nations; let us cherish those things which unite us”

Twenty-five years have passed since then but sport still unites us and now the South Africans are welcomed back once more to the Arms Park. “I hope, indeed I'm sure”, says Brian Mark, who left the Cardiff Committee last year more than thirty years since he first joined in 1961 and after nearly 100 first team appearances, “that we will see a much better game today”.



THE SOUTH AFRICANS IN WALES

October 26	v	WALES A at Newport
October 29	v	Llanelli
November 2	v	Neath
November 5	v	Swansea
November 22	v	Pontypridd
November 26	v	WALES



THE SOUTH AFRICANS arrive in Wales on Wednesday after competing at the weekend a second heavy defeat in Johannesburg of the Argentinians. Debutant winger Chris Bedenhrost scored two tries in the 42 – 22 win but the statistics in the following player profiles do NOT include this second test.

THE SOUTH AFRICAN TOURISTS

A J (ANDRE) JOUBERT (Natal) – Full-Back. Date of Birth: 15.4.64. 1.90m. 87kg.

International Record: 8 Caps. (42 points – 2T, 1C, 10P)

Andre Johan Joubert was born at Ladysmith and educated at the local high school before going on to obtain a B.Comm degree at the University of Orange Free State. He played 89 times for the Free State from 1986 and won a cap in 1989 as a replacement for Johan Heunis. He joined Natal and flew out to replace the injured Theo Van Rensburg in Australia in 1993. He kicked five penalties in the first test against England this year before settling the second test with a late try. He appeared for the GB Barbarians in 1991 against Scotland and Cork Constitution and also played for them in the Hong Kong Sevens. He scored his 1,000th point in first-class rugby in 1991 having gained 183 of them in 14 Currie Cup matches in 1989, and appeared in all three tests in New Zealand, though the second was as a replacement for Van Rensburg and represented SA in 1993 World Cup Sevens at Murrayfield. He is a bank official.

G K (Gavin) JOHNSON (Transvaal) – Utility Back. Date of Birth: 17.10.66. 1.85m. 80kg.

International Record: 3 Caps. (35 points – 2T, 5C, 5P)

Gavin Keith Johnson had an amazing start to test rugby when he was called up to the second test at Buenos Aires last year, coming from the SA Barbarians tour of Britain. He filled in as full-back and scored 22 points from a try and seven goals to receive a late call-up to New Zealand and, taking a wing position, he notched a try and three goals in an 18 – 18 last test draw at Auckland. A man who can play well in any back position, he made his Transvaal debut last year and, at full-back scored sixteen points in the Currie Cup final win over Natal and 167 points in nine matches. On the SA Barbarians tour he scored 18 points against Newport and 14 against Cornwall and this year he appeared on the wing as Transvaal retained the Currie Cup. He is a dealer.

C M (Chester) WILLIAMS (Western Province) – Wing. Date of Birth: 8.8.70. 1.78m. 90kg.

International Record: 7 Caps. (10 points – 2T)

Chester Mornay Williams, born at Paarl, plays for SA Defence and made his provincial debut in 1991. Two years later he toured with South Africa to Australia but did not appear in the test matches, making his debut with a try in the second test at Buenos Aires later that year. This year, he played against England and New Zealand in five tests, retiring injured in the second meeting with England. On the tour of Australia he notched a hat-trick of tries against Victoria, while his second test match try came against Argentina in the first test at Port Elizabeth. He is the nephew of former Springbok Avril Williams and is a soldier.

J (Jacques) OLIVIER (Northern Transvaal) – Wing. Date of Birth: 13.11.68. 1.79m. 84kg.

International Record: 9 Caps. (5 points – 1T)

Jacques Olivier was born in Pretoria and attended Menlopark School and Pretoria University. He emulated his uncle, the great international flanker Jan Ellis, when he represented first the Junior Springboks and then was capped in all three tests of his country's trip to France and England in 1992, having made his provincial debut with Northern Transvaal the previous year. He scored four tries on the 1992 tour, the last against England B at Bristol, while his only test try came in the second encounter with Australia in 1993 at Brisbane and though he made the tour to Argentina that followed, he missed most of this season, having a knee operation. His selection for the South African Sevens squad to Hong Kong in 1993 meant that he, Hugh Reece-Edwards and Andre Joubert became the first to play for the Springboks in both 15 and 7-a-side rugby. He then played in the World Sevens at Murrayfield later that year. He is a law student.

C (Chris) BADENHORST (Orange Free State) – Wing. Date of Birth: 12.12.65. 1.76m. 80kg.

International Record: Uncapped

Chris Badenhorst was born in Windhoek and was educated at Windhoek HS and the University of Orange Free State. He has played provincial rugby with the Free State from 1986 and his club is Oude-Studente. He scored two tries for his province against England this year and also played against New Zealand in 1992 and France in 1993 as well as having represented the SA Barbarians. He has also appeared for South Africa in the Hong Kong and World Sevens tournaments.

P (Pieter) HENDRICKS (Transvaal) – Wing. Date of Birth: 13.4.70. 1.82m. 86kg.

International Record: 2 Caps.

Pieter Hendricks has now scored 75 tries for the Transvaal, a provincial record, having scored the last of those in recently retaining the Currie Cup by defeating Orange Free State. Born in Douglas and schooled at Sanderton, he plays for the Technikon club and has also appeared for the Junior Springboks, South-East Transvaal, the South African Schools in 1989 and the SA Barbarians tour of Britain in 1993. He made his provincial debut in 1990 and on the Barbarians tour he appeared against Leicester, Northampton, Ulster and Bath, scoring tries in all but the Ulster match. Formerly the SA junior hurdles champion. He is a teacher.

J C (Japie) MULDER (Transvaal) – Centre. Date of Birth: 18.10.69. 1.79m. 78kg.

International Record: 2 Caps.

Jacobus Cornelius Mulder joined the tour of New Zealand this year as a replacement for Pieter Muller and came straight into the second test team. He was an instant success as a sturdy tackler and strong runner and retained his place for the first test at Auckland. The nephew of the former Springbok Boet Mulder, he toured Britain with the SA Barbarians in 1993, playing in five matches and scoring tries against Northampton and Ulster. He made his provincial debut for Transvaal in 1991. He is a student.

B (Brendan) VENTER (Orange Free State) – Centre. Date of Birth: 29.12.69. 1.86m. 85kg.

International Record: 6 Caps. (5 points – 1T)

Brendan Venter made a strong impression as Pieter Muller's partner in the tests against England this year when he performed well against England skipper Will Carling. He scored a try for the Free State against England in the tour opener, having also appeared against New Zealand in 1992. He appeared for SA Schools and SA Under-20's followed by the Junior Springboks and made his provincial debut for the Free State in 1990. Scored his first test try in the final meeting with New Zealand in August at Eden Park, Auckland. He is a medical student.

P G (PETER) MULLER (Natal) – Centre. Date of Birth: 5.5.69. 1.79m. 90kg.

International Record: 15 Caps. (10 points – 2T)

Pieter Gysbert Muller was a fixture in the South African midfield since his test debut against New Zealand in 1992, when he scored a try, until a neck injury sustained against the same opponents in the First Test at Dunedin this year. Born in Bloemfontain and after 27 matches for Orange Free State we well as the Junior Springboks, he joined Natal. He has toured France, England, Australia and Argentina with his country and represented his club side, College Rovers, in Natal's 21 – 6 win over England. His elder brother Helgard appeared twice in test rugby and also twice for Llanelli with Ieuan Evans. They were the 30th pair of brothers to be capped for South Africa. He is a sales representative.

M (Tinus) LINEE (Western Province) – Centre. Date of Birth: 23.8.69. 1.80m. 88kg.

International Record: Uncapped

Marthinus Linee was a late replacement for the tour when Christiaan Scholtz was forced to pull out with injury, also taking a place on the replacements bench for the second test against Argentina on October 15. Born in Paarl, he was educated at Paulus Joubert and played Craven Week for Western Province, for whom he made his senior debut in 1992. He toured Australia with SA in 1993, playing five matches and scoring a try against Sydney and the same year toured Britain with the SA Barbarians, playing against Gloucester, Newport, Bristol and Cornwall, scoring a brace of tries in both of the last two matches. His club is SA Defence in Cape Town and he is an instructor with the SA Defence Force.

JOEL STRANSKY (Western Province) – Outside-Half. Date of Birth: 16.7.67. 1.80m. 79kg.

International Record: 5 Caps. (48 points – 2T, 10C, 6P)

Born in Pietermaritzburg, he played for Maritzburg College and then the SA Schools in 1984, making his provincial debut with Northern Transvaal in 1987 and playing club rugby in Italy before switching to Natal and the College Rovers club. Now he has joined Western Province and partnered Wales and British Lions scrum-half Robert Jones for them. He scored an amazing 903 points in 77 matches for Natal with a Natal provincial record of 204 points in 1990. He set a Natal Currie Cup record with 195 points in just fourteen matches in 1990. In the first test against Argentina at Port Elizabeth recently, he equalled the SA test record of 22 points with a try, four conversions and three penalty goals. He appeared against Wales at Windhoek for the South African Barbarians in 1993. He is a representative.

P (Hennie) LE ROUX (Transvaal) – Outside-Half. Date of Birth: 10.7.67. 1.78m. 80kg.

International Record: 7 Caps. (14 points – 1T, 3P)

After appearing for Eastern Province in 23 matches from 1990, Hendrik Pieter Le Roux, joined Transvaal and appeared for the Junior Springboks. He was deputy to Naas Botha on the tour of France and England in 1992, before his debut in the home tests with France the following year. After a tour of Argentina in 1993, it was a splendid match for Transvaal against England that ensured further tests for him. He scored a match-winning try in the Cape Town test as well as a hat-trick of penalty goals before appearing in all three tests in New Zealand. In 1991 he set Eastern Province records of 38 points in a match (against Eastern Province) and 264 points in a season. He is a student.

J H (Joost) VAN DER WESTHUIZEN (Northern Transvaal) – Scrum-Half. Date of Birth: 20.2.71. 1.86m. 82kg.

International Record: 3 Caps. (10 points – 2T)

Joost Heystek Van Der Westhuizen appeared for Northern Transvaal in 1992 against the touring Australians and was a Junior Springbok against New Zealand that year. He toured Australia as deputy to Robert Du Preez in 1993, being top try-scorer on the trip with eleven, including four in the tour opener against Western Australia but did not make his international debut until Argentina the following year, scoring a try on his debut and following with another in the second test. He is a student.

K B PUTT (Natal) – Scrum-Half. Date of Birth: 28.7.65. 1.72m. 78kg.

International Record: Uncapped

Kevin Barry Putt was regarded as one of the most promising scrum-halves in New Zealand, where he was born until moving to South Africa in 1992. Indeed, he appeared for Waikato against Wales in 1988 and was an All Black trialist, playing 52 times for Waikato and at club level for Hamilton OB after having made several appearances for Otago and the New Zealand Universities. He now plays for the Empangeni club and made his provincial debut in 1992 for Natal and in the following year he toured Britain with the SA Barbarians, appearing against Gloucester, Newport, Bristol and Cornwall. He is a sports development officer.

P (Piet) DU RANDT (Orange Free State) – Prop.

International Record: 1 Cap.

Pieter Du Randt is a tight-head prop, who is a complete outsider in the party. Newcomer completely in 1994 but won a test place at Port Elizabeth against Argentina after a Currie Cup final appearance against Transvaal at Bloemfontain.

S (Balle) SWART (Transvaal) – Prop. Date of Birth: 18.5.64. 1.85m. 110kg.

International Record: 8 Caps.

Stephanus Swart, better known as Balle, probably knows more about Welsh rugby than any other player in the South African squad as he played at club level for Ebbw Vale in 1991 and returned for Heineken League matches against South Wales Police and Glamorgan Wanderers in the 1991-92 season. He has appeared at both loose and tight-head in Test rugby. A Springbok reserve in 1989, he now plays for the Germiston club, having broken into provincial rugby with Western Province in 1988 before moving to Transvaal. He was badly concussed after being raked in the first test against New Zealand this year but returned to action in the third test of the series. He is a motor sales manager.

T (Tommy) LAUBSCHER (Western Province) – Prop. 1.76m. 102kg.

International Record: 1 Cap.

Tommie Laubscher is a loose-head prop who played for both Boland and the Central Unions before switching to Western Province, where he won his first cap against Argentina at Port Elizabeth this season. He plays for the Northern club. He is a mechanic.

I (Ian) HATTINGH (Transvaal) – Prop.

International Record: Uncapped.

Ian Hattingh a loose-head prop, is another newcomer to the side who appeared in this season's Currie Cup final against Orange Free State. He gained a place in the South African 'A' team, who defeated Argentina at Brakpan by 56 – 12.

U L (Uli) SCHMIDT (Transvaal) – Hooker. Date of Birth: 10.7.61. 1.80m. 90kg.

International Record: 13 Caps. (5 points – 1T)

Ulrich Louis Schmidt is the son of former SA flank-forward, Louis Schmidt. He made his debut with Northern Transvaal in 1983 but now appear for Transvaal, whom he helped to Currie Cup wins in 1993 and 1994. He made his mark against the New Zealand Cavaliers in 1986 and scored a superb try in the third test after having made the squad for an internal tour the year before. He had been rated for several years as one of the top hookers in the world with his exceptional speed and positional play in the loose. He is a doctor.

J (James) DALTON (Transvaal) – Hooker. 1.78m. 95kg.

International Record: 1 Cap.

James Dalton was on the replacements bench for both tests against England this year, though he appeared with Johan Le Roux and Balle Swart in the Transvaal front row against England at Johannesburg in a 24 – 21 victory and with Le Roux as South Africa 'B' also beat England at Kimberley. In 1993 he was rated only tenth amongst his country's hookers but he made the trip to New Zealand this year and now understudies Uli Schmidt for South Africa and Transvaal.

M G (Mark) ANDREWS (Natal) – Lock. Date of Birth: 21.2.72. 2.00m. 108kg.

International Record: 5 Caps.

Mark Gregory Andrews made a superb entrance to test rugby, winning a monopoly of the ball in the front of the South African lineout against England at Cape Town this year after touring Argentina in 1993 without winning a cap. He won Junior Springboks colours in Water Polo and made his provincial debut in 1993, when he also appeared as a replacement against France. He is the cousin of SA Prop Keith Andrews and is a student.

H HATTINGH (Northern Transvaal) – Lock. Date of Birth: 21.2.68. 1.94m. 118kg.

International Record: 3 Caps.

Hendrikus Hattingh was a Junior Springbok athlete as well as rugby player. He made his Northern Transvaal debut in 1991 from the Oostlikes club and toured France and England in 1992 with SA. He is a brother-in-law of the SA player Ruben Kruger, who won his first and second caps, both replacing Adri Geldenhuys. He made an appearance in the Naas Botha Farewell Match at Pretoria in 1993 while his first full test was against Argentina at Port Elizabeth this year. He is a market agent.

J J (Kobus) WIESE (Transvaal) – Lock. Date of Birth: 16.5.64. 1.98m. 120kg.

International Record: 1 Cap.

Jakobus Johannes Wiese, known as Kobus, first played provincial rugby in 1985, appearing for both Boland and Western Transvaal before settling with Transvaal. He plays for the Pirates club and won his only cap against France at Durban in 1993 alongside the experienced Rudi Visagie. He appeared for Transvaal and South Africa 'B' in their wins over England this year. He plays for the Germiston Simmer club and toured New Zealand this year, but returned home early with injury. He is a broker.

P J SCHUTTE (Transvaal) – Lock. Date of Birth: 7.10.69. 2.02m. 120kg.

International Record: Uncapped

Phillipus Jacobus Schutte, born in Pretoria, played for Northern Transvaal before moving on to SA Under-20's and then Pretoria University. He appeared for the SA Students and the SA Development side in 1992 after making his provincial debut in 1990 and toured with the SA Barbarians to Britain in 1993, playing against Leicester, Newport and Bath. He was also a replacement for SA on the 1992 trip to England. Last year he appeared for Northern Transvaal against France and this season appeared in the South African 'A' team against Argentina at Brakpan. He is now with Transvaal and is a student.

J F (Francois) PIENAAR (Captain) (Transvaal) – Flanker. Date of Birth: 2.1.67. 1.92m. 96kg.

International Record: 12 Caps. (5 points – 1T)

Jacobus Francois Pienaar followed in the footsteps of back-row men Basil Kenyon and Des Van Jaarsveld when skipping the Springboks on his test debut against France at Durban in 1993. He has not missed a test since and scored a try in the third test against Australia at Sydney. He also skippered Transvaal to victory over England at Johannesburg. Conclusion against Wellington on the New Zealand tour meant that he had to miss five matches. Last year he led Transvaal to their first Currie Cup for 21 years and was skipper against in this season's success. He was a law graduate and is now a businessman.

R J (Ruben) KRUGER (Northern Transvaal) – Flanker. Date of Birth: 30.3.70. 1.88m. 100kg.

International Record: 2 Caps.)

Ruben Jacobus Kruger appeared for the South African Schools and the SA Under-20 sides before making his provincial debut in 1991, representing the Collegians club. In 1993 he appeared for South Africa 'B' and Orange Free State against the touring French team and was also on the tours of Australia and Argentina. He was called up as a replacement during the tour of New Zealand this year and has now transferred to Northern Transvaal and the Oostlikes club, from where he gained a South African 'A' team place against Argentina in a 56 – 12 win. At Sevens, he appeared for South Africa in the Hong Kong tournament and then the World 7's at Murrayfield. He is the brother-in-law of SA player Drikus Hattingh and is a market agent.

E (Elandre) VAN DER BERGH (Eastern Province) – Flanker. Date of Birth: 9.12.66. 1.97m. 105kg.

International Record: Uncapped

He took part in Craven Week for Eastern Province before playing Under-20 rugby for Northern Transvaal. He made his full Eastern Province debut in 1989 and was in his province's side against France in 1993 and England this year, being in the controversy of the Jonathan Callard raking. This season he has appeared for the South African 'A' team against Argentina at Brakpan. He is a director.

R A W (Rudi) STRAEULI (Transvaal) – Flanker. Date of Birth: 20.8.63. 1.94m. 104kg.

International Record: 2 Caps.

Rudolf August Wilkens Straeuli as a youngster was a welcome guest at the Penarth Rugby Club in South Wales, where he helped the Seaside to several fine wins, including a famous defeat of Swansea. He appeared for Transvaal in a victory over England this year but had made his provincial debut with Northern Transvaal in 1986 from the Tukies club. The son of former Northern Transvaal scrum-half Hans Straeuli, he has also appeared for the SA University and SA Defence sides. His international debut and second-half try against New Zealand at Dunedin this year followed a late call-up to the tour after Ian MacDonald withdrew with injury. He is an attorney clerk and is the brother-in-law of international scrum-half Johan Roux.

C P (Tiaan) STRAUSS (Western Province) – No. 8. Date of Birth: 28.6.65. 1.86m. 98kg.

International Record: 14 Caps. (20 points – 4T)

Christiaan Petrus Strauss, better known as Tiaan, was born in Uptington, where he was schooled before attending Stellenbosch University. In 1988 he was selected for the Multi-Racial tour by the SA Pioneers to South America and skippered the Juniors against both Namibia and New Zealand in 1992 but he had made his provincial debut as far back as 1986. His test debut was on tour in France in 1992. He scored a try at Twickenham and two in the second test at Buenos Aires in 1993, while he also notched a try hat-trick in the tour match against Cordoba. He skippered the Western Province side against France last year and was dropped for the test team after the defeat by England at Pretoria. He took over as South African captain against New Zealand this year at Dunedin when Francois Pienaar was concussed. He is an attorney clerk.

G H TEICHMANN (Natal) – No. 8. Date of Birth: 9.1.67. 1.95m. 97kg.

International Record: Uncapped.

Gary Hamilton Teichmann was born in Gwelo, Zimbabwe, being educated at Hilton College and then Natal University. He joined the College Rovers club and made his provincial debut in 1991. He was selected for the SA tour of Argentina in 1993, playing in the defeat by Buenos Aires and scoring a try in the win over Rosario. In 1993 he appeared for the South African Barbarians against Wales at Windhoek. This season he won a place in the South African 'A' team against Argentina at Brakpan. He is a bank official.

Manager:

J P (Jannie) ENGELBRECHT (Western Province)

International Record: 33 Caps. (24 points – 8T)

Former test wing whose 44 tries in 67 matches still remains a Springbok record.

Coach:

K (Kitch) CHRISTIE

Assistant Coach:

Z M J (Gysie) PIENAAR

International Record: 13 Caps. (14 points – 2T, 2P)

He set and Orange Free State record of 165 appearances with 101 in the Currie Cup from 1974 until 1987.

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STATISTICS FROM **Baytrack** for **VOLVO**
FIRST DIVISION RESULTS 1994-95
 up to Wednesday, 19th October



First Division

	P	W	D	L	T	Pt
Swansea	7	5	0	2	20	10
Cardiff	6	5	0	1	19	10
Bridgend	7	4	0	3	18	8
Neath	6	3	1	2	5	7
Llanelli	6	3	0	3	15	6
Pontypool	6	3	0	3	14	6
Pontypridd	5	3	0	2	6	6
Dunvant	6	2	1	3	10	5
Treorchy	6	2	0	4	12	4
Newbridge	5	2	0	3	9	4
Newport	6	2	0	4	5	4
Abertillery	6	1	0	5	12	2

Second Division

	P	W	D	L	T	Pt
Aberavon	6	5	0	1	24	10
Abercynon	6	5	0	1	18	10
Cross Keys	6	5	0	1	8	10
Ebbw Vale	6	4	1	1	15	9
Bonymaen	6	3	0	3	15	6
S.W. Police	6	3	0	3	12	6
Narberth	6	3	0	3	12	6
Tenby Utd.	6	3	0	3	7	6
Maesteg	6	2	1	3	7	5
Llandovery	6	1	0	5	7	2
Penarth	6	1	0	5	5	2
Llanharan	6	0	0	6	7	0

Third Division

	P	W	D	L	T	Pt
Caerphilly	7	7	0	0	21	14
Y'gynlais	7	6	0	1	16	12
Mt. Ash	7	4	1	2	18	9
Blackwood	7	4	1	2	6	9
Kenfig Hill	7	4	0	3	13	8
Glam. W.	7	4	0	3	10	8
Tredegar	7	3	0	4	12	6
Builth Wells	7	3	0	4	6	6
Aberavon Q.	7	1	2	4	3	4
Pontypool U.	7	1	1	5	8	3
Tondu	7	1	1	5	7	3
Blaina	7	1	0	6	7	2

Fourth Division

	P	W	D	L	T	Pt
Whitland	7	7	0	0	21	14
St. Peter's	7	5	0	2	16	10
Rhymney	7	5	0	2	11	10
Tumble	7	4	1	2	13	9
Cardiff Inst.	7	4	0	3	13	8
Pyle	7	3	1	3	15	7
Cardiff Inst.	7	3	0	4	13	6
Vardre	7	3	0	4	5	6
Oakdale	7	2	1	4	7	5
Glynneath	7	2	1	4	7	5
Kidwelly	7	1	0	6	6	2
Llantrisant	7	1	0	6	4	2

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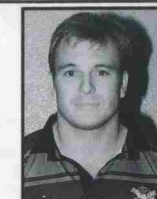


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M R HALL - Centre. Date of Birth: 13.10.65. 6ft 1in. 15st 0lbs.

International Record: 35 Caps.

Michael Robert Hall has skippered Cardiff for the last three seasons and fought his way back into the Welsh squad after injury with a superb display as Wales A captain against the North of England in October 1993. For several seasons the selectors had been undecided as to his best position with twenty-three caps coming at centre and ten as a wing after his first cap was as a replacement in the first New Zealand test in 1988. Started his senior career with Maesteg and Bridgend and won Blues in 1987 and 1988 with Cambridge University. He scored a try hat-trick against Portugal at Lisbon in May in a World Cup qualifier and notched two tries against Canada at Toronto. A broken wrist against Tonga finished his 1994 tour of the South Seas but he made a surprisingly quick return to the Cardiff and Wales sides this season. He is a BSc(Hons) in Economics and a BA(Hons) in Land Economy and is a Chartered Surveyor.

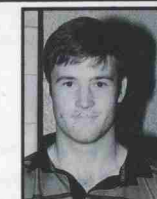


C JOHN - Outside-Half/Centre. Date of Birth: 20.2.73. 6ft 2ins. 12st 0lbs.

International Record: Uncapped

Chris John is another versatile player who has appeared in three back line positions for Cardiff. Won caps for Welsh Schools Under-18, Wales Youth and Wales Under-19 as an outside-half and was in the Cardiff Youth team that won the Welsh Youth Cup at the National Ground in 1992.

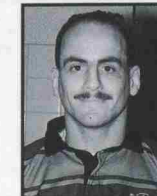
A student at Bristol University, he has seven Wales Under-21 caps.



S FORD - Wing. Date of Birth: 15.8.65. 6ft 0ins. 12st 7lbs.

International Record: 8 Caps.

Stephen Ford hails from a splendid Rumney family of rugby players that still support the local club, even though three of them have tasted success elsewhere. Older brother Phil turned professional and won 11 caps for Great Britain and appeared for Wales against France this year. Younger brother Edwin played first-class rugby at Pontypridd before breaking a leg. He has since returned to Rumney. Steve won the first of his eight caps against Ireland in 1990 and marked the occasion with a try. Has scored well over 100 of tries for Cardiff. He is a self employed carpet fitter.



C LAITY - Centre. Date of Birth: 19.6.65. 5ft 10ins. 13st 7lbs.

International Record: Uncapped

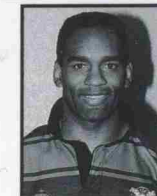
Colin Laity was born and raised in Cornwall and represented the county in the English Championship final. He made three cup appearances for Neath in 1988, 1989 and 1990. Played for South and South West Divisional sides and England Students before opting to play for Wales on a residential qualification. He made his Wales B debut against France in 1988 and scored a try at the National Ground for the Barbarians against Australia in the same year. Captained the Welsh Colleges and South Glamorgan Institute and joined Cardiff three seasons ago. He scored the winning try in the semi-final against Pontypridd last year by ending a move he had also begun. He is a teacher at Westbourne School, Penarth.



N. WALKER - Wing. Date of Birth: 15.6.63. 5ft 11ins. 12st 9lbs.

International Record: 6 Caps.

Nigel Walker only took up the sport again after a ten year lapse two seasons ago. In that short time he has won six caps and twice scored tries against France and one against England. After failing to win a Welsh Schools cap he turned his attentions to athletics and became a world class high hurdler. He won bronze medals at the 1987 World and European Indoor Championships over 60m hurdles and was a semi-finalist in the 100m hurdles at the 1984 Olympic Games. He reached two Commonwealth Games finals, finishing fourth and fifth, was fourth at the 1986 European Championships. He also ran at the 1987 World Championships and has a best 100m time of 10.35 secs. His first season of league rugby brought him 14 tries in 17 matches. Notched a try hat-trick on his representative debut for Wales A in Holland.



A DAVIES - Outside-Half. Date of Birth: 9.2.69. 5ft 10ins. 12st 10lbs..

International Record: 6 Caps.

Adrian Davies is one of the most talented all-round footballers in Wales. He set a Heineken League record of 264 points to steer Cardiff to second place. After skipping the Welsh Schools, Under-18 and Wales Under 19 teams he went to Cambridge University where he won three Blues. He also won a Blue at soccer, a sport in which he won a Welsh Schools Under 15 cap. Brothers Graham and Lloyd also played for Cambridge in the Varsity Match. Launched his senior career at Neath and picked up a Division One winner's medal with them in the inaugural season of league rugby. First toured Australia with Wales in 1991.



A MOORE Scrum-Half. Date of Birth: 6.9.68. 5ft 10ins. 12st 10lbs.

International Record: Uncapped.

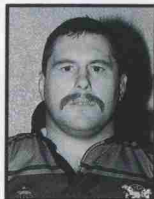
Andrew Moore was voted Man-of-the-Match in last year's Cup Final victory over Llanelli. Played for the Welsh Schools Under-18 team in 1984 and went on to play for the Welsh Students and Welsh Development Squad. Scored the winning try for Oxford University in the 1990 Varsity match when he opposed Booth. Had one season with Bridgend before returning to Cardiff.



M GRIFFITHS - Prop. Date of Birth: 18.3.62. 5ft 11ins. 16st 7lbs.

International Record: 28 Caps.

Michael Griffiths won the first seven of his 28 caps from Bridgend, a club he joined from Ystrad Rhondda. Started life as a soccer player before turning rugby and learning his front row trade under the expert eye of Ian Stephens. Joined Cardiff in 1989 and toured Australia with the British Lions the same year. Missed the whole of the 1993 Five Nations Campaign after breaking his shoulder in a mountain bike accident in Lanzarote. He is a self-employed builder.



J HUMPHREYS - Hooker. Date of Birth: 27.2.69. 6ft 0ins. 15st 0lbs.

International Record: Uncapped

Jonathan Humphreys is currently employed by Cardiff as one of their two rugby development officers, along with vice-captain Hemi Taylor. He studied at Cardiff Institute and the Polytechnic of Wales and won Wales Student caps against France, England and Scotland in 1992 and England in 1990. He also played in the Students World Cup in Italy in 1992. He skippered the Wales Development squad in France.



L MUSTOE - Prop. Date of Birth: 30.1.69. 5ft 11ins. 15st 0lbs.

International Record: Uncapped

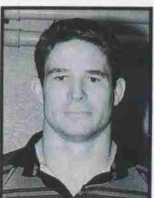
Lyndon Mustoe began his rugby at Chepstow Comprehensive School before joining the town side in the Monmouthshire Championship. It didn't take long for Pontypool to discover his talents and he joined them in 1990. He won honours for Wales at Youth, Under-19, 20 and 21 levels. Capped by Wales A against Holland and Ireland A and played again for the A team in four of their five victories last season. He is a bricklayer.



S ROY - Lock. Born 25.12.68. 6ft 6in. 17st 4lbs.

International Record: Uncapped

Dr. Stuart Roy was a Christmas Day baby, born in Ely (Cambridgeshire, not Cardiff), but moved to Anglesey when very young. Educated at Menai Bridge and Bristol University (MB, ChB). Played for Bangor Youth and had one appearance for Neath. Welsh Schools cap, toured New Zealand with Wales Under-19 and represented Wales in the Students World Cups of 1988 and 1992 in France and Italy. Won two Under-21 caps and was on the replacements bench for Wales at Twickenham in 1992. A qualified medical practitioner, he is working at the Heath Hospital.



D JONES Lock. Date of Birth: 14.11.70. 6ft 10ins. 18st 7lbs.

International Record: Uncapped

Derwyn Jones is one of the tallest men in Welsh rugby. He joined Cardiff after having played for both Llanelli and Northampton in 1992 whilst studying at Loughborough University. He began his first-class career with Neath and won Under-21 caps against Ireland in 1991 and Scotland in 1992. A debut for Wales A followed against North of England at Pontypool in October 1993 and last season he also played against Ireland A at Donnybrook and France A at Cardiff as well as helping Cardiff to win the Welsh Cup. He was on the replacements bench for Wales v Italy. He is a Police Officer with the Gwent Constabulary.



H T TAYLOR - Flanker. Born 17.12.64. 6ft 2in. 14st 7lbs.

International Record: 7 Caps

Hemi Takatou Taylor was born in Morrinsville, New Zealand where he had a trial for the New Zealand Colts before appearing in provincial rugby for both Waikato and Waikato-Bush. He moved to Wales in 1986, joining Newbridge and making his debut against Neath that year before playing in over a century of matches for the Gwent club. He transferred to Cardiff for the 1992-93 season and has also appeared for the Welsh Academics, Crawshays Welsh and the Barbarians. He was awarded the Cardiff Supporters Club Player-of-the-Year award in 1993. He married in Wales, has one child and won his first full international cap against Portugal at Lisbon in the World Cup qualifier. In May 1994 soon after recovering from an appendicitis operation. Although injury caused him to miss the match against Spain, he returned against Canada at Toronto but this will be his first international at the National Ground. He is a Rugby Development Officer for Cardiff RFC.



O WILLIAMS - Flanker. Date of Birth: 10.10.65. 6ft 5ins. 15st 7lbs.

International Record: 1 Cap

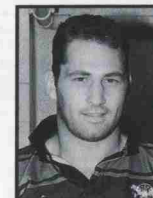
Owain Williams is the younger of two brothers who have both played for Wales. Five times capped, Gareth also played in the back row, and was a replacement on the British Lions tour to South Africa. It was in Namibia ten years later that Owain earned his only cap to date as No. 8 in the 34-30 second test win in Windhoek. He did, however, go one better than his brother by scoring a debut try. Won a Welsh Schools Under-18 cap against Canada in 1983 before going to South Glamorgan Institute. Won Welsh Students caps against France and England in 1986 and 1987. First came to prominence on the senior scene at Glamorgan Wanderers before joining Bridgend. Figured in the 1990 cup final for Bridgend when they lost to Neath. Joined Cardiff two seasons ago. He is a TV designer.



E W LEWIS - No. 8. Born 29.8.68. 6ft 4in. 16st 8lbs.

International Record: 30 Caps

Emyr Wyn Lewis gained fourteen caps as a blind-side flanker, before having a spell at Number 8. He has now won 21 caps on the flank and nine in his favourite Number 8 position. His two-try performance at Windhoek in the final test against Zimbabwe in 1993 was perhaps his best test display and he followed with an outstanding match against the South African Barbarians. He was the Player-of-the-Year in Wales in 1992 and was in the Llanelli side that defeated Australia that year. Educated at Ysgol y Ddrewen and Ysgol Bro Myrdin, he appeared for Carmarthen Athletic Youth before making his Scarlets debut against Newport as a replacement in 1987. This season he switched from Llanelli and joined the Cardiff club. He is a Police Officer with the Dyfed-Powys Police Authority.

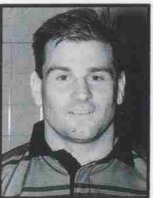


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M A RAYER - Full-Back. Date of Birth: 21.7.65. 5ft 10ins. 13st 3lbs.

International Record: 22 Caps.

Michael Anthony Rayer is now recognised as one of the world's leading full-backs. He gained his first cap in the 1991 World Cup as replacement for Tony Clement and has since taken the field as a replacement on five other occasions. He has been one of Cardiff's most outstanding full-backs and is as steady in defence as he is speedy in the counter attack. He joined Cardiff from the local Llandaff North club, from where he had skippered Wales Youth at rugby and has scored over 300 league points in five seasons. He replaced Nigel Walker against Japan and Scotland, scoring one try in the former and two in the latter from the left wing. His try-scoring continued with one for Cardiff in the 1994 Cup final and another for Wales against Fiji at Suva. Also plays baseball for Wales B. Sadly he broke his leg at Treorchy last Saturday.



REPLACEMENTS

J HEWLETT – Centre/Scrum-Half. Date of Birth: 30.5.74. 5ft 8ins. 12st 11lbs.

International Record: Uncapped

Jason Hewlett is Mr Versatile at the Arms Park having played wing, centre, outside-half and scrum-half. He was scrum-half for the Welsh Schools Under-15 team before playing outside-half for the Under-18 side. He reverted to scrum-half the following season and has also played for Wales Youth, Under-19 and Under-21. Missed five months of last season with knee ligament damage and was on the bench for every cup round.

Is a student at Swansea Law School and has Wales Under-21 caps.



A BOOTH – Scrum-Half. Date of Birth: 8.12.68. 5ft 10ins. 13st 5lbs.

International Record: Uncapped

Andrew Howell Booth was educated at Bishop Gore School, Swansea before earning degrees at Swansea (Hons in Business Studies) and Cambridge (Land Economy) where he also won Blues in 1989 and 1990. Played first for Neath while still at school and captained Welsh Schools, Welsh Students and Wales Under-21. A cup finalist with Neath in 1988 and a Wales B cap. Andy has been on the bench for Wales eight times – he was in the 1991 World Cup squad – without winning a full cap. He is an insurance broker.



M BENNETT – Flanker. Date of Birth: 26.1.68. 6ft 1in. 14st 7lbs.

International Record: Uncapped

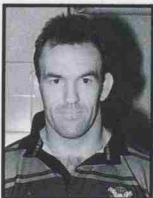
Mark Bennett rejoined Cardiff from third division Ystradgynlais two seasons ago. Capped by the Welsh Schools Under-18 team in 1986, he went on to study at Swansea University. Played for the Wales Students against England in 1988, England and France in 1989 and France in 1990. He also appeared in the 1988 Students World Cup, scoring a try against France.



H STONE – Flanker/No. 8. Date of Birth: 1.8.61. 6ft 3ins. 15st 10lbs.

International Record: Uncapped

Howard Stone packed down alongside current Wales team manager, Rob Norster, in the second row in the Cardiff side that won the cup in 1987. A versatile and loyal player, he has also played across the back row for the club. Played for Wales A against Holland in 1993 and for East Wales against the Japanese tourists last season. Was a try-scorer for East Wales against West Wales two years ago.



A L P LEWIS – Prop. Date of Birth: 13.6.73. 5ft 10ins. 15st 0lbs.

International Record: Uncapped

Andrew Leighton Paul Lewis, who was educated at Christ College, Brecon after spending years in Togo as a youngster (because of his fathers job), scored a try on his last appearance at the National Ground – for Cardiff Youth as they beat Maesteg in the Welsh Youth cup final. Capped at Under-18, Youth and at Under-21 levels.

Andy is a student in Swansea.



H R BEVAN – Hooker. Date of Birth: 20.10.64. 5ft 11ins. 14st 6lbs.

International Record: Uncapped

Huw Rowland Bevan was a prop for the Grand Slam Welsh Schools Under-18 team in 1983. He had previously won caps at Under-15 and Under-16 levels and went on to play for the Welsh Students while at South Glamorgan Institute. Skipped the Institute and played against Cardiff in the cup in 1986. Joined Bridgend on leaving the Institute before moving on to the Arms Park.

He is a schooteacher.



CARDIFF - THE SEASON SO FAR



HAPPIER DAYS . . . as Mike Rayer goes over for the second try during Cardiff's triumph over Llanelli in last year's SWALEC Cup final.

While optimism still runs high at the Arms Park, the tragic injuries to Mike Rayer, the club's charismatic full-back, at Treorchy last Saturday, has cast a sobering cloud over the scene. Notwithstanding the fact that Adrian Davies's injury-time drop goal won what may well prove to be crucial Heineken League points, players and supporters of both sides would have accepted the decision had the referee called the match over at that injury stage. Mike – and the good wishes for a speedy and complete recovery have some from well beyond Cardiff and Wales – had the previous Wednesday evening won his 21st cap for the country and was arguably on course for his finest season.

Cardiff, SWALEC Cup holders and fourth in the league last season despite scoring comfortably more tries than any other club, are level on points at the top of the Heineken League this morning

after losing only to Swansea, with only try-scoring separating the top clubs and we have a match in hand.

For the club's leading players – and more particularly those involved in the national side – it has been a gruelling year. Wales have played ten internationals, including a long summer tour, while each Saturday seems to bring new pressures for success in either cup or league.

As can be read in the following pages however, there is a strength in depth in the squad, as well as a blend of youth and experience with the result that, although today's game with the South Africans may be called a "friendly" in the widest of senses, there will be just as much determination to contain as well as entertain.

Our next two league matches, incidentally, are at home to Pontypool next Saturday and then Abertillery on Fireworks Day, November 5th.

CARDIFF R.F.C. 1st XV

DATE	OPPONENTS	F-A	15	14	13	12	11
AUGUST 1994							
Sat. 27	BRIDGEND(L)	H 50-20	M. Rayer (1T)	S. Ford (2T)	A. Palfrey	J. Hewlett (1T)	S. Hill
SEPTEMBER 1994							
Sat. 3	PONTYPRIDD(L)	A 12-6	M. Rayer (3P, 1DG)	S. Ford	M. Hall	J. Hewlett	N. Walker
Thu. 8	NEATH(L)	H 37-9	M. Rayer (1T, 3C, 2P)	S. Ford (1T)	M. Hall	C. Laity	S. Hill (1T)
Sat. 10	Pontypool	H 29-16	N. Stork	O. Thomas	A. Palfrey (C. Laity)	P. Wintle	N. Walker (2T) (P. Agar)
Fri. 16	Newport	A 13-20	S. Davies	G. Lewis	C. Laity	J. Hewlett	N. Walker
Sat. 24	SWANSEA(L)	A 13-17	M. Rayer (1C, 2P)	S. Ford (1T)	M. Hall	C. Laity	S. Hill
OCTOBER							
Sat. 1	LLANELLI(L)	H 28-8	M. Rayer (1P)	S. Ford (1T)	M. Hall	C. Laity	S. Hill
Sat. 8	Cambridge University	A 67-23	N. Stork (1T)	S. Ford (5T)	S. Davies (1T)	P. Wintle (1T) (G. Baber)	G. Lewis
Sat. 15	TREORCHY(L)	A 18-15	M. Rayer (1C, 1P) (A. Booth)	S. Hill (C. John)	M. Hall	C. Laity	N. Walker
Sat. 22	South Africa (Nat.Stad.)	H					
Sat. 29	PONTYPOOL(L)	H					
NOVEMBER							
Wed. 2	Penarth	A					
Sat. 5	ABERTILLERY(L)	H					
Tue. 8	Gloucester	H					
Sat. 12	DUNVANT(L)	A					
Sat. 19	NEWBRIDGE(L)	H					
Thu. 24	Natal Select	H					
DECEMBER							
Sat. 3	NEWPORT(L)	A					
Wed. 7	Penarth	H					
Sat. 10	BRIDGEND(L)	A					
Sat. 17	Cup 4th Round						
Sat. 24	PONTYPRIDD(L)	H					
Mon. 26	Invitation XV	H					
Sat. 31	NEATH(L)	A					
JANUARY 1995							
Sat. 7	SWANSEA(L)	H					
Sat. 14	Maesteg	H					
Fri. 20	Bristol	H					
Sat. 28	(Cup 5th Round) Moseley	H					
FEBRUARY							
Sat. 4	LLANELLI(L)	A					
Wed. 8	TREORCHY(L)	H					
Sat. 11	Swansea	A					
Fri. 17	London Welsh	H					
Sat. 25	PONTYPOOL(L)	A					
MARCH							
Sat. 4	Watsonians (a.m.)	A					
Sat. 11	ABERTILLERY(L)	A					
Fri. 17	Bath	H					
Sat. 25	Cup 6th Round						
APRIL							
Sat. 1	DUNVANT(L)	H					
Sat. 8	Cup Quarter Final						
Thu. 13	NEWBRIDGE(L)	A					
Sat. 15	Barbarians	H					
Sat. 22	Cup Semi Final						
Sat. 29	NEWPORT(L)	H					
MAY							
Sat. 6	Cup Final						

FIXTURES AND STATISTICS

10	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
A. Davies (6C, 1P)	A. Moore (1T)	A. Lewis (M. Griffiths)	J. Humphreys (1T)	L. Mustoe	S. Roy	D. Jones	M. Bennett (1T)	H. Taylor	O. Williams
C. John	A. Moore	M. Griffiths	J. Humphreys	L. Mustoe	S. Roy	D. Jones	M. Bennett	H. Taylor	O. Williams
A. Davies	A. Booth	M. Griffiths	H. Bevan (2T)	L. Mustoe	S. Roy (H. Stone)	P. Jones	V. Davies	H. Taylor	E. Lewis
S. Davies (3C, 1P)	A. Moore (1T)	D. Joseph	J. Humphreys	L. Mustoe (M. Griffiths)	H. Stone	M. Voyle	M. Bennett	M. Budd (1T)	O. Williams
C. John (1C, 2P)	A. Booth	D. Joseph	J. Humphreys	A. Lewis	H. Stone	S. Roy	P. Agar	V. Davies	O. Williams
A. Davies	A. Moore	M. Griffiths	J. Humphreys	L. Mustoe	S. Roy	D. Jones	M. Bennett	H. Taylor	E. Lewis
A. Davies (1P, 1C)	A. Booth	D. Joseph (1T)	H. Bevan (1T)	L. Mustoe	S. Roy	D. Jones	H. Taylor	O. Williams	E. Lewis (1T)
C. John (1T, 6C)	A. Booth	A. Lewis	H. Bevan	P. Sedgemore	P. Ager	S. Roy	M. Bennett (J. Ronan)	M. Budd (1T)	H. Stone (1T)
A. Davies (1DG)	A. Moore (1T)	M. Griffiths	J. Humphreys	L. Mustoe	S. Roy	D. Jones	M. Bennett	M. Budd (1T)	H. Stone

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WHY JOIN ?

The Cardiff Supporters Club – annual subscriptions are only £2 with £1 for juniors and OAPs – hold social functions throughout the season, run buses at advantageous rates for most away matches and weekend trips to some internationals.

It also publishes newsletters at regular intervals.

FORTHCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS

- Nov. 11th – Live Music from the Sixties

AWAY MATCH COACH ARRANGEMENTS

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| 1994 | 1995 |
| ● Sat. Nov. 12th – DUNVANT | ● Sat. Feb. 4th – LLANELLI |
| ● Sat. Dec. 10th – BRIDGEND | ● Sat. Feb. 11th – SWANSEA |
| ● Sat. Dec. 31st – NEATH | ● Sat. Feb. 25th – PONTYPOOL |
| | ● Sat. Mar. 11th – ABERTILLERY |
| | ● Thur. Apr. 13th – NEWBRIDGE |

TRIP TO SCOTLAND FOR INTERNATIONAL ON MARCH 4th

Tentative arrangements are being made to leave Cardiff on Thursday, March 2nd, to stay at the Hilton Hotel, Livingston, for three nights with dinner, bed and breakfast included, returning on Sunday, March 5th. Inclusive price £150 per person. Anyone interested should contact a Supporters Club official.

The Junior
BLUE & BLACKS

TODAY'S MATCH MASCOT IS . . .

. . . NICHOLAS TREEN, a ten-year-old from Jade Close Lisvane, who goes to Cefn Onn Primary School. Sadly in view of last Saturday's tragic accident, Mike Rayer is the favourite player of Nicholas who will be 11 on December 28 (do you only receive one set of presents, Nick?) and who plays in the second row at school.



HOW TO BECOME A JUNIOR BLUE AND BLACK

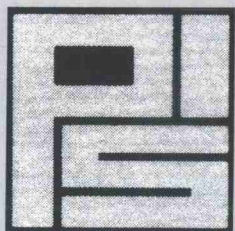
Join the Junior Blue and Blacks and you too can be a mascot for the day.

- ♦ Own Clubhouse and stand accommodation at Westgate Street end for Saturday Heineken League matches
- ♦ Coffee Shop and snacks available before, during and after match.
- ♦ Bar facilities for parents before and after the match.
- ♦ Prize quiz and meet the players after the match.
- ♦ Chance to become match mascots or ballgirls and ballboys.

WHAT IT WILL COST TO JOIN

- ♦ One Under 15, £20 per season (plus £5 registration per member).
- ♦ One adult £35 per season.
- ♦ Examples: One adult + one Under 15: £60 per season.

Further information from Julie Thomas on Cardiff 383546.



Mark, Terry and Gerard

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TODAY'S PRIZE COMPETITION

Below are the names of six flowers and plants associated with rugby countries.

Which belongs to which?

DAFFODIL	IRELAND
FERN LEAF	SCOTLAND
PROTEA	WALES
ROSE	SOUTH AFRICA
THISTLE	NEW ZEALAND
SHAMROCK	ENGLAND

TIE BREAK: In no more than 20 words: "Why I want/wanted to be a member of the Junior Blue and Blacks. Send answers with name and address to: Karl Williams, c/o The Commercial Dept, Cardiff Rugby Club, The Arms Park, Westgate Street, Cardiff.

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