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The Cardiff Rugby Football Club gratefully acknowledge the sponsorship of today's game by THE CARDIFF STAFF AGENCY

Today, Cardiff Arms Park will be the Mecca of all rugby followers in the area when we entertain what must unquestionably be one of our most prestigious annual fixtures, the world famous Barbarians. It is the second ambition of every player, the first of course being a place in their national team, to play for the famous Baa Baa's. Cardiff association with the ever popular nomads is a very unique one as we played them in their inaugural year 1890 and have played every year since except for the two periods of inactivity caused by the wars. So today heralds our 90th birthday and the 96th match in the series. Of the previous 95 games we have won 60, lost 31, drawn four and scored 1,298 points against 804. During the series we have witnessed some spectacular games and we only have to go back to season 1975/76 to recall one of the truly great games of the 90 years. The final score was 29-28 to Cardiff but habing the hare facts of those figures lies the story of a pulsating Cardiff but behind the bare facts of those figures lies the story of a pulsating contest. At half-time we were in what appeared to be an irreversible position of being 24 pts. to nil down. The second half, however, had the crowd on its feet time after time and while restricting the Baa Baa's to four more points, we scored 29 to win the game by one point. The following seasons, 1976/77 and 1977/78, saw the Baa Baa's win by 26-13 and 20-8 respectively. This brought them to Cardiff last year looking for a third consecutive victory. This would have been quite a feather in their cap because only on one other occasion have the Baa Baa's managed such a situation. This occurred during seasons 1930/31 to 1934/35 when the Baa Baa's had their best ever run in the series in winning the five games. If you remember then, last season we again saw a spectacular running game with Terry Holmes at his majestic best. He scored three superb tries in the space of nine minutes and put us on the road to a splendid victory by 40 pts. to 22. Long may this type of rugby be played by the sides.

This year the Baa Baa's have selected a party of 34 players for their Welsh tour in the hope that they will not have to recruit local players to replace those either injured or having to return early. The party is made up of 12 English, nine Scots, five Irish, four Welsh, three French and one Canadian. Of these, seven have already been selected for the forthcoming Lions tour, Billy Beaumont, who has also been appointed captain, John Carleton, Peter Morgan, Phil Blakeway, Peter Wheeler, John O'Driscoll and John Beattie. On behalf of the Cardiff Rugby Club we say heartiest congratulations to all seven, may the remainder of the tour be as enjoyable as possible. Whilst on the subject of the Lions tour can we say congratulations and well done to our own Dr. Jack Matthews on his history creating appointment as Medical Officer to the party. Dr. Jack is an old Lion himself so he won't be unfamiliar with all the rigours that accompany a long tour of this nature. If he has as many injuries to treat as Cardiff suffered on their South Africa tour last summer he will be kept very busy indeed. Back to this weekend though, and the Lions management have made no secret of the fact that they will be present in Wales to assess the prospects of candidates for selection as reserve to the nominated 30. There must be quite a few of the Baa Baa's party under review and from a Cardiff point of view I'm sure John Scott will be very anxious to show the class he displayed during the international campaign and also the tremendous understanding he has with Terry Holmes. Hopefully we will be at full strength today with skipper Gareth Davies having successfully passed his fitness test when playing for the Rags last Wednesday against Pembroke County. So let's hope for another one of the classic games, which are more the rule than the exception, for our Easter Saturday entertainment. We certainly hope the rain abates a bit because as I write these notes the weather is monsoon-like. This in no way however dampens our welcome to President Herbert Waddell and his Baa Baa's and also to Lions management Sid Millar and Noel Murphy — Easter greetings to you all gentlemen, may your weekend be an enjoyable one.

Since the issue of the Newport programme, the Welsh touring party has been announced and obviously we are very pleased to have four players

included: Chris Webber, Bob Norster, Pat Daniels and David Thomas. Chris, Bob and Pat are no newcomers to the honours list but David is. His 24 tries makes him our top in this department and his determined play over the past few months has earned him this reward. Well done lads, we hope you enjoy your trip.

Over the last two Saturdays the Rags have notched good wins against Newport United and Senghenydd while the Youth have crashed on to their 34th win in 34 games. Weather permitting they should have played their Cup Final against Cwmbran last Tuesday and I hope to include that result as a stop press item on today's programme but give you more details in the Harlequins programme.

Finally, did you hear about the Welsh fan who was so depressed after the Irish game that he decided to commit suicide. He bought 300 aspirins to do the

job but after taking three he felt better!

P.N.

KNOW THE LAWS

By FRED CROSTER

As usual at this time of year, with two games following in quick succession, a quiz for you to ponder over with your Easter eggs, hot cross buns and what have you. The questions today, the answers on Monday and, don't forget, a pint in the clubhouse for the first all correct answers or, if you're not a member I'll be around the entrance with a couple of free copies of 'Welsh

Rugby' magazines.

1. A defending player makes a 'Mark' in his own 25. He taps the ball to himself, runs the whole length of the field to the opposite 25 and drops

a goal. What is the decision?

2. A long kick off from the centre of the field goes over the goal line and the dead ball line without being touched by any player. Where is play

3. The scrum half puts the ball into the scrum, it comes back out of the tunnel and the referee allows play to continue. How and why might this

be so?

- 4. The game is drawing to a close, the referee keeps looking at his watch, play has gone way over time and yet he does not blow to end the game. What is he waiting for? A distinct difference between soccer and rugby
- 5. Touch judges can now report incidents of foul play and misconduct to the referee. Under what conditions?

6. In such a case, how would that touch judge signal to the referee?

7. We hear a lot of talk about foul play. For foul play in-goal, while the ball

is out of play, what happens next?

8. 'Going over the top' is probably the most penalised infringement in the game today. Often it is the TACKLER who gets punished. What causes this?

9. Putting the ball into the scrum! What are the criteria which decides which side?

10. A scrum takes place near the goal line. The ball is being heeled by the defending side, the attacking side give a good old 'Heave Ho', their scrumhalf dives into the scrum, touches the ball down and gets a try. How can this be so?

That's it. Have a go. See you on Monday.



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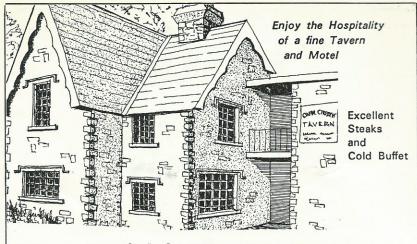
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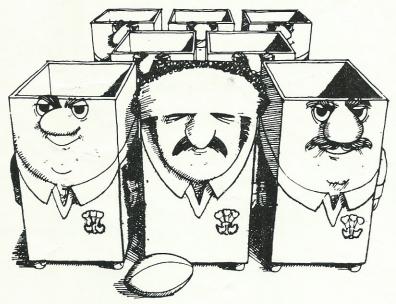
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