CARDIFF RUGBY CLUB CENTENARY YEAR





CARDIFF V SYDNEY

SATURDAY, 23rd APRIL, 1977 KICK OFF 3 p.m.

Official Programme 10p

Cardiff v. Sydney

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Excuse the sombre tone of these programme notes but being the last domestic fixture of the season it is a sad occasion. But what a season it has been — from the first game against Llandaff, followed by the Champions' Sevens, the World XV, Argentina, Italy, the Wolfhounds, the Barbarians and now Sydney in addition to the normal fixture list. It has been a season to remember for another hundred years. Add to that those superb wins in the Welsh Cup over Llanelli, Pontypool and Aberavon, and of course with the Final to come, no one can complain about the variety and quality of the fixture list.

There have been dramatic moments off the pitch as well. The various receptions: at the City Hall for the World XV, at the Royal for the old players (and who will ever forget the sight of Ewan Davies leading the Parade of Stars around the Arms Park in the match before the Reception), various dances and Centenary functions, the most spectacular of which was the unforgettable event at Sophia Gardens, and culminating in the Centenary Dinner at the Castle last Saturday. It has been a year when all sections of the Club have come together: the Centenary Aid Committee put on the spectacular at Sophia Gardens and the Supporters Club have worked all the year from the National Eisteddfod in Cardigan up to the moment, selling everything in Blue and Black. The forecourt will not be the same without Mr. and Mrs. Eddie John and Brian Bennett, our resident gypsies. The ladies have contributed with events of a very female character, and of course the office and bar staff have had their work cut out too.

All this would have been to no avail if the team had not done their bit. They haven't won everything, but they have played Cardiff Rugby. I venture to say that any team that is prepared to play Rugby Football as it is meant to be played will find that this team is more than prepared to meet them halfway, and is more than likely to beat them. We have seen some magnificent running Rugby this year, and I would like to congratulate Gerald Davies and his boys for that. If

they pick up the W.R.U. Cup next Saturday it will be the end of a fantastic season.

On a personal note it seems likely that this will be the last time that I will put pen to paper for the Club. I am reminded of a statement by W. C. Fields, the great comedian. He once said: "That is the lady who drove me to drink, and I never even wrote to thank her." Cardiff Rugby Club showed me what Rugby is all about and I have no intention of not thanking them. To one and all, in every capacity, thank you for two wonderful decades.

It is in many ways appropriate that we should be playing Sydney in the last domestic fixture of our Centenary Season. It has been said that outside of Cardiff and Newport, the greatest centre of amateur Rugby in the world is in Sydney. The Greater High Schools there are a hot-bed of Rugby Football, and provide a steady flow of recruits to the clubs. Unfortunately, the clubs have an intense rival for talent in the form of Rugby League, headed by the St. Georges Club in Sydney. This is said to be the wealthiest oval-ball club in the world, its wealth being based on the income from a battery of one-armed bandits that puts Las Vegas to shame. This lures the youngsters away from the amateur game, and the depredations in the ranks of the Australian teams over the years have been severe.

In an effort to combat this, and in order to bring on their young players, the clubs in Sydney have embarked on a World Tour. They have already on this tour played in Japan and Canada, and in this country they have beaten Bucks and last Saturday they beat Devon.

The constituent clubs in the Sydney Rugby Union represented on this tour are Gordon D.R.U.F.C., East Suburbs, North Suburbs, West Suburbs, Sydney University, Randwicke, Gordon Centre and Port Hacking. They are captained by Garrick Fay, well known to Cardiff supporters as captain of the World XV we played in September, and as chief disciple of lateral thinking.

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Sydney Rugby Union

Mr. P. R. A. FALK (Manager)

Peter is 36 years of age, 6 ft. tall and weighs 16 stone. He attended Sydney Grammar School and represented Combined G.P.S. 3rd. XV in 1957. His Senior Rugby was played with the Eastern Suburbs Club. In the late 50's and early 60's he was a regular member of their First Grade team. Since retiring Peter has directed his energies to administration. Besides being President of the Sydney Rugby Union, he serves on the New South Wales Rugby Union Executive and is Deputy Chairman of the Australian Rugby Football Union. In private life he is a Money Market Manager.

Mr. R. G. URQUHART (Assistant Manager)

Bob is 46 years of age, 6 ft. 2 ins. tall and weighs 14 stone. He was educated at Sydney Church of England Grammar School and represented Combined G.P.S. 3rd XV in 1948. He was a member of the Manly Club from 1949 to 1958 during which time he played 70 first grade games. While on a short vacation to Europe in 1955, he played social Rugby with Rosslyn Park. This is his third season as Sydney coach. During this time the team has recorded wins against England, Japan, Auckland (N.Z.) and Fiji. Bob is a director of an import and export business.

G. A. ANDREWS (Gordon D.R.U.F.C., Fly Half)

Grant is 23 years of age, 6 ft. tall and weighs 12 st. 8 lb. He attended Kuringai High School and represented N.S.W. Combined High Schools in 1970-71 and N.S.W. Schools in 1971. He joined the Gordon Club in 1972 and since 1973 has been a regular first grader. Senior representative football has been obtained with Sydney 2nd XV, Sydney Under 23, Barbarian Rugby Club and he was an Australian trialist in 1976. In summer he is a keen surf swimmer. Grant is employed as a warehouse supervisor.

J. E. BAY (Gordon D.R.U.F.C., Half Back)

John is 23 years old, 5 ft. 7 ins. tall and weighs 10 st. 8 lb. He was born in New Zealand but completed his schooling at North Sydney Boys H.S. In 1971 he played for N.S.W. Combined High Schools, N.S.W. Schools, Sydney Under 18 and N.S.W. Under 18. During 1972 he joined Gordon Club and has been a regular first grader for the last two seasons. He clears the base of the scrum with long passes, backs up attacking moves and is ever present to plug the defence. In 1976 his non-stop efforts were recognised by the selectors and he represented Sydney Under 23's, N.S.W. Under 23's and was a reserve for the Australian trials. He could develop into the find of the tour. John is a psychology student and in summer enjoys surfing.

K. S. BESOMO (Eastern Suburbs D.R.U.F.C., Lock)

Keith is 23 years of age, 6 ft. $5\frac{1}{2}$ ins. and weighs 16 st. 8 lb. He is nearly deaf but does not allow the disability to dominate. He was educated at Enmore High School. In 1974 he joined Eastern Suburbs D.R.U.F.C. and secured a position in the first grade team. Since then representative honours have been steadily earned. In 1975, he played for Sydney Under 23. During 1976 he became a regular in Sydney First XV and represented N.S.W. against Fiji. His catching ability in lineouts won him a position in the touring Wallaby side to France. Unfortunately, in the first match on tour he fractured an ankle. Keith enjoys swimming in the off season and is a trainee accountant.

C. F. BLUNT (Gordon, Centre)

Charles is 23 years old, 5 ft. 10 ins. tall and weighs 13 stone. First representative Rugby honours were obtained in 1965 when he played for the N.S.W. Primary Schools. He attended the Kings School for his secondary education and played for Sydney schools in 1971. He joined Gordon D.R.U.F.C. in 1972 and was a member of their third grade Premiership team. Since 1973 he has been a regular first grader. He has consistently represented Sydney, New South Wales and Barbarians. Last season he captained Sydney Under 23's and New South Wales Under 23's and played in the Australian trials. Charles is studying architecture at Sydney University.

J. E. COOLICAN (Sydney University F.C., Prop forward)

John is 22 years of age, 6 ft. tall and weighs 15 stone 2 lb. He is a product of St. Ignatius College. He represented Combined G.P.S. XV in 1971 and 1972 and N.S.W. Schools in 1972. He enrolled as a dental student at Sydney University and is now in his final year of studies. He played for Sydney Under 23's and New South Wales Under 23's in 1975 and 1976 and Sydney First XV

against Combined Services in 1976. John is also a keen rower.

G. FAY (Northern Suburbs D.R.U.F.C., Lock) Captain

Garrick at 28 years of age and having represented Australia 18 times is the veteran of the team. He is 6 ft. 5 ins. tall and weighs 17 st. 7 lb. He attended Sydney Church of England Grammar School. He has been a regular member of the Sydney, New South Wales and Australian representative teams since 1971, when he played against the Springboks. He toured with Wallabies to New Zealand 1972, to England and Wales in 1973, to British Isles in 1975-76, played in the 1973 Scottish Centenary celebrations, 1974 Irish Centenary celebrations and captained Oversea International XV v. Cardiff in 1976. Garrick is a company director and relaxes with surfing, skiing and hang gliding.

G. HARRIS (Sydney University R.F.C., No. 8)

Greg is 22 years old, 6 ft. 2 ins. tall and weighs 15 stone 7 lb. He attended Kogarah High School for his secondary education. At school he played Australian Rules but when he became a student at Sydney University he switched over to Rugby. In 1974 he was selected in the Australian Universities team. Since 1975 he has been a regular member of the Sydney First XV playing against such teams as N.S.W. Country, Queensland, Victoria, England and Japan. In 1975 and 1976 he played in the N.S.W. Under 23's. Greg is a keen surf swimmer and horse racing enthusiast.

P. S. JOHNSTONE (Northern Suburbs D.R.U.F.C., Prop forward)

Peter is 28 years of age, 6 ft. 1 in. tall and weighs 16 stone. He completed secondary education at Newington College and played in Combined G.P.S. Second XV in 1963. Since joining the Northern Suburbs Club he has represented Sydney First XV from 1969 to 1976 against such teams as N.S.W. Country, Queensland, N.Z. All Blacks, Tonga, England, Japan and Fiji. Similiar representation has been gained in N.S.W. teams. He was reserve forward for the Australian team during the 1976 series. Peter is an Industrial Real Estate Agent. During the summer months he is an active member of a Surf Life Saving Club.

L. E. MONAGHAN (Gordon D.R.U.F.C., Full back)

Laurie is 25 years of age, 5 ft. 11 ins. tall and weighs 13 stone 8 lb. His early Australian Rules background developed excellent handling and kicking skills. He has a wonderful attacking flair. He attended East Hills Boys High School and represented N.S.W. Combined High Schools in 1970. Laurie is a very experienced player. He has been a regular member of the Sydney, New South Wales and Australian teams since 1971. Tours have been to France with the 1971 and 1976 Wallabies, Japan with the 1972 Australian Colts, Great Britain with the 1973 and 1975-76 Wallabies and played against 1974 All Blacks, 1975 England and Japan and 1976 Fiji sides. Laurie is an Industrial Officer (12 tests).

D. McDOUGALL (Eastern Suburbs D.R.U.F.C., Hooker)

Don is the youngest member of the touring party at 20 years of age, 5 ft. 8 ins. tall and weighs 13 stone. He was educated at Vaucluse Boys High School. On leaving school he joined Eastern Suburbs Club. In 1975 he gained selection in the N.S.W. Colts and in 1975 represented Sydney and N.S.W. Under 23 teams. Don is a student at the University of New South Wales. He enjoys playing golf.

G. A. NICHOLS (Gordon D.R.U.F.C., Winger)

Glenn is 24 years old, 6 ft. 2 ins. tall and weighs 13 stone 3 lb. He attended Chatswood High School and while there represented N.S.W. Combined High Schools in 1970. In 1971 he joined Gordon Rugby Club and soon became a regular in the first grade team. Representative honours have been gained in Sydney and N.S.W. Under 23's and Sydney First XV including a match against Fiji. He played for N.S.W. against Fiji, was a reserve during the 3 tests against Fiji for the Australian team and trialist in the games to select the Wallabies for tour of France. Glenn is a sales representative. He enjoys playing social golf.

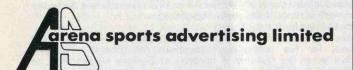
G. PEARSE (Randwicke D.R.U.F.C., Flanker)

Gary is 23 years of age, stands 6 ft. 2 ins. tall and weighs 14 stone 2 lb. He attended Maroubra Bay High School before joining up with Randwicke Rugby Club. Representative honours were first obtained in 1974 when he was selected in Sydney and New South Wales Under 23's and the Sydney First XV. In 1975 he played for Sydney First XV and New South Wales before gaining selection in the Wallabies tour to the British Isles. These performances were followed up in 1976 when he played outstanding football in the series against Fiji and gained selection in the Wallaby team to tour France. Unfortunately, severe injuries restricted his appearances on tour. Gary is a Civil Engineer and relaxes with surfing, spear fishing, tennis and squash (6 tests).

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 - J. BAY 9.
 - P. JOHNSTONE 1. D. McDOUGALL 2.
 - J. COOLICAN 3.
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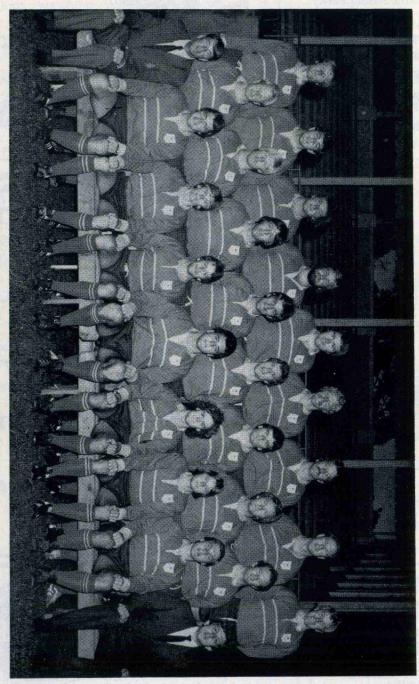
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KNOW THE LAWS

By FRED CROSTER

Early arrivals for the Easter Baa Baa's game will have watched the youth match between our lads and those from Llandaff R.F.C. As mentioned in the afternoon's programme, this annual encounter was refereed by Colin Wilson, the president of the New Zealand Referees' Society, who was over here, at his own expense, to attend Llandaff's Rugby Festival. B. & B. with me, free, cut down some of his expenses, and produced long Rugby talks.

One which concerned him, after watching a number of games and refereeing three, was the Maul and Ruck situation compared with what he was used to 'Down Under'. Our Sydney visitors will know what I mean.

Colin was horrified at the way in which, after a tackle, players go in to pick the ball up, as indeed the laws permit. He asserts that on the forthcoming Lions' tour hands galore wil be hacked unmercifully as the burly, uncompromising All Blacks go in with their feet to get the ball back.

So much is this a part of their play that often the ball will be hit down to the ground, from the tackled player's hands, in order that the Maul will become a Ruck and so make it necessary for feet to be used as they want it.

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As I have mentioned before, after a tackle, only a short period of time is allowed for a player to free himself if he is on his feet. If he fails to release himself he MUST release the ball immediately. If on the ground he MUST release it without playing it in any way.

If all players did this it would make life easier for them and referees and help to prevent the situation stated above.

This is one which no doubt the management will sort out before any Lions games are played.

That's the lot for this season. Law changes to discuss when we all come back. Till then, enjoy the summer.

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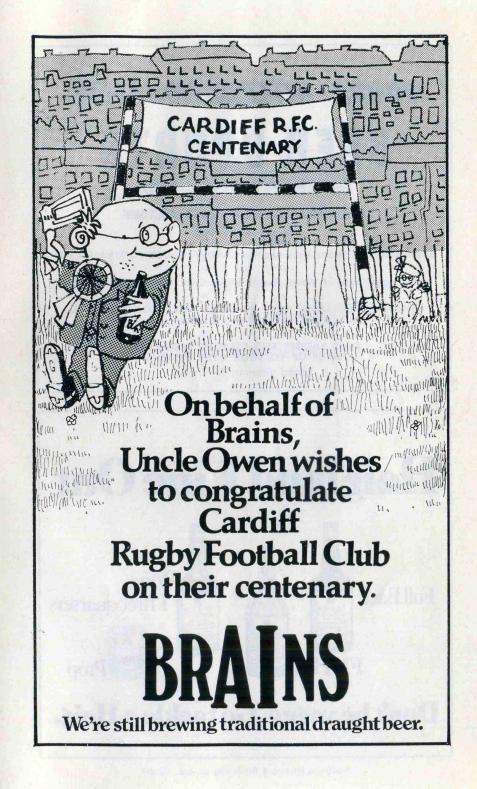
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