

CARDIFF'S FIRST POST WAR SEASON, 1919-20

ST. ALBANS BAND AND HEAVYWEIGHT BOXERS

1919-20. P39, W21, L13, D5. Points 415-283.

The carnage of war was at an end, at a fearful cost in manpower, so many of them sportsmen, cut down in the flower of youth. After more than four long years Cardiff, like so many other clubs commenced its period of re-building. Frank Gaccon, one of our oldest forwards from pre-war years, capped for his club in 1908-09 was elected captain, but later in the season was succeeded by W. J. "Wickham" Powell, a very fast wing threequarter who gained four Welsh caps this season. Powell turned professional with Rochdale Hornets, later to return to Cardiff as mine host at the Cardiff Arms Hotel in Quay Street, and play bowls for the Cardiff Athletic Club

About a dozen or so pre-war players were available, namely police sergeant Jim Birch, Dan Callan, R. A. Cornish, Dai Llewellyn, W. J. Jenkins (captain 1913-14), Jake Crowley, Joe Brookman, Willie Cornish, Charley Bryant, Fred Eames, J. Clem Lewis and Johnny

