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CUP

BATH

Colours: Blue, White & Black

Full Back 16 JON WEBB

Right Wing 15 TONY SWIFT* Right Centre 14 JEREMY GUSCOTT* Left Centre 12 PHILIP DE GLANVILLE Left Wing 11 JIM FALLON

Outside Half 10 STUART BARNES* Scrum Half 9 RICHARD HILL*

Forwards 1 GARETH CHILCOTT* 2 GRAHAM DAWE* 3 VICTOR UBOGU **4 MARTIN HAAG**

5 NIGEL REDMAN* 6 ANDY ROBINSON* (Capt)

7 STEVE OJOMOH 8 BEN CLARKE

Replacements 17 STEVE KNIGHT

18 MARK CRANE

NOTTINGHAM

Colours: Green & White Hoops, Green shorts

15 SIMON HODGKINSON* (Capt) Full Back

Right Wing 14 KEVIN STILES Right Centre 13 STUART POTTER Left Centre 12 JOHN WEBSTER Left Wing 11 WAYNE KILFORD

Outside Half 10 GUY GREGORY Scrum Half 9 DAVID WRIGHT

Forwards 1 TONY SHEPHERD 2 JONATHAN HUDSON

> 3 DAVID WARD 4 BRANDON LANGLEY 5 DAVID HINDMARCH 6 PETER COOK

7 DANNY BOURNE 8 MATT GREENWARD

Replacements 17 TO BE NAMED

18 19

Referee: STEVE GRIFFITHS (R.F.U.)

Kick-off 2.30 p.m.

Touch Judges: Neville Carswell (Durham), Clive Parfitt (Manchester).

Today's GILBERT Match SWEB. Ball sponsors

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A DRAWN MATCH TODAY?

IF THE scores are level after 40 minutes of play each way, there will be an immediate period of replay between the same teams of ten minutes each way, with a one minute interval. If the scores are still then equal, the team that has scored the most tries goes forward to round four (the draw for which will be made next **Tuesday**, **December 3rd**). If there is still no result, the team that has scored most goals from tries goes forward to the next round. If this does not produce a result, then our visitors go into the next round.

GROUND DEVELOPMENT

TO KEEP members and supporters up to date on this scene I would report as follows: Lambridge: the planning applications to build a superstore there by Tesco and also the Safeway Store at the Kensington 'bus depot have been "called in" by the Department of the Environment who will hold a local enquiry in due course. Bathampton: planning permission was given to the Club on appeal last month but Wansdyke District Council are in turn instituting an appeal to the High Court against this decision. South Stand: planning permission has been granted for the building of hospitality suites and spectator accommodation. It is hoped to commence construction once legal queries on the trusteeship of the ground have been resolved. Open Side: planning permission was recently refused for the Club to keep the temporary stand in position for the whole year, rather than the rugby season. A planning application has now been submitted to cover the stands. Should this be successful, it is planned to put covers on the middle six sections more or less immediately, and to do the remainder as soon as practicable afterwards. Press/T.V. Facilities: planning permission has been granted to provide these above the West Stand. Costings are now being considered.

I hope that this short report gives an indication of our current position on development plans. Further reports will be given at the appropriate time, but may I emphasise that the Management Committee is doing it's best to make ground improvements as soon as possible, subject to receiving planning permission and finance being available.

MIDDLESEX SEVENS

IT WAS announced in our first programme of the season that we had accepted an invitation to participate in the Middlesex Sevens along with the other top five Clubs in the Courage League last season. The venue is Twickenham and the date is Saturday, May 9th 1992. Ticket applications have to be made by the Club by 1st January, 1992. Anyone requiring tickets is asked to apply as soon as possible (Entry is ALL TICKET with no tickets being available on the day and only limited standing room is now available). Stand and Ringside Seats are £11 and £7 respectively with standing tickets at £5. Please send your application to the Club together with remittance and stamped addressed return envelope.

SUPPORTERS' COACHES

TICKETS for our next away League match at Orrell on December 14th are available in the Bar before the match. The coach leaves Pulteney Street at 8.30 and you are asked to purchase your ticket beforehand. The Orrell Club are offering a three course meal, match ticket and programme for the all-in price of £9.99. Advance bookings are needed for this and forms are also available in the Bar.

BATH LADIES R.F.C.

AS ANNOUNCED in last week's programme, the Ladies are playing a Cup match at Bath University on Sunday, December 1st. The kick-off will be at 1.00 pm against Southend Ladies. On the following Sunday, December 8th, they will play Cheltenham and Gloucester College also at the University, kick-off 2.30 pm.

Nottingham seek a change of luck

THE rugby version of Robin Hood may be that of robbing the forwards to feed the backs but be that as it may, Nottingham, following last Saturday's result, would probably rate the Sheriff as a Harlequin on horseback.

Still, Nottingham know that it's early days yet and they come with a reputation as Cup fighters — twice quarter-finalists and once semi-finalists in the last few years.

They earnestly hope, however, that their luck will change. Injuries have been a nuisance factor. Gary Reece whose shoulder "popped out" last Saturday, carried on playing after having it "popped in" again, and is unfit for today's game. His place is being taken by nineteen year old Danny Bourne who is making his first XV debut.

Nottingham had to say cheerio to Neil Back, a truly exciting player when Leicester beckoned, as he was second choice behind Gary Reece and when Gary's next deputy came along — Martin Pepper, the English Student flanker — he, too, suffered injury.

POWERFUL NEW SPONSOR

So Nottingham hope their playing luck will change. A bright side is their securing a powerful new sponsor, Crooke's Halibut Oil — a branch of Boot's — (by a strange coincidence David Wright, their scrum-half, is their National Accounts Manager!).

Mind you, three seasons ago, Nottingham came to the Rec as underdogs and gave us a fright at a very vital stage in the season.

Sub plot to today's meeting is the Battle of the Backs. Simon Hodgkinson, refreshed after a golfing holiday in Portugal versus Jon Webb, Bath's streamlined surgeon.

A BIG WELCOME TO THE NOTTINGHAM TEAM, OFFICIALS AND SUPPORTERS.

Ken Johnstone

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SOCIAL

THE ANNUAL Christmas Draw will take place in the Clubhouse on Tuesday, December 17th. Tickets are available in the Clubhouse on match days. After the League match against Bristol on December 21st, there will be a Carol evening with mince pies and Christmas crackers — why not start your Christmas Celebrations at the Clubhouse. Mr Bojangles features in a New Year's disco on Friday, 4th January starting at 8.00 pm. This is a family-type disco with children most welcome. Tickets are £3 (including buffet) and are available from the Bar or from Keith Andrews and his social committee.

MATCH SPONSORS

WE ARE delighted to welcome two sponsors to today's match. South Western Electricity plc are of course well known to us all as the Club's main sponsor. In addition, we are very pleased to see Rotork Actuation here. We hope that both sponsors and their guests will have an enjoyable afternoon.