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**Tuesday  
29th  
October  
1996**



**BRISTOL**

Blue

**BATH**

Black, Blue & White

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|-----------|------------------------------|-------------------|----------------------|----------|
| <b>16</b> | <b>Jason Robinson (I) rl</b> | <b>Full Back</b>  | <b>Paul Hull (I)</b> | <b>A</b> |
| <b>15</b> | <b>Jon Sleightholme (I)</b>  | <b>Right Wing</b> | <b>Dave Tiveti</b>   | <b>B</b> |
| <b>14</b> | <b>Henry Paul (I) rl</b>     | <b>Centre</b>     | <b>Mark Denney</b>   | <b>C</b> |
| <b>12</b> | <b>Jeremy Guscott (I)</b>    | <b>Centre</b>     | <b>Kevin Maggs</b>   | <b>D</b> |
| <b>11</b> | <b>Ade Adebayo</b>           | <b>Left Wing</b>  | <b>Dean Wring</b>    | <b>E</b> |

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|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|----------|
| <b>10</b> | <b>Mike Catt (I)</b>    | <b>Outside Half</b> | <b>Paul Burke (I)</b> | <b>F</b> |
| <b>9</b>  | <b>Charlie Harrison</b> | <b>Scrum Half</b>   | <b>Tony Down</b>      | <b>G</b> |

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|----------|----------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|----------|
| <b>1</b> | <b>Dave Hilton (I)</b>     | <b>Prop</b>    | <b>David Hinkins</b>     | <b>H</b> |
| <b>2</b> | <b>Graham Dawe (I)</b>     | <b>Hooker</b>  | <b>Andrew Waddley</b>    | <b>I</b> |
| <b>3</b> | <b>Victor Ubogu (I)</b>    | <b>Prop</b>    | <b>Kris Fulman</b>       | <b>J</b> |
| <b>4</b> | <b>Martin Haag</b>         | <b>Lock</b>    | <b>Simon Shaw</b>        | <b>K</b> |
| <b>5</b> | <b>Brian Cusack</b>        | <b>Lock</b>    | <b>Chad Eagle</b>        | <b>L</b> |
| <b>6</b> | <b>Andy Robinson (I) *</b> | <b>Flanker</b> | <b>Martin Corry *</b>    | <b>M</b> |
| <b>8</b> | <b>Eric Peters (I)</b>     | <b>No. 8</b>   | <b>Eben Rollitt</b>      | <b>N</b> |
| <b>7</b> | <b>Steve Ojomoh (I)</b>    | <b>Flanker</b> | <b>David Corkery (I)</b> | <b>O</b> |

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|-----------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------|
| <b>17</b> | <b>Ian Sanders</b>   | <b>Replacements</b> | <b>Dean Dewdney</b> | <b>P</b> |
| <b>18</b> | <b>Neil McCarthy</b> |                     | <b>Wayne Jenkin</b> | <b>Q</b> |
| <b>19</b> | <b>Matt Perry</b>    |                     | <b>Mark Tainton</b> | <b>R</b> |
| <b>20</b> | <b>Dan Lyle</b>      |                     | <b>Andy Collins</b> | <b>S</b> |
| <b>21</b> |                      |                     |                     |          |
| <b>22</b> |                      |                     |                     |          |

Half Time

Full Time

Referee

Touch Judges

**B Campsall (RFU)**

**E Woodmason (RFU)**

(I) International  
\* Captain

**COTTON OXFORD**

R U G B Y

**Timberland**





Contests between Bath and Bristol go back well into last century and can you imagine that there is still a dispute as to who won the first game between the clubs! It's all to do

how the scoring was added up, tries and conversions separately but by laws were never meant to be simple. I am reliably informed by Bristol's John Harding tonight is the 210th game between Bath and Bristol, Bristol lead the long term statistics by 124 to 67 with 18 drawn, but in the league it's been Bath all the way so will it be the night?

those who believe in historical coincidences having a part to play it is fifteen

## Day's Visitors Bristol

as almost to the night since Bristol last defeated Bath at The Recreation Ground. On day 19th October 1981 was the date and Bristol won by scoring three tries and Gareth Cott left for an early bath! Prior to that, in fact on 18th October, Bristol had defeated Bath in a second round match in the JP Cup, commonly referred to then as the National Knock-out Cup. The score was 24 - 15, 6 penalties and a try to Bristol (David Sorrell scored 6 penalties and a conversion with Ken Farmer scoring the only try) with Bath's Gareth Davies scoring 5 penalties along with a Horton drop goal. So maybe October is Bath's lucky month!

What is likely to be different tonight is the crowd, 2,500 in 1975 with gate receipts falling 1,200, a packed house tonight should see receipts rather more than a four figure sum. There is nothing like a good old

consistency in the league this season so Bristol will fancy their chances.

Last season Bath chose this game to put on a scintillating display and they went to win the return at The Memorial Ground as well as the Cup quarter final so Bristol have a lot to avenge. This season Bristol have been a bit up and down and with some tough games to come will be looking to knock Bath off the perch as the local top dogs. Bath need to keep up their Title challenge so all the omens are good, but even without points or prizes at stake there will be no faint hearts out there tonight.

### Watch out for:



**Paul Burke**, part of a Celtic half back pairing with Robert Jones, and kicking the goals with regularity for Bristol. 23 years old, 5'8" (1.72m), 12st (76kg). Early representative career was in the English ranks, he captained the Colts XV and completed his England honours with an U21 cap, but then followed the land of his parents by plumping for Ireland. Joined London Irish in 1994 and came to Bristol at the beginning of this season. Seven caps for Ireland and a Barbarian to boot, is he in line for a recall to the Irish national team after falling out of favour in the autumn of last year? Don't give him any shots at goal tonight!

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