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# **BATH v. METROPOLITAN POLICE**

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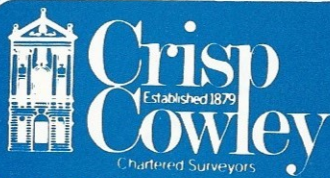
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### METROPOLITAN POLICE

Colours: Blue

- 12/26*
- Full Back** 15 J. WILTSHIRE
- Right Wing** 14 P. SWITZER  
**Right Centre** 13 D. KYFFIN *M. STEER*  
**Left Centre** 12 R. WILLIAMS  
**Left Wing** 11 R. FERRY
- Outside Half** 10 A. MERCER *S. INNES*  
**Scrum Half** 9 S. INNES *PORTER*
- Forwards**
- 1 D. BARHAM (Captain)
  - 2 I. WALKER
  - 3 J. WILLIAMS
  - 4 P. de LACY
  - 5 S. DEAR
  - 6 J. MAPP *Paul Cooper*
  - 7 A. PHILLIPS
  - 8 G. RAYBOULD

- Replacements** 16 G. PORTER *Alan INNES*  
 17 T. LEWIS *Sam Bell*

Referee: G. Fagence (Berkshire Society)

### BATH

Colours: Blue, White & Black

- 42/26*
- Full Back** 16 C. R. MARTIN\*
- Right Wing** 15 A. SWIFT  
*D. M. TRICK\**  
**Right Centre** 14 A. SWIFT *THOMAS*  
**Left Centre** 12 J. GUSCOTT  
**Left Wing** 11 B. TRAVASKIS
- Outside Half** 10 M. SUTTON  
**Scrum Half** 9 C. STANLEY
- Forwards**
- 1 I. DAVIES
  - 2 G. DAWE
  - 3 M. R. LEE
  - 4 J. MORRISON
  - 5 M. JONES
  - 6 R. A. SPURRELL (Captain)
  - 7 P. D. SIMPSON\*
  - 8 D. EGERTON

- Replacements** 17 M. SPARKES  
 18 N. MASLEN

\*International

Kick-off 7.15 p.m.

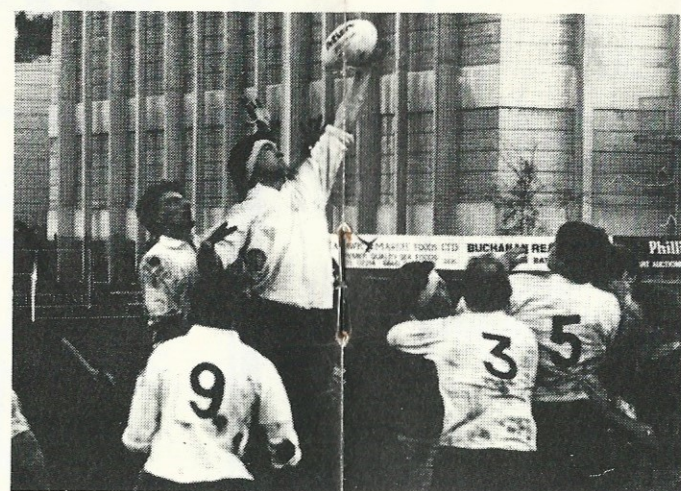


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### BATH v. METROPOLITAN POLICE

Well . . . no one is going to suggest that the six weeks have been easy since the Divisional Championships commenced. It has seemed almost as though we had said farewell to our team. However, chins up because there is little doubt that we have a point or two to prove. No, it has not been the simplest of tasks playing opponents with so many players away on Divisional or England squad duty, but . . . where better to show the things we really can do than a John Player Special Cup encounter.

Certainly, Orrell are a good Lancashire side. Yet in this respect we have been blessed with one small piece of good fortune, namely that recent encounter against Waterloo. Now Waterloo are this season's leading northern side, and not without reason. They top the Northern Merit Table and were therefore ideal opponents two weeks back on the Rec.

Yes . . . when all is said and done, we've been through a none-too-easy ride just lately. But do NOT worry. If anything, it has meant that the limelight has been diverted to other directions, allowing us to quietly go about our preparations.

We will go north to Orrell with a quiet yet real confidence. (In our hearts we know that we can do it.)

So, here is a request — likewise quiet yet likewise confident — to all our supporters. Because of YOU, Bath has survived experiences and demands on their skills and character which in recent seasons would have 'felled' many leading clubs in the Country. We have however survived and indeed triumphed none the less. It is of course due to wonderful players, coaches (Jack, David and Tom — a canny trio to be sure) and finally because of 'You' out there . . . our great supporters.

Please come with us to Orrell, "Bath and England Expects!!!"

Finally, our warmest welcome is extended to one of the nicest clubs in the game, those great lads from the Met Police. Always, our sincerest wishes are offered to a team that are a credit to Rugby Football.

H.W.B.

As mentioned above, your support at Orrell on Saturday week January 25th, will be invaluable to the players. Although a little further than Sale when our support surely outnumbered that of the home team and played a very important part in our win there, we hope that our members and supporters will make the journey en masse.

The Club Shop will be open this evening to take bookings for coaches to Orrell or alternatively please contact Frank Cottle at the Lansdown Brokerage, Monmouth Place, Bath (telephone 311359). Coaches will leave Pulteney Street at 9.30 a.m. and the fare is £6.00.

C.D.H.