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with *Tony Williams* (Chairman)

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It is always a pleasure to welcome a fellow regional partner club with such a proud history, and we look forward to what promises to be an entertaining and competitive afternoon of rugby with both teams this season playing some open and expansive rugby.

This regional derby game, sees two sides that have started with mixed fortunes, with Bridgend narrowly losing to a spirited Llandovery team last week, but showing far the team has improved since the opening game of the season against Aberavon in defeat.

Swansea have seen a bumpy start to the season with some good performances, but they have just failed to get over the final obstacles to register a win.

I am sure the return to the historic St Helen's ground later this month will see

their fortunes change as their own faithful supporters will be glad to be back home. This week has seen a change to the usual training schedule as we were fortunate to host the great Welsh boxer Lee Selby who held the IBF featherweight title from 2015 to 2018 whilst at regional level held the British, Commonwealth, and European featherweight titles between 2011 and 2014.

Lee spent time talking about his career, the desire to succeed and also put the players through some tough training, with co club captain Thomas Jevons being the one who managed to stand his ground the most.

You, our supporters continue to be at the heart of everything we do. Your passion and commitment, both home and away, provide tremendous encouragement to the players, and we thank you for the support you give the club week in, week out.

Today is another opportunity for the team to show the hard work, determination and togetherness that we want to see throughout the season. I know everyone connected with the club will get behind the players from the first whistle to the last.

Thank you for your continued loyalty and support. Please enjoy the match, welcome our visitors, and let's get behind the team.

Up the Ravens!

Cheers
Tony



SCOTT'S NOTES

with Scott Baldwin (Director of Rugby)



GOOD AFTERNOON AND WELCOME BACK TO THE ELECTRIC BREWERY FIELD FOR OUR SECOND OF FOUR CONSECUTIVE HOME MATCHES, THIS TIME AGAINST SWANSEA.

Firstly, I want to start by saying how pleased I was with the way we started against Llandovery. As has been the case in all three of our games so far, we created opportunities early on and showed real attacking intent, with some excellent creativity and finishing in the 22.

At that stage, we had a 100% conversion rate from our opportunities and found ourselves in a position where we could have put ourselves in a really commanding position. Unfortunately, we gave away a needless penalty which allowed Llandovery to relieve the pressure, and that became a bit of a theme throughout the game.

We had multiple entries into their half and created opportunities, but at times our discipline let us down. We gave away avoidable penalties which allowed Llandovery to get up the field and prevented us from maintaining the pressure we had built.

There were certainly plenty of positives. For large periods of the game, we looked comfortable against a very good side and showed that we can compete with the top teams in this league.

We were also without a hooker on the bench, so Iestyn stepped up and supported the group by coming on, which was a challenge in itself, but the players adapted really well.

We still had an opportunity right at the end to win the game, with what looked like a decisive moment being ruled as a forward pass. Ultimately, though, we had enough opportunities throughout the game to win it, which is the frustrating part.

At the same time, there is a real sense of encouragement within the group. The frustration comes from knowing we were capable of winning the game, but that is also a sign of how far this group has developed.

Against these top sides, we now genuinely believe we can compete and get results, something that perhaps wasn't there last season.

The challenge for us now is consistency. We need to eliminate those periods where we give away multiple penalties and effectively gift teams the opportunity to get back up the pitch.

If we can improve that side of our game while continuing to play with the attacking intent and confidence we've shown, we can put ourselves in a strong position.

We now turn our attention to Swansea and another important home fixture. Playing at the Electric Brewery Field, in front of our supporters, is something we always look forward to, and we'll be looking to put another strong performance together on Saturday.

As always, thank you for your incredible support. It makes a huge difference to the players and everyone involved with the club.

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FIXTURE CHANGE FOR SWANSEA CLASH AT ST HELEN'S

We can confirm that our Super Rygbi Cymru clash at St Helen's against Swansea will now take place on Friday 30th October, kicking off at 7:15pm.

The game was originally scheduled to be played on Saturday, but has been brought forward a day, with Ospreys set to face Cardiff Rugby at the famous ground that date.





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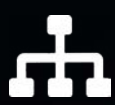
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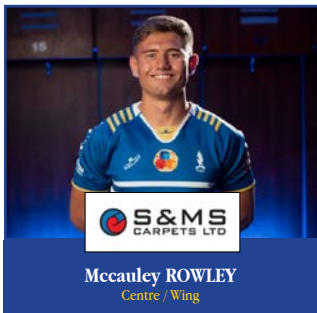
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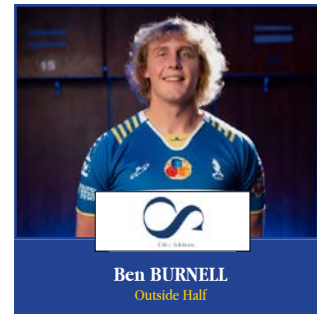
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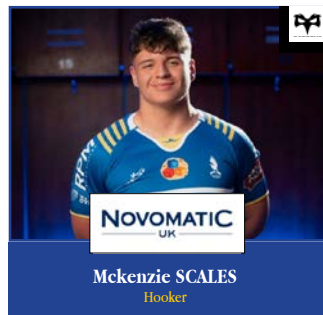


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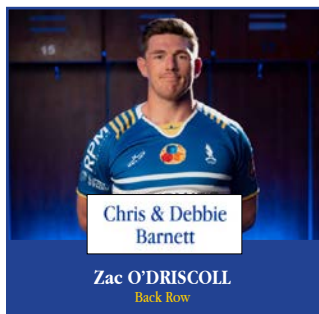
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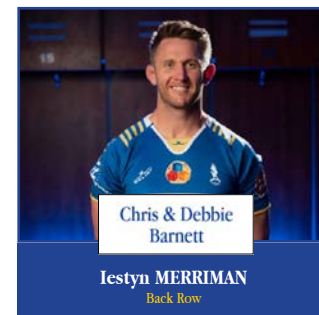
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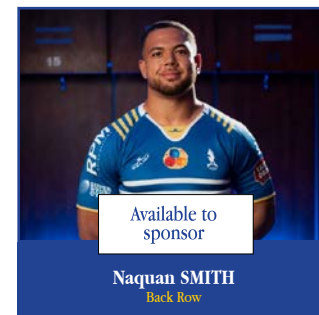
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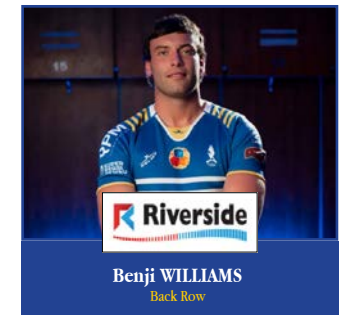
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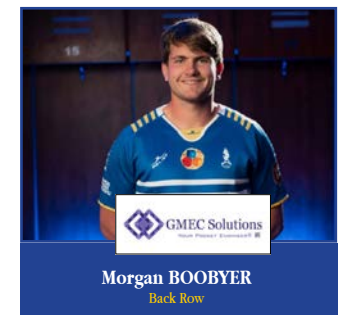
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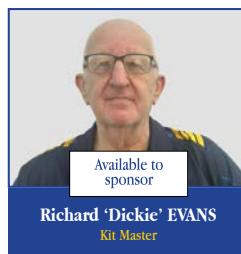
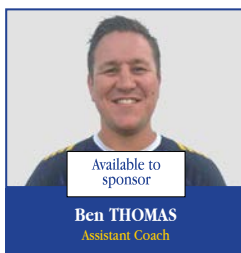


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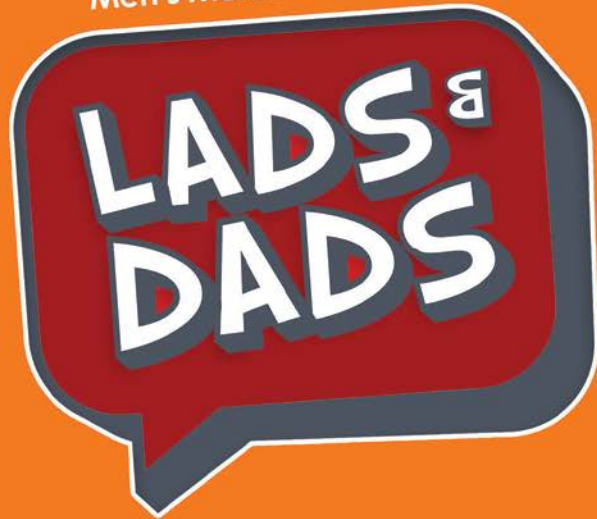
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A closer look at today's opponents with *Matthew Williams*



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SWANSEA ARRIVE IN BRIDGEND TERRITORY TODAY ON THE BACK OF A HIGH SCORING DEFEAT AGAINST CARMARTHEN QUINS, HAVING LOST 43-35 LAST WEEKEND AT THE PARK.

Their third defeat in as many Super Rygbi Cymru matches, The Whites will be looking to bounce back after a 40-12 defeat against Ebbw Vale in their opening fixture, before another high scoring defeat, a 49-35 loss away to Cardiff.

ONES TO WATCH

LEWIS EDWARDS
Centre / Full Back

Currently one of the most talked-about young talents in Welsh rugby, Edwards has recently spent time in the Wales alignment camp. The Ospreys youngster will be hoping to gain some URC involvement this season after featuring for his region in pre-season fixtures against Coventry and Ulster.

Edwards currently has 11 tries in 27 appearances for the All Whites, including a try in last season's 29-all draw at the electric Brewery Field. Still only 19, Edwards has been a mainstay of the Wales Under-20s squad, featuring at the Junior World Championship this summer following an encouraging Under-20s Six Nations campaign.

JOE THOMAS
Centre / Head Coach

The 30-year-old has recently taken over as Head Coach of Swansea, having also stepped into the role for the back end of last season following Jonathan Thomas' departure. Thomas is another player with a wealth of professional experience, having spent time with the Ospreys and in the Gallagher Premiership with Leicester Tigers, as well as a period on loan with the Dragons.

Thomas was a member of the Grand Slam-winning Wales Under-20s side in 2016, where he played alongside former Raven Owen



Watkin. The experienced centre has started the season well, scoring twice in Swansea's 43-35 defeat to Carmarthen Quins last time out.

LUKE PRICE
Outside Half

A name very familiar to Ravens fans, having made 60 appearances in blue and white and scoring 403 points in the process. One of his most memorable moments in a Bridgend shirt came against his new employers, when he nailed a last-kick-of-the-game penalty to secure a Bridgend victory at St Helen's.

Having decided to leave the Electric Brewery Field this summer, Price takes on a player-coach role with the All Whites, leading their backs. The fly-half, who made his first start of the season last week in Carmarthen, joins the St Helens club with plenty of professional experience, having played a number of times for the Ospreys as well as spending time in France.







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AROUND THE GROUNDS

We take a look around the grounds in our SRC round up

GWENT SIDES LEAD THE WAY IN SUPER RYGBI CYMRU AFTER ROUND THREE

At the time of writing it's Newport and Ebbw Vale who are leading the way, having secured seventeen points from their opening three matches.

NEWPORT have been victorious over RGC (34-25), at last weekend's visitors Llandovery (46-26) at Church Bank before hammering hapless Aberavon 73-33 at home.

EBBW VALE have also won their three opening matches, defeating today's visitors Swansea 41-12 at home, before wins against Aberavon (52-26) and a close 33-31 victory against RGC last weekend.

Elsewhere, CARDIFF and LLANDOVERY make up the top four, the Blue and Blacks unbeaten from their opening SRC fixtures, securing sixteen points in the process, while Llandovery, despite having lost two of their three opening fixtures sit in third place.

ABERAVON, despite some heavy defeats sit in fifth place with a win and two defeats from their opening matches, one place ahead of BRIDGEND RAVENS in sixth.

Next up it's CARMARTHEN QUINS, fresh from their high scoring 43-35 win against today's opponents Swansea, RGC occupy eighth despite a few close defeats to Ebbw Vale and Newport respectively.

PONTYPOOL sit in ninth having conceded a whopping 134 points in three matches including a 50-38 defeat at home to Bridgend Ravens recently. Winless SWANSEA remain rooted to Super Rygbi Cymru, having been defeated in each of their opening three SRC matches.

 SUPER RYGBI CYMRU	P	W	D	L	PTS
Newport	3	3	0	0	17
Ebbw Vale	3	3	0	0	17
Cardiff	3	3	0	2	16
Llandovery	3	1	0	2	8
Aberavon	3	1	0	2	8
BRIDGEND	3	1	0	2	7
Carmarthen Quins	3	1	0	2	7
RGC	3	1	0	2	7
Pontypool	3	1	0	2	6
SWANSEA	3	0	0	3	2



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COMMERCIAL

with Richard Harris (Commercial Manager)

IT IS A REAL PLEASURE TO WELCOME EVERYONE TO THE ELECTRIC BREWERY FIELD FOR TODAY'S GAME AGAINST SWANSEA RFC.

From a commercial perspective, there is plenty to be proud of as we continue to develop Bridgend Ravens both on and off the field.

One of the most visible developments is the **new Riverside End**. The investment from **Nick and Aimee John** has helped transform this area of the ground, with new advertising boards creating a fantastic backdrop and adding to the overall matchday experience. It is a great example of what can be achieved when people believe in the future of the Ravens and are prepared to invest in the club.

We are also delighted to welcome **Domino's Pizza** as a new commercial partner. As part of this exciting partnership, we have launched the **Domino's Try of the Month competition**, giving supporters another opportunity to get involved and celebrate the moments that make rugby so special.

I am equally proud to see **Leyshon Flint & Sons Renault and Dacia** continuing to support the Ravens, including our new pop-up car sales, bringing the Renault and Dacia brands directly to our matchdays and giving supporters the opportunity to view some of the latest cars.

Take a look around the ground today and you will see just how much our commercial offering has grown. **The new advertising boards around the pitch look fantastic**, and each one represents a business or individual who has chosen to invest in Bridgend Ravens.

On behalf of everyone at the club, I would like to say a **huge thank you to all of our sponsors and commercial partners** — existing, new and those who continue to support us year after year.

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Together, we are building something we can all be proud of. Enjoy the game.

Richard G Harris
Commercial Manager
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TODAY'S ACTIVITIES

A round up of today's activities at the Electric Brewery Field

TODAY'S MASCOTS

Today, we're delighted to welcome two very special Valley Ravens U11s players, **Mason and Poppy**, to the Electric Brewery Field as our mascots for the Ravens' Super Rygbi Cymru clash with Swansea.

Mason, 10, is enjoying his second season with Valley Ravens and loves everything about being part of the game. He can't wait for matchday each week, throwing himself into the action, playing hard and having fun with his teammates. For Mason, rugby is all about teamwork, friendship, making memories and enjoying every moment.

Poppy, 10, is a fearless competitor who never shies away from the action. Whether she's making a big tackle or charging into contact, her energy and determination shine through every time she takes to the pitch. A proud Valley Ravens player, Poppy dreams of one day pulling on the red jersey and representing Wales.

Enjoy your day, Mason and Poppy!



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with *Morgan Boobyer*

“Rugby means a lot to me. I was brought up in a very rugby-loving family, and sport has always been a huge part of my life, especially rugby.”

Rugby is in Morgan Boobyer’s blood, an unchanging presence. A platform that has allowed him to be his best self and learn valuable lessons. He has a fantastic story.



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A vital part of Bridgend's rugby landscape. The Waterwheels have a formidable history, with a clubhouse that has seen many internationals grace its doors. A club that has helped Boobyer sharpen his craft. It's clear that the club means a tremendous amount to him, and Boobyer carries the club spirit wherever he goes.

"Tondy means a lot to me. I always wanted to play for Tondy when I was younger, but they didn't have an age group for my year. I joined the club at youth level as soon as I had the chance.

It's a great club with a fantastic environment for young players to develop and build a strong foundation to progress to higher levels. The support from the crowd is incredible too. They're like a 16th player."

Whether it's for Tondy or Bridgend, Boobyer attacks each game with heart. A player who loves the game. A game that has taught him a lot.

LESSONS

"The biggest lesson I've learned throughout my career is never to give up. I've had a couple of injuries since becoming a senior player, but the biggest thing for me has been to keep going no matter what. Trust the process, work hard, and keep improving every day."

The final line of that quote really stands out to me. It speaks to more than just rugby; it speaks to life.

Work hard, stay consistent, and anything can happen. Boobyer will look to take that same mindset to the Electric Brewery Field.

BRIDGEND RAVENS

"I'm really excited to join the Ravens this season because I'm always looking to improve and push myself to the next level. I can't wait to play alongside new teammates, build new friendships, and be part of a great group of boys."

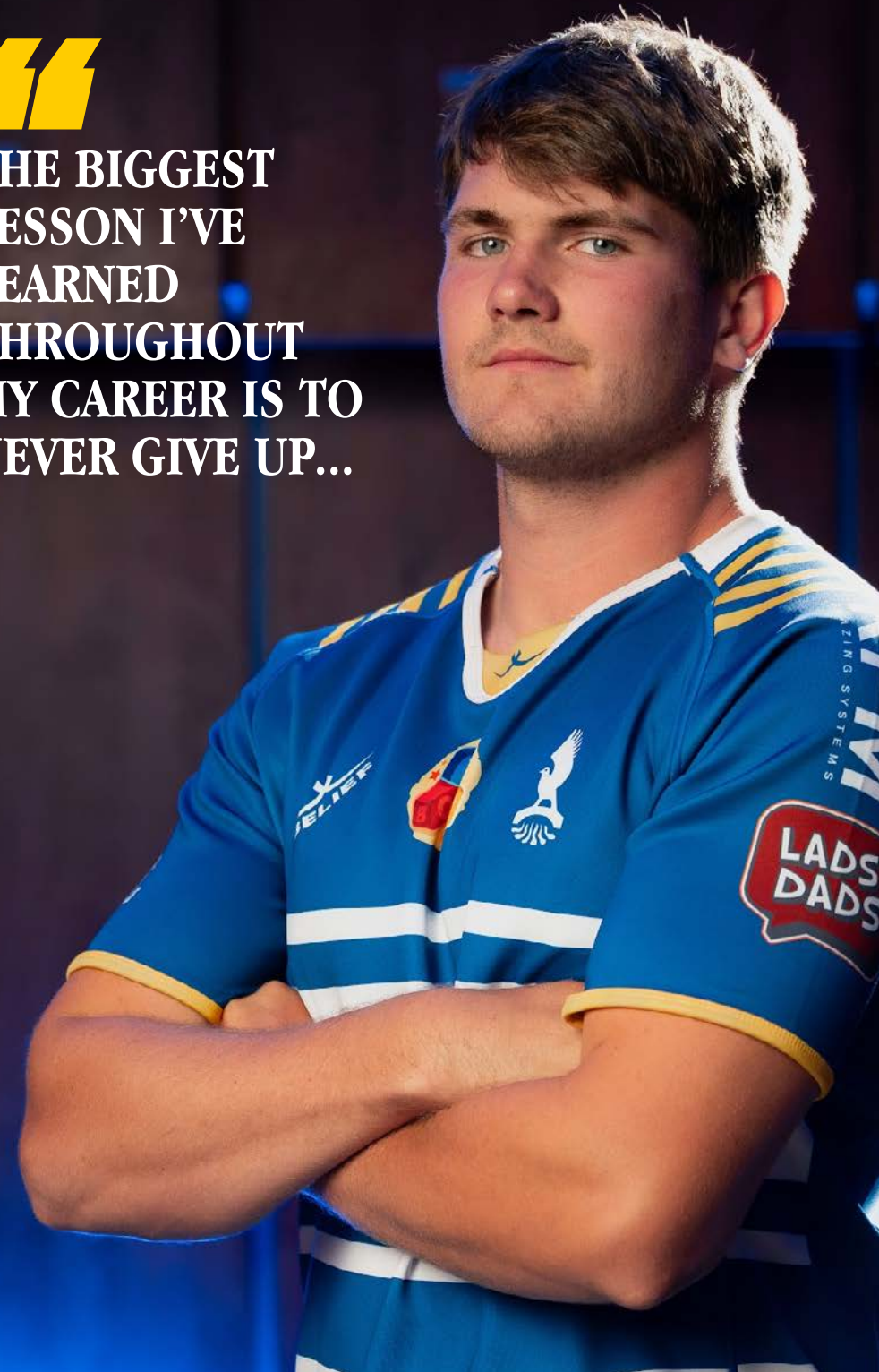
Boobyer made several appearances for Bridgend, including an incredible player-of-the-match performance against RGC in North Wales. He will now join the SRC club on a full-time basis, where he aims to develop further as a player.

"My ambition is to establish myself at this level and keep improving. I've always wanted to play for Bridgend, so I'm excited to see where we can go as a club over the coming years. I'm also looking forward to learning from the more experienced players in the squad."

Boobyer has already shown the talent, determination and quality to make a lasting impact. With his best years still ahead of him, the future looks incredibly bright, and it will be fascinating to see how far his journey can take him.



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AUGUST

14th	Bedwas (a)	W 33-19
21st	Neath (a)	W 33-7
29th	Beddau (a)	W 29-21

SEPTEMBER

12th	Aberavon (a)	L 17-36
19th	Pontypool (a)	W 50-38
26th	LLANDOVERY (h)	L 26-29

OCTOBER

3rd	SWANSEA (h)	2:30pm
8th	ABERAVON (h)	7:30pm
17th	PONTYPOOL (h)	2:30pm
24th	Cardiff (a)	2:30pm
30th	Swansea (a)	7:15pm

NOVEMBER

21st	RG C (h)	2:30pm
28th	EBBW VALE (h)	2:30pm

DECEMBER

Thu 3rd	Carmarthen Quins (a)	7:30pm	S4C
12th	RG C (a)	2:30pm	
19th	NEWPORT (h)	2:30pm	
26th	Newport (a)	2:30pm	

JANUARY

2nd	CARDIFF (h)	2:30pm
23rd	Aberavon (a) - CUP	2:30pm

FEBRUARY

6th	LLANDOVERY (h) - CUP	2:30pm
13th	Ebbw Vale (a) - CUP	2:30pm
19th	PONTYPOOL (h) - CUP	7:30pm

MARCH

27th	CARMARTHEN Q (h)	2:30pm
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APRIL

3rd	Ebbw Vale (a)	2:30pm
10th	Llandovery (a)	2:30pm

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RAVENS REWIND

A look back at a past encounter between today's teams...

SWANSEA

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BRIDGEND

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15 Matt Protheroe
14 Liam Lloyd
13 Lewis Edwards
12 Joe Thomas
11 Iwan Glynn
10 Josh Phillips ©
9 Matthew Aubrey
1 Tom Crockett
2 Jamie Cox
3 Matthew Pryce
4 Matthew Dodd
5 Ben Roberts
6 Iwan Shenton
8 Jacon Hopkins
7 Callum Bowden

16 Rhodri King
17 Ed Thompson
18 Tom Mills
19 Jake Roberts
20 Ethan Fackrell
21 Iwan Temblett
22 Llew O'Brien
23 James Price

15 Edd HOWLEY
14 Cameron ELLIS
13 Ryan WILKINS
12 Gethin O'CALLAGHAN
11 Mccauley ROWLEY
10 Lloyd Wilkins
9 Harvey Nash
1 Harry OLDING
2 Corey LEWIS
3 Nathan EVANS
4 Evan HILL
5 Barnaby WADDELL
6 Alfie THOMAS
8 Thomas JEVONS ©
7 Kyle HARRIS

16 Tyler OLDING
17 Alex GEORGE
18 Callum DONOGHUE-PROUD
19 Dominiko MANASEITAVA
20 Zac O'DRISCOLL
21 Chris WILLIAMS
22 Fraser JONES
23 Luke PRICE



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Saturday 4th April
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MATCH STATS

BRIDGEND

Tries: Lewis (2), L. Wilkins (2), Ellis, Howley
Conversions: Wilkins (2)

SWANSEA

Tries: Cox, Glynn, Protheroe, Price
Conversions: Phillips (3)



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September's nominations are:

- 1) Harvey Nash v Aberavon
- 2) Mccauley Rowley v Pontypool
- 3) Ben Evans v Pontypool
- 4) Edd Howley v Llandoverly

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This week it's the turn of last weekend's Man of the Match, *Ben Burnell*

A bit about your career...

HOW MANY CLUBS HAVE YOU PLAYED FOR?

Llantwit Fardre, Cardiff Rugby, Jersey Reds, Pontypridd, Manly, Bridgend.

PROUDEST MOMENT IN RUGBY?

My first cap for Wales U20.

WORST MOMENT IN RUGBY?

Being told in the meeting room at Jersey Reds that the club was going under.

TOUGHEST OPPONENT AND WHY?

Ebbw Vale in the winter. Horrible place to go!

Now a bit about your team mates...

FUNNIEST TEAM MATE AND WHY?

Morgan Boobyer. Dont think Ive ever spoke to him without laughing!

BEST & WORST TRAINER?

Best - Iestyn Merriman.
Worst - Harry Olding.

BEST & WORST DRESSED?

Best - Edd Howley.
Worst - Alex George.

WORST DANCER?

Gabe Lacey.

IF YOU COULD BE A TEAM MATE FOR A DAY?

Corey Lewis so I could eat whatever I want.

Now some questions about you...

NICKNAME?

Benny.

DREAM JOB?

DJ.

IF YOU COULD PLAY ONE OTHER SPORT?

Golf.

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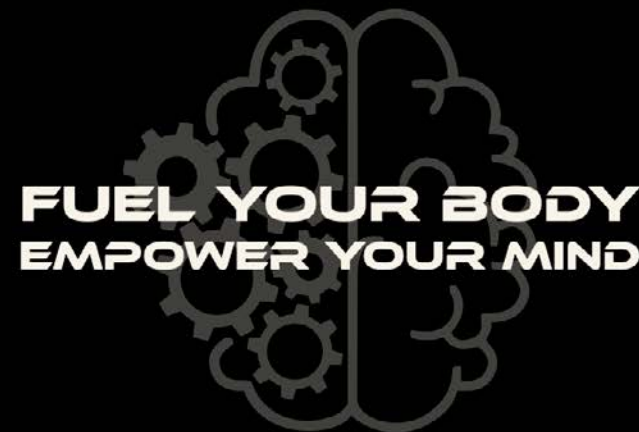


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