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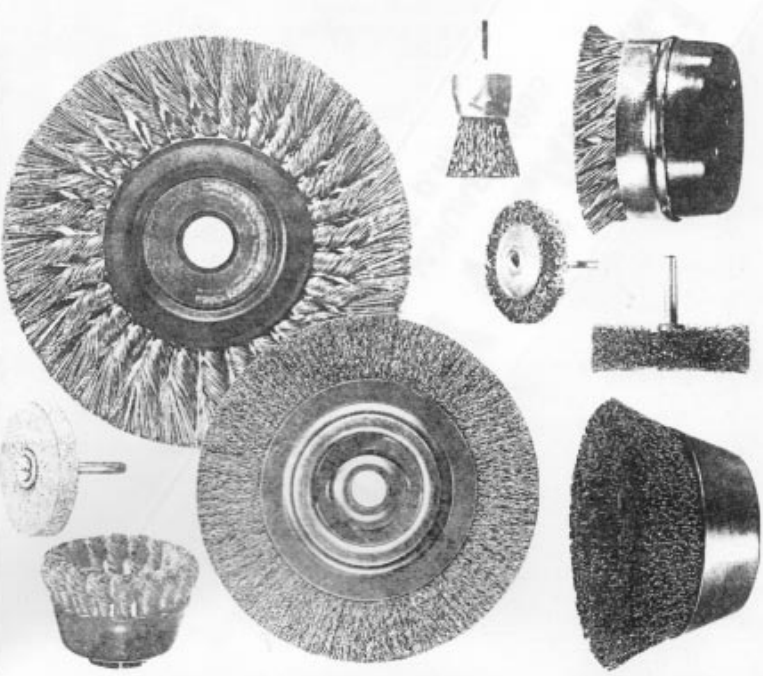
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## Welcome — "Big Brother"

Croeso cynnes i Llanelli. As President of Llandoverly Town RFC it gives me great pleasure to extend a warm welcome to our visitors from Stradey, Llanelli are, of course, renowned as being one of the great consistent powers of Welsh rugby, both at home and abroad. I was privileged to be a Vice-President, and later their Patron, during the "golden era" not so long ago. Instrumental in this of course was my friend and one of Llanelli's "Boys", the late Rugby poetic — Carwyn James. In my mature years I accepted the Presidency of the Llandoverly club with pride, and I must admit, my visits to Stradey have become fewer since.

But mine is just a little link between the two clubs. Ever since both clubs participated as founder members of the Welsh Rugby Union, there has been a steady 'brain-drain' of players from Llandoverly to represent Llanelli, and they have all done so with credit. Llandoverly also share with 'Big Brother' down the road the typical Welsh atmosphere and hwy! on the touch lines, and good running open rugby on the field.

Today will be an historic day for the town indeed with the opening ceremony to celebrate the Quincentenary of the Granting of the Royal Charter to the Borough by Richard the Third being held this morning. Richard the Third will not be leading us, but his loyal followers will be looking for a home win today, and the bottle of this farming market town will surely test the metal of the "Sosparr".

We are ensured of a memorable game, and a day to be remembered by hosts and visitors, for friendships forged and hospitality never to be forgotten.

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## Rugby will win

It is a particular pleasure for the Llanelli RFC to visit Llandoverly on the occasion of the Third Round of the Cup, for we can think of no more redoubtable opponents — more especially this season, when our host's league record has proved to be so successful.

And we are, of course, so mindful of the fate of Pontypridd in the previous round!

The association between our Clubs goes back a long way, and many of us remember our previous visit and the generous and happy welcome we received. This relationship is so representative of the warm respect, the healthy competitiveness and the mutual assistance which exists; characteristics which are the enviable and singular hall-marks of Welsh Club rugby.

I have no doubt that whatever the actual result may be today, rugby football will be the winner. Most certainly, we shall take home to Llanelli very happy memories of a splendid Cup day in the most hospitable and enthusiastic company imaginable.

Good luck.

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### THREE HORSE SHOES



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Over the years a number of players from Llandoverly RFC have appeared in the famous scarlet strip of Llanelli. These players are listed below (with sincere apologies for any omissions) and include current players such as Al-ed Williams, now with Swansea, Gareth Davies with London Welsh and Gwyn Williams who continues to play for Llandoverly.

The list is:-

**J. C. JONES**  
**HARRY WATKINS**  
**JACK COLE**  
**D. J. DAVIES**  
**EDGAR EVANS**  
**D. R. GENT**  
**MERVYN BEVAN**  
**BERNARD JONES**  
**ALAN WILLIAMS**  
**DAVID GEALE**  
**ADRIAN LLOYD**  
**GARETH DAVIES**  
**CARWYN WILLIAMS**  
**ALED WILLIAMS**

Of these, one of Llandoverly's most famous names is that of Harry Watkins. The article on the right is taken from a newspaper at the time of his Llanelli debut. He later became captain of Llanelli RFC in 1904.

### A LLANDOVERIAN AMONGST THE SCARLETS

Our Llandoverly correspondent writes: From a pressing invitation received from the Llanelli Committee, Mr. Harry V. Watkins, of Yvering, decided to assist the Scarlets against Neath on Saturday last, and his debut has happily proved a great success. Nothing else could be expected from him, brilliant sportsman as he is, for he is a well-known footballer, having received his initial coaching at Llandoverly College, an ardent hockeyist, a brilliant cricketer of the Jessopian character, and moreover a capital shot. The "Western Mail," commenting on the game, chronicled in the following strain: "While speaking of the play of the Llanelli forwards one must, in common justice, pay a tribute of praise to Harry Watkins, of Llandoverly, who was making his first appearance in the scarlet jersey. He was, undoubtedly, the best forward on the field, his scrumming, grubbing, and general display being excellent. Llanelli are to be congratulated upon securing so fine a recruit for their already strong front rank. And so say all Llandoverians. What has been the Club's loss, is unquestionably the Scarlet's gain. No better sportsman dominated the jersey, no longer impeded, and Llandoverians, no longer without Watkins is exceedingly popular sportsman. He was brilliant all round display. Rugby was all out on Monday that Watkins had received a tempting offer from one of the Northern Union Clubs, but, happily, our Llandoverly correspondent finds this is incorrect. Had such been the case, Watkins states that he has not had quite enough of amateurism as yet, and intends to assist Llanelli during the present season if selected. Bravo! H.V.W., may you have your "cap" soon is all the harm we wish

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But we know different and its easy to tell  
That our lads fought and played like hell  
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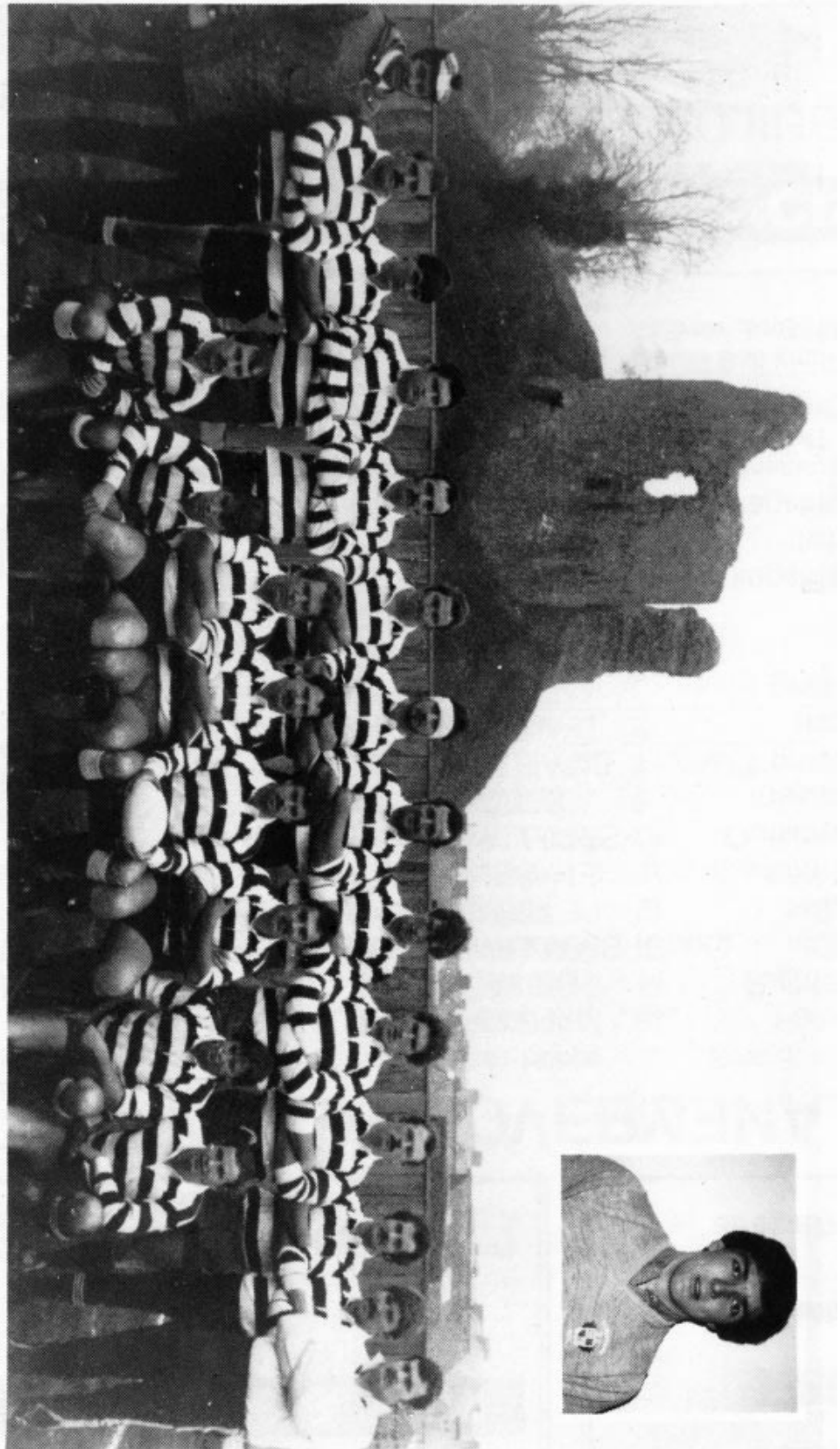
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10	CARWYN WILLIAMS	Outside Half
9	HANDEL DAVIES	Inside Half
1	GARETH WILLIAMS	Prop
2	WYN MORGAN	Hooker
3	DAVID THOMAS	Prop
4	NOEL PAGE	Lock
5	WYN WILLIAMS	Lock
6	ELFYN JENKINS	Flanker
8	DAVID WIGLEY	No. 8
7	EDDIE MORRIS	Flanker

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12	PETER MORGAN	Canolwr
11	IEUAN EVANS	Asgell Chwith
10	GARY PEARCE	Maswr
9	JONATHAN GRIFFITHS	Mewnwr
1	LAWRENCE DELANEY	Y Rheng Flaen
2	DAVID FOX	Bachwr
3	ANTHONY BUCHANAN	Y Rheng Flaen
4	PHIL MAY (Capt.)	Clo
5	RUSSELL CORNELIUS	Clo
6	ALUN DAVIES	Blaenasgell
8	MARK LYNCH	Wythwr
7	DAVID PICKERING	Blaenasgell

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Congratulations  
to

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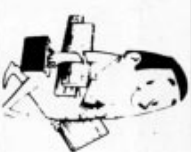
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**Second Row (standing):** Gareth Jenkins (Asst. Coach), Dr. I. A. Harries, Paul Fleming, Martin Gravelle, Jeremy Cooper, Anthony Buchanan, Russell Cornelius, Rhys Thomas, Ceri Townley, David Fox, Peter Hopkins, David Jenkins (Physiotherapist), Alun Lewis (Coach).  
**Back Row (standing):** Steffan Jones, Phil Lewis, Anthony Griffiths, Kevin Thomas, Edward Ellis, Nigel Davies, Mark Lynch, Wyn John, Alun Davies.

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## Jock Watkins

This season Llandover RFC have acquired the skills of John "Jock" Watkins as coach.

Jock played hooker for Pontypridd for 15 seasons playing 436 games. He also guested for Bridgend and Penarth whilst junior clubs include Llantwit, Vardre, Pontyclun, Llantrisant and Cardiff Youth. He also gained 26 Glamorgan County Caps.

After finishing playing Jock worked on the Pontypridd committee and selection committee for 18 years whilst also being a Glamorgan County selector over the same period.

## Gron. Morgan

Llandover RFC are indebted to Gron for the physical shape of the team. Gron has been 1st XV Coach and Head of Physical Education at Llandover College since 1968. With the limited numbers available to him in the college, fitness has played an important part in his team building. Likewise the Town Club have benefited from his approach.

Gron hails from Seven Sisters, another hot-bed of West Wales rugby. He played for a number of first class sides including Coventry, Swansea, London Welsh and the RAF. He is also a product of the rugby-famous St. Luke's College, Exeter.

Llandover RFC would like to thank Gron for his time and effort, and the college for use of the gym and equipment.

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## Today's Referee

Mr. VERNON BROWN from Ystradgynlais referees today's match. Mr. Brown who was born in Ystradgynlais also played on the wing for them. He was forced to retire early from rugby because of injury and has been a referee for 12 years. He has visited Llandover on a number of occasions to referee Llandover College including the famous College v Christ College, Brecon match.

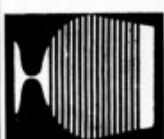
We welcome Mr. Brown to Llandover for today's game as we do Mr. B. Wallis from Cwmbran and Mr. Gwyn Bowden from Tarfs Well, today's linesmen.

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	5 Brecon (A) ... 12-15 L
	8 Loughor (H) ... 21-9 W
	15 Waunarlwydd (A) 10-10 D
	19 Gwernylfed (A) ... 27-10 W
	22 Furnace (A) ... 31-10 W
	29 Llangeinlech (H) ... 7-7 D
Oct.	1 Buith (A) ... 19-7 W
	6 Hendy (H) ... 19-6 L
	13 Tumble (H) ... 12-3 W
	20 Penclawdd (A) ... 29-9 W
	27 Bonymaen (H) ... 12-3 W
Nov.	3 Mumbles (A) ... 25-9 W
	10 Carm. Ath. (H) ... 19-18 W
	17 Kenfig Hill (H) ... 32-3 W
Dec.	1 Waunarlwydd (H) ... 7-3 W
	8 Pontypridd (H) ... 21-6 W
	15 Llangeinlech (A) ... 0-9 L
	26 Lampeter (A) ... 6-4 W
	29 Penclawdd (H) ... 37-0 W
Jan.	1 Whitland (H) ... 35-6 W

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