Llandovery RFC 7s Squad — CC Evans 7s Winners Apr/May 1985
Courtesy Wyn Williams

Back: Alun Thomas, Martin Davies, Chris Davies, Clive Davies, Richard Morgan
Front: Carwyn Williams, Geraint Williams, Randall Jones, Carwyn Davies

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The silky smooth running of Llandovery's Carwyn Davies and Alun Thomas was too much for Ammanford in the final of the C. C. Evans Sevens at Cwmaman Park. Workman-like Ammanford, who'd come back from the dead to beat Cefneithin in the first round, had no answer to the extra pace of Thomas and the lightning-quick Davies.

From the first match it was clear Llandovery had the quickest backs on show but there was a doubt over their ball-winning ability. Carwyn Williams was forced to play hooker and possession was at a premium in the opening minutes of their game against Llandeilo. But when they got the ball - and especially when Davies got the ball - things happened pretty quickly and Llandeilo were eventually overwhelmed.

Ammanford were ten-nil down against Cefneithin in their opening game but fought back to win 16-10.

Results:
Preliminary round: Cwmgors 6pts., Brynaman 14.
First round: Amman Utd 8, Llandybie 4; Cefneithin 10, Ammanford 16; Llandovery 28, Llandeilo nil; Penygroes nil, Brynaman 30.

SEMI-FINALS
Ammanford 22pts., Amman Utd nil.
The host club could not match the power of Ammanford in the first semi-final and quickly found themselves trailing as Lyn Evans crossed for a try. Paul Rees jinked between two defenders for Ammanford's second try which Jeff Roach converted on the stroke of half time. Roach, Ammanford's outstanding player, was himself over midway through the second half for a try which big Carwyn Jones converted and Lyn Evans rounded off the game with his second try and a superb touchline conversion.

Brynamman 10pts., Llandovery 16
Brynamman, with Cerith Thomas, Keith Hopkins and John Beynon showing real class, were perhaps the most technically proficient sevens outfit on show. And they gave Llandovery considerable trouble although the speed of Davies finally told. Alun Thomas opened the scoring when he ran clear for a try which Carwyn Williams converted. Carwyn Davies then jinked through Brynamman ranks on his own 22 and ran 70 yards for the touchdown. Williams again converted.

Anthony Davies struck back for Brynamman early in the second half but within a minute Llandovery had worked Carwyn Davies clear on the left and he made light work of crossing in the corner. Brynamman fought back again and this time it was Andrew Roberts who broke through the cover to score a try which Hopkins converted with the last kick of the match.

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FINAL

Ammanford 6pts., Llandovery 30

If Ammanford were to upset Llandovery in the final they had to deny them possession. But it was clear from the start that Llandovery had saved their best till last. Within minutes Carwyn Davies, having discovered Paul Rees was harder to run around than anyone else he had encountered in the competition, showed his true class by jinking inside the Ammanford winger for the opening try which Carwyn Williams converted.

Paul Ladd Thomas drove through the Llandovery defence to score a try which Jeff Roach converted to equalise but a magnificent bounce from a Carwyn Williams kick ahead gave Alun Thomas the first of a hat-trick. Carwyn Williams converted to make it 12-6 at the interval.

Paul Thomas led an Ammanford charge early in the second half when Paul Rees was grounded inches short. From the resulting penalty Alun Thomas waltzed through the Ammanford ranks and raced 70 yards for the decisive score which Williams again converted. Carwyn Davies followed suit a minute later and Thomas completed a memorable hat-trick near the end. Carwyn Williams converted both.

Carwyn Davies scored a total of seven tries in the three matches. Alun Thomas scored four and Carwyn Williams top scored with 30 points from 11 conversions and two tries.