

**WELSH  
SCHOOLS  
V  
SPAIN  
Under 16**

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(INTERMEDIATE GROUP)**

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## Chairman's Welcome

It gives me great pleasure to welcome the Spanish party to Builth Wells today. This is the first time our two countries have played at u/16 level, and I trust that the encounter will be the first of many. Both squads will have prepared thoroughly for the match and I'm sure that the youngsters involved will endeavour to entertain us with an attractive display of rugby this afternoon.

Particular thanks must go to the Development Board for Rural Wales who have given generous support to the staging of this, the first International Match at this level in this area. Also, I must acknowledge the contribution and efforts of Builth Wells RFC, the local organising committee along with numerous other individuals and organisations who have readily supported this event. Rugby at this level in Wales has never been sharper.

The structure at under 16 along with the commitment of school teachers throughout the Principality and the contribution of the Welsh Rugby Union Technical Department augurs well for the future of the game at ground roots level.

Finally, I hope that our guests have enjoyed their stay in Mid Wales and that they return home with many fond memories.



Lanfair ym Muallt y prynhawn 'ma. Dyma'r tro cyntaf i'r ddwy wlad gyfarfod ar y lefel hon, a gobeithiaf yn fawr y gallwn barhau i gwrdd yn y dyfodol. Rwy'n siwr fod y ddwy garfan wedi paratôi'n drylwyr, ac y cawn wledd o rygbi i'n diddanu.

Rhaid diolch yn arbennig i fwrdd Datblygu Cymru Wledig am eu cymorth hael ar gyfer y gem ryngwladol gyntaf ar y lefel hon yn yr ardal. Rhaid hefyd cydnabod cyfraniad Clwb Rygbi Llanfair-ym-Muallt, a pwyllgor trefnu lleol yn ogystal ac unigolion a mudiadau niferus sydd wedi sicrhau Uwyddiant y fenter.

Mae rygbi ar y lefel yma yn gryfach nac enoed yng Nghymru. Mae'r fframwaith dan 16 ynghyd ac ymrwymiad athrawon ysgol a chyfraniad Adran Dechnegol Undeb Cymru yn argoeli'n dda ar gyfer dyfodol y gem ymysg y to iface.

Gobeithio i'n cyfeillion newydd fwynhau en cyfrod yng Nghanolbarth Cymru, ac y byddant yn dychwelyd gartref gydag atgofion melys.

## WELSH UNDER 16 SQUAD 1993

### DARREN CASE

Full Back                                      5ft 10ins                                      11st 0lbs                                      28.2.77

Llangatwg Comprehensive School. Darren played for the Neath District side at Under 15 level and has also represented his county West Glamorgan this season. He likes playing snooker and listening to music.

### GARETH SHIELDS

Right Wing                                      5ft 7 ins                                      11st 10lbs                                      26.12.76

Bryncelynog Comprehensive School. Gareth played for the Pontypridd District side and represented Wales at Under 15 level against Scotland last season. He is interested in soccer and is also a black belt in Karate.

### TRISTAN DAVIES

Centre    6ft    13st 6lbs                                      7.10.76

Maesydderwen Comprehensive School. Tristan has played for the Swansea Valley District side at both U11 and U15 levels. He was capped against Scotland at Under 15 level last season. This season he has played for the West Glamorgan county side. He has also played soccer for his county. Tristan is interested in all sports, weight training and listening to music.

### GARETH ROBERTS

Centre    6ft 1ins                                      11st 4 lbs                                      16.9.76

Treorchy Comprehensive School. Gareth played for and captained the Rhondda District at U11 and U15 levels. Last season and this he has represented the Mid Glamorgan County side. He also represented his District in both the 400m and 200m. His hobbies include playing football, cricket and badminton. He also enjoys playing the guitar. His father played full back for the Welsh Boys Clubs against England, and his uncle ran 100m in the 1958 Commonwealth Games for Wales.

### PAUL HALLET

Left Wing                                      5ft 8ins                                      10st 11lbs                                      29.10.76

St. Albans R.C. Comprehensive. Paul played for the Pontypool District at Under 15 level and has represented his county Gwent at Under 16 level this season. He has a keen interest in athletics and has represented Great Britain Air Cadets at Long Jump. His interests include the Air Training Corps and the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme.

### LEE JARVIS

Outside Half                                      5ft 11ins                                      12st 3lbs                                      30.9.76

Hawthorn High School. Lee played for Pontypridd District and East Wales at U11. At U15 he played for Pontypridd District and scored 170 points. He has represented Mid Glamorgan at Under 15 and Under 16 levels. Last season he was capped against Scotland at Under 15 level. Lee has also run 200m for Mid Glamorgan. Other sporting interests include squash and weight training. His great uncle played against New Zealand in 1934.

### GARETH DOWNS

Scrum Half                                      5ft 8ins                                      11st 11lbs                                      24.9.76

Ysgol Gyfun Rhydyfelin. Gareth is a talented sportsman who captained his District side, Pontypridd and the East Wales side at U11. He played for the Pontypridd District side at U15 and also represented the Mid Glamorgan county team this season and last. He represented Wales at Under 15 level last season against Scotland. He is a Welsh Champion boxer who has boxed for Wales v Yorkshire. His brother is British Champion and four times Welsh Champion at boxing. Gareth's older brother Robert was also capped for Wales at Youth level.

### RICHARD FIELD

No. 8    6ft 2ins                                      14st 4lbs                                      4.10.76

Corpus Christi High School. Richard played for Cardiff District and East Wales at U11. At U15 he played for the Cardiff District team and has also represented South Glamorgan this season and last. He was capped against Scotland at Under 15 level. His other sporting interest include baseball, cricket and running.

### CRAIG REYNOLDS

Open Side Flanker                              5ft 8ins                                      12st 4lbs                                      31.10.76

Aberdare Boys Comprehensive School. Craig played for the Cynon Valley District team and his county, Mid Glamorgan and Wales against Scotland at Under 15 level. He has also played for his County again this season. His other sporting interests include golf, running, weight training, cricket, boxing and athletics.

### RICHARD PARKS

Blind Side Flanker                              6ft 1ins                                      13st 5 lbs                                      14.8.77

Monmouth Boys School. Richard played for Newport District at Under 11. He captained Welsh Independent Schools at Under 15 level. This season he has represented his county Gwent. He was 8th in the All British Motorcross Championship. Other sporting interests include rowing and cycling. Hobbies include music and socialising.

**ANDREW GRABHAM**

2nd Row	6ft 4ins	15st 11lbs	27.12.76
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Ysgol Gyfun Gymraeg, Glantaf. Andrew played for the Vale of Glamorgan and East Wales for two years at U11 level. He also played for the Cardiff District and South Glamorgan teams for two years at U15 level. Andrew is one of a very talented group who has played international rugby for 3 years, having played in the Welsh Schools team which has defeated the Scottish Schools for the last two seasons. He has represented South Glamorgan in both athletics (discus and 400m) and basketball. Andrew also trains as a life guard. Other interests include reading and listening to good music. His father also played rugby for Wales at U15 level.

**HAYDN KIRBY**

2nd Row	6ft 3ins	15st 7lbs	2.1.77
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Llanilltud Fawr Comprehensive School. Haydn played for the Vale of Glamorgan District side at U11. At U15 level he played for the Vale of Glamorgan and the South Glamorgan County teams. He has also represented South Glamorgan this season. He holds the County Discus Record for South Glamorgan. He enjoys listening to modern music.

**MATTHEW GIBBS**

Tight Head Prop	6ft 0ins	14st 2lbs	25.9.76
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Abersychan Comprehensive School. Matthew played for the Pontypool District and East Wales at Under 11. At Under 15 he represented Pontypool Schools and his county Gwent. He was also a member of the Welsh Squad. This season he has played for Gwent at Under 16. Other sporting interests include swimming, as well as throwing the discus and javelin.

**DAFYDD HUGHES**

Hooker	5ft 5ins	12st 0lbs	27.3.77
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Glan-Y-Mor Comprehensive School. Dafydd has played for the Gwynedd County side for the last four years. Other sporting interests include athletics and cross country running.

**ERNIE FEAR**

Loose Head Prop	6ft	14st 0lb	23.9.76
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Ysgol Gyfun Llanhari. Ernie played for the Pontypridd District at U11 level. At U15 level he played for the Pontypridd District team, represented the Mid Glamorgan County team and was also capped against Scotland. This season he has represented Mid Glamorgan at Under 16 level. Other sporting interests include cricket, rock climbing and the shot put. He also enjoys listening to music.

**MATTHEW LEWIS**

Scrum Half	5ft 5ins	11st 7 lbs	14.9.76
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Llandyfri College. Matthew played for the Llanelli District and West Wales teams at U11 level. Last season he played for the Llanelli District and Dyfed County at U15 level. He has also played for Dyfed at Under 16 this season. He has represented the Welsh Independent Schools at cricket and rugby. Other sporting interests include golf and squash.

**GARETH CURTIS**

Outside Half	6ft 2ins	13st 0lbs	14.1.78
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West Monmouth Comprehensive School. Gareth captained Pontypool District and East Wales at Under 11. At Under 15 he captained Pontypool Schools, represented Gwent and was a final trialist. This season he has also played for Gwent. He is a Gwent AAA and Gwent Schools Champion 100m, 200m and 400m. Gareth has also represented Wales at cricket at U13 and U14. His uncle captained the Welsh Secondary Schools against England, Scotland, France and the Welsh Youth in 1970.

**CHRIS WELLS**

Hooker	5ft 10ins	13st 8 lbs	12.2.77
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Birchgrove Comprehensive School. Chris represented the Swansea District, West Glamorgan County and Wales at U15 level. This season he has played for West Glamorgan and has also represented his county at swimming. He enjoys listening to music and going to discos.

**JEFFREY RUSSELL**

Prop	6ft 1ins	18st 6 lbs	29.4.77
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Hartridge High School. Jeff has represented the Newport District and Gwent at Under 15. He has also played for his county this season. He is a Junior Black Belt at Judo. Jeff enjoys reading and swimming.

**GARETH THOMAS**

Flanker	6ft 0ins	13st	13.9.76
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Ysgol Gyfun Llanhari. Gareth played for the Bridgend District and West Wales at Under 11. At Under 15 he captained the Pontypridd District side, Mid Glamorgan County side and the Welsh team which defeated Scotland. This season he has played again for the County team..He is a keen swimmer and has been a member of both the Mid Glamorgan and Welsh Schools teams.

**MATTHEW COOK**

No. 8	6ft 1ins	14st 2 lbs	8.10.76
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Llangatwg Comprehensive School. Matthew played for the Neath District and West Wales at U11. At U15 he played for the Neath District and West Glamorgan County teams and was a member of the Welsh Schools squad. He has represented his county again this season. He is interested in all sports and enjoys weight training.

# WALES

Darren Case ( <i>Neath</i> )	15
Gareth Shields ( <i>Pontypridd</i> )	14
Tristan Davies ( <i>Swansea Valley</i> )	13
Gareth Roberts ( <i>Rhondda</i> ) CAPTAIN	12
Paul Hallett ( <i>Pontypool</i> )	11
Lee Jarvis ( <i>Pontypridd</i> )	10
Gareth Downes ( <i>Pontypridd</i> )	9
Ernie Fear ( <i>Pontypridd</i> )	1
Dafydd Hughes ( <i>Gwynedd</i> )	2
Matthew Gibbs ( <i>Pontypool</i> )	3
Haydn Kirby ( <i>Vale of Glamorgan</i> )	4
Andrew Grabham ( <i>Cardiff</i> ) VICE CAPTAIN	5
Richard Parks ( <i>Pontypool</i> )	6
Craig Reynolds ( <i>Cynon Valley</i> )	7
Richard Field ( <i>Cardiff</i> )	8

## Replacements:

Matthew Lewis ( <i>Dinefwr</i> )	16
Gareth Curtis ( <i>Pontypool</i> )	17
Chris Wells ( <i>Swansea</i> )	18
Jeff Russell ( <i>Newport</i> )	19
Gareth Thomas ( <i>Pontypridd</i> )	20
Matthew Cook ( <i>Neath</i> )	21

**Touch Judge**  
Mr O. JAMES (WRU)

**Referee**  
Mr S. LANDER (RFU)

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