



SCOTLAND

v ENGLAND

Murrayfield

Saturday 8 March 2008

Referee: Jonathan Kaplan (SA)

Touch judges: 1 Marius Jonker (SA) 2 Carlo Damasco (Italy)

TMO: Tim Hayes (Wales)

2008 RBS 6 Nations

03.02.08

v France Murrayfield Lost 6-27

15-R Lamont 14-Walker 13-De Luca 12-Henderson 11-Webster 10-Parks 9-Blair 8-Callam 7-Barclay 6-White © 5-J Hamilton 4-Hines 3-E Murray 2-Ford 1-Jacobsen

Subs used: Brown, MacLeod, Kerr, Paterson, Southwell, Cusiter, Thomson

PG: Parks DG: Parks

RBS Man of the Match: Vincent Clerc (France)

Referee: Jonathan Kaplan (SA)

09.02.08

v Wales Cardiff Lost 15-30

15-Southwell 14-Walker 13-De Luca 12-Henderson 11-Paterson 10-Parks 9-Blair 8-Brown 7-Barclay 6-White © 5-J Hamilton 4-Hines 3-E Murray 2-Ford 1-Jacobsen

Subs used: Hogg, Thomson, MacLeod, Danielli, Kerr, Morrison, Cusiter

PG: Paterson 5

RBS Man of Match: Martyn Williams (Wales)

Referee: Bryce Lawrence (NZ)

23.02.08

v Ireland Dublin Lost 13-34

15-Southwell 14-R Lamont 13-Webster 12-Henderson 11-Walker 10-Paterson 9-Blair © 8-Brown 7-Hogg 6-Strokosch 5-MacLeod 4-Hines 3-E Murray 2-Ford 1-Jacobsen

Subs used: Rennie, De Luca, J Hamilton, Parks, Cusiter, Thomson, Kerr

T: Webster C: Paterson PG: Paterson 2

RBS Man of Match: Geordan Murphy (Ireland)

Referee: Christophe Berdos (France)

TEAM v England

Scotland make two changes to their starting line-up for the Calcutta Cup match from the team that lost to Ireland in Dublin. Centre Graeme Morrison is rewarded for fine form in the A team and takes over from Glasgow team mate Andrew Henderson, and No 8 Simon Taylor earns a recall in place of Kelly Brown after recovering from a hand injury. There are wholesale changes on the bench, which contains five forwards and two backs. Props Craig Smith and Alasdair Dickinson return to the 22 as does former captain Jason White after his head injury at Cardiff. Rory Lawson comes in for Chris Cusiter as cover for captain Mike Blair at scrum half.



15 **Hugo Southwell (Edinburgh Rugby)**

- **14.05.80** **6-2** **15-2**
- **40th cap – 8T = 40pts**
- **Debut: 2004 v Samoa**
- 4th test v England – no pts
- All 5 RWC2007 games – 4 as sub, start v NZ and try v Portugal
- 30 consecutive tests from start of 2004 summer tour to missing France 2007 after shoulder injury v Ireland – has only missed two tests since debut
- 21 test starts at fullback, 5 test starts in centre, and 13 tests as sub.
- Born in London, grandfather from Falkirk. Educated at Eastbourne College, played 3 seasons for Bristol Shoguns (while at Bristol University) and then one season with Worcester, before joining Edinburgh in 2003. Club rugby with Currie
- Was once on the books of English champions Sussex County Cricket Club as a junior

14 **Rory Lamont (Sale Sharks, England)**

- **10.10.82** **6-2** **15-10**
- **17th cap – 5T = 25pts**
- **Debut: 2005 v Wales**
- 3rd test v England – no pts
- 4 games at full back at RWC2007 – 2T each v Portugal and Romania
- 2007 Famous Grouse Player of Season, brother Sean won in 2006
- 7 test starts at full back, 7th start on wing, 3 sub caps
- Moved in summer 2007 from Glasgow Warriors to join Jason White at Sale
- Try on test debut v Wales 2005 (22-46); his first five caps were consecutive. Capped again from 2007 Six Nations
- Younger brother of Sean Lamont, the international winger, who is out for the season with knee ligament damage. Were the 19th set of brothers to have played for Scotland, some of the most recent being the Hastings, Leslie, and Bulloch brothers.
- The Lamont brothers were born at Perth. They were the wings in the 2005 Calcutta Cup match.
- Spent 3 seasons at Glasgow, he was at University in Northampton (sports science) and was with the Northampton Saints Academy.

13 **Simon Webster (Edinburgh Rugby)**

- **08.03.81** **6-1** **14-0**
- **32nd cap – 8T = 40pts**
- **Debut: 2003 v Ireland**
- 3rd test v England – no pts
- All 5 games at RWC2007 – 3 in centre, 2 on left wing – and played in both positions in 2008 RBS Six Nations
- Only one sub game in 2007 RBS 6 Nations (v Wales) after leg injury suffered when scoring v Australia in final 2006 autumn test
- Had been recalled to squad for the 2005 Autumn tests, and appeared in all 10 tests of 2006 with tries in both summer tests in SA and in autumn against Australia
- First chosen in 2003 Six Nations squads but withdrew injured. Played for Scotland XV v Barbarians in May 2003, and went on tour to SA in summer 2003, then won first full caps in RWC2003 warm-up tests.
- Joined Edinburgh in summer 2002 from Northampton Saints, where he was in their first team squad for 2 seasons (under Ian McGeechan) and now has contract through to 2009
- Scotland at U19, U21 and A levels, and qualifies through grandparents from Greenock though born at Hartlepool.



12 **Graeme Morrison (Glasgow Warriors)**

- **17.08.82** **6-3** **16-8**
- **8th cap – 1T = 5pts**
- **Debut: 2004 v Australia**
- 1st test v England
- First start since autumn 2004 v Australia (his only other start) and recalled after fine form against Italy and Ireland in the A tests. Had played sub in 2008 v Wales
- Recalled in 2008 for first time since winning 6 caps in 2004
- Played in 2004 in 6 straight tests, with 4 tests v Australia, and scored first try v Japan, and had one start against Australia in the third meeting.
- Born in Hong Kong, father won Scotland B cap (France 1974), before moving to Hong Kong.
- Educated at Dollar Academy, and studied sports science and physiology at Glasgow University. Played for Scotland at U21 level, now moved to full national team.
- Joined Glasgow Rugby in summer 2003 from Glasgow Hawks.

11 **Nikki Walker (Ospreys, Wales)**

- **05.03.82** **6-4** **16-3**
- **14th cap – 2T = 10pts**
- **Debut: 2002 v Romania**
- 1st test v England
- Another of the Ospreys internationals – Wales had 13 Ospreys in the starting line-up at Twickenham 2008
- 2 games at RWC2007, and started first three 2008 RBS 6 Nations tests
- Recalled to the squad after 5yrs absence v Wales 2007 after impressing for Ospreys in his first season in Wales in 2006-07 after moving from Border Reivers.
- Gained his earlier caps all in the 2002 autumn series v Romania, SA (1T) and Fiji, but had not played for Scotland since 2002
- Played for Scotland at U21 and played for Scotland A through 2003- 2006
- From Hawick High School, Hawick RFC and Borders

10 **Chris Paterson (Gloucester Rugby, England)**

- **30.03.78** **6-0** **12-6**
- **85th cap – 22T 79C 121PG 2DG = 637pts**
- **Debut: 1999 v Spain (RWC)**
- 9th test v England – 5C 13PG = 49pts
- Only member of this starting line up to have played in 2000 and 2006 Calcutta Cup wins
- Last missed a kick v Ireland in August 2007 for Scotland – 100% v SA, at RWC2007 and in 2008 Six Nations to date (26 of 26)
- Behind only Scott Murray (87) in Scots caps list – became Scotland's most capped back at Cardiff 2008
- Scotland record in International Championship v Wales 2008 beating Gavin Hastings (288). Broke Scottish record in 2007 with 65 RBS 6 Nations points and 16PG
- All 5 games at RWC, kicked 17 out of 17 (10C 7PG) and scored try v Romania
- Moved from Edinburgh Rugby to Gloucester in summer 2007
- Now 2nd on the Scots all-time points scorers lists with only Gavin Hastings (667) ahead.
- Third on the Scotland try lists behind co-leaders Ian Smith and Tony Stanger (24)
- This is his 84th test in Scotland's last 88 games, missed Tonga and Argentina in 2001 then suffered facial injury on 2004 summer tour and then missed two tests v Australia – there was a 4-game span between his 1st and 2nd caps
- 12 Scotland captaincies, 5 in 2004 Six Nations, and then in 2006 autumn series v Pacific Islanders and Australia after Jason White injured knee ligaments. Continued through 2007 Six Nations
- 40pts v Japan in Nov 2004 (3T 11C 1PG) – best by a Scot on home soil.
- Famous Grouse Scotland Player of Season in 2005
- Switched from Glasgow to Edinburgh in 1999-2000 after 2 games for Glasgow. Gala club debut in 1996 aged 18, is from Galashiels Academy



9 **Mike Blair (Edinburgh Rugby)(captain)**

- **20.04.81** 5-11 13-5
- **47th cap - 4T = 20pts**
- **Debut: 2002 v Canada**
- 4th test v England – no pts
- Scotland's 108th captain v Ireland 2008 – Jason White suffered concussion v Wales – retains job for 2008 Calcutta Cup match
- 4 games at RWC2007 – one of those rested v NZ
- Returned after missing 2007 RBS 6 Nations with shoulder injury which spoiled a run of 29 caps in 31 games since RWC2003 (where he played once)
- Had a run of winning 14 successive caps as sub for Cusiter when Cusiter first made the team.
- First two caps on the tour to North America in summer 2002. Try on debut v Canada.
- Has also played for Scotland A and at Sevens
- Attended the Scottish Institute of Sport and played for Edinburgh Academicals after leaving Edinburgh Academy. Now extended Edinburgh contract to 2009

8 **Simon Taylor (Stade Francais, France)**

- **17.08.79** 6-4 16-7
- **59th cap - 6T = 30pts**
- **Debut: 2000 v USA**
- 8th test v England – 2T = 10pts (1T in 2005, 2007)
- Only member of this squad to have scored a try v England
- Returns for first cap since RWC quarter final v Argentina, played three club games after recovering from hand injury
- Moved to 2007 French champions Stade Francais in Paris on a 3yr contract in summer 2007 and is Scotland's most capped No 8
- Has usually been first choice for Scotland in between injuries - Lions to Australia 2001 after his first full season for Scotland (injured knee and returned early) then fractured hand v Australia in Nov 2001.
- Then injured knee ligaments v Ireland in 2004 and for Edinburgh v Connacht in 2006
- RWC2003 – all 5 games with a try in opener against Japan. 4 of 5 games at RWC2007 – rested v NZ
- Scotland 2003 Player of the Season.
- Heriot's championship wins of 1999 and 2000, then signed for Edinburgh spent 6 seasons with Edinburgh.

7 **Allister Hogg (Edinburgh Rugby)**

- **20.01.83** 6-3 16-0
- **42nd cap - 9T = 45pts**
- **Debut: 2004 v Wales**
- 5th test v England – no pts
- 4 games at RWC2007 and scored 3T in the win v Romania (42-0)
- Returned on bench for 2007 Calcutta Cup match after recovering from knee ligament injury suffered on 03.11.06 – sub in first four RBS 6 Nations 2007 games, then started in Paris
- His first 28 caps were consecutive since the first game after RWC2003 until the 2006 autumn series. Had started tests in all 3 back-row positions by the time he had won his 6th cap
- Former Scotland U21 captain and age group captain, then moved into the Scotland A side, and progress was inevitable to full cap after excellent form with Edinburgh.
- Club rugby for Stirling County, he is a member at the Scottish Institute of Sport, and like Scott Murray is a Scotland U16 rep at Basketball.



6 **Alasdair Strokosch (Gloucester Rugby, England)**

- **21.03.83** **6-3** **16-7**
- **3rd cap – no pts**
- **Debut: 2006 v Australia**
- 1st test v England
- Capped as sub v Australia in autumn 2006 after coming into the squad after injuries to Jason White and Johnnie Beattie
- First RBS 6 Nations test v Ireland 2008 and impressed
- Try scorer for Scotland A v Italy A on 04.02.08 (37-15) and earned a recall after fine displays in first season at Gloucester from summer 2007 in 22 games
- Had been with Edinburgh since 2003, and was at non-rugby playing school
- Has come through the Scotland development system, via Scotland's age-level teams and Sevens. Also at Scottish Institute of Sport

5 **Scott MacLeod (Scarlets, Wales)**

- **03.03.79** **6-6** **17-5**
- **18th cap – no pts**
- **Debut: 2004 v Australia**
- 2nd test v England – no pts
- Played all 5 games at RWC2007, 4 as sub, and appeared in all 2008 RBS Six Nations tests to date
- Switched in summer 2006 from Border Reivers to Wales
- Played in the 3 midweek tour games on summer tour 2004 in Australia before being capped in all 4 autumn internationals 2004. Next caps in 2006 Six Nations, and remained in squad after good performances in Wales
- Took up serious rugby aged 21, and played for Hawick Trades before joining the bigger Hawick RFC and being their 57th Scotland cap. Born at Hawick, educated at Hawick High School.
- Had played for Borders since their inception until moving south.
- Cleared of inadvertently taking asthma medication without an up-to-date authorisation ahead of 2008 RBS 6 Nations – no intention to enhance performance.

4 **Nathan Hines (USA Perpignan, France)**

- **29.11.76** **6-7** **18-8**
- **52nd cap - 1T = 5pts**
- **Debut: 2000 v France**
- 5th test v England – no pts
- 23rd Scot to reach 50 caps v Wales 2008 and was sin-binned
- 4 games at RWC2007 – rested v NZ
- Recalled to squad after Scott Murray's 2006 suspension –he had missed 6 tests – and has continued in squad since then
- 19 caps in the last 22 tests since recall (missed two tests after foot injury in club game, plus NZ at RWC)
- Moved from Edinburgh to France in summer 2005 and now has Chris Cusiter as a team mate
- Scots qualified through grandmother from Govan, and a RL player for Sydney Bears and then RU for Manly in Australia. Club rugby with Gala from 1998
- Good performances at RWC2003, 4 games and 3 starts
- First Scot to be sent off in test rugby (v USA in 2002 after scoring try)
- First capped on 2000 NZ tour after joining tour as replacement, then suffered cruciate ligament damage which hindered progress in earlier days

3 Euan Murray (Northampton Saints, England)

- **07.08.80** 6-1 18-12
- **19th cap - 2T = 10pts**
- **Debut: 2005 v Romania**
- 2nd test v England – no pts
- 4 games at RWC2007 – rested v NZ
- Started 17 of the previous 18 tests before 2008 Calcutta Cup match
- Moved from Glasgow Warriors to Northampton in summer 2007, is a qualified vet
- RBS 6 Nations debut in 2007 Calcutta Cup match and might have won Ireland the 6 Nations with a late try v France, only for France to score again seconds later
- Capped against Romania in Bucharest in 2005 as sub, after playing for Scotland XV v Barbarians a fortnight earlier – 2nd cap also against Romania on 11.11.06
- Played for Scotland at U18, U19 and U21 levels, and went to Australia with senior squad in 2004 – returning early after thigh injury
- Originally with Glasgow Southern, joined Glasgow Hawks in 2001, and Glasgow Warriors in 2003. Injury hit 2005-06

2 Ross Ford (Edinburgh Rugby)

- **23.04.84** 6-1 16-1
- **20th cap – 1T = 5pts**
- **Debut: 2004 v Australia**
- 3rd test v England – no pts
- 4 games at RWC2007, and first test try v Portugal
- Moved from the defunct Border Reivers to Edinburgh in summer 2007 to become Andy Robinson's first signing
- First cap in first game of the 2004 autumn tests (sub) v Australia, then missed 13 tests before 2nd cap v Wales 2006.
- Had more responsibility when Dougie Hall missed RWC with medial knee ligament damage
- Into squad after continued impressive displays in Magners League
- Former Scotland U16 captain, and also played at U18 and U19 and U21 levels.
- Scotland Sevens squad, Scottish Institute of Sport, and plays for Kelso RFC.
- Border Reivers Player of Year 2006

1 Allan Jacobsen (Edinburgh Rugby)

- **22.09.78** 5-10 18-6
- **28th cap – no pts**
- **Debut: 2002 v Canada**
- 2nd test v England – no pts
- Started RWC opener v Portugal, but injured calf muscle and missed rest of campaign – after 11 successive tests – back for 2008 RBS 6 Nations and started all tests to date
- Played in the 2004, 2005 and 2006 autumn tests, but missed both the 2005 and 2006 Six Nations through injury before playing all 2007 RBS Six Nations games
- Played both tests on Scotland's 2002 tour to North America for first caps, then 15 months later won 3rd cap in RWC warm-up test v Ireland. At RWC2003 as cover for injured Gavin Kerr but did not play.
- Played for Scotland XV v Barbarians in 2000 and 2001, before winning first cap, and scored try in 2005 fixture. Scotland at U18 and U21 levels in younger days, and originally from the Preston Lodge club.



Substitutes

16 Fergus Thomson (Glasgow Warriors)

- **18.10.83** 6-0 16-5
- **7th cap (if he plays) – no pts**
- **Debut: 2007 v Ireland**
- 1st test v England
- One game at RWC2007 – sub v NZ
- Churchill Cup squads in 2006 and 2007, then into full national squad after Dougie Hall's medial ligament injury – capped in both RWC2007 warm up games v Ireland and SA
- Glasgow debut in Heineken Cup in 2003, Magners League debut in 2004, but first Glasgow start in 2006 after 20 sub games
- Played for Scotland at U19 (in 2002), U21 (in 2003) and A levels

17 Alasdair Dickinson (Gloucester Rugby, England)

- **11.09.83** 6-2 16-7
- **2nd cap (if he plays) – no pts**
- **Debut: 2007 v NZ**
- 1st test v England (1st RBS 6 Nations test)
- The Gloucester prop replaced Allan Jacobsen who suffered a calf injury v Portugal at RWC2007. Then made debut v NZ during RWC
- Played for Scotland A in 2006 and 2007 Churchill Cups and was on standby during summer 2007 for the full national squad
- Joined Gloucester in summer 2007 from Edinburgh Rugby after playing for Edinburgh for 3 seasons 2004-07 upon graduating from Heriot's Rugby
- Born in Dundee, educated at Dundee HSFP and Dundee University and has played for Scotland at all age-levels.

18 Craig Smith (Edinburgh Rugby)

- **30.08.78** 6-2 18-7
- **24th cap (if he plays) – no pts**
- **Debut: 2002 v Canada**
- 2nd test v England – no pts
- Recalled after return to fitness, played in the last 4 games at RWC2007, started v NZ
- Sub v England in 2006 Calcutta Cup win
- First caps were on two summer tours – USA and Canada in 2002, and Samoa and Australia (2) in 2004 – then in autumn 2004 won first caps in Scotland.
- Only 4 starts for Scotland to date
- Scotland XV v Barbarians in 2001, then broke foot after being called up for 2001 autumn series. Played for Scots at all age-group levels, and played against Scotland for Nelson Bays when on experience in 2000.
- Club rugby with Berwick and Melrose, now with Stewarts-Melville FP, and born near York



19 Jason White (Sale Sharks, England)

- **17.04.78** 6-5 18-6
- **66th cap (if he plays) - 4T = 20pts**
- **Debut: 2000 v England**
- 7th test v England – no pts
- Test debut in famous 2000 Calcutta Cup win 19-13 after progressing through the age-levels and U21 side. Then played in 2006 Calcutta Cup win – Paterson and White are the two in this squad to have played in both wins
- Captain in 4 RWC2007 games – rested v NZ and played at RWC2003 – all 5 games, 3 starts and 2 sub
- Captain from 2005 autumn tests until Dublin 2008 – had previously captained Scots at U19, U21 levels and also captained Glasgow on 7 occasions and occasionally at Sale.
- 19 Scotland captaincies - took over captaincy from Gordon Bulloch (75 caps), and after Jon Petrie (next captain v Romania 2005) was injured.
- Has 6 caps at lock (inc sub games)
- Moved to Sale Sharks in summer 2003 from Watsonians and Glasgow Rugby.

20 Kelly Brown (Glasgow Warriors)

- **08.06.82** 6-4 17-2
- **23rd cap (if he plays) – 3T = 15pts**
- **Debut: 2005 v Romania**
- 2nd test v England – no pts
- RBS 6 Nations debut in 2007 Calcutta Cup match
- 2 test starts at No8 v Wales and Ireland 2008 due to Taylor's injury
- All 5 RWC2007 games – 4 as sub, start v NZ and try v Portugal
- Moved from the defunct Border Reivers to Glasgow in summer 2007
- Try on test debut in May 2005 v Romania, 2nd try v Pacific Islanders 2006, and 3rd at RWC v Portugal.
- Former Scotland U18 captain, played for Scots and Borders at all age levels.
- Club rugby with Melrose
- Educated at Glasgow Academy, Sports science student at Edinburgh University, and key member of Scotland Sevens squad from 2003-05

21 Rory Lawson (Gloucester Rugby, England)

- **12.03.81** 5-10 12-10
- **10th cap (if he plays) – no pts**
- **Debut: 2006 v Australia**
- 2nd test v England – no pts
- RBS 6 Nations debut in 2007 Calcutta Cup match
- Is the grandson of commentator Bill McLaren and son of former Scotland scrum-half Alan Lawson, who won 15 caps from 1972-80 and who played in 4 Calcutta Cup matches
- The 15th father and son to play for Scotland and first since...Johnnie Beattie and father in autumn 2006
- 2nd season at Gloucester and joined on a 2yr contract from Edinburgh Rugby.
- Scotland A captain – and was captain when Scotland A beat England Saxons 13-7 at the 2006 Churchill Cup



22 Dan Parks (Glasgow Warriors)

- **26.05.78** 5-11 14-5
- **41st cap (if he plays) – 4T 8C 9PG 4DG = 75pts**
- **Debut: 2004 v Wales**
- 4th test v England –1DG = 3pts (in 2006 win)
- Scored vital DG in 2006 Calcutta Cup win
- All 5 games at RWC2007 – 1T 5C v Portugal, and PG v Argentina
- Returned v Ireland after missing Wales and Italy 2007 after being replaced by Phil Godman following the 2007 Calcutta Cup loss
- Only missed Italy 2004, England 2005, SA and Romania 2006, Wales and Italy 2007 in 46 games since debut.
- Test tries v Japan in 100-8 win in 2004 at Perth, then Romania and Argentina in 2005 and Portugal at 2007RWC.
- Formerly with several clubs in Sydney (Australia), and joined Glasgow Hawks from Eastern Suburbs in their Premiership.
- NSW at U19, U21 and A level, and played for Leeds in 2001.
- First choice kicker on summer tour 2004 after Paterson injury.
- Glasgow debut in Celtic League v Bridgend in Sept 2003, his grandfather was born in Ayrshire.

Coach

Frank Hadden

14.06.54

- Appointed in September 2005 after previously being interim coach in May 2005
- Former PE Teacher, trained at Carnegie in Leeds, then taught in Yorkshire, and was Head of PE at Merchiston Castle School, Edinburgh
- While at Merchiston, he coached Scotland at U16, U18, and U19 levels from 1994-2000
- Came to the Scotland job from Edinburgh Rugby