

BOOTS, JOHN GEORGE (1874 - 1928), Wales and Newport Rugby forward ▾

Name: John George Boots
Date of birth: 1874
Date of death: 1928
Gender: Male
Occupation: Wales and Newport Rugby forward
Area of activity: Sports and Leisure Pursuits
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Born 2 July 1874 at Aberbeeg, Monmouth. He first played Rugby for Aberbeeg in 1890 and in 1895 made his first appearance for the Newport XV. He became an outstanding player and was known as the 'Peter Pan of Rugby Football,' having played in first class football for thirty seasons, twenty-seven of which were spent with the Newport team. Between 1898 and 1904, he was 'capped' sixteen times for Wales. He was vice-captain of Newport for five seasons and in 1903-4 succeeded Llewellyn Lloyd as captain. In 1915-16 he played for Cross Keys, who won the Western Valleys Challenge Cup. Later, in 1918-19, he captained Pill Harriers. At one time he also played for Blackheath. He died 30 December 1928.

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