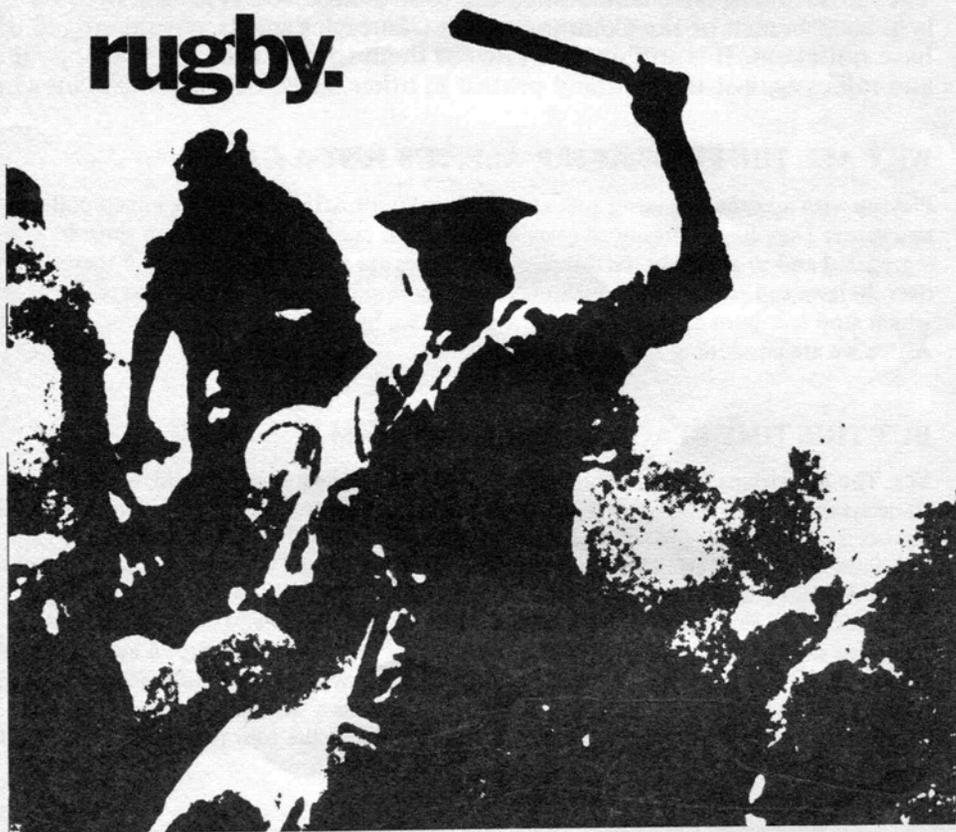


**If you could see
their national sport,
you might be less
keen to see their
rugby.**



STOP The Barbarians!

STOP ALL RACIST TOURS

CAMPAIGN FOR THE INTERNATIONAL BOYCOTT OF SOUTH AFRICAN SPORT

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Join the campaign of SART (Stop All Racist Tours) to

STOP THE BARBARIANS

The South African Barbarians rugby team begins its tour of Britain on 1 October. SART and many other organisations and individuals, including church and trade union bodies, political parties and leaders, student, youth and many other organisations throughout the country have called on the Government to ban the tour. The Government have condemned the tour themselves. It is easy to see why. The team is racially selected, a vivid example of sports apartheid in action. The tour is in clear breach of the Commonwealth Gleneagles sports agreement and other international undertakings. It may have serious repercussions. But the Government have not acted. It is still not too late for them to stop the tour. We hope they will. We also hope that you and thousands of others will join our demonstrations and rallies against the tour and protest in other ways. Below we explain why – overleaf we show how.

WHY ALL THE FUSS? AFTER ALL, IT'S JUST A GAME

Playing with apartheid is never just a game. It is South Africa which has mixed politics and sport. They have introduced racialism into their sports system. School sport is segregated and so are clubs. National sports bodies are racially restricted and there are over 30 laws and regulations which prevent truly multiracial sport being played and which stop spectator facilities being integrated. So, by accepting sports teams from South Africa we are condoning sports apartheid.

BUT THIS TIME BLACKS ARE IN THE TEAM

Yes. The Barbarians side is made up of three different racial groups: eight Whites, eight Africans and eight Coloureds (mixed race). But they were not selected on merit. The tour has been organised by the white South African Rugby Board which, in order to satisfy demands from international opinion, has 'coopted' two small black rugby groups, the South African Rugby Association (for Africans) and the South African Rugby Federation (for Coloureds). They, like the white body, are racially exclusive. And they represent only 10 per cent of all black rugby players. The vast majority of black players belong to the non racial South African Rugby Union, which contains all races and is utterly opposed to the Barbarians tour, denouncing it as a 'stooge tour'. In short, white South Africa is trying to hoodwink us into believing that the tour is multiracial. It is not.

Rugby in South Africa is rigidly racist, especially at club level where it really matters. Those sportsmen who try to play genuinely non racial sport are harassed or intimidated by the security police. For example, a non racial soccer match was forcibly broken up by police in Pretoria last year. And a white rugby player, Cheeky Watson, who was a Springbok trialist until he joined the non racial rugby union, was arrested three times for trying to play a multiracial rugby matches in the black township of New Brighton. So much for all the claims that racist rugby is on its way out.

BUT A MIXED SIDE IS A START – WON'T IT ENCOURAGE MORE CHANGE?

South African sport has changed only because it has had to – because it has been cut off from outside tours these past 10 years. If we say yes to 'stooge' tours like the Barbarians, the South Africans will think they can get away without abolishing racialism entirely from sport. That is why we must say no to the tour, just as the Irish Government has done and as even the French Government did when it cancelled a full scale Springbok rugby tour recently. We owe it to the thousands of black sportsmen and women who would dearly love to play sport properly but who are denied the chance to do so by apartheid.

TOUR TIMETABLE

1 October	Arrival in London	October 17	Coventry
3 October	Exeter: match against Devon	October 20	Cardiff
6 October	Camborne: match against Cornwall	October 24	Llanelli
10 October	Melrose	October 27	Newport
13 October	Edinburgh		

ACT NOW!

- Urge the widest possible boycott of the games and the team, both by individuals and organisations
- Support the activities of SART and the local campaigns in opposition to the tour. In each place there are public meetings, rallies and demonstrations on the day of the match and before. Your help is needed NOW.

EXETER: *Coordinator – Mervyn Bennun, Tel 0392 81 384*

3 October – 12 noon Assemble at Princesshay

– 12.30 march leaves Princesshay and proceeds to the 'Country Ground' via High St, Fore St and Exe Bridges

– 1.00-2.30 pm Picketing at Church Road approach to County Ground

CAMBORNE: *Coordinator – Blanche Green, Tel 0209 860 567*

SCOTLAND: *Coordinator – Brian Filling, Tel 041 423 1410*

COVENTRY: *Coordinator – contact SART, Tel 01-580 5311*

WALES: *Coordinator – Andy Chandler, Tel 0792 43323*

Coaches will be leaving for each venue from London and other centres around the country. Each town has an organiser who can tell you what is happening and how you can help. For details contact SART at the telephone number below.

- If you are involved in the tour because of your work, get your trade union to black the tour
- Press the Government, even at this late stage, to stop the tour
- Contact any organisation of which you are a member and involve them in the campaign
- Order more of this leaflet giving the facts on the tour. There is also a sticker, campaign briefing document, a poster and a paper on 'Apartheid Rugby: The Facts'.

Phone us with any information you think can be of use.

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