

## **Dragons reflect on away win against Nottingham and look forward to great weekend of West Yorkshire Basketball**

Bradford Dragons' battle to secure an EBL play off place continued on Saturday with a comfortable 75-94 away win against City of Nottingham Tribe.

Dragons took the first quarter 18-12 but slipped back in the second quarter to go in 37-32 ahead at half time.

A switch of both the defensive pattern and a change of players saw Dragons' full court press control the game and force Nottingham into several turnovers that Dragons were able to capitalise upon to go ahead 67-52 at the end of the third quarter.

Dragons controlled the final quarter to win 94-75 at the close.

Dragons Head Coach Chris Mellor said, "This was a solid all round performance by the whole team with several players scoring in double figures. We were able to up the defensive pressure in the second half to get control the game. This was a convincing win against a Nottingham team that has beaten Wolverhampton and lost after double overtime to leaders Durham Wildcats.'

Top scorers (Dragons): Eddie Davis [27], Janis Lasmanis [20], Daumants Pabrieza [13]

Stuart Culliford, Dragons Chairman said," The results of the EBL Division 3 this year show it is very tight at the top. If we keep winning and other teams drop games, we still have a chance at making the play-offs. The team is getting better every game and this coming weekend is huge for us. It is a must win game next Saturday against Manchester Magic 2. Both teams need to win to make the play offs.'

Dragons v Magic 2 is on Saturday 10/2/07 at 6.15pm at Woodhouse Grove School Sports Centre, Harrogate Road, Apperley Bridge BD10 0NR, admission is £2 [£1 for under 18s and concessions]

The game promises to be a must-see for anyone interested in competitive and passionate basketball, providing an opportunity to get behind Dragons in this Battle of the Roses.

Dragons complete a great weekend of West-Yorkshire basketball 24 hours later on Sunday 11/2/07 where they will travel to Leeds Met Carnegie at their Headingley Leeds Met Campus for the EBL National Shield Semi-final.

Leeds Met Carnegie v Dragons is on Sunday 11/2/07 at 7pm at Leeds Met Carnegie campus, Headingley, Leeds LS6 3QS and admission is £2 [£1 for under 18s and concessions].