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## RUGBY LEAGUE



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MIDLANDS RUGBY LEAGUE PREMIER 2015

ROUND 1

02 . 05 . 15



## A NEW ERA...

Welcome to the first edition of the Coventry Dragons weekly ezine and the first game of the season.

This year has been one of rebuilding for the Coventry Dragons. With the appointment of two new coaches in the hugely experienced Mark Hyslop and Scotty Fenton, not to mention the signing of 20+ new players, the Dragons are looking stronger than ever.

The club has enjoyed an unbelievable Pre-season; with the numbers and level of talent expanding exponentially, the Dragons are in a fantastic position to claim their inaugural Midlands Premier League crown.

Coaches and players alike have been chomping at the bit in anticipation of today's game vs Leicester Storm and we hope that we can produce a match-winning, entertaining performance for everyone coming out to cheer us on.

We would like to thank everyone that has contributed to our season so far, most importantly, our Sponsors Ben Goodridge Financial Services, Scorpion Sports, Activ Solutions and Rowlands and Father.

We hope to see you at this weekend's fixture and hear you cheering us to victory!



## FIXTURES AND RESULTS

- All games K.O at 2.30pm unless stated

- Home Fixtures in **bold**

|                 |               |   |
|-----------------|---------------|---|
| <b>02.05.15</b> | <b>League</b> | <b>Coventry Dragons v Leicester Storm</b>     |
| 09.05.15        | League        | NEW Ravens v Coventry Dragons                 |
| 16.05.15        | League        | Northampton Demons v Coventry Dragons         |
| <b>23.05.15</b> | <b>League</b> | <b>Coventry Dragons v Buxton Bulls</b>        |
| 30.05.15        | League        | Boston Buccaneers v Coventry Dragons          |
| <b>06.06.15</b> | <b>League</b> | <b>Coventry Dragons v Birmingham Bulldogs</b> |
| <b>13.06.15</b> | <b>League</b> | <b>Coventry Dragons v Telford Raiders</b>     |
| 20.06.15        | League        | Derby City v Coventry Dragons                 |
| <b>04.07.15</b> | <b>League</b> | <b>Coventry Dragons v NEW Ravens</b>          |
| 11.07.15        | League        | Birmingham Bulldogs v Coventry Dragons        |
| 18.07.15        | League        | Nottingham Outlaws v Coventry Dragons         |
| <b>25.07.15</b> | <b>League</b> | <b>Coventry Dragons v Sherwood Wood Hunt</b>  |
| <b>01.08.15</b> | <b>League</b> | <b>Coventry Dragons v Leamington Royals</b>   |
| 08.08.15        | League        | Buxton Bulls v Coventry Dragons               |

## THE SQUAD

### V LEICESTER STORM

#### STARTING SIDE

1. T. ROCHESTER-BREMMER
2. L. SMITH
3. S. THOMPSON
4. D. COLEMAN
5. A. ROWLANDS (Sponsored by Headcase Barbers)
6. D. THOMPSON (Sponsored by Floors4All)
7. M. HYSLOP
8. J. RYAN
9. H. MARKS
10. T. ROWE
11. S. HUMPHREYS
12. J. MASSON (Sponsored by Activ Solutions)
13. A. BARNETT

#### REPLACEMENTS

14. J. MICHAEL-DAVIES
15. D. CARBRY
16. C. JACKSON
17. S. BALL
18. S. ROBERTS
19. R. WOOD
20. C. SLATER

## COACHES CORNER



**Mark Hyslop**

I am hugely looking forward to this weekend's first game. We have had a good 8 week Pre-season and have had a lot of new players. Training has gone better than we could have hoped and we have all gelled well over the last few weeks. We are really happy with the new structure myself and Scott have given to squad to learn, which has been picked up really quickly.

Leicester will be a really tough team but I am very confident what we have been doing in training should provide us with the skills to claim the right result, not to mention an entertaining performance by the boys as well.



**Scott Clendenning-Fenton**

Joining the Dragons this season has been an exciting time for me and I thank the off field staff for the opportunity. It's been good to work alongside my old mate Sloppy who I played a few seasons up at the Coventry Bears with.

Pre Season has been going for a couple months now and we are all looking forward to getting into our first competitive game and seeing how we get on. Sloppy and I have introduced a new structure of play for the side along with new calls and so far the guys have taken it on board well and been positive about it.

We have brought in a lot of new faces to the squad, giving us great depth and competition in the first team is high. That being said I'm sure it will take a few weeks for us to gel as a team but we are pleased with where we are at.

# THE OPPOSITION

**Nickname:** Storm

**Formed:** 1986 (Rebranded as 'Leicester Storm' in 2010)

**Coach:** Dean Thomas

**Honours:**

- Leicester 9s Tournament: 1996 and 1997
- NAMARLA Division Champions: 1987/88
- RLC Central Division: 1997
- RLC South Midlands Division: 2004
- Midlands Rugby League: 2010

**Last Time Out:** Coventry Dragons 22 - 16 Leicester Storm

**Past Record v Leicester Storm:**

13.07.13 Coventry Dragons 80 - 22 Leicester Storm

24.05.14 Coventry Dragons 18 - 14 Leicester Storm

19.07.14 Coventry Dragons 22 - 16 Leicester Storm



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