

Harrogate Darts Roundup

Bad night for the Empress



Week 7



Trades Hall new signing Kris McIntyre takes a 23 Dart Leg from Dale's player Shaun Sowray, but still lost the game as the Dales team took overall victory 7 – 2

Team Captain "Rick Harper" lost the only singles game of the evening despite hitting a seasons best 14 dart leg.

All out in an innings defeat

A full fixture list this week in the Harrogate league saw a shock result with league leaders Bilton Batsmen, and Bilton Umpires suffering their first defeats of the season leaving only Harrogate Conservatives Club in both divisions undefeated

The Wellington Inn put the boot in and brought the Empress down from last week's first victory with a bump in a 9 – 0 thrashing

Division 1 Top 4

	Pyd	Won	Sng	Prs	Pts
Bilton Batsmen	6	4	23	15	38
Manhattan Dales	6	5	23	11	34
Cons Club MaHoosive	5	5	21	9	30
Londesboro Club	6	3	18	10	28

Division 1 News

Bilton Batsmen 4 – 5 George & Dragon

Carl Heptinstall won in 22 and 20 darts in only one of two singles games that the Batsmen won this week, the other going to a resurgent Mark White in two 20 dart legs, Mark Crossley defeated an out of sorts Steve Higgins in 30 and 25 for the George Team, and captain Danny Miller won in 29 and 27 over Batsmen team apprentice Cameron West. The home team were definitely missing the Pride players who were away this week, and returning from Injury Captain, Lee Swales fared no better losing in two straight legs against Tony Garbutt, The Pairs saw Garbutt and Crossley win in 25 and 24, and Steve

Higgins / Cameron West take a valuable point in 21 and 26, Mark White had strong shoulders in the final game of the evening winning in 25 and 21 with an out of sorts Tony Sharratt. Overall, this result was not one easy to predict, but the Knaresborough team lead by Captain Danny Miller took the spoils.

Slip Inn 8 – 1 Harlow Club

The Slip Inn have been threatening a win like this for a few weeks now, and Harlow Club were the unfortunate recipients of a good away performance by the Slip Team.

Phil Taylor started the evening off with a two leg win over Graham Gotts in 30 and 28 followed by Nigel Saville with a quick game in 19 and 24 darts. Barry Nelson took a valued point with a 23 arrow leg, Pete Holden took the game from Harlow Captain, Trev Close despite losing the first leg to Close. Simon Condon won in 24 and 27 to avoid the singles rout. The Pairs were all the slips and a fine 130 finish on the Bull's-eye was the highlight for Nigel Saville in a 21 dart leg.

Manhattan Dales 7 – 2 Trades Hall

Manhattan Skyline 3 – 6 Londesboro Club

With both Manhattan teams playing at home the teams were all out to impress with difficult fixtures for both games of note from both fixtures included a double 180 for Col Ingles to add to his tally, in winning games in singles 21/20 over Col Anderson who won a leg in 21 and pairs in 21/20 with assistance from partner Forest Humphry, a 20 Dart leg for Ian Jones against Londesboro Captain Ian Gibson, Rich Taylor took a leg in 30 but was more than equalled by Dion Glen in two 24 dart legs with a ton outshot. Nick Hanslow made swift work of Manhattan Captain Alex Roadley in 20 and 26 darts, although Roadley did have darts at tops to take the second leg.

The Pairs saw all points go to the Londesboro with Ian Gibson and Nick Hanslow winning in 21 and 23, Colin Ingles and Forest Humphrey in 24 and 29 despite a solid 21 dart leg from Col Anderson and Ian Jones. Eddie Simson and Richard Taylor took the final gem of the evening in 25 Darts.

The Dales were on a mission from the off with Terry Jackson taking the lead with a good all round performance including a 24 dart leg, Harry Kidd took a leg from Jackson in fine style with a 19 dart leg. Dave Singh continued with good form winning in 18 and 27 darts, followed by Dean Lawman in 27 and 24. New Trades player Kris McIntyre took a 23 dart leg from Shaun Sowray but legs of 26 and 19 took the game for the tractor boy. An eagerly awaited matchup between Graham Coates and Rick Harper saw both in good form with Coates victorious in 24 and 15 darts despite a seasons best 14 dart leg from Harper. Tink Cameron saw off Daz Parker in two solid 23 dart legs.

The pairs saw Dean Lawman and Dave Singh take a point in 22 and 24 darts, Graham Coates and Harry Kid took a valuable point in 24 and 21 darts, and the final game went to the Dales with Rick Harper and Tink Cameron checking out in 26 and 24 darts

Division 2 News

The Empress 0 – 7 The Wellington

Daz Murthick has been brought down to earth with a bump this week following last week's victory, an in form Wellington team took all the points from a very one sided encounter. The victory saw 22 dart legs from Mark Cunningham, and a fast 3 ton 20 dart leg from Dave Metcalfe, Mark Herron chipped in with a 26 dart leg, and Beth Metcalfe realised her first singles win of the season in 47 and 57 darts over a despondent Daz Murthick, all in all a night to forget for the Empress team, but one to remember for high flying Wellington

Other Darts News

This season's premier individual's league is in its penultimate week and both Shaun Smith and Rick Harper are looking for good results as they are tied for top place in the local money league. Presentation night for the league will take place at Harrogate Railway Athletic, with darting Legend John Lowe attending, playing local players who have all contributed to a great season for the individual's league in the Harrogate area

Of note the following evening 28th of November at Wetherby Sports Association Eric Bristow will be talking to locals and possibly playing a leg or two, Tickets are still available but with a capacity of 130 there are only a few left

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