

Walsall 21 – 36 DK February 18th 2007

The DK Devils travelled to Walsall on Sunday 18th February 2007 for this season's second encounter between the two sides, the first of which DK had won 17-16. DK had a penalty in the first minute for off side however the kick was just wide of the posts. 5 minutes later DK had a lineout on the Walsall 10 meter line, some great handling by backs Sheldon, Matt, Luke Esser and Shane led to Ben Griffiths taking the pass running and continuing down the wing unchallenged for the matches first try. The second try also from Ben came in the 20th minute, a superb sprint down the left wing once again unchallenged and then crossing to touch down between the posts, the conversion was taken by Luke Esser, taking the score to 0-12.

After 35 minutes a cross field kick from Luke Esser was superbly collected at speed by Alex Birch who then sprinted 30 meters to the line to score DK's 3rd. Luke then successfully kicked the conversion to take the score to 0-19. Just before half time Walsall's number 13 burst through DK's defence to score just by the posts which was also converted, the score at half time was 7-19.

A great start to the second half for DK, from the restart the pressure was on Walsall deep into their 22, eventually DK winger Ben went over the line in the corner for his 3rd try taking the score to 7-24. Walsall dominated the next 15 minutes with DK defending well, and holding up an attempted try, but Walsall did score two tries during this period of pressure both of which were converted, taking the score to 21-24. Walsall continued to apply the pressure until flanker Dan Arnold burst through with a great run off loading to full back Shane who ran 50 meters to score DK's 5th try which Luke converted, taking DK's lead to 21-31. The DK forwards piled on the pressure during the closing minutes and Prop Sam Covern powered his way over the line taking several Walsall defenders with him in the final play of the match to score DK's 6th try and take the final score to 21-36.

