

2006 Tour Report

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Sponsors Key to Out West Program

When a program has no precedent but has clear leading edge objectives, sponsorship is not always automatic. Out West has been fortunate that some in our corporate sector recognized the uniqueness of the Out West concept and its ability to elevate the level of women's basketball in Canada. In its third season, Out West continues to build excellence, and this results from a partnership of dedicated athletes, coaches and corporate sponsors.

Coach Cory Russell sees a similarity between the Out West sponsorship structure and the foundations of European basketball clubs. "We do not have access to government funding. We rely upon our friends in business and fundraising similar to what we see in European professional organizations. We are really fortunate that the folks at Scotia Capital, TriStar Oil & Gas, Reebok and others care enough about women's athletics to provide such critical support to us."

GAME 2 - Out West vs. BC Mess Aug. 23rd

The Out West squad played their second game in Luxembourg against BC Mess, a division 1 team. This game was due to a cancellation of the game against the Luxembourg National Team who were forced to withdraw due to recent injuries. Out West won 104-43. Out West coaches attributed the victory to great team effort and solid defense. The BC Mess was missing two key players, one due to injuries, and one due to National team commitments. UBC's Kelsey Blair was the leading scorer with 25 and 11 rebounds. Jordana Miltimore added 21 points with 7 rebounds, Ashley Dutchak hit for 18 points, 10 rebounds, 8 assists and 7 steals. Rounding out the scoring was Carolyn Plummer with 14 points and 11 rebounds. Janet Hatfield grabbed 10 rebounds. Out West will now face Saarlouis, a German Division 1 team, one of the top teams in the country. Coach Cory Russell expects a tough game. "From what we hear, Saarlouis has some of the top players in Europe from several countries and two North American imports. We will have our work cut out for us."



The 2006 Out West team presents Scotia Capital's Jeff Cebryk with an Out West shirt prior to the Team's departure to Europe in appreciation of Scotia Capital's sponsorship.

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