



## Rugby Results

Team	Iona	SPLC/ATC	SPC	SLC	SEC	Villa	Padua
<b>6A</b>  Player of the Match	Iona 31 def. Marist 12  Will Carr						
<b>6B</b>  Player of the Match	Marist 22 def. Iona 10  Max Laughton						
<b>6C</b>  Player of the Match	Iona 12 def. Marist 10  Paddy Williamson Thomas Laherty						
<b>6D</b>  Player of the Match	Marist 21 def. Iona 0  Hunter Coleman Jaime Hynes						





# MARIST COLLEGE ASHGROVE

## Primary Sport

# AIC Sport – Round 1



Team	Iona	SPLC/ATC	SPC	SLC	SEC	Villa	Padua
<b>5A</b>  Player of the Match	Marist 29 def. Iona 0  Hugh Southwood						
<b>5B Blue</b>  Player of the Match	Iona 21 def. Marist 7  Lachlan Mitchell						
<b>5B Gold</b>  Player of the Match	Padua 20 def. Marist 5  Lumeo Schmalkuchen						
<b>5C Blue</b>  Player of the Match	Iona 43 def. Marist 7  Eli Jennings						
<b>5C Gold</b>  Player of the Match	Marist 60 def. Padua 20  James Orbell						





## Around the Grounds

### 6A

*Iona College 31 defeated Marist 6A 12*

The Marist 6A side began their season with a challenging fixture against a strong Iona College outfit, going down 31–12 in a match where the scoreline didn't fully reflect the contest.

Iona burst out of the blocks, capitalising on space out wide to run in three early tries through their outside backs. Marist, however, responded with determination and fought back into the game, scoring a well-earned try to close the gap. At the break, Iona held a 19–5 advantage.

Marist came out with renewed energy in the second half, and Tyler Richardson crossed under the posts to bring the score to 19–12 and swing momentum back Marist's way. Unfortunately, a series of untimely errors allowed Iona to regain control and add to their tally, extending their lead in the closing stages.

Despite the loss, Marist's forward pack was a standout, dominating both the scrum and the breakdown. Will Carr was named player of the match for his tireless work and physical presence around the park. However, Iona's slick backline proved difficult to contain and continually denied the Marist backs the opportunity to gain valuable field position.

It was a tough result to start the season, but one that will undoubtedly make the boys stronger. The focus now shifts to regrouping and bouncing back next week with renewed purpose and intensity.

### 6B

Marist 6B demonstrated a 'gritty' win over Iona 6B...with the first half showcasing some very good defence from Marist and a see sawing battle for field position. When in the attacking zone our Marist forwards displayed some good go forward and were rewarded with tries to Ollie Grammare and Cam Murphy. Our backs demonstrated many raids and were repelled when close to scoring on a number of occasions.

The second half saw Marist endure a wave of attack from the opposition and only desperate defence on our try line manage to keep Iona at bay. Marist then managed to gain some field position and move the opposition forward pack around. Great determination and working as a team was rewarded with tries to Aiden Smith and Angus Lippett...Max Laughton continued his great work from the first half providing some strong running from fullback and some very good defence.

In the end Marist 6B won out in a very tough encounter demonstrating team work and some desperate defence. Being the first game of the season the boys appreciate that there are many areas for improvement which we will continue to work on in the coming weeks at training...a good gritty win from the 6B's...well done lads!

### 6C

Most boys played for Ds then fronted up for the Cs. The boys looked disorganised for 20 minutes. Strengthened defence and speed to breakdown in second half. A game of missed opportunities and some poor decisions. Failed to stick to plan and left a speedy backline often without any ball.





Thomas Laherty showed speed and determination in attack. Caelan Hall and Jamie Hynes defended very well. And Paddy Williamson was in every ruck and mall.

#### **6D**

6D have started their season on the front foot, proving too good for Iona in a tough away Round 1 match up.

The message was for the boys to start fast and play with confidence; while ensuring we stick the game plan practiced at training. The boys did just that with some excellent eyes up footy from Jaime Hynes the highlight of a first half full of skilful attack and persistent, solid defence.

Hunter Colman involved himself early, seemingly everywhere in a workhorse performance, earning him and player of the match. Paddy Moffat was also strong with ball in hand as our forward pack set up the platform for our backs to spread the ball to space.

What impressed the coaches most was the Rugby IQ many of the boys demonstrated, often putting the needs of the team first. The work off the ball of several players ensured we retained possession and led to this very convincing win. This level of ball security is something we must maintain for the rest of the season.

Great start! We're sure the boys will be keen to improve further at training this week.

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#### **5A**

The Year 5A rugby team put in a dominant performance against Iona, coming away with a convincing 29-0 victory. From the first whistle, our boys were switched on—pressing up fast in defence, tackling hard, and showing great commitment to one another.

It was a real team effort, with every player stepping up and contributing to a strong and unified display. Our defensive line was rock solid, consistently shutting down Iona's attack and forcing turnovers through sheer pressure and determination.

Hugh Southwood was everywhere—covering ground, making tackles, and constantly supporting the play. Hawk proved hard to handle with some damaging, straight-running carries that put us on the front foot. At the breakdown, Felix Katter was a real handful, securing key turnovers and disrupting Iona's ruck ball all game.

This was a fantastic team performance full of energy, discipline, and spirit. Well done, boys—let's keep the momentum going!

#### **5B Blue**

The 5B team made a strong start to their Marist College Ashgrove journey with an impressive performance on the field. The boys defended well throughout the match and showed great determination, particularly in the second half, where their structure and organisation improved





noticeably. It was a team effort that reflected their growing understanding of the game and their commitment to one another. The boys represented the College with pride, sportsmanship, and enthusiasm — an excellent beginning to their time in Marist sport.

### **5B Gold**

The 5BGold team put on a solid performance against Padua, showing strong teamwork and determination throughout the match. Lumeo stood out with some excellent tackles and powerful runs, while Cian Dillon impressed with his speed and ability to break through the defence. Ricky Onal showed quick reflexes, getting to the ball early and skilfully manoeuvring around opposition players. While there's still room for improvement in spreading the ball wide and tackling low around the legs, the boys showed great skill, energy, and unity on the field. A promising effort with plenty to build on!

### **5C Blue**

Saturday marked our first game of the season, taking on a formidable and physically dominant Iona side. From the outset, it was clear that we were in for a tough contest, with Iona's size and hard running setting a high bar. Despite the challenge, our boys started strongly, showing great intensity and getting stuck in from the first whistle.

Defensively, we held our own for large periods, with some courageous tackling and outstanding commitment at the breakdown. A particular highlight was the performance of Eli Jennings, whose lightning footwork and powerful carries consistently pushed us into attacking territory. One of his line breaks led to our only try of the game, earning him a well-deserved Man of the Match award.

While the final scoreline of 43–7 did not fall our way, the boys showed grit, character, and plenty of promise. There are strong foundations to build on, and we look forward to taking another step forward next week. Well done boys

### **5C Gold**

A highly contested first half between Marist and Padua, an early try by Marist was quickly answered by Padua and the score remained even throughout the first half, Marist only pulling ahead by 5 in the last minute. A second half effort was needed to seal the win for Marist.

A second half effort was given, Ricky broke off from a early set scrum to run half a field and score himself setting the tone of triumph, consistent rucking and effort from the captain James Orbell showed Marist's grit. His effort at every ruck and breakdown did not go unnoticed, he may be responsible for half of the tries in the second half and for saving countless Padua attacks. More half efforts by Ricky saw more tries eventuating in a hatrick. Another stellar effort by winger Cian resulted in himself running the full length of the field a few times to earn himself a hatrick. An all over spectacular effort from forwards to steal pilfer and ruck and from the backs to run the ball and make saving tackles.

Well done boys excellent effort all round ready for a great season.

