



# Tennis

## MARIST COLLEGE vs St Patrick's College – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2020 (Trial)

*Each week we will have brief team reports each with the aim to cover as many teams as possible. Please see Team Reports below:*

### First IV Tennis Vs St Patrick's College

The 1st IV came up against strong opponents however they showed great competitiveness and a never give up attitude. Whilst the boys fought hard, the opposition proved too strong and unfortunately lost 5 out of the 6 matches played. The highlight definitely came from **Kyle Ephraim** as he battled extremely hard to come from a set down, to claim the match 10-4 in the super tiebreak. **Liam Webb** fought hard in his opening matches for the 1<sup>st</sup> squad and **Jakub Bennett & Pascal Mulders** must be commended for stepping up to fill in for the 1st's team as some players were missing from the line-up. Overall, the first trial match was a good opportunity for the boys to get used to competitive matches and gave them things to work on before the 1st round of competition starts.

TEAM	TEAM REPORT
11A	The 11A team narrowly went down in a hard-fought battle. Despite this, all the boys gave it their all and should be commended on their efforts. The highlight for the team came from <b>Freddie Power</b> who played extremely well and came away with a win in both singles & doubles. The team will be looking to improve on their results in the next trial match and will have some areas to fine tune during this week's training as they prepare for the 1st round of competition this coming Saturday.
11B	The 11B team was clearly the better side in their opening trial match. The boys got off to a brilliant start, winning both doubles and this really built the momentum for the rest of the day. The highlight definitely was <b>Leo Mackey-Smith</b> who won a nail-biter 7-5 in the tiebreak. A special mention must also go to <b>Sol Hancock</b> who played extremely well, coming away with a dominant 6-0 win. The boys played extremely well today and will be looking to keep this momentum and positive gameplay going into the next trial matches and the season.
YEAR 10	The grade 10 teams were eager to get their season underway after strong pre-season training. In the 10A's, <b>Ruben Darwin</b> won a nail-biter #1 singles match in a tiebreak and <b>Blake Harrold</b> was too strong for his opponent at the #3 spot. The 10B's swept the singles with <b>Jack Thorpe</b> , <b>Jackson Tallis</b> , <b>Charlie Wilkinson</b> and <b>Harry Masel</b> winning their sets. Ultimately St Patrick's took the team win in the 10A's but MCA won decisively for the 10B's.





YEAR 8	The year 8s had a few tight matches and only lost 1 doubles and 1 singles on the day. <b>Isaac Roach</b> (A2) was down 2-4 but managed to dig deep and come-back to win 6-4 as the 8A team swept the singles before splitting the doubles matches. It was enough to give the 8A's the victory. Our 8B's weren't as fortunate even though <b>Oliver Betts</b> was undefeated for the day.
YEAR 7	Year 7A's and 7B's didn't drop a singles or doubles match against St Patrick's, playing some inspired tennis. <b>Hamish Davidson</b> (A1) had a tight set, but won 7-6 in an almighty battle. <b>Andrew Woodward, Thomas Clulow, Lachlan Davidson, Elliott Schanzl, Ben Cross, Benjamin Mead</b> and <b>Jordan Pratt</b> all deserve praise for their undefeated day.
6A	The MCA 6A's picked up their first win of the season in a close tie against St Patrick's. <b>Fletcher Wessling</b> went undefeated for the 6A's earning player of the day for the team. <b>Jackson Skinner</b> matched Fletcher's effort taking all 3 of his matches to start his season for the 6B's but it wasn't enough to get the team over the line.
5A	<b>Matt Terwin</b> and <b>Oscar White</b> managed to end the day at 3-0 leading their 5A team to victory. Matt, playing at the #1 spot, played really well to come back from being down 5-1 to win 7-5. 6 straight games! The MCA 5B team went undefeated winning all 8 sets. <b>Sam Mapledoram, Felix Nolan, Owen Aldridge</b> and <b>Daniel Ortiz</b> all represented the school with class.





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## MARIST COLLEGE vs St Peter's College –Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2020 (Trial)

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### First IV Tennis Vs St Peter's College

MCA Tennis faced off against one of the nation's top high school tennis teams in St Peter's Lutheran College today. It was great experience for our young team to compete against players that are future professionals. The 1st IV and 2<sup>nd</sup> IV came out strong against their rivals. **William O'Connor** anchored the team at the #1 position and **Liam Webb** fought valiantly at #2. We also witnessed some exceptional team work from **Kyle Ephraim** and **Pascal Mulders** in the doubles.

TEAM	TEAM REPORT
YEAR 11	In the 11's we picked up highly coveted singles wins from <b>Patrick Newman</b> and <b>Louie Mulders</b> winning 6-2 and 6-1 respectively. <b>Leo Mackey-Smith</b> and <b>Freddie Power</b> also played well on the day, narrowly going down to their opponents.
YEAR 10	The grade 10 teams competed strongly against St Peter's. Our 10A team of <b>Ruben Darwin</b> , <b>Lachlan Jenkins</b> , <b>Blake Harold</b> and <b>Sam Brennan</b> won their team match after splitting their individual matches 4-4, but winning on a game count back 35-28. It was a great team effort! <b>Jackson Tallis</b> and <b>Harry Masel</b> also picked up a crucial doubles win for the 10B's.
YEAR 9	Our grade 9 teams hit the court for the first time this season with energy. <b>Edward Price</b> and <b>Joel Ephraims</b> both win in singles 7-6 and 6-2. The 9B's team also showed some early season form to win 3 of the 4 singles matches when <b>Aidan Kani</b> (6-2), <b>Cody Radman</b> (6-3) and <b>Robbie Power</b> (6-0) were victorious.
YEAR 8	The year 8's were competitive across the board. The A's team fought valiantly in each singles set but weren't able to take them from St Peter's. The 8B's found a way to win 3 of the 4 doubles matches in what will certainly be a confidence booster for them headed into AIC play.
YEAR 7	Year 7A's and 7B's represented MCA well during the dual against St Peter's. Their team work and comradery was evident throughout and they're looking like a team to be reckoned with this season.





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## MARIST COLLEGE vs Villanova College –Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2020 (Trial)

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### **First IV Tennis Vs Villanova College**

In their last hit out before official AIC season play, our 1<sup>st</sup> IV came ready to play against Villanova. On a chilly afternoon young gun **Liam Webb** played an exceptional match at the number one position to pick up his first singles win for the team in a tight encounter which came down to the final points. He then teamed up with **Jakub Bennett** as they both produced brilliant tennis under pressure to win in a tie break. **Hugh Hodgetts** made an impressive debut for the 1<sup>st</sup> IV winning his singles match 6-1 6-3 serving notice that he will be a force to be reckoned with over the next 4 years for the school.

