



Rugby Results

Team	Villa	Padua	Iona		SPC	SLC	
6A Player of the Match	Marist 22 Villa 5 Finn Beaver	Marist 31 Padua 5 Finley Elphinston	Iona 21 Marist 0	Villa 22 Marist 14 Luka Marks	SPC 7 Marist 5 Finn Beaver		
6B Player of the Match	Villa 26 Marist 19 Balthazar Caesar	Padua 21 Marist 0 Connor Henderson	Marist 7 Iona 7 Balthazar Caesar	Marist 31 Villa 29 Harry Nolan	ATC 6A 31 Marist 5 Dom Rowe		
6C Player of the Match	Villa 29 Marist 26 Harry Nolan		Marist 26 Iona 10 Harry Nolan	Villa 24 Marist 17 Patty Pink	SPC 25 Marist 0 Charlie Davis		
5A Player of the Match	Marist 29 Villa 5 Gus Graham	Marist 46 Padua 10 Mason Loli	Marist 14 Iona 10 Harry Kirkman	Marist 26 Villa 12	Marist 35 SPC 0 Mason Loli		
5B Player of the Match	Marist 74 Villa 0 Harry Geraghty	Marist 54 Padua 0 Cameron Murphy	Marist 26 Iona 17 Charlie Maclean	Marist 26 Villa 0	Marist 56 SPC 0		
5C Player of the Match	Marist 55 Villa 0 Will Robbins	Marist 36 Padua 5 Charlie Taylor	Marist 7 Iona 0 James Midgley	Marist 22 ATC 5A 0 Charlie Taylor	Iona 22 Marist 0 James Midgley		
5D Player of the Match	Padua 35 Marist 5 Clancy Schmidt	Marist 25 SLC 5C 15 Ollie Hockings	Iona 5C 17 Marist 7 Clancy Schmidt	Marist 32 SLC 5C 22 George Stack	ATC 5A 34 Marist 12 Alex Aitken		





Around the Grounds

6A

In a tightly contested match, St Patrick's College narrowly edged out Marist College 6A with a 7-5 victory. The Marist team, plagued by injuries, saw an influx of reinforcements as they essentially started afresh, working hard to learn their shape and game plan while building new combinations.

The match was played under wet conditions, making ball handling particularly challenging. Despite this, Marist dominated the ruck, with Liam Marshall and Finley Elphinston securing countless pilfers. However, they struggled to maintain control of the ball to build sustained phase pressure.

The front row, affectionately known as "the piggies," worked tirelessly throughout the game. Theo Katter, Spencer Hoddy, Luka Marks, and Jimmy Sexton—returning from injury—were instrumental in maintaining Marist's competitive edge in the tight exchanges.

Finn Beaver led from the front, consistently challenging the opposition's line. Seb Scuderi continued to showcase his potential, scoring a remarkable length-of-the-field try. Sam Brown, at fullback, faced relentless pressure as St Patrick's sought to gain field position through a barrage of kicks. Meanwhile, Balthazar Caesar and Jack Willoughby did their utmost to drive the team around the field despite the challenging conditions.

The narrow defeat marked the third loss on the trot for Marist, and a dip in the boys' confidence was evident. However, the talent and potential within the team remain undeniable. To get their season back on track, the 6As need to focus on enjoying their rugby and rediscovering the joy of playing the Marist Way.

The boys will be looking to bounce back stronger in their next match, aiming to harness their abilities and translate their hard work into positive results on the scoreboard.

6B

Wet weather rugby tends to challenge players in various ways. Some boys go into their shells and struggle to get into the game while others step up and give it everything they've got. I was proud to see that our boys chose the latter this morning and despite taking on a well drilled ATC A team, we managed to put in a huge performance and made our opponents work for every point. This was especially impressive considering we were missing key players and had multiple boys playing out of position.

A special mention to Hugo for his huge tackles, our three Harry's for multiple barnstorming runs and Dom, who must have run 100m with the ball in hand- hard, straight, and full of belief- he epitomises how hard work at training can lead to huge improvements on the field.

Well done boys. We didn't give up today when a lesser team would have. Clean the mud from your boots and we'll do it all again next week!

6C

On a damp Saturday morning, an early kick off awaited the 6C boys. Unfortunately, it seemed like most of the boys were still asleep when they ran on as the defensive work, we had worked on during the





week seemed to go out the window. Jack Patricks was impressive defensively while Harrison Fowler did his best to marshal the troops on attack.

Despite things going against us, the boys were still in it at half time, trailing 10-0.

The second half, disappointingly, was much like the first and with a growing injury toll, the boys unfortunately never really looked like scoring. Charlie Davis heeded the half time messaging the best, providing us with some strong efforts on both sides of the ball.

Looking forward to Super Saturday against Laurie's, training this week will be imperative, both from a team and individual standpoint.

5A

Marist Rugby 5A delivered a dominant performance, winning 35-0 against their opponents. Key players Mason Loli and Will Smith were instrumental in the victory. Mason's powerful carries consistently advanced the team, while Will's exceptional running play and speed created numerous scoring opportunities. The team's cohesive play, particularly in the forwards led by Mason and the backs energized by Will, resulted in well-executed tries and a relentless offense. Defensively, Marist was impenetrable, maintaining a clean sheet and showcasing disciplined, strategic play. The team's robust defence and quick counterattacks kept the opposition at bay. This commanding win reflects Marist's hard work and unity, setting a strong foundation for their upcoming matches.

5B

Marist College Ashgrove's 5B rugby team delivered a commanding performance against St. Pat's at Curlew Park on Saturday, securing an emphatic 56-0 victory. This match showcased the team's exceptional defensive strength and skilful offensive play.

From the outset, Marist College Ashgrove demonstrated their dominance. Their defensive line was impenetrable, effectively shutting down any advances from St. Pat's and ensuring the opponents were held scoreless throughout the game. The solid defence was a testament to the team's hard work and discipline, reflecting their commitment to maintaining a clean sheet.

On the offensive side, Marist's boys were equally impressive. The catch pass technique, a fundamental aspect of their gameplay, was executed flawlessly, allowing them to rack up points with precision and flair. The players moved the ball swiftly across the field, creating numerous scoring opportunities and converting them into points with consistent accuracy.

The victory was not just a display of individual brilliance but also highlighted the team's cohesive unit and strategic gameplay, embodying the spirit of Marist rugby. The comprehensive win at Curlew Park stands as a proud moment for Marist College Ashgrove, showcasing the talent and dedication of the 5B team.

Congratulations to the boys on a well-deserved victory and for continuing to uphold the high standards of Marist rugby.





5C

In a closely contested match, Marist came up short against a strong Iona 5Cs rugby team, ultimately falling 22-0. Despite the disappointing loss, the team can take pride in their resilience and determination, particularly in the second half.

The first half was a tale of two teams, with Iona 5Cs dominating the early exchanges and Marist struggling to find our footing. The home sides strong forward pack and clinical backline saw them scoring three tries before the break, with our boys unable to find any meaningful rhythm or momentum. However, the second half was a different story altogether. Marist regrouped and refocused, with a newfound sense of purpose and urgency. The team's defence stiffened, and they managed to nullify Iona 5Cs attacking threats, restricting them to just a single try.

Although the scoreboard did not reflect their efforts, Marist can take away numerous learnings from this match. The most significant area for improvement is undoubtedly securing the breakdown and marking up in defence. Iona 5Cs were able to exploit these weaknesses repeatedly, leading to several crucial turnovers and tries.

The team will also look to work on their attacking game, particularly in terms of creating scoring opportunities and converting them into points. Despite not being able to get over the try line, Marist showed moments and will aim to build on these moments in future matches.

Despite the disappointment of losing by such a margin, we can take heart from their second-half performance. They showed remarkable resilience and determination, refusing to give up despite being behind by 22 points.

As the team looks to bounce back from this setback, they will focus on building on their strengths and addressing their weaknesses. With a newfound sense of unity and determination, we will be eager to put this disappointing result behind us and start preparing for our next challenge.

3. James Midgley
2. Hunter Coleman
1. Fraser Walsh

5D

A very rainy game opened with a dominant performance by Alex, who broke through the ATC defensive line only a few minutes into the game. The rest of the first half was a mixture of ups and downs with a seemingly record number of scrums with plenty of knock-ons with an extra slippery rainy ball. A second try for Alex saw the end of marist scoring.

A much more difficult second half as ATC put it in second gear and made light work of the boy's defensive line. Some difficult calls and poor spacing let Ambrose utilise the space given to them and just run around any built up defence.

While a tough team to verse, the boy's loss this week was definitely internal. A sense of giving up to early left the teams mental state in tatters. Plenty of time to work out the kinks and be in full force for the final couple of games.

Tries: Alex Aitken x2

