

## **Marist Basketball – Round 2 vs. Padua College Match Reports from the Courts**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> V**

Marist 53 – Padua 32

MVP: Neil van der Walt

The boys are improving each week with a much more controlled and strategic game plan being executed. We need to work on maintaining our intensity for the entire game and continue to reduce our turnovers from poor scanning and judgment. I am really pleased with how this team is turning up each week, wanting to play well, have fun and be keen to develop their basketball skills.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> V**

Marist 23 – Padua 40

MVP: Charlie Harris

### **4<sup>th</sup> V**

Marist 29 – Padua 35

MVP: Max Murray

### **11A**

Marist 53 – Padua 37

MVP:

### **11B**

Marist 61 – Padua 22

MVP:

### **11C**

Marist 26 – Padua 16

MVP: Matt Nisbett

Another great game today from the 11C young men. After a slow start for the second week in a row (we REALLY need to work on this lads), we kicked into gear in the 2nd quarter, had another blinder of a 3rd quarter, and an even more amazing fourth where the intensity of our defence smothered the opposition making it difficult for them to get out of our half and keeping them to just 3 points. Clancy Dunn's tough defence troubled

the opposition all game and his nice attacking moves helped him to find plenty of space in offence. Tom Donaldson's free throw work during the week (thanks Hayden) paid dividends with some sweet baskets that were nothing but net. And MVP Matt Nisbett made his presence felt all over the court, with his pressure in D causing the opposition to make mistakes and his efforts in controlling the tempo in transition helping to keep us settled as we worked to attack the basket. Another tough game next week lads, we need to start switched on from the jump!

### **11D**

Marist 32 – Padua 14

MVP: Jack Shay

### **10A**

Marist 30 – Padua 56

MVP:

### **10B**

Marist 23 – Padua 25

MVP: Elias Madden

### **10C**

Marist 35 – Padua 50

MVP:

### **10D**

Marist 22 – Padua 56

MVP:

### **9A**

Marist 55 – Padua 35

MVP: Harry Cook

The boys played an awesome game against Padua on Saturday. We let Padua stay close in the first half and then finished them off in the second half to win by 20 points. The 9As stuck together after our tough loss to Villa. We are now onto the next one.

Honourable mentions to Ollie Peregrina setting the defensive tone that all the boys followed. We also can't miss mentioning the big man – Harry Cook's 35 points.

### **9B**

Marist 44 – Padua 44

MVP:

### **9C**

Marist 26 – Padua 29

MVP: Ethan Bell

The boys brought the energy and momentum from the end of the Villanova game and started quickly, ran hard and played team basketball. Weston Lewis, Jack Purcell and Ethan Bell outplayed their opposition big men, running good lines, rebounding hard and having a strong paint presence. Cooper Chugg was the glue to the team's energy and chemistry. The entire game was back and forth, with the boys unlucky not to go home with the win.

### **9D**

Marist 49 – Padua 32

MVP: Owen Barker

The boys pulled together with low numbers and pushed through the whole game outrunning and outworking the opponents. They were dominant on both ends of the floor with easy buckets, rebounds, and some big blocks.

### **8A**

Marist 33 – Padua 40

MVP:

### **8B**

Marist 48 – Padua 15

MVP: Sam Mapledoram

The boys came out with lots of effort and intensity, and it really paid off today. We held them scoreless for the whole first quarter with Declan Blundell, Cohen Netzler and Tom Deem causing lots of turnovers which led to easy baskets. This was an impressive result that the boys should be proud of, and a sign of more good things to come.

## **8C**

Marist 53 – Padua 15

MVP: Caleb van Coevorden

The 8Cs came prepared for a strong game against a tall Padua team and started off by sticking to our strengths in a fast-paced game and getting runners up the floor. The boys built on this with great passing which led to easy looks and simple baskets. We walked away with a convincing 38-point lead winning 53-15. It was a great game all round and we are looking forward to getting back to training.

## **8D**

Marist 58 – Padua 22

MVP: Fletcher Byrnes

The 8Ds looked to continue their winning ways against Padua. Against a very tall team, the boys played a fast and fluid game of basketball, showing off their improved chemistry. The team translated their work at training into the game and were rewarded with a big win.

## **7A**

Marist 21 – Padua 54

MVP:

## **7B**

Marist 21 – Padua 65

MVP: Ari Marks

## **7C**

Marist 40 – Padua 21

MVP: Will Silec

The boys came out with high energy to put Padua on the back foot from the start. A positive attitude saw them work as a team to put constant pressure on the ball carriers which made for easy turnovers. Passing drills at training shone through in the game with unselfish play from Charlie Campion and Jasper Belyea giving easy baskets to their teammates. With almost all boys getting on the scoreboard it was a team effort for the win. Will Silec was tenacious on both ends of the court to be the player of the game.

## **7D**

Marist 42 – Padua 21

MVP: Will Quinn

In an adrenaline-pumping and hard-fought basketball showdown, our indomitable 7D basketball team squared off against a tough and skilled opponent, leading to a final score of 42-21. The score today truly reflected the determination and teamwork displayed by the boys.

Laurie Russ, our towering forward, dominated the paint with his excellent positioning under the rim. His presence created numerous scoring opportunities for the team, as he capitalised on offensive rebounds and putbacks, racking up quick points for 7Ds.

Archie Breikreuz and Will Quinn exhibited impressive displays of ball-handling wizardry. They navigated through tight defences, breaking ankles along the way, and dishing out pinpoint passes to his teammates. Both young men's playmaking prowess facilitated our offensive flow and kept the opposing defence on their toes.

Despite a few questionable calls, our team's spirit remained undeterred. The players encouraged and supported one another, displaying great camaraderie and determination until the final buzzer. Great win 7Ds!