



Rugby Results

Team	Iona		SPC	SLC		Villa	Padua
6A Player of the Match	Marist 65 def. Iona 0 Leo Mylne	Villa 54 def. Marist 0 Hugh Southward	Marist 73 def. SPC 0 Eddie Leyden	SLC 35 def. Marist 0 Felix Katter	Villa 21 def. Marist 19		
6B Player of the Match	Marist 29 def. Iona 15 Eli Jennings	Marist 24 drew ATC 6A 24 John Guinea	BYE	Marist 72 def. SPC 0 John Guinea	Washout		
6C Player of the Match	Marist 22 def. Villanova 0 John Guinea	Marist 45 def. SPLC 6A 5 Henry Trebbin	Marist 62 def. Villanova 5 Cian Dillon	Marist 29 def. Padua 7	Marist 19 def. Iona 17 Josiah Cossart		
6D Player of the Match	Iona 6C 21 def. Marist 10 Will Merritt	BYE	Marist 31 def. Padua 6C 10 Felix van Boxel	SPLC 6A 32 def. Marist 0 Will Merritt	BYE		





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5A Player of the Match Robbie Dixon	Marist 14 Iona 14 Marist 7 Padua 7	Marist 67 def. ATC 0 Patrick Silec	Marist 47 def. ATC 7 Robbie Dixon	SLC 26 def. Marist 17 Paddy James	Iona 33 def. Marist 15 Charlie Maher		
5B Player of the Match Oscar Dimitrijevic	Marist 17 def. Iona 5	Villa 17 def. Marist 0 Henry Hart	Marist 70 def. SPC 0 Reise Hohn	Marist 57 def. SLC 0 Tyson Thomas	Marist 15 def. Iona 0 Oscar Hirst		
5C Player of the Match Orlando Dodds	Iona 32 def. Marist 12	Marist 5C 29 def. Marist 5D 5 Orlando Dodds	Marist 91 def. Padua 0 Zach Riordan	Marist 50 def. SLC 0 Paddy Caughley	Marist 58 def. Iona 6D 0 Paddy Caughley		
5D Player of the Match Tom Brown	Marist 28 Iona 5 Marist 40 Padua 5C 0	Marist 5C 29 def. Marist 5D 5 Oliver Milton	Marist 33 def. Villa 5C 12 Henry Laherty Lincoln Dearlove	Marist 79 def. Iona 5E 17 Nick Rush	Marist 82 def. Padua 5C 5 Alex Craig Roy Stevens		
5E Player of the Match Flynn Julicher	Iona 43 def. Marist 20	BYE	SLC 5C 33 def. Marist 19 Jack Alexander	Marist 22 drew Iona 5D 22 Lachie Levens	Iona 35 def. Marist 22 Tomas Christsen		





Around the Grounds

6A

Villanova College 6A 21 def. Marist 6A 19

Following a disappointing performance against St Laurence's the previous week, Marist 6A knew they faced a significant challenge against Villanova College. The teams had already shared a competitive history this season, with Marist winning an early trial before Villanova responded with a convincing victory when the Marist side was heavily affected by injuries.

The stage was set, and the challenge was put to the players before kick-off: How do you want to remember your season?

As expected, the match was a fiercely contested encounter, played predominantly through the middle of the field as both forward packs battled relentlessly for ascendancy.

Marist opened the scoring through front-rower Will Barden, who powered over for a well-earned try. Eddie Leyden added the conversion to give Marist an early advantage. Villanova responded quickly, capitalising on some soft metres conceded by Marist to level the scores.

Just when it appeared the teams would head to the break locked together, Marist struck again. Hugh Southward crossed under the posts following sustained pressure, allowing Leyden an easy conversion and giving Marist a deserved 14-7 lead at halftime.

The second half developed into a genuine arm wrestle. Both sides competed fiercely for field position and possession, with neither able to establish complete control. Villanova eventually found a way through, scoring twice to edge ahead 21-14 with less than five minutes remaining.

To their credit, the Marist boys refused to surrender. Showing tremendous character, they lifted in the closing stages and launched one final attack. Leo Mylne crossed in the shadows of full-time to narrow the margin to two points, but the difficult conversion attempt drifted wide, leaving Villanova victorious 21-19.

Credit must go to both teams for producing a fantastic game of rugby. It was a contest played with great intensity, commitment, and sportsmanship, and neither side deserved to leave empty-handed.

With two games remaining, Marist can take confidence from a much-improved performance. The challenge now is to build on this effort and finish the season strongly.

6B

Washout

6C

5A

Marist 5A went down to Iona College 33-15 in a game that showed plenty of promise with the ball in hand.





When in possession, Marist looked dangerous throughout the match, creating opportunities and moving the ball well across the field. The attack showed some of the best rugby the team has produced this season, with players willing to back themselves and play positive football.

Unfortunately, defensive lapses proved costly, with Iona capitalising on their opportunities and converting pressure into points. While there were periods of strong defence, Marist conceded too many tries to stay in touch on the scoreboard.

A special mention goes to Charlie Maher, who was outstanding at halfback. Charlie controlled the game well, directed the team around the field, and consistently made good decisions under pressure.

With two important games remaining, the focus now shifts to finishing the season strongly. The signs are there that this group can produce some excellent rugby, and the team will be looking to build on their attacking strengths and end the year on a positive note.

5B

This was a closely fought match in which our defence ultimately won the match. Iona had a good number of opportunities to score, but could not breach our line. Most notably this was the case just before half time when courageous defence held them up over the try line. We went into the halftime break 10-0 up courtesy of two brilliant barrelling tries by our hooker, Hamish Stuttard.

We knew the next score would be crucial and we scored this courtesy of a rampaging run down the wing by Oliver Guardala. The whole team contributed to the victory but the lock pair of Jock McKenzie and Oscar Hirst were the engine room that provided quick ball to our backs. Hirst was given Player of the Match for his omnipresence at the rucks and fearless tackling. Well done team!

5C

Marist 5C produced a dominant performance to defeat Iona 5D 68-0 in a tough and emotional contest. Despite the intensity of the match, Marist kept their composure throughout and played disciplined football from start to finish.

Patrick Caughley earned Man of the Match honours with a series of powerful runs and multiple line breaks that kept Iona on the back foot all game. Orlando was electric in attack, crossing for several full-field tries and showcasing his speed and skill.

It was a complete team effort, with every player contributing to an outstanding performance and helping secure a convincing victory for Marist 5C.

5D

Marist 5D put in a great team performance against Padua 5C, coming away with a strong 82-5 win at the Padua playing fields in Banyo. From the start of the game, the boys played with plenty of energy and confidence, moving the ball well and backing each other up across the field.

What stood out most was the attitude of the whole team. Every player contributed throughout the match, whether it was through strong defence, good support play, or simply encouraging





teammates and staying positive. The boys kept their intensity up for the full game and continued to play unselfishly even once the scoreline started to grow.

A special mention goes to Alex Craig for his leadership during the match. He set the tone with his communication and effort around the field, helping keep the team organised and focused from beginning to end. His attitude reflected the standard the group wanted to play with.

Overall, it was a really pleasing performance from Marist 5D and a good reward for the effort the team has been putting in at training and during recent games.

5E

A cracking effort from the 5E rugby team against Iona 5E this week. Despite having to play 9 a side, the boys showed outstanding resilience, determination and teamwork throughout the match. They worked hard for one another from start to finish and never gave up. The team went down 33-35 at full-time, losing by just a conversion but the boys should be extremely proud of their efforts and the way they represented their team. A special mention to captain Araham Bhatia and to our MOTM - Tom Christsen, whose hard work in the forwards was outstanding. Well done, boys – a fantastic effort and one to build on for next week!

