



MCA Basketball – Match Reports Round 7 vs. St. Patrick's College

2nd V

The 2nds finished strong with a start to finish win over St Pat's. A strong game by Aidan O'Connell broke the deadlock from the first quarter with a crucial 3 point saw us surge ahead. Highlights were a guest appearance by Sunny, Will Collins finally breaking his drought and Deckers nearly getting a dunk. Strong games by our tallies and great team work by Liam, Riley and Andrew. Captain Cooper was at his emotional best and I would like to thank him for all the support he has given the squad.

3rd V

The boys completed their undefeated season with a good win against a solid St Pat's side, while they could have put them away much earlier, costly mistakes lead to easy points for the opposition, keeping them at an arm's length away from taking the lead. The boys then started to knuckle down and made a few defensive stops to ice the game. Thanks to the boys and other supporters for pushing us through and keeping our winning record clean.

MVP: Finn Vidulin

4th V

Playing their final game for the school, the boys came to play. It was a back-and-forth game, with the boys holding the lead plenty of times. Unfortunately, they couldn't hold on and just lost. Well done on a great season by all boys though

MVP: Fletcher Artho

11A

Super win from a super team! Although Pat's were somewhat understrength, the lads still played the game with the same mentality as they would against the best team in the league. The game ended in a rout and yet no arrogance was on display...which shows the maturity and character evident in this group of young men. I have thoroughly enjoyed coaching this group and look forward to seeing what they can do moving forward next year.

MVP: The Team

11B

Great win to finish the season. All the boys played really well.

MVP: Sova Pogara

11C

In the last game of the season the boys got a hard-fought win despite not having training during the week. It was close all game but we were always in control. Credit to the boys, great season.

MVP: Ben Bremner

11D



Sadly not the way we wanted to end the season; boys played hard but we're just outmatched this week, closed out a near perfect season with one blemish on the record, our first loss going down 26-32 to St Pat's.

MVP: Oscar Azzopardi

10A

At the start of the season, we discussed how we will measure our progression through the term versing St Pats. After multiple scoring runs, great defence, and teamwork, we had the lead for the first 3 quarters of the game. Unfortunately, St Pats battled back and regained the lead late in the 4th for a 46-41 win. The boys played the best basketball we had seen yet, with every team member contributing as much as they could. Boys you should be proud of yourselves and developing over the last term. Great game and we played as hard as we could until the final buzzer.

Thanks for a great season, fellas!

MVP: Joe Pegg

10B

The 11Bs looked to finish off their undefeated season in the final round against St Pat's. The boys were slow to start the game offensively but their stellar defence allowed them to build a small lead in the first half. Coming out in the second half with a shot of energy the Marist boys were able to force some turnovers leading to easy layups and expanding the lead. Congratulations boys on an undefeated season.

MVP: Matt Nisbett

10C

An awesome, undefeated season for the lads of the 10C Basketball team. Whilst not an official premiership thanks to a washout at Villanova, I'm definitely claiming it as one.

This last game against St Pat's certainly did not go all our own way (unlike the trial game against them), and the boys played hard all game scoring a flurry of points in the last quarter to win by 19. MVP Royden Maelaia had a great game scoring two brilliant three pointers which were nothing but net. Clancy Dunn also had a sterling game having great success taking on the opposition and driving to the basket.

Something he has done so well all season. The passing game by James Brandon and Mitch Trotter was pretty to watch and Jake Keogh was super strong under the basket showing moves like Michael Jordan. Pat Jewell and Sam Wilcox had their usual super strong games in defence with Sam also combining well with Royden in offense. It was lovely to see James Henry turn up to cheer the boys on even whilst injured. The lads have done this a couple of times this year and the support is always appreciated. Finally, Tom Donaldson and Leo Grimson have both been solid contributors to the team this year playing a big part in our success.

A big THANK YOU to the young men of this team for a fantastic season. I hope to see you all back playing basketball in Year 11.

MVP: Royden Maelaia

10D

10D have remained undefeated in a stellar season for the boys.

St Pat's pushed the pace of the game early in the first break, but the Marist boys proved too good blowing the game out.



MVP: Nicholas Marco

9A

9As went to St Pat's short 3 players and on the back of everyone being away for the week at camp. So as you can imagine they were pretty tired before we started. A bunch of turnovers early had us down 10 pretty quickly and the deficit ballooned out to nearly 20 at one stage. But they never gave up, hustling hard in transition defence and giving St Pat's plenty to think about before going down by 7. A quality performance (apart from the turnovers) and one of which I was very proud of.

MVP: Breyton Hagarty

9B

Another fantastic game by the Marist 9Bs, a very one-sided game. The boys started great and continued to dominate the entire game,

MVP: Harry Wood

9C

Marist started slowly in the first quarter with the boys playing with low energy, finishing the first quarter Pat's 14 – Marist 4. The boys came back holding Pat's to 17 - 17 at the half. The last 2 quarters were hard fought with Pat's in the lead by 2/3 points most of the way. With a minute to go, Marist down 27-29, Clarry Lundberg made a tough and-1 layup converting his free throw winning the game with a clutch bucket. Final Score Marist 30 – Pat's 29. Tough driving and his game winning play grants Clarry the MVP.

MVP: Clarry Lundberg

9D

It was a great team effort by 9D in their final game of the 2022 season. Although not walking away with the win, it was by far the most fun game of the season to watch and play. Congratulations to the boys of 9D for a great season.

MVP: Max James

8A

Winners are grinner... in a game full of adversity, the boys stayed composed and got the fairy-tale win over St Pat's to stay in contention as Co-Premiers with St Laurie's. Well done boys, awesome season. Now onto CBSQ!

MVP: Leo Morris

8B

The 8Bs came into the game focusing on the win and locking in a 2nd place finish. The game started off with Marist and St. Pat's going back and forth with Marist down 6 at half time. However, the boys pulled together and started to fire on all cylinders, extending the lead out to 15 by the end of the 3rd, both boosting momentum and motivation. Marist ended the game winning by 14, the boys ecstatic with the win.



MVP: Josh Bellett and Levi Fisher

8C

The 8Cs suffered a tough loss to SPC in their final game of the series. Despite leading for the first three quarters, St Pat's came out firing in the 4th quarter to take the win. The boys fought hard, however; it just didn't seem to be their day.

MVP is Toby McCormack, who hit tough shots to keep us in the lead for most of the game.

MVP: Toby McCormack

8D

The boys finished off the season at St. Patrick's with an intense, down to the wire game which unfortunately ended in a close loss. The team played their hearts out in the final game of the season and their improvements since week 1 was on full display the whole match. MVP goes to Fletcher Murray, who showcased great defensive tenacity and unselfish Rondo-like playmaking. To summarise the season, it has been a pleasure coaching this talented group of young men – this has been my first season of coaching and the team couldn't have been a better mix of fun, respectful and hardworking gentlemen. Hope you boys enjoyed the season and best of luck with your future sporting endeavours at the college and beyond.

MVP: Fletcher Murray

7A

Coming into the game we knew we were up for some tough competition. We hung around in the first quarter through some great press breaking by Quinn Lovering but for the rest of the game the killer press got to us. Charlie cook turned it on and continued to attack the basket, and he capitalised with ease. The game was too far out of reach but the boys never dropped their heads and continued to play hard until the final buzzer. We look forward to seeing how the boys develop over the off-season and can't wait to continue to grow and develop as basketball players.

MVP: Charlie Cook

7B

The boys headed to shorncliffe for our last game of the season where we would face st Patrick's college. St Pats got out to a fast start and came out with a strong full-court pressure, however we did well to adjust and stick with them, fighting our way back to level scores at half time. The rest of the game was neck and neck with both teams trading the lead, however with thirty seconds left, st Pats scored what would be the winning basket after being sent to the free throw line. The game was a great way to finish the season, as the boys demonstrated their improvements across the board from the start of the season and finished off very strong. They boys should all be proud for how hard they have worked and how much they have improved this season.

MVP: Fraser Ullman

7C

The 7Cs produced yet another fairy-tale ending to wrap their season up, coming back from an 8-point deficit to win the game in the 4th quarter. Every player showed why they deserved to be on the team,



putting in their best performances of the season. From Harry Vecillio's enormous block to Jack Farrell's dominating rebounding, the boys should be extremely proud of their performance.

MVP: Matt Travers

7D

The 7Ds did not fail to impress on their final game for the season. Leading right from the first quarter, the Marist boys set the pace of the game, implementing some amazing passing plays that had been practiced in trainings. With a very impressive display of offensive rebounding and finishing from Jesse Brunning, the boys were unstoppable. Defensively, the 7Ds had St. Pats under wraps. Most notably, Hayden Swain, whom despite his size, managed to lock up the taller opposition, saving Marist from conceding vital points. It has been an honour watching the boys constantly develop and improve throughout the basketball season, and I wish the 7Ds a very bright future with MCA basketball.

MVP: Jesse Brunning