

# AIC Sport - Round 4



## **Rugby Results**

### MARIST COLLEGE vs. Padua College – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

Team	SLC		Villa	Padua	lona	SPLC/ATC	SPC
6A	12 – 19	Bye	0 – 19	7 – 28			
6B	15 – 5	Bye	0 – 10	29 – 0			
6C	41 – 7	vs. Iona 6C 24 – 5	12 – 10	43 – 0			
6 Gold	vs. Iona 6 Gold 32 – 15	vs. Iona 6 Gold 21 – 12	vs. Padua 6C 0 — 36	vs. Villa 6C 14 – 53			
5A	35 – 19	Вуе	5 – 26	7 – 0			
5B	33 – 7	Bye	24 – 24	17 – 7			
5C	28 – 10	Bye	12 – 5	10 – 17			
5 Gold	68 – 5	Bye	27 – 17	45 – 25			

### **Around the Grounds**

#### 6A

Another tough loss for a 6A team whose efforts cannot be faulted. Captain Harry Bardon gave a great speech after the match telling the team to hold their heads high because they played well but once again came up short on the scoreboard. He also reinforced that the team need to work hard on their tackling at training this week, as a few defensive lapses was what separated the two teams on the day. It's great to see the boys sticking together and staying positive through some challenging losses. The 6As are looking forward to finishing their season on a high with three tough but winnable matches coming up.

#### 6B

A dominant performance saw the 6Bs take their second win of the season with a 29-0 victory. Ball retention and aggression in defence were the key factors in keeping the opposing score to nil, with constant pilfering in the ruck taking away any opportunity for Padua to gain any momentum. Player





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of the match went to Josh Pope for his great organisation of the team in attack which led to many overlaps and line breaks throughout the match.

#### 6C

The 6Cs played well with a massive improvement from last week. The breakdown work and running out wide were the highlights. Men of the Match were Henry Keates and Lachie Vacher.

#### 6 Gold

The Marist boys once again faced up against a tough opponent but without fail yet again showed incredible Marist Spirit throughout the game. After a tough first half, the boys rallied well to score two tries and demonstrated fantastic line defence to hold out the relentless Villa attack. All the boys are to be commended for their efforts with a special mention going out to Fletcher Byrnes for some blinding tackles and Jesse Brunning for two fantastic tries!

#### **5A**

The focus at training throughout the week was to avoid having to chase points by dominating the opposition in the early stages. With two very evenly matched sides it was always going to be a hard-fought contest and the sides were locked at nil-all going into the half time break. The Marist boys began to dominate at the break-down and at scrum time which led to some good field position, which forced a Padua error and led to Aidan Marshall going over under the posts, a try which he converted. The game started to open up, as both sides tired, and field position was tough to maintain. The 5As held strong, to keep Padua scoreless, for a very impressive win. The boys should be proud of the way they played and we hope to maintain the momentum for our next game against lona.

#### **5B**

The 5Bs played a very physical game against a solid Padua side away from home. It was fantastic to see the team taking their attacking practice into the game and playing some flowing footy. The boys dominantly retained possession throughout the game and utilised our outside backs well. Our best defensive game yet saw the lads only concede one try late and they should be proud. Man of the match Isaac Bell motivated the forwards with his tough carries and the rest of the team bounced off his energy.

#### 5C

The first loss of the season for the 5Cs was brought on by a tough game and a close match between Marist and Padua. With a few slip ups from the Marist side and some good players on the other side led to the first loss. Stand out performance was from Ari Marks who made some good tackles and ran the ball very well. It was a good match between both sides but Padua turned out the best in this situation.

#### 5 Gold

5 Gold defeated Padua 45-25 this weekend in a game that was much closer than the score line reflected. Being only up by 5 points at the half time break it was obvious to the boys that they needed to dig their heels in and lift their efforts. Once again, the boys did themselves proud with their effort and came away with the win, lots to look forward to in the weeks to come.

