



Rugby Results

Team	Iona	SPLC/ATC	SPC	SLC	SEC	Villa	Padua
6A Player of the Match	Marist 65 def. Iona 0 Leo Mylne						
6B Player of the Match	Marist 29 def. Iona 15 Eli Jennings						
6C Player of the Match	Marist 0 def. Villanova 0 John Guinea						
6D Player of the Match	Iona 6C 25 def. Marist 0 Will Merritt						





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5A Player of the Match	Marist 14 Iona 14 Marist 7 Padua 7 Robbie Dixon						
5B Player of the Match	Marist 17 def. Iona 5 Oscar Dimitrijevic						
5C Player of the Match	Iona 32 def. Marist 12 Orlando Dodds						
5D Player of the Match	Marist 28 Iona 5 Marist 40 Padua 0 Tom Brown						
5E Player of the Match	Iona 43 def. Marist 20 Flynn Julicher						





Around the Grounds

6A

Marist 6A 65 def. Iona 0

Marist 6A opened their season in emphatic fashion with a dominant 65-0 victory over Iona, producing an attacking rugby masterclass in difficult conditions. Despite the wet weather and heavy field, Marist committed to playing an expansive brand of rugby, with the team's skill execution and support play proving far too strong for the opposition.

The platform for the victory was laid by the forward pack, who dominated both the scrum and the breakdown throughout the contest. Their physicality and work rate consistently provided quick ball and front-foot possession, allowing the Marist backs to play with confidence and freedom.

Leo Mylne was outstanding, crossing for an incredible six tries in a devastating display of finishing ability and support play. Lachie Mitchell brilliantly orchestrated the attack, controlling the game with composure and vision while also scoring two tries of his own. Jack Mannix's crisp service from the ruck ensured the attack maintained its tempo and shape across the full eighty minutes.

It was a complete performance and an excellent way to begin the season. While the result was highly encouraging, the group understands there is still a long way to go and plenty of improvement left in them as the season progresses.

6B

The mighty 6Bs Round 1 win over Iona 6B's (29-15) was an incredible performance. At training we focused on passage of phase play, including the forwards working in pods around the ruck the same way. This led to more space which opened up opportunities for our backs to spread the ball to the wings. Our first half was rock solid with some amazing defence and teamwork. Half time score was 22-5, displaying all areas of improvement from our trial game last week. The second half was still strong but started to slow down with a couple missed tackles, but credit to Iona who had some great passing and attack to score 2 long field tries. I was proud of the boys for sticking to the game plan and working for each other, it was good to see how quickly we can improve. Also, congratulations to Eli for man of the match, had some strong runs and defence was great, created some great opportunities for his teammates. All eyes on next week, well done boys!

6C

A dominant performance saw Marist claim a commanding 50-0 victory, showcasing outstanding skill, structure, and teamwork. From the opening whistle, relentless defence and strong ruck control set the tone, creating constant attacking opportunities. Speed out wide and disciplined forward play kept pressure high, with multiple tries scored throughout. Despite efforts to respond, the opposition struggled to gain momentum as control was maintained from start to finish. A complete performance highlighted cohesion, intensity, and execution, setting a strong standard moving forward this season.





6D

Iona 6C 25 def. Marist 6D 0

Despite the result, the Marist 6D side showed plenty of positive signs in their opening round clash against a strong Iona outfit, going down 25-0. Facing tough opposition, the team embraced the challenge and competed with determination throughout the match.

Will Merritt was instrumental in guiding the Marist attack, displaying composure and skill as he directed play and created opportunities for his teammates. At their best, the team played some impressive passages of Marist Rugby, moving the ball well and showing a willingness to take the game on.

Unfortunately, a lack of consistency across the full match proved costly, with several defensive lapses allowing Iona to score at regular intervals. While the scoreboard did not reflect the effort shown by the players, there were encouraging signs and valuable lessons to take from the performance.

Overall, it was a positive start to the season against quality opposition, with the team showing plenty of potential while also identifying areas that will require improvement in the weeks ahead.

5A

Marist 5A opened their day against Iona in a tough contest, with Iona jumping out of the gates to take a 14-0 lead. To their credit, the Marist boys showed real resilience, lifting their intensity and working their way back into the match through strong teamwork and cohesion. Their effort was rewarded as they clawed back the deficit to secure a well-earned draw, highlighting both their character and ability to respond under pressure.

The second match against Padua was another tight affair, with the break between games and a shift in opposition seeming to impact the early flow. It was an even contest throughout, with both sides trading blows before finishing 7-7, with Padua scoring right on the siren to level things up. Despite the result, it was a solid display of footy across both games, with Robbie Dixon standing out as best on ground for his outstanding contribution.

5B

A super start to the season saw the 5Bs emerge with a comfortable victory. Player of the match, Oscar made three rips in the first half and, with strong runs and bone-crunching tackles, kept Iona at bay. Tyson made some awesome lineout steals and powerful runs too. Reuben kept Iona pegged back with his boot and every boy contributed to the team's cause. We look forward to spreading the ball wide next time out and keeping the momentum going. Well done all!

5C

5Cs came out firing, delivering a strong and balanced first half with solid structure on both sides of the ball. Attack looked sharp and organised, while the defence held firm under pressure, keeping things tightly contested. The scoreboard reflected the effort, locked at 12-12 heading into halftime.





The second half proved more challenging. Despite continued effort, a couple of unlucky breakaway tries from Iona shifted the momentum and created a gap that was hard to close. While 5Cs stayed competitive in phases, Iona capitalised on those key moments to pull away.

Final score: 34–12

5D

After a strong start from Iona, who scored the first try of the game, 5D responded brilliantly and fought their way back into the contest with real determination. The boys showed great resilience, refused to be rattled early, and quickly turned the momentum in their favour. In the opening half against Iona, they went on to secure an impressive 28–5 win, playing with intensity in both attack and defence and making the most of their opportunities.

In the second half against Padua, 5D lifted again and delivered another dominant display, running away with a convincing 40–0 victory. The team defended strongly throughout, worked hard for one another, and played with growing confidence as the game went on.

A major highlight across both halves was the quality of the conversion kicking, with Lachie and Jude standing out for their consistency and composure from the tee. Their strong kicking added an extra layer to an already polished team performance.

Tom Brown was named Man of the Match for his excellent contribution and overall impact on the game. As captain, he also led the team very well, setting the standard with his effort and leadership throughout the day. It was a fantastic performance from the whole 5D side, who showed resilience, teamwork, and plenty of skill across both matches.

5E

Marist 5E put in a determined and spirited performance but ultimately fell short against a polished Iona College 5E side, going down 20–43 in a hard-fought contest. Despite the scoreline, the match was a testament to Marist's resilience, grit, and willingness to compete right until the final whistle.

From the outset, Iona showed their class with sharp ball movement and well-structured attacking phases, putting Marist under early pressure. However, Marist responded with strong defensive efforts and physicality around the breakdown, refusing to let the game slip away easily. Led by captain Alfred Corbett, the team maintained composure and continued to battle for every possession.

In the backline, Flynn Julicher stood out as the clear man of the match, producing a series of powerful and incisive runs from the centres in both halves. Time and again, he broke through the defensive line, gaining valuable metres and lifting the energy of his teammates. His effort and consistency were a major highlight for Marist throughout the game.

At scrum-half, Reuben Stewart played a crucial role in directing play, showing confidence and control as he distributed the ball and kept the tempo alive. His leadership around the ruck ensured Marist remained competitive, even as Iona continued to apply pressure.





Marist managed to cross the line for several well-earned tries, capitalising on moments of opportunity and demonstrating their attacking potential. However, Iona's cohesion and ability to convert pressure into points proved the difference, as they extended their lead with disciplined execution and strong support play.

Despite the loss, Marist 5E can take plenty of positives from the match. Their determination, individual performances, and never-give-up attitude reflect a team with strong foundations. With continued effort and refinement, they will look to bounce back stronger in the rounds ahead.

