Marist Basketball – Round vs. Match Reports from the Courts

2nd V

Marist 42 – SEC 46

MVP: Sean Russell-Ahern

Sadly, too many errors and lack of urgency cost us the game. We did bring home a nail biter finish, so big congratulations for digging deep and showing us how far you boys have come this season. Very proud of the boys and thanks for allowing me to be part of your final year of basketball.

3rd V

Marist 36 – 31

MVP:

4th V

Marist 71 - 11

MVP:

11A

Marist 61 – SEC 49 MVP: Flynn Connolly

Ipswich would be a great backdrop for Stranger Things, bit of 80's flavour and a feeling that there could be a secret government agency doing some really weird stuff somewhere on the outskirts of town... in all seriousness some strange things happen when we play in Ipswich...such as 20-point leads being eaten away by a determined Ipswich team that hadn't won a game all season. A depleted 11A team missing big Mulch to the firsts (where he played really well btw), Bailey to a broken hand and 2 of the lads with some flu/cold stuff going on, meant we had to dig deep to get this one over the line. What was pleasing that despite many turnovers, low percentage shooting, some unorganized defence, and some tired bodies the lads were able to find what they needed at the right time. With around 2 minutes to go we flicked a switch and the group led by "The Con" ramped up our press and pressure and finished with a little some something to stretch the lead which had dwindled to 4 points and finish the job.

Sensational season 5-2, for a third-place finish. Excellent growth with the lad's mental game and basketball IQ developed. They may not feel the growth themselves, but it's like seeing a friend's kid after a year and thinking crikey they've grown, but if you're living with them, you don't really notice it (except for the food bills). Thoroughly

enjoyable season, great team culture and I'm super proud of this group, congratulations lads!

11B

Marist 60 – SEC 11 MVP:

11C

Marist 45 – Marist 11D 24 MVP: Tom Donaldson

A nice game to end the season for the 11C lads. A game between two Marist teams that was both competitive and entertaining, and played in the right spirit by both teams. With the trial game between these two teams going down to the wire, this was not a game that the Cs took lightly. Consequently the "C" lads turned up today ready to play and lead from the first touch. Ed Wild top scored for our team with 9 points in total - the last 9 points that we scored - his final minutes were powerhouse. MVP Tom Donaldson was great today: his first free throw got the scoring rolling and he had his teammates jumping from the bench loving his block on the opposition number 26 ... even if it was called a foul! Unlucky that, Tom.

Another great season for the great young men of this basketball team.

- An undefeated season: 2 IN A ROW!!
- A premiership win that is a well-deserved reward for the hard work that they put in at training.
- A season in which Mitch was mighty, Clancy was classy, Sam was superb, Tom was tenacious, Pat was persistent, Matt was marvellous, Ed was excellent, Leo was legendary, George was gutsy and Asher was awesome.
- A team of young men that are coachable, humble and totally supportive of each other

Thanks for another great season lads. I hope to see you all back again next year ... going for the threepeat.

11D

Marist 24 – Marist 11C 45 MVP:

10A

Marist 39 – SEC 56

MVP: Will Kennedy and Josh Dale

10As travelled to Ipswich for the final game down a couple of players. Started well but beaten consistently at the point of attack allowing uncontested layups: no help defence. 2nd and 3rd quarters were poor. We showed some ticker in the last quarter to avoid the blowout. Representative of our season, some good patches interspersed with some ordinary stuff. MVP's Will Kennedy and Josh Dale for the energy they bring.

10B

Marist 35 – SEC 32 MVP:

10C

Marist 35 – SEC 46 MVP: Cooper McGinn

Boys played their hearts out and left everything on the court at Eddie's on the weekend. Unfortunately, Eddie's were too strong winning by 14.

10D

Marist 42 – SEC 12 MVP: Darcy Latimer

Great end to the season taking away the win against SEC. 42-12. The 2023 season had some highs and lows, but overall, the 10Ds should walk away with their heads held high. Well done 10D.

9A

Marist 46 – SEC 28 MVP:

9B

Marist 56 – SEC 34 MVP:

9C

Marist 33 – SEC 38 MVP: George Haling

The boys started off strong, having the best quarter of the season, scoring 22 in the first quarter. The boys cooled off and the opposition gained momentum and quickly caught up and took a lead. Offence struggled until the final minutes when the energy picked up and the boys began to play enjoyable basketball again. Unfortunately, it was too little too late but a positive way to finish the game and season regardless of the result.

9D

Marist 64 – SEC 32 MVP:

8A

Marist 38 – SEC 70 MVP: Ethan Taylor

A tough loss to Eddie's this week against a very good side with lots of talented players. Ethan Taylor made some very good shots all game and was very impressive today. He kept his head up and continued to attack and play hard despite the score line. Connor Campbell battled hard all game against their strong bigs and was able to impact the game on both offensive and defensive ends. A special shout out to Bs players Sam Mapledoram and Harry Vickery who played the last two games of the season with both As and Bs and they performed phenomenally, stepping up and competing even at the higher level. Although a tough way to end the season, the boys have made great developments as basketball players all season long, and I'm sure they will be keen to go next year for a more successful year.

8B

Marist 35 – SEC 23 MVP: Tom Deem

Saturday's game was a great way to end the season with a good win against Eddie's. Finishing in 3rd place, this season has been filled with lots of solid performances and great wins. Tom Deem was great this week by attacking the hoop and getting lots of very tough buckets. Carter Muspratt was also very good with some clutch on ball steals and even a nice jump shot towards the end of the game. All the boys contributed well the whole season and they developed tremendously. A win to finish it off is a great reward for what was a very successful season.

8C

Marist 46 – SEC 14 MVP:

8D

Marist 64 – SEC 5 MVP: Fraser Ullman

In the final game for the season, and the chance at a premiership if other results went in our favour, the 8Ds knew they needed to finish on a win. Showing off the chemistry they've built over the season, they played a great game of basketball on both ends of the floor, and every player had their own moments of brilliance. The boys earned themselves a convincing win to end what was a great season, and are hungry to compete again next year.

7A

Marist 36 – SEC 29 MVP:

7B

Marist 51 – SEC 47 MVP:

7C

Marist 46 – SEC 25 MVP: Remi Sakzewski

Four wins in row was a great way to finish the season. The boys continued to show how they have come together as a team with a dominant first quarter to lead 12-1. The full court press worked to perfection once again as the boys continued to pull away on the scoreboard. Playing with intensity the entire game Remi Sakzewski led the boys in the third when the heat of the outside court started to take its toll. A three pointer with nothing but net in the final quarter from Ashton Matthews was a highlight of the season. It was a pleasure to coach a great group of boys and I can't wait for next year.

7D

Marist 53 – SEC 16 MVP: Matty Campbell

In a fantastic finale to our season, our dynamic 7Ds basketball team took on St. Edmund's and emerged victorious with a commanding score of 53-16. This last game showcased our exceptional talents and teamwork. Each player made a significant contribution to this memorable win.

Archie Breitkreuz demonstrated his superb ball-handling skills, orchestrating plays and creating scoring opportunities for the team. Caleb Fuller's relentless energy and tenacity on the court were a driving force, both in defence and offence. Will Quinn's lightning-fast drives and accurate shooting were key in racking up points. Matty Campbell, our game's MVP, was a true standout with his all-around performance, showcasing brilliant plays, accurate shooting, and solid defence. Laurie Russ' commanding presence in the paint, along with his strong rebounds, proved pivotal. Elliott Hagen's strategic plays and precision passes added finesse to our offence. Heath Patterson was a defensive powerhouse, disrupting the opponent's plays and contributing to turnovers. Sam Blinkhoff's agility and quick thinking on the court provided us with crucial fast breaks and points.

As the final buzzer sounded, it was clear that this victory was a result of not just individual talent but the remarkable teamwork and effort of each player. We end our season on a high note, and this win is a testament to the dedication and hard work of the entire team. Congratulations to the 7Ds for a fantastic season finale!