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Photos of all our deceased Life members are proudly displayed in the Marist Club Boardroom.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

It is an exciting time for the Marist Family with so many positive happenings within our club.

As always in preparing these reports, I like to reflect on the outstanding junior membership of our club. I enjoy attending the Council of Codes meetings and hearing of the successes of those junior members. I acknowledge and think that one of the biggest successes is the great support provided by administrators, parents and sponsors of the club, but particularly those in support of our outstanding Juniors

Paul O'Brien has confirmed again that our membership is in excess of 2,600, and with over 400 coaches, managers and administrators, we continue to be one of the largest sporting clubs in the country.

Amongst the senior codes it was exciting to be both at the ground and in the clubrooms on the finals day for rugby, and to see the clubrooms bursting at the seams. Well done all on your great victories.

I have enjoyed watching the development of quite a few young players in the football code, and been an interested sideline supporter at the odd netball and hockey game over the winter, and been very proud of the endeavours of all of the codes. At the time of writing I am looking forward very much to the start of the cricket and tennis season.

One of the problems we have as a club is a good one to have, that being the clubrooms themselves being so well used, and at peak times space is a premium. That has been part of the consideration in the clubrooms development that the board has been working





on. We have made significant progress in developing the plans for the most appropriate refurbishment.

I would like to acknowledge the support provided by the New Zealand Community Trust, Central Energy Trust, The Lion foundation, The Higgins Group of Companies and The Shamrock Club and its individual members for your ongoing and extremely valuable support. It is very much appreciated, and for clubs like ours it makes a huge difference in enabling us to deliver affordable sport for all.

I also acknowledge the alliance with Badminton Manawatu and Bike Manawatu. It is great that we can all work together and benefit from those associations.

It was with deep sadness that I note the passing of such young members in Jimmy Crosswell and Kirsty Dingley. Jimmy's father Steve and I go all the way back to primary school days together, therefore I know and appreciate how difficult it must have been for the families of those two members. I hope the support of the wider Marist family has been on some comfort.

As always, my special thanks go to Paul O'Brien for his outstanding contribution in providing daily oversight and management of all club matters, and to James Edwards and his team behind the bar, and Phil Metcalf and his team in the kitchen for enabling the great hosting that is undertaken at the clubrooms.

Keith Wedlock Chairman

A BRIEF HISTORY

Marist had its first connection with the City of Palmerston North on Saint Patricks Day, March 17th, 1872. A French Marist priest Fr Delphin Moreau, walked from Otaki and met 6 families in the original surveyors office on the corner of the Square.

Marist Sports started with The Tennis Club in 1925 and the Rugby Club in 1926 both known as St Patricks (hence the Green & White uniforms).

Other various codes such as Cricket and Basketball (Netball) were inaugurated as the years went by. With the arrival of the Marist teaching Brothers in 1939 the Rugby & Cricket Clubs changed from St Pats to Marist.

In 1976 the Marist Sports Club was incorporated with 6 codes (now 9) of sport. Land was purchased at 17-19 Pascal Street and fundraising commenced using debentures.

Our Clubrooms adjacent to Manawatu Arena were constructed in 1979 and opened by Mayor Brian Elwood and blessed by Monsignor Tom Duffy in 1980. The Club was extended a few years later to accommodate our growing numbers. The Club grew from around 300 members in 1980 to 2600 by 2015 (35 years) and 90 years since the original connection of Marist to Manawatu.

The Marist Sports Club is mooted as New Zealand's largest and its governance model and structure is being emulated throughout our nation as great way to facilitate and promote sport.

EDITORIAL

What an amazing year our 2,620 members of the Marist Family have had since the last publication of our Club magazine.

There have been many highlights as documented in the following pages and also sadness. We lost two of our young stars, far too early in life and the Club has witnessed tremendous support to the families of Jimmy Crosswell and Kirsty Dingley. I felt immense pride to see the huge Marist congregation at their funerals and at the Clubrooms.

Over the four decades of editing this award winning magazine, there have been many years of memorable successes, but never have we seen both our Rugby Senior A's & B's both win the Manawatu Championships. Our



research shows this has never happened with any club in the history of Manawatu Rugby.

Congrats to our Junior Codes for fielding record number of teams which assure the future of our brilliant club. In fact is has been great to seeing such healthy numbers with all our codes of sport. The Codes have worked closely together under 'The Council of Codes' and shared various ideas and initiatives to assist with this successful year.

Next year the Board plans to modernise and future proof our Clubrooms in a project being led by Gerard Gillespie.

Best wishes for next season.

Paul O'Brien Executive Director

CLUB CHAPLAIN

The Marist Sports Club continues to be a powerful presence in Palmerston North, providing active sporting participation for so many members, as well as a real focus of support for so many families, supporters and friends.

A highlight this past year for me was the Annual Marist Sports Club Mass which was celebrated on Sunday August 27th. We had all the sports represented, each carrying an item representing their sport in the entrance procession. Different members contributed to the music, readings, collection, and singing. And to top it all off, the "Hankins Shield" was present in pride of place before the congregation.



Congratulations to all members at Marist Sports Club and to all who administer and support it. It has been another successful year!

Blessings!

Father Brian Walsh Chaplain

THE SHAMROCK CLUB

The Shamrock Club membership helps create a funding pool to support Marist Sports and well performed Manawatu sportspeople to compete and/or gain experience at a higher level either in NZ or overseas or to obtain specialist coaching.

This year we are pleased to welcome new Shamrock Club members A R Short & Co Chartered Accountants, ASB Commercial Banking, ANZ Bank and Robertson Prestige.

Over the past year Marist codes received assistance in addition to Robert Stannard and Libby Arbuckle (Bike Manawatu), Navin Patel (Cricket) and Jake Warrington (Junior Football). Contributions were also made to the Annual Golf Tournament, Marist Club Cocktail functions attended by Shamrock Club members specifically the St Patrick's Night celebration and Annual Award presentation and the Club Appreciation Evening to celebrate the club and to recognize sponsors and support to Marist codes and teams.

St Patrick's Night continues to be a popular event. It is always good to see so many sponsors attending with club officials. This year the Club Appreciation Evening will be on Friday 3 November and Shamrock Club members are very welcome to be there. An invitation will be sent nearer the time.

Libby Arbuckle thanked the Shamrock Club for supporting her and this is an extract from her report:

Libby Arbuckle - NZ Junior World Track Cycling - August 2017

Hi all

Melbourne/ITS Tasman Cup

Melbourne was cold, and the track conditions slow. I took a couple of days to build my track legs to racing, and on Day 3 was going well with a couple of 4th placings and looking forward to riding with my team in the Pursuit final against Australia.

However, for the first time on the track I was involved in a decent accident, coming off second best – this took me out of racing for 24 hours after being cleared by the medical staff. I came down very hard on my head breaking my helmet and front wheel. My head, neck and back are taking some time to recover – however the cycling NZ medical staff are treating me daily with massage and dry needle treatment for my back. I am feeling better each day and should be good by next week – not something I want to repeat in a hurry but the Aussie girls ride hard and these things happen – let's just say a few of them came down as well.

On Day 5 of racing I picked up tow 3rd results in the Points and Scratch race and this helped the confidence.

At the recent Junior World Cycling event in Italy Libby produced an excellent ride to finish 6th in the junior women's scratch race won by hometown rider Martina Fidanza". Manawatu Standard

The Shamrock Club Membership for 2017/2018

The Shamrock Club's list of members is as follows:

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We welcome all new applications for membership. Membership for a year costs \$300.00. New members can be discounted for part year membership. If you wish, you can tag part of your donation to a particular Marist Sports code.

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SENIOR RUGBY

Chairmans Report PNOBM Rugby 2017

What a full on year we have had that has been full of highs.

Firstly we had a different approach to preseason with ATP fitness and a camp for team building followed by hosting Spillane for NZ Marist. We had great numbers in our senior teams which is against the trend in club rugby these days. Our balance of good skill coaching talented young players and solid hardworking senior players have made us a force in both senior competitions.

Even though the season didn't go all our way when we got to the finals the hard work had paid off and skill and fitness from our teams got the rewards.

Our colts team that was on the risk of not happening formed with the support of the whole club and the huge effort from Joe Maoate to be a competitive Premier Colts team and the new look Pressies team is getting fresh faces and had one of the best seasons it had in years.

I would like to thank all the people in the engine room that make the club and teams happen. The Coaches Managers and support staff put in huge hours not only at game time and training but prep time People managing and getting gear sorted.

The committee without them we wouldn't have the set up that makes us a club and most of our committee work with teams so have double the workload.

Kane Barry and Cathryn Woller have done an amazing job with the sponsors Higgins Concrete, Humphries Construction, Gary Douglas Engineering, Cafe Cuba, Rehab Physio, The Daily, the 500 Club, 200 Club and Shamrock Club. All of members of the club would like to thank the sponsors for keeping our club strong and we will continue to support and promote your business.

I would also like to thank the supporters who have stuck by us and along with the team can proudly look in our throphy cabinet and view the Hankins shield.

We would like to wish everyone a safe and happy offseason and invite you all back next season.

Phil Metcalf, Chairman

Exorcise the devilment

Word reaches me that Monsignor Brian Walsh, the parish priest at Palmerston North's cathedral, has been consorting with the enemy.

Yes, he won the Devil's Own Cup at the Manawatū Golf Club at the weekend.

So now he might be in need of a dollop of golfing exorcism.





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~ Jimmy ~

James Michael Crosswell
9th October 1986 ~ 28th April 2017



2017 OBM Awards

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Coach: Mark Izod Manager: John Holmes

Best All Round Player: Presidents Cup – Alastair Cadzow

Most Improved Player: Harris Meat Market Cup – **Paddy Guerin**Best and Fairest: Stephen Fecklington Memorial – **Clinton Johnson**

"Big Jim" Memorial Cup: - Kent Higson

Colts Premier

Coach: Joe Maoate

Most Improved Back: Terry Warn Cup – Tre Mamea-Beales Most Improved Forward: Shannon Cup – Raven Smith Best All Round Player: John Bird Cup – Stef Christie

Senior 2 - Winners of the Houlihan Cup

Coaches: David Wilson, Warren Chapman

Manager: Grant Christian

Most Improved Back: Terry New Cup – **Hunter Waller**Most Improved Forward: Walker Cup – **Jay Rolleston**Best All Round Player: Junior Cup – **Royden Miller**

Senior 1 - Winners of the Hankins Sheild

Coaches: Reece Robinson, Jason Temara, Brett Davis

Manager: Gary Milligan Video technician: Andrew Ball

Physio: Spot

Rookie of Year: Gleeson Cup - Matene Ruawai

Most Improved Back: Brian Finlay Memorial Cup – Blair Hannam

Most Improved Forward: Brien Trehey Cup – Zane Burn Best All Round Player: Houlahan Cup – Luther Hirini

OBM CLUB AWARDS

Best Team Performance: Biss Cup – Senior A

Most Tries in Season: O'Callahan Cup – **Jordan Clarke**, 15 Most Points Off Boot: Robin O'Neil Cup – **Bain Champion**, 129 Most Promising Club Person: Marist Brothers Cup – **Mark Anderson**

Player who contributes the most to the Club: Maurice-Calcott Cup - Ben Crozier

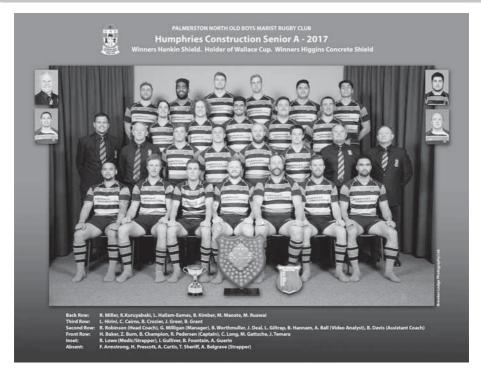
Winner of 321's: Irvine Roberston Cup – **Roydon Miller** Supporter of Year: Oakley Cup – **Grahame Francis**

Club Member who contributes the most to the success and well being of the Club:

Rutherfurd Cup - Kane Barry

Player of Year: Cam Stewart Cup - Rhys Pedersen

Senior A



Well 2017 finally brought the success that the club had been striving for with the Senior A team winning the Hankin Shield by beating Kia Toa in an exciting final played on The Oval.

Combined with the win in the Senior B final by the Development team, this has to be viewed as a magnificent achievement on the field for the players, coaches, management and club as a whole.

To have won the Senior Championship for the first time since the amalgamation of Marist and High School Old Boys really put the icing on the cake for all concerned, including a band of loyal supporters and club members, past and present. To be involved with a Hankin Shield winning team is a rarity for most and I know I can speak for the team in saying that we have immense pride in that achievement.

The 2017 season has certainly been interesting and challenging at times. A form slump where 3 matches were lost in a row had people questioning whether the team was good enough. Those loses had to be kept in perspective however as the big 3 (Kias, COB and Varsity) were all played within a space of 9 days due to a double header weekend. Despite this and other setbacks the team remained focused and quietly worked their way toward the end goal.

The team had good depth with reserves coming on and making an impact. This depth was further emphasized when a number of development team players were called upon at various times during the season. Without the input of these players and a willingness to assist from the development team coaches, the end result would not have been achieved.

The team has built some experience with a number of players earning their blazers for 50 games. Recipients of blazers were Benedict Grant, Zane Burn, Bain Champion and Rhys Pedersen. Of special note however is the blazer presented to Jason Temara early in the season for his 100th game!

Further accolades for the team came with Rhys Pedersen winning the Manawatu Standard 'Best and Fairest' award and Bain Champion winning the trophy for the senior A player who scored the most points for the season (129 off the boot & 149 overall).

I wish to thank Head Coach Reebo (Reece Robinson), Assistant Coach Steady (Brett Davis), medic Spot (Raymond Lowe), physio (Angus Belgrave) and video analyst Ballie (Andrew Ball) for all the hard work and hours that you put in during the season. I also wish to thank captain Rhys Pedersen who had a fine year as both a player and as captain.

Thank you to the hardy supporters who have finally got reward for their support along with the club sponsors, in particular Humphries Construction, who have been a major sponsor of our team for some time.

Finally good luck and best wishes to those players involved with rep rugby and others who are heading overseas to further their rugby experience.

Gary Milligan - Manager



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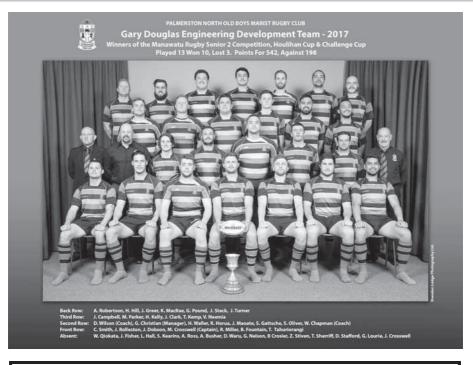


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Most Valuable Player MIKEE SHORTALL

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Womens Golden Boot

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Mens Golden Boot

Most Successful team

Womens Player Of The Year

Womens Player Of The Year

Coach Of The Year

Greatest Contribution

SARAH COWAN/

JAMIE HUDSON

CURTIS SHORTALL

WOMEN'S FIRSTS

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In Memory



Central League – Watsons PN Marist Men's 1sts

All 3 Senior teams trained together under lights at Ashurst on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This boosted club spirit and we always had fun together especially on the away trips and some Thursday nights after training at the Ashurst Inn. Team work, training game situations including set plays would be better and more intense if the club could find another training venue. We used a grand total of 31 players this season in the Central League with 15 players making their debut at this level. This number made it challenging as we could never play with the same team. With a more serious training attendance Marist deserves to get back in to the Central League. We also need to find club sponsors to help keep our best players in the Manawatu as they are always targeted by the other teams.

Shane Rufer, Coach



Federation League - Ricoh PN Marist

The Federation Team has achieved some good results so far this season. Having defeated Championship chasing sides Wanganui Athletic (4-2) and last weekend New Plymouth Rangers (2-1) in N.P. putting an end to the Taranaki side's Title hopes.

The nature/role of the side is to support the First Team in case of injuries/unavailability plus giving young players from the Development Squad a taste of higher grade football to assist in their development.

As an example the Squad for last weeks N.P. game had an average age of 18/19 approx. With the 3 strikers aged 15/16 and 15yrs.

At times results have been inconsistent mainly due the fact that weekly squad changes are a fact of life. However there is a very strong Team Spirit within the Group.

The current situation is that the Team still has the chance to claim a top 4 position in the League if the final 3 League games are won.

Also the Squad have qualified for the Federation Cup Final against Massey which is to be played 2/9 at Memorial Park. Still plenty to play for.

Terry Nutter



Marist Men's Development Team - Horizons Premiership League

This season has been a tough season, but I am very proud of all the core players and to all the club members that have pulled together to support a very young team. With 9 of the core squad of 13 players aged between 15 and 17 years of age, this has been a real eye opener for them. Being in such a competitive league, against bigger, stronger, wiser players made the boys feel like they had been dropped in the deep end, BUT they didn't sink, they swam, bonded, and as a result it has helped them grow and develop more in one season, than they could ever hope for.

Ian Trewhitt



Marist Banshees 2017 - Div 1

It's been another fun season for the Marist Banshees this year. We again played in Manawatu Division One. We had a few new additions to the team this season notably Ace Smith who joined after many years of playing with the Celts, Glen Voysey who rejoined the team after many years away, Reuben Kennedy previously of Massey Mooloo and Hokowhitu, Dale Roberts, Paul Cleghorn, Pirran Kendall and Sebastiaan van Heuckelum.

This year has really been a bit of a season of two halves. After a first up close loss to a star studded Red Sox Manawatu A's team we then went on a run of five consecutive hard fought wins putting us in second place. This included knocking the A's out of the Charity Cup after extra time. Since then the team has struggled somewhat with plenty of losses and draws, notably two draws with the top of the table Defense Force. At time of writing the Banshees are currently in 7th place of ten teams. With three games remaining the close nature of our league means we can finish anywhere from 3rd to 9th place! So we still have a lot to play for. We also beat North End reserves in the semi final of the Charity Cup so we're looking forward to the final against Red Sox Manawatu Latinos on September 9th.

Thanks to all team members for a great season. Player of the season for the team is Reuben Kennedy with honorable mentions to Patrick Mansfield and Ace Smith (when fit).

Marcus Watson



PN Marist Jokers - Div 2

We are definitely holding our own in the league for our first season in division 2. We've had some trouble with numbers due to players going away, but we've maintained our form and now sit 2nd. Full credit to the coach for 100% dedication, wouldn't be here without him. Cheers team for making this season a great one.

Craig Porter, Manager



Marist Masters - Div 3

Again off-season recruiting saw the Masters field a side that bristled with talent, stacked with skill, and stank a little bit of shame.

The story of our season so far was a great start with goals aplenty, then our momentum was robbed by defaults, ground closures, injuries and an unfortunate goal drought. Many close tight games lost due to errors, and had Alan in fine tantrum-throwing form. Regardless of all of this the morale and team spirit is massive in the Masters, something to be proud, and possibly the reason their players are being recruited for the higher grades on a regular basis!! They continue to battle on and are quite frankly doing bloody well to still be sitting third in the league.

Alan would like to extend to his team for their continued support, to Richard Neilsen for stepping into the breach for AI, and the entire Marist football club for their incredible support during the season.

A Dingley Manager



Marist Celts Season Report - Div 3

Just as the weather has made it hard to find a ground that is playable, the Celts have often struggle this season finding a team to front up at each game. Although a mixture of injury, old bodies and life has effecting our playing numbers, the greatly appreciated support of other teams in the club has seen us competitive in every game. It has been great to see across the season that the Celts fighting spirit and determination hasn't waned, even though the fitness has in the last 20 minutes.

It has been awesome having some new faces to the club join our team. They have provided some much needed energy and skill across the park. Our long term goal of finishing the season top of the bottom four, remains a viable reality, bodies and numbers willing.

The Celts remain a great group of guys (past and present) who play football.

Kerry Rickard



Marist Jesters - Div 4

This season has been a bit of a learning curve for our Jesters Boys, We have had a number of changes in the team as from last year and this has shown throughout our performances on the field

We have had some games that we were in winning positions and let slip away from underneath us

On the whole the team has started to gel together and is looking very promising for the future

We have a good bunch of guys and they are committed to the team week in week out, keeping that jesters flag flying

Amory Yarwood

Cafe Cuba PN Marist - Capital W League

The 2017 season has seen a big change with the Women's Central League effectively being disbanded at the end of last season. This meant that both Capital and Central Football created their own leagues. Capital Football then sent an invitation for our 1st team to continue playing in their league which became a 6 team, 3 round league. This meant the team would play the top teams on 3 occasions in the league making it much more competitive and no longer reliant on one or two games.

So far the team has again performed exceptionally well currently sitting in second place on the ladder. There have been a number of outstanding results and the top 3 teams have really shown their class in the league. As well as some outstanding results the team has also had 10 players make their 1st team debut. These players have primarily come from the 2016 Development team which shows just how well the club is doing in bringing through the best talent.

On top of the league result the team is also into the quarter finals for the NZ Knock Out Cup. This is further than a PN Marist Women's team has been before and the goal is of course to go all the way. The talent is there and it's simply a case of a good performance on the day to continue this run. The game is against Upper Hutt who we are currently chasing down in the league.

I would like to thank everyone who has helped with the team this year. There is a huge amount of work that goes on behind the scenes and it all helps the team perform week in week out. The team love being sponsored by Café Cuba and can not thank Darlene and Woody enough for their support. Finally I would also like to say a huge thank you to Jamie Watson. Jamie was with the Development team last year and has taken on the Central Womens Reserve team this year. Jamie travels every week with both teams and has had a huge impact on the group. His support has been invaluable for this team and has helped the squads work better than ever before.

Simon Lees, Coach



Evergreenz 2017

Year after year the Evergreenz family continues to grow with three new babies added and one more expected shortly. Four new players who bring eight more children to our already thirty four child count. A strong family team who all enjoy family, fun times and football.

This year has been extreme in the emotional roller coaster ride that life offers, with injuries, inconsistent games with continuous weather and fixture disruptions, and one of the toughest time a family can experience – the lost of one of their beloved (#4).

The loss of Kirsty Ann Dingley was not only hard for a family club such as Marist but difficult for the football community, the Evergreenz and the Dingley family. Individually, collectively we will always remember Kirsty and she will always remain apart of the Evergreenz family living on through her team, children and husband. We miss her dearly.

Again a tough season that start with hard games and breaks in the season but the end of the season started to show the true ability of age, ability and experience, ending the season in third place and beating the division winners on the way. Brilliant way to end a bloody hard year. Yours in Football.



PN Marist Women's Reserves - Federation League

The Marist Women's Reserve team play in the newly created GR Engineering Central Federation League. The team is part of a larger squad combining with the first team who play in the Wellington based W League, both groups training together with First team coach Simon Lees the standard is very high as the results have shown with the Reserve team at the time of writing currently second in the 6 team league.

This young team currently have the best goal difference in the league, scoring the most goals (34 for, 16 against) and playing a very attacking formation, has the team as hard to beat. Considering 8 out of the 13 in the team are 16 years old or under our team has provided 10 players who have made their first team debuts so far this season, which is a good sign of years to come....

Jamie Watson, Coach

PN Marist Women's Development Team

The Development Team this year comprised of 15 players, 13 of which were brand new to PN Marist Football Club. 10 of these young ladies were welcomed from junior clubs from around Palmerston North, for them this was their first season on a senior pitch.

Over the season this young team have had to take a big step up, running shoulder to shoulder with women twice their size and with more years experience on a field than these players lifespans.

We have been lucky to have five young senior players to join this squad bringing positive and mature attitudes. Encouraging the younger players. I thank them for this support.

During this season we have had two players, new to seniors, called up to the Federation Team. This has been a fantastic opportunity and is a great indicator of the pathway Marist Football Club offers.

With players moving up to the federation team and injuries, we have had low numbers. We are lucky to have a good relationship with the second division Marist teams. Development wish to thank these teams and players that stepped up for their support and encouragement, without this club support the Development team would have struggled.

As a Coach I strive for a fun learning environment. At such a young age, it is important to make sure these players still enjoy their experience whilst Developing in football.

To my delight, the team introduced to me a new flavour of music at trainings, which I accepted as it brought a positive vibe. I enjoyed watching the team learn while having fun.

As a Coach I am proud and privileged to be working with this talented team. I look forward to welcoming them back next year, to watch more growth and development in the new season. I can see a bright future, watching this team have a long career within the Marist Football club and seeing many of these players step up into Federation and Capital teams.

This is the true meaning of a "Development Squad".



Compressed Air Controls PN Marist Mysteries – Div 2

In what has turned out to be a very disjointed season with weather disruptions and league byes, the team hasn't really had the chance to find their feet. There have been some standout results and even when the results haven't gone our way, the performances from the ladies have been really encouraging. The team has also had to adjust to a new coaching team which always creates challenges but all in all, the potential has been there so it will be great to build into next year.

Duncan Muir, Coach



Marist Vipers - Div 2

Coach: Madz Buchanan Manager: Lisa Smith

With the support of Club Secretary, Megan Crawford we were able to accept all players into the club that had been turned away. As the women's side of the club booms we now have a social team for social players to join. With all the wet weather and byes it made for a very inconsistent season.

From the outset it was shaping up to be a challenge but with the help of the other women's teams, particularly in goal, the Vipers where able to achieve 3 wins from 5 games. One of the highlights being Anna Francis's 4 goals against Takaro.

So on the 28th May 2017 the Marist Vipers had their very first game. No easy fete when entering a league half way through, lacking match fitness and formation, and playing a solid Tu Meke team and then top of the table Massey team.

Well it has been an exciting and successful year. The Vipers team did themselves proud by playing great football. Win, lose or draw the team played their hearts out, never giving up until the final whistle sounded. If has been great having some familiar faces back in the club and exciting gaining some great new players who all took up the venture of this new team.

Players: Kat Abraham, Selena Bailey, Sierra Bennett, Sarah Buchanan, Megan Challies, Kirsty Davis, Maddie Duggan, Mims Eglington, Anna Francis, Bree Henry, Selena Holmes, Anita Johnson, AJ Langford, Sarah McLeod, Sarah Porteous, Sue Robertson.

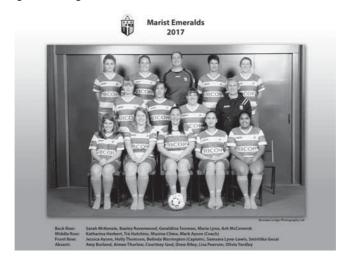


PN Marist Emeralds - Div 2

This year has seen some new players joining our team that has in turn seen us gain a few wins and have made for some surprising results. Classed as the underdogs with being second to the bottom of our league last year, the move to mid table has been a great boost to the girls morale and team spirit. With the loss of the coach Mark Ayson mid season and the young new coaching team Justin Wallace and Heath Butler they were super keen to jump in and take the reins.

The future of this social team is looking better and better every week with a great bunch of girls that get on well.

Belinda Warrington, Manager



PN Marist Misfits - Div 2

The Misfits have had a year of rebuilding due to loosing a few players to starting Families, and some to other commitments, so this was a year of rebuilding.

In saying that we have been lucky with the girls that have come on Board for this years campaign.

The new players Range from Jamie Hudson & Jess Robertson both ex 1st team players to Antoinette Newton a player in her 1st year of football, and all players in between,

We still have some class in the team returning from last year, our Captain Sarah Hartridge and Sarah Cowen (Vice).

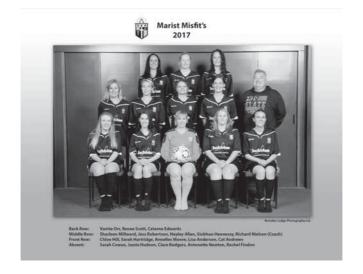
The squad this year is a great mix of Experience and youth, with some class ring in ladies who have helped us out along the way, I would say our extended squad is about 20 players, and this is great to have as a coach, that you know you will always show up on a Sunday with around 14 Girls.

We sit 2nd on the table, same as last year, this year the team to beat is Massey, and we fell short in the 1st round. but we are looking forward to the next clash against them.

We have made the final of the Tingey Plate, so we are hoping to bring our A Game on this day.

Thanks

Richard Nielsen, Coach



CRICKET

Marist Cricket fielded 3 team this season, competing in all grades. The club has been working hard on player numbers and good quality players. Thanks to Neil Barnett for his continued work in recruiting and also managing here involvement in the club.

P1 - Season Review

Started off with the one day competition and had some average results which meant we missed the semi final payoffs for the first time in 4 years.

The team was disappointed but had a good break over Christmas and came back in the new year with new enthusiasm and played some of the best 2 day cricket the club has seen for many years.

Topping the points and then playing a one off final against Untied in which they dominated on the first day and then a great bowling and fielding effort early on the second day set them up for a nice first innes lead. Then it was a masterful display of batting from Dave Meiring to post another century to put it well beyond United's grasp.

The last time Marist won the 2 day competition was back in 2008.

The celebrations lasted long into Monday morning...

P2 - Season Review

Excellent season at P2 level the previous 2 seasons we have finished 10th in a 10 team competition so to finish 3rd and contest a semi is very encouraging.

With the help of Imran we have recruited adult players that have adapted to the combative nature of the grade and given confidence to the younger guys in the team who have been verbally bullied a bit in past seasons. Indeed the official umpire provided for Saturday's semi final game had trouble controlling the match.

We have worked hard on batting, bowling and fielding and the Pakistani boys have adapted guickly to the umpiring standards prevalent at this level!

With the arrival of the Academy guys we had competition for places and this more than anything else lifted performance at training and at games.

The twilight team has been a great success especially in the weeks when we had all the reps back and we had to leave guys out. We were able to keep guys playing and have them on call.

Myself and the family are grateful for the clubs support.

Neil

P3 - Season Review

The Marist P3 team had a good 2016-17 season and placed fifth (11 teams) in the P3 standings with at least two or more batsmen who were constantly in the top ten run scorers, and also have the grades top bowler Michael Mackley who won the MCA premier 3 bowling trophy. This is due to the excellent pre-season scouting from Gerard, Neil in







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particular has been quite helpful in making sure we had enough players each weekend and helped us field a balanced side.

The team has a core of 8-9 Players with at least two P2's dropping down every weekend and has a good socio-competitive feel to it. With most of the players turning up to nets on Thursday's, we are seeing a lot of encouraging signs on the field this year and are already gearing up for an exciting 2017-18 season. Rest assured just like every other team at Marist there is only one reason we play and that is to win.

2016/2017 Club Awards

CM Keenan Cup for most promising Schoolboy (St Peters) Archie Justice Gary Walker Memorial Cup for most promising player Rugby and Cricket 2nd, 3rd player in memory Dylan Lynch Marist Cricket Club Shield for outstanding fieldsman Adam Milne Bruce Murphy Trophy for most improved player/Old Club Stalwart whose girls play for the club Tariq Al Aslam Regan Hardie Trophy for match winning effort by a player or Dave Meiring players (batting) 100 n/o United, 2 day final B J Clifford Cup presented by Marist Brothers Old Boys Cricket club for best All Rounder Connor Morris Hardie Cup for best Club Spirit Sandeep Kumar Presidents Cup Awarded on bonus points **Connor Morris** (518) (1pt per run, 10pts per wicket, 5pts per catch) Higgins Club Player of the Year Player who achieved highest Rep Level Adam Milne Best Schoolboy/Academy Player Charlie Justice

2016/2017 Team Awards

P1		
<u>G Premier 1</u>	NZI Finance Cup (Batting)	Dave Meiring 441@63
H Premier 1	Tonny Penny Cup (Bowling)	Connor Morris, 26 wickets @ 10.27
P2		
E Premier 2	Rex Tremaine Cup (Batting)	Imran Khan 362 @ 36
F Premier 2	GR Rodgers (Bowling)	Dylan Lynch 14 wickets @ 13
P3		
<u>C Premier 3</u>	Marist Brothers Old Boys Cricket Club Cup (Batting)	Craig Tichbon 480 @ 40
D Premier 3	Marist Cricket Club Trophy (Bowling)	Carl Mann 22 wickets @ 12.73

CYCLING

Cycling - one of the Fastest growing Sports on the Planet

John van Lienen. Bike Manawatu Chairman

The sport of cycling is one of the fastest growing sports on the planet for all ages and is a great way to stay fit, social and/or competitive without too much stress on your joints. Bike Manawatu have a relatively small yet passionate 250 club membership that includes our amazing schools riders through to a fantastic cross section of loyal masters riders and we value our association with the Marist Sports Club.

The Manawatu region has always been a great place to ride a bike having a variety of scenic flat, rolling and hilly routes to ride a bike. The value in cycling is being able to ride with your mates anytime, any day, seven days a week after which most finish off with a coffee and a chat. If your body is saying I need to semi-retire from rugby, football, netball or other rigorous sports, be sure to check out our weekly newsletter on www. bikemanawatu.co.nz for our ride calendar or email secretary@bikemanawatu.co.nz to find out more. Membership is only \$45 per annum.

Cycling encompasses both social and competitive road and track events throughout the year and our club has continually produced "talented riders" many of whom have gone on to represent Bike Manawatu at national level or for New Zealand, International, Olympic and Commonwealth Games level. Some household names like Simon van Velthooven. Mike McRedmond, Max and Lee Vertongen and Anthony Cuff you might know who are part of our proud cycling history. We have always identified and carefully nurtured talent who are a direct reflection of the commitment by the schools, parents, coaches, event organisers, volunteers, sponsors and club.

If you haven't already, keep an eye out for our current crop of rising stars who are making a name for themselves across New Zealand and the world as they strive to reach their goals.



Emily Shearman and Libby Arbuckle



Michaela Drummond

Campbell Stewart





Robert Stannard

Some of our current talent to search on Facebook - Campbell Stewart, Robert Stannard, Michaela Drummond, Emily Shearman and Libby Arbuckle.

GOLF

On Sunday 13 November 2016 a field of 61 teed off at the Marist Golf Tournament held in association with the Shamrock Club. Everyone enjoyed a wonderful day at the Manawatu Golf Club and appreciated the excellent facilities and great service from the catering staff.

For the record Jeff Clayton with a net stableford score of 66 won the John Fisher Trophy and John Fisher himself had the best gross score of 79. Others to score well were Marcus Prenter, Wayne Masters and Alan Savell for the men and Christine Rose, Robyn Higgins and Glenda Petrie for the ladies. The top non-golfers were Grant Kauri, Ray Edwards and Gareth Pringle.

Special thanks to the tournament sponsors who included:

Higgins Concrete, Steelfort Engineering, Rangitikei Meat Distributors, Silvester Clark, Wadham Goodman, Computercare NZ, Brian Green Property Group, Contel, ANZ Bank, Cash Convertors, John Fisher Roofing, Nuview Wealth Solutions, Morgan Laurenson, Kelly's Footwear, Ricoh NZ, Golf Distributors, Orcus Print Solutions, Manawatu Rugby Union, A R Short & Co, Coo-ee Dry Cleaning, The Fat Farmer, Vince Basile Plumbing and the Manawatu Golf Club.

Golf Distributors (the Vining Group) donated a golf bag and club which were auctioned off by John Sullivan. Vince Basile was the successful bidder. Ashley Short won two of the three raffle prizes with Craig Irving taking out the other one. The tournament proceeds amounted to \$1,902.85 for the Marist Sports Scholarship Fund.

The 2017 Marist Golf
Tournament in association
with the Shamrock Club
will be held on Sunday
12 November at the Manawatu
Golf Club. Further details are
available from Ezra or
John Sullivan.



Proceeds go to the Marist Sports Scholarship Fund

HOCKEY

This year we celebrated 40 years of Marist Hockey and what a way to do it with five of our six teams making the semi finals, with two playing in the finals.

We have had a increase in high school players and it's grate to see these players working hard and moving up though the grades.

We had 10 players with personal achievements, Jake Beeman that made the Central Under 21s, Hannah Williams and Isabella Wassilieff Manawatu U18s, Zane Illingworth and Zane McGoldrick Manawatu U18s, Kyle McGoldrick Manawatu and Zachary Buinimasi Manawatu U15s, Kyle Craven, Jake Beeman and Cam Gillespie Mid Central Mens Team and Eddy Cousins Central Mavericks.

I would like to thank our coaches, managers and committee members for all their time, work and support you have all given the club this year.

We have had a fantastic bunch of volunteers this year, that have made it a pleasure to work alondside them.

Each year our teams grow stronger and we are retaining a good core of players to build on with for the next season.

Once again thank you to everyone, I couldn't do it with out the help from you all. Can't wait to see what 2018 brings for Marist Hockey.

Cheers.

Inez Belcher Club Captain

Trophies

Most Improved – Men's Kyle McGoldrick
Most Improved – Women's Margie Menzies
M.V.P Men's Eddie Cousins
M.V.P Women's Isabella Wassilieff
Best & Fairest Cam Gillespie
Club Spirit Brian Pincott

Most Dedicated Nathan Ryba & Kieran Coughey
Consistent Jr Hannah Williams & Zane McGoldrick

Top Goal Scorer – Men's Stefan Pope
Top Goal scorer – Women's Isabella Wassilieff

TENNIS

Presidents Report

The season started with much promise but with such indifferent weather in the spring it took a while for many of the programmes and competitions to build up their momentum. We were expecting the wind to die away but it hung around for the most of the second half of the season as well.

We entered a good number of teams into the Tennis Manawatu interclub competition. Two of the junior teams were novice level and improved immensely as the season went on. Their scoring and tennis prowess really improved as their confidence grew. Thanks to the parents that helped them each Saturday. Two of our junior teams made the finals in April, the College B Team of Liam and Sean Street, Keegan Cowan and Tom Cairns lost to Te Kawa in a very closely fought final. They will have learnt a lot from being in their first final. The primary A Boys Team pulled off a stunning victory to win gold against College St 4-2. It was a fitting and deserved victory for the team of Rownan Harbott, Travis Christison, Fletcher Lochhead and Henry Manktelow, as they went 16 matches in a row and remain unbeaten for the season. It was an amazing effort considering they finished at the lower end of the table in the previous season, which was testament to how hard they worked on their games in the off season. We would like to acknowledge the effort of all of our managers and parents who organised and supported all of our teams without fail each Saturday.

Congratulations to Travis Christison, Nicola Sutherland-Smith, Neeve Harbott, Riley Jack, Jenna Bowie, Fletcher Lochhead, Rownan Harbott and Eugene Wu for being selected to represent Manawatu at the representative level. They all performed with distinction in all of their fixtures.

The Saturday morning Hot Shots programme for the new players was well supported and proved very popular again, each week the groups had lots of energy and with the support from parents who got involved with picking up balls, created a fun environment. The programme has been running for a while now and the experienced coaching team delivered a very smooth and exciting programme each week. Thanks to all again.

We did try to create a Wednesday night senior social night, it started with much interest but unfortunately the weather played its part to dampen the programme. It is something the club may look to instigate again in the second half of the season next year.

I would sincerly like to thank the committee and the Marist Sports Club for all of their efforts and support for another memorable season at the Marist Tennis Club.

John Salisbury

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NETBALL

This year started with hiss and a roar. It kick started with the Marist Spillane Tournament held early March. As it was so early in the Netball season we couldn't have our trialed teams sorted for this but we managed to get a few teams from our club for both Social and Competitive grades. Congratulations to Marist Newbies from our club who took out the Competitive grade. We also had a few players from our club being named for the 'Tournament' team.

Within two weeks of this tournament we held our own annual Pre-season tournament. Again we had a good turn out from our club and teams across the Manawatu which held a competitive and social grade. A huge thank you to Phil Metcalf who did the cafe for us this year.

This year we had 9 teams. It was a tough year trying to find coaches for all our teams, we were fortunate though to have a few players step up to the task and coach our lower teams. I am extremely grateful that you did. Hopefully they are willing to continue coaching again next year.

We had another great season seeing our A1 team make it back into the Prem 2 grade and showing everyone that they deserved to be there from the start. We also had three teams make the finals for their grade.

The club also held some social events again this year for the teams, which were the Amazing Race, Quiz Night and we had a dodge-ball event again at FlipCity. FlipCity were amazing hosts and there was much fun had by all and the Marist A1 held on to defeat their title. Most teams got in behind these events and congratulations to the Marist Ball Busters team which are regin champions for 3 years in a row for Quiz Night.

Prizegiving was a great night, with the theme being '007' which saw everyone dressing up and looking outstanding. Players, partners, coaches, umpires and supporters celebrated the night with food, a few drinks, danced the night away to the live band Light Years.

We had team awards for Most Valuable, Most Improved and Fair Play followed then by the Club Award winners for 2017, these are listed below.

I know I say it every year but she is invaluable and we are so lucky she is still willing to help us out. So a huge thank you to our club patron, Beth Quigan, we are so lucky and grateful to her for coming along most weekends, rain or shine, and helping us with her valid input on many matters throughout the year.

We must also say a massive thank you to our sponsors, Martin Beveridge Ltd and FlipCity and also to pub charity. Without them we wouldn't be able to provide for this many teams and keep the club growing. Thank you to the committee who have helped organize and run events and helped keep the club running smoothly. And also to those who coached teams this year, thank you for giving your time to do so.

Thank you to Paul O'Brien and the team for all that you do for us and the club, it is very much appreciated.

We look forward to an exciting 2018 season.

Cheers

Sam Roberts Club Captain

Club Awards 2017

Netball Club Awards for 2017 are as follows:

Points Aggregate Cup – Marist Newbies

Marist Netball Cup for Team of the Year – Marist A1

Fair Play Trophy – Rebecca Long

Harnett Cup for Leadership – Sarah Parkinson

Parkinson Cup for Service to Marist Netball – Andrea Anderson

Martin Beveridge Ltd Cup for Commitment – Annette Totoro & Lara Sheridan

Butler Family Cup for Club Person of the Year – Samantha Roberts

Scully's Sheild for Most Promising Player – Emma Smith

Quigan Cup for Sportsperson of the Year – Olivia Korte

Samantha Roberts CLUB CAPTAIN







Marist Netball A2's - 2017



Ashleigh Taylor, Jade Topia, Jamie Severinsen Bromeyn Hughes, Brittany Davidson, Alicia Nelder-McCormick (Captain), Sija Robertson-Stone, Jordyn Roger-Holden (Cach), Courtney Walsh, Atalia Tufuga Bonnie Scalie



Marist Netball A3's - 2017





Marist Netball A4's - 2017



Back Row: Middle Row: Front Row: Maia Ihimaera, Bronwyn Hughes (Coach) Meg Barton, Linda Lamprecht, Jesse Brennan Lucy Denniston, Holly Jenkins Kelsi Eccles (Captain), Mikayla Dix, Sarah Spicer



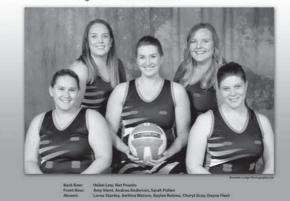
Marist Netball Ball Busters - 2017



Back Row: Middle Row Front Row: Absent: Sarah Murrell, Kate Blundell, Ashley Falloon Claire O'Hara (Coach), Bronwyn Davidson, Rebecca Long, Savannah Young, Lawron Gibb Amy Grabam, Amy Cheung-Rhodes Shavanna Kinniburgh



Marist Netball Madam's - 2017





Marist Netball Newbies - 2017





Marist Netball Sweaty Betty's - 2017



Back Row: Claire Holdsworth, Georgia Forrester
Front Row: Natalie Power, Bianca Miller (Captain), Tayla Kingsbury
Absent: Sarah Blaikie, Tegan Mabey, Chelsea Fox, Ashleigh Blumont

JUNIOR RUGBY

2017 Marist Junior Rugby Chairmans Report

The Marist Junior Rugby Club had a successful 2017. With over 340 registered players across 23 teams, the club is in good health. We are particularly strong in the younger grades attracting many new players each season. With 11 ripper rugby teams we have a strong pool of players to ensure we will continue to put competitive teams on to the field in the years to come across all grades.

I have really enjoyed my first year as Chairman. Thank you, Mark, for your advice along the way, allowing for a smooth transition. The support of the committee has also been greatly appreciated. The countless volunteer hours you have put in to the running of the club has been noticed. Thank you very much.

A club cannot run without sponsors. We have very low fees compared to other sports and this would not be possible without generous sponsors. NZ Specialised Coatings contribution to the running of the club and awards is greatly appreciated. McDonalds Manawatus Player of the Day certificates, and our newly created 500 club members BB Construction, The Tank Guy and D & D Bobcat Hire Ltd. The Shamrock Club and Property Brokers Manawatu for supporting the Family Club days. Additionally, the support from our team sponsors has also been greatly appreciated.

The heart of our club are the Coaches and Managers who give their time each week. The results our teams achieve is a direct reflection of their hard work and dedication to the growth in the young men and women they coach. I have heard nothing but positive feedback this year from parents and the way they represent the club on Saturday mornings has been exceptional. We are lucky to have a group of people that care so much for the growth and development of our children.

Thank you to the parents and caregivers for your support this season. Winter sport can be a challenge given the weather conditions but you turned up week after week. We were lucky to get as many games in as we did despite how wet it was this winter. Again, this season the Marist hoodies were well supported. I love seeing them worn all around the community. Your support has been appreciated.

This season we began a number of initiatives to build player capabilities, player loyalty and grow the family atmosphere within the club. We started the season with two skills and drills sessions. This is something we will continue to grow in years to come. The Family Club Days were a great success. We tied them in with the Old Boys Marist Senior A's game's. The registered players and their siblings were given a free fizz and chips while the parents mingled in the OBM clubrooms. It was great to see the kids all playing together creating memories they will carry for the rest of their lives. Additionally, this year we introduced loyalty medals to players that have given long periods of service to the club. Bronze (4 years), Silver (6 years) and Gold (7-8 years). Also, ripper players received a Marist pin.

Best of luck to the players that are leaving our club and moving on to Secondary School. We hope to see you back at Old Boys Marist to continue your rugby career as a senior player.

To all our returning families and players for 2018, enjoy the summer. We look forward to seeing you again in February next year for Marist Academies and registration.

Kent Higson, Marist Junior Rugby Chairman

Under 6 Green

This season we had a very young team with eight players 4 years old or younger. Naturally, at the start of the season we took some time to find our feet. Obstacles included staying in the field of play, running in the right direction and differentiating between the sideline and the try line! But it didn't take long for the team to improve dramatically. By only half way through the season every single player had scored a try. Our defence also improved as collecting six rips to turn over the ball became a regular feature in our games.



Much of this improvement was due to the dedication of the parents and players regularly turning up to training and always giving 100% effort. A special thanks must go to co-coach Alastair Cadzow for all of his time and effort. Thank you also to the wonderful group of parents who whole heartedly supported the playing group and coaches. Whenever extra help was required there was always a willing and able parent putting their hand up to help out. It is very much appreciated and it couldn't have been done without you.

Thanks once again for a really enjoyable season. We look forward to seeing some familiar faces on the field next year.

Tony Groube

Marist U6 White

Marist U6 White started the season with 5 returning players and 7 new players. They were all eager, energetic and excitable young players. The support of all the families along with the combined effort of six parents coaching and managing the team, we made it through

With the team having returning players to help show the new players about the game this set us off on the right foot. Learning the rules and how to work well as a team were important skills to practice and the players definitely made major improvements



throughout the year! By the end of the season all of the players had scored a try which boosted their confidence and our ripping exceeded expectations, in some instances players had so much drive to rip the tag that they were diving towards the other team to make sure they could reach the rip. Confidence in abundance!

The kids were encouraged to show outstanding sportsmanship to both the opposition and their own team members. They all have become great friends, and it will be fantastic for them to move up to the next age bracket together.

Thank you / Fa'afetai / Mālō Mālō 'aupito / Whakawhetai koe to all the families, fanau, fāmili and whanau support for the coaches, manager and players. Especially for the

amazing side-line encouragement; and enthusiasm. Well done! To all the players of U6 White for their awesome attitudes, enthusiasm, positive sportsmanship, fun times; and a great 2017 season.

Hope to see them all next year!

Mike & Jodie Jones, Jarod & Rachel Hercoe, Nigel & Sarah Gordon

Marist U6 Black

This year the energy and excitement levels returned with half of the mighty U6 Black team returning from last year. It didn't take long for the returning players to remember the basics of the game, which made it easier for our new team members.

With a wide range of ages, abilities and confidence, it took a few games for the team to gel, but it wasn't long before their confidence grew and everyone wanted to get amongst it. The team played some great rugby with their passing, running and ripping all improving vastly on last season.



Although the weather played a disruptive part to the season there were still many highlights. The standouts were watching the returning players step up another level in terms of their skills, execution and understanding of the game combined with seeing our new players gain confidence and belief in themselves. A big thanks to all the parents and whanau for their positive and enthusiastic support of the players throughout the season.

Special thanks to Chris Scadden, Gerald Bennett-Davies, Al O'Brien and Sarah Wright for their help throughout the season at practices and on game days.

Jared Wright

Marist U6 Gold

As a first time coach this year it was just as nerve wracking for me as it was for the kids but now at the end of the season looking back what a rewarding challenge it's been. Watching this exceptional group of kids grow from some not knowing what to do and some not wanting to play to every single one of them full of excitement and ready to play each week it made turning up as coach each week a real joy. If I could I would award every player they have all come such a long way and it's been a joy to be part of and I look forward to next year.

Cameron McIntosh



Marist U6 Red

My experience with ripper rugby before the start of this years season was somewhat limited and so I came into the start of the season a little unaware of what to expect when it came to coaching a group of children ranging from 4–7 years old. The experience that I have had has been very rewarding to say the least.

We started off with a group that had predominately no experience playing the game, and upon reflection, this was a great challenge. It has been awesome to say that I



have had an influence on these kids in the earliest part of their rugby playing career. Some of the children at the start of the season had real trouble wanting to join in with practices or even games, but as the season progressed these kids became more and more confident in themselves to join in and start to enjoy their rugby. Practices were always a challenge to keep the kids attention, but the promise of a game of ripper duck duck goose at the end of each practice always seemed to help with getting through the training drills beforehand. It never ceased to get a few laughs from the parents when the kids were asked to do 10 pushups, sit-ups and star jumps at the start of training, with it somewhat resembling 10 or 11 fish out of water...Once we had a few games under our belt, we started to see what we had been practicing coming out into the kids play, this proved to be very rewarding. A big thank you goes out to all of the opposition teams' coaches, players and parents as for the most part of the season we had a lot of fun and fair play. Having played a lot of rugby myself through the grades over the years, it was pleasing to see my son Levi getting to experience his first year of ripper and to be introduced to pastimes like playing rugby in the cold and mud and oranges at half time. It is my opinion that the Marist Junior Rugby competition is extremely well run and a great place for kids to enter their playing careers. Big thanks go out to Sara Paterson (team manager), Jeff Edmonds (assistant coach), and to all of the parents support and help with this years season and we look forward to it all again next year.

James Paterson, Coach

Marist U6 Blue

Marist U6 Blue started the season rather tumultuously, with the original coach falling through and a mad scramble at the last minute to find someone to take over. Thanks to Kent for all his help and thank goodness for Todd! If he hadn't put his hand up we probably wouldn't have had a team! And what a team they are...

The kids started the season, some knowing each other from the community and some not knowing anyone at all! The first couple of trainings were great getting to know



everyone and meeting the kids and their whanau. From there they have gone from strength to strength in regard to their relationships with each other and their knowledge and skills within the game.

Some kids had played before and some were playing their first team sport. It was great to see the younger kids feeding off the older, more experienced ones. Taking in what Todd and the other parents were teaching them at trainings and for the most part, listening, taking a huge interest and always trying their best!

Their improvement individually and as a team over the season has been our privilege as parents to watch. Our focus as a team was always that the kids had fun and enjoyed the game, less so about who won. But the pride in themselves when they scored a try or made a rip was priceless!

Each child brought something different to the team and we appreciate all of them for making U6 Blue what it was this year, a joy to be a part of.

Thanks to Todd for taking on the job and being awesome with all the kids along the way! Also huge thanks to all the parents for their help and support in all aspects of the season, it truly has been a team effort every week! And most importantly, thanks to the kids! For always showing up with a positive attitude and being respectful and supportive of each other, always giving it your best and enjoying yourselves!

We hope they enjoyed the season and look forward to more to come!

Stacey Zainey, Manager and Todd Phillips, Coach

Marist U7 Green

What a difference a year had made to the kids that come through from last years U6 team. A year older and their ability to follow instructions and apply themselves had shown a huge improvement. We formed a very strong team with several new additions. Each child had their own strengths and played very well as a collective.

Structure was a major focus. By the end of the season the team could run as a team in a straight line and follow ball runners in support. A greater awareness of off side positions is being developed (not quite 100%



yet) and all players have developed their space awareness when running the ball allowing them to see defenders approaching and adjust their running lines accordingly.

I will be coaching in U7 again next year. I will miss the personalities of the children that will be moving up to U8 next year. I wish them all the best and am sure they will do well in their first year of tackle.

Thank you to the parents in the team that have taken on roles to help the team run smoothly. Shammy (Manager), Richard (Ass. Coach), Desiree (Equipment Manager), Bridget and Kelz (team photography) and all those that have assisted during the season. Without the parents support attending trainings and games this would not be possible.

Finally, a mention to our team sponsors Mobil Dannevirke, BB Construction and Desiree Pearson, the club could not operate without your contributions. It is greatly appreciated.

Kent Higson, Coach

Marist U7 White

2017 has been a great season for Marist U7 White. New to coaching Ripper Rugby I was nervous to see how our team would go. First few trainings were a bit of a mess, but come game day our team would pull together and play extremely well and we went on to finish the season with only a few losses and many big smiles all round.

Some kids started off the season being too shy to enter the field, or get in on the action during game time, but have gone on to finish the season with numerous tries and excellent ripper skills. All the kids confidence



and knowledge in the game grew throughout the season and the improvement from all players was fantastic.

The team showed great sportsmanship and overall, we had a good mix of ages, experience, confidence, and enthusiasm which made for a very good season.

Big thanks to the families for their help and support throughout the season and a special thank you to my fiancé Niki, her help with the management of the team, certainly made my job as coach a lot easier.

To all kids in our team, thank you for your awesome attitudes, fun times and great 2017 season. Finally, thanks to the Marist Junior Rugby Committee for all the work behind the scenes.

Hayden

Marist U7 Black

This was my second-year coaching but first year in U7s. I found this year the talent of not only my team but the competition very good. We had a potent team of both great ball runners to outstanding rippers so a well-mixed team.

Going through the season with just the one loss, our team were consistently developing new sets of skills which they showed on the field. Some highlights of the season were playing the curtain raiser to the Manawatu Teachers team under lights. And



going through unbeaten and winning the Bulls 10 aside tournament in which Poppy in our team received MVP. It has been a very successful fun year which I am very privileged to have coached some outstanding future All Blacks.

A big thank you to all the parents for bringing the kids to trainings and games, and especially to Glen Parris for being a massive help throughout the year. Bring on 2018!!!

David Towers

Marist U7 Gold

Marist U7 Gold was lucky to have a squad of enthusiastic and competitive young men to start the season with. This was helped with much of the team and one of the coaches having a season under their belts, with Marist U7 Red last year.

The coaching staff would like to pass on a big thank you to all of the parents of the squad. Their efforts helping the kids make it to practice, games and their positive input from the sidelines made the season a huge success.

As the season progressed the team increased in confidence with some brilliant skills shown. A particular focus for the coaches, aside from skill development, was good sportsmanship. The players were encouraged to use "positive speak" and to celebrate success, even the oppositions success. Hopefully this will translate into good discipline later in their rugby careers.

The team can look back on this seasons achievements with pride. Both coaches have enjoyed watching the team gel with many new friendships being formed. Hopefully we can retain most of the team going into next season; it will be exciting to see the progression of these budding superstars!!!

Nathan Batchelor, Coach & Hamish Sutherland, Assistant



I wasn't entirely sure as to what coaching Rugby was going to be like. I knew it was going to put me outside my 'comfort zone' and bring some new experiences for me. Sure, I had some ideas about elaborate attacking moves and the players would listen at training then execute to perfection on game day. Then we had our first training...

After our first training it was clear to me that 'oh yeah, I'm coaching 5, 6 & 7 year olds' and I'll need to make some major adjustments! The first of which being,



Marist U7 Gold

running in the right direction!!! For quite a few of the Reds, it was their first season of rugby. I've been really impressed with the enthusiasm and great attitudes shown by all of the players. They've been very adaptable, developing skills such as ripping, side steps, accurate passing, communication and working well as a team.

It's been an absolute privilege to coach this team and I'm extremely proud of each and every one of my players. A good attitude is critical for me and they've always approached each game and training with a great amount of positivity.

I'm also very grateful to the support given to me by the parents/carers. They've been a fantastic, well behaved bunch, always making the effort to attend trainings and games. I've been extremely lucky to work with such a supportive lot.

Thanks to Marist, the parent/carers and most of all the players for allowing me the opportunity to coach this season. It's been a really rewarding season for me and I look forward to returning in 2018.

Paul Forman

Marist U8 Green

A great season of footy. Myself and Mike (Singleton) took care of the side this season, with plenty of help from Irene Walker. It was [our] first season together and for the most part the same for most of the lads. We have some players who excel, and some who are challenged mentally or physically and we gelled to make a great team. This is down to the parents and support we receive weekly.

As a team we enjoyed much success and myself, Mike and, Irene took great joy seeing our players grow and improve during the season.



Marist is a great club, and I feel Kent was excellent as a junior rugby coordinator. We all look forward to seeing the team grow and the team bond further

Fraser Donaldson

Marist U8 White

First year of tackle and a few early season lessons against some bigger teams, the boys were well beaten but never gave up. This proved to be a character building exercise and finally in week four we got our first win. The team started to understand the game and have been very competitive and picked up a good share of wins. As coaches we couldn't have been prouder as they started to bring the skills they had learnt and practiced into their game.

A high percentage of the team have been together for a couple of seasons now so they are



forming a strong bond. We had four new boys to the team this year and it was the first year of rugby for all four. They have done exceptionally well.

As coaches it was pleasing to see all the boys in the team having moments at tackling and not scared to get into the thick of the maul or ruck, it has been great learning for players and coaches. As a group we all look forward to our second year of tackle rugby.

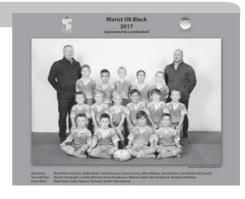
A big thank you to Teri for taking over as Team Manager this year and doing a great job organising. Thanks Alana for controlling the subs and team sheet every Saturday morning. Stu and I were also very thankful for the assistance Sheridan Vining gave helping out in a coaching role.

Thank you to all the parents for their help throughout the season and our supporters for being there each week.

Anthony Stephenson and Stu Balfour

Marist U8 Black

This year has been a challenging but rewarding. The boys have given it 100% and have really thrived with the challenge of tackle rugby. The team certainly improved throughout the season and a lot has come from their eagerness to learn new skills. A fair bit of controlled aggression started to appear later in the season and this will hold the boys in good stead going forward. With all of last years team returning and the introduction of Kingston, Max, Riley and Connor the team quickly gelled.



Thank you to Sam Bradnock for assisting me with coaching. I would like to thank all the parents and extended family for their positive encouragement on the side-lines, help at practices. And for getting the boys to trainings and games on time. A special mention to Brian Beale, his help with the management of the team certainly made my job as coach a lot easier.

THE PLAYERS...

<u>Tommy Cottrill</u> – Confident player that runs hard and straight.

Alex Whaiapu – A popular member and a fantastic support player.

<u>Jarrod Amey</u> – Deceptively strong and when he backs himself is hard to stop.

Ryder Beal – Has often popped out of a ruck with ball in hand and sprinted away for a try.

Nate Davis – Mini Damien Mckenzie. Eye for the gap and determination to burn.

Koen Henderson – A great sidestep with deceptive pace.

Monty Cavanagh – The big improver. A real leader that the boys followed.

Wiremu Slack - A hooker in the making. Will still look good with cauliflower ears.

Lachlan Mexted – Quiet but imposing. Often made the tackles that needed to be made.

Tahu – Like his father small in stature but big in commitment! A real eye for the try line.

<u>Tavita Aumua</u> – A very humble player that has all the skills. Top tackler.

<u>Kingston Haitana</u> – 100% every game. A real improver. Fun member of the team.

<u>Max Bradnock</u> – Unlike his father Max has deceptive pace. A welcomed addition to the team.

Riley Hanson – Big improver. Riley will develop into a strong player.

<u>Connor Fraser</u> – A real asset to the team. Dynamic with ball in hand.

Thanks to all the sponsors and the work the committee does behind the scenes.

Brett Davis

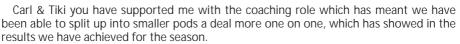
Marist U8 Gold Legends

Three seasons in, with a lot of the same players, this season. First year of tackle has been awesome with an 85% win rate. To the Legends you have made Me, Carl, Tiki & Sha feel very privileged to having been part of an awesome season.

Thank you to the tight group of players and I would like to thank all the parents and extended family for their positive encouragement on the side-lines and letting us get on with the coaching job at hand and supporting us with our disciplines. And for getting the boys to trainings and games on time you made it a rewarding and enjoyable season. The team certainly improved throughout the season and this showed as they learned some key skills and disciplines (most of the time).

A special mention to Sha our Manager who has kept us all informed and up to play and is a legend in herself starting our own Facebook

page. This was one of the most helpful tools for the season.



It has been a very hard year to try a select MVP, Most Improved and Best Tackler when the majority of the team got on board with the new skill sets and gave us their personal best.

Overall, we had a very good mix, experience, confidence, and enthusiasm which made for a very good season and I was extremely pleased to see how some of less experienced took up the challenge of trying new skills especially overcoming the fear of hard tackling.

Great sportsmanship and fabulous teamwork, great listening getting to grips with tackling and keeping them below the arm pits – we got there. Well done team!

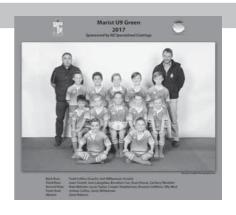
Poppa Rat

Marist U9 Green

2017 has been a rewarding year with a great squad of 13 players, all returning players other than one who was new to rugby.

The team continued with great support from the parents, in particular Anna Stephenson (Manager/Coach), Todd Collins (Coach) and our key sponsor, NZ Specialised Coatings Limited.

The boys bring a mix of abilities and talent which complement the overall team. It has been particularly rewarding seeing the boys develop and bring more structure to their game. The challenge of the breakdown and "feeding the backs" will be taken into next year to work on.



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With the boys having played together for up to 4 years the culture and friendship continues to grow for the players, coaches and parents which is very rewarding. It is a culture that I look forward to being a part of in the future. A massive thanks to Todd and Tash Collins for their support of both the U9 Green and Marist Junior Rugby, thank you.

Todd Collins & Astie Williamson

Marist U9 White

2017 has been a Great Season for U9 White. We gained 4 new players this year and had 10 returning players from last season.

Being the second year of tackle everyone stepped up a level from last year, both on confidence and reading the game. All the boys have matured from last year, all eager to be playing rugby, they all bring great attitude and determination. We have some very good players that stand out every week and I look forward to seeing them progress further next year. We had plenty of highlights thru-out the season, beating some unbeaten



sides, enjoying themselves and playing great rugby that was a pleasure to watch.

I look forward to being involved next season, as boys will continue to improve skill set as they prepare for full field 15 aside rugby the following year.

Thank you to all the parents who get kids to trainings and games and for your great support on the sidelines.

Finally thanks to Marist Junior Rugby Committee for all the work behind the scenes, it is great to see all the Marist Hoodies all around town.

For the record we have played 12 games, won 9 and lost 3 with 1 game still to be played this season.

Stu Power

Marist U9 Black

After the first year of tackle rugby in the U8 grade last year we lost several players, so we only had 6 players continue through to 2017, in what was a squad of 15 players.

It has been another fun & challenging year – in the early stages of the season things were messy, but with lots of great individual efforts. The toughest challenge was getting the kids to clean out rucks – they all want to get their hands on the ball! As the season progressed the players started to play for each other, the clean out at the ruck was a great improvement & a real team effort



started coming through. In the latter part of the season we have also worked on getting the ball through the hands and along the back line, so we are starting to use the width of the field – a little preparation for the U10 season next year!

Overall the U9 Black team had a very enjoyable and successful season, winning most of our games. We had a great group of kids & I hope they are all very proud of what they have achieved this season.

Thank you, as always, to the parents & grandparents for their support, and especially their commitment to getting the kids to training and games every week. The kids couldn't do it without you. Thank you to those who helped run the subs and pick the player of the day 3-2-1's on a Saturday, generally making my life easier! Further, I would like to acknowledge & thank those parents who helped at training, particularly Malcolm Mulholland.

Finally, thanks to Kent and the Marist Junior Rugby Committee for all the work behind the scenes.

Alastair Cadzow

Marist U10 Green

Firstly, this year as a coach, I have been privileged and honored to be part of the Marist Green-Under 10's. Joined at the helm with (dads) assistant coaches Robert Freeman & Robert Harrison. Also, our super manager Gary King, whom without their help this year would never have happened.

Secondly, I want to thank the parents who also played an important part of getting all the kids to trainings and games, often the unsung heroes of the game of rugby.

Thirdly, the players, in all my years of coaching rugby teams, I have never come across a team



that has had more heart and grit as this. Week in and week out they have never allowed the opposition, the game or the score to get them down. They have in true fashion 'fought the good fight'... never backing down and always pushing to the very end. This team has a huge engine and all its players a great future in the game. I have continually been told by opposing teams' parents, about the valor and true sportsmanship of our team. For example, one parent from fielding made it his mission to come and share his appreciation of how players stopped immediately to help his son after being concussed in a tackle, the week before. He spoke, not one, but half the team showed genuine compassion for his son's wellbeing. He was really blown away and expressed his thanks. Often the score didn't reflect how awesome this team was, but in life 'it's the small victories that we take that lead to greater successes.

Finally, our Captain fantastic 'Cole Beale' whom has shown a maturity beyond his years and great leadership skills throughout the season. As captain Cole has continually motivated his team to excel by exampling heart and grit. These are qualities that few senior players attain and coaches dream of having in their team. Well done Cole. These awards could easily go to so many deserving players, and this team has been a joy to be a part of.

'He aha te mea nui o te Ao. He tangata, he tangata, he tangata'

What is the greatest thing in the world? It is people, it is people, it is people!

Kalwyn Pereka

Marist U10 White

Marist Under 10 White were fortunate to start the season with most of the players from last year's U9 White Team. The team also welcomed the arrival of Armani, Brayton, Durie, Lucas and TJ during the first couple of weeks of the season. The season started with a couple of very tough games but after a few more trainings to get some structure in place, the kids bounced back to play some great rugby.

The kids' individual skills and teamwork improved at every training which carried over into their games. They had some great



wins scoring team tries and also had some close games that really tested the character of the team. It was great to see the kids learn and develop during the season which will assist them moving up to 15 a side rugby next year.

A big thank you goes to our Manager Damien O'Hara who carried out a ton of work behind the scenes and with assistance from Gareth Pringle and Kyle Williams got the team sorted in our absence. To all the parents, thank you for your support and for getting the kids to games and trainings every week.

We look forward to seeing all of the kids carry on playing rugby and enjoying the step up to playing 15 a side next year.

Casey & Anne Maree Lowe

Marist U11 White

2017 has been a good season of rugby for the boys in Marist U11 White. Again a step up and some new challenges faced from the previous season, 15 a side, full field, conversions, 2 teams combining into 1, to mention a few.

The boys trained and played with our mantra in mind – 'run hard, tackle hard and have some fun' – and as a result a solid year was had, finishing 4th on the points table, winning our quarter final, but unfortunately going down in the semi-final to the top of the table team.



We were lucky enough again to have had Greg Fleming – Manawatu Rugby Academy Manager attend a training to help us continue our skill improvement, tacking, body position in contact, blowing over and running straight. Our successful season was greatly due to the support, and encouragement from all of the parents, grandparents, family & friends on the sideline. A special mention to Warren Bebb, our great referee and Brendon

Harrison, for running the sideline. Thank you all for your commitment to our team.

To the Marist Junior Rugby Committee, who give up their time to run our club, Kent and team we thank you for your support and commitment.

We'd also like to thank Klassic Kiwi Tees for the sponsorship of Marist U11 White and McDonalds Manawatu for their sponsorship of the weekly Player of the Day.

We look forward to seeing the boys back in 2018, to wear the Green & White jersey again.

Willie Furnell & Mike Trail

Marist U12 Green

2017 has been a good year for Marist U12 Green, with the two teams from the previous year coming together to make one side. Although we had a few players away at times everyone got a fair run and seemed to enjoy their games even if that meant they had to play a different position now and then . The team ended up finishing 3rd which was a great result. Towards the end of the season they really started to believe in themselves with the last four games which were for the top four placings being very close competitive games, so



well done Marist Green you can be proud of yourselves. To all the players who are leaving Marist Junior Rugby to enter high school next year we wish you all the best and to those who have one more year left we hope to see you back in 2018.

Cheers Jason, Marcus, Brendon

Jason Booth

Old Boys Marist U13

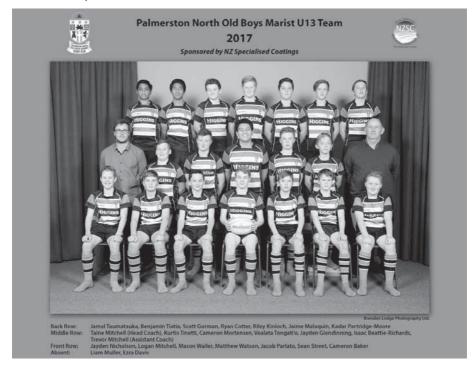
Again this year the Marist and PNHSOB combined to field a team at this level. We played in the High School Youth 5 grade, which had four junior club teams and four high school sides. In this grade we played under high school rules, which meant some new skills to be learnt, for example lineout lifting. At time of writing we only had one win in this grade and that unfortunately was by default. The team did play some good rugby but unfortunately could never do this consistently during a whole match, resulting in our disappointing record for the season. Individually we did have a number of players with rugby talent that will hopefully move into better teams in the future. Many do however need to work hard on their core skills of passing, catching and especially tackling as our defence did let us down regularly.

During the school holidays we organised a match for the boys against Martinborough Rugby Club. Not all our team could make this "tour" match so a handful of under 12 players came to help us out, we did manage to win on this occasion.

Nine of the team represented us at the Otaki 7's and did extremely well winning our pool. We then got knocked out in the semis losing by one try. The team still can't quite work out how this happened after creating at least 6 more chances to score than the opposition. A good lesson in staying calm and taking your opportunities.

Off the field we had a couple of fun days to help build team spirit at the Lido and the Linton Army camp. We would like to congratulate Matthew Watson who deservedly was selected to represent Manawatu at Under 13 level this season. Thanks to Brenda for your assistance during the year, especially all those photos and to Trevor for being the assistant coach. All the best to the players as they continue their rugby journey at high school next year.

Taine Mitchell, Coach





MARIST JUNIOR FOOTBALL

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JUNIOR FOOTBALL

4th/5th Grade First Kicks

This year we tried something different for first kicks. We played on a Friday night behind the clubrooms under lights. This was a huge success. The numbers did drop just slightly due to sickness most of the time However there was always a minimum of 25-30 kids at each session. We had three fish n chips night that the families really enjoyed after being outside the warmth of the clubrooms was very inviting. The program would not have been successful if it wasn't for the amazing coaching staff of Ex Junior Marist Players

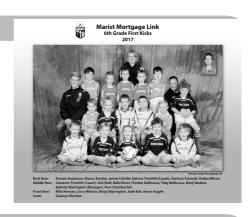


Elijah Smith, Harry Auckram, Cameron and Katrina Trewhitt. They were amazing with the kids and all the kids loved them. So a BIG THANK YOU!!! To you guys for all your help over the season.

Belinda Warrington, Coach

6th Grade First Kicks

Katrina and Cameron Trewhitt, Coaches



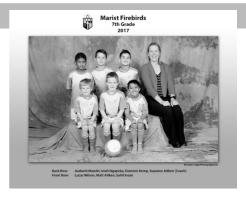
7th Grade - Marist Falcons

Mike Petre, Coach



7th Grade - Marist Firebirds

Suzanne Aitken, Coach



7th Grade – Marist Eagles

Our Marist Eagles team enjoyed their football season. We had a good mix of players with everyone happy and keen. The kids got on so well together and I enjoyed seeing them grow throughout the season, improving their skills and learning how to play as a team. The kids were often helping and encouraging each other. Our team was always smiling, and my highlight was our game at Opiki School, a lovely sunny day when we had our whole team available everyone played well and enjoyed a close



even game. What I'm most proud of as a coach is that our team shows great sportsmanship and that they try their best. Their smiles make me smile. I look forward to seeing them continue to grow and enjoy football in the future.

Jane Archer, Coach

8th Grade - Marist Jaguars

The season started with most of our team being a mix up from the previous years 7th grade teams. The team seems to have gelled together quite well with players showing some great and upcoming skills as individuals and as team players. Many to thanks to players and parents for a great season. Look forward to seeing you next year.

Maxine Climo, Coach



8th Grade - Marist Pumas

We were a new team with a first-time coach and some players new to the club. Each week, everyone was keen to play the game, and it has been great to see the kids enthusiasm and enjoyment paying off as they grew more confident over the course of the season.

Our players work hard to bring the ball to the goal when attacking, they have gained a lot of confidence tackling when in defence, and are starting to learn to work together

from kick-off or when the ball is being passed in from the sidelines.

Back Row.

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Marist Pumas

A big thank you to Tukta for bringing the oranges, to everyone who came out to support this amazing group of kids this year, and to the other teams and coaches in the competition.

We should all be very proud of each other and our achievements this year, there has been a lot of hard work put in to score goals, to work together in defence, and some great sportsmanship. Well done Pumas!

Mark Bellhouse, Coach

9th Grade Div Marist Wildcats

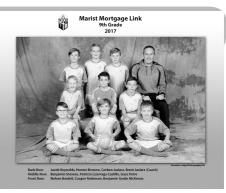
Geraldine Tooman, Coach



9th Grade Div – Mortgage Link Marist Lions

We have had a great season so far and have managed to stay undefeated. The players are learning heaps and as a team starting to play some great football. We have a big few weeks ahead with 2 tournaments coming up, hopefully we'll have some silverware to show at the end of the season.

Brent Jaslarz



10th Grade

This year with new players and coaches to the 10th grade we tried a new approach. We trained all three teams together which worked really well. It meant even when kids were away sick we still had great numbers to be able to produce some good training sessions. Thank you to Laetitia and Xeres for being there and running with the sessions I would put together each week. Skill levels of the div 2 players developed in leaps and bounds and the 1 Div players got to lead with examples.

Belinda Warrington

10th Grade Div 1 – Brendan Lodge Photography Marist Vipers

It has been a cracking season for the team. To date we have had 1 loss, 1 draw and won the rest of the games. During the recent u10 Tournament, the team received 'Runners Up' medals. We have also had some players selected for the u10 Federation Talent Centre team. Equally important, the boys have really gelled as a team and are really starting to develop a "football brain". As their coach, I am hugely impressed with the development of the team and have taken a lot of enjoyment out of coaching them. Many thanks to the players and parents for a great season of playing soccer together so far.

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Hayden Denby, Coach

10th Grade Div 2 - Marist Cobras

What a privilege to have coached these guys this year. We had a brilliant season, an have made it undefeated all year! It was fantastic to see the skill an confidence of the kids grow over the year an see some fantastic skills out on the field. Was awesome to see some returning players that I got to coach from last year an have welcomed some new players to the team and to Marist club. Will really miss these guys over the summer an really hope the team sticks together for another great year next year. I would like to thank Belinda and Xeres for their help on

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Marist Brendan Lodge Photography Vipers 10th Grade

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Wednesdays with combined practices for 10th grade. This was a huge success and was great to see the numbers there each week.

Laetitia Jurgeleit, Coach

10th Grade Div 2 - Marist Pythons

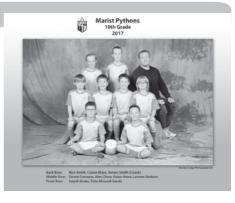
The season started off with a hiss and a roar, with two of our more experienced players going on a scoring frenzy in game one. A hat trick for Alex Climo and a double hat trick for Lennox Dodson.

That set the stage for a largely successful season, the Pythons loosing only 3 games (one of which was to the Marist Cobras) and the team continuing to rack up a solid goal tally.

As a first time coach it was hugely satisfying seeing the players develop at an individual

level but also, particularly in the later games, seeing them start to get a good awareness of positional play and an overall improvement in terms of working together as a team.

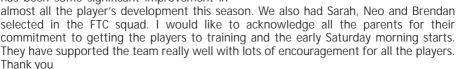
Xeres Smith, Coach



11th Grade Div 1 - ABC Business Sales Marist Heat

Most of the team had never played football together before this season. As the team consisted of a few players from last year, 4 new players to the club and some players that played div 2 last year. The season has been unusual with our team playing some excellent football, fantastic passing of the ball with great movement off the ball and completely dominating teams for large portions of the game. But small errors or opposition fast breaks have resulted in being undone.

I am proud of all the players this year. There has been some significant improvement in



Karl Dale, Coach



11th Grade Div 2 - Marist Titans

Jason Flynn, Coach

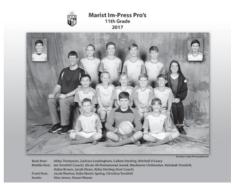


12th Grade Div 1 - Marist Im-Press Pro's

This year the Marist Im-Press Pro's increased the balance of boys and girls in our squad again, and now have 4 girls playing great football in the first division (more than any other div 1 team), against boys and girls of the highest calibre. We sit in the top 3 in Division 1 and Managed to win the Shield at the U12 tournament.

All the team work fantastically well together and are a solid unit. This year we decided to do two training sessions during the week, and ALL the players have shown great commitment to this, which is all you can ask from your young players. A proud bunch of kids with a very proud coach.

Ian Trewhitt, Coach



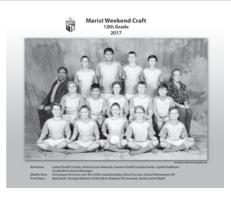
12th Grade Div 2 – Weekend Craft Marist Mustangs

2017 has been an exciting year of passing, defense, attack and goal scoring but most of all encouraging spirit and team work for the 12 Grade 2nd Division Marist Weekend Craft Mustangs.

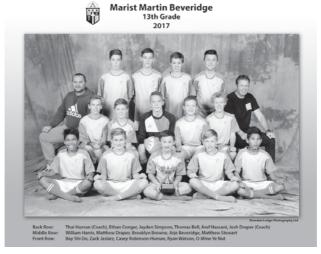
Watching the team grow together and gel while having lots of football fun and excitement has been a great experience for all.

Special thanks to Coach Lateef for his time, commitment and patience and to all the parents who stepped into help where needed.

Lateef Shariff, Coach Ursula McCormack, Manager



13th Grade Div 1 - Martin Beveridge Ltd Marist Roar



Our season kicked off in July, with a great result in our first game. We then followed up the next day with our team entering into the 13th grade tournament held at Colquhoun Park. After losing our opening match to Hokowhitu Lone Stars, the boys proceeded to win the remaining matches and eventually progressing to the finals. Where once again we game up against our rivals from that first game. Just like most finals it was truly a great spectacle of football. The players went into the break 0-2 down, a little despondent, and absolutely knackered. After a quick magic water break and some encouraging words from parents & coaches they were back into it and scoring the winning goal on fulltime score 3-2. Marist Roar 13th grade winners.

From there the boys have gone from strength to strength and playing some outstanding football each week. Midway through the season the team was leading the competition. Unfortunately a re-shuffle of the league saw them stripped of their points and starting again. A blow for the players, but a new challenge to undertake. At the time of writing this we now sit in 2nd place behind those worthy rivals Hokowhitu who we have played 4 times with two wins a-piece. It just so happens that our last game of the season is against Hokowhitu and could well be another great battle.

Our team have a mixture of fine young personalities that are eager to learn, to please, and to argue from time to time. To date, our time with these players as coaches has been thoroughly enjoyable. I would advise to keep an eye out for some of these players, as I have no doubt there will be future N.Z representatives within this mix, and we wish them all the very best in their future schooling, football and life journey.

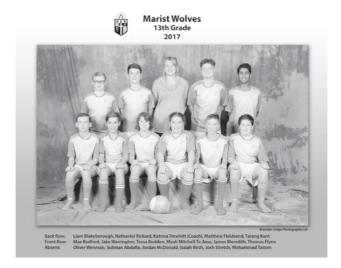
2017 MARIST ROAR 13th GRADE DIV 1 CENTRAL FOOTBALL TEAM:

GK Brooklyn Browne, Matthew Stewart, Jayden Simpson (C), Casey Human-Robinson, William Harris, Thomas Bell, Matthew Draper, Ryan Watson, Zack Jaslarz, Arje Beveridge, Bayshi Oo, Aref Hassani, Ethan Conger, O-Mine Ye Nut.

A big Thank you to all the parents for taking the time to drive their players to the practices, games and the many other activities our children have on.

Josh Draper and Thai Robinson, Coaches

13th Grade Div 2 - Marist Wolves



This season began with a spectacular win from the Marist Wolves, the kids themselves were and continue to be full of energy and passion for the sport, always looking and asking to learn new techniques and skills! It is only my second year of coaching and I couldn't be more proud of how far these kids have come! Some only beginning the sport this year, others are continuing from years before and others coming back to the sport after a few years; each and every one of them showing individual qualities that make them the extraordinary players that they are today. As a coach, I could not be more proud of how far this team has come, and as a coach, I am privileged to have had the opportunity to get to know the kids like I have and be able to coach them.

Katrina Trewhitt, Coach



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The sports person's drinking guide

If you take your sport seriously here's the sensible way to approach alcohol.

Sav "when" 24 hours before

Give your body a chance to metabolise any alcohol in your system by avoiding alcohol 24 hours before playing or training.

Put first aid. first

If you've been injured, don't drink alcohol until you've had treatment.

Re-hydrate with juice or water

After hard exercise it's important to top up with non-alcoholic beverages first. Alcohol will just dehydrate you further.

Know when enough is enough

Research shows the body's limit in a single session is about 6 drinks for a man, 4 for a woman (one drink being approximately a small glass of wine, a single measure of spirits or a half-pint of beer). Over a week, the limits are 21 drinks for men and 14 for women.



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