



# Maritzburg College

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### Sport Round-Up

9 March 2019

#### First Winter fixtures at College

This weekend saw our opening matches against Northwood at College with our teams dominating across all ages groups for both hockey and rugby. It was a great quality start to the season for the school and bodes well for the season ahead.



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### Rugby

On Saturday, Maritzburg College fielded an outstanding 23 teams - in the main these were against Northwood, but a number of other schools and development sides were called on to match our depth of sides. Of the 17 games against Northwood, College won an outstanding 16, narrowly losing one.

#### 1<sup>st</sup> XV team Report (from Cameron Fraser, 1<sup>st</sup> XV coach)

The highly anticipated fixture of the day did not fail to deliver as the game between the Maritzburg College 1st XV and the highly rated Northwood 1st XV was a spectacle to behold for the neutral and schoolboy rugby follower alike. Northwood started off very well with a piece of individual brilliance from their left winger Makhaza crashing over the whitewash for their 1st score of the match. The try was not converted which left the scoreboard at 5-0

College won a scrum soon after the kickoff in opposition territory in the middle of the field and Anele Nzimande managed to outwit his opposite number and dived over under the crossbar. Jacques van der Walt easily converted putting College in the lead 7-5. Unfortunately ill discipline cost College in very kickable areas of the field and Northwood capitalized by slotting both penalty goals. The Northwood left wing Makhaza managed to cross the line again after another well executed scrum attack from them. With that last try Northwood was ahead by 16 points to 7 at halftime.

Soon after the whistle for the start of the 2nd half blew, Northwood managed to capitalize on another College handling error and scored a try early in the 2nd half. College looked more lively in the 2nd half, and managed to pull back an early try by Siya Ningiza in the fifth minute which was easily converted by van der Walt. College looked very motivated in the 2nd half and had the lion's share of possession for the first 20 minutes. College won a number of penalties with which they were able to pin Northwood back and eventually off a line out in the Northwood 22, Philani Simamane managed to fool the defenders with a dummy pass and cut straight through the middle of the Northwood defensive line to score College's 3rd try. Van der Walt once again slotted the conversion which saw the scoreboard reading 23-21 to Northwood. With 15 minutes to spare College looked very menacing with a scrum in the opposition 22, the ball was lost in contact and the loose ball was kicked through several times only for the Northwood player to ground the ball for a try in the College in-goal area.

After that try against the run of play the score saw Northwood leading 30 points to 21. Even though the writing was on the wall for College, they did not stop fighting and with space out wide Michael King managed to score a try in the corner with 4 minutes to spare. Unfortunately the kick was not converted but in the end proved immaterial as College needed a try in any event to trounce Northwood. College looked very threatening with moments to spare and as fate would have it College unfortunately lost the ball in contact with one minute left on the clock. Northwood secured the scrum and ate up the leftover time with short pick and go's.

Despite the great comeback from College in the 2nd half there were lots of errors from both sides which will hopefully be ironed out as we progress through the season. Northwood made better use of their chances on the day whereas College could have executed better. Congratulations to Northwood on their victory, it was a hard-fought battle and a very entertaining match.



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Team	Opposition	Score	Result	Coach
1st	Northwood	26-30	LOST	Fraser/ Le Roux
2nd	Northwood	20-07	WIN	hirengende/ Sherri
3rd	Northwood	55-00	WIN	Makhathini
4th	Northwood	48-00	WIN	Dutton
5th	Development	50-00	WIN	Sutherland
6th	Northwood 5th	44-00	WIN	Dorling
7th	Carter 1st	19-05	WIN	Patterson
8th	Northwood 6th	76-03	WIN	Marwick
9th	Hilton 6ths	31-07	WIN	Mchunu
10th	Hilton 7ths	59-12	WIN	Xaba
16A	Northwood	22-07	WIN	Orchard/ Booyser
16B	Northwood	66-00	WIN	Mdutyana
16C	Development	57-00	WIN	Duvenage
16D	Northwood 16C	62-00	WIN	Vukubi
16E	College 16F	31-17	WIN	Zuma
16F	College 16E	17-13	LOST	Laubscher
15A	Northwood	13-05	WIN	Kyle/Hoffman
15B	Northwood	33-05	WIN	Usher
15C	Development	98-00	WIN	Bosch
15D	Northwood 15C	46-10	WIN	Zuma
15E	Northwood 15D	51-12	WIN	Mkwanazi
15F				
14A	Northwood	36-05	WIN	Botha/ Smit
14B	Northwood	29-07	WIN	Mazwi
14C	Northwood	51-00	WIN	Musisiwa
14D	Northwood	53-17	WIN	L Orchard
14E	Combined with F	NO RESULT		Waters
14F	Northwood E	NO RESULT		Waters

#### Summary vs Northwood

Played	17
Won	16
Lost	1
Drew	0

#### Summary Main

Played	23
Won	22
Lost	1
Drew	0



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### Hockey

**Maritzburg College dominated in their hockey matches against visiting side Northwood, and of the 18 matches played, College won 13, drawing 4 and losing just one.**

#### **1st XI Match Report vs Northwood (from Dylan Coombes, 1st team coach and Director of Hockey)**

Maritzburg College welcomed KZN rivals to a newly surfaced Pape's Astro turf in the opening fixture of the 2019 winter sports season. Exceptionally hot conditions would challenge the intensity with which the College 1st XI normally go about their business. The 2019 season has also welcomed the introduction of a change in format where four 15 minute quarters has been introduced at 1st team level.

The match started with both College and Northwood seemingly testing the waters quite cautiously. College enjoyed most of the possession, however the first quarter came to a close at 0-0. It took until 5 minutes before half time before it was College who would break the deadlock through debutant D Bruyns. Bruyns showed great instinct in sneaking ahead of his defender in what was very limited space to expertly get a forehand shot off opening his and Colleges account for the 2019 season.

Half time saw the match evenly poised with only the single goal separating the two teams. College came out with good intentions in the 2nd half with the frontmen appearing to be revved by the halftime chat and showed some really exciting interplay and dynamic skills. This pressure resulted in College's 2nd goal of the day where a baseline circle entry, some good stick work from Bruyns and a shot saw the ball deflect up and over with no danger falling at the far post. S Ngcobo who was perfectly placed on the far post made a simple finish putting College 2-0 up.

Seven minutes later College would win their 5th penalty of the matchup which saw captain G Pio step up and simply slot the ball into the bottom left corner to see the scoreboard read 3-0 in favor of College. Just 4 minutes after extending their lead a scrappy patch saw Northwood capitalize on some poor defending and open their account on the day with a simple finish coming from some fine skill on the baseline. This saw the 3rd quarter out and with one final quarter left College found another gear and showed some good control. College would be rewarded for some good pressure and G Ngcobo would find himself perfectly positioned in the back of the circle where he finished superbly with a forehand strike into the bottom corner. The match ended 4-1 to College with an exciting Nomads Festival to look forward to for the College outfit.

Summary of results:

Played 18, won 13, drew 4, lost 1



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### Summary of Results

Team	Opponents	Score	Result	Coach
1st	Northwood	4--1	won	Coombes
2nd	Northwood	2--1	won	Nevay
3rd	Northwood	2--1	won	Shaw-Govender
4th	Northwood	1--1	drew	M Ngcobo
5th	Northwood	3--2	won	Warr
6th	Hilton	1--1	drew	Coutts
16A	Northwood	4--2	won	Emerson
16B	Northwood	1--1	drew	Reed
16C	Northwood	6--0	won	Tooms
16D	Northwood	2--1	lost	Salmond
16E	Northwood	1--0	won	Mhlongo
16F	Northwood	4--1	won	Hoosen
16G	Northwood	0--0	drew	N Ngcobo
14A	Northwood	2--2	drew	Swart
14B	Northwood	2--0	won	Nipper
14C	Northwood	4--0	won	Orchard/Maphumulo
14D	Northwood	8--0	won	Croeser
14E	Northwood	3--0	won	N Ngcobo
14F	Northwood 16 I	2--1	won	Radebe

### Summary vs Northwood

Played	18
Won	13
Lost	1
Drew	4

### Summary Main

Played	19
Won	14
Lost	1
Drew	5