

Sport Round-Up 13 April 2019

Overview Sporting Achievements

This weekend saw 700+ boys and staff travel to Pretoria to compete against Pretoria Boys High School in a full round of sporting fixtures. College had an excellent weekend dominating on the rugby fields and winning all 25 of the matches played. Our hockey teams also excelled.



Rugby

The weekend saw College play 25 rugby matches against Pretoria Boys High up in Pretoria. It was a clean sweep for the redblackwhite teams, winning all 25 games. Our 1st XV had a tight game eventually winning 20-15.

1st team report - Cameron Fraser - 1st team Coach

The Maritzburg College 1st XV game vs Pretoria Boys High was a very entertaining but closely fought battle. The first half was predominantly a kicking contest where both College and the boys from Pretoria attempted to play a territorial game to eventually put defences under pressure and ultimately force mistakes in the opposition half. The half-time score was 3 all, Henry Trodd scoring the only 3 points for College in the 1st Half.

The second half proved to be a more exciting half as the College team found their attacking edge. After some slick handling skill by the forwards and good ruck speed, College managed to move the ball wide and outside centre Philani Simamane trotted over the whitewash to open the try scoring account for College. The Pretoria Boys High goal kicker kept punishing poor discipline from College and managed to keep them in the game by slotting 4 more penalties putting PBHS in front 15-10. Straight off the kickoff, Maritzburg College blindside flanker Siya Ningiza managed to poach the ball and draw two defenders onto him. He then successfully completed a sublime offload to the right winger Kaid Morsink who crashed over the try line for another College 5-pointer. Unfortunately, the kick was not converted leaving the scores tied at 15 all. With 5 minutes to spare the College 1st XV had a lineout in the opposition half. With an excellent strike move from the lineout, Philani Simamane carved through the PBHS defences to get a brace of tries and leave the final score at 20 points to 15.



Summary of Results

Team	Opposition	Score	Result	Coach		
1st	PBHS	20-15	Won	Fraser/ Le Roux		
2nd	PBHS	38-10	Won	Chirengende/ Sherriff		
3rd	PBHS	28-00	Won	Makhathini		
4th	PBHS	19-00	Won	Dutton		
5th	PBHS	30-05	Won	Sutherland		
6th	PBHS	27-14	Won	Dorling		
7th	PBHS	48-03	Won	Paterson		
8th	PBHS	45-00	Won	Marwick		
9th	PBHS	41-05	Won	Mchunu		
16A	PBHS	60-03	Won	T Orchard/ Booysen		
16B	PBHS	12-06	Won	Mdutyana		
16C	PBHS	14-05	Won	Duvenage		
16D	PBHS	15-00	Won	Vukubi		
16E	PBHS	32-14	Won	M Zuma		
15A	PBHS	47-05	Won	Kyle/Hoffman		
15B	PBHS	30-05	Won	Usher		
15C	PBHS	62-00	Won	Bosch		
15D	PBHS	22-07	Won	S Zuma		
15E	PBHS	74-05	Won	Williamson		
15F	PBHS	34-05	Won	Mchunu		
14A	PBHS	13-00	Won	Botha/ Smit		
14B	PBHS	48-00	Won	Mazwi		
14C	PBHS	34-00	Won	Musasiwa		
14D	PBHS	20-05	Won	L Orchard		
14E	PBHS	63-00	Won	Waters		



Hockey

College's hockey teams dominated against Pretoria Boys High this weekend with the summary of results showing we played 17 matches, winning 12, drawing 4, and losing 2.

1st Team Match Report - Dylan Coombes - Director of Hockey & 1st team coach)

A trip up north and to Pretoria Boys was next on the agenda for the Maritzburg College 1st XI. The match up between the two schools dates way back and is normally always a great spectacle of school boy hockey.

The match started at a manic pace with College dominating the opening exchanges with some very intelligent pressing making it difficult for the home side to get comfortable. College however would have their plan somewhat thwarted by the PBHS goal keeper who was in fine form. College would have much of the play in the first half but would not be able to open their account and the half closed out at 0-0.

At the start of the second half, the home team found another gear and came out firing. Their intentions were made clear when in a good phase of attack, they had four shots at goal in a short space of time. The College defence stood firm until 8 minutes into the third quarter, when PBHS won a penalty corner. The corner, while not perfectly executed fell to a PBHS attacker who pushed the ball toward goal. In the confusion the ball was lifted up and over the College goal keeper to cross the line and take the home side 1-0 up.

College managed to regroup and trusted that their form and play on the day would grab them a goal or two. The PBHS goal keeper had other ideas and seemed to be up for whatever the College attack threw at him. Midway through the final quarter, College through waves of attack, finally broke the PBHS defence when yet another circle entry resulted in goal mouth scramble with the ball falling near the far post. A diving L Lenz ushered the ball over the line for the equalizer with only a few minutes still to play.

The quarter played out seeing the match conclude at 1-1 with College feeling as though they should definitely have taken more chances on the day.

The Maritzburg College 1st XI will be traveling up to Johannesburg and the St Stithians Easter Festival with matches commencing on Wednesday evening.



Summary of Results

Team	Opponents	Score	Result	Coach		
1st	PBHS	1–1	Draw	Coombes		
2nd	PBHS	2–1	Win	Nevay		
3rd	PBHS	0–0	Draw	Shaw-Govender		
4th	PBHS	4–1	Win	M Ngcobo		
5th	PBHS	0–0	Draw	Warr		
16A	PBHS	1–0	Win	Emerson		
16B	PBHS	1–1	Draw	Reed		
16C	PBHS	3–0	Win	Tooms		
16D	PBHS	0–1	Loss	Salmond		
16E	PBHS	1–0	Win	Mhlongo		
16F	PBHS	4–0	Win	Hoosen		
14A	PBHS	2–1	Win	Swart/Nipper		
14B	PBHS	4–2	Win	Barnard		
14C	PBHS	5–0	Win	Orchard/Maphumulo		
14D	PBHS	1-0	Win	Croeser		
14E	PBHS	1–3	Loss	N Ngcobo		
14F	PBHS	2–1	Win	Radebe		



Other fixtures against PBHS

There were mixed results for the other sporting codes against Pretoria Boys High. College Table Tennis 1^{st} team lost 2-3, the 2^{nd} team won 4-1, the 3^{rd} team won 3-2, while the 4^{th} and 5^{th} teams lost. The Squash Top 20 lost 53-23. Our Debating top 6 team lost top 3 and 2^{nd} 3 and the Chess team lost 15-10.

Cycling

College's talented cyclists competed against Jeppe at Cascades on Friday