



# St Bernard's College Sports Department

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## Weekly Sports Results 31<sup>st</sup> July – 6<sup>th</sup> August 2017

### Hockey

The 1<sup>st</sup> XI played Paraparaumu College at Fraser Park drawing the game 2-2. This was the teams' best game of the season with all what has been done at training taken into the game. We created numerous chances but unfortunately couldn't convert.

**Results:** St Bernard's 2, Paraparaumu College 2

### Basketball

A tough first up week for our Basketball teams now that all divisions are divided into "top 4" and "bottom 4". We also saw our Intermediate teams playing their first round. We will carry three teams instead of four from the previous term. Our year 7 Red and year 8 Gold teams have been slightly changed giving them both their best chance to win the league.

We welcome back our Senior A player Whatukura Ratana from his USA tour to Las Vegas with the New Zealand Basketball Academy.

Ratana played for the NZBA under 15, where they played in three tournaments, the Jam On It Classic, Jam On It Finale and the most proper and harder of the three tournaments Big Foot. The team brought home Silver in the Jam On It Finale, while losing semi-finalist for the JOI Classic and Big Foot. Well done Whatukura.

### Intermediate

**Results:** Green loss 12-28, Red won 35 – 17

### Juniors

The Junior A played Mana College, the last time the two teams met, Mana won in overtime. Once again the game was close and went down to the wire. Some outstanding shooting from the Mana saw them take the win.

Junior B played Wellington College 3. St Bernard's were the better of these two teams in their last encounter, however this time St Bernard's couldn't match the fired up Wellington College team's intensity who ran away with the game without too much trouble.

Junior C played the hot Wa Ora team that have been winning with margins of 60 to 80 points against their oppositions. With the SBC staunch supporters behind the team, the boys made a better game against the favourites and at one point, they put a bit of a scare into Wa Ora, forcing the opposition into using their two timeouts. The team hung in there for most of the game before Wa Ora finally moved away for a comfortable win. This was a creditable performance by our third team and was appreciated with a standing ovation by their staunch supporters.

**Results:** Junior A loss 68-74, Junior B loss 37-74, Junior C loss 24-62

### Seniors

Senior A played the defending Champs Tawa College team at ASB. Last time the teams met Tawa proved why they are the champions beating us by double figures, however this time the St Bernard's boys wanted to prove that they are able to compete. The game started off with both teams sorting each other out, with St Bernard's winning the arm wrestle leading after the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. The team managed to hold slight leads throughout the game, but only just enough to keep Tawa at arm's length. The game turned at the start of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter where St Bernard's surprised the opposition with their pressure defence, causing Tawa to turn the ball over which we turned into a 15 point lead. Tawa lost their composure and were forced to play catch up, a good team win to the St Bernard's boys.

Senior B bounced back from last week winning convincingly against a hapless Tawa 2 team.

Senior C had a surprising loss against St Pat's Stream in a low scoring game. Some bad shooting and too many turnovers worked against the team.

Senior D won by default.

**Results:** Senior A won 83-76, Senior B won 74-31, Senior C loss 30-35, Senior D WBD

## **Football**

As the season is progressing the goal difference is now a great deal smaller. Last Saturday it was -2 whereas in week seven it was -37. We are scoring more goals but more particularly our defensive patterns are a lot more effective.

### **1<sup>st</sup> XI**

1<sup>st</sup> XI had a must win victory against Aotea. Keeping their playoff hopes alive. Nice goals scored but fitness and not playing to our strengths nearly cost us.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> XI**

2<sup>nd</sup> XI reversed their first round result. The field turned into a mud bath but we pushed the long ball through the air that helped us.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> XI**

3<sup>rd</sup> XI unfortunately had to default their game.

## **J1**

J1 continue to hold their own but a lack of strength in defense allows goals too be scored to easily. Hunter Locke continues his excellent scoring record, He scored another 2 goals on Saturday and has now scored in 11 consecutive fixtures.

**Results:** Played 4, won 2 drew 0 lost 1. 12 goals for and 14 against.

Victories for the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> XI's has kept their finals aspirations alive for another week.

## **Water Polo**

### **Senior team**

The Senior team played Hutt Valley High School and were well in control by half time leading 6-2. With HVHS being a player short Matt Quin swapped sides playing for HVHS in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half.

St Bernard's struggled to score in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half with HVHS outscoring us four goals to two. Hopefully having to work hard in the 2nd half will benefit us as we head into our last round robin game next week undefeated against traditional rivals, St Pat's Stream.

**Results:** St Bernard's 8 (Matt Quin 2, Jacob Sharkey 2, Jack Charleton 2, Josh Froggatt and Willem Tainui), HVHS 6

### **Junior team**

This week we had a very exciting game against St Pat's Town Gold. Strong games by Marcus Kowalczyk, Max McGuinness, Paddy Roberts and Noah Tarawhiti (6 saves in goal) saw us with a 3-3 draw at half time and a 4-3 lead for a lot of the second half.

St Pats kept the pressure on though, scoring 6 goals in quick succession in the last quarter to end up winning comfortably 9-4.

**Results:** St Bernard's 4 (Paddy Roberts 2, Marcus Kowalczyk, Max McGuinness), St Pat's Town 9

### **Intermediate team**

The intermediate team had a strong victory over HIBS A meaning they progress straight through to the final after going through the season unbeaten.

**Results:** St Bernard's 15 (Willem Tainui 6, Jack Tetley 3, Gerard Cabauatan 3, Andrew Hynam-McFall3), HIBS 8

## Rugby

### 1<sup>st</sup> XV

This week the 1<sup>st</sup> XV played Taita College and we were hoping for a good win before heading into the semi-finals next week.

St Bernard's had a strong first half with tries to Nathan Stirling, Mikaele Alaifatu, Connor McLeod, Sene Fa'asoa as well as two conversions to Te Aorere Wanoa to lead 24 to 5 at half time.

This was backed with another strong performance in the second half with tries to Puna Manaia, Xavius Tuita, Ben Ernst, a second try to Nathan Stirling and another conversion to Te Aorere Wanoa. St Bernard's eventually running out winners 46 to 10. Xavier Tuita was awarded the forward of the day and Nathan Stirling the back of the day.

St Bernard's ended up third after pool play in Premier 2 and will now take on HIBS, who finished second, in the semi-final this week. Let's hope we can keep building on the good momentum from the last couple of weeks and get that win needed to progress to the final.

**Results:** St Bernard's 46, Taita 10

### 2<sup>nd</sup> XV

2<sup>nd</sup> XV played Otaki and went down 19-10 meaning we finish 4<sup>th</sup> and have a semi final against Wellington College 3 next weekend.

**Results:** St Bernard's 10, Otaki 19

### Under 15's

On Saturday the Under 15's travelled out to Rongotai again to take on the current 3<sup>rd</sup> placed team in the grade.

The team started off well by making our tackles, and kicking for territory when we were in our own half. The Rongotai team played with good intent and ran the ball whenever they saw space to put us under pressure, which converted to two well worked tries after creating space on the outside.

St Bernard's continued to work the ball up the middle of the field through the forwards, and scored a try just before halftime to go into the break at 15-5.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> half started off with Rongotai continuing to run the ball from all parts of the field and the tackling we had to make in the first half started to take effect. Rongotai again scored two quick tries and really put the game beyond reach.

The team now can look forward to the Hurricanes Under 15 tournament which is held in a month's time. Thanks to the school and all the parents for their support throughout the season, it is much appreciated.

**Results:** St Bernard's 12, Rongotai 29

### U65

U65 team travelled to play Onslow College, suffering a heavy defeat which ends their season.

**Results:** St Bernard's 0, Onslow College 41

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