

Perfect start to season for Saints rugby



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This year's crop of St. Andrew's Saints varsity rugby players has proven to be a scoring machine.

Just two games into the CISAA regular season, the Saints have put up a total of 94 points to their opponents' ten.

Entering the season with their confidence high after a silver medal win in the CAIS tournament at Ashbury College, the Saints were down a handful of players in their opener against Crescent School last week, creating what coach Jon Butcher called "an unstructured and rather messy experience."

However, the sheer athleticism of the lads coupled with some good moments of teamwork was more than enough to put this one in the books.

Gabriel Wallace led the way with three tries for a total of fifteen points, while both Ian MacLean and Wells Karabin mixed tries and converts to also get into the double digits. The final score was 63 - 10.

Trinity College School was the Saints' next victim, shut out for the second straight game in a 31 - 0 match.

Wallace once again led the way with two tries, while Campbell Clarke was able to convert three times to add six points himself.

A whirlwind month has the Saints playing three more games before the CISAA championship date, scheduled for May 24. Last year's squad opened their season with three straight losses, before turning it around to earn a silver medal to Appleby College's gold in the championship match.

The Saints last won the league final in 2013, and have taken home the trophy a total of 21 times over the program's history.