Ruggers trounce Fairfield

The Tech Rugby steamroller crushed Fairfield College 15-3 for the A Team’s fourth straight win. However both the B and C Teams lost to their Fairfield opponents.

The A game was dominated by the Tech forwards as the powerful scrum prevented either line of backs from getting used to handling the ball. This strategy continued to pay off as the tremendous coverage by the Tech ruggers on kicks and kicks kept constant pressure on Fairfield.

Prop Ed Walker and Janus Apaz got the first two trys for Tech as a result of coordinated scrum effort near the Fairfield goal line.

Tech’s third try was set up by a beautiful run by Larry Izzo. He carried the ball down to the two yard line and drew the final tackler before passing to Apaz who scored easily. This raised Apaz’s point total to 20, easily high for the team.

The rest of Tech’s points came on penalty kicks by John Riley and Peter Webster.

Fairfield’s only points came late in the second period on a penalty kick. They were never able to mount a significant offensive against a Tech defense that has yet to allow a try all season.

The B game started out very badly as Fairfield scored five points in the first 30 seconds when a kick bounced away from the Tech Fullback. Within another two minutes Fairfield added another try on a break-away run, and most of Tech’s morale disappeared.

Tech’s lone score occurred late in the second half when Pete Bonwell drew two tacklers and then passed to Don Arkin who raced 40 yards down the side line for the try. The final score was 17-3.

The C game was the closest contested match of the day as the score see-sawed for most of the game. MIT drew first blood after they were awarded a penalty at the five yard line. The forwards took the opportunity to use the scrum roll play with Gerry Braun going over for the try.

After Fairfield struck back with a try and conversion to take a 5-3 lead it was the backs turn. Rich Stumbar scored on a fine running movement. After Charlie Finn converted, Tech led 8-5.

However, Fairfield soon tied it up with a try. Finally Fairfield scored another try which Tech was not able to match, and the game ended 11-8.

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