

KEARSNEY EASTER RUGBY FESTIVAL 2016

A highly successful ninth Kearsney Easter Rugby Festival wrapped up with two teams remaining unbeaten at the festival and the announcement of three players who each received bursaries to the Sharks Academy.

Selborne College beat HTS Middelburg and Maritzburg College and drew with SACS; whilst Glenwood High School beat Dr EG Jansen, HTS Middelburg and Dale College.

Recipients of the bursaries are two Dale College players, fullback Aphelele Fassi and centre Sibulele Mbana, and Glenwood prop Renier van Rooyen. This includes a contract with the Academy when they finish school, accommodation and a tuition bursary with one of its education partners, valued at over R100 000 each.

In announcing the awards Etienne Fynn, managing director of the Academy, said the standard of rugby this year had been excellent, as had come to be expected of the festival.

“Even though there were some high scoring matches, this was more about the quality of play, than that the teams had been mismatched,” Fynn said. “We believe that a player who shines at school doesn’t necessarily have the attributes to play senior rugby. But we believe these three boys will meet those requirements.” He said there had been an excellent pool of talent on display at the festival this year.

At the end of the festival two teams remained unbeaten: Selborne College from East London and Glenwood High School from Durban. Dale College went into the final day unbeaten, but were overpowered 5-32 by Glenwood in their third day clash. Hosts Kearsney were also unbeaten until Monday, but went down 10-24 to HTS Middelburg in the final fixture of the festival. Middelburg’s win against the hosts was their only victory at the event.

The three-day event was well supported with excellent crowds who were able to enjoy a high standard of competitive rugby in good weather. It was a successful event for organisers and sponsors Standard Bank, Nashua Durban and the Sharks Academy.

DAY ONE RESULTS

Kearsney College beat Höerskool Noord-Kaap 27-17

HTS Middelburg lost to Selborne College 14-22

Glenwood beat Dr EG Jansen 14-13

Maritzburg College lost to Dale College 16-25

SACS beat Höerskool Framesby 19-13

DAY TWO RESULTS

Hoërskool Framesby lost to Dale College 17-46

Glenwood beat HTS Middelburg 17-6

Kearsney College beat SACS 39-36

Maritzburg College lost to Selborne College 7-18

Dr EG Jansen v Hoërskool Noord-Kaap 40-17

DAY THREE RESULTS

SACS 10 – 10 Selborne College

Hoërskool Framesby 66 - 17 Hoërskool Noord-Kaap

Maritzburg College 8 - 47 Dr EG Jansen

Glenwood 32 – 5 Dale College

Kearsney 10 - 24 HTS Middelburg

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