



Sedbergh  
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# SPORTS REPORT

17 February - 23 February 2025

# SPORTS RESULTS

## Rugby

### U15A Durham 7s (A)

Sedbergh had a slow start in the opening game but secured the first win thanks to some brilliant individual performances. The second match saw continued rustiness, resulting in our first loss.

Determined to bounce back, the boys put on an outstanding display in the third game, showcasing their true potential by playing excellent rugby and keeping the opposition scoreless.

In the fourth match, another strong performance secured our place in the cup final with a victory over a tough Dame Allan's side.

In the final, we were clearly the stronger sevens team, scoring first and leading at halftime. However, the opposition's power and well timed runs made for a back and forth contest. Despite a strong effort, we narrowly lost to a last minute try.

### Sedbergh School Colts C VII - Runners Up @ Sedbergh U14 7s

This was a first outing of the sevens season for Colts C who made significant progress throughout the day and can reflect on an overall positive performance, winning three games and losing to a strong George Watson's College VII twice.

Sedbergh beat Loretto School and Rodillian Academy in the pool stage but were beaten by a Watson's side that had a little too much pace and power for a Brown defence that is in its infancy. Despite this defeat there were many positive moments throughout the pool stage, particularly a 5-minute spell of defence against Watson's and glimpses of the attacking threat Sedbergh could pose when moving the ball at speed and utilising the full width of the field.

Sedbergh qualified for the cup as group runners up and faced an unbeaten Kirkham Grammar School side in the semi-final. This was to be Sedbergh's best performance of the day by some margin with an intensity and sharpness about the Sedbergh play that Kirkham could not match. The entire 12-man squad rotated throughout the match without any reduction in intensity with the final score 42-0 to Brown.

Sedbergh were unable to reach the same levels in the final with a few errors gifting Watson's early momentum. However, Sedbergh rallied strongly to lead in the second half before the Watson's strength saw them run in a few late tries.

Sedbergh can be pleased with their efforts and should look to replicate both the playing style and the mentality demonstrated in the semi-final. If they manage this consistently, they could have a successful half term of sevens.



## **Netball**

### **U18A v Queen Ethelburga's (A) Won 39-35**

The 1st team faced Queen Ethelburga's in an exciting and competitive match that showcased a strong display of netball from both sides.

The game began with a slow and rushed start for Sedbergh, which allowed Queen Ethelburga's to take advantage of early opportunities and take the lead after the first quarter. However, Sedbergh quickly found their rhythm in the second quarter. They switched on defensively, applying pressure all over the court, forcing turnovers, and transitioning swiftly to attack.

The girls made the opposition work hard for every goal and our defensive efforts were pivotal, with players working in unison to shut down Queen Ethelburga's attacking plays. With some perfectly timed feeds and excellent shooting, Sedbergh gradually gained control of the match, and once they took the lead, they were determined not to let it slip.

The team maintained solid connections through the court, demonstrating great teamwork and communication. As the match progressed, Sedbergh's confidence grew, and their clinical finishing saw them secure a well-earned victory.

A standout performance from Sedbergh was evident, with a notable contribution from Evie in the attacking end who also received opposition player of the match. A great game for the girls!

### **U16A v Queen Ethelburga's (A) Lost 30-34**

The Under 16 team fought with determination in a close match against their opponents, showing teamwork and resilience. Despite missing two key defenders, the team stepped up to the challenge, with Bella leading the charge in providing consistent pressure throughout the game. From the start, it was clear that this was going to be a close contest.

The team worked exceptionally well together, communicating and covering every inch of the court. Ava, Lily, and Martha were pivotal in the midcourt, keeping the play flowing and ensuring both attack and defense were constantly on the move. Although the team fought hard and played some of their best netball, the match ended in a narrow loss, with the final score being 30-24. Despite the six-goal deficit, this was without a doubt one of the best performances I've seen from the team.

### **U15A v Queen Ethelburga's (A) Won 38-18**

Sedbergh travelled away and delivered a commanding performance from the outset, asserting their dominance in a friendly encounter against Queen Ethelburgha's College.

Sedbergh set the tone early, carving out an impressive lead with an 11-4 score line by the end of the first quarter. The attacking unit worked seamlessly, displaying excellent court connections. Harriet and Ruby naturally formed an effective duo, while precise feeds from Betsy and Sophie helped maintain the pressure. In defence, Bea, Poppy, and Betsy were instrumental in forcing errors and securing crucial interceptions, setting the pace for the remainder of the game.

The momentum briefly paused in the second quarter; however, new addition Amelia made a significant impact. With four interceptions—two of which resulted in goals—her performance provided a much-needed boost and highlighted the depth of Sedbergh's squad.

The team rediscovered its attacking energy in the third quarter, responding to the earlier lull with a sensational 13-5 scoring burst. Harriet's incisive through-court movement, supported ably by Ruby and Mariella's mirroring in attack, allowed Sedbergh to capitalise on every opportunity. Defensively, Nicole and Emily denied the opposition space and applied relentless pressure, contributing further to the team's impressive display.

Sedbergh secured a well-deserved 38-18 victory. This match was a testament to Sedbergh's cohesive team spirit and tactical expertise, laying a strong foundation for future contests.

Individual accolades were handed out to:

Player of the Match: Bea, whose leadership in defence was pivotal throughout the contest.

Coaches' Players: Poppy and Ruby, whose performances were exemplary.

Special Mention: Sophie, for her versatility in representing both the U15 and U16 teams.

### **U14A v Queen Ethelburga's (A) Won 35-14**

The girls all played brilliantly and it was evident from the start that they were working well as a team. The first quarter saw some excellent shooting from Ursula and Bella, ably assisted by great feeds from Caitlin. The defensive team of Lottie, Penny and Annabel also did well getting lots of intercepts and marking them out of the game. At the end of the first quarter we were up 10-1.

The second quarter saw Emily and Lara come on as GS and GA and they worked really well together in the shooting end. Tamara also had a good quarter at GK, getting some good touches. The original team came back on for the third quarter and Minnie did well showing her pace in mid-court. Annabel and Bella both intercepted a lot of balls meaning that we continued to hold our lead. In the final quarter the girls continued to hold the lead, with Penny working hard in defence to reduce their passes into the D. Overall this was a really impressive match and showed how much they have improved as a team since the start of the year. Player of the match was Caitlin.

## **Swimming**

### **Mixed U18 & U15 v Durham Cathedral Schools Foundation (H) Won 318-250**

This was our 2nd multi school swim meet comprising Sedbergh prep, Sedbergh Seniors and Durham Cathedral School. This was a competitive fixture.

The U15 girls score was 92 p vs Durham 56 points and for the boys Sedbergh 80 and Durham 64. The U18 girls narrowly lost out 2 points behind Durham. Kitty was impressive holding off a rapid Durham swimmer to win the freestyle event. The U18 boys won more convincingly with Sed 82 points to Durham 64 points.

Overall Sedbergh won the fixture with Sed 318 to Durham 250 points.

Strong performances from Alex S and Jamie L. Improved technical performances from Adam and Leontine .

## **Target Shooting**

### **Mixed U18 Tour**

The shooting team had a fantastic weekend, starting with a valuable whole day of training kindly hosted by Glenalmond College. The squad developed skills on a foreign range shoulder to shoulder with other schools.

On Sunday, Sedbergh pitched two teams against St Andrews' University in what is always a tight match. Our teams came 2nd and 4th with some outstanding individual performances, despite a few people having to use unfamiliar kit. Most notably Irene Estebanez Hoyos winning the handicap competition and shooting the single best card of the day with a score of 99/100. Paddy Osmond came out as Sedbergh's top shot with an overall score of 193/200, and Harry Mulligan came away as the top performing novice of the day.

## **Cricket**

### **U18A v Burneside and Sedgwick CC (H)**

The boys played two games today in the Westmorland indoor league, we won the first game off the last ball against Burneside, captain Zeri Tomlinson scoring the 3 required to claim the victory.

We won the second game against Sedgwick CC with a few overs to spare. Henry Balls straight 6's one of the highlights of the chase.

## Fives

### Mixed U18A v Manchester Fives Club (H) Lost 7-2

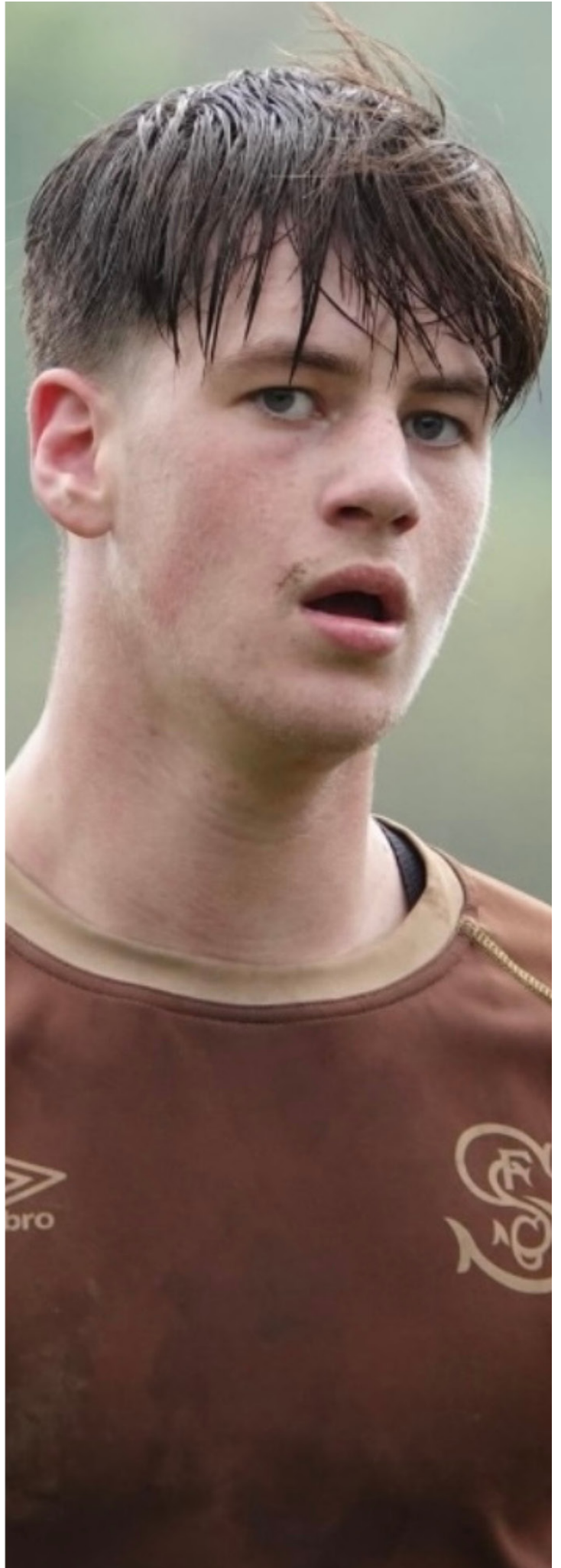
Sedbergh hosted Manchester Fives Club. Our opponents were far more experienced and skilful. Despite sticking valiantly to the task, we were outclassed. Phoenix Ogilvie Robertson was the pick of the Sedbergh players and there were some promising junior performances from Toby Follett, Seb Massey Ford.



## International Call Up

### 4 Pupils Selected for England Age Group Squads

Congratulations to Annie (England U17 Netball) and to Archie, Will and Fergus (England U18 Rugby).





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