



Sedbergh

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SPORTS REPORT

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SPORTS RESULTS

Colours

Hockey

Olivia B and Jemima H for 5 years of incredible dedication to the brown shirt and all it stands for.

Rugby

Boys U18A v Wellington College (A) Lost 20-17

Sedbergh took to the field at Broadstreet under the lights for what proved to be a fiercely contested encounter against Wellington College. This was the last block fixture of the day with every previous team watching on with anticipation.

The group showed commendable focus and clarity in the early exchanges. Playing into a strong wind, the boys managed the game superbly, controlling momentum through disciplined phase play and intelligent territorial decisions. Their composure was rewarded with well-taken opportunities, allowing Sedbergh to build a deserved 17–8 lead by half-time.

The second half, however, presented a different challenge. Wellington applied sustained pressure and Sedbergh were made to defend large periods of the game. A combination of penalties and uncharacteristic errors invited Wellington back into the contest, and at this level those moments proved costly. Wellington showed clinical edge when chances came their way and, to their credit, they capitalised to edge ahead.

Despite a determined late push from Sedbergh, the game finished in a narrow 20–17 defeat. Although the result was disappointing, there was plenty to admire in the intent and physicality, especially in the opening half. The group will take valuable lessons from this performance as they continue to evolve through a demanding season and prepare for their next huge test against Millfield on busk.

Sedbergh U18B V Wellington U18B (A) Won 27-14

Sedbergh's 2nd XV produced a strong all-round performance to claim a deserved 27–14 victory over Wellington, despite a slightly uneven first half in which moments of excellence were occasionally undone by individual errors.

The early stages saw Sedbergh play ambitious, high-tempo rugby, putting together several promising attacking phases. However, a single mistake at key moments repeatedly halted their momentum. Wellington, by contrast, were patient in possession and managed territory effectively. Their reward came midway through the first half when sustained pressure allowed them to open the scoring through a well-executed driving maul.

As half-time approached, Sedbergh refused to let the game slip away. Their defence—outstanding throughout the entire contest—continued to disrupt Wellington's attack, creating turnovers and shutting down space. With the final play of the half, Sedbergh finally clicked into gear, combining pace, accuracy, and composure to cross the line and level the contest.

The second half saw a noticeable shift in Sedbergh's game management. With improved control and decision-making, they built a far stronger platform from which to attack. Their defensive intensity remained exceptional, and as confidence grew, so too did their scoring opportunities. Sedbergh capitalised brilliantly, running in a series of well-taken tries to open up a commanding lead.

Wellington managed a late score in the final minute, sparking the beginnings of a comeback, but the gap was too great to close. Sedbergh's disciplined defence and clinical finishing ensured they closed out a well-earned victory.

At full-time, three Sedbergh players were awarded their 2nd XV colours in recognition of their ongoing contribution to both the team and the wider club—an apt conclusion to a strong team performance and an excellent result.

Boys U18C v Wellington College (A) Won 24-19

The 3rds played some of their best rugby of the season in the first half against a lively Wellington team. With Staal pulling the strings at scrum half the 3rds scored three tries to lead at the break 19-5. The second half was a much closer affair with Wellington working their way into within one score of the Brown with five minutes to play. On his own line under pressure Cockroft kicked towards the wing where Castle caught the ball and ran 80metres to score!

A fantastic win for the 3rds well done boys.

Boys U18D v Wellington College (A) Won 34-21

The 4XV played an exciting game against Wellington 4XV. Both teams started with high intensity, and Wellington put Sedbergh under pressure for the first 10 minutes, scoring in the corner to open the match. With ball in hand, Sedbergh looked strong, but small errors made it difficult to build phases. A break down the wing brought Sedbergh's first score, opening the floodgates as three tries followed in quick succession.

Wellington scored on the last play of the half and came out strongly again in the second half, scoring multiple tries. Sedbergh managed to extend their lead with another score, but Wellington were the better side in the half. Under pressure late in the game, Sedbergh turned the ball over on their own try line and kicked the ball dead to secure a 34-21 win.

Boys U16A v Wellington College (A) Lost 25-31

In a much awaited game for A1, it was Wellington that continued their 100% winning record by beating A1 narrowly after a game of two halves.

Sedbergh started brilliantly and in the first 2 minutes should have scored after some excellent edge to edge play and direct running. However it was Wellington that stepped up and scored 4 unanswered tries against the Brown, with the A1 side lickimng their wounds after some below par tackling and rucking.

However it was the Sedbergh side that ended the first half scoring through wing Taylor after some positive team play and a glimmer of hope was there to see.

The second half started brilliantly for Sedergh scoring within minutes of the restart and the momentum shift was there to see. However a moment of being unfocused led to the Wellington centre sything through the Sedbergh defence and scoring from outside the 22.

Sedbergh responded well and came back to score 3 tries and needing a converted try to tale the lead, but as the clock ticked, it was obvious that there was too much to do. The second half was very much Sedbergh's and the players should be proud of their response to a below par first half. Plenty of lessons learnt and with two games to go, still searching for that 70 minutes.

Boys U15A v Wellington College (A) Won 29-5

Despite completing a relatively comfortable victory, Colts B were somewhat sluggish at Broadstreet RFC for the second time this term. Two scores from attacking lineouts in the first ten minutes put Sedbergh in a strong position but their collective foot came off "the gas", and a series of errors enabled Wellington to find a way into the fixture. Again, there were moments of attacking promise and some strong individual defensive efforts, but the overall performance was clunky and lacked cohesion and urgency. Brown managed to ease away from Wellington in the second half but had they been more clinical the scoreline could have been significantly more one-sided.

Boys U14A v Wellington College (A) Lost 31-14

Sedbergh v Wellington is always a stellar fixture matter the age group or team and the U14 fixture proves to be just that. Two very good sides played a game full of passion and determination. Sedbergh started the brighter but could not cross the line. Wellington took both chances present to them to take a 12-0 lead. Just before half time Sedbergh struck back to make it 12-7.

Half time - Sedbergh 7-12 Wellington

The second half followed a similar pattern with Sedbergh unable to capitalise on pressure while Wellington took their opportunities. The Sedbergh attack always looked dangerous but slower than normal ball and some uncharacteristic handling errors cost the team dearly. The group enter a busy 10-12-day period with King's School Macclesfield, Harrogate Grammar in the Cup and of course our tour game against Millfield. The group will work hard to finish the season with even higher levels of performance than seen all season.

Final Score - Sedbergh 14-31 Wellington

Boys U15B v Kirkbie Kendla U15A (H) Won 50-0

The Sedbergh B2 boys were excited as they made their Busk debut against Kirkbie Kendal U15A. They looked sharp in the warm-up, and the game began swiftly, with Sedbergh dominating possession. Taking advantage of the width of Busk, Sedbergh quickly extended the lead to 14-0, with Joe I and Joe B scoring in each corner. The try flow continued, with scores from Wilf, Joe H, Finn, leading Sedbergh to a 35-0 halftime lead.

The second half started just as quickly, with Logan scoring shortly after the kick-off. Captain Archie put Kirkbie under immense pressure with his clever kicking game. An impressive run from Finn saw him sprint from his own 22m line to the opposition 5m, effortlessly bouncing through four defenders on the way. Joe I made it a brace, and tries from Jack, Oscar, Zach, Nick, and Milo further increased Sedbergh's lead. Sedbergh displayed a dominant performance, showcasing the brilliance of this group of players.

Hockey

Boys U16A Cumbria Cup (A) Won

We had the Cumbria U16 boys cup this afternoon playing against a number of schools at Windermere School.

Our first game was against the hosts Windermere, we started like a house on fire by scoring three goals in the first 5 minutes of the game. We did the basics well and ended up winning 5-0.

Second game was against Penrith which were a lot stronger and put us under pressure during our game in large periods because our boys were missing tackles and couldn't finish well with the opportunities we were given. We managed to put the ball in the back of the net from a hit outside the D area, which was deflected in, again we were victorious, winning 1-0.

On a winning streak we were up against Austen Friars, which put up some fight, but we scored 3 early goals giving us the momentum throughout the rest of the game. Unfortunately we didn't end the game to well with being under pressure and our keeper making some crucial saves to keep us 3-0 up at the end of the game.

Our last game of the afternoon was against Lake Distract Development. We started slowly with a few basic mistakes and lost position of the ball regularly but managed to secure a couple of short corners which we scored from in one of them to put us ahead. We then scored another 3 goals, winning the game 4-0.

Girls U15A v Stonyhurst (H) Drew 1-0

The U15A team faced Stonyhurst in a closely contested match, with both sides displaying similar strengths and skill levels. The first half was intense and evenly matched, resulting in a 0-0 scoreline at halftime despite strong attacking play and disciplined defence from both teams.

Stonyhurst broke the deadlock early in the second half, scoring within the first five minutes. The goal sparked a surge of determination from Sedbergh, who responded with renewed energy and attacking pressure. Their persistence paid off when E Lund calmly slipped in a well taken goal to level the score.

The remainder of the match continued to be competitive, with both teams battling hard and producing exciting hockey. It was a fantastic game to watch, showcasing two well matched sides and great sportsmanship throughout.

POM- L Bayston

Girls U14B v Stonyhurst (H) Won 4-0

The U14B team secured a 4-0 win over Stonyhurst on Tuesday afternoon, despite freezing cold conditions. With the first two goals being scored in the first five minutes by T MacDonald and F Cheape, M Stubbs scored two further goals giving the team a 4-0 lead.

Exceptional play was shown by both L Evans and W Lindsay for their strong defensive play throughout both halves of the game.

Strong communication was used by the girls for the entirety of the game, helping them work together and secure a well-deserved win.

Girls U16A v Oakham School (A) Lost 7-0

The girls faced a strong and well-organised Oakham side and, despite the result, delivered a performance full of determination and growth. After a first half where Sedbergh found themselves on the back foot and defending for long periods, the team showed fantastic resilience and spirit.

In the second half, Sedbergh rediscovered their rhythm, pushing higher up the pitch and creating several promising attacking opportunities. Their work rate, energy, and willingness to take risks brought real momentum and demonstrated how quickly they can raise their level.

Although Oakham ultimately secured the win, it was an excellent match and a valuable learning experience. The girls should be proud of the way they adapted, improved, and competed with increasing confidence as the game went on.

Girls U16B v Windermere School (H) Won 5-1

Despite a sharp drop in temperature, the U16B squad delivered a fantastic performance against Windermere U16A, showcasing grit, teamwork, and confident hockey across the pitch. From the first whistle, the girls demonstrated strong ball movement, transferring effectively through the midfield and connecting well to create attacking opportunities.

The team's efforts were rewarded with a series of well worked goals, netted by E Mannion, I Scott, L Cook, L Watson, and N Astell-Burt, each finishing with composure to secure a dominant attacking display.

What truly stood out was the intelligent play across the team patient build up, clean passes, and excellent spatial awareness allowed U16B to control possession and out manoeuvre their opponents. The defensive line held strong under pressure, while midfield transitions kept momentum in our favour throughout.

A brilliant performance all round, made even more impressive given the freezing conditions. Well done, girls!

POM - N. Astell-Burt

Girls U18A v Trent College (A) Won 3-2

It was barely above freezing at the Nottingham Hockey Centre on Thursday when Sedbergh arrived to play Trent College. Trent open the scoring with a well taken penalty corner. However, Sedbergh were playing well, and it wasn't long before an equaliser was found through Neesham. Minutes later Sedbergh were ahead after a flowing move saw Gresswell finish powerfully. Before halftime Sedbergh made it three thanks to a strong run from Evans, although it was scrappy in front of the Trent keeper the ball somehow found it's way in.

The second half was more even with Trent having a few chances, as did Sedbergh. Trent pulled one back with 10 minutes to go but Sedbergh held on for a good win.

Sedbergh HC v Keswicks 1's (H) Won 8-0

Sedbergh produced an excellent all-round team performance against Keswick, with players ranging from Year 9 right up to Upper Sixth all contributing brilliantly. The blend of youth, experience, and the welcome support of staff created a strong, cohesive unit that worked together to secure a well-deserved win.

The match provided a fantastic opportunity for developing players to gain valuable club-level experience, and they rose to the challenge with confidence and enthusiasm. Their progress was clear to see, and the older players led by example throughout.

A huge thank you to everyone who gave up their weekend to represent the Sedbergh club.

Netball

Girls U14A County Cup (H) Won

On Wednesday we hosted the U14 County Tournament involving 10 teams, including our U14 A team.

The girls started strong winning their first 2 pool matches and everyone taking to court. In the third match the girls made some errors resulting in being 1 goal down at half time but the second half they came out firing quickly turned the game around to take a 3rd win. The fourth game saw another win and meant the girls topped their group and would face KKS in the semi final.

The match started goal for goal but the girls were determined to take a lead and some great through court attack saw them up at half time. KKS came back strong in the second half but the girls continued to apply the pressure and saw the game through to take the win and into the final.

The final was against Kirby Stephen and we knew this was going to be a close game. Kirby Stephen took an early lead but not wanting to lose this final match, the girls dug deep and brought the game back level. The game went as expected and at full time it was level, meaning we had to play extra time to determine a winner. The girls dug deep and managed to find that extra push to get in front and holding their nerve to the final whistle to claim the win and winners of the tournament.

The girls will now join the U19s and U16s at the regional round, along with KSGS who were the runners up. Well done girls!

Running

British Cross Challenge / Mid Lancs XC League

One of the biggest fixtures in the British cross-country calendar — the Liverpool leg of the British Athletics Cross Challenge, doubling as the key selection race for the European Cross Country Championships — unfortunately clashed with Sedbergh's EXEAT weekend, leaving much of the school's usual firepower unavailable.

Nevertheless, a small but determined Sedbergh contingent made the trip to Sefton Park to test themselves against the strongest fields assembled anywhere in the UK this winter.

U15 Girls (3.0km)

In a race stacked with national medallists and championship contenders, Lucia C (10R) battled bravely while carrying a foot injury. Despite clearly not being at her best, she dug deep to finish 19th out of 175 runners, an impressive result given her disrupted preparation.

Teammate Scarlett B-P (9R) made her debut at this elite level and handled the occasion with maturity, gaining valuable experience racing against the very best in the country.

U17 Men (4.4km)

The U17 Men ran in a combined race with the U20 Men, producing a huge field of over 380 athletes charging downhill through the opening 500m — a chaotic, high-adrenaline start where it was impossible to distinguish age categories.

Still returning from a foot problem, Hugo B (12SH) positioned himself bravely near the front of the massed pack and held his form well over the churned-up, energy-sapping course, finishing 38th in the U17 standings at an impressive 3:20/km pace. Given the scale and quality of the field, it was an excellent performance.

U17 Women (4.4km)

Both Fiona S (12L) and Mathilda C (12C) made their Sedbergh XC debuts at this level. The Liverpool course — flat in places but made heavy and strength-sapping by thousands of previous runners — presented a stern introduction, but both athletes embraced the challenge and will take confidence from competing in such high-quality company.

Senior Men (8.0km)

With 921 runners on the start line, the Senior Men's race was pure cross-country chaos. As the television cameras rolled and the gun fired, Old Sedberghian James Corrigan surged off the line with fearless intent — briefly in the leading pack before being swallowed by the stampede behind him. He finished in a very respectable 469th.

Richard Wells, mindful of the danger of being trampled in the opening seconds, set off at what he described as "a ridiculous speed", before settling into a gritty rhythm across the mud, cambers and long drags of Sefton Park. He crossed the line 266th, a strong showing in one of the deepest fields anywhere in Europe.

What's Next?

Sedbergh's runners now look ahead to a busy and exciting week:

Wednesday 26th November — Sedbergh hosts the South Lakes District Schools XC Trials.

Saturday 29th November — A large Sedbergh group will head to the Ravenstonedale 10k, a much-loved local road race.

More racing, more experience, and the momentum continues to build as the winter season gathers pace.



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