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## Saint Mary's Rugby Earns Fifth Place at Collegiate Seven's Championship

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Saint Mary's men's rugby competed in the first Collegiate Seven's Rugby National Championship at Texas A&M University in mid-December. Out of 24 teams from throughout the country, the Gaels finished in fifth place with a 5-1 record.

The Gaels' only loss came against Central Washington University. Central Washington qualified for the finals but lost to Life College of Atlanta.

Both Bubba Jones and Kingsley McGowen qualified for the USA Rugby All-tournament team. Ten of the twelve players on the team scored tries. Saint Mary's totaled 177 points during the tournament, more than any team

Back row, from left: Tony Samaniego (Coach), Mark Bass (Coach), Garrett Brewer, Kelly Harris, Anthony Suizio, Andrew Cook, Jake Holquin, Nick Wallace, Chad Clark, Bubba Jones, Kingsley McGowan, John Tyler (Coach); front row: Joe Brophy, Robert Carlson, and Mike Haley Photo provided

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