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Saint Mary's Rugby Beats Cal

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SMC rugby earned a win 33 years in the making. After five years of close matches but no wins, the Gaels downed East Bay rival Cal, 20-18, on April 15. It was the first time since 1980 that the match-up did not have any bearing on post-season play, but neither team let that lessen the intensity.

Saint Mary's scored a penalty kick with three minutes left in the game to come from behind to capture a 20-18 lead and take the win.

The Gaels host the University of Utah on May 5 for the first round of the playoffs.

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