



A Trinity player is well tackled by a Royalist with more opposition from Royal flanker Wasin Bawa.



Royal prop Iroshan de Alwis is tackled by Trinitian Sachinthaka Perera.



## Bradby fever is on



Royal College cleared their first hurdle in their attempt to retain the Bradby Shield for the third successive year when they defeated traditional rivals Trinity College 33-25 in the first leg of their 67th annual inter school rugby encounter at the Bogambara Stadium in Kandy.

Royal College also maintained their

unbeaten record and went to register their seventh successive victory to remain on top of the points table in the ongoing Singer Division One League championship.

Royal despite performing away from home put up another gallant performance to pull off a hard fought victory while collecting their points from two goals,

two tries and three penalties. This was easily Royal's best performance for the current season considering the amount of pressure and the tough situation they were up against from the kick off.

They stuck to the basics and played to their potential with the set of mobile forwards spear-headed by Sri Lanka youth cap

Shehan Pathirana leading from the front. The Royal 'back' was simply outstanding and they always threatened to score whenever they entered the Trinity territory.

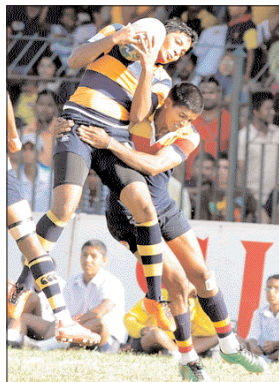
In addition fly half Arshad Jamaldeen had a magnificent game with his intelligent kicks to touch and converting three crucial penalties.



Royal fly half Arshad Jamaldeen in the process of kicking over a penalty.



Trinity skipper Murad Ramzeen is tackled by Royal's Azman Khan and counter play with more opposition coming from Royal's Damien Ratwatte.



Royal's Malaka Ihalagedara is well tackled by Trinity flanker Savinda Unamboowe.



Trinity lock forward Sachinthaka Perera (No. 5) is tackled by a Royalist with support coming from two of his team-mates.



Trinity's centre Dilshan Kalaniyagodā advances after evading a tackle by Royal's fly half Arshad Jamaldeen.

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