

tendency that could today see either of them replacing the World number one as European Open champion.

The 'K' club professional yesterday became the second man to reduce the East Sussex National course to manageable proportions when he shot a third round 65 to get within striking distance of Gor-

St Mary's destroy Dolphin

St Mary's College48
Dolphin20

From Tony Whelan
at Templeville Road

THERE was much about this performance by St Mary's that was reminiscent of last year's campaign—a machine slow to start, but, once warmed up almost impossible to stop.

St Mary's total should have been much more, mistimed and dropped passes halting inevitable tries. In full flow their backline was a joy, with six of the eight tries total coming from their ranks.

The St Mary's pack dominated, with New Zealander Brent Pope tearing holes in the Dolphin defence.

St Mary's winger Tony Gillen was instrumental in his team's first two tries. After just five minutes he broke inside the Dolphin half and fed outhalf Nicky Barry who scored in the corner. Almost 20 minutes later in an identical move he fed scrumhalf Kenny Lawless who dived to score in the same corner. Two minutes later Gillen helped himself to a fine try after a jinking run.

Ten minutes into the second half loose head prop Derek Dowling crashed over after a tight rolling maul. Five minutes later Lawless crossed for his second try.

St Mary's did much as they pleased, with Pope crossing for one try and centre Gary Lavin crossing for two more tries. Full back Aidan White manager to convert just four of the eight tries.

Dolphin's 20 points came from the boot of outhalf Alan Byrne who kicked five penalties, Paul Giltinan taking one try.

ST MARY'S: A White, T Gillen, V Cunningham, G Lavin, S Butler, N Barry, K Lawless, G Kelly, M Corcoran, B Dowling, T Coughlin, S Jameson (capt), K Potts, K Devlin, B Pope; Subs: M Thorn for Barry, B Keane for Kelly

DOLPHIN: J Clarke, B Keary, C O'Mahony, P Giltinan, P McNamara, A Byrne, R Abbot, T Kingston, D Byrnes, T Keogh, J Glavin, P Scott, S Holden (capt), E Walsh; Subs: O Barrett for E Walsh, A McGonnell for P McNamara, S Kilgrew for O Barrett

Referee: Gordon Black (Leinster)