



MATCH REPORT

BANBRIDGE HOCKEY CLUB

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	RESULT	TIME	COMPETITION
12/10/2019	H 2019/20 3 4 UCD	14:45	
OWEN MAGEE (2), SAM FARSON (1)			

On a blustery afternoon at Havelock Park, Banbridge lost out to UCD by the odd goal in seven. The Dublin students took the lead just before the end of the first quarter when they were awarded a penalty stroke after a deliberate foul by a Bann defender. Returning goalkeeper Gareth Lennox could do little to keep out Conor Empey's flick.

Much to the home crowd's disbelief, UCD doubled their lead early on in the second quarter against the run of play. Poor control in the Bann defence saw the ball drop to Andrew Meates who drilled it into the bottom corner giving Lennox no chance. Owen Magee pulled one back for Bann with a controlled reverse stick strike in the 26 th minute.

Banbridge has a string of penalty corners but Max Maguire in the UCD goal was comfortable in keeping his goal intact from the set piece plays. Constant Bann pressure saw them equalise early in the second half from open play when Sam Farson deflected a wicked cross high into the UCD goal. This gave much spirit to the home side as they pushed on to try and take the lead.

However, the home side's fragile self-confidence was demonstrated when they conceded two quick goals in the final quarter. UCD took the lead again from a Guy Saratt penalty corner and he added his second from open play two minutes later. Owen Magee gave Bann hope with five mins to go but despite constant pressure Bann couldn't find an equaliser.

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