



MATCH REPORT

BANBRIDGE HOCKEY CLUB

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	A	RESULT	0	7	COOKSTOWN 4S	TIME	COMPETITION
30/11/2019	A	2019/20	0	7	COOKSTOWN 4S	16:00	

Banbridge Fourths played Cookstown Fourths on Saturday 30th November in the Junior Three League.

The Banbridge team consisted of Elliot Haw in goal; Mark Clydesdale, David Morrison, Nigel Allister and Josh Holden in defence; Harry Farson, Ryan Jones, John Scott, Nathan Reid in midfield; Josh McAdam and Luke Watt in attack. The only substitute was Dylan McCluskey. A special thanks goes to Cheryl Holden for umpiring.

Banbridge got off to a very good start. The movement and passing in the opening moments was very impressive. Luke Watt and Josh McAdam had early chances to score and forced the Cookstown goalkeeper into some good saves. However, it was Cookstown who scored first through some very good play from ex-Ireland international Andrew Barbour, 1-0.

The second quarter was quite evenly balanced. Nathan Reid and Luke Watt enjoyed several good attacks down the right hand side. Harry Farson and John Scott linked up well as they attacked down the left as well. Ryan Jones broke up play really well in the centre of the pitch. Despite this Cookstown scored from a short corner. They also had several chances to extend their lead, but Elliot Haw made some outstanding saves to keep them at bay. David Morrison also made a high stick save off the line from close range. The first half finished 2-0.

The second half was difficult and saw Cookstown score three goals. Their experience came more and more to the fore. One of their forwards scored a superb lofted shot as well. The defence had to work hard in the second half. Dylan McCluskey and Josh Holden made some very good interceptions and Nigel Allister commanded the defence well, providing relief from his pinpoint passing.

The fourth quarter was all about damage limitation. Nigel Allister went off early after a bang to the head. Mark Clydesdale slotted in at centre back and showed his usual array of composure and skill. David Morrison was also hit just below the knee from a Cookstown shot. With no other substitutes there was no other option, but to play on. The match finished 7-0, but the score line did not reflect the overall game.

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