



MATCH REPORT

BANBRIDGE HOCKEY CLUB

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	RESULT	TIME	COMPETITION
05/02/2022	H 2021/22 2 2 THREE ROCK ROVERS	16:15	
SAM FARSON (1), DAVID FINLAY (1)			

Banbridge returned to EYHL action after the winter break with a battling 2-2 draw at home to league leaders Three Rock Rovers. Scott McCandless' side welcomed back Peter Brown and Josh Moffett after their injuries before Christmas.

The game got off to the perfect start for Bann when straight from the hit off they took the lead. An aerial ball from Luke Witherow fell to David Finlay who fired the ball high into the net with only 13 seconds gone. This early action well and truly woke up both teams and set the tone for a close-fought tussle. Phillip Brown saw his effort from the home side's first penalty corner charged down before Three Rock equalised from open play in the second quarter. Just before half time Bann retook the lead from a penalty corner, when a well worked routine saw Alex Tinney's shot deflected in by Sam Farson.

The third quarter saw a flurry of yellow cards as the umpires lost patience after a succession of fouls. Three Rock dominated this period and had chances to equalise from a series of penalty corners but Luke Roleston in the home goal showed why he has matured into one of the best goalkeepers in the league as he kept out all three efforts. However there was little he could do when 10 minutes from the end, the Bann defence switched off and allowed Ben Johnston to sneak in and score his second goal. A final penalty corner to Bann in the closing minutes saw another routine break down and both teams left Havelock with a point.

Ulster Carpet's sponsored Banbridge's busy EYHL schedule for the next few months continues in Dublin next Saturday with a 3:50pm start at Dublin YMCA.

Squad:

Luke Roleston, Alexander Tinney (captain), Phillip Brown, Sam Farson, Eugene Magee, Charlie Rowe, Luke Witherow, Owen Magee, Mark Cowan, Johnny McKee, David Finlay, Louis Rowe, Christopher Curry, Matthew McKee, Peter Brown, Josh Moffett.

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