



MATCH REPORT

BANBRIDGE HOCKEY CLUB

MATCH DETAILS

DATE	A	RESULT			TIME	COMPETITION
26/02/2022	A	2021/22	5	3	PEMBROKE	14:30
OWEN MAGEE (1), PHILIP BROWN (1), JOHNNY MCKEE (1), JOSH MOFFETT (1), LOUIS ROWE (1)						

Banbridge kept the pressure on the teams above them in the EYHL league table with a comprehensive win in Dublin at Pembroke Wanderers. With the experienced Eugene Magee absent, coach Scott McCandless gave schoolboy Tommy Dobson his competitive 1st XI debut and he didn't disappoint. A mature display saw him fit into an attacking midfield whose pace caused Pembroke endless problems.

A slow start from Bann saw the home side take the lead when Greg Chambers slotted in at the far post. Phillip Brown had Bann level by the end of the first quarter when he fired a penalty corner through the Pembroke keepers' legs. A series of penalty corners early in the second quarter saw Bann awarded a penalty stroke when Johnny McKee's shot was blocked on the line by a defender's body. McKee stepped up to slot the stroke low into the corner. Pembroke's talisman Alan Southern equalised on the stroke of half time when a Bann indiscretion resulted in a penalty corner which Southern cleverly put away after beating the first runner.

Bann upped the tempo in the second half and quickly went two goals in front. After another Philip Brown penalty corner was saved, Owen Magee saw his reverse stick shot squeeze through the keeper's legs and dribble over the line. Minutes later a long Alexander Tinney pass saw Louis Rowe beat three defenders at the top of the circle before setting up Josh Moffett to slot home. Southern scored again from a penalty corner to reduce the deficit for the home side and he had several more corners in the final quarter but these were well defended by Bann. The moment of the match was reserved for young Louis Rowe who sealed the points for Bann when he waltzed through the Pembroke defence before dummied the goalkeeper and rolling the ball into the empty net to the delight of the large travelling support.

Ulster Carpets sponsored Banbridge find themselves at home to Glenanne next Saturday in the EYHL at Havelock Park at 2:45pm.

Squad:

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

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