



# MATCH REPORT

## BANBRIDGE HOCKEY CLUB

### MATCH DETAILS

DATE	RESULT	TIME	COMPETITION
13/11/2021	A 2021/22 3 1 ANNADALE	14:30	
PHILIP BROWN (1), CHRIS CURRY (1), JOHNNY MCKEE (1)			

The all Ulster EYHL showdown at Lagan College proved to be a happy one for Banbridge Head Coach Scott McCandless as he saw his young troops put in a mature and controlled performance as they disposed of a strong Annadale side. Bann were missing the experience of Eugene Magee, Peter Brown, Bruce McCandless and Josh Moffett through injury so the pressure was on schoolboys Matthew McKee and Ben Pollock to step up and fill the large boots.

The fiesty affair saw several cards for both teams in the first half but Bann coped well and they continued to play with guts and determination throughout the game. The visitors were 1-0 in front at the end of the first quarter after Johnny McKee's great flick pass from the byeline saw Christopher Curry tap in at the back post. Annadale equalised in the second quarter when a long ball from midfield found Robbie Davidson free in the circle and he slapped past the advancing Roleston in the Bann goal. However, it only took four minutes for the lead to be restored when Phillip Brown rattled a low drag flick off the backboards from a penalty corner.

While the third quarter produced no goals, Bann increased their dominance in the game especially on the counter-attack. David Finlay saw his effort go just wide of the post and Ben Pollock was brought down as he approached the circle with the resulting penalty corner deflected past the goal. Five minutes into the final quarter Owen Magee broke down the left flank and crashed a signature reverse stick cross into the circle for Johnny McKee to dive full stretch and deflect home Bann's third goal. The home side rallied in the closing minutes with several penalty corners but Bann captain Alexander Tinney led his troops over the line to secure the 3-1 victory.

Ulster Carpets sponsored Banbridge move up to 5th in the EYHL table and next Saturday they are at home to the league's bottom side UCD 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, David Finlay, Louis Rowe, Christopher Curry, Matthew McKee, Ben Pollock, Joel Reid.

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