

UCD moved into the Final of the 2012 Crowley Cup.



Under the blistering sun UCD took on UL Wolves in Belfield for a place in the Crowley Cup final. UCD did not have it all their own way as the Wolves looked hungry and the Belfield Students battled hard to keep them from the door in the early exchanges. Alan Sutton broke the deadlock in the first half with a fine finish. UL battled back and created several good chances that could have seen UCD under further pressure. The assured Eric Barber in the UCD net built from the back and arrived on time when needed. Saheed Ogunfowora is enjoying his Crowley Cup and he added another goal to his haul when he finished smartly after a fine UCD move. The Wolves were sent packing late in the game when Cormac Suen came off the bench to deliver the final blow to a UL team that probably deserved a goal for their efforts.

In the other semi final, Queens University Belfast took the lead in the first period of extra time and held on to book their place in the Final. With the scores locked at nil all after 90 minutes the game went to the required extra 30 minutes. Queens will rue their poor form in front of goal which would ultimately lead to the extra periods. Queens' Owen Farnan would pop up to give the Northerners the lead against NUI Maynooth but Maynooth bounced right back earning a penalty. Cometh the hour, cometh the man, and up stepped the Queens keeper to parry the ball to safety as the Maynooth effort was saved. Queens clamped down on any further misdemeanours in their own box and booked their place in the final.

In the Crowley Plate, UCC came out on top 4-0 against their rivals UCC Corbetts. A Breffni McCarthy hat trick was added to by Cillian O'Conghaile as the first team in Cork proved their dominant status. They will take on UL in the final of the plate. UL dispatched of both Trinity College and St Mary's Belfast, 2-1 and 4-0 respectively.