

UCD AFC were beaten in the final of the Crowley Cup by Queens University.



The sun was out again on Sunday as the finals of the Crowley Cup and Plate took place. UCD clashed with Queens University Belfast in the Cup Final. UCD had by far the easier journey to the final, winning both previous games comfortably. St Mary's Belfast were dispatched 6-0 and UL Wolves were defeated by 3-0. Queens on the other hand were twice involved in extra time as they battled through to the Crowley Cup Final held in Belfield.

Queens took the lead in the first half when Fergal McCloskey burst through to finish past Eric Barber in the UCD net. UCD did not take long to recover and found themselves back on level terms not long later. Alan Sutton was a constant threat up front and he finished coolly to give UCD a deserved equaliser. UCD started the second half on the front foot and had several good chances to finish off



Queens but could not find the net. As UCD pushed forward they were hit with a killer counter attack. An inch perfect ball over the UCD defence found Owen Farnan 40 yards from goal and with Barber advancing, he picked his spot and finished expertly as Queens took the Crowley Cup back to Belfast for the first time since 1993.

In the Final of the Crowley Plate competition, UL ran out 3-2 winners over UCC. UCC will feel very hard done by as they dominated a game they really should have won. UL stuck to their guns and stayed with Cork all the way before pulling the killer punch late in the game. UCC drew first blood when David Walsh popped up to put the ball in the back of the net. UL came storming back and notched two goals to give them a 2-1 lead. David Walsh was at it



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