

UCD Freshers beat Trinity Freshers 3-0 in the annual Colours match held in College Park, Trinity.



The Freshers Colours match is always a keenly fought contest and 2011 version proved to be no different as UCD held their nerve on a difficult surface in College Park to put three goals past Trinity College and the bragging rights firmly on the Belfield Campus.

The normally perfect College Park pitch began to cut up immediately and proved a test for UCD's young pretenders as they attempted to impose their passing style on the game. Thomas O'Brien was the first UCD player to test the opposition keeper and his impressive volley was well saved. Stiofain Sexton showed him how it was done minutes later when he watched the ball come over his shoulder before smashing it past the keeper. UCD attempted to push forward to press home their advantage but struggled in the difficult conditions.

The second half was a mirror image of the first with UCD beginning to dominate but constantly hindered by the troublesome conditions. Cillian Morrison and Robbie Benson came on for Alan Sutton and Kevin Dunne and had an immediate impact. Benson picked up the ball 35 yards out and smashed a left footed effort straight into the top corner leaving Trinity with a mountain to climb.

Morrison was not to be outdone by his substitute partner and arrived on time at the back post to bundle the ball across the line following a Tristan Dent header. Trinity began to put UCD under further pressure but UCD's defence stood firm and the three goals saw them through.

UCD: Barber, Westman, Dent, Keogh, Wright, Dunne (Benson), Hanley, O'Brien (Ferrera), Muldowney (Ogunfowora), Sexton, Sutton (Morrison)