

UCD AFC lost their opening game of the LSL Senior 1 Sunday season, 1-0 to Leixlip United



UCD kicked off the 2012/13 campaign with an unlucky 1-0 defeat at the hands of league leaders Leixlip United in a sunny Belfield on Sunday morning.

After an impressive pre-season, UCD were out of the traps quickest and had the better of the early exchanges with some fantastic displays of possession football, but failed to take advantage of their early dominance.

Despite impressive build up play, UCD were lacking that final touch in front of goal as Niall Daly and Tristan Dent both had chances to give the students the lead.

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Inevitably Leixlip fought their way back into the game and Sean Coffey was on top form to keep UCD level as wave after wave of Leixlip attack kept the UCD shot stopper busy. On balance 0-0 at the break was a fair scoreline.

Leixlip came out strongly after the break and UCD had to defend well to weather the storm and keep things at 0-0 heading into the last 20 minutes.

UCD got on top again in the last 20 minutes and looked the more likely of the two teams to take the lead, as James Timmons' effort rebounded off the post and Eoin Roche went close with a long range free kick.

But in the dying minutes it was Leixlip who eventually broke the deadlock. A well delivered corner was met at the front post with an unstoppable header to break UCD hearts and keep Leixlip's unbeaten record in Senior 1 intact.

UCD team: Coffey, O'Reilly, Naughton, Davey, Dent, Timmons, Whelan (Roche 70'), Moran, Daly (Sexton 70'), Campion, Curtin Subs : McGroarty, Doyle, Keogh, McErlane, Lynagh