

U20's record 1st Defeat of the Season.

UCC vs. Cork Con Mardyke October 22nd 2022

UCC 38 CCFC 8

The U20's had a reality check last Saturday V UCC in game 3 of the Donal Walsh Trophy where at 38-8, we were well beaten on the scoreboard.

While squad injuries and unavailabilities were mitigating factors - the team battled throughout and will have learned much from the outing - both in terms of sharpening the defensive organisation and being more clinical in attack.

The team started well and frustrated UCC with our scrum in particular enjoying a dominant first half. While UCC played a quick tempo game they also showed patience to initially capitalise on a good lineout maul and secondly well organized attack support play to get 2 converted tries and a penalty on board before half time.

In response, Lucas Hagermark converted a Con penalty with the half closing out with UCC capably defending a sustained Con attack on their goal line. A half time score of 17-3 was scant reward for the Con first half effort - well led up front by Evan O Riordan, Josh Daly and Eoghan McKay.

The game got away from Con after half time when early Con pressure didn't bring a reward and the college tacked on a quick score to go 24-3 ahead. Con did push on to score their own unconverted try by Ben Twomey after some quick penalties and hands by Harry Mitchell and Hagermark reducing the deficit to 24-8. But that was as good as it got for Con with UCC scoring two further converted tries as the game came to its conclusion and benches introduced.

Next up is a tough fixture away to Old Crescent on Wednesday 2nd November next.

Scorers - Tries Ben Twomey

Penalty - Lucas Hagermark