

Hockey – Scotland Women v Ireland Women, November Series, Match 3

Ireland complete the treble at Glasgow Green



Captained for this match by Edinburgh University's Becky Merchant, Scotland women lost 1-0 to Ireland in the third and final encounter of the test series against a tough Irish side one place above them in the world rankings.

This game, like the previous two, was a closely fought match with the visitors just edging the result through clinical finishing.

Ireland looked the most likely side to score in the first half but found Scotland's goalkeeper Lucy Camlin on top form. Ireland won two penalty corners; the first was well saved by Camlin low to her right, while the other sailed over the bar.

The Scots' best chance of the half came in 24 minutes when both Sarah Jamieson and Emma McGregor fired shots goal-wards only to see them blocked by the Irish goalkeeper.

As the half drew to a close the Irish were awarded two further penalty corners, neither of which were successful, and the half ended goalless.



The Scots were caught cold in the opening minute of the second half when they conceded another penalty corner, but, despite a brilliant double save from Camlin, Ireland's Nicola Daly was on hand to force the ball home. The reversal stimulated the Scots into action, winning two penalty corners, but both of

Kareena Cuthbert`s efforts were blocked. Then the Western Wildcats` player had a good run and shot but it went wide of the target.

Although the Irish were awarded two further set pieces, the Scots continued to search for the equaliser. Another penalty corner was forthcoming but, again, Cuthbert`s shot was charged down by an Irish defender.

Scotland, with a strong support at their back continued to press for the elusive goal as they moved the ball around the pitch at pace, Ireland battling hard at the back to keep them at bay. In the closing minutes a cross by Millie Brown created a scramble in the circle but the danger was cleared and Ireland`s single goal separated the sides at the final hooter.

Scotland`s Captain, [Becky Merchant](#), gives her reaction to the match.

Basis of match report courtesy of Scottish Hockey

Images from the match will [appear here](#) over the next few days