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Danske Bank MacCormack Cup semi-final

Omagh CBS 0-15 Abbey CBS 0-9

Wednesday will be a maroon evening at the Queen's Arena as Omagh CBS won the "Battle of the Brothers" on Saturday and joined St Ronan's Lurgan in the Danske Bank McCormick Cup final.

Opponents Abbey started well with three points in the opening ten minutes from Cormac Donnelly, Ronan Fegan and Blian McGrath, but then they lost their way and didn't score again until the 39th minute, by which time Omagh had opened up a six points' lead.

The teams were deadlocked on 0-3 each for a good part of the first half, but two points from PT Cunningham and one from Eoghan Donnelly just before the break opened a gap that widened with three more points shortly after half time from Cunningham, Oisin Donnelly and Eoghan Keenan.

Aidan McEvoy and Liam Rafferty slowed the Omagh gallop to the line with two points inside 60 seconds, but the Tyrone team still had the momentum and even goalie Brendan Gallen got in on the scoring with a long range free as they pushed on during the last quarter.

Abbey had strong performances from the McEvoy twins at corner back, Ruairí McCormick, Aodhan McEvoy and Ronan Fegan, but overall Omagh were the stronger team with Eoghan Byrne and Cathair Goodwin catching the eye at the back, Eoghan Keenan in midfiled and Oisin Donnelly and team captain Peter óg McCartan up front.

Omagh CBS: PT Cunningham 0-5, Oisin Donnelly 0-3, Eoghan Donnelly 0-1, Cathair Goodwin 0-1, Eoghan Keenan 0-1, Brendan Gallen 0-1, Tiarnan Murray 0-1, Aidan Donaghy 0-1, Odhran Rafferty 0-1.

Abbey CBS : Ronan Fegan 0-5, Cormac Donnelly 0-1, Blian McGrath 0-1, Aodhan McEvoy 0-1, Liam Rafferty 0-1.