

NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YOUTH GIRLS

MATCH REPORT

NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YG10 RED (0) vs LEICHHARDT CYGNETS (0) ROUND 1 - SUNDAY 2 APRIL 2023 GLOVER STREET OVAL

Our u10 Red girls headed out to Glover Street Oval, to take on the Leichhardt Cygnets, a new opposition for any Lightning team as they fielded their very first girls team. Whilst the ground the ground was damp and spotted with a few good-sized puddles, the rain eased sufficiently for the duration of the game.

All of the Lightning girls played incredibly well, whilst also playing in the right spirit against a team that was very nervous about taking the field and very green (and not the little bit that was on their uniform)!

For the first game of the season, the standard of play was impressive to say the least, with the following highlights to be noted:

- Elsie's marking and kicking in midfield.
- Alanna being a defensive block in the backline early in the game and continuously pumping back into the middle zone.
- Maddie's defensive efforts stopping a goal right on the goal-line and then working it back out (and almost doing it a second time)
- Lucy and Maddie working incredibly well in the forward line late in the game with plenty of communication and running when it was just the 2 of them in there.
- Isabelle, Kira, Georgia, Georgia, Alanna the way you played in your first game and just slotted in as if you have played plenty of games before.
- The running with the ball particularly from Ash, Georgia G, Nathalie and Lucy.



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- The confidence of Nathalie to use her height in the ruck.
- The tackling efforts and attempts to clear the ball when tackled from Georgia B, Hazel, Kira and Isabelle was great to see.
- Some decent hauls of goals with Georgia G kicking 6 and Maddie 4. Also noting first ever goals kicked as Lightning players for Georgia G, Kira and Georgia B.
- And finally the general understanding of the rules was superb.

Overall a great first game!

Score: NWL Red 0.0.0 drew with Leichhardt Cygnets 0.0.0

Goals: Georgia G 6.0, Maddie 4.0, Lucy 2.1 (plus 1.1 when playing for Leichhardt), Ash 2.0, Kira 1.0,

Georgia B 1.0, Hazel 0.2, Elsie 0.1

Photos below



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