

### NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YOUTH GIRLS

### **MATCH REPORT**

NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YG 14/3 (69) vs KELLYVILLE ROUSE HILL MAGPIES (18)

ROUND 2 - SUNDAY 23 APRIL 2023 Balmoral Street Reserve, Kellyville

#### Summary of Game

The YGU14/3 Lightning squad built on their strong performance from round 1 to come home with a victory for the first time in season 2023.

The sky cleared up and the game was played under sunny skies with dry conditions- which was relief to the girls and supporters alike after the round 1 mud bowl!

The girls, led out by captain for the day, Rachael, where ready for a quick game on a shortened field due to smaller school holiday numbers. There was lots of support and talking to each other on and off the field which is great to see as the team continues to bond.

The first quarter was a battle as each team tried to get on top of the other. The backline held firm with defensive pressure and ball awareness from Georgia Waters, Georgia Wilk, and Alyssa H. This group likes to tackle and stop the forward progress of the opposition.

The midfield group was strong again this week led by Asha, Savannah, Scarlett, Imogen, and Olivia. There was good handpassing and great awareness of where their teammates were and even predicting where they were heading. Ruck duties were shared by Eva and Agnes. They won most clearances out of the centre which provided a great platform.

The forward line anchored by Angela, Sam, and Rachael maintained forward pressure and kept the scoreboard ticking over. The scoring started in the second quarter and continued until the final siren. The whole team should be proud of how they moved the ball into the Lightning forward half all game.

It was great to see the girls' hard work rewarded with a big victory. Its on to round 3 and a home game (Ern Holmes) against the Manly Bombers.

Score Northwest Lightning YGU14/3: 10.9.69

Kellyville/Rouse Hill Magpies YGU14/3: 2.6.18

Goals: Sam M (6), Savannah, Eva, Asha, Rachael

Report by Brian Hurd



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