



NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YOUTH GIRLS

MATCH REPORT

NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YG U10's Blue (0) vs WILLOUGHBY / MOSMAN
WILDCATS (0)
ROUND 5 - SUNDAY 14 May 2023
ROFE PARK HORNSBY HEIGHTS

In what turned out to be a beautiful Mother's Day afternoon at our home ground Rofe Park, our Lightning Blue girls showed that they are a force to be reckoned with against the Willoughby / Mosman Wildcats.

We turned up with 13 players, Willoughby / Mosman 11. Each quarter we subbed them 1 player to make it a 12 players per side game.

Today was pretty special, not only was it Mother's Day, but we were playing along side our Northwest Lightning u10's Red team. This meant we got to do our warm up with the whole squad, it would have looked intimidating for our opposition teams.





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This week was AFL's Community Umpire Recognition round – Before the start of the match, girls from both teams lined up to cheer and clap the Umpires for the work that they do, they are a big reason we can play each and every week.



The game started with a forward line of Sofia, Maddison, Indi and Emily P, Mid field was taken care of by Zahra, Alexandra, Valentina and Emily C. Olivia, Lucy, Elise and Samantha covered the backs.

Emily S subbed in for the Willoughby / Mosman Wildcats in the first quarter.

The umpires whistle sounded for the start of the game, Emily C was in the ruck and made an easy tap to her fellow mid fielders. The ball was then ushered down to the forward line and in a blink of an eye, Sofia scored the first goal of the match.



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The mid field then moved the ball back around, Valentina and Emily C made a number of great tackles, Lucy, Olivia worked to pick up loose balls from those tackles and move it forward. The ball made its way to our forward line again for Emily P to kick us another goal.

Indi had a tricky shot for goal only for it to hit the post for a behind. Samantha took a great mark off the boot of the Wildcats as it quickly headed toward their goal line. Again, the ball headed towards our forwards and Maddison kicked a goal for the Blues.



Late in the first quarter Indi took a mark near the 1/3 line and put in a long kick to score the Blue their 4th goal of the game.

Second quarter started with Emily S in the forwards along with Samantha, Lucy and Olivia, Emily P, Maddison, Indi and Sofia in the Mid field and the backs had Valentina, Emily C, Alexandra and Zahra. Elise was subbed in for the Wildcats.





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The tackling was strong from both sides. There was a lot of rucks from tackles which meant both teams were doing a good job of wrapping up the arms of their opposition and not letting them get the ball away.



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Emily S scored a goal about half way through the second quarter and Olivia kicked a massive high ball at goal from near the 1/3 line for it to go through the middle sticks.

At half time the girls had some fruit while Coach Cyrille and Assistant Coach Mark praised the effort that our girls had put in so far, they also spoke about separating a bit when in the contest for the ball, having a couple players in the contest and a couple players ahead of the contest ready to move the ball on.





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Valley, Elise, Emily C and Zahra were in the forwards in the 3rd quarter, Olivia, Lucy, Samantha and Emily S were mid field and Emily P, Maddison, Indi and Sofia covered the back field. Alexandra subbed to Willoughby / Mosman.

Again, there were lots of strong tackles from both sides, Valentina took a mark from our midfield who kicked it to Zahra who also marked it. It was overheard that the Wildcats coach could not believe how well our Blues were moving the ball around with our kicks and marks.

Emily C and Valley both kicked goals for us in the 3rd quarter.



In the 4th quarter Indiana, Emily P, Sofia and Alexandra in the forwards, Valentina, Elise, Emily C and Zahra in the mids, Emily S, Sam, Lucy and Olivia in the forwards, with Maddison taking her turn to playing for the Wildcats.



Our Blues did a fantastic job moving the ball around, hand passes and kicks were a flurry. Indi and Emily P both took marks off very high kicks. Alex kicked a behind and Indi kicked her second goal for the match.



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Olivia Fierens took out the coaches award for her fab efforts today.

Thank you to our Volunteers for today, Farhad Haidari as goal umpire, Mark Livy for best and fairest vote. Tim Campbell and Jamie Oliver on Canteen/BBQ duties and extra special thanks to Damian Staley who filled in last minute for the unwell Kershaws.

Thanks again to our Coach, Cyrille Fierens and Assistant Coach, Mark Livy.

Official Score

DRAW - NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YG U 10'S BLUE 0.0.0 vs WILLOUGHBY / MOSMAN WILDCATS 0.0.0

Goals Scorers

Emily Staley	1.0.6
Olivia Fierens	1.0.6
Sofia Fierens	1.0.6
Emily Carson	1.0.6
Maddison Oliver	1.0.6
Alexandra Tod	0.1.1
Emily Pace	1.0.6
Indiana Livy	2.1.13
Valentina Taborsky	1.0.6

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