



NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YOUTH GIRLS

MATCH REPORT

NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YG12 9.7 (61) d ST IVES NAVY 0.1 (1)
ROUND 8 - SUNDAY 04 JUNE 2023
ACRON OVAL, ST IVES

There's not much that fazes this dynamic squadron of YG12s and their sideline supporters. Certainly not a little bit of rain on the pitch at St Ives. (Call that rain? You should have seen us in Round 1!)

But the precipitation did mean that this was always going to be a slippery affair. With a St Ives Navy squad boasting a few familiar faces, and the Bolts missing a few of theirs, what would happen with this game was anyone's guess.

The Lightning very quickly provided the answer. Despite the damp, and the resulting squelch, our 12s showed themselves adept and adroit.

Scoring opportunities started to show up - and the team made the most of them. There was plenty of creative ball-play (some might argue that a little too much unanticipated juggling), confident kicking, dogged defence and also plenty more evidence of developing game strategy.

By the end of the third quarter the Bolts had established for themselves a dominant position on the scoreboard, which meant Coaches Daniel and Chloe were able to mix things up and give everyone opportunities to try out different approaches.

It also meant being respectful and recognising the opportunity for everyone - across both sides - to develop and get





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something out of the contest: this is the sort of spirit, and love for the game, that we'll continue to foster.

The final score was a strong result for the Lightning, and given the wet and slippery conditions a great testament to how far the skills of our side have developed. Thanks to St Ives Navy for hosting us, and with the holiday in honour of the King, we'll put our Blue Suede Shoes up on the footrest, take the weekend out and see you back at Ern Holmes on the 18th for our Round 9 matchup against Forest.

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Goals: Browney 3, Annie 3, Grace 2, Gemma 1, Emily H 1

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