



NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YOUTH GIRLS

MATCH REPORT

NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YG u10's BLUE vs LANE COVE CATS
ROUND 10 – FRIDAY 6.30pm 23rd JUNE 2023
BLACKMAN PARK / STEVE CHISHOLM OVAL

It was a Friday night under lights for our Northwest Lightning YG u10's Blue team who took on the Lane Cove Cats at Blackman Park / Steve Chisholm Oval. This was the under 10's first Friday night game which was pretty exciting for them.



The Lane Cove Cats turned up with 9 players including 2 u12's girls, NWL Blue turned up with 13 which included 2 of our red team mates Ashley Kettle and Madeline Dunlop.

We agreed to sub Lane Cove with 2 girls each quarter to play 11 girls per side – 4 in the backs 3 in the mids and 4 in the forwards.

The temperature was dropping but the excitement was high as we took to the field to start the match.



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In the first quarter we had Zahra, Indi, Tia and Emily P in the forward line, Maddie, Ash and Emily C in the mids and Olivia, Emily S, Maddison and Alex in the backs

Sofia and Elise subbed in for the Cats.

The whistle blew, Emily C was in the ruck, the play was concentrated around the mid field, the girls fought hard to get the ball to our forward line but as the Cats made every effort to get the ball back out.





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There were no goals scored in the first quarter, it was looking like our u10's had a tough match on their hands. Indi came off the field with an injury to her fingers but was not off for long, eager to get back on the field she did before the siren blew to end the quarter.



In the second quarter we started with Ash, Maddie, Emily C and Emily S in the forwards, Alex, Indi and Maddison in the mids and Elise, Zahra, Sofia and Emily P in the back line. Tia and Olivia bolstered up the numbers for the Cats.

Ash came off with a stud injury to her ankle, Zahra moved into the forwards to cover for Ash, this led Zahra to kick a behind, the ball got kicked back in by the Cats only for Emily S to get hold of it and kick the game's first goal.

Back to the centre ruck, the ball made a brief appearance to our back line where Elise, Sofia and Emily P put on a strong performance to aim the ball back in the right direction for us.





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Emily S in the forward took possession of the ball in front of the goals only to pass to Emily C to kick the goal.

Emily C kicked her second and Ash kicked a behind before the half time siren.

In the third quarter we had Olivia, Alex, Indi and Maddison start in the forwards, Elise, Emily S and Emily P in the mid field and Sofia, Emily C, Ash and Tia in the backs with Maddie and Zahra headed over to the Cats

We saw the play move throughout the zones more than the second quarter. This kept all the players on their toes.

Olivia and Maddison both scored goals and Indi managed a behind in the third.



Fourth quarter started with Tia, Elise, Emily S and Sofia in the forwards, Emily C, Ash and Indi in the mids, and Maddison, Olivia, Zahra and Maddie in the backs. Alex and Emily P played for the Cats to finish off the game.

The girls really ramped up the play in the fourth and final quarter. The ball spent most of the time in our forward line.

Emily S and Sofia both scored behinds early then Sofia kicked a goal, the ball was taken to centre ruck then made its way back to our forwards for Emily S to kick a goal. Again, back to the centre then back to Sofia for a goal. Sofia took an awesome mark to then kicked towards Emily S who kicked and it rolled across the line for yet another goal. Ash also took a brilliant mark to seal the deal for this excellent display of under 10's AFL.



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Maddison Oliver took out he coaches player of the week award today.

Thanks to our Coach and Assistant Coach, Cyrille and Mark

Also, thanks to Tamara Haidari for being our goal umpire.

We have a weeks break for the start of the school holidays, Coach Brendan is in talks with Maroubra Saints YG U10's about a friendly in the middle of the holidays on the 9th of July. More information will be posted to the Stacks Team app when it comes to hand.

Our next official game is on the last Sunday of the school holidays 16th of July at Ern Holmes oval Pennant Hills for an early start of 7.30am warm up against the Manly Bombers.

Official Score:

DRAW

NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YG u 10's Blue 0.0.0

LANE COVE CATS 0.0.0



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Goals

Emily Staley 3.1.19

Olivia Fierens 1.0.6

Sofia Fierens 2.1.13

Zahra Haidari 0.1.1

Ashley Kettle 0.1.1

Emily Carson 1.0.6

Maddison Oliver 1.0.6

Indiana Livy 0.1.1

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