



NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YOUTH GIRLS

MATCH REPORT

**NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YG u10's BLUE vs FOREST LIONS
ROUND 13 - SUNDAY 30TH JULY 2023
ERN HOLMES OVAL**

You could have mistaken today for being late spring, temperature was pushing towards mid 20's, SPF 50+ was out and not a jumper in sight.

Just like the day was warming up, so was the competition. This morning we took on the Forest Lions for the third time this season in a clash at our home ground of Ern Holmes oval Pennant Hills.

We played 13 on 13 as both teams had 14 girls able to play. We had 2 under 8's play with us today Charlotte Ellis Gaudron and Reds Coach Brendan's daughter Josephine Limbrey. Indiana Livy was team captain today.

The first 2 quarters were extremely tough for our girls, the Forest Lions came out firing in the first with the ball barely making it into our forward line. Our defensive skills were put to the test, never have our backs been so busy. For the first time this season we had a real game on our hands. Our Lightning team worked hard to keep the Lions from scoring in this physically demanding bout.

At half time our lightning team were a little hot and bothered, whilst having a drink and some oranges to re-fuel themselves, Captain Indi spoke about what the team needed to do to turn this match around. Indi said they were spreading out well but needed to use their voices more to call for the ball.

In the third quarter, the game changed momentum, we were winning the contest more and pushing the ball towards our forwards. Zahra showed passion for getting possession of the ball, her second efforts were noted through this quarter.

Indi, Maddison and Sam were instrumental in the third and fourth quarters, They were chasing every ball down and hard into tackles.

Sofia also chased down every ball, Sofia had a penalty kick at goal after a rough tackle, Sofia was unlucky to not score a goal with a behind being scored.

Charlotte and Josie were eager team members of the Blue team today. Josie took a superb mark and Charlotte chased down a long kick and took possession even though she was under pressure from the Forest Lions.

Emily S, Sam and Josie took a mark each and Zahra and Indi took 2 marks each.

Eliza, Sofia, Zahra and Indi all scored goals and / or behinds for us today.



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The whole Northwest Lightning YG u10's Blue team really showed that when the competition gets tough, they get tougher. They all pulled together, worked as a team and swung the game around to bring it home in the second half.

Thank you to our volunteers Tim Campbell as Goal umpire, Mark Livy for Best and Fairest voting, James Noble and Farhad Haidari for canteen and Bbq duties

Also thank you to our coaches Cyrille, Mark and Brendan for guiding the girls and maintaining positivity during a challenging game.

We look forward to round 14 next Sunday at our home ground Mike Kenny Oval for Derby Day 2.0 Blue vs Red clash.

Official score:-

DRAW NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YG U10'S BLUE 0.0.0

FOREST LIONS 0.0.0

Goals:-

Eliza Noble 1.0.6

Sofia Fierens 0.1.1

Zahra Haidari 1.1.7

Indiana Livy 1.2.8

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