

NORTHWEST LIGHTNING YOUTH GIRLS

MATCH REPORT

NORTHWEST LIGHTNING U9 RED vs ST IVES ROUND 2 - SUNDAY 14 APRIL 2024 ROFE PARK

After a delayed start to the season proper, our U9 Red girls finally got to play their first game of football for the season. The combination of excitement and nerves were evident as the girls got to warm up as a squad with our U9 Blue counterparts, before going our separate ways to take on St Ives and Leichhardt respectively.

The standard of the game played by the girls was exceptional for a first game of a season at this age group. They should all be incredibly proud of themselves.

Highlights of the game were:

- Georgia showing her experience of playing in the U10s last year, especially in the 3rd quarter where she made a number of good running efforts with the ball whilst in the forwards and kicking a goal whilst she was there.
- Evie and Maddy playing the team game, looking for teammates to give the ball off to with some good handballs.
- Charlotte winning the toss at the start of the match and choosing for us to kick towards the clubhouse, not realising that we were playing across the field! She also showed that she can clear the ball well with some good kicks.
- Priscilla constantly looking to get her hands on the ball when it hit the ground and also getting the ball to break free whilst players are being tackled.
- Maddie working hard with lots of efforts to run and gather the ball.
- Josie tackling like crazy, resulting in lots of held balls.
- And our superstar player of the match, Myah, who just seemed to be everywhere and loved getting her hands on the football and tackling. Also, managing to kick a goal. She also seemed to have a constant smile on her face from start to finish.

Overall, a great first game of the season. Go Lightning!

Score: North West Lightning Red 0.0.0 drew with St Ives 0.0.0

Goals: Myah Daykin (1), Georgia Benson (1)

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