U14s MATCH REPORT: Sat 24th Sept: Away v Goole Town Tigers U14s Tame the Tigers

It was a rewarding trip to far flung Goole on Saturday as the girls notched up their first win of the season. A lovely finish by Robyn early in the second half gave the girls a deserved 1-0 win against a competitive and physical Tigers side. Superb performances throughout the team showed the progress the girls are making, and a first clean sheet of the season was the icing on the cake for an excellent all-round display.

Team: Freya, Amelia, Rose, Emily, Isabella, Annie, Ellie, Robyn, Kore

Captain: Isabella

League Match: Won 1-0 (Robyn)



Player of the Match: A superb exhibition of wing play from this player as she worked her socks off up and down the left wing. She never failed to track back and help out in defence and she looked dangerous every time she went forward. Her close control was excellent and a superb performance was topped off by the winning goal.

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A strong wind made this a game of two halves, and it was BWR who kicked off against the wind in the first half. Some early pressure from Goole found Freya in great form. Her handling was excellent and she commanded her area with authority, calling for the ball well and making good decisions about coming off her line to gather the ball. The defence were superb with Amelia and Rose making good strong tackles in the centre, and Emily using her pace and awareness to stop attacks from breaking through the defensive shield. After the early pressure, BWR started to create some chances and it was a lovely through ball from Emily which sent Isabella through on goal but her effort was palmed away by the Keeper. Kore was making some excellent runs from midfield and she

fired a good shot into the side netting after lovely approach work by Ellie and Isabella. Ellie had a shot which went wide after good pressure from Isabella and Kore. Goole were always a danger, with the wind blowing heavily in their favour and all their clearances flying towards the BWR goal, Freya had to be constantly on her guard, but her catching was excellent. Emily had a good chance from a free-kick, just outside the area, but her effort was palmed away by the keeper. The half ended with more Goole pressure as they stepped up their efforts to gain some advantage with the wind, but the defence held firm and it finished 0-0 at half-time.

With the wind at their backs in the second half, it was now BWR's turn to put the pressure on Goole, and Kore had an early effort at goal to show the girls attacking intentions. The only goal of the game came early in the second half as some high pressing by Ellie from a Goole goal-kick forced the ball out to Robyn who finished beautifully with her left foot from the edge of the area, as the Goole keeper tried to regain her ground. The girls didn't sit back on their lead and they surged forward in search of more goals to settle the game. A lovely long throw by Annie picked out Ellie who had a dangerous run on goal, and Kore made an excellent run, setting up Ellie but her shot was superbly saved by the home keeper. The central midfield pair of Annie and Kore worked brilliantly together, switching intelligently between one holding and the other attacking. They were tenacious with their tackling and really put in the hard yards, supporting the attack and helping out the defence. The wingers, Isabella and Robyn, put in a fantastic shift up and down the wing, but were also able to show off their skills and were always threatening going forward. Ellie had a tough time up front, often outnumbered four to one, but she never stopped battling and her work rate and courage earned her chances which she was unlucky not to score from. The girls kept searching for more goals until the end with Ellie coming close again and Isabella having a fierce shot superbly saved by the keeper. With only a single goal lead, it did get a bit nervy in the last few minutes with some long range efforts from Goole holding up in the wind and causing the spectators some unease, but Freya was always in control, even when she had to tip a fierce shot onto the bar and then catch the rebound before it could spin back over the line. It finished 1-0 and the girls had thoroughly deserved the win.

An excellent victory against tough, physical opponents set the girls on their way in the League campaign with their first 3 points. A superb all-round performance. Well done girls.