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N&SYL League Cup Round One, Loddon Grasshoppers 1 Waveney Youth A 10

Waveney Youth U11A travelled to Loddon on Sunday and on a heavy, difficult pitch progressed to the cup quarter-final with a comfortable victory against their plucky hosts.

Gallant gave Waveney an early lead when coolly slotting home following a fine through ball. The home team then made life difficult for Waveney and it took some time for the second goal to arrive before Butler pounced from a corner. Phillips then struck twice for the visitors just before half-time, including his 50th career goal, as Waveney's pace and quick passing was too much for the Grasshoppers.

To their credit, Loddon continued to battle away but the floodgates opened in the second period as Phillips added two more including one from a sublime chip, while Evans was on hand in typical style to poach two further goals. Gallant also added another for his brace, before Waveney gave their keeper Meades a brief run-out up front for him to add number ten - his first-ever goal for Waveney on his 93rd appearance. There was just time for Loddon to claim a late and deserved consolation from a rare breakaway.

This was another class performance by the visitors, with all players contributing and several more goals could have resulted against their gallant opponents.