

Bedfordshire County **Football League**



Season 2023-24

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Noticeboard

Registration Forms (covered under league rule 8)

All registrations are now conducted in each club's club portal and their individual club's Team Administrators and likewise all transfers. (clubs.the fa.com)

Clubs are advised when making new registrations they search for the player by name and date of birth only.

The golden rule of making registrations is that if you know this player has played any previous competition football then he will already have a fan. If you cannot find him , then don't open a new fan, seek help to avoid the risk of making a duplicate registration and running the risk of a possible breach of league rules.

With regard to transfers please note the league will not approve any transfers under the waived banner until the leaving club has notified the league they are happy for the transfer to go ahead.

All clubs are advised/requested to check and ensure all registrations made have transferred correctly across from your clubs portal into Full Time.

Full Time Available Players List

Clubs are reminded of the note that appears on your match day available players list which reads. " Players above are registered with the competition on the above date of this game. These may include players who are cup tied, or otherwise not eligible to play because they are under suspension- clubs should check with their County FA or on the Whole Game system for details of current suspensions."

It is the clubs 100% total responsibility to ensure they do not play players who are serving a FA suspension and the league's recommendation they visit the Whole Game system prior to each game to check for any suspensions in place at any given date.

Teamsheet Notes (covered under league rule 21A)

Please note the names of your players must show both forenames and family names and the number of the shirt each player is going to wear in the game.

Far too many clubs in the past couple of seasons failed to display the correct number shirt against their players, please ensure this does not happen again in season 2023-24.

This season, all match officials are being instructed to refuse any sheet not completed in this manner.

Please note the exchange of team sheets should take place at least 15 minutes prior to kick off in presence of the Match Day Referee.

In the opening weekends of the season several referee's are reporting that your exchanged team sheets are not being completed in Block Letters and not including details of your club officials in the technical area. Your failure to do so could well cause a delay to the start of the game and your club being reported for a late kick off.

Result Sheets (covered under league rule 21C)

Please note the deadline for your entry onto the Full Time Website is within 3 days of the match.

Thus the deadline is Tuesday Midnight following any given Saturday game.

For Monday games it would be the Thursday Midnight following and for Wednesday games it's the Saturday Midnight following.

Please ensure you spend a minute or so checking your entry as in each of every weekend last season at least one club and often up to six clubs had omitted to submit a referee mark or list their goalscorers/ red and yellow cards .

Please note all team sheets are retained for possible inspection during the course of the season.

Match Day Reporting of Result (covered under league rule 21B)

In the passing of a rule change at the 2023 AGM both clubs are now required to submit the result of each competition match within 75 minutes of the end of the match in response to an SMS text prompt. Failure to comply will incur a fine in accordance with the fines tariff.

To clarify matters the following deadlines will be applied.

2.00pm Kick Off. 5.15pm deadline.

2.30pm Kick Off. 5.45pm deadline.

6.15pm Kick Off. 9.30pm deadline

7.30pm Kick off. 10.45pm deadline.

This being based on 90 minutes play, 15 minutes half-time, plus another 90 minutes, being the 75 minutes from the end of the game and an additional 15 minutes to allow for late kick offs and time added on etc.

Please note an addition 15 minutes will be added to these deadlines for cup games that go to a penalty shoot-out.

Having checked the SMS reporting log for last weekend there are still teams with items processed with errors. Please note the format for reporting your results is as per sample below.

Example for Caldecote 1st Team.

Caldecote 1 Riseley Sports 0

1-0 Cal1 : Being the score Home team and Away teams score plus your team's code.

Match Day information required for Press Reports etc.

With the passing of the amendment to league rule 21B, This will now have a major impact on the publication of our weekly News Bulletin.

It is still the leagues intention to produce a Weekly News Bulletin and to this effect would ask /request all teams text their goal scorers and other facts of interest to Peter Francis on 0779680269 either on match day or previous to loading your Full Time Result sheet in the hope publication can be made sooner rather than later in the week that follows.

Postponed Games under League Rules 20E (III) and 23D

All Home clubs are reminded of the requirements under league rule 20E (iii) and 23D that in the event of any fixture being postponed, should their opponents or a neutral ground be available then it is mandatory to switch the venue of the game in question.

Here to Help

Should any clubs have problems with any of the above then please seek help, either on email at Peter.Francis30@ntlworld.com or by text/ telephone on 07779680269.

Important Notice Re Full Time

Please note the Full Time site will be offline for essential security updates during the period 5th March 2024 to 7th March 2024. Could all teams ensure that for their games played the previous weekend that they upload their result sheets by Midnight Monday 4th March.2024.

Saturday 10th February 2024

With the demise of Sharnbrook during the week Stotfold Development now find themselves four points clear at the head of the league standings , albeit having played three games more than second place Caldecote after taking their winning ways up to six games with a 3-0 home victory over Riseley Sports. Codi Spavins with a brace and a goal from Charlie Mallett doing the damage. Whilst fourth place Elstow Abbey saw their six game winning run ended when they were held to a 1-1 draw at Flitwick Town. Cullam Beer on the scoresheet for the Town with Westley Lewis on the mark for the Abbey.

The only other game to beat the weather saw bottom of the table AFC Kempston Town Hammers beaten 0-12 at home by Crawley Green Reserves. Temitayo Akerele led the way with four goals, Caylon Wade and Ryan Smith weigh in with braces alongside single goals from Martin Kirov, Craig Savage, Yaw Darko and Faral Taingwa to complete the rout.

The games, AFC Oakley v Biggleswade FC Reserves, Caldecote v Queens Park Crescents and Shefford Town & Campton Reserves v Marston Shelton Rovers all postponed.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 10th February 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Stotfold Development	15	12	1	2	53	15	38	37
2	Caldecote First	12	11	0	1	37	8	29	33
3	Biggleswade United Reserves	15	8	2	5	41	28	13	26
4	Elstow Abbey First	11	7	2	2	27	12	15	23
5	Marston Shelton Rovers First	17	6	4	7	35	40	-5	22
6	AFC Oakley First	12	6	2	4	44	20	24	20
7	Crawley Green Reserves	14	6	1	7	34	26	8	19
8	Flitwick Town First	14	5	3	6	32	42	-10	18
9	Biggleswade FC Reserves	13	5	1	7	27	41	-14	16
10	Queens Park Crescents First	11	3	4	4	25	28	-3	13
11	Riseley Sports First	14	4	0	10	24	43	-19	12
12	Shefford Town & Campton Reserves	10	2	1	7	18	37	-19	7
13	AFC Kempston Town Hammers First	14	0	1	13	14	71	-57	1
14	Sharnbrook First	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division One

Just two games were to beat the weather, one of which saw Wootton Blue Cross extend their lead at the head of the league standing to 13 points in retaining their season's unbeaten ways with a 3-1 home victory over Bedford Albion. Keaton Marsh with a brace plus an own goal marking their scoresheet against a lone Albion reply from Adam Lewis. Whilst Renhold lifted themselves into third spot by winning 3-2 at Henlow. Sean Byrne with a brace plus a strike from Marko Tobdzic only being replied to twice with goals from Adam French and Ray Fitzgerald for the home side.

The games, Bedford SA v Buffs.: Clifton v Harlington Juniors: Cranfield United Reserves v Lewsey Park and Totternhoe Reserves v AFC Oakley Development all postponed

Division One League Table at 10th February 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Wootton Blue Cross First	14	12	2	0	48	16	32	38
2	Buffs FC Saturday First	13	8	1	4	28	21	7	25
3	Renhold First	14	7	3	4	28	32	-4	24
4	Totternhoe Reserves	11	7	1	3	37	25	12	22
5	AFC Oakley Development	16	6	3	7	36	32	4	21
6	Cranfield United Reserves	12	6	2	4	40	20	20	20
7	Bedford Albion First	14	6	1	7	29	30	-1	18 *
8	Henlow First	14	5	3	6	28	37	-9	17 *
9	Harlington Juniors First	11	4	2	5	21	26	-5	14
10	Clifton First	11	2	2	7	12	23	-11	8
11	Lewsey Park First	14	1	4	9	17	42	-25	7
12	Bedford SA First	12	1	2	9	17	37	-20	5
13	Cambridge First	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Milton Keynes Dons SET U19 Development S	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-9 *

Division Two North

A blank weekend, with all five games being postponed. AFC Bedford United v Sharnbrook Reserves: M&DH Clapham Sports v Ickwell & Old Warden: Sandy v Wootton Blue Cross Reserves: Blunham v Kempston Unites and Wilstead v Caldecote Reserves.

Division Two North League Table at 10th February 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Wilstead First	15	9	2	4	35	25	10	29
2	Kempston United First	14	8	3	3	43	16	27	27
3	Caldecote Reserves	11	8	1	2	36	12	24	25
4	Shefford Town & Campton Development	14	8	1	5	31	23	8	25
5	AFC Bedford United (Sat) First	13	7	3	3	32	18	14	24
6	Sharnbrook Reserves	12	6	2	4	32	19	13	20
7	Ickwell & Old Warden First	10	6	1	3	30	19	11	19
8	Wootton Blue Cross Reserves	12	5	4	3	19	15	4	19
9	Blunham First	14	4	3	7	19	26	-7	12*
10	M&DH Clapham Sports First	12	2	1	9	9	26	-17	7
11	Sandy First	13	2	1	10	16	45	-29	7
12	AFC Kempston Town Hammers Reserves	12	0	0	12	6	64	-58	-1*
13	Bande Rouge (Sat) First	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-2*

Division Three South

With league leaders Stopsley United having their game at New Bradwell Sy Peters Development postponed, second place Sporting Carpathians are now within four points of them albeit having played three games more following their 3-1 home victory over Bletchley Scot. Julian Constantin Cojocariu netted all three goals whilst Luke Morgan hit the visitors reply. The biggest win of the day belonged to LU Donz who took their winning home ways to three games in beating Lea Sports PSG 4-1. Ashley Randall opened the scoring in the first minute which was added to by Jamie Adam (19 mins) and Troy Walker (36 mins) to see them lead 3-0 at the break. Adam then grabbed his second of the afternoon five minutes into the second half before a late strike from Joe Hennem made it 4-1 by the final whistle .

Elsewhere, following two straight defeats Caddington returned to winning ways with a 3-2 home victory over FC Haynes. thanks to goals from Tau Roberts, Steve Hunt and Jamie England against FC replies via Lewis Hargeaves and Kieran Stock. Whilst Stotfold Junior won 2-1 at home against Flitwick Town Reserves. Harrison Donnelly and Jacob Kirby the home goalscorers against a lone Town reply from Ibraima Balde.

The other games being postponed were the Brache Phoenix v FCPolonia (Luton) and The 61 FC Luton Reserves v Westoning Recreation games.

Division Two South League Table at 10th February 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Stopsley United First	13	12	1	0	64	14	50	37
2	Sporting Carpathians First	16	11	1	4	63	24	39	33 *
3	Westoning Recreation First	13	9	2	2	60	19	41	29
4	Lea Sports PSG Saturday First	16	9	1	6	54	38	16	25 *
5	LU Donz First	11	8	1	2	28	16	12	25
6	New Bradwell St Peter FC Development	15	7	2	6	35	34	1	23
7	Stotfold Junior First (Sat)	15	7	1	7	37	53	-16	22
8	Caddington (BCFL)	15	5	4	6	32	33	-1	19
9	FC Haynes First	15	6	1	8	49	38	11	18 *
10	Flitwick Town Reserves	15	4	3	8	23	53	-30	15
11	Bletchley Scot First	10	3	3	4	33	26	7	12
12	Brache Phoenix First	10	2	3	5	20	30	-10	9
13	FC Polonia (Luton) First	16	2	0	14	34	72	-38	6
14	The 61 FC (Luton) Reserves	14	0	1	13	9	91	-82	1

Division Three supported by Hy-Pro

For Luton Panthers it was a return to winning ways with a 3-0 home win over Leighton Woodside Rovers. Trey Brand, Kamran Khan and Curtis Long all found the back of the net. Whilst Elstow Abbey Reserves made it three home wins on the bounce in beating Flitwick Town A 3-0. Max Hughes, Ali Mohiyaldeen and Charlie Stround all found the back of the net.

The Caldecote A v Queens Park Crescents Development encounter being postponed.

Division Three supported by Hy-Pro League Table at 10th February 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Harlington Juniors Reserves	11	8	1	2	35	13	22	25
2	Caldecote 'A'	11	7	1	3	34	14	20	22
3	Leighton Woodside Rovers	12	7	0	5	26	23	3	20 *
4	Clifton Reserves	11	5	4	2	17	13	4	19
5	Elstow Abbey Reserves	11	6	1	4	22	26	-4	19
6	Luton Panthers First	11	5	1	5	32	23	9	16
7	Bedford Albion Development	10	5	1	4	25	20	5	16
8	Queens Park Crescents Development	10	2	3	5	18	25	-7	9
9	Flitwick Town 'A'	13	2	1	10	15	44	-29	7
10	GS Athletic First	12	2	1	9	15	38	-23	6 *
11	CS Rovers First	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-6 *

Division Four

The lone action of the afternoon saw Lidlington United Sports Club Colts return to winning ways on the road 5-2 at Catsbrook Wanderers. Bradley Martin and Phoenix Togara-Mudzovera both netted twice and Oscar Emery-King once to bring up the nap hand.

Watson Shield Round Two

Whilst Shefford Town & Campton U23 ran out the easy 7-0 home winners over Turvey, Callum Carolan with a brace and single goals from Ben Crofts, Oliver Harvey, Alex Burdett, Aarin Hewitt and Toby Starling doing the damage going one better were Warden U18 PDA Luton with a 8-1 away victory at Dunstable Wanderers. Freddie Grant and Charlie Collier with braces being joined on the scoresheet by single goals from Kayle Equertor, Fabip Baltariu, Matias Iacobuta and Stefano Szabo against a lone Alex Saka reply for the home side.

The Bedford Albion Development v Harlington Junior Reserves and Ampthill Town Colts v Clifton Reserves games postponed.

Division Four League Table at 10th February 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Kempston Athletic First	18	16	0	2	77	14	63	48
2	Athletic FC First	17	12	4	1	52	32	20	40
3	Shefford Town & Campton U23	15	10	3	2	55	23	32	33
4	Dunstable Wanderers First	14	6	3	5	37	34	3	21
5	Sandy Reserves	13	6	1	6	32	38	-6	19
6	Turvey	15	4	3	8	31	40	-9	15
7	Lidlington United Sports Club Colts	16	4	3	9	30	52	-22	15
8	Meltis Rangers First	12	4	4	4	29	20	9	13 *
9	M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves	13	4	2	7	15	36	-21	13 *
10	Catsbrook Wanderers First	17	4	2	11	17	52	-35	13 *
11	Amphill Town Colts	14	3	1	10	24	55	-31	10
12	Biggleswade FC Development	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Leighton Woodside Athletic	16	2	4	10	24	27	-3	-1 *