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Bedfordshire FA Senior Trophy Quarter-Final Cup Draw

Cranfield United v Crawley Green
Shefford Town & Campton v Caldecote
The 61FC Luton v Blunham
Amptill Town v Renhold United

Games to be played on Saturday 10th December 2011.

Bedfordshire FA Inter-League Centenary Trophy Cup Date Fixed

The Bedfordshire County Football League Semi-Final tie in The Bedfordshire FA Inter-League Centenary Trophy with The Leighton & District Sunday League will be played on Wednesday 30th November 2011 at Cranfield United FC. Kick Off 7.45pm.

A result of which now means the scheduled Premier Division supported by Sportsform fixture between Arlesey Town Reserves and Blunham on that evening will be postponed and played at a later date.

Action Round-Up Saturday 12th November 2011.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

League leaders Caldecote took their winning run up to eight games and maintained their six point lead at the head of the league table with a 7-3 victory at Flitwick Town to leave the hosts now without a victory in their last nine outings. Tom Cookman on the scoresheet three times alongside an own goal plus strikes from Ricky Aris, Mark Franklin and Mark Phillips against Town replies via Richie Bevan twice and Steve Parkhouse.

For second place Shefford Town & Campton, it was a 3-1 win at Blunham to end the hosts 100% home record for the season. Carl Thripp shooting them ahead after just five minutes before Andrew Hayday doubled the scoreline 10 minutes into the second period. Kier Banghard then gave the home supporters hope when he reduced the arrears 10 minutes later but a Chris Clark strike two minutes from time finally wrapped up the points for the visitors.

Taking their unbeaten ways up to four games and holding on to third spot in the league table were Arlesey Town Reserves with a 3-1 victory at Dunton. Mark Ellis netting twice and Sam Dunn once against a lone home reply from James Cooper.

Now in fourth slot are Bedford Hatters, they maintained their seasons unbeaten away record and recorded away win number four on the bounce by winning 4-2 at Oakley Sports to end the home sides unbeaten home league record for the season. Mark Reed twice plus Simon Pixley and Scott Alleyne on the Hatters scoresheet against home replies via Stuart Kelly and Mark Smith.

Also enjoying life on the road were AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College with a 4-2 victory at bottom of the table Woburn. Tom Marvin twice plus Paul Obuch and Daniel Church the Town marksmen against a home brace in reply from Martin Holland.

Elsewhere at Lodge Road, Sharnbrook and Wilshamstead played out a 2-2 draw. Ryan Massey and Jayme Harris on the Sharnbrook scoresheet against replies from Colin Marshall and Bradley Smith.

Premier Division Supported by Sportsform League Table at 12th November 2011.

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Caldecote	9	8	1	0	37	10	27	25
2	Shefford Town & Campton	8	6	1	1	28	9	19	19
3	Arlesey Town Reserves	10	6	1	3	18	17	1	19
4	Bedford Hatters	9	5	2	2	22	14	8	17
5	Oakley Sports	9	4	3	2	17	12	5	15
6	Wilshamstead	8	4	2	2	19	16	3	14
7	Blunham	9	4	1	4	20	22	-2	13
8	AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College	9	3	3	3	17	22	-5	12
9	Sharnbrook	9	2	3	4	14	26	-12	9
10	Flitwick Town	10	1	3	6	12	25	-13	6
11	Dunton	9	1	2	6	11	24	-13	5
12	Renhold United	8	1	1	6	14	19	-5	4
13	Woburn	9	1	1	7	13	26	-13	4

Division One

With Lidlington United Sports sitting the afternoon out, Ickwell & Old Warden looked certain to take over at the top of the league standings after strikes from Lee Threadgold and Zak Rowe plus an Andrew Vallom penalty saw them into a 3-0 home half-time lead against Bedford Sports Athletic. However the visitors with a brace from Ashley Mead including one from the penalty spot and a strike from Joe Bridge fought back in the second period to hold on to their season's unbeaten away record and fourth place in the league table.

All of which means the new league leaders of the division one league table are Marston Shelton Rovers, thanks to a 3-2 win at AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College Reserves. Alan Cudjoe, Jim Burraway and Daniel Bullen on the Rovers scoresheet against Town replies from Sam Phillips and Paul Garratt.

Holding on to fifth place in the league standings are Sandy, they made it four wins on the bounce with a 4-3 win at Luton Boys. Mark Jennings, Phill Beale, Chris Nicholls and Ian Hammett netting the vital goals against home replies via Metin Bayram twice and Kyle Ross.

Also winning on the road were Westoning, they claimed their first win of the season 2-0 at Meltis Albion to lift themselves off the bottom of the league table. An own goal plus a strike from Alex Smith doing the damage.

Elsewhere, Henlow and Lea Sports PSG shared the spoils in a 3-3 draw at Groveside. Russell Ayles twice and Neil Spence hitting the back of the net for Henlow against PSG replies via an own goal plus Ryan Woolfe and Ian Hyde.

The scheduled fixture at Harvey Close between Caldecote Reserves and FC Meppershall being postponed after the visitors were earlier in the week placed under league suspension for non-payment of fines.

Division One League Table at 12th November 2011.

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Marston Shelton Rovers	10	7	2	1	21	9	12	23
2	Lidlington United Sports	8	7	0	1	31	13	18	21
3	Ickwell & Old Warden	9	6	3	0	27	11	16	21
4	Bedford SA	9	6	2	1	23	13	10	20
5	Sandy	9	5	2	2	32	18	14	17
6	FC Meppershall	8	4	2	2	23	16	7	14
7	Caldecote Reserves	9	4	2	3	28	23	5	14
8	Henlow	10	4	2	4	20	20	0	14
9	Luton Boys	9	2	2	5	24	29	-5	8
10	AFC Kempston Tn & Bedford Coll Reserves	9	2	2	5	10	20	-10	8
11	Lea Sports PSG	9	0	5	4	12	17	-5	5
12	Westoning	10	1	1	8	15	34	-19	4
13	Meltis Albion	9	1	1	7	6	29	-23	4
14	Kings AFC	8	1	0	7	13	33	-20	3

Division Two

Elstow Abbey's lead at the head of the division two league table is now up to two points after they maintained their season's 100% home record with a hard fought 3-2 win over a Potton United Reserves outfit who twice came from behind to very nearly spoil their perfect record. Ed L'Erario twice including one from the penalty spot plus Danny Pilgrim on the home scoresheet against United replies from Sam Worthington and Sam Bonham.

Abbey's lead at the head of the standings increasing due to AFC Turvey being held to a 2-2 home draw by Pavenham. An own goal plus a strike from Mike Stephenson being cancelled out by visitors replies from James Owen and Tom Rodger.

Now sitting in third spot are Sundon Park Rangers, they with goals from Nicky Buttergeig and Matt Conway ended Co-op Sports unbeaten home ways for the season with a 2-1 victory. Andrew Randell the lone home marksman.

However, the biggest winners of the day were Queens Park Crescents who netted a 7-0 victory at bottom of the table Great Barford. Ayaz Hussain twice plus strikes from Shezad Satter, Shahinur Rahman, Menrbaan Hussain, Jahangir Ahmed and Tim Gill dishing out the rout.

Over at Second Meadow, Clifton went down to their sixth consecutive defeat when beaten by Shefford Town & Campton Reserves who with a brace of goals from Steve Gay won 2-0 to claim their first away win of the season.

Following three straight home defeats, Stopsley Park returned to winning ways with a 2-1 success over Marabese Ceramics, Stuart Lyons and Steven Laird netting the goals which were only replied to by Denver Donaldson.

Elsewhere, Bromham United ran out 1-0 home winners over M & DH Oakley thanks to a goal from Reuben Hukin.

Division Two League Table at 12th November 2011.

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Elstow Abbey	9	8	1	0	39	6	33	25
2	AFC Turvey	9	7	2	0	33	13	20	23
3	Sundon Park Rangers [Saturday]	10	6	1	3	33	15	18	19
4	Pavenham	9	6	1	2	24	8	16	19
5	Queens Park Crescents	9	5	1	3	23	19	4	16
6	Bromham United	10	5	0	5	16	21	-5	15
7	Potton United Reserves	9	4	0	5	18	22	-4	12
8	M & DH Oakley	10	4	0	6	15	22	-7	12
9	Marabese Ceramics	10	3	2	5	12	15	-3	11
10	Shefford Town & Campton Reserves	9	3	2	4	13	24	-11	11
11	Co-op Sports	7	3	1	3	18	17	1	10
12	Stopsley Park	9	3	1	5	24	29	-5	10
13	Clifton	10	1	1	8	7	31	-24	4
14	Great Barford	10	0	1	9	9	42	-33	1

Division Three

It's as you were at the top of the division three league table after both the leading two clubs came up with victories. For league leaders Goldington, it was win number five on the bounce with a 2-1 victory at Sundon Park Rangers Colts, Justin Muircroft and Brian Day netting the vital goals against a home reply from Robert Smith.

For second place Stevington, it was an 8-1 home romp over second from bottom of the table Dunton Reserves, John Devereux netting four times, Kevin Lake twice plus Steff Watts and Aaron Fletcher against a lone reply from Richard Vale.

Division Three League Table at 12th November 2011

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Goldington	10	7	1	2	39	14	25	22
2	Stevington	9	7	1	1	29	11	18	22
3	Cranfield United Reserves	9	6	1	2	22	11	11	19
4	Renhold Village	8	6	0	2	28	12	16	18
5	Eastcotts AFC	8	5	0	3	22	16	6	15
6	Westoning Reserves	9	5	0	4	21	15	6	15
7	Royal Oak Kempston	8	4	0	4	13	14	-1	12
8	Kempston Hammers Sports	8	4	0	4	19	24	-5	12
9	Potton Town	9	3	1	5	12	23	-11	10
10	Riseley Sports	7	2	3	2	16	14	2	9
11	Wilshamstead Reserves	9	2	2	5	9	21	-12	8
12	Sundon Park Rangers Colts	9	2	1	6	15	20	-5	7
13	Dunton Reserves	8	1	1	6	10	35	-25	4
14	Flitwick Town Reserves	9	0	1	8	10	35	-25	1

Now in third spot are Cranfield United Reserves despite being held to a 2-2 draw away at Riseley Sports, Dan Cockerton and Adam Kerr on the United scoresheet against home replies via George Crawley and Paul Brown.

United taking over third place after Renhold Village were beaten 2-1 at Wilshamstead Reserves, John Steele and Keiron Colclough claiming the goals to give their side a first home win of the season against a Village reply from Mo Banda.

Things got no better for bottom of the table Flitwick Town Reserves, Town going down to their eighth consecutive defeat when beaten 5-2 at Westoning Reserves. Gareth White twice plus Chris Rogers, Steve Bernat and Robert Masters on the home scoresheet against Town replies from Matt Brady-Scott and Kevin Higby.

Elsewhere, Potton Town returned to winning ways for the first time in six outings with a 3-2 home win over Kempston Hammers Sports. Chris Moore twice plus Nick Gilbert netting the Town's goals against Hammers replies via Jazz Sohal and Jason Beddall.

Division Four

For league leaders Bedford Park Rangers, it was a retention of their season's perfect 100% away record with a 4-0 victory at start of play second place Marsh Leys who were suffering their first defeat of the season. Shaun Finlay twice plus Mark Reynolds and Josh Geary netting the goals to leave the Rangers now six points clear of new second place club Thurleigh who maintained their 100% away record for the season by winning 5-2 at Stewartby Village. David Murvihill twice plus Salvatore Ventriglia, Steve Pledge and Josh Pierre St Clair netting the goals, against Village replies from Ban Sparks and Kyle Smith.

Division Four League Table at 12th November 2011.

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Bedford Park Rangers	9	8	1	0	44	11	33	25
2	Thurleigh	8	6	1	1	36	12	24	19
3	Marsh Leys	8	5	2	1	30	13	17	17
4	Stewartby Village	10	5	1	4	30	23	7	16
5	Caldecote A	9	3	5	1	33	25	8	14
6	Wootton Village	9	4	2	3	23	20	3	14
7	Shefford Town & Campton A	9	4	2	3	25	30	-5	14
8	Clifton Reserves	9	3	4	2	23	21	2	13
9	Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves	9	4	1	4	16	18	-2	13
10	Kempston Athletic	10	4	1	5	21	26	-5	13
11	Sandy Reserves	10	3	2	5	30	39	-9	11
12	Bedford Panthers	8	2	2	4	11	17	-6	8
13	Goldington Hammers	8	1	1	6	20	32	-12	4
14	Dinamo Flitwick [former Reserves]	7	1	1	5	13	31	-18	4
15	Dunton A	11	0	2	9	11	48	-37	2

Also enjoying life on the road were Wootton Village, they took their unbeaten ways up to four games with a 1-0 win at Bedford Panthers, thanks to a goal from Ryan Stocker and joining in on the away day fun were Sandy Reserves who ran out 3-0 victors at bottom of the table Dunton A. Jonnie Stratford, Peter Rogan and Ryan Burgess netting the goals to take Sandy's unbeaten away record up to four games.

The fifth away winners of the day in this division were Kempston Athletic who claimed their opening win on the road this season by beating Goldington Hammers 3-1, Dee Sayid, Tory Bossendorfer and Sam Fuller seeing their goals only replied to by Jimmy Jacob.

Elsewhere, the lone home winners of the day were Shefford Town & Campton A with a 2-1 win over Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves to take their unbeaten ways up to four games, Wayne Hauxton and Daniel Cullerton on the mark against an Ickwell reply via Matthew McCartney.

Meantime, Caldecote A are still unbeaten on home soil this season and likewise Clifton Reserves still unbeaten on the road after the sides shared the points in a 2-2 draw at Harvey Close. Jordan Goodman and an own goal on the home scoresheet against Clifton replies via Chris Mattingley and Tony Norman.

Preview Saturday 19th November 2011.

With Premier Division supported by Sportsform league leaders Caldecote sitting the afternoon out it gives their nearest challengers a chance to close the gap upon them at the head of the league standings, for Shefford Town & Campton that will be no easy task when they journey to Miller Road to face Bedford Hatters in perhaps the game of the day. However, Arlesley Town Reserves look to have an easier task when they hit the road for a Crawley Road meeting with Woburn.

Of the other title contenders, Oakley Sports will be firm favourites to collect the full three points when yet to win on the road Dunton visit them at their Playing Field headquarters, whilst over at Moggerhanger Playing Fields hosts Blunham entertain Wilshamstead.

Other action comes at Hillgrounds, where hosts AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College look to retain their season's unbeaten home record against the visiting Renhold United who search out their first away point/points of the season and at Lodge Road, hosts Sharnbrook receive a visit from yet to win on the road this season Flitwick Town.

In Division One, all of the leading four clubs look odds on to collect another three points in their quest for top-flight football next season. For Lidlington United, its home action at Hurst Grove against Lea Sports PSG, where they look to maintain their season's 100% record against a PSG side that are yet to win on the road this season. Whilst Ickwell & Old Warden journey still unbeaten on the road this season to Greenfield Road for a meeting with a home Westoning side that has lost all of its opening four home league games.

Meanwhile over at Cople Playing Fields, Bedford Sports Athletic will be hosts to the visiting Luton Boys and at Marston Playing Fields, Marston Shelton Rovers look to maintain their season's unbeaten home ways when visited by a Kings AFC side that has lost its last two away outings.

Elsewhere at Bedford Road Recreation Ground, Sandy go into local derby action against Caldecote Reserves in search of their third home victory on the bounce against their local rivals who have not collected the full three points on the road in any game since the opening day of the season at Westoning.

Other action comes in Mowsbury Park, where FC Meppershall look to return to action following their recent league suspension against Meltis Albion and at Groveside, the venue for Henlow's home encounter against AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College Reserves.

Division Two action sees both of the leading title contenders enjoy home advantage, at The Warren, Elstow Abbey defend their season's 100% home record when visited by Sundon Park Rangers. Whilst over at Stonefields, AFC Turvey defend their own season's unbeaten home ways when called upon by Marabese Ceramics.

For those clubs in the chasing pack and far from out of the promotion race, it's a trip on the road for Pavenham as they head for Solway Road North and a meeting with hosts Co-op

Sports. Whilst Queens Park Crescents head to The Luton Regional Sports Centre to be entertained by Stopsley Park.

At the other end of the table, the bottom two clubs clash at Second Meadow where Clifton will be hosting Great Barford and points will not be easy for Shefford Town & Campton Reserves to gather when they host the visiting M & DH Oakley at Rectory Road.

The day's other action in this division coming at The Hollow where Potton United Reserves receive a visit from Bromham United.

The Division Three promotion battle seems to be developing into a five-way battle but this weekend just two will hold home advantage. In Mowsbury Park, Goldington go in search of home win number five on the bounce against Kempston Hammers Sports. Whilst at Renhold Playing Fields, hosts Renhold Village defend their season's 100% home record against a Royal Oak Kempston side that has won its last three away outings.

Of those on their travels, Stevington defend their season's unbeaten away ways when they journey to Jubilee Playing Fields to be hosted by Wilshamstead Reserves and Cranfield United Reserves head for a Mill Lane meeting with Potton Town. The third promotion hopeful on the road being Eastcotts AFC, they make their way to Gold Street to be entertained by Riseley Sports.

Down at the other end of the table, basement side Flitwick Town Reserves will be in home Steppingley Road local derby action against Westoning Reserves just seven days after meeting them at Greenfield Road when the result went against them by a 5-2 scoreline. Whilst Dunton Reserves still without an away point this season head to Wrest Park to be taken on by Sundon Park Rangers.

The game of the day in Division Four comes in Mowsbury Park, with league leaders Bedford Park Rangers defending their season's unbeaten home ways against second place Thurleigh. Whilst third place Marsh Leys will be expected to collect the full three points when they entertain Sandy Reserves at their Cutler Hammer base.

Of the other promotion hopefuls, Stewartby Village look to have a tricky home clash at Stewartby Way against the ever improving Wootton Village. Whilst on The Green, Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves host local rival Clifton Reserves in a game that could go either way.

Having slipped out of the promotion race in recent weeks Kempston Athletic will perhaps be the favourites to collect their first away win of the season when they travel to Horseshoes Close to face bottom of the table Dunton A. Yet Dinamo Flitwick will find it no easy task collecting their first away win of the season when they head for a Mowsbury Park outing against Goldington Hammers.

The day's other action coming at Digswell Playing Field, the venue for Shefford Town & Campton A's home clash with Caldecote A.