

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 Whole Game via each club's club portal and their individual club's Team Administrators and likewise all transfers.

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 Whole Game 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 Saturday some 10 teams have 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.

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.

Saturday 30th September 2023

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

The top of the table clash at Harvey Close was to go the way of the visitors with Stotfold Development running out 5-4 winners over the hosting Caldecote to now head them by three points at the summit of the league table. Ashley Kersey with a hat-trick plus single goals from Harry Smith and Charlie Cain bringing up the nap hand. The home replies coming from Evan Beldon, Rafe Goodman, Lloyd James and Sonny Newton-Cootes. Also winning 5-4 away from home were Shefford Town & Campton Reserves at AFC Kempston Town Hammers to pick up their first points of the season and leave the Hammers now the only top flight club still seeking their first victory of the 2023-24 season. Tobin Marshall with a brace plus single goals from

Dos Santos Jesus Jesus, Olatunde Okeowo and Ayron Armstrong bringing up the visitors' nap hand against braces in reply from Hammers Jake Duxberry and Harold Stevens.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 30th September 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Stotfold Development	5	5	0	0	25	7	18	15
2	Caldecote First	5	4	0	1	12	5	7	12
3	AFC Oakley First	5	3	1	1	19	7	12	10
4	Biggleswade United Reserves	5	3	1	1	14	6	8	10
5	Crawley Green Reserves	5	3	1	1	11	8	3	10
6	Queens Park Crescents First	5	3	0	2	14	10	4	9
7	Elstow Abbey First	4	2	1	1	10	4	6	7
8	Sharnbrook First	4	2	0	2	11	9	2	6
9	Marston Shelton Rovers First	5	2	0	3	11	14	-3	6
10	Flitwick Town First	5	2	0	3	10	18	-8	6
11	Shefford Town & Campton Reserves	5	1	0	4	9	19	-10	3
12	Riseley Sports First	5	1	0	4	3	14	-11	3
13	Biggleswade FC Reserves	5	1	0	4	7	20	-13	3
14	AFC Kempston Town Hammers First	5	0	0	5	8	23	-15	0

Now sitting in third spot in the standings are AFC Oakley following their 1-1 draw at Elstow Abbey. Chris Amadi marked their scoresheet against a home reply from James Copley. Thus leapfrogging Biggleswade United Reserves in the table who fell to their first defeat of the season 3-2 at Queens Park Crescents. Sheldon Washington, Shazad Sattar and Dominic Parrella netted for the Crescents against United replies via Robbie Hunt and Seymar Hammond.

Just goal difference behind United in fifth place sit Crawley Green Reserves who ran out 2-1 home winners over Biggleswade FC Reserves thanks to goals from Temitayo Akerele and Gulain Lusmabya against a lone reply via Jordan Stevenson for the visitors. Whilst following three straight defeats Marston Shelton Rovers returned to winning ways with a 4-2 home victory over Flitwick Town who have now lost their last four outings. Sam Smith with a brace plus Matthew Eddy and Harry Baker finding the back of the net for the Rovers against Town replies from Dan Stafford and Martin Byrne.

Elsewhere, a lone 46th minute goal from Jamie Simmons took Riseley Sports to their first win of the season at home over Sharnbrook.

Division One

It's Bedford Albion who are flying high at the top of the Division One League table after they maintained their 100% ways with a 4-1 away victory at Harlington Juniors who were being beaten on home soil for the first time this season. Reece Baker with a brace plus goals from Paul Babbington and Jamie Daniels only being replied to once by Nathan Boyle for the home side. In second spot three points adrift of the Albion are Totternhoe Reserves who ran out 7-3 home winners over Henlow. Jordan Knight led the way with a hat-trick, Blake Garner grabbed a brace and single goals came the way of Danny Grantham and Dave O'Brien against Henlow replies via Tyler Loudon, Max Newton and Aldous Taylor from the penalty spot.

Division One League Table at 30th September 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Bedford Albion First	4	4	0	0	12	3	9	12
2	AFC Oakley Development	5	3	1	1	14	5	9	10
3	Totternhoe Reserves	4	3	0	1	15	9	6	9
4	Renhold First	4	3	0	1	9	7	2	9
5	Wootton Blue Cross First	3	2	1	0	10	5	5	7
6	Harlington Juniors First	5	2	1	2	8	9	-1	7
7	Cranfield United Reserves	4	1	2	1	14	5	9	5
8	Bedford SA First	3	1	1	1	4	5	-1	4
9	Clifton First	4	1	1	2	4	6	-2	4
10	Lewsey Park First	5	1	1	3	7	15	-8	4
11	Henlow First	4	1	1	2	6	19	-13	4
12	Milton Keynes Dons SET U19 Development S	5	0	1	4	5	13	-8	1
13	Cambridge First	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Bufs FC Saturday First	4	0	0	4	5	12	-7	0

Now up into third spot are AFC Oakley Development following their 4-0 home victory over the previous 100% Renhold. Omojiseoluwa Bankole with a brace plus goals from Derek Amoako and Harry Holland doing the damage. Whilst Lewsey Park claimed their first win of the season 2-1 at home over Clifton with goals from Chris Gibson and Lee Mooney against a lone reply came from Toby Gibbs.

Elsewhere, Milton Keynes Dons Set U19 gained their first point of the season from a 1-1 home draw with Bedford SA thanks to a goal from Lucas Slack, whilst Andrew Latimer on the mark for the visitors. Whilst Buffs FC were the 14-1 home winners over Cambridge FC. Paul Morris led the way with six goals, Jonathan Pileszuk and George Farrell netted braces and single goals came the way of Taylor Moore, Jack Bendon, Joe Holmes and Callum McKenna. Against a lone reply from Morad Morad for the visitors.

Post the weekend games Cambridge FC have now been switched and dropped into Division Three supported by Hy-Pro . Which means the revised league table will see AFC Oakley Development swap second and third places with Totternhoe Reserves at the head of the league table standings behind Bedford Albion.

Division Two North

Just five games into the season Ickwell & Old Warden find themselves five points clear at the head of the Division Two North standings after win number five from five outings came via a 8-0 home victory over Bande Rouge. Luke Gurney and Zak Robinson both netted braces to go alongside single strikes from Steve Monks, Cameron Browne, Jack Fox and Kyle Johanesson. Whilst second place AFC Bedford United required just a 39th minute goal from Tayvon Charles to win 1-0 at Kempston United.

Division Two North League Table at 30th September 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Ickwell & Old Warden First	5	5	0	0	22	4	18	15
2	AFC Bedford United (Sat) First	5	3	1	1	10	6	4	10
3	Shefford Town & Campton Development	5	3	0	2	10	7	3	9
4	Caldecote Reserves	3	2	1	0	15	1	14	7
5	Kempston United First	4	2	1	1	11	4	7	7
6	Wootton Blue Cross Reserves	4	2	1	1	6	4	2	7
7	Wilstead First	4	2	0	2	13	13	0	6
8	Blunham First	4	2	0	2	11	11	0	6
9	Sharnbrook Reserves	5	1	2	2	8	8	0	5
10	Bande Rouge (Sat) First	5	1	1	3	8	17	-9	4
11	Sandy First	4	1	0	3	12	16	-4	3
12	M&DH Clapham Sports First	4	0	1	3	2	9	-7	1
13	AFC Kempston Town Hammers Reserves	4	0	0	4	2	30	-28	0

Up into third spot are Shefford Town & Campton Development who won 5-0 at AFC Kempston Town Hammers Reserves who still await their first point of the season. Evan Hunt, Kyle Cook, Harry Lovely, George Starling plus an own goal marking their scoresheet to bring up the nap hand. Whilst Caldecote Reserves are now up into fourth place following their 4-1 home victory over Wilstead. Liam Beech with a hat-trick plus a goal from Jake Wallace doing the damage against a lone Joe Sullivan reply.

Enjoying life on the road were Blunham who with a brace from Connor Heaps including one from the penalty spot and a strike from Ricky Lawrence won 3-2 at Sharnbrook Reserves whose replies came via Edward Hatfield-Shaw and Bradley Duffett. Whilst Wootton Blue Cross Reserves with a lone goal from Reece Mills were 1-0 home winners over M&DH Clapham Sports.

Division Two South

Despite a brace of goals from Brad Freeman only being good enough to earn Westoning Recreation a 2-2 home draw against New Bradwell St Peter Development they still sit on top of the Division Two South league table. The visitors replies coming from Donell Mahanzu and Tate Gray. However, just a point behind them in second spot having played two games fewer are Stopsley United who were 6-2 home winners over Stotfold Junior. Michael Carter led the way with a hat-trick alongside single goals from Erind Deda, Callum Patrick Frater and Esmir Gurkuqi whilst Adam Carter and Jacob Kirby hit the Junior replies.

The biggest away win of the day went to FC Haynes 6-1 at FC Polonia (Luton) Cian Mitchell and Tyler Winter both netted braces alongside single strikes from Ross Airson and James Roach against a lone home reply via Fabien Pawelee. Whilst also winning on the road were Lea Sports PSG who via an own goal and a strike from Joe Hennam won 2-1 at Caddington whose reply came via Ronnie Burden from the penalty spot.

Elsewhere, LU Donz picked up their first home points of the season in beating Sporting Carpathians 4-2. Troy Walker with a hat-trick and a goal from Cameron Saunders doing the damage against a brace in reply from Julian Constantin Cojocari. Whilst goals from Tendayi Hwiza and Kurt Antony Thomas helped Brache Phoenix to maintain their seasons unbeaten ways in earning a point from a 2-2 draw at Flitwick Town Reserves whose games via Melidi Gana and David Lyons.

Division Two South League Table at 30th September 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Westoning Recreation First	5	3	1	1	16	6	10	10
2	Stopsley United First	3	3	0	0	14	4	10	9
3	Stotfold Junior First (Sat)	5	3	0	2	17	15	2	9
4	Lea Sports PSG Saturday First	4	3	0	1	15	14	1	9
5	Brache Phoenix First	4	2	2	0	11	9	2	8
6	Sporting Carpathians First	4	2	1	1	19	10	9	7
7	Caddington (BCFL)	5	2	1	2	14	8	6	7
8	FC Haynes First	5	2	0	3	20	15	5	6
9	LU Donz First	3	2	0	1	7	7	0	6
10	Flitwick Town Reserves	4	1	1	2	6	11	-5	4
11	New Bradwell St Peter FC Development	4	1	1	2	6	12	-6	4
12	FC Polonia (Luton) First	5	1	0	4	12	19	-7	3
13	Bletchley Scot First	3	0	1	2	7	9	-2	1
14	The 61 FC (Luton) Reserves	4	0	0	4	2	27	-25	0

Division Three supported by Hy-Pro

Bedford Albion Development remain 100% for the season and three points clear at the head of the Division Three supported by Hy-Pro standings following their 4-1 home win over Elstow Abbey Reserves. Connor Silvey with a brace plus Hichem Ben and Pasquale Grasso on their scoresheet against a lone Abbey reply from Ross Milton. Whilst the biggest away win of the day took Luton Panthers to a 6-1 victory at GS Athletic who still await their first point of the season. Max Zih and Tau Roberts both netted a brace to go alongside single strikes from John Katati and Nick Sharpe against a lone home reply from Alexander Emery.

Also winning on the road were Caldecote A 3-2 at Leighton Woodside Rovers. Charlie Richardson, Luca La Franchessa and Jamie Richardson all found the back of the net against Rovers replies via Dan Davison and Theo Davison. Whilst Clifton Reserves were given the three points when CS Rovers failed to raise a side to journey to meet them at Whiston Crescents.

Elsewhere, Flitwick Town A with four goals from Andrew Graham were 4-2 home winners over Queens Park Crescents Development against a brace in reply from Ameer Ali.

Division Three supported by Hy-Pro League Table at 30th September 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Bedford Albion Development	4	4	0	0	15	4	11	12
2	Harlington Juniors Reserves	3	3	0	0	15	1	14	9
3	Clifton Reserves	4	2	2	0	5	4	1	8
4	Caldecote 'A'	3	2	1	0	8	5	3	7
5	Elstow Abbey Reserves	5	2	1	2	11	15	-4	7
6	Luton Panthers First	4	2	0	2	18	9	9	6
7	Leighton Woodside Rovers	5	1	1	3	14	17	-3	4
8	Queens Park Crescents Development	4	1	1	2	6	9	-3	4
9	Flitwick Town 'A'	5	1	0	4	7	20	-13	3
10	CS Rovers First	4	0	2	2	10	11	-1	1*
11	Bedford Wanderers First	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Cambridge First	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	FC Haynes Reserves	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	GS Athletic First	3	0	0	3	2	16	-14	0

Division Four

Atletic FC lead at the head of the Division Four league table is now down to a single point after goals from Mo Banda and Mesumbo Kezhzong was only enough to earn them a share of the spoils from a 2-2 draw at Shefford Town & Campton U23, whose goals came via Ashley Heley and Isaac Talbot. Sitting in that second spot are Kempston Athletic who having played a game fewer retained d their seasons 100% ways when a goal from Lance Jeffers took them to a 1-0 win at Lidlington United Sports Club Colts.

The biggest winners of the day were Dunstable Wanderers who claimed their first win of the season 6-1 at home against Turvey. Alex Saka with a hat-trick, Jack Brown with a brace plus a single goal from Andrew Gibson doing the damage. Just a goal behind them and now in third place are Meltis Rangers who ran out 5-1 home winners over Leighton Woodside Athletic. Ellis Sharpe with a hat-trick plus single goals from Gavin Matthews and Joshua Smith bringing up the nap hand against a lone reply from Liam Milne for the visitors.

Elsewhere, Sandy Reserves remain 100% on home soil this season following their 4-0 victory over Catsbrook Wanderers. Charlie Singleton with a hat-trick and a single strike from James Scott doing the damage. Whilst a successful penalty from Sonto

Niamdi could not prevent M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves losing 1-2 at home to Ampthill Town Colts. Whose both goals came from Marcus Sugrue.

Division Four League Table at 30th September 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Atletic FC First	5	4	1	0	15	8	7	13
2	Kempston Athletic First	4	4	0	0	15	0	15	12
3	Meltis Rangers First	5	2	2	1	16	12	4	8
4	Dunstable Wanderers First	5	1	3	1	17	14	3	6
5	Shefford Town & Campton U23	5	1	3	1	11	10	1	6
6	Ampthill Town Colts	5	2	0	3	14	15	-1	6
7	Sandy Reserves	5	2	0	3	11	16	-5	6
8	Catsbrook Wanderers First	5	2	0	3	9	16	-7	6
9	Leighton Woodside Athletic	4	1	2	1	13	10	3	5
10	Turvey	5	1	2	2	9	13	-4	5
11	M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves	5	1	1	3	8	15	-7	4
12	Lidlington United Sports Club Colts	5	0	2	3	7	16	-9	2
13	Biggleswade FC Development	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0