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Midweek Round-Up

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Bedford Park Rangers are the 2011-12 season Division Four league champions following their 3-1 victory at Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves. Ahead via a strike from Shaun Finlay in the 18th minute they were then reduced to 10 men when Jordan Wright was red carded right on the stroke of half-time, but a penalty from Finlay 26 minutes into the new period and a header from Mark Reynolds three minutes later saw them lead the game 3-0 until Matthew McCartney reduced the arrears in time added on.

Elsewhere, Division Three action saw the already crowned league champions Cranfield United Reserves have their five game winning run ended when losing 1-0 at home against a Goldington side who now climb to third in the league table. Karl Anderson netting the games lone goal in the 23rd minute, whilst James Armstrong for the home side missed from the penalty spot just five minutes from time.

Wednesday 25th April 2012

Division one action tonight saw Ickwell & Old Warden chalk up their eleventh win on the bounce and duly retain their season's unbeaten home record with a 6-1 victory over Henlow. Lee Threadgold netting three times alongside strikes from Steve Thomas, Andrew Vallom and Matthew McCartney to leave Ickwell just requiring to avoid an heavy defeat at second place Bedford Sports Athletic at the weekend to lift the league crown. Tonight, The Athletic ran out 4-2 winners at Lea Sports PSG. First half goals from Aaron Perrett and Asa Mead seeing them lead 2-0 at the break before Carmine Defoe made it 3-0 six minutes into the new period. However, home strikes from Danny Hardacre and Graham Clark reduced the arrears to a single goal until Paul Garrad struck for The Athletic 14 minutes from time.

Elsewhere, a lone goal from Sam Walters saw FC Meppershall become the first club this season to win at fourth place Lidlington United Sports in a 1-0 success that now leaves United requiring a victory at Caldecote Reserves on Saturday if they are to finish the season in third spot above Marston Shelton Rovers, tonight The Rovers were beaten on home soil by would you believe Caldecote Reserves. Jack Boyd with a brace of first half being replied to in the second period by Dan Bullen for The Rovers.

Down at the other end of the table, relegation for Meltis Albion was confirmed when they were beaten 3-0 at home by Kings AFC who had start the day just two points above them in the standings. Mark Loosemore, Josh Clements and Oliver Plested netting the vital goals.

In Division Two, AFC Turvey ran out 6-0 winners over Marabese Ceramics in a game that was switched to their own Stonefield's venue. Mark Allen with a brace plus strikes from John Guiney, Tim Clarke and Martin Page being added to by a Saimir Guri penalty.

The scheduled game at The Hollow between Potton United Reserves and Elstow Abbey being postponed due to a waterlogged pitch.

In Division Three, Stevington's six game winning home run was halted by Renhold Village who enhanced their hopes of a top three finish with a 2-1 win. Daniel Avis and Carl Townsend on the scoresheet for The Village against a home reply via Gavin White.

Other action saw two goals from James Cooke take Riseley Sports to a 2-1 home win over Royal Oak Kempston.

In Division Four, Thurleigh are now the firm favourites for this season's silver medals after they jumped above Marsh Leys in the league table by beating them 3-0 on their own Cutler Hammer patch, The Leys first home defeat in eight outings. David Mulvhill with a brace plus a goal from Josh Pierre St Clair doing the damage.

Elsewhere, bottom of the table Dunton A have now lost their last eight games after being beaten 5-3 at Kempston Athletic. Gary Whitbread three times plus Dee Sayid and Tory Bossendorfer on the home scoresheet against replies from Gavin Stackman, James Saunderson and Alex Harrison.

Meantime, Caldecote A notched up their third away win on the bounce with a 3-1 victory at Sandy Reserves. Ryan Ambrose, Tom Stocker and Nicky Albone finding the back of the net against a home reply via Ian Hammett.

For Wootton Village, it was home win number three on the bounce with a 2-0 win over Bedford Panthers. Ryan Stocker and Jay Rogers the goal scorers.

The scheduled Bedfordshire FA Junior Cup Final between Sundon Park Rangers and Sundon Park Rangers Colts at Arlesey Town's Armadillo Stadium being waterlogged off following heavy morning rain.

Action Round-Up Saturday 28th April 2012.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

The inclement weather meant the postponement due to waterlogged pitches of the Renhold United v Shefford Town & Campton and Woburn v Caldecote games, leaving just one top flight game go ahead in which Sharnbrook ran out 2-1 winners at AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College to ensure they will finish above their hosts in the final league standings. Paola Fregapane netting both goals against a Town reply from Keegan Roberts.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 28th April 2012

POS	TEAM	PLAYED	HOME	AWAY	OVERALL	GD	PTS
			WDLF	A WDL	F A WDL	F A	
1	Shefford Town & Campton	23	11 1 0 48	10 9 0 2	38 12	20 1 2	86 22 64 61
2	Caldecote	23	11 0 1 46	15 7 2 2	32 16	18 2 3	78 31 47 56
3	Bedford Hatters	24	8 1 3 29	17 8 2 2	31 23	16 3 5	60 40 20 51
4	Renhold United	23	5 3 3 26	19 7 0 5	30 17	12 3 8	56 36 20 39
5	Oakley Sports	24	5 4 3 21	14 5 3 4	36 25	10 7 7	57 39 18 37
6	Wilshamstead	24	4 3 5 27	29 6 3 3	26 22	10 6 8	53 51 2 36
7	Arlesey Town Reserves	24	4 2 6 16	16 19 5 1	6 22	25 9 3	12 38 44 -6 30

8	Blunham	24	8	0	4	31	22	1	3	8	14	32	9	3	12	45	54	-9	30
9	Sharnbrook	24	4	3	5	16	28	4	1	7	16	33	8	4	12	32	61	-29	28
10	AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College	24	3	1	8	22	34	3	4	5	21	30	6	5	13	43	64	-21	23
11	Flitwick Town	24	4	1	7	19	28	2	3	7	16	27	6	4	14	35	55	-20	22
12	Dunton	24	3	2	7	17	30	1	1	10	12	34	4	3	17	29	64	-35	15
13	Woburn	23	1	2	8	19	42	2	0	10	13	41	3	2	18	32	83	-51	11

Division One

With Hillgrounds ruled unplayable, Bedford Sports Athletic agreed to concede home advantage and travel to The Green to meet Ickwell & Old Warden in the game to decide the division one championship. Ickwell & Old Warden running out the 3-0 victors to end their league season winners of their last 13 games, Nick Jones shooting them ahead in the third minute before Danny Fox added to the scoreline from a free kick 13 minutes from time and Lee Threadgold grabbed goal number three two minutes from time.

Division One League Table at 28th April 2012

POS	TEAM	PLAYED	HOME			AWAY			OVERALL			GDPTS							
			W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F			A					
1	Ickwell & Old Warden	26	11	2	0	53	11	10	2	1	41	16	21	4	1	94	27	67	67
2	Bedford SA	26	10	0	3	42	19	9	4	0	44	20	19	4	3	86	39	47	61
3	Marston Shelton Rovers	26	8	3	2	31	16	7	4	2	26	14	15	7	4	57	30	27	52
4	Lidlington United Sports	26	8	4	1	40	13	6	3	4	26	24	14	7	5	66	37	29	49
5	FC Meppershall	26	7	3	3	44	24	7	2	4	28	19	14	5	7	72	43	29	47
6	Sandy	26	5	4	4	42	28	8	1	4	38	28	13	5	8	80	56	24	44
7	Lea Sports PSG	26	2	6	5	22	26	5	6	2	26	14	7	12	7	48	40	8	33
8	Caldecote Reserves	25	6	1	5	34	26	4	2	7	27	39	10	3	12	61	65	-4	33
9	Henlow	25	4	3	6	29	36	5	2	5	20	24	9	5	11	49	60	-11	32
10	Luton Boys	26	5	3	5	37	32	3	2	8	33	48	8	5	13	70	80	-10	29
11	AFC Kempston Tn & Bedford Coll Reserves	26	4	2	7	14	24	3	1	9	22	44	7	3	16	36	68	-32	24
12	Kings AFC	26	2	2	9	22	47	2	3	8	27	49	4	5	17	49	96	-47	17
13	Meltis Albion	26	0	1	12	4	46	3	2	8	18	57	3	3	20	22	103	-81	12
14	Westoning	26	1	1	11	18	42	1	1	11	14	36	2	2	22	32	78	-46	8

Just down the road at Harvey Close, Lidlington United Sports missed the chance to finish the season in third place when beaten 3-0 by Caldecote Reserves. All the goals coming in the second period via Neil Giles twice and Tom Dupuy once.

For FC Meppershall, it was win number four on the bounce in a 3-0 victory at Kings AFC to ensure they would finish the season in fifth spot. James Field with a brace plus a strike from Danny Wing doing the damage.

This win for FC Meppershall meaning Sandy despite winning 7-1 at Meltis Albion will end the season in sixth place. Daniel Stafford on the scoresheet four times, Nathan Morris twice and Mark Jennings once against a home reply from Nick Hardwick.

Division Two

The new crowned league champions Elstow Abbey were beaten for the first time in league action this season when going down 2-0 at second place AFC Turvey, Mike Stephenson netting in the first half and Tim Clarke in the second period.

The biggest winners of the day were Sundon Park Rangers who won 7-3 at Marabese Ceramics to end the season in fifth place, Samuel Kehinde netting twice alongside single goals for Danny Viola, Luke Evans, Aaron Conway, Chris Hazel and Andrew Fox. Whilst the home replies came from Lewis Littlechild with a brace and John Chitundu.

Elsewhere, also enjoying a big win were Shefford Town & Campton Reserves in a 5-0 home victory over Potton United Reserves. Ryan Dodson with a hat-trick plus two goals from Sam Jones giving The Town their sixth win on the bounce to claim fourth spot in the final standings.

Enjoying life on the road were Co-op Sports, for them it was a 2-0 victory at Queens Park Crescents thanks to goals from Chris Vardy and Tom McMilan. Whilst Bromham United extended their unbeaten away ways to four games by sharing the spoils in a 2-2 draw at Stopsley Park, Craig Pettit and Rob Wilson on the scoresheet for the home side against United replies via Shane Conzano and Robin Hewitt.

The game between M & DH Oakley and Great Barford being postponed due to a waterlogged pitch.

Division Two League Table at 28th April 2012

POS	TEAM	PLAYED	HOME			AWAY			OVERALL			GDPTS	
			W	D	L	F	A		W	D	L	F	A
1	Elstow Abbey	25	11	2	0	48	8	9	2	1	4	51	20
2	AFC Turvey	26	9	2	2	39	21	10	1	2	4	51	60
3	Pavenham	25	7	1	4	41	22	8	2	3	7	38	48
4	Shefford Town & Campton Reserves	26	8	1	4	39	27	6	3	4	8	59	46
5	Sundon Park Rangers [Saturday]	26	5	4	4	39	23	8	2	3	7	81	45
6	Bromham United	26	6	2	5	30	19	7	1	5	10	58	46
7	Co-op Sports	25	7	2	4	46	27	5	1	6	10	67	55
8	Potton United Reserves	25	7	1	4	29	27	4	2	7	11	55	57
9	Queens Park Crescents	26	5	3	5	26	20	4	4	5	7	10	55
10	Marabese Ceramics	26	4	2	7	22	32	4	2	7	4	14	43
11	Stopsley Park	26	3	2	8	22	39	5	2	6	4	14	57
12	M & DH Oakley	25	3	0	9	19	34	4	0	9	0	18	35
13	Clifton	26	1	2	10	13	34	4	1	8	3	18	31
14	Great Barford	25	0	0	13	7	54	1	1	10	9	1	23

Division Three

Sundon Park Rangers Colts maintained their quest for a top four finish when despite conceding home advantage due to their own Wrest Park ground being waterlogged they still ran out 7-1 winners at Potton Town. Ashley Wadhams netting twice alongside an own goal plus strikes from Luke Dolan, Rory McMullan, Colin Moore and Chris Scott against a lone home reply from Chris Cooper.

For Stevington, it was a 5-3 victory at Royal Oak Kempston. Matt Coles netting twice alongside Clinton Tatham, Darren King and Gavin White against Oak replies via Brendan Cunningham, Lorenzo Jordan and Liam Boland.

The game between Cranfield United Reserves and Dunton Reserves being postponed due to a waterlogged pitch.

Division Three League Table at 28th April 2012

POS	TEAM	PLAYED	HOME			AWAY			OVERALL			GDPTS	
			W	D	L	F	A		W	D	L	F	A
1	Cranfield United Reserves	25	8	0	4	25	13	11	1	1	4	31	19
2	Eastcotts AFC	26	1	1	0	2	38	19	7	1	5	27	24
3	Renhold Village	26	8	0	5	38	22	9	1	3	3	22	17
4	Goldington	25	8	1	3	42	21	7	3	3	3	42	15
5	Stevington	26	1	0	3	39	17	6	1	6	2	28	16
6	Riseley Sports	25	8	2	3	33	21	6	2	4	2	24	14
7	Sundon Park Rangers Colts	24	6	2	4	35	16	8	0	4	4	21	14
8	Wilshamstead Reserves	24	7	0	6	29	24	3	3	5	12	19	10
9	Potton Town	25	6	4	3	22	17	3	0	9	2	6	4
10	Kempston Hammers Sports	25	4	2	6	21	29	4	1	8	2	7	3
11	Westoning Reserves	25	4	0	8	24	34	4	2	7	2	8	3
12	Royal Oak Kempston	25	1	1	10	17	43	6	0	7	1	2	4
13	Flitwick Town Reserves	26	3	1	9	21	42	1	0	12	1	9	4
14	Dunton Reserves	25	1	2	10	18	51	1	0	11	9	5	0

Division Four

The fate of this seasons silver medals remains undecided after second place Thurleigh had their five game winning run ended in a 6-2 defeat at Wootton Village. Adam Flynn and Lewis Aitken netting twice alongside Tom Beattie and Callum Farmborough to take The Village to their third win on the bounce against replies via Josh Pierre St Clair and David Mulvhill.

Their rivals for those silver medals, Marsh Leys having their home clash with Dinamo Flitwick waterlogged off to leave them a point behind in third spot with both clubs having just one game to play.

Also waterlogged off were the games Caldecote A v Bedford Park Rangers and Dunton A v Clifton Reserves.

Over at Rectory Road, Shefford Town & Campton A enjoyed a 5-1 home victory over Goldington Hammers. Jason Webster with a brace plus Keiron Best, Dan Fowler and Michael Jones all on the scoresheet.

Whilst on The Green, Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves had to settle for a share of the spoils in a 2-2 draw with Bedford Panthers. Matthew Bruney giving them a 2-0 lead at the break with a couple of stunning finishes before strikes in the second period from Rory Cochrane and William Powell squared matters even at the final whistle.

Division Four League Table at 28th April 2012

POS	TEAM	PLAYED	HOME			AWAY			OVERALL			GDPTS							
			WDL	F	A	WDL	F	A	WDL	F	A								
1	Bedford Park Rangers	25	11	1	1	56	19	11	0	1	56	20	22	1	2	112	39	73	67
2	Thurleigh	27	8	3	2	44	19	11	0	3	56	29	19	3	5	100	48	52	60
3	Marsh Leys	27	7	3	3	35	21	11	2	1	54	21	18	5	4	89	42	47	59
4	Clifton Reserves	26	7	3	4	54	32	7	3	2	32	25	14	6	6	86	57	29	48
5	Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves	28	8	2	4	27	22	6	3	5	36	28	14	5	9	63	50	13	47
6	Stewartby Village	27	6	1	7	35	36	5	5	3	28	22	11	6	10	63	58	5	39
7	Sandy Reserves	28	4	1	9	34	47	7	3	4	37	38	11	4	13	71	85	-14	37
8	Caldecote A	26	4	4	4	40	29	6	2	6	33	31	10	6	10	73	60	13	36
9	Wootton Village	28	8	2	4	31	25	3	1	10	24	39	11	3	14	55	64	-9	36
10	Kempston Athletic	28	6	2	6	37	31	3	3	8	32	58	9	5	14	69	89	-20	32
11	Shefford Town & Campton A	25	6	1	6	31	32	3	3	6	26	32	9	4	12	57	64	-7	31
12	Dinamo Flitwick [former Reserves]	26	5	3	6	44	49	2	2	8	24	30	7	5	14	68	79	-11	26
13	Bedford Panthers	24	3	1	7	14	24	3	4	6	19	31	6	5	13	33	55	-22	23
14	Goldington Hammers	27	3	2	8	30	52	2	0	12	19	60	5	2	20	49	112	-63	17
15	Dunton A	26	1	2	10	15	52	1	0	12	14	63	2	2	22	29	115	-86	8

Final Preview of the 2011-12 Season

Next weekends action starts on Friday evening May 4th when at The Hollow home of Potton United, Ickwell & Old Warden take on Sandy in the final of this seasons Centenary Cup which kicks off at 7.30pm.

The following day then brings about a scheduled fixture list of nine games, the highlight of which should be the re-scheduled Bedfordshire FA Junior Cup Final between Sundon Park Rangers and Sundon Park Rangers Colts which is now taking place at AFC Kempston Rovers Hillgrounds complex with a 1.30pm kick off.

League action in division one ends for the season at Harvey Close, Caldecote Reserves and Henlow going head to head in local derby action to battle out who finishes above each other in the final league standings.

Meantime, in division two action comes in the form of just a single game when Pavenham host Co-op Sports in Mowsbury Park.

Whilst division three action comes in the form of an 11.00am kick off for the clash between Goldington and Riseley Sports which sees the home side concede home advantage and travel to Gold Street and in Hillgrounds, Royal Oak Kempston receive a visit from Potton Town for a 2.30pm start.

In division four there are four games, its an 11.00am start at Keysoe Road for Thurleigh when they host champions Bedford Park Rangers in their quest for the points to seal second spot and just 60 minutes later at The Bedford Hockey Centre, Bedford Panthers play hosts to Dunton A.

The final two encounters due to kick off at 2.30pm. At Rectory Road, Shefford Town & Campton A host Dinamo Flitwick and at Hillgrounds, Goldington Hammers receive a visit from Stewartby Village.

Action then moves onto Bank Holiday Monday May 7th when its a 3pm kick off for the final of this seasons Britannia Cup between Oakley Sports and Shefford Town & Campton which is being played at Second Meadow, home of Biggleswade United FC.

Whilst just down the road at Harvey Close, division four action starts at 2.30pm between hosts Caldecote A and their visitors Bedford Panthers.

Then on Wednesday 9th May, at The Hollow, Potton United Reserves host Elstow Abbey in a 7.45pm kick off and in division three at Wrest Park, Wilshamstead Reserves will be the visitors to face hosts Sundon Park Rangers Colts.

Action for the season is then due to conclude on Saturday 12th May at The Bedford Hockey Centre where Bedford Panthers host Shefford Town & Campton A.

Please note any amendments to the above fixtures, venues and kick off times will be posted onto the league website www.bedfordshirefootballleague.co.uk alongside news of the rearranged dates for the league games postponed on Saturday 28th April and the previous evenings postponed Watson Shield Final between Bedford Park Rangers and Goldington.