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Midweek Round-Up Wednesday 21st September 2011.

Arlesey Town Reserves moved themselves back onto the summit of The Premier Division supported by Sportsform league table with a 4-1 home victory over Dunton. Liam Toomey with a brace plus a strike from Mark Ellis and a Ben Worbey penalty only being replied to by Tom Burton.

In Division Two action at The Hollow, Potton United Reserves ran out 3-1 home winners over M & DH Oakley to move into fifth place in the league standings. Amit Aghera opening the scoring after 33 minutes which was then cancelled out three minutes later by Adam Emms to take the sides in at the break all square. Aghera then shot his side back in front on 64 minutes and Ben Talbot sealed the three points with the home sides third goal six minutes from time.

It was also a good night for Potton Town in Division Three, they won 2-1 at Cranfield United Reserves to move up into fourth slot in the league standings trailing all three clubs above them on goal difference only. Tom Pyman hitting both goals against a home reply from Dan Cockerton.

Elsewhere in the First Round of The Bedfordshire FA Junior Cup, Eastcotts ran out 9-1 home winners over Dunton A to earn a trip to either Four Model Reserves or Potton United Reserves in Round Two. Sean McFarland and Michael Sexton both netting hat-tricks alongside strikes from Liam Parker, Courtney Broughton and Kaylan Wilson.

Brian Buck Travellers Tales visits The Hollow

68. (10,176) Wednesday 7th September 2011. Gamlingay United 4 Potton United Reserves 1 (East Beds Charity Cup 2nd Round) (Played at Potton United) att 65 approx. This was a lively local derby well supported, mainly by Gamlingay followers, giving rise to the suggestion that they really ought to be plying their trade in the Bedfordshire County League, rather than the Cambs League, evening though they are a Cambridgeshire side. Anyway tonight Potton weren't in Gamlingay's league in any sense and in the first half the visitors were well on top, scoring on 11 and 36 minutes. They scored a third goal on 60 minutes, a cracking 35 yarder and one of the goals of the season. Three minutes later Potton were given the chance to get back in it from the spot, following a push I think, but the resultant kick was saved. But then two minutes later Gamlingay got their fourth goal of the match. However six minutes later big Dave Waugh scored Potton's consolation goal and they played with much confidence for the remainder of the game. They like Dave at Potton, especially in the bar after the match where he was reported to have sunk eight cans of Guinness after one recent match. So he doesn't carry the can for this defeat, he just drinks them!

Action Round Up Saturday 24th September 2011.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

The new leaders of The Premier Division supported by Sportsform league table are Caldecote following their 7-0 home romp over AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College. Braces of goals from Barry Dellar and Tom Cookman plus strikes from David Lenton and Kai Griffiths-Shilton took them 6-0 clear in the opening period before Tom Wallace added to the scoreline in the second period.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 24th September 2011.

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

For third place Bedford Hatters, it was a retention of their unbeaten start to the season with a share of the spoils in a 3-3 draw at Sharnbrook. Darren Wallinger, Luke Devine and Jayme Harris on the scoresheet for the home side against Hatters replies from Mark Reed, Richard Cook and Scott Alleyne.

Also retaining their seasons unbeaten ways were Oakley Sports in a 2-2 home draw against Flitwick Town. Mark Smith plus an own goal being replied to by Town goals from Dean Warren and Dean Conway.

It was another losing day for bottom of the table Renhold United; they were beaten 4-2 at Woburn. Daniel McClaren twice plus Ryan Chesters and Tom Dell on the mark for The Safari Boys against a brace in reply from United's Alex Woolston.

Division One

Ickwell & Old Warden now only trail league leaders Lidlington United Sports on goal difference following their 2-0 home win over Caldecote Reserves, Lee Threadgold and Anup Kalyan netting the goals that did the damage.

However, right on their tails in third place are Marston Shelton Rovers, they retained their own unbeaten start to the season by winning 4-2 at bottom of the table Kings AFC. Jamie Cerminara netting twice alongside James Burraway and Mark Champkin against home replies via Ryan Kelly and Oliver Plestead.

Also still unbeaten for the season are Bedford Sports Athletic who ran out 5-1 away winners at Henlow. First half strikes from Andrew Latimer, Paul Nigro and Gary Canzano saw them lead 3-0 at the break before Latimer completed his hat-trick in the second period against a home reply from Adam Cavell.

Keeping up the "away winners" theme were FC Meppershall with a 1-0 victory at Meltis Albion, thanks to a goal from Padraic Walsh and Sandy who beat Westoning 3-0. Chris Nicholls, Rob Tapley and Mark Jennings netting the vital goals.

Division One League Table at 24th September 2011.

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

Bedfordshire FA Intermediate Cup First Round

Lidlington United Sports safely made it into round two to earn a home tie against Kent Athletic Reserves with a comfortable 3-0 away win at AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College Reserves. Kieren Wills, Darren Sims and Dominic Martins all finding the back of the net.

Joining them in round two are Luton Boys, their passage being gained without kicking a ball after Luton Leagrave withdrew from the competition in midweek. They now travel to Forde Park for a meeting with Langford Reserves.

Not so lucky were Lea Sports PSG, they were beaten in a penalty shoot-out 2-1 by St Joseph's after the previous 120 minutes play had failed to produce a goal. Sam Cuciano their lone successful spot kicker.

Division Two

In the day's lone fixture, AFC Turvey retained their seasons 100% start to the campaign and moved to the top of the league table with a 1-0 victory at Sundon Park Rangers, Tim Clarke striking the vital goal.

Bedfordshire FA Junior Cup First Round

The result of the day belonged to Renhold Village who netted a 2-1 home victory over last seasons beaten finalists Pavenham. Dan Luke and Carl Townsend on the scoresheet against a reply from Tom Rodger to earn the Village an away tie in round two at Cranfield United Reserves. They ran out 6-1 winners at Caddington Reserves. Dan Cockerton and Mark Dring netting twice alongside Adam Kerr and James Armstrong.

Also causing an upset were Royal Oak Kempston, 3-0 away winners at Great Barford. Lorenzo Jordan and Lewis Smith shooting The Oak 2-0 ahead in the opening half before Sean Boland put the tie to bed just four minutes into the second period to earn his side a home tie in round two against Farley Boys Reserves.

Joining in on the giant-killing act were both Thurleigh and Wilshamstead Reserves, with wins over higher division opposition. Thurleigh with two goals from Ben Stock and a strike from Josh Pierre St Clare against replies from Phill Kempself and Dean Waghorn, 3-2 home winners over Bromham United. Whilst Wilshamstead Reserves netted a 4-0 home win over Marabese Ceramics, all thanks to a brace from Jay Hill and strikes from Hani Thearra and Kieron Colclough to earn a visit from Bedford Park Rangers in round two after they won 5-1 at Wootton Village. Matthew Westwood netting twice alongside Shaun Finlay, Stephen Walsh and Josh Geary against a home reply via Andrea Capagghione.

The top scorers of the day were Elstow Abbey, they won 14-0 at North Sundon Wanderers. Danny Pilgrim and Glen Tumulty both netting twice plus an own goal to take them 5-0 up by half-time before another nine goals were added in the second period. Pilgrim and Tumulty completing their hat-tricks, Harry Ellis joining them as hat-trick men, alongside a brace for Ed L'Erario and penalties from Damian Matthews and Darren Ayre to complete the rout and bring Riseley Sports to The Warren in round two.

Winning big were Potton Town, 7-2 home winners over Stopsley Baptist Church. Chris Moore twice plus Chris Cooper, James Pyman, James Day, Nick Gilbert and Marcus Tait all finding the back of the net to take The Town to Sundon Park Rangers in round two.

Over at Whiston Crescent, Clifton saw their hopes of a cup run ended when going down 3-1 in a penalty shoot-out against Stopsley Park after 120 minutes had seen the sides deadlocked at 4-4. Tony Norman with a hat-trick plus Patrick Owen on the home scoresheet against Park replies from James Smart, Jack O'Shea, Lee West and Lee Russell. The Park now face a home tie against Shefford Town & Campton A who were given a bye when Bedford Panthers failed to raise a side to face them.

Another club needing more than 90 minutes to earn a place in round two were Sundon Park Rangers Colts, for them it was a 3-2 extra time win over Stevington. Ashley Wadhams netting all three goals against an own goal and a strike from Luke Cronin for Stevington. The Colts will now travel to Square Rangers in round two.

Elsewhere, Co-op Sports were 3-1 home winners over Westoning Reserves, goals from Scott Davis, Chris Vardy and Steve Smith doing the damage against a reply from Joe Rogers to take their side to Flitwick Town Reserves in round two after they emerged 4-2 home winners over Clifton Reserves. Grant Archer with a hat-trick plus an own goal only being replied to by strikes from Mason Bambridge and Harry Green.

Two clubs now destined to meet in round two are Goldington and Kempston Hammers Sports after both received walk-overs in round one, Goldington via the demise of Dinamo Flitwick in midweek and The Hammers after Caldecote A failed to raise a side to meet them at Cutler Hammer.

Strange how it might seem, still on the cup trail are Dinamo Flitwick Reserves, 4-0 home winners over Sandy Reserves. Dean Adams twice plus Ben Hannam and Joe Burton netting the goals that now take them to Queens Park Crescents in round two.

Also hitting the road in round two will be Shefford Town & Campton Reserves, they travel to face AFC Turvey after netting a 4-1 home victory over FC Spandits Reserves. Adam Chambers, Paul Still, Adam Larsen and Jordan Robbins their goal getters.

However, for Marsh Leys it will be a home tie in round two against Ickwell Reserves after they won 4-1 at Chrisitan in Sports Reserves. Alex Clipson netting three times including twice from the penalty spot alongside a goal from Jamie Carson.

Two other sides into round two are Potton United Reserves and M & DH Oakley. United will now entertain Eastcotts AFC after goals from Sam Barham and Jamie Steele took them to a

2-0 win at Four Model Reserves. Whilst M & DH Oakley will now travel to face Goldington Hammers after winning 4-1 at Kempston Athletic. Lee Leonard twice plus Lee Osmond and Jamie Underwood on target against a lone Athletic reply via Gary Whitbread.

Alas it was the end of the road for Stewartby Village and Dunton Reserves, a brace of goals from Tom Wheelhouse failing to save The Village being beaten 5-2 at 61FC Luton A, whilst despite strikes from Jon Fediw and Uqur Demir, Dunton Reserves were beaten 2-4 at home by Co-op Sports Reserves.

Division Two League Table at 24th September 2011.

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	AFC Turvey	4	4	0	0	11	2	9	12
2	Elstow Abbey	3	3	0	0	10	0	10	9
3	Pavenham	3	3	0	0	9	1	8	9
4	Sundon Park Rangers [Saturday]	4	2	1	1	14	4	10	7
5	Potton United Reserves	3	2	0	1	7	3	4	6
6	Shefford Town & Campton Reserves	3	1	2	0	7	6	1	5
7	Co-op Sports	2	1	0	1	6	4	2	3
8	Bromham United	3	1	0	2	6	9	-3	3
9	Stopsley Park	3	1	0	2	6	11	-5	3
10	Marabese Ceramics	3	0	2	1	1	4	-3	2
11	Great Barford	3	0	1	2	5	10	-5	1
12	Clifton	3	0	1	2	3	8	-5	1
13	Queens Park Crescents	3	0	1	2	1	13	-12	1
14	M & DH Oakley	4	0	0	4	2	13	-11	0

Division Three

The lone division three action at Gold Street saw Riseley Sports play out a 2-2 draw with Goldington, Tom Ellison and Carl Walker on the home scoresheet against replies from Jordan Kumar and Damion Quigley.

Division Three League Table at 24th September 2011.

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Renhold Village	2	2	0	0	7	2	5	6
2	Eastcotts AFC	2	2	0	0	7	3	4	6
3	Sundon Park Rangers Colts	3	2	0	1	7	6	1	6
4	Potton Town	3	2	0	1	4	4	0	6
5	Goldington	3	1	1	1	12	6	6	4
6	Stevington	2	1	1	0	5	3	2	4
7	Riseley Sports	2	1	1	0	4	3	1	4
8	Cranfield United Reserves	3	1	0	2	8	5	3	3
9	Westoning Reserves	2	1	0	1	4	4	0	3
10	Kempston Hammers Sports	2	1	0	1	6	8	-2	3
11	Wilshamstead Reserves	3	0	1	2	1	5	-4	1
12	Dunton Reserves	2	0	1	1	2	7	-5	1
13	Flitwick Town Reserves	3	0	1	2	1	7	-6	1
14	Royal Oak Kempston	2	0	0	2	1	6	-5	0

Preview Saturday 1st October 2011.

The centre of attention for the majority of The Premier Division supported by Sportsform clubs this weekend revolves around action in the opening round of The Bedfordshire FA Senior Trophy. Of the five ties, two are all Bedfordshire County Football League affairs. At Miller Road, Bedford Hatters will be hosting a AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College side they have already drawn with in league action this season to suggest this tie could go either way. Whilst Harvey Close is the venue for the tie between hosts Caldecote and Flitwick Town, where you would expect the home side to prevail.

For Dunton, it is home Carlsberg Stadium action against high flying Molten Spartan South Midlands League outfit Ampthill Town. Whilst Oakley Sports will hit the road full of confidence when they journey to Manor Road for a meeting with Caddington.

The final tie also sees Wilshamstead hitting the road for the short journey to Weston Park to take on United Counties Football League opposition in the shape of Wootton Blue Cross.

Away from the cup action there are just three Premier Division supported by Sportsform encounters to savour. At Moggerhanger Playing Fields, Blunham will be hosting Arlesey Town Reserves in a game that could go either way, but over at Lodge Road, you would expect hosts Sharnbrook to collect the full three points when The Safari Boys from Woburn pay them a visit. Plus at Rectory Road, hosts Shefford Town & Campton will start firm favourites to collect the points from the visiting Renhold United.

In Division One, the pick of the seven game programme may either come at Bedford Road Recreation Ground where Sandy host Ickwell & Old Warden in local derby action or at Marston Playing Fields, the venue for Marston Shelton Rovers home clash with fellow promotion hopefuls Lea Sports PSG.

Meantime, just down the road at Hurst Grove, league leaders Lidlington United Sports receive a visit from Caldecote Reserves in a game that should see them collect all three points. Whilst at Hillgrounds, points for their position at the other end of the league standings are on offer for hosts AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College Reserves and fellow strugglers Kings AFC.

Over at Cople Playing Fields, Bedford Sports Athletic take on Henlow for the second time in seven games having beaten them 5-1 at Groveside in the first encounter, whilst Meltis Albion hit the road for Chaul End Lane to be hosted by Luton Boys.

The seventh and final game in this Division takes place in Mowsbury Park between hosts FC Meppershall and the visiting Westoning.

With AFC Turvey having taken full advantage of their main rivals Elstow Abbey and Pavenham being on cup duty last weekend to go to the top of the Division Two league table, I this weekend they will be looking for another three points when they host Queens Park Crescents at Stonefields. Whilst The Abbey will be expected to do likewise when they entertain Shefford Town & Campton Reserves at The Warren and Pavenham gain the maximum haul of points from their visit to Everton Playing Fields for their meeting with Great Barford.

Fourth place Sundon Park Rangers also remain unbeaten this season, for them it is a short trip on the road to Luton Regional Sports Centre to face Stopsley Park.

Elsewhere, Co-op Sports will be hoping to keep in touch with the pace setters above them in standings when they travel to face M & DH Oakley at their Playing Field Headquarters. With other action coming at Bromham Playing Fields, the venue where Bromham United will host the travelling Clifton who journey in search of their first league win of the season and at Groveside, where likewise Marabese Ceramics search out their opening league win of the campaign against visitors Potton United Reserves.

In Division Three there is home action for the league leaders Renhold Village, but things will not be easy for them as the visitors to their Renhold Playing Field headquarters are fellow title contenders Eastcotts AFC. Whilst the second stand-out game on paper in this division looks to be the Leagrave Park clash between hosts Sundon Park Rangers Colts and the travelling still unbeaten for the season Riseley Sports. Whilst Mowsbury Park is the venue for the meeting between fifth place hosts Goldington and sixth place Cranfield United Reserves.

Down at the other end of the table, basement club Royal Oak Kempston make their way to Horseshoes Close to face Dunton A and Flitwick Town Reserves face a tough home encounter at Steppingley Road against unbeaten in the league this season Stevington.

Other action coming at Sunderland Road Playing Field where Potton Town will be expected to collect the full three points from their visitors Wilshamstead Reserves and at Greenfield Road, the venue for Westoning Reserves home clash with Kempston Hammers Sports.

In Division Four, league leaders Marsh Leys will be in home Cutler Hammer action against Stewartby Village where it will be a major surprise if their 100% record is broken despite The Village currently holding down the fourth spot in the league standings.

Elsewhere, for second place Bedford Park Rangers, it is a trip across town to The Bedford Hockey Centre to take on Bedford Panthers. Whilst third place Kempston Athletic make their way to Harvey Close for a meeting with Caldecote A.

Down at the other end of the table, Sandy Reserves make the short journey to The Green looking for their first league point/points of the campaign against hosts Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves. A comment that also applies to Goldington Hammers who go into Mowsbury Park home action against Dunton A.

The day's other action coming at Digswell Playing Fields, the venue where Shefford Town & Campton A entertain still unbeaten in the league Thurleigh and at Whiston Crescent, where hosts Clifton Reserves strive to retain their unbeaten start to the season against Wootton Village.

Division Four League Table at 24th September 2011

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

