



Bedfordshire County **Football League**

Season 2024-25

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Noticeboard

The Bedfordshire County Football League is pleased to announce that an agreement has been reached with HBC Logistics for them to become the league's mainline sponsor for season 2024-25.

Chairman, Peter Francis said, we are delighted to welcome HBC Logistics aboard for the 2024-25 season being our first mainline sponsor in its 120 year history and look forward to the positive impact this partnership will have on our clubs.

The revenue raised from this sponsorship will be distributed back to our clubs in various forms of rewards at the league's 2025 Annual General Meeting.

HBC Logistics is delighted for this new partnership with the Bedfordshire County Football League. Football is a big part of our company, not only am i the first team manager of Biggleswade FC, but there are always heated debates and collective discussions in the office. It's a lot of fun and we are now excited to be able to follow and support teams more locally as a business with plenty of community spirit. Dave Northfield. Director at HBC Logistics.

Registration Forms (covered under league rule18)

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 2024-25 .

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 past seasons 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 2024 AGM **home clubs only** 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.

Match Day information required for Press Reports etc.

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, due to their ground being unfit or not available 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.

Saturday 30th November 2024

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

Cranfield United Reserves now find themselves in third spot after they return to winning ways with a 3-0 home success over Crawley Green Development. Jordan Conway with a brace plus a goal from Joe Bescoby marking their scoresheet. Whilst Biggleswade United Reserves made it into the top six after they retained their season's unbeaten home ways with a 4-1 victory over bottom of the table Shefford Town & Campton Reserves who were falling to their fifth consecutive away defeat. Liam Smyth with a brace plus single goals from Vinnie Baker and Seyram Hammond doing the damage against a lone Town reply from Joe Defries.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 30th November 24

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Wootton Blue Cross First	9	8	0	1	38	15	23	24
2	AFC Oakley First	11	7	2	2	36	13	23	23
3	Cranfield United Reserves	12	6	2	4	30	19	11	20
4	Caldecote First	12	6	1	5	24	23	1	19
5	Marston Shelton Rovers First	9	5	3	1	19	14	5	18
6	Biggleswade United Reserves	10	4	2	4	31	28	3	14
7	Queens Park Crescents First	6	4	1	1	13	8	5	13
8	Elstow Abbey First	7	4	1	2	19	17	2	13
9	Riseley Sports First	11	4	0	7	18	21	-3	12
10	Totternhoe Reserves	9	3	2	4	14	18	-4	11
11	Biggleswade FC Reserves	11	2	3	6	20	36	-16	9
12	Crawley Green Development	10	2	2	6	17	30	-13	8
13	Flitwick Town First	9	2	1	6	18	32	-14	7
14	Shefford Town & Campton Reserves	10	0	2	8	8	31	-23	2

Bedfordshire FA Senior Trophy Second Round

Take your choice between the result of the day, should it be Caldecote who emerged the 5-4 penalty shoot-out winners at Totternhoe after 90 minutes play had seen the sides deadlocked at 0-0. Or could it be Queens Park Crescents who were 2-0 home winners over Langford. with goals from Mohammed Zahar and Adam Iqbal. Or perhaps Flitwick Town the 4-3 home winners over The 61 FC Luton Reserves. Callum Beer, Andrew Graham, Phillip Matthews and Dan Stafford all found the back of the net for the Town against 61Fc replies via Aibie Mills, Mkolay Rusev and Liam Tyler.

Whatever your view it all adds up to Bedfordshire County Football League 3 South Midlands Football League 0.

Elsewhere it was a tale of three away winners. Marston Shelton Rovers with a brace of goals from Harry Baker taking them to a 2-1 victory at Elstow Abbey for whom Jordan Nice replied. Whilst AFC Oakley won 5-1 at Biggleswade FC Reserves. Teddy Daniels with a hat-trick and Zach Ives with a brace bringing up the nap hand and Max Holland hitting with the lone FC reply.

The third tie going to a penalty shoot-out which Totternhoe Reserves won 3-2 after 90 minutes of play had seen them deadlocked at 2-2 against Wootton Blue Cross. Blake Garner and Jazhai Randino on the Totts scoresheet against Blue Cross replies via Alan Henman and Keaton Marsh.

Division One

For league leaders Stopsley United it was an end to their season's 100% ways when beaten 2-1 at home by Clifton who were duly retaining their season's unbeaten away ways. Sam Oakins with a brace doing the damage against a lone United reply from Temitayo Akerele. Whilst Buffs FC returned to winning ways with a 4-3 victory at Ickwell & Old Warden. Luke Hennessey with a hat-trick and a single goal from Paul Morris doing the damage against home replies from Jordan Gurney, Kyle Johannesen and Glenn Tumulty.

For Bedford SA it is still the search for their first points of the season after going down 3-1 at Kempston United for whom Elijah Haynes netted twice and Frank Touke once against a lone reply from Brandon Hung Cheong Sow. Whilst Bedford Albion collected their first home point of the season from a 0-0 home draw against AFC Oakley Development.

Division One League Table at 30th November 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Stopsley United First	9	8	0	1	35	12	23	24
2	Harlington Juniors First	9	7	1	1	45	15	30	22
3	Sporting Carpathians First	8	5	2	1	21	11	10	17
4	Ickwell & Old Warden First	10	3	3	4	18	20	-2	12
5	Clifton First	7	3	2	2	18	13	5	11
6	Buffs FC Saturday First	8	3	1	4	10	18	-8	10
7	Kempston United First	10	3	1	6	16	31	-15	10
8	Bedford Albion First	5	2	2	1	14	12	2	8
9	AFC Oakley Development	9	1	4	4	14	22	-8	6*
10	Wootton Blue Cross Reserves	6	1	2	3	11	19	-8	5
11	Bedford SA First	9	0	0	9	5	34	-29	-3*

Division Two North

With a 4-0 home victory over M&DH Clapham Sports via goals from Josh Marshall, Brad Duffett, Ed Shaw and Charlie Hurley, Thurleigh now find themselves three points clear at the head of the Division Two North league table after second place Blunham were beaten 5-0 at Caldecote Reserves who were winning their fifth game on the bounce. Reece Glasgow and Christain Lamb with braces plus a goal from Edward Tubridy bringing up the nap hand.

Elsewhere, Bedford Albion Development returned to winning ways for the first time in six outings with a 4-3 success at Green End Rovers. Shema Dixon with a brace plus goals from James Wookey and Panashe Manyau only being replied to by Rovers Seb Lovell twice and Max Natola once. Whilst the Wixams Wanderers game with Shefford Town & Campton Development was abandoned an hour into the contest due to a serious player injury to a Town player.

Division Two North League Table at 30th November 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Thurleigh FC	9	7	0	2	24	6	18	21
2	Blunham (BCFL)	10	5	3	2	24	17	7	18
3	AFC Bedford United (Sat) First	9	5	3	1	22	15	7	18
4	Caldecote Reserves	9	5	1	3	25	12	13	16
5	FC Haynes First	10	5	1	4	21	24	-3	16
6	Green End Rovers First	9	4	1	4	22	18	4	13
7	Bedford Albion Development	11	2	3	6	18	27	-9	9
8	Wixams Wanderers First	8	3	1	4	14	19	-5	7*
9	Shefford Town & Campton Development	8	2	1	5	15	28	-13	7
10	M&DH Clapham Sports First	9	0	2	7	8	27	-19	2

Division Two South

There is no change at the head of Division Two South league standings following wins for the top two clubs, league leaders Lu Donz retaining their season's unbeaten home record in beating Brache Phoenix 3-1 thanks to goals from David Byass, Cameron Saunders and Phil Saxby against a lone reply from Cleopas Makaza to leave them two points ahead of Lea Sports PSG who with goals from Joe Hennem and Joe Campion were 2-1 home winners over Caddington whose goal came from Dan Fleming.

The biggest win of the day went to Bletchley Scot 7-3 at the bottom of the table AFC Kempston Town Hammers. Rowan Holland, Dean Reed and Ryan Williams all hitting braces to go alongside a single strike from James Atherton whilst Kyle Lewis with a brace plus an own goal marked the home scoresheet. Also enjoying life on the road were Harlington Juniors Reserves with a 4-1 victory at Stotfold Junior. Ben Smith and

James Fletcher with braces doing the damage against a lone reply from Joshua Butina for the home side..

New Bradwell St Peter Development now find themselves in fourth spot and just goal difference behind third place Luton Panthers following their 2-1 home victory over them. Joe Dean with a brace marking their scoresheet against a lone reply from Luciano Witter. Whilst at the tenth time of asking, Caldecote A collected all three points when a lone goal from Issac Warwick took them to a 1-0 home success over Flitwick Town Reserves.

Division Two South League Table at 30th November 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	LU Donz First	10	7	2	1	27	18	9	23
2	Lea Sports PSG Saturday First	10	6	3	1	37	21	16	21
3	Luton Panthers First	10	4	3	3	37	23	14	15
4	New Bradwell St Peter FC Development	9	5	1	3	20	13	7	15 *
5	Flitwick Town Reserves	11	5	0	6	29	34	-5	15
6	Harlington Juniors Reserves	8	5	1	2	25	11	14	13 *
7	Bletchley Scot First	6	3	2	1	20	16	4	11
8	Caddington (BCFL)	10	3	2	5	18	24	-6	11
9	Stotfold Junior First (Sat)	10	3	1	6	26	29	-3	10
10	Caldecote A	12	2	3	7	13	43	-30	9
11	Brache Phoenix First	7	1	2	4	15	20	-5	5
12	AFC Kempston Town Hammers First	9	1	2	6	17	32	-15	5

Division Three

It was a likewise story in Division Three with victories for the top two clubs. League leaders Kempston Athletic retained their season's unbeaten ways with a 5-1 success at third place Lewsey Park thus ending the Park's unbeaten home ways and seven game winning run. Alexander Wasliewski with a brace plus goals from Connor Crawford, Lucas Cain and Gianluca Testa bringing up the nap hand against a lone reply from Lee Mooney. Also going nap were second place Sandy Reserves with a 5-0 home victory over Flitwick Town A. Cameron Browne, Gianni Sirchin, Chris Jenkins, Voni Maswangany and Raul Phillips all found the back of the net.

There were big away wins for both Queens Park Crescents Development who won 7-0 at Meltis Rangers. Hasan Nadeem with a brace joined on the scoresheet by single goals from Ayaz Hussain, Hammed Hussain, Hasaian Hussain, Towhead Sharfuddin and Joshua Tabiri. Plus Wilstead who were 6-1 winners at Dunstable Wanderers. Michael Taylor with a hat-trick plus goals from Terry Griffiths, Paul Jones

and Norbert Lulek doing the damage against a lone Wanderers reply from Charlie Broux.

Athletic FC remain in fourth spot following their 3-1 home victory over Elstow Abbey Reserves. Mesumbe Kezhzong, Serge Kadji and Niklay Mandinga on their scoresheet against a lone Abbey reply from Danish Shaid. Whilst The 61 FC Luton Reserves were the 5-3 home winners over FC Polonia (Luton) Isaac Twum and Jordan Weedon with braces plus a goal from Lewis Grant bringing up the nap hand against visitors replies via Cazary Poolawski twice and Pawel Seliga. once.

Division Three League Table at 30th November 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Kempston Athletic First	11	9	2	0	43	4	39	29
2	Sandy Reserves	11	8	2	1	34	12	22	26
3	Lewsey Park First	10	7	1	2	39	21	18	22
4	Athletic FC First	10	6	1	3	34	21	13	19
5	Queens Park Crescents Development	9	5	1	3	39	24	15	16
6	Dunstable Wanderers First	8	4	2	2	23	15	8	14
7	Elstow Abbey Reserves	10	4	0	6	15	26	-11	12
8	The 61 FC (Luton) Reserves	10	4	1	5	24	40	-16	12*
9	FC Polonia (Luton) First	11	4	0	7	31	32	-1	8*
10	Flitwick Town 'A'	10	2	1	7	17	42	-25	7
11	Meltis Rangers First	10	2	2	6	15	40	-25	7*
12	Wilstead First	10	2	0	8	16	31	-15	5*
13	Everton Athletic FC First	10	1	1	8	18	40	-22	4

Division Four

EB Lions U21's remain unbeaten on the road this season following their 8-2 victory at Turvey.. Mason Pender hit a brace to go alongside single goals from Theo Briggs, Rocco Pearce, Sam Rolfe, Thomas Walsh, Rew Jennings and Harrison Hunt with Jake King with a brace one of which came from the penalty spot on the home scoresheet. Whilst with two goals from Benjamin Griffiths and a strike from Harry Stapleton-Charter saw DTCC FC win 3-1 at M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves whose reply came from Jason Blake.

Also winning on the road were Catsbrook Wanderers 2-1 at Everton Athletic Reserves thanks to goals from Nathan Cloves and Jamel Matthews against an own goal in reply..Whilst a waterlogged pitch saw the Wootton Blue Cross A v Stopsley United Reserves game postponed.

Division Four League Table at 30th November 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Ampthill Town Colts	9	8	1	0	37	14	23	25
2	Stopsley United Reserves	11	8	0	3	49	24	25	24
3	Wootton Blue Cross A	10	7	1	2	25	19	6	21 *
4	Turvey First	10	6	0	4	35	25	10	17 *
5	EB Lions AFC (Sat) Mens U21	9	6	1	2	33	16	17	16 *
6	Dunstable Town Cricket Club DTCC FC Satu	10	5	1	4	35	23	12	16
7	M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves	9	2	1	6	17	32	-15	7
8	Henlow Hurricanes First	7	2	1	4	14	30	-16	6 *
9	Catsbrook Wanderers First	9	1	1	7	10	25	-15	4
10	AFC Clophill First	10	1	1	8	17	34	-17	4
11	Everton Athletic FC Res	8	1	0	7	11	41	-30	3
12	AFC Bedford United (Sat) U23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-3 *

Tuesday 3rd December 2024

Bedfordshire FA Senior Trophy action saw Stotfold Reserves require a penalty shoot-out win to overcome Biggleswade United Reserves after 90 minutes play had seen the sides deadlocked at 2-2. Jack Webb and Mohammed Zilbound on the United scoresheet. Whilst in the Intermediate Cup Temitayo Akerele netted a hat-trick to take Stopsley United to a 3-2 victory at Wootton Blue Cross Reserves whose goals came from Reece Lee and Josh Aranicllo to earn United a trip to Kempston United in the next round.