

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 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 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 6 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.

Thursday 5th October 2023

Cambridge FC have today given notice that they are to withdraw their membership of the Bedfordshire County Football League with immediate effect.

Friday 6th October 2023

Following the October 2023 Management Committee Meeting held last night the following league table adjustments will now be made.

Please note once the official minutes of the meeting are published under league rule 7F all clubs have the right to appeal the decisions made within the next 14 Days with our Sanctioning Authority (Bedfordshire FA) Please see page 6 of the league rules for full details.

Division Two North. 23rd September 2023. Wilstead 2 Blunham 5. Blunham found to be in breach of league rules 18M/21C. The game to now be awarded to Wilstead and Blunham deducted three penalty league points.

Division Two North. 23rd September 2023. Bande Rouge 1 Sharnbrook Reserves 1. Bande Rouge found to be in breach of league rule 18M. The game to now be awarded to Sharnbrook Reserves and Bande Rouge deducted one penalty league point.

Division Two South. 30th September 2023. Caddington 1 Lea Sports PSG 2. Lea Sports PSG found to be in breach of league rules 18M/21C. The game to be now awarded to Caddington and Lea Sports PSG deducted three penalty league points.

Division Three: 2nd September 2023. Leighton Woodside Rovers 3 Elstow Abbey 4. Leighton Woodside Rovers found the breach of league rule 18M. The result of the game to stand and Leighton Woodside Rovers deducted one penalty league point.

Division Four : 2nd September 2023. Catsbrook Wanderers 2 Turvey 1. Catsbrook Wanderers found the breach of league rule 18M. The game to be now awarded to Turvey and Catsbrook Wanderers deducted one penalty league point.

Division Four: 16th September 2023. Dunstable Wanderers 3 Leighton Woodside Athletic 3 Leighton Woodside Athletic found in breach of league rules 18M/21C. The game now to be awarded to Dunstable Wanderers and Leighton Woodside Athletic deducted three penalty league points.

Saturday 7th October 2023

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

Stotfold Developments lead at the head of the Premier Division supported by Sportsform League table is now down to just goal difference after they dropped their first points of the season when defeated 0-1 at home by Crawley Green Reserves who with a goal from Rashaun Rattigan are still 100% on the road this season. For second place Caldecote it was a maintenance of their own 100% record on the road with a 3-1 victory at Sharnbrook. Strikes from Evan Beldon, Jake Bruce and Elliot Bunday did the damage whilst Bradley Raines netted the lone home reply.

Just two points behind the leading two clubs in third spot are AFC Oakley who are still 100% at home this season after running out 6-1 winners over now second from bottom of the table Shefford Town & Campton Reserves. Chishom Amadi led the way with a hat-trick supported by single goals from Zach Ives, Joel Ives and Nathan Aulsberry against a lone Town reply from Olatunde Okeowo. Whilst just the goal difference behind in fourth spot are Biggleswade United Reserves who claimed their first away win of the season 5-4 at Riseley Sports. Nathan Mccalla and Jed Warwick both netted braces alongside a single strike from Enoch Oluwadamilola to bring up the nap hand against home replies via Alex Taylor from the penalty spot plus Jordan Harris, Mitch Crook and Dan Bennett.

Also enjoying life on the road were Marston Shelton Rovers and Biggleswade FC Reserves. The Rovers collecting their first away points of the season when a brace of goals from Luke Clifford and strikes from Samuel Smith and Jakob Addo took them to a 4-2 win at AFC Kempston Town Hammers whose goals came via Joshua Hands and Jake Duxberry. Whilst following three straight defeats FC returned to winning ways with a 4-2 victory at Elstow Abbey. Kingsley Bates with a hat-trick and a goal from Rafael Miles doing the damage against home replies from Wesley Lewis and James Copley.

Elsewhere, Flitwick Town following four straight defeats collected their first home point of the season in drawing 2-2 with Queens Park Crescents. Phil Matthews netted both home goals and Haroun Ouaguena both away goals.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 7th October 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Stotfold Development	6	5	0	1	25	8	17	15
2	Caldecote First	6	5	0	1	15	6	9	15
3	AFC Oakley First	6	4	1	1	25	8	17	13
4	Biggleswade United Reserves	6	4	1	1	19	10	9	13
5	Crawley Green Reserves	6	4	1	1	12	8	4	13
6	Queens Park Crescents First	6	3	1	2	16	12	4	10
7	Marston Shelton Rovers First	6	3	0	3	15	16	-1	9
8	Elstow Abbey First	5	2	1	2	12	8	4	7
9	Flitwick Town First	6	2	1	3	12	20	-8	7
10	Sharnbrook First	5	2	0	3	12	12	0	6
11	Biggleswade FC Reserves	6	2	0	4	11	22	-11	6
12	Riseley Sports First	6	1	0	5	7	19	-12	3
13	Shefford Town & Campton Reserves	6	1	0	5	10	25	-15	3
14	AFC Kempston Town Hammers First	6	0	0	6	10	27	-17	0

Division One

Bedford Albion remain three points clear at the head of the Division One standings after being gifted three points when Henlow failed to raise a side to meet them at Woodlands Park. Whilst now up in second place are Totternhoe Reserves who remain 100% at home this season following their 2-1 home victory over Lewsey Park who still await their first away point of the season. Lyden Smith from the penalty spot and Ryan Aka marking the home scoresheet against a Park reply from Chris Gibson.

Just goal difference behind in third spot are Renhold who remain 100% on home soil this season after defeating Cranfield United Reserves 4-2. Glenn Tumulty, Jason Allison, Sean Byrne and Jesse Sidhu all found the back of the net against United

replies via Jamie Snapes and Ryan Mellor. Whilst dropping down from second place into fourth spot are AFC Oakley Development who were beaten 4-2 at Clifton. Dylan Hughes with a brace, Luke Freeman and 16 year old Callum Saunders with his first ever senior goal taking the home side to their first home win of the season against AFC replies via Omojiseoluwa Bankole and Laurence Bentham.

In fifth spot are Harlington Juniors who claimed their first away win of the season when goals from Ben Whalley, Ben Chapman and George Goodhall took them to a 3-1 victory at Bedford SA whose only reply came via Thomas Andrews. Whilst Buffs FC with goals from Jack Bendon, Joe Jenkin and Callum McKenna claimed a 3-0 home win over Milton Keynes Dons Set U19.

Division One League Table at 7th October 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Bedford Albion First	5	5	0	0	12	3	9	15
2	Totternhoe Reserves	5	4	0	1	17	10	7	12
3	Renhold First	5	4	0	1	13	9	4	12
4	AFC Oakley Development	6	3	1	2	16	9	7	10
5	Harlington Juniors First	6	3	1	2	11	10	1	10
6	Wootton Blue Cross First	3	2	1	0	10	5	5	7
7	Clifton First	5	2	1	2	8	8	0	7
8	Cranfield United Reserves	5	1	2	2	16	9	7	5
9	Bedford SA First	4	1	1	2	5	8	-3	4
10	Lewsey Park First	6	1	1	4	8	17	-9	4
11	Buffs FC Saturday First	5	1	0	4	8	12	-4	3
12	Henlow First	5	1	1	3	6	19	-13	3*
13	Milton Keynes Dons SET U19 Development S	6	0	1	5	5	16	-11	1
14	Cambridge First	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Division Two North

Ickwell & Old Warden are now six points clear at the head of the league standings after making it six wins from six outings with a 4-2 victory at Blunham. Jack Fox with a brace plus goals from Tom Swinford and Andrew Vallom only being replied to twice via Adrian Ferguson and an own goal for the home side. Now in second spot are Wilstead who retained their seasons 100% home ways by coming from 0-2 down to defeat Sharnbrook Reserves 4-2 with braces of goals from Max Natola and Harry Dynes.

For third place AFC Bedford United the requirement was much the same after goals from Zep Macdonald and Stef Frincu raced visitors Wootton Blue Cross Reserves into a 2-0 lead until goals in the last 15 minutes from Cameron Cain and Papa

Agyapong drew the United level at 2-2 and even then only a penalty save from goalkeeper Asher Chimenya from the last kick of the match prevented the Blue Cross gaining their first away win of the season. Sitting In fourth place are Kempston United who remain unbeaten on the road this season after winning 5-2 at Bande Rouge. Harvey Eagle and Frank Toukro with braces plus a single goal from Santino Diniro bringing up their nap hand against a brace in reply from Jake Esposito for the home side.

For Sandy it was thanks to a goal from Ryan Dobson a 1-0 home victory over the previous unbeaten Caldecote Reserves and the gift of three points for M&DH Clapham Sports after AFC Kempston Town Hammers Reserves failed to raise a side to journey to King George VI Playing Fields.

Division Two North League Table at 7th October 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Ickwell & Old Warden First	6	6	0	0	26	6	20	18
2	Wilstead First	5	4	0	1	15	10	5	12
3	AFC Bedford United (Sat) First	6	3	2	1	12	8	4	11
4	Kempston United First	5	3	1	1	16	6	10	10
5	Shefford Town & Campton Development	5	3	0	2	10	7	3	9
6	Wootton Blue Cross Reserves	5	2	2	1	8	6	2	8
7	Caldecote Reserves	4	2	1	1	15	2	13	7
8	Sharnbrook Reserves	6	2	1	3	9	11	-2	7
9	Sandy First	5	2	0	3	13	16	-3	6
10	M&DH Clapham Sports First	5	1	1	3	2	9	-7	4
11	Bande Rouge (Sat) First	6	1	0	5	9	21	-12	2*
12	Blunham First	5	1	0	4	8	13	-5	0*
13	AFC Kempston Town Hammers Reserves	5	0	0	5	2	30	-28	-1*

Division Two South

Westoning Recreation took their unbeaten ways up to five games with a 7-3 home victory over FC Polonia (Luton) to remain on the top of the Division Two North standings just a point in front of Stopsley United who having played two games fewer won 8-0 at The 61 FC Luton Reserves to stay 100% for the season. The home Westoning goals came via hat-tricks for Charlie Scott and Freddie Knight plus a single goal from Oscar Garner against a brace from Fabian Pawelec and a single strike from Mateusz Antoniun marking the FC score sheet. Whilst Patrick Daley and Roman Riley both netted braces alongside single goals for Callum Frater, Cameron Nagle , Ryan Northwood and Reeon Wiltshire to mark the United scoresheet in their win over the other FC.

For third place Sporting Carpathians it was a 4-1 home victory over the yet to win away New Bradwell St Peter Development. Julian Constantin Cojocariu netted a hat-trick alongside a single goal from Andrian Luncasu against a lone Ted Brown reply. Whilst down into fourth place are Caddington who despite a brace of goals from Reece Burton were beaten 2-3 at home by a Flitwick Town Reserves side collecting its first away points of the season thanks to goals from Matthew Hill, David Lyons and Robbie Newman.

There were also away wins for Lea Sports PSG and LU Donz. The PSG with a brace from Liam Doyle and strikes from Cameron Davies and Callum Jones winning 4-3 at FC Haynes whose goals came via Tyler Winter twice and Louis Dillon once. Whilst the Donz thanks to two goals from Troy Walker and strikes from Cameron Saunders and Leroy White won 4-2 at Stotfold Junior for whom Harrison Donnelly netted both of their goals.

Elsewhere, Brache Phoenix are still unbeaten this season after goals from Sid Keita, Edison Motato and Kurt Antony-Thomas earned them a point from a 3-3 home draw against Bletchley Scot who were collecting their first away point of the season via goals from Taigan Brooks, Ben Swepston and Connor Vincent.

Division Two South League Table at 7th October 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Westoning Recreation First	6	4	1	1	23	9	14	13
2	Stopsley United First	4	4	0	0	22	4	18	12
3	Sporting Carpathians First	5	3	1	1	23	11	12	10
4	Caddington (BCFL)	6	3	1	2	15	9	6	10
5	Brache Phoenix First	5	2	3	0	14	12	2	9
6	LU Donz First	4	3	0	1	11	9	2	9
7	Stotfold Junior First (Sat)	6	3	0	3	19	19	0	9
8	Flitwick Town Reserves	5	2	1	2	9	13	-4	7
9	FC Haynes First	6	2	0	4	23	19	4	6
10	Lea Sports PSG Saturday First	5	3	0	2	17	16	1	6*
11	New Bradwell St Peter FC Development	5	1	1	3	7	16	-9	4
12	FC Polonia (Luton) First	6	1	0	5	15	26	-11	3
13	Bletchley Scot First	4	0	2	2	10	12	-2	2
14	The 61 FC (Luton) Reserves	5	0	0	5	2	35	-33	0

Division Three supported by Hy-Pro

The leadership of the league table is now in the hands of Harlington Juniors Reserves who maintained their season's 100% record with a 4-1 home victory over the morning league leaders Bedford Albion Development. Goals from Harry Flavell, James Fletcher, James Lovett and Ben Smith did the damage against a lone Albion

reply from Tonny Kagaba. Whilst third spot Clifton Reserves remain unbeaten this season after a goal from Khaled Phillips took them to a 1-0 victory at Caldecote A who were suffering their first defeat of the season.

Also enjoying life on the road were Elstow Abbey Reserves and Leighton Woodside Rovers. The Abbey with two goals from Ryan Maddock and a goal from Rhys Matthews winning 3-1 at GS Athletic who are still in search of their first point of the season despite a goal from Jake Russo. Whilst the Rovers with a hat-trick from Alex Pearse claimed their first away win of the season 3-2 at Queens Park Crescents Development whose goals came via Hasan Nadeem and Zain Riasat.

Elsewhere, two goals from Connor Hasson took CS Rovers to their first win of the season 2-1 at home over Flitwick Town A who still await their first away points of the season. The Town goal came from Dale Goldie.

Division Three supported by Hy-Pro League Table at 7th October 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Harlington Juniors Reserves	4	4	0	0	19	2	17	12
2	Bedford Albion Development	5	4	0	1	16	8	8	12
3	Clifton Reserves	5	3	2	0	6	4	2	11
4	Elstow Abbey Reserves	6	3	1	2	14	16	-2	10
5	Caldecote 'A'	4	2	1	1	8	6	2	7
6	Luton Panthers First	4	2	0	2	18	9	9	6
7	Leighton Woodside Rovers	6	2	1	3	17	19	-2	6*
8	CS Rovers First	5	1	2	2	12	12	0	4*
9	Queens Park Crescents Development	5	1	1	3	8	12	-4	4
10	Flitwick Town 'A'	6	1	0	5	8	22	-14	3
11	GS Athletic First	4	0	0	4	3	19	-16	0

Division Four

Still 100% for the season and now five points clear at the head of the Division Four league table are Kempston Athletic who ran out 6-2 winners at Turvey. Hayden Bartram and Bradley O'Loughin both grabbed braces to go alongside single goals from Alex Wasilewski and Lucas Cain against home replies via Alistair Bolton and George Shingleton. Losing hold of that top spot were Athletic FC who were beaten 2-1 at home by M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves who with goals from Nick Sidwell and William Buckland against a home reply from Emmanuel Adjei won for the first time on the road this season.

It was a day in which all five games went the way of the visitors, the biggest of which saw Shefford Town & Campton U23 win 9-1 at Catsbrook Wanderers. Luca Phillips with a hat-trick, Evan Hunt with a brace and single goals from Alex Burdett, Kyle Cook, Alfie Gauntlett and Ashley Heley only being replied to once by the Wanderers

Ire Akinfsoye. Whilst Lidlington United Sports Club Colts claimed their first away win of the season 7-2 at Leighton Woodside Athletic. Phoenix Togara-Mudzvovera with a brace plus single goals from Antony Antoniou, Zak Nelson Boudville, Lennan Plant, and Freddie Springhall only being replied to twice by Liam Milne for the Athletic.

The fifth away victory of the day saw Dunstable Wanderers remain unbeaten on the road this season by winning 5-0 at Ampthill Town Colts who still await their first home points of the season. Charlie Broux and Alex Saka with braces plus a goal from Pierce Murray bringing up the nap hand.

Division Four League Table at 7th October 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Kempston Athletic First	6	6	0	0	21	2	19	18
2	Athletic FC First	6	4	1	1	16	10	6	13
3	Dunstable Wanderers First	6	3	2	1	19	11	8	11
4	Shefford Town & Campton U23	6	2	3	1	20	11	9	9
5	Meltis Rangers First	5	2	2	1	16	12	4	8
6	Turvey	6	2	2	2	10	17	-7	8
7	M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves	6	2	1	3	10	16	-6	7
8	Sandy Reserves	5	2	0	3	11	16	-5	6
9	Ampthill Town Colts	6	2	0	4	14	20	-6	6
10	Lidlington United Sports Club Colts	6	1	2	3	14	18	-4	5
11	Catsbrook Wanderers First	6	1	0	5	8	24	-16	2*
12	Biggleswade FC Development	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Leighton Woodside Athletic	6	1	1	4	12	14	-2	0*