



Bedfordshire County **Football League**

Season 2024-25

News Bulletin Number 9

1st November 2024



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 26th October 2024

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

With AFC Oakley away on Beds FA County Cup duty the lead of the Premier Division supported by Sportsform league table is now back in the hands of Wootton Blue Cross who retained their season's 100% away record in winning 8-0 at Biggleswade FC Reserves. Keaton Marsh led the way with four goals, Stefan Frincu added a brace plus single goals came via Joe Holmees and James Campbell. Just goal difference behind them in second spot are Caldecote who collected their first away points of the season in winning 6-2 at Riseley Sports. Giuseppe Follano led the way with a hat-trick alongside single goals from Daniel Webb, Liam Beech and Louie Clarke with Jay Willett and Matthew Smith replying for the home side.

Also enjoying life on the road were Queens Park Crescents in ending Marston Shelton Rovers season's unbeaten ways with a 3-1 success, Mohammed Abbass, Benjamin Boxall and Fabio Satter all finding the back of the net against a lone Rovers reply via Justice Gittens. Whilst Biggleswade United Reserves were 3-2 winners over Cranfield United Reserves thanks to a hat-trick from Seyram Hammond against visitors replies via Jake Doherty and Ryan Mellor.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 26th October 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Wootton Blue Cross First	7	6	0	1	29	13	16	18
2	Caldecote First	9	6	0	3	19	15	4	18
3	AFC Oakley First	8	5	2	1	28	10	18	17
4	Cranfield United Reserves	8	4	1	3	19	14	5	13
5	Marston Shelton Rovers First	6	4	1	1	13	9	4	13
6	Queens Park Crescents First	4	3	0	1	9	5	4	9
7	Riseley Sports First	8	3	0	5	12	17	-5	9
8	Totternhoe Reserves	7	2	2	3	12	13	-1	8
9	Biggleswade United Reserves	7	2	2	3	17	20	-3	8
10	Elstow Abbey First	4	2	1	1	10	8	2	7
11	Crawley Green Development	6	1	2	3	10	14	-4	5
12	Biggleswade FC Reserves	8	1	2	5	15	29	-14	5
13	Shefford Town & Campton Reserves	6	0	2	4	5	16	-11	2
14	Flitwick Town First	6	0	1	5	7	22	-15	1

Bedfordshire FA Senior Trophy Round One

AFC Oakley will travel to Biggleswade FC Reserves in round two after winning 3-1 at Crawley Green Development thanks to a brace from Chisom Amadi alongside a single strike from Joel Ives with Zepplin Macdonald replying for the Green. Whilst following their 3-2 home victory over Leighton Town Reserves its another home tie in round two for Elstow Abbey against Marston Shelton Rovers. Steve Gentle, Daniel Parkin and Lewis Parkin all found the back of the net.

Elsewhere, Totternhoe Reserves will also be at home in the next round and will be hosts to Wootton Blue Cross following their 5-3 home victory over Shefford Town & Campton Reserves. Ryan Donoghue and Jordan Knight with braces plus a goal from Filip Pokorny bringing up the nap hand against Town replies via Charles Crofts, Ashley Heley and Kyle Cook

Division One

There is no change at the head of the Division One league standings following wins for the top three clubs. Leaders Stopsley United remaining 100% for the season when goals from Temitayo Akerele, Cheok Camara and Erlind Deda took them to a 3-1 home victory over Kempston United for whom Harvey Eagle replied. Whilst second place Sporting Carpathians made it six wins on the bounce with a 3-0 success at Renhold United who are still await their first home points of the season. Marcel Buruiana, Petru Ciochina and Nicolae Covileac all marking the Carpathians scoresheet against a Sammy Fisher-Diaz and single strikes from Reece Stokes and Jim Taylor in reply.

Division One League Table at 26th October 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Stopsley United First	7	7	0	0	29	9	20	21
2	Sporting Carpathians First	8	6	2	0	23	6	17	20
3	Harlington Juniors First	8	6	1	1	39	11	28	19
4	Ickwell & Old Warden First	7	2	3	2	13	15	-2	9
5	Bufs FC Saturday First	6	3	0	3	7	11	-4	9
6	Clifton First	5	2	2	1	15	10	5	8
7	Wootton Blue Cross Reserves	5	1	2	2	12	16	-4	5
8	AFC Oakley Development	6	1	2	3	14	24	-10	5
9	Bedford Albion First	3	1	1	1	12	11	1	4
10	Kempston United First	8	1	1	6	11	30	-19	4
11	Renhold United First	8	1	0	7	15	30	-15	3
12	Bedford SA First	5	0	0	5	2	19	-17	-3*

Very much on the tail of the top two are third place Harlington Juniors who made it four wins on the bounce with a 5-0 victory at Buffs FC. Luke Jeffery with a brace plus goals from Ben Whalley, Jamie Small and Freddie Knight doing the damage. Whilst there were goals aplenty at Church Lane where AFC Oakley Development drew 4-4 against a Clifton side dropping their first away points of the season. Dave Groom with a hat-trick and a goal from Nathan Aulsberry marking the home scoresheet

Bedfordshire FA Intermediate Cup 1st Round

It will be a home tie against Stopsley United for Wootton Blue Reserves in round two after they ran out 3-1 home winners over Bedford Albion. Nathan Opoku-Asiamé with a brace plus a goal from Richard Latouche outscoring a lone reply from Albion's Angelo Moscaritolo.

Division Two North

Thurleigh remain the three points clear at the head of the Division Two North league table following a 4-0 victory at M&DH Clapham Sports to chalk up their sixth win on the bounce to send the home side to their sixth consecutive defeat. Matas Navikas with a brace plus goals from Charlie Hurley and Nathan O'Hallorn doing the damage. Whilst second place Blunham retained their season's unbeaten ways with a 4-1 home success over Wixham Wanderers. Connor Heaps and Max Smalley both netting braces.

Division Two North League Table at 26th October 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Thurleigh FC	7	6	0	1	23	4	19	18
2	Blunham (BCFL)	7	4	3	0	20	6	14	15
3	Green End Rovers First	7	4	1	2	19	13	6	13
4	FC Haynes First	7	4	1	2	15	16	-1	13
5	AFC Bedford United (Sat) First	6	3	3	0	14	7	7	12
6	Caldecote Reserves	7	3	1	3	16	13	3	10
7	Shefford Town & Campton Development	6	3	0	3	14	16	-2	9
8	Bedford Albion Development	8	2	2	4	11	14	-3	8
9	Wixams Wanderers First	6	2	0	4	16	17	-1	3*
10	M&DH Clapham Sports First	7	0	1	6	7	22	-15	1
11	Clifton Development	6	0	0	6	7	34	-27	0

Now in third spot are Green End Rovers who took their unbeaten home ways up to four games in beating Shefford Town & Campton Development 5-2. Callum Rust and Tom Turner with braces plus a goal from Max Natola bringing up the nap hand against Town replies via Ross Cook and Jake Cardy. Whilst the biggest win of the day belonged to Caldecote Reserves who won for the first time this season 7-0 at the

bottom of the table Clifton Development. Chis Faulkner with a hat-trick, Edward Tubridy with a brace plus single goals from Daniel Cave and Joshua Byrne doing the damage.

Elsewhere AFC Bedford United retained their season's unbeaten ways by sharing the points from a 1-1 draw with Bedford Albion Development. Gethin Jenkins the United goalscorer with Ben Worbey doing likewise for the Albion.

Division Two South

LU Donz are now three points clear at the head of the Division Two South league standings despite being held to a 3-3 home draw by the still unbeaten and third place Lea Sports PSG. Adrain Ogiria, Brandon MvIntosh and Cameron Saunders on the Donz scoresheet against PSG replies via Sean Dixon twice and Ryan Darby once. with second place Luton Panthers having to sit the afternoon out after their game at Bletchley Scot was postponed due to an unfit pitch.

For Stotfold Junior it was a big 8-1 home victory over Caldecote A. Joseph Evans and Jacob Kirby with hat-tricks plus a brace from Ross Irving doing the damage against a lone reply from Fyn Stevens. Whilst Flitwick Town Reserves returned to winning ways for the first time in four outings with a 4-2 home victory over AFC Kempston Town Hammers. Thomas Barnett, Jack Farthing, Daniel Ruddick and Fari Taingwa all found the back of the net against a brace in reply from Hammers Gavin Cheema.

Division Two South League Table at 26th October 2024

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

Elsewhere goals from James Fletcher and Ben Smith was only good enough to earn Harlington Juniors Reserves a point from a 2-2 home draw against Caddington whose replies came via Mark Reilly and Mark Brown.

Division Three

Kempston Athletic are three points clear at the head of the Division Three standings after they retained their seasons 100% home record and unbeaten ways with a 5-0 home victory over bottom of the table Wilstead with goals from Aaron Anderson, Kelvin Blasode, Lance Jeffers, Kyle Malik and Gianluca Testa. Whilst with Sandy Reserves away on Beds FA County Cup duty Lewsey Park climbed above them on goal difference with win number five on the bounce 6-2 at home over second from bottom of the table Everton Athletic. Patrick Daly led the way with a hat-trick alongside single goals from David Gittens, Luke Lincoln and Daniel Blackman with Michael John Freeman and James Scott replying for the Athletic.

In fourth spot are Athletic FC who were 5-0 home winners over the yet to win away Meltis Rangers, Aaron Romain with a hat-trick and goals from Mo Banda and Millay Mandinga bringing up the nap hand. Whilst fifth place Queens Park Crescents Development retained their 100% season's home record with a 9-2 victory over FC Polonia (Luton) Mohammed Shehzad Ali led the way with a hat-trick, Amir Sakhi grabbed a brace alongside single goals from Joshua Tabiri, Ayaz Hussain and Hammad Hussain with the visitors replies coming from a Fabian Pawelec brace and Lukasz Leja.

Division Three League Table at 26th October 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Kempston Athletic First	7	6	1	0	23	2	21	19
2	Lewsey Park First	7	5	1	1	29	16	13	16
3	Sandy Reserves	7	5	1	1	20	8	12	16
4	Athletic FC First	7	5	0	2	28	15	13	15
5	Queens Park Crescents Development	6	4	0	2	30	21	9	12
6	Dunstable Wanderers First	4	3	1	0	13	2	11	10
7	FC Polonia (Luton) First	7	3	0	4	20	23	-3	8*
8	Flitwick Town 'A'	6	2	1	3	15	20	-5	7
9	Elstow Abbey Reserves	6	2	0	4	10	18	-8	6
10	Meltis Rangers First	6	1	1	4	9	19	-10	3*
11	The 61 FC (Luton) Reserves	6	1	1	4	11	30	-19	3*
12	Everton Athletic FC First	7	0	1	6	12	28	-16	1
13	Wilstead First	6	0	0	6	7	25	-18	0

Division Four

Wootton Blue Cross A are now just goal difference behind league leaders Ampthill Town Colts after they retained their seasons unbeaten away ways in winning 5-0 at AFC Clophill. Ben Hall with a brace joined on the scoresheet by goals from Joshua

Buckle, Bradley Matthews and Alfie Young. Whilst up into third spot are DTCC FC following their 3-1 away victory at Catsbrook Wanderers. Jason McDonagh hitting the lone Wanderers reply.

Now into fifth place are Turvey who made it five wins on the bounce with a 8-1 home success over Stopsley United Reserves who have now lost their last four games to slip to sixth place in the league table. George Shingleton led the way with four goals alongside single strikes from Samuel Jessop, Luca Hames, Owen Hubbard and Jake King with the lone United reply came via an own goal.

Division Four League Table at 26th October 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Amphill Town Colts	6	6	0	0	20	7	13	18
2	Wootton Blue Cross A	8	6	1	1	20	9	11	18 *
3	EB Lions AFC (Sat) Mens U21	6	5	0	1	22	11	11	15
4	Stopsley United Reserves	8	4	0	4	40	26	14	12
5	Dunstable Town Cricket Club DTCC FC Satu	6	4	0	2	25	13	12	12
6	Turvey First	6	4	0	2	28	10	18	9 *
7	AFC Clapham First	6	1	1	4	10	22	-12	4
8	M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves	4	0	1	3	7	17	-10	1
9	Catsbrook Wanderers First	6	0	1	5	7	20	-13	1
10	Everton Athletic FC Res	4	0	0	4	4	28	-24	0
11	Henlow Hurricanes First	4	0	0	4	3	23	-20	-1 *
12	AFC Bedford United (Sat) U23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-3 *

Bedfordshire FA Junior Cup 1st Round

For Amphill Town Colts it was a 4-1 away victory over Cambs League Tempsford thanks to goals from Ashton Blake, George Shaw, Sam Wild and Luke Tyrell. against a home reply from Noah Flint, but going out to Cambs League opposition were M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves who were beaten 2-1 at Sandy. Michael Turner and Jack Ward on the home scoresheet against a Sports reply from Somto Nnamdi. to earn Sandy another home tie in Round Two against Dunstable Wanderers after they ran out 7-3 home winners over Flitwick Town A. Charlie Broux led the way with a hat-trick to go alongside single goals from Ollie Bateman, Alex Brown, Morgan Cook and Piere Murray against Town replies via an own goal plus Chris Lawson and Benn Ward.

For The 61 FC Luton Reserves it was a 3-1 home victory over Elstow Abbey Reserves to send them on the road in round two to DTCC FC. Isaac Twum, Robert Goodliffe and Ahmed Ikbali marking their scoresheet against a lone Abbey reply from Conor Greensmith Whilst EB Lions U21 will now be at home in round two hosting

Queens Park Crescents Development after they won 4-3 in a penalty shoot-out after 90 minutes play saw them all square 6-6 at Sandy Reserves. The home goals came from Voní Maswangany and Charlie Singleton with braces plus strikes from Jacob Callaghan and Edwin Jackson. With the Lions replies came via a brace from Thomas Walsh alongside single strikes from Jacob Blackwood, Daniel Gillard, Harrison Milton and Sam Rolfe.

Please note your next league bulletin will be a double issue published following the games played on Saturday 9th November 2024.