

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 last weekend there are still teams with 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.

Saturday 28th October 2023

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

With a programme of just three games the result of the day went to Marston Shelton Rovers in winning 3-0 at Crawley Green Reserves thanks to goals from Harry Baker, Dale Maiciw and Ben McShane. Whilst Flitwick Town claimed their first home win of the season in beating an AFC Kempston Town Hammers side 4-2 who are still in search of their first victory of the season. Phil Mathews netted twice alongside single goals from Tom Barnett and Andrew Graham against Hammers replies via Jake Duxberry and Michael Stephenson.

Elsewhere, Queens Park Crescents with goals from Scott Joseph, Imuentinyan Godwin and Dominic Parrwlla extended their unbeaten ways up to five games in sharing the points from a 3-3 draw at Shefford Town & Campton Reserves whose goals came from Kwame Richards, Ashley Ingham and George Burden.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 28th October 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Caldecote First	8	7	0	1	18	7	11	21
2	AFC Oakley First	7	5	1	1	30	9	21	16
3	Stotfold Development	8	5	1	2	27	12	15	16
4	Biggleswade United Reserves	7	4	1	2	19	11	8	13
5	Elstow Abbey First	7	4	1	2	16	9	7	13
6	Crawley Green Reserves	9	4	1	4	14	15	-1	13
7	Marston Shelton Rovers First	9	4	1	4	21	23	-2	13
8	Queens Park Crescents First	8	3	3	2	21	17	4	12
9	Flitwick Town First	8	3	1	4	17	25	-8	10
10	Sharnbrook First	6	2	1	3	14	14	0	7
11	Shefford Town & Campton Reserves	8	2	1	5	18	30	-12	7
12	Biggleswade FC Reserves	8	2	1	5	15	29	-14	7
13	Riseley Sports First	7	2	0	5	10	20	-10	6
14	AFC Kempston Town Hammers First	8	0	1	7	14	33	-19	1

Bedfordshire FA Senior Trophy Round One

Caldecote will now travel to Shefford Town & Campton Reserves following their 3-0 home win over South Midlands League Caddington thanks to goals from Jake Bruce, Guiseppe Follano and Sonny Newton- Cootes. Alas it was the end of the road for Sharnbrook who had just a Joe Ackroyd goal to show for their 3-1 defeat at The 61 FC Luton who will now host Riseley Sports in round two.

Anagram Trophy Round One

AFC Oakley eased their way into round two when goals from Zach Ives, George Cox, Ashbel Mensah, Joe McDonagh, Marley Pitts and Ben Webster took them to a 6-1 home victory over Riseley Sports for whom Alex Taylor netted their lone goal.

Division One

There is no change at the head of the Division One league table following wins for the top two clubs. League leaders Bedford Albion retained their seasons 100% home ways with a 3-1 victory over AFC Oakley Development. Adam Lewis, Paul Babbington and Panashe Manjau all found the back of the net against a lone reply from Scott Armstrong. Whilst Second place Totternhoe Reserves are likewise still 100% on home soil this season after beating Harlington Juniors 3-1. Lynden Smith netted twice and Blake Garner once against a lone Juniors reply from Jack O'Shea.

Following the AFC Oakley Development defeat at Bedford Albion they now drop to fourth spot in the league standings, being overtaken by Renhold who collected their first away points of the season when goals from Nathan France and Dean Warren took them to a 2-1 victory at Clifton for whom Luke Rowe replied. Now in fifth spot are Buffs FC who claimed their fifth win on the bounce 2-1 at home over Henlow. Jack Bendon and Joe Jenkin on their scoresheet against a lone reply from Aldous Taylor.

Division One League Table at 28th October 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Bedford Albion First	8	6	1	1	17	8	9	19
2	Totternhoe Reserves	7	6	0	1	24	13	11	18
3	Renhold First	7	5	0	2	17	16	1	15
4	AFC Oakley Development	9	4	1	4	22	18	4	13
5	Buffs FC Saturday First	8	4	0	4	17	16	1	12
6	Wootton Blue Cross First	4	3	1	0	16	7	9	10
7	Harlington Juniors First	8	3	1	4	14	17	-3	10
8	Lewsey Park First	9	2	3	4	18	24	-6	9
9	Cranfield United Reserves	6	2	2	2	18	10	8	8
10	Clifton First	7	2	1	4	10	12	-2	7
11	Bedford SA First	7	1	3	3	14	18	-4	6
12	Henlow First	7	1	2	4	11	25	-14	4*
13	Milton Keynes Dons SET U19 Development S	7	0	1	6	8	22	-14	1
14	Cambridge First	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Elsewhere, Bedford SA are now without a victory from their last five outings after being held to a 3-3 home draw by Lewsey Park. Andrew Latimer with a brace and a Ashlee Banton penalty on the home scoresheet against Park replies from Daniel Aradi, Josh Edwards and Chris Gibson.

Division Two North

Ickwell & Old Warden now lead the Division Two North league table by some five points after they retained their seasons 100% away record and unbeaten record when winning 5-3 at Wilstead. Jack Fox netted twice to go alongside single goals from Michael Rushton, Steve Monks and Kyle Johansson to bring up the nap hand against home replies via Max Natola, Joe Sullivan and Colin Marshall . Whilst second place AFC Bedford United lost their seasons unbeaten away ways when beaten 4-3 at Shefford Town & Campton Development .Joe Bescody with a brace plus goals from Sam Cook and William Lambley on the home scoresheet against United replies from Cameron Cain, Taynor Charles and Gary Townsend. Now in third spot are Caldecote Reserves who took their winning ways to three games with a 5-2 victory at M&DH Clapham Sports. Carl Heath with a brace plus an own goal and strikes from Nick Thomas and Liam Beech marking their scoresheet against home replies via Louis Lee and Fred Shannon. Whilst also enjoying life on the road for the first time this season were Wootton Blue Cross Reserves in winning 2-1 at Blunham who are still in search of their first home points of the season. Reece Mills and Ertone Bomolo netted for the Blue Cross against a lone reply via Max Plunkett.

Division Two North League Table at 28th October 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Ickwell & Old Warden First	8	7	1	0	34	12	22	22
2	AFC Bedford United (Sat) First	9	5	2	2	24	15	9	17
3	Caldecote Reserves	7	5	1	1	27	7	20	16
4	Shefford Town & Campton Development	8	5	0	3	19	13	6	15
5	Wilstead First	8	5	0	3	23	18	5	15
6	Wootton Blue Cross Reserves	8	4	2	2	16	11	5	14
7	Kempston United First	7	3	2	2	17	9	8	11
8	Sharnbrook Reserves	8	3	2	3	14	14	0	11
9	Bande Rouge (Sat) First	9	3	0	6	16	28	-12	8*
10	Sandy First	6	2	0	4	13	21	-8	6
11	M&DH Clapham Sports First	7	1	1	5	5	17	-12	4
12	Blunham First	8	1	1	6	11	20	-9	1*
13	AFC Kempston Town Hammers Reserves	7	0	0	7	5	39	-34	-1*

Elsewhere, Kempston United lost their season's unbeaten away ways when losing 2-0 at Sharnbrook Reserves who were winning on home soil for the first time this season thanks to goals from Bradley Duffett and Matas Navickas..Whilst Bande Rouge with a brace from Bradley Wright and a strike from James Stewart were the

3-1 home winners over AFC Kempston Town Hammers Reserves for whom it was a seventh straight league defeat. James Grandidge netted their lone goal. .

Division Two South

There is no change at the head of the Division Two South standings following wins for the top four clubs. League leaders Stopsley United remain three points clear at the top when they extended their 100% record to seven games with a 5-1 victory at Caddington. Callum Frater with a brace including one from the penalty spot and single goals from Michael Bird, Erlind Deba and Logan Burton bringing up the nap hand against a lone home reply from Quinten Barker. Whilst second place LU Donz remain 100% on the road after goals from James Dawson and Leroy White took them to a 2-1 victory at Brache Phoenix for whom Cheick Camara replied.

For third place Sporting Carpathians with a hat-trick from Julian Condantin and single strikes from Mihai Botosan, Adrian Luncasu and Eugeniu Ciosanu it was a 6-0 away success at Stotfold Junior to keep goal difference ahead of Westoning Recreation who stay unbeaten on home soil following their 5-2 win over Lea Sports PSG. Freddie Knight and Charlie Scott both netted braces to go alongside a single goal from Greg Bennett to bring up the nap hand with the PSG goals coming from Rhys Cadger and Matt Morton.

Division Two South League Table at 28th October 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Stopsley United First	7	7	0	0	37	8	29	21
2	LU Donz First	7	6	0	1	20	10	10	18
3	Sporting Carpathians First	7	5	1	1	33	11	22	16
4	Westoning Recreation First	8	5	1	2	28	15	13	16
5	New Bradwell St Peter FC Development	8	4	1	3	18	20	-2	13
6	Caddington (BCFL)	8	3	2	3	20	18	2	11
7	Flitwick Town Reserves	8	3	2	3	16	25	-9	11
8	Lea Sports PSG Saturday First	7	4	0	3	26	22	4	9*
9	Brache Phoenix First	8	2	3	3	18	23	-5	9
10	Stotfold Junior First (Sat)	8	3	0	5	19	29	-10	9
11	FC Haynes First	8	2	1	5	28	25	3	7
12	Bletchley Scot First	6	1	3	2	20	16	4	6
13	FC Polonia (Luton) First	8	1	0	7	19	34	-15	3
14	The 61 FC (Luton) Reserves	8	0	0	8	2	48	-46	0

Elsewhere, Bletchley Scot moved out of the drop zone at the other end of the table by recording their first home win of the season 6-0 over The 61 FC Luton Reserves. Connor Vincent with a brace plus single goals from Taigan Brooks, Jason Dalton, Dean Reed and Joe Donaldson doing the damage. This victory took them above FC Polinia (Luton) who are still pointless on home soil after losing 2-3 at Flitwick Town Reserves. Abraima Balde, Dale Goldie and Liam Keane on the Town scoresheet against a home brace in reply from Fabien Pawelec.

Also winning on the road to make it three wins on the bounce were New Bradwell St Peter Development with goals from Joe Dean, Sam Dobson and Charlie Fisher 3-2 at FC Haynes. An own goal and Tyler Winter marking the home scoresheet.

Division Three supported by Hy-Pro

Clifton Reserves are now within a point of league leaders Harlington Juniors Reserves after beating them on their own turf 2-1 with goals from Nathan Field and Josh Dell against a lone reply from a Shaun Cooksley penalty. Whilst Caldecote Reserves are up into third place having maintained their 100% away ways in winning 3-0 at Queens Park Crescents Development with goals from Derrick Newton, Stephen Fletcher and Jamie Saunderson.

Division Three supported by Hy-Pro League Table at 28th October 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Harlington Juniors Reserves	6	5	0	1	24	5	19	15
2	Clifton Reserves	7	4	2	1	9	7	2	14
3	Caldecote 'A'	6	4	1	1	18	6	12	13
4	Bedford Albion Development	5	4	0	1	16	8	8	12
5	Leighton Woodside Rovers	8	4	1	3	21	20	1	12 *
6	CS Rovers First	7	3	2	2	24	15	9	10 *
7	Elstow Abbey Reserves	6	3	1	2	14	16	-2	10
8	Luton Panthers First	5	2	0	3	19	13	6	6
9	Queens Park Crescents Development	7	1	1	5	10	23	-13	4
10	GS Athletic First	6	1	0	5	6	24	-18	3
11	Flitwick Town 'A'	9	1	0	8	9	33	-24	3

This victory lifted them above Bedford Albion Development whose game at CS Rovers was abandoned early in the second half due to a serious injury to one of their players. At the time they were trailing 1-0 via a goal from Kai Barton . Also abandoned was the Elstow Abbey Reserves v Luton Panthers game which will now

become part of a Beds FA inquiry centred around a Panthers player receiving a red card.

Elsewhere, Flitwick Town A have now lost their last four games after going down 0-2 at home to Leighton Woodside Rovers; those goals came from Oscar Lomas and Jonathan Ryan.

Bedfordshire FA Junior Cup 1st Round

GS Athletic will now travel to Queens Park Crescents Development in round two after winning 4-1 at Sandy Reserves. Taku JR Gotola with a brace plus Owen Manning and Charlie Savill netting the goals against a lone home reply from Charlie Singleton .Plus Lidlington Sports Club Colts will host Flitwick Tow A in round two after receiving a round one walkover Leighton Woodside A

Division Four

For league leaders Kempston Athletic it was the first defeat of the season when beaten 2-1 at Athletic FC for whom Mo Banda and Aaron Van Horn netted. However they still remain six points clear of second place Shefford Town & Campton U23 who with a brace of goals from Jurgen Lushi and strikes from Luca Phillips and Adam Thompson won 4-3 at Turvey. The home replies came via Alfred Dawson twice and Jake King once.

Division Four League Table at 28th October 2023

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Kempston Athletic First	9	8	0	1	29	4	25	24
2	Shefford Town & Campton U23	9	5	3	1	33	16	17	18
3	Athletic FC First	9	5	3	1	22	15	7	18
4	Dunstable Wanderers First	8	4	3	1	24	15	9	15
5	Meltis Rangers First	8	3	4	1	25	14	11	13
6	M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves	7	3	1	3	12	17	-5	10
7	Sandy Reserves	7	3	0	4	17	21	-4	9
8	Turvey	8	2	3	3	15	23	-8	9
9	Lidlington United Sports Club Colts	8	2	2	4	16	23	-7	8
10	Amphill Town Colts	8	2	0	6	14	34	-20	6
11	Catsbrook Wanderers First	9	1	0	8	10	33	-23	2*
12	Biggleswade FC Development	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Leighton Woodside Athletic	8	1	1	6	12	14	-2	-5*

In fourth_place are Dunstable Wanderers who with a goal from Alex Saka won 1-0 at Catsbrook Wanderers. Whilst the biggest win of the day belonged to Meltis Rangers

who remain unbeaten away from home after winning 7-0 at Ampthill Town Colts. Ellis Sharp led the way with four goals alongside single strikes from Kyle Arundel-Kiszel, Tom Hughes and Gavin Matthews .

Tuesday 31st October 2023

Saw two of our clubs make their exit from this season's Bedfordshire FA Senior Trophy at the first round stage. At Forde Park hosts Langford ran out 3-0 home winners over Stotfold Development . Charan Basra gave them a 12th minute lead which was doubled by Perry Heritage four minutes into the second half before Yanick Grimaldi added a third five minutes from time. They will now journey to AFC Oakley in Round Two. Whilst Marston Shelton Rovers were beaten 5-0 at Leighton Town Development who will now journey to Elstow Abbey in Round Two.