



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.

Premier Division supported by Sportform

The new leaders of the Premier Division supported by Sportsform league table are Cranfield United Reserves following their 4-2 away victory at the start of play table toppers AFC Oakley who now drop into second place. Joe Bescoby, Jamie Snapes, Sean Byrne and Tim Young all found the back of the net with Omojiseoluwa Bankole replying twice for the hosts. Whilst Caldecote moved up into third spot following their 2-1 home victory over Biggleswade FC Reserves.. thanks to goals from Sonny Newton-Coates and Christopher Richardson with Thomas Bishop replying for the FC.

Sitting in fourth spot are Elstow Abbey who made it two wins from two outings with a 5-1 home success over Shefford Town & Campton Reserves. via goals from Mike Gomes, Craig Damon, Louis Johnson, Dan Mattin and James Copley. The load Town reply coming from Ashley Healey. Elsewhere, Wootton Blue Cross dropped from an overnight third to fifth following their 3-2 home defeat at the hands of Biggleswade United Reserves. Will Robinson, Jack Webb and Jamie Essam on the mark for United against Blue Cross replies via Keaton Marsh and Noah Mason.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 21st September 24

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

Making up the top six are Marston Shelton Rovers who remain 100% after two outings following their 2-1 home victory over Riseley Sports thanks to goals from Luke Clifford and Dale Malciw against a lone reply from Sports James Cooke. Whilst

Totternoe Reserves claimed their first win of the season 3-1 at home against Crawley Green Development. Filip Pokorny with a brace plus a strike from Nicholas Palmer doing the damage against a lone reply from Robby Doran for the Green.

Elsewhere Queens Park Crescents will have to wait another seven days to start their season after a heavy thunderstorm caused their home game with Flitwick Town to be postponed.

Division One

Stopsley United are now four points clear at the head of the Division One league table after they maintained their season's 100% record with a 5-3 home victory over the previously unbeaten Harlington Juniors. Logan Burton and Cheick Camara both hitting braces alongside a single strike from Callum Frater to bring up the nap hand with all three of the Junior replies coming from Freddie Knight. In second spot are Sporting Carpathians who retained their seasons unbeaten ways with a 4-1 home win over AFC Oakley Development. Andrei Stan with a brace plus Marcel Buruiana and Julian Constantin Cojocariu marking their scoresheet with Dom Whiteley hitting the lone AFC reply.

Division One League Table at 21st September 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Stopsley United First	4	4	0	0	17	6	11	12
2	Sporting Carpathians First	4	2	2	0	10	4	6	8
3	Harlington Juniors First	4	2	1	1	17	10	7	7
4	Ickwell & Old Warden First	4	1	3	0	9	6	3	6
5	Clifton First	2	1	1	0	7	4	3	4
6	Wootton Blue Cross Reserves	4	1	1	2	10	14	-4	4
7	Kempston United First	4	1	1	2	8	14	-6	4
8	Bedford Albion First	1	1	0	0	9	1	8	3
9	Bufs FC Saturday First	3	1	0	2	5	6	-1	3
10	AFC Oakley Development	2	0	1	1	3	6	-3	1
11	Renhold United First	4	0	0	4	7	18	-11	0
12	Bedford SA First	2	0	0	2	2	15	-13	0

Elsewhere, Wootton Blue Cross Reserves won for the first time this season when a hat-trick from Richard Catouche and a strike from Reece Mills took them to a 4-2 victory at Renhold United whose replies came via Gbolaji Adelana and Emila

Esposito. Whilst on The Green, Ickwell & Old Warden were held to a 0-0 home draw by Kempston United.

Hertfordshire FA Intermediate Cup 1st Round.

Saw Buffs FC require a penalty shoot-out win to see off Ware United Reserves at Clothall Road after 90 minutes play had seen the sides deadlocked at 1-1. Paul Morris the Buffs goalscorer.

Division Two North

With Shefford Town & Campton Development having their game at AFC Bedford United abandoned just a minute into the contest due to a thunderstorm. United drop in the league standings to second place and the Town to third spot after both were leapfrogged by Blunham following their 4-0 home success over M&DH Clapham Sports. Max Smalley with a brace and goals from Jack Westhead and Ross Adams doing the damage.

The biggest winners of the day were Green Park Rovers who ran out 6-2 home winners over FC Haynes. Harry Mungwia netted a brace to go alongside single goals from Zach Baker, Jordan Conway, Callum Evans and Michael Rawlins with Daniel Parker and Tyler Winter hitting the visitors replies. Whilst just a goal behind were Wixams Wanderers the 5-1 home winners over Caldecote Reserves. Max Sharpe with a brace plus single goals from Louis Harford-Smith, Darren Burling and Sam Stock marking the Wanderers scoresheet against a lone reply from James Tubriby.

Division Two North League Table at 21st September 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Blunham (BCFL)	4	2	2	0	10	4	6	8
2	AFC Bedford United (Sat) First	3	2	1	0	8	3	5	7
3	Shefford Town & Campton Development	2	2	0	0	6	1	5	6
4	Green End Rovers First	3	2	0	1	9	5	4	6
5	Thurleigh FC	3	2	0	1	6	3	3	6
6	Bedford Albion Development	4	1	1	2	5	6	-1	4
7	FC Haynes First	4	1	1	2	5	11	-6	4
8	Wixams Wanderers First	3	1	0	2	6	8	-2	3
9	Caldecote Reserves	3	1	0	2	7	10	-3	3
10	M&DH Clapham Sports First	3	0	1	2	2	7	-5	1
11	Clifton Development	2	0	0	2	3	9	-6	0

Elsewhere, goals from Edward Hatfield-Shaw, Nathan O'Halloran and Bradley Duffett saw Thurleigh to a 3-0 home victory over Bedford Albion Development.

Division Two South

Luton Panthers remain on top of the Division Two standings following their 6-1 away victory at Stotfold Junior. Shakir Ghulam Kouser and Ryan Spencer leading the way with doubles to go alongside single strikes from Qasmin Bigby and Marvin Onumonu against a lone home reply via Joseph Evans. Whilst now in second spot are Flitwick Town Reserves who maintained their season's 100% ways with a 5-0 home victory over Brache Phoenix. Matt Mann with a brace and single goals from Thomas Barnett, Kenzie King and Daniel Staniforth bringing up the nap hand.

With Lea Sports PSG sitting the afternoon out they now slip down the table into Fourth spot being overtaken by LU Donz who with goals from Cameron Saunders and Leroy White were 2-1 home winners over Caddington whose reply came from Reece Burton. Whilst AFC Kempston Town Hammers with goals from Eduardo Santos and Nikola Stanchev claimed their opening point of the season from a 2-2 home draw against Caldecote A whose replies came via Nick Thomas and Eddie Lungay.

Division Two South League Table at 21st September 2024

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

David Grainge Juniot Trophy. (Berks& Bucks FA Junior Trophy

Saw New Bradwell St Peters Development the 8-2 away winners at Wing Village Development. Bradley Churchill and Conor Forman with braces plus single goals

from Ethan Couling, Sam Dobson, Donnell Mahanzu and Harrison Wade doing the damage. Whilst Bletchley Scot won 6-1 at Farnham Common with braces of goals from Ryan Williams and Ben Swepston to go alongside single strikes from Dale Froud and Dwayne Simpson.

Division Three

Kempston Athletic went nap with a 5-0 away victory at Meltis Athletic to remain 100% for the season and top the Division Three league table. Lance Jeffers and Alexander Wasilewski both netted twice alongside a single strike from Hayden Bartram. In second place are Sandy Reserves who retained their season's unbeaten ways with a 4-0 home victory over Wilstead. Adam Clarke with a brace and goals from Lee Watts and Cameron Browne doing the damage.

However, the biggest winners of the day were Dunstable Wanderers who made it two wins from two outings to sit in third spot following their 10-1 home success over The 61 FC Luton Reserves. Mojmir Rozdora led the way with four goals, Charlie Broux hit a hat-trick and single goals were struck by Ollie Bateman, Ryan Bell, and Ben Chapman. The lone 61Fc reply coming from George Obeng. Dropping down the standings into fourth spot are Athletic FC who were beaten 5-3 at home by FC Polonia (Luton) Sylwester Kraska with a brace plus Fabian Pawelec, Mateusz Antoniuk and Juliano Chrisopher Gateuex marking the visitors scoresheet against home replies from Aaron Romain, Oluwafemi Igbekuyi and Niklay Mandinga.

Division Three League Table at 21st September 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Kempston Athletic First	4	4	0	0	14	1	13	12
2	Sandy Reserves	4	3	1	0	10	3	7	10
3	Dunstable Wanderers First	2	2	0	0	12	1	11	6
4	Athletic FC First	3	2	0	1	11	11	0	6
5	Elstow Abbey Reserves	2	1	0	1	6	4	2	3
6	Queens Park Crescents Development	2	1	0	1	8	8	0	3
7	Flitwick Town 'A'	3	1	0	2	10	12	-2	3
8	FC Polonia (Luton) First	3	1	0	2	6	7	-1	2*
9	Lewsey Park First	2	0	1	1	4	9	-5	1
10	Meltis Rangers First	2	0	1	1	4	9	-5	1
11	Everton Athletic FC First	4	0	1	3	7	14	-7	1
12	Wilstead First	1	0	0	1	0	4	-4	0
13	The 61 FC (Luton) Reserves	2	0	0	2	1	10	-9	-1*

Elsewhere, Flitwick Town A claimed their first victory of the season with a 6-2 home victory over Everton Athletic, Max Hughes with a brace plus goals from Evan French, Jonanth Hall, Chris Larson and Mason Ruddlesdem doing the damage against Ayhletic replies via Andrew Cross and Samuel Hogben.

Division Four

The Division Four league table shows the top five teams all on nine points with Stopsley United Reserves leading the way following their 11-1 away success at Henlow Hurricanes. Nagle Cameron on the mark five times, Owen Imprey three times and single goals coming the way of James Dunnington, Cameron Nagle and Ben Wiles against a lone home reply from Enoch Daniel. In the second spot are Turvey who were 5-2 home winners over DTCC FC. Luca Hames with a brace plus goals from Samuel Jessop, George Shingleton and William Westward brought up the nap hand with Findlay Christie and Chris Sorrentino replying for the visitors.

Third spot is taken up by Ampthill Town Colts who made it three wins from three outings with a 3-0 victory at Catsbrook Wanderers thanks to goals from Jonah Doohan, Murray Gray and Aaron Upton. Whilst fourth place EB Lions U21 were 5-2 winners at AFC Clophill. Harrison Milton with a hat-trick and single goals from Rocco Pearce and Daniel Gillard bringing up the nap hand against home replies via an own goal and Finlay Newman.

Division Four League Table at 21st September 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Stopsley United Reserves	3	3	0	0	27	3	24	9
2	Turvey First	4	3	0	1	20	9	11	9
3	Ampthill Town Colts	3	3	0	0	12	3	9	9
4	EB Lions AFC (Sat) Mens U21	4	3	0	1	12	5	7	9
5	Wootton Blue Cross A	4	3	0	1	13	10	3	9
6	Dunstable Town Cricket Club DTCC FC Satu	3	1	0	2	10	9	1	3
7	M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves	2	1	0	1	2	3	-1	3
8	AFC Clophill First	3	1	0	2	7	13	-6	3
9	Catsbrook Wanderers First	3	0	0	3	1	10	-9	0
10	Henlow Hurricanes First	2	0	0	2	2	13	-11	0
11	Everton Athletic FC Res	2	0	0	2	2	18	-16	0
12	AFC Bedford United (Sat) U23	3	0	0	3	3	15	-12	-1*

The fifth spot belongs to Wootton Blue Cross A who were likewise 5-2 away winners at Everton Athletic Reserves. Koree Francis and Alfie Young with braces plus a single goal from Alex Handley bringing up the nap hand. with the home replies coming via Harry Sales and James Scott. Elsewhere, M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves were gifted the three points when AFC Bedford United U23 failed to raise a side to journey to King George Vi Playing Fields