

Bedfordshire County Football League



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Action Review From Saturday 19th September 2009

Biggleswade United Reserves are now back on top of the league table following their win at Westoning Recreation Club and Campton's defeat at Woburn. United with first half goals from Paul Rannow, Joe Jordan and Matthew McCartney were soon in command at Greenfield Road, until in the second period, when an own goal plus a strike from Tom Smith clawed their advantage back to a single goal. Yet it was to be United's day when goals from Jack Gabbitas and Rannow took them to a 5-2 win.

Over at Crawley Road, Woburn were to put paid to Campton's 100% start to the season with a 4-2 victory. Two goals from Nick Skolsky soon had the Safari Boys 2-0 ahead before an Ashley Banks strike took the sides in at half-time just separated by a single goal. Early second half action saw Shane Forsythe take the home side 3-1 ahead before an Andrew Hayday goal brought the margin back to a single goal, but Matt Holland was to ensure the points would stay at Crawley Road with his sides fourth goal.

Meanwhile Blunham were to end Meltis Corinthians 100% start to the season and hold onto third spot with a 3-0 home win, two first half goals from Andy Smith plus a second half own goal doing the damage. Retaining fourth spot are AFC Kempston Town 1-0 home winners over Caldecote thanks to a 65th minute goal from substitute Ed L'Erario with his very first touch of the game.

Now up into fifth place are Dunton who run out 10-0 home winners over bottom of the table Riseley Sports. 6-0 ahead at the break thanks to double strikes from Nicky Threadgold and Paul Beith plus a goal from James Cooper and an own goal. The second period was to see Threadgold take his personal tally up to four goals and Dave Pugh weigh in with a brace to bring up the double scoreline.

Elsewhere Wilshamstead came up with their first win of the season 3-0 at Ickwell & Old Warden. Goals in the opening half coming via Paul Jones and Michael Jones before Phil Johnson added a third in the second period. Also winning 3-0 away were Sharnbrook at Oakley Sports, goals from Scott Rothery, Andy Jones and Kieran Mulkerrins doing the damage.

The final top flight game was however to end all square at 2-2 between Renhold United and Southill Alexander. A goal from Marco Capontes saw Southill lead 1-0 at half-time and when Ashley Townsend made it 2-0 in the new period United looked

done for, yet they saved a point after Karl Anderson netted twice, the first from the penalty spot but in effect lost two points when Anderson saw his second spot kick of the afternoon in the 89th minute saved by Alexander goalkeeper Tony Harvey.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 19th Sept 2009

16 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Biggleswade United Reserves	5	4	0	1	16	6	+10	12
Campton	5	4	0	1	13	11	+2	12
Blunham	5	3	1	1	17	11	+6	10
AFC Kempston Town	4	3	0	1	16	6	+10	9
Dunton	5	3	0	2	15	6	+9	9
Renhold United	4	2	1	1	8	7	+1	7
Caldecote	4	2	0	2	10	6	+4	6
Sharnbrook	5	2	0	3	9	8	+1	6
Woburn	4	2	0	2	7	6	+1	6
Meltis Corinthians	3	2	0	1	6	7	-1	6
Oakley Sports	4	2	0	2	6	7	-1	6
Wilshamstead	3	1	1	1	6	4	+2	4
Southill Alexander	5	1	1	3	11	10	+1	4
Ickwell & Old Warden	4	1	0	3	3	11	-8	3
Westoning Recreation Club [Saturday]	4	0	0	4	6	24	-18	0
Riseley Sports	4	0	0	4	3	22	-19	0

Leighton United's lead at the head of the Division One league table is now down to just a single point over Flitwick Town after they were held to a 0-0 draw at Bedford Sports Athletic. Town moving up into second place after winning 2-1 at Campton Reserves. An own goal on 25 minutes taking Town into the lead until Dan Mabbott struck his tenth goal of the season to level matters up 10 minutes later and that's the way it stayed until Jim Lewis hit the winner four minutes from time. Town taking over that second slot from Marston Social who were beaten 1-4 at home by Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves, two goals from Lee Threadgold plus strikes from Daniel Gaylor and Ashley Smith only being replied too by a home penalty from Daniel Bullen.

Climbing back up the table into third place are Sandy 5-2 winners at the previous 100% Kempston. Goals from Bradley Smith, Chris Baines, Craig Baker and Mark Jennings plus a Sam James penalty bringing up Sandy's nap hand against home replies from Mark Simpson and Aaron Perrett.

Division One League Table at 19th September 2009

16 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Leighton United	5	4	1	0	12	6	+6	13
Flitwick Town	5	4	0	1	7	4	+3	12
Sandy	5	3	0	2	18	10	+8	9
Marston Social	4	3	0	1	9	5	+4	9
FC Meppershall	5	2	2	1	19	14	+5	8
Bedford Sports Athletic	5	2	2	1	7	4	+3	8
Caldecote Reserves	5	2	1	2	13	9	+4	7
Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves	5	2	1	2	13	12	+1	7
Campton Reserves	5	2	0	3	13	10	+3	6
Meltis Albion	4	2	0	2	9	9	+0	6
Kempston	3	2	0	1	6	6	+0	6
Henlow	4	2	0	2	7	8	-1	6
Blunham Reserves	5	1	2	2	7	10	-3	5
AFC Kempston Town Reserves	5	1	0	4	6	21	-15	3
Stevington	5	0	1	4	6	17	-11	1
Kempston Hammers Sports	4	0	0	4	3	10	-7	0

Taking over fifth place behind the dropping Marston Social are FC Meppershall 6-1 home victors over Stevington. Jason Nice grabbing a hat-trick, Jamie McGregor netting twice alongside a strike from Craig Damon, whilst Scott Hannam was on the scoresheet for Stevington.

Elsewhere AFC Kempston Town Reserves were to move themselves off the bottom of the table with a 4-3 away win at Caldecote Reserves, Nigel Drummond netting twice alongside Jason Harrison and Tristan Peck whilst the home replies came via Jack Boyd, Tom Dupey and Mark Endersby.

Taking over the bottom slot are Kempston Hammers Sports who were beaten 3-2 at Meltis Albion, Daniel Wells twice and Salvatore Ventriqlia netting the Albion goals against Hammers replies via Matthew Mossop and Richard Garnham.

The final game in this section seeing Blunham Reserves net their first win of the campaign 3-1 at Henlow, Goals from Daniel Whitten, Eric McIntyre and Dave Coan doing the trick against a home penalty reply from Andy Newton.

Potton Wanderers made it five wins out of five to maintain their seasons 100% record and stay on top of the Division Three league table with a 3-0 home win over Marabese Ceramics. goals from Joe Harrington, Danny Fox and Antony Schurek doing the damage. Second place Bedford Hatters remaining two points adrift after

they netted a 6-1 home victory over Shillington, Simon Pixley with a brace plus Aaron Izzard, Richard Cook, Chris Fry and an own goal making it onto the Hatters scoresheet against a lone Shillington reply from Sam Larsen.



Kempston Royals FC

Jumping up into third place are Arlesey Social Galacticos following a 2-1 home win over Shefford Town. Barry Harris and Gary Jackson on target for the Social against a Town reply from Ryan Welton. With the non-playing Brache Sparta Community Reserves dropping to fourth, they are now just only goal difference ahead of Luton Old Boys 4-1 home winners over Elstow Abbey. Glodi Kweme netting twice plus Ashley Wadhams and Levi Baikton for The Old Boys against a Abbey reply from Phil Bartram.

Making up the top six are Marston Shelton Rovers 4-0 winners at Great Barford.,goals from Charlie Standish, Sean McFarland and Aaron Franks plus a Antony Henman penalty seeing The Rovers to the three points.

The days final game in this section saw Kings AFC come up with their first win of the season 5-2 at home over Harpur FC, Oilver Plestead netting a hat-trick alongside strikes from Chris Greene and Rowan Hazelwood, with the Harpur replies coming via Carl Catchpole and Fabrizo Cataldo.

Division Two League Table at 19th September 2009

15 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Potton Wanderers	5	5	0	0	26	4	+22	15
Bedford Hatters	5	4	1	0	23	4	+19	13
Arlesey Social Galacticos	4	3	1	0	8	4	+4	10
Brache Sparta Community Reserves	4	2	2	0	16	11	+5	8
Luton Old Boys [Saturday]	5	2	2	1	13	14	-1	8
Marston Shelton Rovers	4	2	1	1	14	6	+8	7
Kempston Royals	4	2	0	2	7	11	-4	6
Marabese Ceramics	4	2	0	2	5	9	-4	6
Great Barford	5	2	0	3	11	17	-6	6
Shefford Town	4	1	0	3	9	9	+0	3
Kings AFC	4	1	0	3	10	14	-4	3
Harpur FC	4	1	0	3	10	16	-6	3
Elstow Abbey 06	5	1	0	4	7	23	-16	3
Clifton	3	0	1	2	2	5	-3	1
Shillington [Saturday]	4	0	0	4	8	22	-14	0

The new leaders of the Division Three league table are Queens Park Crescents following their 11-0 win at Caldecote A, Ayaz Hussain netting four times, Shezad Sattar grabbing a hat-trick, Mohammed Zahar a brace, alongside single strikes from Tauseef Masud and Junaid Miah. The Crescents leaping above Dunton Reserves on goal difference despite them coming up with a 3-0 away win at Sandy Reserves, Steve Spiers netting twice and Luke Gurney once.

These two sides now pulling five points clear of third place Stopsley Park who drew 1-1 at now fourth place Lidlington United Sports, Chris Roberts netting the home goal against a Park reply from Simon Richards.

Two sides winning for the first time this season were Wilshamstead Reserves and Riseley Sports Reserves. Wilshamstead Reserves thanks to four goals from Glen Tumulty and a strike from Ali Morris 5-0 home winners over Westoning Recreation Club Reserves. While Riseley Sports Reserves were 5-4 home victors over Renhold Village, goals from Mark Christie, Phil Taylor, Carl Walker and James Parker plus an own goal outscoring Village replies from Dan Luke, Peter Neal, Carl Townsend and Cullum Stuart.

Division Three League Table at 19th September 2009

10 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Queens Park Crescents	3	3	0	0	16	1	+15	9
Dunton Reserves	3	3	0	0	13	5	+8	9
Stopsley Park	3	1	1	1	15	8	+7	4
Lidlington United Sports	3	1	1	1	4	3	+1	4
Renhold Village	3	1	0	2	14	14	+0	3
Wilshamstead Reserves	3	1	0	2	5	5	+0	3
Riseley Sports Reserves	2	1	0	1	6	8	-2	3
Caldecote 'A'	3	1	0	2	3	22	-19	3
Sandy Reserves	1	0	0	1	0	3	-3	0
Westoning Recreation Club [Saturday] Reserves	2	0	0	2	1	8	-7	0

Sharnbrook Reserves remain 100% for the season and climb to the top of the Division Four league table after netting a 6-0 away win at Flitwick Town Reserves, Darren Wallinger with four goals plus strikes from Chris Moore and Jayme Harris doing the damage. Whilst Sundon Park Rangers drop to third slot after being beaten 4-3 at Dinamo Flitwick. Home goals from Ernest Mayne, Dean Myers, Ben Canning and Nick Stafford doing the damage against Rangers strikes from Danny Viola, Ben Stratful and Luke Evans.

Moving up into second place are Thurleigh 4-1 winners at Bedford Park Rangers, Ben Stock twice plus Steve Pledge and Josh Pierre St Claire making it onto the winners scoresheet against a Rangers reply from Spencer Gray.

For both Eastcotts and Stewartby Village it was an opening win of the season. Two goals from Kieran Day and a single goal for Liam Parker against a Mark Gearing reply giving Eastcotts a 3-1 home win over Clifton Reserves. While Stewartby Village were 5-1 home winners over M&DH Oakley. Gareth O'Brien netting twice alongside Paul Welling, James Greenslade and Michael Cook for the Village, the lone reply coming via Sean Cafferty.

Division Four League Table at 19th September 2009

11 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Sharnbrook Reserves	3	3	0	0	16	1	+15	9
Thurleigh	3	2	1	0	15	6	+9	7
Sundon Park Rangers [Saturday]	3	2	0	1	22	8	+14	6
M & DH Oakley	3	2	0	1	11	7	+4	6
Dinamo Flitwick	3	2	0	1	8	7	+1	6
Stewartby Village	3	1	0	2	8	8	+0	3
Eastcotts	2	1	0	1	4	5	-1	3
Flitwick Town Reserves	3	1	0	2	5	13	-8	3
Clifton Reserves	2	0	1	1	3	5	-2	1
Kempston Athletic	2	0	0	2	5	18	-13	0
Bedford Park Rangers	3	0	0	3	3	22	-19	0

Preview for Saturday 26th September 2009

Premier Division supported by Sportsform action sees league leaders Biggleswade United Reserves take on Wilshamstead at Second Meadow seeking their fourth away win of the season on a bounce having agreed a change of venue due to the state of the home sides Jubilee Playing Fields pitch. Whilst second place Campton who trail them on goal difference only are in home action at Rectory Road against fifth place Dunton.

With third place Blunham sitting the afternoon out, their slot in the league table could well be taken over by AFC Kempston Town, who require just a point or better to do so when they travel to Lodge Road to face a Sharnbrook side that has lost it's opening two home league games of the season to date.

Caldecote after two straight defeats will be keen to get back to winning ways, yet their task will not be an easy one when local rivals Ickwell & Old Warden come calling at Harvey Close for local derby action.

Over at Miller Road, Meltis Corinthians will be expecting to return to winning ways when they host Oakley Sports. The Sportsman however have won their last two trips on the road and will be no pushovers for The Sweetboys.

The days other two top flight encounters seeing the bottom two clubs both have home advantage as they strive for their opening point/points of the season. Basement club Riseley Sports in Gold Street action against Renhold United ,,whilst over at Greenfield Road, Westoning Recreation Club entertain Woburn.

Division One action sees league leaders Leighton United in home Stanbridge Road action against Campton Reserves and any slip up by them would see Flitwick Town

claim top spot by the end of the day should they come up with the full three points from their own home game at Steppingley Road against fifth place FC Meppershall.

For third place Sandy its home local derby Bedford Road Recreation Ground action against Henlow who will be looking to return to winning ways after two straight defeats, whilst fourth slot Marston Social hit the road for a meeting with Stevington.

There is also local derby action at Hillgrounds where AFC Kempston Town Reserves host Kempston plus on The Green with the meeting between Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves and Caldecote Reserves.

The days other two games in this section taking Meltis Albion on the road to Moggerhanger Playing Fields to face Blunham Reserves and bottom of the table Kempston Hammers Sports entertain Bedford Sports Athletic at Cutler Hammer.

For the majority of lower division sides the action this weekend switches their attention to the opening round of this season Bedfordshire FA Junior Cup. Of the 17 ties taking place 10 are all Bedfordshire County Football League affairs, the top clash coming in shape of an all Division Two affair in Hillgrounds between hosts Kempston Royals and their visitors Marston Shelton Rovers. Leaving a chance for a spot of giant killing in the other nine domestic clashes, in these ties just four of the potential giant killers have home advantage. The best chances perhaps of an upset could come at either Division Three Queens Park Crescents who host Division Two Shefford Town in Mowsbury Park or at Harvey Close where Division Three outfit Caldecote A entertain Division Two club Shillington.

In the other two ties where the lower division side has the home advantage, the task of victory looks harder. Division Four Bedford Park Rangers hosting Division Two Clifton in Mowsbury Park and Division Three Renhold Village receiving a visit from Division Two high flyers Arlesey Social Galacticos.

Of the five potential giant killers hitting the road, Stopsley Park will perhaps fancy their chances the most when they travel to The Warren to face Division Two club Elstow Abbey. The other quartet of travellers seemingly on paper facing tougher assignments, Division Four Kempston Athletic on their way to King George VI Playing Fields to face Division Two club Kings AFC. Division Four Clifton Reserves heading to the Bedford Hockey Centre to face Division Two Harpur FC. Whilst for Division Three Dunton Reserves its a trip to Dallow Road to face Division Two Brache Sparta Community Reserves and for Division Three Westoning Recreation Club Reserves a short trip down the Dunstable Road and a clash with Division Two hosts Luton Old Boys.

Elsewhere, two other clubs face home games against opposition from the North Bucks League. At Mill Lane Potton Wanderers will be hosts to Southcott Village Residents Association Reserves, whilst Stewartby Way is the venue for the tie between Stewartby Village and visitors Heath Panthers United Reserves.

In the remaining three games, its opposition from The Luton District & South Beds League. Marabese Ceramics hitting the road to face The 61FC Luton A, while

Dinamo Flitwick will be in home action at Hinksley Recreation Ground against Farley Boys and M&DH Oakley host Real FNE at Oakley Playing Fields.

With all these cup ties taking place Division Three league action is reduced to just a single game at Hurst Grove where Lidlington United Sports could climb into third spot in the league table with a victory over the visiting Sandy Reserves.

Division Four action brings about just two games, league leaders Sharnbrook Reserves on the road to Hillgrounds to face Eastcotts whilst second place Thurleigh hit the road towards Stockwood Park and a meeting with third place Sundon Park Rangers.

Cup Squad Announced.

The Bedfordshire County Football League squad for this Wednesday's FA Carlsberg National System Cup game with The Amateur Football Combination at Biggleswade United. Kick Off 7.45pm has been announced.

Luke Kiteley, Caldecote. Shahbaz Hussain, Meltis Corinthians. Scott Tallentire, AFC Kempston Town . Ollie Housden, Campton. Neville Allen, Meltis Corinthians. Adam Wombwell, Southill Alexander. Nicky Threadgold, Dunton. Alex Woolston, Meltis Corinthians. Tom McGhee, Dunton. Paul Jones, Oakley Sports. Jason Allison, Meltis Corinthians. Rakesh Gill, Meltis Corinthians. Sundeep Gill, AFC Kempston Town. David Morbin, Southill Alexander. Leeroy Odd, Caldecote. Dean Warren, Meltis Corinthians. Sheldon Washington, Meltis Corinthians. Kai Griffiths Shilton, Biggleswade United.