



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.

Change of Fixture Secretary:

PLEASE NOTE: FROM 1st FEBRUARY, SIMON DUTTON [07958 264613 duttonsp@gmail.com] WILL TAKE OVER RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL FIXTURES.

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 8th February 2025

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

There is no change at the head of the table standings following wins for the top three clubs. League leaders Wootton Blue Cross with goals from Matt Graver, Alan Henman and Keaton Marsh gaining a 3-1 home victory over Flitwick Town whose reply came via Phil Matthews to remain goal difference ahead of Marston Shelton Rovers who remain unbeaten in their last eight outings and 100% on the road this season when a brace of goals from Luke Clifford and a strike from Jamie Cerminara saw them end Queens Park Crescents seven game unbeaten run and 100% season's home record with a 3-1 victory against a lone reply from Ismail Rakhman for the Crescents.

In third spot are AFC Oakley who were 3-1 home winners over Totternhoe Reserves with goals from Chisom Amadi, Omojiseoluwa Bankole and James Box. The lone visitors reply coming from Liam Andrews. Whilst fourth place Cranfield United Reserves ran out 3-2 home winners over now sixth.place Caldecote who have now failed to win any of their last six outings. Sean Byrne, Joseph Bygraves and Ryan Mellor all found the back of the net for United against replies via Rafe Goodman and Lloyd Jones.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 8th February 2025

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Wootton Blue Cross First	13	11	0	2	47	19	28	33
2	Marston Shelton Rovers First	14	10	3	1	41	22	19	33
3	AFC Oakley First	14	9	2	3	45	18	27	29
4	Cranfield United Reserves	17	7	4	6	36	26	10	25
5	Biggleswade United Reserves	14	6	2	6	43	36	7	20
6	Caldecote First	15	6	2	7	29	33	-4	20
7	Elstow Abbey First	12	6	1	5	36	29	7	19
8	Crawley Green Development	16	5	3	8	32	48	-16	18
9	Shefford Town & Campton Reserves	17	5	3	9	24	45	-21	18
10	Queens Park Crescents First	9	5	2	2	19	14	5	17
11	Riseley Sports First	15	5	2	8	26	29	-3	17
12	Biggleswade FC Reserves	19	3	4	12	34	70	-36	13
13	Totternhoe Reserves	13	3	3	7	19	29	-10	12
14	Flitwick Town First	12	3	1	8	27	40	-13	10

Jumping above last season's champions into fifth place on goal difference are Biggleswade United Reserves thanks to their 7-2 victory at Biggleswade FC Reserves. Kingsley Bates led the way with four goals to go alongside single goals from Seyram Hammond, Cameron Watson and Jamie Essam against FC Replies via Bailey Mapletoft and Harry Pyke. Whilst also enjoying life on the road were Crawley Green Development in winning 5-0 at Shefford Town & Campton Reserves, Lucas Fisher with a hat-trick and goals from Kingsley Gibbons and Robby Doran bringing up the nap hand.

Elsewhere, returning to winning ways for the first time in six outings were Riseley Sports where a brace of goals from Jay Willett and strikes from James Cooke and Freddie Spavins took them to a 4-2 home success over Elstow Abbey whose replies came from Daniel Green and Glenn Tumulty.

Division One

With Ickwell & Old Warden failing to raise a side to travel to meet Stopsley United the gifted three points now sees United back onto the top of the Division One league table two points ahead of Harlington Juniors whose nine game winning run was ended when they were held to a 2-2 draw at fifth place Clifton. Ryan Lamond and Mateusz Zacharzewski on the home scoresheet against Juniors replies via Luke Renshaw and Louis Dorsett.

Division One League Table at 8th February 2025

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Stopsley United First	15	11	1	3	54	21	33	34
2	Harlington Juniors First	13	10	2	1	60	19	41	32
3	Bedford Albion First	11	6	3	2	39	21	18	21
4	Kempston United First	16	6	1	9	34	46	-12	19
5	Clifton First	10	5	3	2	28	17	11	18
6	Sporting Carpathians First	8	5	2	1	21	11	10	17
7	Ickwell & Old Warden First	15	4	4	7	24	31	-7	15*
8	Bufs FC Saturday First	12	4	2	6	17	26	-9	14
9	AFC Oakley Development	13	2	5	6	18	38	-20	10*
10	Wootton Blue Cross Reserves	10	1	3	6	14	31	-17	6
11	Bedford SA First	13	1	0	12	13	61	-48	0*

The biggest win of the day went to third place Bedford Albion 12-1 at home against bottom of the table Bedford SA. Harry Dynes and Paul Babbington both claimed hat-tricks, Nathan France weighed in with a brace with single goals being added by Joshua Adeniyi, Reece Silvester, Angelo Moscaritolo and Reece Martindale against

a lone SA reply from Andrew Koncius. Just three goals behind them were now fourth place Kempston United who ran out 9-0 home winners over AFC Oakley Development. Ashton Joyce, Harvey Eagle and Junior Samuel all grabbed braces to go alongside single strikes from Jack Spada, Jake Whitmore and Rhys Popham.

Division Two North.

There is no change at the head of the Division Two North league table following wins for the top three sides. League leaders Thurleigh remaining three points clear with a 7-1 home success over Wixams Wanderers. Charlie Hurley led the way with a hat-trick alongside single goals from Nathan Ohallaran, Ed Shaw, Paddy Enwright and Kevin Harris against a lone Wanderers reply via Sam Maelzer. Whilst second place Blunham emerged the 4-2 home winners over FC Haynes. Ricky Lawrence with a hat-trick and a goal from Connor Heaps doing the damage against a brace in reply from George Grahame marking the visitors scoresheet.

Third place Caldecote Reserves are now on an eight game winning streak following their 5-3 home victory over Green End Rovers. James Bright with a brace and goals from Riley Evans, Edward Tubridy and James Tubridy bringing up the nap hand whilst the Rovers replies came from Zack Baker, Sean Jones and Max Natola. Now in fourth place are AFC Bedford United who ran out 2-1 home winners over the bottom of the table M&DH Clapham Sports with goals from Ellis Sharp and Gary Townsend against a lone reply from Louis Lee.

Division Two North League Table at 8th February 2025

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Thurleigh FC	13	10	0	3	43	8	35	30
2	Blunham (BCFL)	14	8	3	3	37	24	13	27
3	Caldecote Reserves	12	8	1	3	34	15	19	25
4	AFC Bedford United (Sat) First	11	7	3	1	31	18	13	24
5	FC Haynes First	15	7	2	6	35	34	1	23
6	Green End Rovers First	12	5	2	5	31	27	4	17
7	Shefford Town & Campton Development	13	4	1	8	33	46	-13	13
8	Wixams Wanderers First	13	4	3	6	26	37	-11	12*
9	Bedford Albion Development	15	2	3	10	23	57	-34	9
10	M&DH Clapham Sports First	12	0	2	10	11	38	-27	2

Elsewhere, having lost their last three home outings Shefford Town & Campton Development were claiming the biggest win of the afternoon with a 10-2 home victory over the second from bottom of the table Bedford Albion Development. Jacob Jevon with a hat-trick, Richard Blankson and Kyle Cook with braces plus goals from

Franklin Raeburn, George Hallam and Seth Taylor doing the damage against Albion replies via Kyle Mackinnon and Janes Wookey.

Division Two South

There was very little activity at the head of the Division Two South league standings, Top club LU Donz sitting the afternoon out to see their points advantage reduced to just two points after second place New Bradwell St Peter Development were gifted the three points when Caldecote A failed to raise a side to travel to meet them and third place Lea Sports PSG seeing an unfit pitch rule out any action at fourth place Harlington Juniors Reserves.

Retaining their season's 100% home record were sixth place Caddington who had to thank Ryan Smith for his hat-trick in taking them to a 3-1 success over Luton Panthers whose reply came via Luciano Witter. Whilst seventh place Stotfold Junior won 3-0 at second from the bottom of the table Brache Phoenix with a brace from Joseph Evans and a strike from Joseph Cleverly.

Also enjoying life on the road were Bletchley Scot the 3-2 winners at Flitwick Town Reserves thanks to a brace of goals from Dean Reed and a strike from Rowan Holland with Thomas Giggie and Daniel Ruddick replying for the Town.

Division Two South League Table at 8th February 2025

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	LU Donz First	14	10	2	2	50	25	25	32
2	New Bradwell St Peter FC Development	15	10	1	4	38	20	18	30 *
3	Lea Sports PSG Saturday First	14	7	5	2	50	29	21	26
4	Harlington Juniors Reserves	11	8	1	2	44	16	28	22 *
5	Luton Panthers First	16	6	3	7	50	42	8	21
6	Caddington (BCFL)	14	6	3	5	34	29	5	21
7	Stotfold Junior First (Sat)	14	6	2	6	39	34	5	20
8	Flitwick Town Reserves	16	5	1	10	36	51	-15	16
9	Bletchley Scot First	9	4	2	3	27	30	-3	14
10	AFC Kempston Town Hammers First	14	3	3	8	25	47	-22	12
11	Brache Phoenix First	12	2	2	8	23	41	-18	8
12	Caldecote A	17	2	3	12	20	72	-52	8 *

Division Three

Kempston Athletic are now nine points clear at the head of the Division Three league table after they retained their season's unbeaten ways with a 4-2 victory at Elstow Abbey Reserves who have failed to win any of their last six outings.

Alexander Wasilewski with a brace and goals from Royheed Banghard and Alessandro Esposito doing the damage against Abbey replies from Sam Kidman and Daniel Sharird. Whilst second place Sandy Reserves are now only a point ahead of third place Lewsey Park who claimed a 3-1 home victory over them. with goals from Jack Jones. Luke Lincoln and Wayne O'Connor with Prince Asare making the lone Sandy reply.

Fourth place Athletic FC are now unbeaten in their last seven home outings following their 6-1 victory over the bottom of the table Everton Athletic. Emmanuel Adjei and Mo Banda with braces plus goals from Jason Allison and Mesumbe Kezhzung doing the damage with Christain Summers netting the lone reply. Whilst fifth place Queens Park Crescents Development were the 4-2 winners at Wilstead. Hasan Nadeem with a brace plus goals from Joshua Tabiri and Ayaz Hussain marking their scoresheet against home replies from Halder Hussain and Andrew Hayday.

Division Three League Table at 8th February 2025

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Kempston Athletic First	15	13	2	0	63	8	55	41
2	Sandy Reserves	16	10	2	4	45	29	16	32
3	Lewsey Park First	13	10	1	2	51	22	29	31
4	Athletic FC First	14	9	2	3	53	27	26	29
5	Queens Park Crescents Development	14	8	2	4	53	31	22	26
6	The 61 FC (Luton) Reserves	13	6	1	6	30	48	-18	18*
7	Dunstable Wanderers First	12	5	2	5	30	24	6	17
8	FC Polonia (Luton) First	15	6	0	9	40	46	-6	14*
9	Wilstead First	14	5	0	9	22	37	-15	14*
10	Elstow Abbey Reserves	15	4	0	11	20	44	-24	12
11	Flitwick Town 'A'	15	3	3	9	28	61	-33	12
12	Meltis Rangers First	14	3	2	9	22	53	-31	10*
13	Everton Athletic FC First	14	1	1	12	23	50	-27	1*

Elsewhere, second from the bottom of the table Meltis Rangers were returning to winning ways on home soil for the first time in eight outings when goals from Danny Fox, Ryan Harris and Tyrell O'Connor saw them beat FlitwickTown A 3-1 whose reply came from Matt Mann. Whilst FC Polonia (Luton) won 2-0 at Dunstable Wanderers. thanks to goals from Sylwester Kraska and Fabien Pawelec.

Division Four

The leadership of the Division Four league table is now back into the hands of Stopsley United Reserves who made it seven wins on the spin with a 7-3 away success at Everton Athletic who were falling to their seventh straight defeat. Cameron Nagle, Kevin Proszkowiec and Owen Omprey all netted twice go go alongside a single strike from Monzoor Ahmed, the home sides goals came from Craig Bowler, Tyler Lockey and James Scott. Losing out on that top spot were Ampthill Town Colts despite them retaining their season's unbeaten ways in drawing 3-3 at home against EB Lions U21. The Lions goals came from Jay Atkinson, Daniel Gillard and Mason Pender.

Up now into third spot are Wootton Blue Cross A who with goals from Ben Hall, Sam Marshall and Alfie Young ran out 3-1 home winners over Turvey upon whom they swap places with them in the standings to now sit in fourth place. Samuel Jessop with the visitors reply. Whilst M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves ended a four game losing run to claim their first home victory in seven outings in beating Catsbrook Wanderers 3-2. with goals from Ryan Prior, Cash Baxter and Kevin Platts against Wanderers replies from Jason McDonagh and James Matthews.

Division Four League Table at 8th February 2025

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Stopsley United Reserves	15	12	0	3	68	31	37	36
2	Ampthill Town Colts	13	11	2	0	57	21	36	35
3	Wootton Blue Cross A	13	9	1	3	32	24	8	27 *
4	Turvey First	14	8	1	5	49	36	13	24 *
5	EB Lions AFC (Sat) Mens U21	12	8	2	2	42	21	21	23 *
6	Dunstable Town Cricket Club DTCC FC Satu	14	7	1	6	48	33	15	22
7	M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves	13	3	1	9	25	44	-19	10
8	AFC Clophill First	14	4	1	9	23	42	-19	10 *
9	Catsbrook Wanderers First	15	2	2	11	17	40	-23	8
10	Everton Athletic FC Res	13	1	1	11	21	69	-48	4
11	Henlow Hurricanes First	12	2	2	8	20	41	-21	2 *
12	AFC Bedford United (Sat) U23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-3 *

Watson Shield Round One

With a brace of goals from Connor Taylor and strikes from Chris Sorrentino and Luke James DTCC FC were the 4-1 away winners at The 61 FC Luton Reserves whose reply came via Lewis Grant.