

Bedfordshire County **Football League**



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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 continue as the league's mainline sponsor for season 2025-26.

Chairman, Peter Francis said, we are delighted that HBC Logistics will once again be abroad for the 2025-26 season 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 2026 Annual General Meeting.

Bedfordshire FA Club/Team Suspension

An increasing number of clubs/teams are being placed under a club/team suspension for failing to raise and make payment of their disciplinary invoices. The FA Competition Portal updates on each Wednesday morning and clubs are advised to visit their portal preferably on each Monday, Wednesday and Thursday to ensure they have no outstanding matters.

The consequence of playing games whilst under a club/team suspension will in the first instances bring about a Bedfordshire FA charge followed by an additional charge under league rule 20E(v) which has the power to deduct any points gained in these games from your club/team and the match points etc awarded to your opposition.

Whilst the league will do its best to monitor the situation on behalf of our clubs/teams it remains their 100% total responsibility to ensure their own house is in order, this being even more important as we approach the end of the season and games are scheduled to take place on Midweek evenings.

Please be aware that not all the current/recent items appear on the opening page of your club/teams portal and that you should make full use of the various filters.

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 Club Portal 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 Club Portal system prior to each game to check for any suspensions in place at any given date. Clubs should be aware that all suspensions commence seven days following the date the red card offence was committed.

Clubs are also advised when checking eligible players data to gain this information via the fixture listings in Full Time and **not use The Players Seasons Total tab which can be accessed via the Full Time league tables.** This tab holds information stored from abandoned matches which under FA rules cannot be counted as an appearance.

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. **All clubs should ensure the player's name listed corresponds 100% with that by which he is registered.**

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 2025-26.

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 referees 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 cards .

Please ensure 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 league's 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.

Hire of the 3G at Creasey Park Dunstable.

During this period of inclement weather can we bring to the attention of clubs that there may well be pitches available for hire at the Beds FA Creasey Park venue. For further details please contact the site manager Stephen Quirke on 07860-146196.

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 4th April 2026

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

Caldecote moved themselves to within seven points of the league leaders Cranfield United Reserves on whom they have three games in hand on after they took their winning ways up to 16 games with a 2-0 away victory at Harlington Juniors. thanks to goals from Jake Bruce and Joshua Roberts. Whilst AFC Oakley are now in third spot after they were gifted the three points when Biggleswade FC Reserves failed to raise a side to visit them.

These three points took them above Stopsley United who were held to a 2-2 draw at Totternhoe Reserves. Connor Blennerhasset and Filip Pokorny. on the home scoresheet against United replies via Kiyan Newton and Tejon Brown..Whilst the biggest win of the day saw Queens Park Crescents enjoy a 5-1 home success over Marston Shelton Rovers. Imuentiayan Godwin with a brace plus goals from Hassen Yousaf, Mohammed Raheem Jabber and Mohammed Omar to bring up the nap hand against a lone Rovers reply from Ben Cherry.

Elsewhere, Elstow Abbey without a win from their last eight outings drew 2-2 at home against the bottom of the table Shefford Town & Campton Reserves who last tasted a victory some 21 games ago. Sheldon Washington hitting a brace for the Abbey and Jake Edwards doing likewise for the Town.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 8th April 2026

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Cranfield United Reserves	24	21	2	1	80	13	67	65
2	Caldecote First	22	19	2	1	89	22	67	59
3	AFC Oakley First	22	15	4	3	86	38	48	49
4	Stopsley United First	24	15	3	6	72	40	32	48
5	Marston Shelton Rovers First	24	13	3	8	55	46	9	42
6	Queens Park Crescents First	23	12	3	8	56	42	14	39
7	Wootton Blue Cross First	22	11	3	8	52	41	11	36
8	Harlington Juniors First	21	10	5	6	45	40	5	35
9	Totternhoe Reserves	22	8	5	9	40	62	-22	29
10	Elstow Abbey First	25	7	5	13	55	76	-21	26
11	Biggleswade United Reserves	26	5	5	16	49	66	-17	19 *
12	Biggleswade FC Reserves	25	4	6	15	47	80	-33	17 *
13	Riseley Sports First	22	5	1	16	36	86	-50	15 *
14	Flitwick Town First	26	3	3	20	34	85	-51	11 *
15	Shefford Town & Campton Reserves	24	1	4	19	23	82	-59	6 *

Division One

Baldock Victoria took another major step towards claiming the Division One title when winning for the ninth time on the bounce 3-1 at Blunham, Paul Morris with a brace plus a goal from Jack Bendon doing the damage against a lone reply from Ricky Lawrence. Whilst second place FC Haynes have now won their last four away outings after goals from James Roach and Cian Mitchell took them to a 2-0 success at Bletchley Scot.

Just three points behind FC Haynes and 10 points behind the league leaders with three games in hand on both are third place Thurleigh who with a brace of goals from Edward Hatfield-Shaw and strikes from Josh Griggs and Paddy Enwright won 4-1 at Clifton. whose lone reply came from Alister Moatt. Whilst LU Donz with a goal from David Byass drew 1-1 at home against Bedford Albion whose reply came via Daniel Jefferies.

Division One League Table at 8th April 2026

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Baldock Victoria	21	17	2	2	79	38	41	52 *
2	FC Haynes First	23	14	3	6	52	34	18	45
3	Thurleigh FC	20	13	3	4	70	33	37	42
4	Kempston United First	22	12	3	7	54	41	13	39
5	Blunham Saturday	22	12	2	8	53	48	5	38
6	LU Donz First	21	10	5	6	72	48	24	35
7	Clifton First	22	7	5	10	41	45	-4	25 *
8	Bedford Albion First	19	5	6	8	43	45	-2	21
9	AFC Oakley Development	21	5	5	11	25	46	-21	20
10	Lea Sports PSG Saturday First	19	6	1	12	34	56	-22	18 *
11	Caldecote Reserves	21	6	2	13	31	54	-23	18 *
12	Bletchley Scot First	20	5	1	14	40	70	-30	16
13	Wootton Blue Cross Reserves	21	5	0	16	33	69	-36	14 *

Division Two

AFC Kempston Town Hammers are now within two points of league leaders AFC Bedford United after a brace of goals from Gio Moscaritolo took them to a 2-0 home victory of St Josephs (Saturday) whilst third place Queens Park Crescents Reserves who only trail the league leaders by three points won for the sixth time on the bounce 2-1 at Stotfold Junior. thanks to goals from Benjamin Boxall and Zain Riasat with Joseph Evans replying for the home side.

Division Two League Table at 8th April 2026

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	AFC Bedford United (Sat) First	21	13	6	2	72	39	33	45
2	AFC Kempston Town Hammers First	21	12	4	5	57	25	32	40
3	Queens Park Crescents Reserves	20	13	3	4	35	23	12	39 *
4	Bedford SA First	21	11	3	7	57	46	11	36
5	Caddington Reserves	20	11	2	7	41	40	1	35
6	St Josephs (Sat)	20	10	2	8	45	41	4	32
7	Wixams Wanderers First	22	9	4	9	52	55	-3	31
8	Green End Rovers First	20	8	2	10	48	46	2	26
9	Flitwick Town Reserves	22	8	2	12	41	58	-17	26
10	Kempston Athletic First	19	7	2	10	26	38	-12	23
11	Stotfold Junior First (Sat)	22	3	2	17	22	54	-32	10 *
12	Westoning Club Reds	22	3	2	17	31	62	-31	5 *

Jubilee Cup Semi-Final

AFC Bedford United will now face Kempston Athletic in this season's final on Friday 24th April 2026 at Shefford Town & Campton after they emerged the 4-1 home

winner over Wixams Wanderers. Ellis Sharp with a brace plus goals from Gary Townsend and Nikay Mandinga only being replied to once by Wanderers Liam Duggan.

Division Three

Dunstable Wanderers took another major step towards the Division Three league crown after goals from Shazan Arif, Callum Benford and Louie Parker took them to a 3-0 away victory at second place Bedford Albion Development who they now lead by 13 points with just five games to play.

The biggest winners of the day were Stopsley United Reserves with an 8-1 home victory over The 61 FC Luton Reserves. Cameron Kent with a hat-trick, Owen Imprey with a brace plus goals from Ryan Northwood, Logan Burton and Cheick Camera doing the damage against a lone reply from Renis Rustemi. Whilst having lost their previous six games Turvey returned to form with a bang to claim the biggest away win of the day 4-1 at Flitwick Town A. George Shingleton and Niall Quigley both found the back of the net twice with the lone Town goal coming from Dan Stafford.

Also enjoying life on the road in extending their unbeaten away ways to seven games were Athletic FC in winning 3-1 at third place Ampthill Town Colts., a brace from Aaron Romain and a strike from Jason Allison only being replied to once by Sam Wild. Whilst fifth place Everton Athletic were 2-1 home winners over Wilstead thanks to a brace of goals from Logan Smith with Lewis Duffield replying for the visitors

Elsewhere, it was a return to winning ways for the first time in five outings for M&DH Clapham Sports with a 3-1 home victory over LU Donz Development with goals from Louis Lee, Fred Shannon and Stephen Champion against a lone reply from James Dawson.

Division Three League Table at 8th April 2026

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Dunstable Wanderers First	18	17	0	1	72	19	53	51
2	Ampthill Town Colts	18	11	2	5	47	27	20	35
3	Bedford Albion Development	17	11	2	4	43	27	16	35
4	Athletic FC First	19	11	1	7	49	42	7	31*
5	Stopsley United Reserves	15	9	1	5	55	36	19	28
6	Everton Athletic FC First	20	8	2	10	44	41	3	26
7	Wilstead First	18	8	0	10	46	44	2	20*
8	M&DH Clapham Sports First	17	5	4	8	30	39	-9	18*
9	LU Donz Development	19	6	2	11	35	46	-11	18*
10	Flitwick Town 'A'	20	5	1	14	28	59	-31	16
11	Turvey First	18	5	0	13	21	52	-31	15
12	The 61 FC (Luton) Reserves	17	4	1	12	30	68	-38	13
13	Caldecote A	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-6*

Division Four

There is no change at the head of the Division Four league standings following wins for the top two clubs. League leaders Luton Phoenix won for the tenth time on the bounce 4-1 at fourth place Westoning Blues via a brace from Konain Ali Shah and strikes from Muhammed Hussain and Kamran Khan against a lone Blues reply from Ronald Schapp-Grant. Whilst second place DTCC who trail them by just a single point but having played one game fewer retained their season's 100% home record in beating Flitwick Eagles Development 7-1. Reese Brogan led the way with a hat-trick alongside single goals from Jack Johnstone, Chris Sorrentino, Jamie Traynor and David Perkins against a lone Eagles reply from Max Hurrell.

For third place Cranfield United Development with two goals from Dylan Brawn and a strike from Ali Elforjani it was a 3-1 away success at Meltis Rangers whose reply came from Aaron Nelson. Whilst winning for the first time in nine outings were Leighton Woodside Athletic 5-4 at Queens Park Crescents Development. Two goals from Alfie Thorne and strikes from Morgan Bailey, Ashton Lumbers and Connor Townsend bringing up the nap hand with the replies coming via a Kyeremeh Dwayne brace plus goals from Chauhan Yash and Jun Oliver for the Crescents.

Elsewhere, sixth place AFC Kempston Town Hammers Reserves took their home winning ways up to four games in beating AFC Clophill 2-1, thanks to a brace of goals from Dan Price with the visitors reply coming from Vinny Barbrook. Whilst Catsbrook Wanderers and Wootton Blue Cross A played out a 0-0 draw.

Division Four League Table at 8th April 2026

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Dunstable Town Cricket Club DTCC FC Satu	21	19	0	2	71	19	52	57
2	Luton Phoenix FC	22	18	1	3	85	26	59	55
3	Cranfield United Development	21	16	1	4	107	25	82	49
4	Westoning Club Blues	22	16	0	6	70	32	38	47*
5	Flitwick Eagles Development	25	14	1	10	63	51	12	43
6	AFC Kempston Town Hammers Reserves	22	11	2	9	59	54	5	35
7	Catsbrook Wanderers First	21	9	4	8	33	34	-1	31
8	Everton Athletic FC Res	22	9	2	11	32	53	-21	28*
9	Queens Park Crescents Development	19	7	4	8	31	58	-27	25
10	Meltis Rangers First	23	7	5	11	47	47	0	23*
11	Leighton Woodside Athletic	23	6	1	16	51	87	-36	19
12	AFC Clophill First	20	2	2	16	18	63	-45	8
13	Wootton Blue Cross A	21	3	2	16	23	69	-46	5*
14	M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves	22	1	3	18	24	96	-72	4*

Meanwhile, Everton Athletic Reserves having lost their last three home outings returned to form in beating the bottom of the table M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves

2-0 in a game played at the Sports home venue with Michael Freeman and Josh Tubridy marking their scoresheet.

Monday 6th April 2026

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

Queens Park Crescents now sit in fifth place after a brace of goals from Faizn Fariad took them to their third home win on the bounce in beating Harlington Juniors 2-0.

Division One

Bletchley Scot lifted themselves off of the bottom of the league table at the expense of Wootton Blue Cross Reserves with a 6-2 home victory over Lea Sports PSG who have now failed to win any of their last five outings. Ben Swepston with a brace plus goals from Daniel Jenkins, Scott Belgrove, Clinton Phillips and Dairan Browne doing the damage with Yusuf Rasol and Tyler Hefferman replying for the visitors.

Division Three

Dunstable Wanderers are now within just one one victory of lifting the Division Three league title after they made it seven wins on the bounce with a 6-2 home victory over Lu Donz Development .Shazan Arif led the way with a hat-rick and was joined on their scoresheet by strikes from Charlie Broux, Andrew Gibson and Alex Walsh. against Donz replies from Charlie Hawkes and Cameron Saunders. Whilst Stopsley United Reserves were given the three points when M&DH Clapham Sports failed to raise a side to travel into Luton to meet them.

Tuesday 7th April 2026.

Division One

Kempston United took their unbeaten ways up to eight games with a 2-0 victory at Bedford Albion who were falling to their sixth home defeat on the bounce. Sanino Dinizoro and Junior Samuel both found the back of the net.

Wednesday 8th April 2026

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

Caldecote having won their last 16 outings and their visitors Elstow Abbey without a win from their last nine outings the hosts were fully expected to claim all three points to take them to within four points of the league leaders Cranfield United Reserves ahead of their clash this coming weekend at Harvey Close. All started well enough for the home side with Joshua Roberts firing them ahead in the ninth minute but the Abbey were back in the game when Lewis Parkin levelled matters on the half-hour mark and that's the way it stayed until a dramatic closing five minutes With just three minutes of normal time remaining it was the Abbey who took the lead via Mo Fazily, a lead that was to disappear just a minute later when Giuseppe Follano converted from the penalty spot following an handball offence to earn the home side a share of the points.

Elsewhere, Marston Shelton Rovers having lost their previous two home outings returned to winning ways when an own goal plus strikes from Harry Baker and Jamie Watson took them to a 3-2 victory over the second from the bottom of the table Flitwick Town who are still in search of their first away victory of the season despite goals from Phil Matthews and Max Pickford. Whilst for Biggleswade United Reserves it was an extension of their home unbeaten ways to four games with a share of the points from a 1-1 draw with the bottom of the table Shefford Town & Campton Reserves. Finley Newman shot the Town ahead on the half-hour mark before Sam Winwood levelled matters up nine minutes into the second half.

Division One

The lone game of the evening saw fifth place Bluham win 2-1 at AFC Oakley Development. Nathan Aulsberry on the home scoresheet.

Division Two

AFC Bedford United are now within a point of claiming the Division Two title after winning 2-1 at second place AFC Kempston Hammers Reserves. Ellis Sharp and Larmar Smithson on the United scoresheet with Gio Moscaritolo on the mark for the Hammers.

Division Three

In taking their winning ways up to seven games with a 6-2 home victory over Lu Donz Development, on Easter Monday, Dunstable Wanderers are now the 2025-26 Division Three champions. All this being confirmed after Bedford Albion Development fell to a 3-0 defeat away at Flitwick Town A whose goals came from Thomas Giggie, Matt Mann and Carl Owen.

For current second place Ampthill Town Colts with a brace of goals from Lennan Pilgrim and strikes from Charlie Lawson and Louis Thompson it was a 4-2 victory at Everton Athletic. Whilst The 61 FC Luton Reserves with a brace of goals from Jermaine Griffiths are now on a seven game losing run following their 2-3 home defeat by Wilstead whose goals came from Cain Gentle-King, George Greany and John Steele.

Division Four

DTCC FC are now back onto the top of the Division Four league table after retaining their season's 100% home record with a 4-0 victory over previous owners Luton Phoenix who were duly ending a winning run of 10 games. Ben Cornwell with a brace plus goals from Luke Janes and Benjamin Griffiths doing the damage.

The biggest win of the evening went to Meltis Rangers with a 9-3 home success over the bottom of the table M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves. Kyle Lewis with a brace was joined on the Rangers scoresheet by single goals from Jacob Curlier, Oliver Greig, Daniel Kilburn, Max Martin, Aaron Nelson, Lewis Jones and Daniel Barkowski against visitors replies via Somto Nnamdi twice and Jason Bako once.

Elsewhere, Everton Athletic Reserves took their winning ways up to three games with a 2-1 victory at AFC Clophill . Callum Hughes-Forde the home marksman.