



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.

Saturday 14th September 2024

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

AFC Oakley retained their leadership of the Premier Division supported by Sportsform league table by running out 3-0 home winners over last season's champions Caldecote who were suffering their first defeat of the season. Fabiano Cammarano, Zach Ives and Omojiscoluwa Bankole all found the back of the net. Whilst Cranfield United Reserves remain in second spot following their 3-1 home victory over Totternhoe Reserves. Sean Byrne with a brace and a goal from Mayttthew Souris doing the damage against a lone reply from Ryan Donoghue for the visitors.

Now in third spot are Wootton Blue Cross who made it two wins from two outings with the day's only top flight away victory 6-1 at Flitwick Town. Keaton Marsh leading the way with a hat-trick, Noah Marsh adding a brace alongside a single strike from James Campbell with the lone Town reply coming from Phil Matthews. Whilst 2022-23 season champions Elstow Abbey opened their season with a 2-0 home success over Riseley Sports thanks to a brace of goals from James Copley.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 14th September 24

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

Elsewhere, the other two games both ended all square, 4-4 between Biggleswade United Reserves and Biggleswade FC Reserves where Jack Webb with a brace and single goals from Jamie Essam and Alex Maxwell marked the United scoresheet and

braces in reply from Temilola Akinbusoye and Rafel Sabado Miles marked the FC scoresheet. Whilst it was 1-1 between Crawley Green Development and Shefford Town & Campton Reserves. Robby Doran the Green marksman and Joe Lewis replying for the Town to earn their sides their first point of the season.

Division One

Likewise in Division One Stopsley United with a 4-1 victory at Kempston United remain the 100% league leaders. Temitayo Akerele with a brace plus goals from Cheick Camaro and Callum Frater doing the damage against a lone United reply via Junior Samuel. In second spot are Harlington Juniors who were 4-1 home winners over Renhold United. Freddie Knight with a brace plus single strikes from Luke Jeffery and George Nichols on their scoresheet against a lone United reply from Emilio Esposito.

Also enjoying a 4-1 victory were third place Ickwell & Old Warden at Buffs FC thanks to goals from Jordan Gurney, Ben McGrath, David Diuave and Tom Long . Whilst the fourth 4-1 winners of the day were Sporting Carpathians at Wootton Blue Cross Reserves. Marcel Buruiana with a brace plus Trif Daniel and Adrian Luncasu marking their scoresheet and Sam Cremer hitting the lone reply for the Blue Cross.

Division One League Table at 14th September 2024

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

Elsewhere, Bedford Albion opened their season with a 9-1 success at Bedford SA. Paul Babbiington, Giovanni Moscaritolo and Kye Mackinnon all netting twice

alongside single strikes from Shane Cox, Harry Dynes and Callum Riches with the lone home reply coming from Thomas Andrews.

Division Two North

In retaining their season's unbeaten ways with a 2-1 victory at M&DH Clapham Sports with goals from Phoenix Togara-Mudzvovera and Gary Townsend AFC Bedford United now lead the Division Two North standings having climbed above the non-playing Shefford Town & Campton Development. Whilst Blunham now sits third having shared the spoils from a 1-1 draw at FC Haynes . Louie Dillon on the home scoresheet and Max Smalley replying for Blunham.

Also enjoying life on the road were Green End Rovers who with goals from Zak Baker and Callum Rust won 2-0 at Bedford Albion Development and Thurleigh who won for the first time this season 3-1 at Wixams Wanderers with goals from Ed Hatfield-Shaw, Matas Navickas and Charlie Hurley with Owen Riichards netting the lone Wanderer's reply.

Division Two North League Table at 14th September 2024

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

Elsewhere, also winning for the first time this season were Caldecote Reserves 5-3 at home against Clifton Development. Reece Glasgow led the way with four goals alongside a single strike from Locran Saunders to bring up the nap hand against visiting replies via Romario Annon Rodgers twice and Jared Libot once.

Division Two South

With Lea Sports PSG away on County Cup duty the leadership of the Division Two South table is now in the hands of Luton Panthers who were the 8-0 home winners

over Caldecote A. Ryan Spencer leading the way with a hat-trick, Qasim Bigby notched a brace alongside the single strikes from Kamran Khan, Trey Brand, and Shakir Ghulam Kouser. Whilst now in third spot are Flitwick Town Reserves who won 5-4 at Bletchley Scot. Thomas Barnett with a hat-trick and a brace from Jack Farthing bringing up the Town nap hand against home replies via Ryan Williams twice plus Dean Reed and Dwayne Simpson.

Also enjoying life on the road were Caddington who with goals from George Burden, Mark Reilly, Reece Burton and Kwane Richards won 4-1 at AFC Kempston Town Hammers for whom Will Drake replied. Whilst Brache Phoenix opened their season's winning way with a 5-1 home victory over LU Donz. Kurt Antony-Thomas with a hat-trick plus single goals from Armaan Amjad and Jahmi James only being replied to once by Donz James Hall.

Division Two South League Table at 14th September 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Luton Panthers First	3	2	1	0	15	3	12	7
2	Lea Sports PSG Saturday First	2	2	0	0	9	1	8	6
3	Flitwick Town Reserves	2	2	0	0	10	8	2	6
4	LU Donz First	3	1	1	1	7	7	0	4
5	Harlington Juniors Reserves	1	1	0	0	5	1	4	3
6	Brache Phoenix First	2	1	0	1	9	6	3	3
7	Caddington (BCFL)	2	1	0	1	5	6	-1	3
8	Caldecote A	3	1	0	2	1	14	-13	3
9	Stotfold Junior First (Sat)	2	0	1	1	1	4	-3	1
10	New Bradwell St Peter FC Development	2	0	1	1	1	1	0	0*
11	Bletchley Scot First	2	0	0	2	5	10	-5	0
12	AFC Kempston Town Hammers First	2	0	0	2	1	8	-7	0

Elsewhere, a goal from Joseph Evans was enough to earn Stotfold Junior their first point of the season from a 1-1 draw at New Bradwell St Peters Development. the home reply coming via Ethan Couling.

Hertfordshire FA Junior County Cup 1st Round

Saw Lea Sports PSG with four goals from Harrison Sheaf, an hat-trick from Joe Campion plus a single goal from Joe Hennem run out the 8-1 away winners at Global AFC. They will now travel to Harpenden Town Colts in the next round.

Division Three

With win number three from their three outings Kempston Athletic remain the early season's league leaders after goals from Harvir Dhesi, Nikila Makkovic, Alessandro Esposito and Lance Jeffers saw them earn a 4-1 home success over Elstow Abbey Reserves for whom Sam Kidman replied. Whilst Sandy Reserves now sit second after they were gifted the three points when FC Polonia (Luton) failed to raise a side to meet them at Bedford Road.

In third spot are Athletic FC who won 4-3 at Everton Athletic thanks to two goals from Moydean Banda and single strikes from Oluwafemi Igbekoyi and Serge Kadji against home replies. from Luke Freeman with a brace plus Andrew Cross. Whilst Queens Park Crescents Development were the 5-4 home winners over Flitwick Town A, Qasim Tufail with a brace plus single goals from Anas Beckoum, Mohammed Ibrahim and Zain Riast bringing up the nap hand whilst the Town replies came from George Roach with a brace plus Thomas Giggie and Max Hughes.

Division Three League Table at 14th September 2024

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

Elsewhere, goals from Patrick Daly, Ryan Ogden, Joshua Ogden and Ryan Weedon earned Lewsey Park their first point of the season from a 4-4 home draw with Meltis Rangers. Ryan Harris, Ellis Sharp, Josuha Smith and Dean Latimer with the Rangers replies.

Division Four

The Division Four league table after action on weekend number three of the season shows only goal difference separating the top five teams, leading the way are Stopsley United Reserves who enjoyed a 13-0 home success over Everton Athletic Reserves. Owen Impey leading the way with four goals, Cameron Nagle grabbed a hat-trick alongside single strikes from Tyn McCabe, Nathan Gouldbourne, Oladimeji Olatunde, Daniel Elmore and Zakarae Gaoul. In second spot are Turvey who were the 9-3 away winners at AFC Bedford United U23. Leading the way were George Shingleton and William Westwood with hat-tricks alongside single strikes from Owen Hubbard, Jake King and Freddie Stonebridge whilst Samir Dima with a brace and Manun Rahman hitting the United replies.

Sitting in third spot are Ampthill Town Colts who with a brace of goals from Murray Gray against a lone reply from Daniel Gillard ran out 2-1 winners at EB Lions AFC U21 who now occupy fourth spot. Whilst taking up fifth place are Wootton Blue Cross A who were the 3-2 home winners over M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves. Alex Handley with a brace and Bradley Matthews on their scoesheet with the Sports replies coming from Joshua Clements and a Ben Luke Hall penalty.

Division Four League Table at 14th September 2024

Pos	Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Stopsley United Reserves	2	2	0	0	16	2	14	6
2	Turvey First	3	2	0	1	15	7	8	6
3	Ampthill Town Colts	2	2	0	0	9	3	6	6
4	EB Lions AFC (Sat) Mens U21	3	2	0	1	7	3	4	6
5	Wootton Blue Cross A	3	2	0	1	8	8	0	6
6	Dunstable Town Cricket Club DTCC FC Satu	2	1	0	1	8	4	4	3
7	AFC Clophill First	2	1	0	1	5	8	-3	3
8	M&DH Clapham Sports Reserves	1	0	0	1	2	3	-1	0
9	Henlow Hurricanes First	1	0	0	1	1	2	-1	0
10	Catsbrook Wanderers First	2	0	0	2	1	7	-6	0
11	AFC Bedford United (Sat) U23	2	0	0	2	3	15	-12	0
12	Everton Athletic FC Res	1	0	0	1	0	13	-13	0

Elsewhere, AFC Clophill with an own goal plus strikes from Hayden Stringer and Joss Waine won 3-1 at Catsbrook Wanderers.