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Action Review from Wednesday 9th December 2009

Two goals inside the games closing five minutes from James Honeyman gave Biggleswade United Reserves their first Premier Division Supported by Sportsform win since October 10th, some four outings ago, to net a 2-0 home victory over Southill Alexander in the "Biggleswade Derby" the visitors thus remaining in the bottom four of the league table having collected just one point from their last five game

Action Review from Saturday 12th December 2009

Blunham's lead at the head of the Premier Division supported by Sportsform league table is now up to seven points after they achieved their eighth win on the bounce, 1-0 away winners at Campton, a goal from Tony Sicurello seven minutes into the second half enough to collect the full three points.

With both Caldecote and Oakley Sports sitting the afternoon out, Ickwell and Old Warden took full advantage to leap up to second spot in the league standings with a 4-1 win at Dunton, their fifth win on the bounce. 0-0 at half-time, Rob Gaylor soon shot the visitors ahead in the second period only to see Barry Morris level matters has his side strove to end a six game losing run, alas it was not to be, after goals from Chris Sibley and Anup Kalyan plus an Andrew Vallom penalty took Ickwell to the points.

Renhold United, now find themselves without a win in their last four games after they were held to a 3-3 home draw by AFC Kempston Town, Chris Huckle, Shaun Gilbert and Damion Quigley hitting United's goals, whilst the replies came via a James Allen brace and Justin Patterson. United however did move up to fifth place in the league table at the expense of Biggleswade United Reserves, who were beaten 5-3 at Woburn. The Safari Boys netting their first win in seven outings to move out of the bottom two of the league table had a brace of goals from Alex Ottaway plus strikes from Matt Holland, Aaron Ripley and Jake Nicholls to thank for the points against United replies from James Honeyman with a brace and Kai Griffiths-Shilton.

Taking over that second from bottom position in the league table are Southill Alexander, who went down 5-4 at bottom of the table Westoning Recreation Club, Dave Shirley, Ollie Summers, Glen Robinson, Ian McGuinness and Rob Falkner hitting the goals that saw The Rec Boys end a four game losing run and move to

within a point of The Alexander at the foot of the table whose replies came via a David Kane brace plus strikes from Matt Pye and Greg Morse-MacDougall.

The day's other top flight action seeing Wilshamstead take their unbeaten home ways to four games with a 6-2 victory over Sharnbrook. Michael Jones netting a hat-trick alongside strikes from Chris Falkner, Kevin Butler and Paul Jones, the visitors replies coming via a brace for Lawrence Bentham.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 12th December 2009

14 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Blunham	13	10	1	2	44	21	+23	31
Ickwell & Old Warden	12	8	0	4	27	24	+3	24
Caldecote	12	7	2	3	28	14	+14	23
Oakley Sports	10	7	0	3	24	14	+10	21
Renhold United	13	5	5	3	28	28	+0	20
Biggleswade United Reserves	12	6	1	5	24	24	+0	19
Wilshamstead	11	5	3	3	30	20	+10	18
AFC Kempston Town	10	5	1	4	26	16	+10	16
Campton	12	5	0	7	20	27	-7	15
Sharnbrook	12	4	2	6	19	25	-6	14
Woburn	11	3	1	7	18	25	-7	10
Dunton	13	3	1	9	14	31	-17	10
Southill Alexander	11	2	2	7	20	28	-8	8
Westoning Recreation Club [Saturday]	12	2	1	9	22	47	-25	7

Division One league leaders Flitwick Town were to hold onto their two point advantage at the head of the table by winning 4-0 at Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves, Andy Pheby shooting them ahead in the opening half before second half goals from Shaun Woodcraft, Craig Hyde and Ben Wallington gave The Town their fourth win on the bounce.

For second place Leighton United, it was a fifth win on the bounce, 7-1 at AFC Kempston Town Reserves, Kevin Hilton hitting a hat-trick, Paul Darton a brace, alongside a strike from Layne Eadie plus an own goal, the lone Town reply coming from Tyrone Kelly. United thus shooting four points clear of third place Caldecote Reserves who were beaten 2-1 at Kempston, Josh Anderson and Jamie Carson hitting the home goals against a reply from Tom Dupey.



AFC Kempston Town Reserves

Still holding down fourth place in the standings are Marston Social, yet they needed a 75th minute goal from James Armstrong to earn a point from a 1-1 draw at Henlow who had taken the lead on the half-hour mark via Jake Rennie.

It was a poor day at the office for Meltis Albion, they lost their six game winning streak when beaten 0-4 at home by FC Meppershall, goals from Tommy Donovan, Pat King, Craig Damon and Darren Bentley helping end a three game losing away run for the visitors.

Another club in shock at home were Stevington, who after three straight home wins were beaten 0-4 by bottom of the table Kempston Hammers Sports who were enjoying their first win on the road this season, Jimmy Grandidge, Sean Winconek, David Brown and Nick Tysoe netting the vital goals.

It was a different story however for Sandy, who after four straight defeats returned to winning ways with a 4-3 home win over Bedford Sports Athletic, Ian Hammett with a brace plus goals from Phil Beal and Mark Jennings doing the damage against a brace in reply from Ashley Mead and a single strike from Aaron Edwards.

Also returning to winning ways after five straight defeats were Campton Reserves, 3-2 winners at Blunham Reserves. Ollie Morgan, Richard Russell and Andrew Fennel on the scoresheet against a brace in reply from home marksman Mark Davidson.

Division One Table at 12th December 2009

16 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Flitwick Town	16	11	1	4	35	22	+13	34
Leighton United	15	10	2	3	44	22	+22	32
Caldecote Reserves	14	9	1	4	39	24	+15	28
Marston Social	15	8	3	4	34	24	+10	27
Kempston	14	9	0	5	40	33	+7	27
Meltis Albion	14	8	2	4	29	22	+7	26
Bedford Sports Athletic	15	6	3	6	35	29	+6	21
Blunham Reserves	16	6	3	7	25	35	-10	21
FC Meppershall	15	6	2	7	44	43	+1	20
Henlow	14	5	2	7	26	37	-11	17
AFC Kempston Town Reserves	14	5	2	7	24	37	-13	17
Sandy	15	5	1	9	32	32	+0	16
Campton Reserves	16	5	0	11	32	46	-14	15
Stevington	16	4	2	10	31	48	-17	14
Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves	12	4	1	7	26	35	-9	13
Kempston Hammers Sports	13	3	1	9	31	38	-7	10

Saturday, 05 September 2009: FC Meppershall v AFC Kempston Town Reserves - Away Win was awarded

It's as you were at the head of the Division Two league table following wins for the top three clubs. League leaders Bedford Hatters making it six wins on the bounce with a 6-0 home success over Arlesey Social Galacticos, to stay four points clear of Potton Wanderers, 8-0 winners at Clifton. Hatters win coming via a brace of goals from Simon Pixley to go with single strikes from Chris Fry, Danny De Feo, Scott Alleyne and Dean Waghorn, whilst for The Wanderers, Danny Fox netted twice alongside James Billington, James Hearson, Ricky Aris, Dave Trundle, Joe Harrington and Philip Dorrell.

However, keeping the pressure up on the top two clubs are Marston Shelton Rovers, who with a goal from Lee Dudley retain their seasons unbeaten home record to make it five wins on the bounce with a 1-0 victory over Marabese Ceramics.

For goals however, the game of the day saw Shefford Town run out 11-5 home winners over bottom of the table Shillington. Tom Scurfield and Garry Brown both finding the back of the net four times, Richard Neville netting twice plus Rob Cox once against Shillington replies via a brace for Matt Evans plus single strikes from Jonathan Ruffet and Craig Beedel.

Elsewhere, Elstow Abbey were enjoying their first win in six outings, 2-0 at home over Kempston Royals, first half goals from Stuart Russell and Dave McCarthy doing the damage. Whilst Kings AFC unbeaten five game run was ended with a 2-1 defeat at Harpur FC, a Ricky Martins strike plus an own goal only being replied to by Josh Clements.

The day's final game in this section seeing Great Barford and Brache Sparta Community Reserves share the spoils in a 1-1 draw. Stan Hobbs on target for the home side with the visitors reply coming from Edwin Anabaraonye.

Division Two Table at 12th December 2009

14 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Bedford Hatters	14	11	2	1	53	17	+36	35
Potton Wanderers	13	10	1	2	56	17	+39	31
Marston Shelton Rovers	13	9	3	1	48	16	+32	30
Arlesey Social Galacticos	14	7	3	4	31	31	+0	24
Brache Sparta Community Reserves	12	6	4	2	31	20	+11	22
Kings AFC	13	6	2	5	42	31	+11	20
Shefford Town	13	6	2	5	36	30	+6	20
Marabese Ceramics	13	5	1	7	17	27	-10	16
Harpur FC	13	4	2	7	31	40	-9	14
Great Barford	13	4	2	7	25	36	-11	14
Kempston Royals	14	4	2	8	23	40	-17	14
Clifton	13	2	4	7	17	33	-16	10
Elstow Abbey 06	14	3	1	10	19	47	-28	10
Shillington [Saturday]	12	0	1	11	19	63	-44	1

Third place M& DH Oakley closed the gap on both Sundon Park Rangers and Sharnbrook Reserves at the head of the Division Four league table to just one point following a 6-1 home victory over bottom of the table Bedford Park Rangers. Shaun Cafferty hitting a hat-trick, to go with goals from Daniel Lupton, Ben Williams and James Dean against a Rangers reply from Mike Burke.

Up into fourth slot now are Dinamo Flitwick, 2-1 away winners at Stewartby Village, Barrie Lee Hannam and Ian Chandler on the scoresheet against a home reply from George Wheelhouse.

Division Four League Table at 12th December 2009

11 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Sundon Park Rangers [Saturday]	11	8	1	2	61	17	+44	25
Sharnbrook Reserves	11	8	1	2	37	12	+25	25
M & DH Oakley	11	8	0	3	36	16	+20	24
Dinamo Flitwick	11	5	2	4	25	20	+5	17
Eastcotts	10	5	1	4	26	21	+5	16
Flitwick Town Reserves	10	5	0	5	28	37	-9	15
Thurleigh	11	4	2	5	29	29	+0	14
Clifton Reserves	10	4	1	5	29	28	+1	13
Stewartby Village	10	4	0	6	26	32	-6	12
Kempston Athletic	9	2	0	7	24	48	-24	6
Bedford Park Rangers	12	1	0	11	15	76	-61	3

After two games apiece in Group One Watson Shield action it's all square, three points each, after Riseley Sports Reserves run out 3-0 winners at Stopsley Park, Tommy Quinn with a brace plus James Browne on the scoresheet.

Watson Shield Group One Table at 12th December 2009

3 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Stopsley Park	2	1	0	1	5	4	+1	3
Riseley Sports Reserves	2	1	0	1	4	3	+1	3
Dinamo Flitwick	2	1	0	1	4	6	-2	3

In Group Two, Lidlington United Sports moved to the head of the table after a thumping 10-2 home victory over Dunton Reserves. Aiden Redmond, Alex Burrows and Chris Roberts all netting twice and joined on the scoresheet by Louis Weeden, Mark Prior, Mike Smith and Andrew Sims against Dunton replies from Steve Spiers and Gary Wilsher.

Watson Shield Group Two Table at 12Th December 2009

3 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Lidlington United Sports	2	2	0	0	13	2	+11	6
Dunton Reserves	2	1	0	1	11	11	+0	3
Bedford Park Rangers	2	0	0	2	1	12	-11	

In Group Three, Sharnbrook Reserves are now safely into the hat for the last 16 knock-out draw following a 3-1 home victory over Caldecote A, Jordan Baxter with two goals plus John Glos doing the damage against a reply from Steve Bush.

Watson Shield Group Three Table at 12th December 2009

3 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Sharnbrook Reserves	2	2	0	0	5	1	+4	6
Kempston Athletic	1	0	1	0	2	2	+0	1
Caldecote 'A'	3	0	1	2	3	7	-4	

In Group Four, Eastcotts now face an uphill battle to make it into the last 16 after being beaten 1-4 at home by Queens Park Crescents. Shazed Satter with a hat-trick plus Ayaz Hussain on the scoresheet for The Crescents against a home reply from Kieran Day.

Watson Shield Group Four Table at 12th December 2009

3 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
M & DH Oakley	2	2	0	0	6	1	+5	6
Queens Park Crescents	2	1	0	1	5	4	+1	3
Eastcotts	2	0	0	2	1	7	-6	0

Group Five, like Group One is all square two games in following Sundon Park Rangers 6-2 home win over Westoning Recreation Club Reserves, Nicky Buttergeig with a brace plus strikes from Matt Conway, Luke Evans and Paul Raymond going alongside an own goal, The Rec Boys replies coming from John Bass and Liam Boyle.

Watson Shield Group Five Table at 12Th December 2009

3 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Sundon Park Rangers [Saturday]	2	1	0	1	6	4	+2	3
Wilshamstead Reserves	2	1	0	1	3	3	+0	3
Westoning Recreation Club [Saturday] Reserves	2	1	0	1	5	7	-2	3

In Group Six, Renhold Village are also safely into the hat for the last 16 draw following their 5-2 win at Thurleigh. Michael Luke and Simon Wade netting twice for The Village alongside Pete Neal with the home replies coming via Sam Queeley and Ben Stock.

Watson Shield Group Six Table at 12Th December 2009

3 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Renhold Village	3	3	0	0	19	5	+14	9
Stewartby Village	1	0	0	1	2	5	-3	0
Thurleigh	2	0	0	2	3	14	-11	0

In Group Seven, Flitwick Town Reserves made their way to the head of the Group table with a 4-1 home win over Sandy Reserves. Peter Kouwenberg, Mark Bartlett, Ryan Short and Grant Tibbitt the vital goal scorers against a lone reply from Danny Hoole.

Watson Shield Group Seven Table at 12th December 2009

3 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Flitwick Town Reserves	2	2	0	0	8	3	+5	6
Clifton Reserves	2	1	0	1	7	5	+2	3
Sandy Reserves	2	0	0	2	2	9	-7	

Preview Saturday 19th December 2009

Blunham, who are already guaranteed to spend Christmas Day sitting on top of the Premier Division supported by Sportsform league table travel to the Carlsberg Stadium seeking their ninth league win on the bounce against a Southill Alexander side that will start the day just one place off the bottom of the league table and without a win from their last six outings.

A defeat for The Alexander could of course see them spend Christmas day on the bottom of the league table, however for that to happen Westoning Recreation Club need to win their own home encounter with third in the table Caldecote at Greenfield Road, the visitors, now on a seven game unbeaten run will however fancy their chances of at least a share of the spoils to keep the pressure on Blunham at the head of the table.

Perhaps the game of the day comes on The Green, where second place Ickwell & Old Warden now on a five game winning run entertain fifth place Renhold United, the visitors travelling without a win from their last four outings, second favourites for the points on offer.

For Biggleswade United Reserves after their shock away defeat at Woburn last weekend, it's a home encounter with AFC Kempston Town, who should they win will climb above United into the top six of the league standings.

Over at Crawley Road, Woburn will be hosting fourth place Oakley Sports, the visitors looking for their sixth league away win on the bounce. Whilst the day's final game in this section comes at Rectory Road, where Campton look to end a three game losing run when paid a visit from Sharnbrook.

Division One action this weekend is restricted to just two games, giving Meltis Albion the chance to climb up into third spot in the league standings should they collect the full three points from their visit to Hillgrounds where they face AFC Kempston Town Reserves. The Albion travelling seeking away win number four on the bounce against a Town side that has lost it's last three outings.

The other game coming in shape of derby action at Bedford Road Recreation Ground, where Sandy now back to winning ways host a Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves outfit that has lost it's last three trips on the road.

Two other Division One sides however are in action in the opening round of this season's Centenary Cup, when at Harvey Close, Caldecote Reserves host FC Meppershall.

Division Three action brings about a five game programme with all of the top three clubs in action, league leaders Bedford Hatters on their way to King George VI Playing Fields to defend their seasons unbeaten away record against hosts Kings AFC who have been beaten just once on home soil this season. Whilst second place Potton Wanderers also hit the road, their destination being Dallow Road and a meeting with fifth place Brache Sparta Community Reserves still unbeaten on home soil this season.

Making up the trio of travellers are third place Marston Shelton Rovers, they head for Hillgrounds unbeaten in their last eleven outings to face a Kempston Royals side that as lost lost it's last three home games to drop into the bottom four of the league table.

The day's other action in this Division seeing Great Barford look to return to winning home ways when they host Clifton. Whilst at Groveside, its derby action when

Marabese Ceramics receive a visit from bottom of the table Shillington, who in this game number 13 of the season are still looking for their opening win.

Division Three action like Division One is just a two game programme, at Harvey Close, Caldecote A , will perhaps fancy their chances of just home win number two of the season when paid a visit by a Sandy Reserves side that is yet to win on the road this season. Whilst. Renhold Village could move up the table into third place with a four goal or better home win over bottom of the table Riseley Sports Reserves, who travel having lost all of their five league away trips this season.

The Division Three and Four league action being curtailed due to another round of group matches in this seasons Watson Shield. In Group One, current leaders Stopsley Park head to Hinksley Recreation Ground to face Dinamo Flitwick, whilst at Horseshoes Close, Dunton Reserves host a Lidlington United Sports side in Group Two that beat them 10-2 only last weekend, United travelling knowing a point or better will take them into the hat for the last 16 draw.

Group Three action comes at Lodge Road, where the already qualified Sharnbrook Reserves take on Kempston Athletic whose place in the last 16 hat perhaps rests on them gaining a point or better.

In Group Four, M& DH Oakley entertain Queens Park Crescents in the knowledge that a point or better will see them in the last 16 hat but in Group Five it's still all to play for at Jubilee Playing Fields where Wilshamstead Reserves host Westoning Recreation Club Reserves in a must win game for both sides.

With Renhold Village already qualified from Group Six, it's now down to Stewartby Village and Thurleigh to battle out the second spot when they go head to head at Stewartby Way and in Group Seven, Flitwick Town Reserves requirement for a place in the last 16, is a point or better from their trip to Whiston Crescent where they face Clifton Reserves.

Bedfordshire FA Inter-League Cup Semi-Final

Bedfordshire County Football League v Luton Sunday League

Thursday 17th December 2009

At Cranfield United. Kick Off 7.45pm