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Brian Buck's Travellers Tales Revists The Hollow.

85. (10,193) Wednesday 21st September 2011. Potton United Reserves 3 M & DH Oakley 1 (Bedfordshire County League Division 2) (7.45pm kick off) att 25 approx. As reserve games at the Hollow go this wasn't such a bad one and a decent sized crowd helped to create a good atmosphere and the first team were here training as well. The first half saw plenty of chances created and then on 33 minutes Amit Aghera (ex-Patel) opened the scoring for Potton. However within three minutes Oakley had equalised and this may have been an own goal. At half time it became clear that as he came off the pitch one of their players had an eye for the ladies, but he was redirected into the gents before he could cause any embarrassment! On 64 minutes Potton regained the lead, either by way of another own goal or by Aghera, who was to be credited with the goal later on. On 79 minutes Oakley made a sub and the replaced player took over the running of the line. He did it topless but then lit up a fag to keep himself warm. Towards the end this generally even match slipped away from the visitors and Talbot deservedly got the third goal for Potton on 82 minutes

Action Round-Up Saturday 8th October 2011.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

Caldecote remain on the summit of The Premier Division supported by Sportsform league table after emerging 2-1 winners at Arlesey Town Reserves. Mark Franklin and Paul Gower netting the vital goals against a home reply from Sam Dunn.

Just goal difference behind them now in second spot are Oakley Sports, they came from behind to inflict a first defeat of the season upon Shefford Town & Campton. It was Town's Chris Clarke who gave the visitors the lead just 11 minutes into the contest before goals from Ray Patrickson on the hour mark and Carl Warner 10 minutes from time ensured the home side of the points.

After four straight defeats, Renhold United moved themselves off the bottom of the league table in style with a 6-0 home win over Sharnbrook. Sheldon Washington with a brace plus goals from Alex Woolston, Justin Patterson, Ben Brown and Neville Allen ending the visitors 100% away record for the season. .

Elsewhere, Flitwick Town's 100% home record for the season was blown apart when Roy Murnane netted in the 72nd minute to give AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College their first league win of the campaign and ensure the bottom spot of the league table would now be occupied by Dunton who were beaten 2-0 on home soil by Bedford Hatters. Ashley Deverall the sole destroyer striking both goals.

Meantime, Blunham are still looking for their first away win of the campaign after being held to a 1-1 draw at Woburn, Deep Banghard their marksman against a home reply via Rodolfo Bruno.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 8th October 2011.

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Caldecote	5	4	1	0	16	5	11	13
2	Oakley Sports	5	4	1	0	12	4	8	13
3	Shefford Town & Campton	5	3	1	1	13	5	8	10
4	Arlesey Town Reserves	6	3	0	3	11	14	-3	9
5	Bedford Hatters	5	2	2	1	11	6	5	8
6	Blunham	5	2	1	2	12	10	2	7
7	Sharnbrook	5	2	1	2	10	15	-5	7
8	Wilshamstead	3	2	0	1	6	7	-1	6
9	Woburn	5	1	1	3	9	9	0	4
10	Flitwick Town	5	1	1	3	6	11	-5	4
11	AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College	5	1	1	3	6	16	-10	4
12	Renhold United	5	1	0	4	8	10	-2	3
13	Dunton	5	1	0	4	8	16	-8	3

Division One

For league leaders Lidlington United Sports it was a retention of their season's 100% record via a 6-3 home win over Sandy. Kieren Wills netting five times and Darren Sims once against Sandy replies from Dan Stafford, Ian Hammett and Phil Beall.

Division One League Table at 8th October 2011.

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Lidlington United Sports	5	5	0	0	24	7	17	15
2	Ickwell & Old Warden	5	5	0	0	14	3	11	15
3	Bedford SA	5	4	1	0	13	5	8	13
4	FC Meppershall	5	4	0	1	14	5	9	12
5	Marston Shelton Rovers	6	3	2	1	8	6	2	11
6	Luton Boys	5	2	1	2	16	9	7	7
7	Henlow	6	2	1	3	9	13	-4	7
8	Sandy	5	1	2	2	13	14	-1	5
9	Caldecote Reserves	6	1	2	3	9	16	-7	5
10	Meltis Albion	5	1	1	3	5	11	-6	4
11	Kings AFC	5	1	0	4	8	24	-16	3
12	Lea Sports PSG	4	0	2	2	4	6	-2	2
13	AFC Kempston Tn & Bedford Coll Reserves	4	0	1	3	3	11	-8	1
14	Westoning	6	0	1	5	9	19	-10	1

Just goal difference behind them in second spot and still 100% for the season are Ickwell & Old Warden, a lone goal from Lee Threadgold taking them to a 1-0 home victory over the previously unbeaten Marston Shelton Rovers.

Now up into third slot and still unbeaten for the season are Bedford Sports Athletic, they ran out 2-1 away winners at now bottom of the table Westoning. Gary Canzano and Ian Asplin on the scoresheet against a home reply from Tom Smith.

Also moving up the league table are FC Meppershall, they now occupy fourth spot after winning 4-2 at Lea Sports PSG. Craig Damon with a hat-trick plus a strike from Joe Price only being replied to by a home brace from Matthew Day.

The top scorers of the day were now sixth place Luton Boys, for them it was a 7-2 home win over Kings AFC. Ibrahim Sai seeing his hat-trick supported by strikes from Jason Blake, Jordan Holmes, Kyle Ross and Famik Stephen-Gabriel, whilst the visitors replies came via Andy Mayes and Ollie Plested.

Having lost their last three games, Henlow returned to form with a 3-0 away win at Meltis Albion, Andy Newton doing the damage with a hat-trick.

Elsewhere, AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College Reserves collected their opening point of the season from a 2-2 home draw with Caldecote Reserves. Kevin Brown and Adam Fraser on target against a brace in reply from Matt Basta.

Division Two

AFC Turvey's lead at the head of the division two league table is now down to a single point after two goals from John Guiney and strikes from Saimir Guri and Daniel Bailey were cancelled out by a brace from James Smart, Scott Sullivan plus an own goal to earn them just a share of the spoils from a 4-4 home draw with Stopsley Park.

Elstow Abbey, being the club just behind them in second spot after they ran out 6-0 home winners over Bromham United. Danny Pilgrim and Glen Tumulty netting in the opening half before Dave McCarthy took over to bag another four goals in the second period.

Division Two League Table at 8th October 2011.

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	AFC Turvey	6	5	1	0	19	9	10	16
2	Elstow Abbey	5	5	0	0	24	1	23	15
3	Sundon Park Rangers [Saturday]	6	4	1	1	20	7	13	13
4	Pavenham	5	4	0	1	17	2	15	12
5	Potton United Reserves	5	3	0	2	10	6	4	9
6	Co-op Sports	4	2	0	2	12	12	0	6
7	M & DH Oakley	6	2	0	4	12	16	-4	6
8	Marabese Ceramics	5	1	2	2	4	7	-3	5
9	Shefford Town & Campton Reserves	5	1	2	2	9	16	-7	5
10	Stopsley Park	5	1	1	3	12	19	-7	4
11	Clifton	5	1	1	3	5	12	-7	4
12	Queens Park Crescents	5	1	1	3	5	17	-12	4
13	Bromham United	5	1	0	4	7	17	-10	3
14	Great Barford	5	0	1	4	6	21	-15	1

Up into third spot now are Sundon Park Rangers, they retained their 100% away record for the season by winning 2-1 at Shefford Town & Campton Reserves. Andrew Fox and Eddie Lewis netting the goals against a home reply from Jordan Robbins.

Rangers advance up the league standing coming at the expense of Pavenham after they lost their season's 100% tag by losing 1-0 at home against Queens Park Crescents for whom Matt Hefford netted the vital goal.

Maintaining fifth spot in the standings are Potton United Reserves, they ran out 3-1 home winners over Great Barford. Amit Aghera, Lee Garner and Dave Waugh on the scoresheet against a lone reply from Freddie Windram.

Elsewhere, there were first away wins of the season for both Co-op Sports and M & DH Oakley. Scott Davis with a brace plus a goal from Chris Vardy giving the Co-op a 3-0 victory at Clifton, whilst M & DH Oakley ended Marabese Ceramics unbeaten home ways for the season in a 2-1 scoreline. Lee Leonard and Adam Emms seeing their goals only replied to by Todd Gormer.

Division Three

The new league leaders of the division three table are Goldington after they romped to a 5-0 home win over Dunton Reserves. Karl Anderson, Chris Huckle, Jamie Morris, Ryan Gascoyne and Jordan Kumar all finding the back of the net.

<u>Division Three League Table at 8th October 2011</u>									
POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Goldington	6	3	1	2	18	9	9	10
2	Stevington	4	3	1	0	14	5	9	10
3	Cranfield United Reserves	5	3	0	2	14	7	7	9
4	Renhold Village	4	3	0	1	12	5	7	9
5	Westoning Reserves	4	3	0	1	11	5	6	9
6	Eastcotts AFC	4	3	0	1	12	9	3	9
7	Riseley Sports	4	2	2	0	10	6	4	8
8	Sundon Park Rangers Colts	5	2	1	2	10	11	-1	7
9	Potton Town	5	2	1	2	5	8	-3	7
10	Kempston Hammers Sports	4	2	0	2	10	13	-3	6
11	Royal Oak Kempston	5	1	0	4	6	12	-6	3
12	Wilshamstead Reserves	5	0	2	3	3	10	-7	2
13	Flitwick Town Reserves	5	0	1	4	4	16	-12	1
14	Dunton Reserves	4	0	1	3	4	17	-13	1

For previous table toppers Renhold Village, it's a fall to fourth spot after being defeated 3-1 at Cranfield United Reserves who now themselves climb up into third place. Mark Dring twice and Adam Kerr on the scoresheet for United against a lone Village reply from Michael Luke.

Occupying second spot are Stevington, they are just goal difference shy of the new leaders and have the luxury of having played two games less after they retained their season's 100% home record with a 3-1 win over Sundon Park Colts. John Devereux netting twice and Lawrence Bentham once against a Colts reply from Rory McMullen.

Still unbeaten for the season are Riseley Sports, they claimed a 4-1 home victory to end Potton Town's 100% away record for the season. Robert Ginn, James Cooke, Tom Ellison and Peter Baish all finding the back of the net against a reply from Mark Mijalski.

Claiming their first away win of the season were Eastcotts AFC via a 5-2 victory at Wilshamstead Reserves. Michael Sexton with a brace plus strikes from Matty Walsh, Kaylen Wilson and Sam Mulance only being replied to by Jeff Hall and Liam Philip.

Elsewhere, Flitwick Town Reserves are still looking for their first win of the season after losing out 3-2 at Kempston Hammers Sports. Michael Freeman with a brace plus Andy Janes on the home scoresheet against Town replies from Harry Rowlands and Darren Stringer.

Meantime, in their opening home game of the season Royal Oak Kempston were beaten 4-0 by Westoning Reserves. Gareth White with a hat-trick plus a strike from Rob Barnard doing the damage.

Division Four

With Marsh Leys sitting the afternoon out, Bedford Park Rangers took full advantage to climb onto the top of the division four league table with a resounding 8-2 home win over Goldington Hammers. Josh Geary and Shaun Finlay both netting twice alongside strikes from Mark Reynolds, Luke Rayner, Matthew Westwood and Jordan Wright against Hammers replies via an own goal and Ryan Hutton.

<u>Division Four League Table at 8th October 2011.</u>									
POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	<u>Bedford Park Rangers</u>	5	4	1	0	24	7	17	13
2	<u>Clifton Reserves</u>	5	3	2	0	15	7	8	11
3	<u>Marsh Leys</u>	4	3	1	0	21	6	15	10
4	<u>Stewartby Village</u>	5	3	1	1	19	11	8	10
5	<u>Kempston Athletic</u>	5	3	1	1	16	14	2	10
6	<u>Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves</u>	6	3	0	3	11	15	-4	9
7	<u>Caldecote A</u>	5	2	2	1	23	18	5	8
8	<u>Thurleigh</u>	4	2	1	1	17	9	8	7
9	<u>Wootton Village</u>	4	1	1	2	10	12	-2	4
10	<u>Sandy Reserves</u>	5	1	1	3	16	22	-6	4
11	<u>Shefford Town & Campton A</u>	5	1	1	3	12	22	-10	4
12	<u>Goldington Hammers</u>	4	1	0	3	13	19	-6	3
13	<u>Bedford Panthers</u>	3	0	2	1	7	11	-4	2
14	<u>Dunton A</u>	6	0	2	4	10	23	-13	2
15	<u>Dinamo Flitwick [former Reserves]</u>	4	0	0	4	6	24	-18	0

Marsh Leys dropping down to third spot after Clifton Reserves also leaped above them with a 4-2 win at Dinamo Flitwick. An own goal and a strike from Lee Pateman shooting the visitors 2-0 ahead until goals from Scott Hannam and Barrie Lee Hannam levelled matters for the home side with just five minutes left to play, but a goal from Michael King and a second strike from Pateman ensured the home fight back was to be all in vain.

Now in fourth spot are Stewartby Village, they remain unbeaten on the road this season after winning 4-1 at Dunton A. Michael Darnell with a brace plus James Greenslade and Tom Wheelhouse seeing their goals only replied to by Richard Vale.

For fifth place Kempston Athletic, it was a retention of their season's unbeaten home ways with a 4-1 win over Shefford Town & Campton A. Gary Whitbread twice plus Dee Sayid and Ricky Carter finding the back of the net against a lone reply from Dan Cullerton.

After three straight defeats, Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves returned to form with a 5-3 victory at Thurleigh. Graham Wedall with a hat-trick and Matthew McCartney with a brace outweighing home strikes from Salvatore Ventriqlia twice and Sam Queeley.

For Caldecote A, it was the end of their season's perfect home record when held to a 4-4 draw by Wootton Village. Ryan Ambrose with a hat-trick plus Sean Boyd on the home scoresheet against Village replies from Jay Rogers, Andrea Capacchione, Ryan Stocker and Lewis Aitken.

Also sharing the spoils were Sandy Reserves in a 3-3 home draw with Bedford Panthers. Chris Gregory twice plus Jonnie Stratford the home marksmen against Panthers replies from Chris Hawkins twice and Ray Cochrane.

Preview Saturday 15th October 2011.

The Premier Division supported by Sportsform action this weekend is a programme of just five games, the game of the day coming at Miller Road with the clash between hosts Bedford Hatters and Caldecote. The home side looking to repair the damage of losing three points in the stewards room last week defending their season's 100% home record against their unbeaten top of the table visitors.

Looking to retain their season's 100% record on the road will be second place Oakley Sports when they head for a Jubilee Playing Fields clash with Wilshamstead who themselves will be defending their season's 100% home record.

Also defending their 100% home record for the campaign will be Blunham when they host a Renhold United outfit that travels looking for the first away point/points of the season. Whilst also in search of their first away point/points of the season are Woburn who head for Hillgrounds to be hosted by an AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College side who search out their first home league win of the season.

The third club on their travels seeking out their first away point/points of the season are Dunton, they make tracks for Lodge Road to face a home Sharnbrook side who will be looking to take their home unbeaten ways up to three games.

In Division One the outstanding fixture of the day comes at Marston Playing Fields which is the venue for Marston Shelton Rovers home local derby clash with Lidlington United Sports, the visitors arriving 100% on the road this season to face a Rovers outfit still unbeaten on home soil this campaign.

Over at Mowsbury Park, two more of the serious title contenders go head to head where fourth place FC Meppershall look for their third home win on the bounce against 100% on the road second place visitors Ickwell & Old Warden.

For Bedford Sports Athletic, its home Cople Playing Field action against Lea Sports PSG, the hosts still 100% at home this season facing a PSG side that comes in search of their first away win of the campaign.

At Bedford Road Recreation Ground, Sandy will be expected to collect the full three points when visited by an AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College Reserves side who are yet to collect any points on the road this season. A comment that also applies to Luton Boys who make tracks for Harvey Close and a meeting with still unbeaten at home hosts Caldecote Reserves.

Other action comes at Groveside, the venue where hosts Henlow look for their first home point/points of the season against the visiting Westoning who themselves are yet to win on the road this season. Whilst also searching out their first home point/points of the campaign will be Kings AFC at King George VI Playing Fields when they play hosts to unbeaten on the road Meltis Albion.

For Division Two league leaders AFC Turvey, it's a tricky looking home encounter at Stonefields against third place Sundon Park Rangers. Whilst their two other nearest title challengers hit the road to Luton. Elstow Abbey en route to Solway Road North to face Co-op

Sports and Pavenham heading to The Luton Regional Sports Centre for a meeting with Stopsley Park.

Over at Bromham Playing Fields, hosts Bromham United go in search of their first home win of the season when a yet to win on the road this season Shefford Town & Campton Reserves come calling. Comments that also apply to both Great Barford and Marabese Ceramics when they clash at Everton Playing Fields.

One side who will not mind being on the road are Clifton, they head still unbeaten on their travels this season to face M & DH Oakley at Oakley Playing Fields. Whilst the final action in this division sees Queens Park Crescents go in search of their first home win of the season in Mowsbury Park against the visiting Potton United Reserves.

In Division Three, Renhold Village look to retain their 100% home record when still unbeaten on the road this campaign Wilshamstead Reserves journey to face them at Renhold Playing Fields. Whilst also still unbeaten on the road this season are Stevington, they make their way to Mill Lane to take on Potton Town.

Over at Weston Park, Eastcotts AFC will be looking to extend their own unbeaten home ways when visited by near neighbours Cranfield United Reserves. A comment that also applies to Sundon Park Rangers Colts when they go in to Leagrave Park action against Kempston Hammers Sports.

However, down at Steppingley Road, Flitwick Town Reserves will be going in search of their first home win of the season when paid a visit by Royal Oak Kempston whilst at Greenfield Road, still 100% at home this campaign Westoning Reserves host Goldington.

In Division Four there is home action for Marsh Leys, when at Cutler Hammer they play hosts to a Dunton A side that still awaits its first away point of the season. Whilst league leaders Bedford Park Rangers still 100% on the road this season head for a Stewartby Way meeting with a Stewartby Village side that will be looking for its third home win on the bounce.

Elsewhere, over at The Bedford Hockey Centre, Bedford Panthers go in search of their first home win of the season. Alas it will not be easy, the visitors, Thurleigh, are still 100% on the road this season.

Meantime, Harvey Close action will see Caldecote A looking to extend their unbeaten home record for the season to three games when Dinamo Flitwick come calling and in Mowsbury Park, Goldington Hammers will start firm favourites to retain their own 100% home record for the season when visited by Sandy Reserves.

The task for Kempston Athletic is their first away point/points of the campaign when they journey to The Green for a meeting with Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves plus down at Digswell Playing Fields, Shefford Town & Campton A will perhaps fancy their chances of a first home win of the season when they play hosts to Wootton Village.