

Bedfordshire County **Football League**



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Action Round –Up Saturday 4th December 2010

The complete Bedfordshire County Football League programme was wiped out due to frost and ice making the grounds unplayable.

Preview Saturday 11th December 2010

Premier Division supported by Sportsform action this weekend sees league leaders Renhold United in home action at Renhold Playing Fields against Leighton United. The hosts who have lost just once on home soil this season the favourites to collect the three points against a visiting Leighton side that has won just twice on its travels away from Stanbridge Road this term.

The game of the day however could well come at Houghton Conquest Playing Fields with the meeting between second place hosts Wilshamstead and third place visitors Blunham. The hosts looking to maintain their seasons unbeaten home ways against a Blunham side that will be looking to take their current unbeaten ways up to eight games.

With fourth place Caldecote away on Bedfordshire FA Quarter Final duty at Creasey Park against Molten Spartan South Midlands League high flyers AFC Dunstable, Shefford Town & Campton could climb above them in the standings should they collect the full three points when visited by Oakley Sports at their Rectory Road headquarters. With the hosts still unbeaten on home soil this season and currently on a seven game unbeaten run it would take a brave man to predict Oakley who are without a win in their last five outings will emerge the victors.

Over at Horseshoes Close, its local derby action between Dunton and bottom of the table local rivals Biggleswade United Reserves. You would expect them to collect their second home win on the bounce against a United side that has lost all six of its trips away from Second Meadow this season.

Other action is due at Lodge Road, the venue for Sharnbrook's home game with Flitwick Town. The hosts looking to repair a two game losing run against a visiting Town side that has failed to win any of its last three games. Whilst at Crawley Road, Woburn host AFC Kempston Town, the Safari Boys looking to take their unbeaten home ways to four games against a Town side that has failed to win any of its last eight outings.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 4th December 2010

| POS | | P | W | D | L | F | A | GD | PTS |
|------------|---|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|
| 1 | Renhold United | 12 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 26 | 12 | 14 | 27 |
| 2 | Wilshamstead | 11 | 8 | 2 | 1 | 39 | 24 | 15 | 26 |
| 3 | Blunham | 10 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 46 | 16 | 30 | 25 |
| 4 | Caldecote | 11 | 7 | 1 | 3 | 33 | 20 | 13 | 22 |
| 5 | Shefford Town & Campton | 10 | 6 | 3 | 1 | 31 | 15 | 16 | 21 |
| 6 | Leighton United | 12 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 29 | 21 | 8 | 18 |
| 7 | Flitwick Town | 12 | 5 | 1 | 6 | 19 | 24 | -5 | 16 |
| 8 | Dunton | 12 | 5 | 0 | 7 | 26 | 35 | -9 | 15 |
| 9 | Woburn | 11 | 4 | 2 | 5 | 20 | 28 | -8 | 14 |
| 10 | Sharnbrook | 12 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 25 | 30 | -5 | 13 |
| 11 | Oakley Sports | 10 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 16 | 21 | -5 | 13 |
| 12 | Southill Alexander | 9 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 17 | 24 | -7 | 8 |
| 13 | AFC Kempston Town | 11 | 1 | 3 | 7 | 11 | 24 | -13 | 6 |
| 14 | Arlesey Town Reserves | 10 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 17 | 33 | -16 | 6 |
| 15 | Biggleswade United Reserves | 13 | 2 | 0 | 11 | 16 | 44 | -28 | 6 |

Action for the leading three clubs in Division One is a third attempt to play their outstanding Bedfordshire FA Intermediate Cup Third Round ties.

At Miller Road, Bedford Hatters will be taking on The Ewe & Lamb from the Premier Division of the Luton District and South Beds League Football League, the visitors currently sitting in the lower half of their league table, thus a Hatters win could well be on the cards.

Our other involvement sees an all Bedfordshire County Football League clash between Marston Shelton Rovers and Potton Wanderers. The Rovers having only lost once on home soil this season seeking revenge for their league defeat at The Wanderers in early November.

In the league action, Luton Old Boys now on a four game losing run and sitting on the bottom of the league table, are in home action at Chaul End Lane against a visiting Henlow side that has lost its last two away games. Whilst its local derby action at Moggerhanger Playing Fields, hosts Blunham Reserves taking on third from bottom of the table Caldecote Reserves, they make the short trek up the A603 looking to end a five game losing run.

Meantime over at Miller Road, fourth place Meltis Albion will be seeking their third home win on the bounce against a visiting Sandy outfit who come in search of their first away win in five outings.

Over at Hillgrounds, AFC Kempston Town Reserves with just one home win to their name this season play guests to Bedford Sports Athletic. The visitors coming in search of just their second away win of the campaign.

The final action of this section coming on The Green between Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves and Brache Sparta Community Reserves. The hosts looking for their opening

home win of the season against a Brache side that has picked up just one point from its last six away outings.

Division One League Table at 4th December 2010

| POS | | P | W | D | L | F | A | GD | PTS |
|-----|---|----|----|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1 | Potton Wanderers | 12 | 10 | 0 | 2 | 50 | 12 | 38 | 30 |
| 2 | Marston Shelton Rovers | 11 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 28 | 14 | 14 | 27 |
| 3 | Bedford Hatters | 9 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 35 | 5 | 30 | 24 |
| 4 | Meltis Albion | 12 | 7 | 0 | 5 | 33 | 25 | 8 | 21 |
| 5 | FC Meppershall | 12 | 5 | 3 | 4 | 27 | 29 | -2 | 18 |
| 6 | Bedford S.A. | 11 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 33 | 28 | 5 | 17 |
| 7 | Henlow | 11 | 5 | 2 | 4 | 27 | 23 | 4 | 17 |
| 8 | Blunham Reserves | 11 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 27 | 21 | 6 | 15 |
| 9 | Sandy | 12 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 26 | 32 | -6 | 13 |
| 10 | Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves | 10 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 17 | 18 | -1 | 12 |
| 11 | AFC Kempston Town Reserves | 10 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 13 | 27 | -14 | 10 |
| 12 | Caldecote Reserves | 9 | 2 | 0 | 7 | 14 | 15 | -1 | 6 |
| 13 | Brache Sparta Community Reserves | 10 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 8 | 55 | -47 | 4 |
| 14 | Luton Old Boys [Saturday] | 10 | 1 | 0 | 9 | 10 | 44 | -34 | 3 |

For the lower division clubs/teams who had their Bedfordshire FA Junior Cup ties postponed last weekend, its a second attempt this week. Three of our sides face games against sides from the Luton District & South Beds Football League, two of which need to travel to Luton. Pavenham heading to Gipsy Lane to face Christians in Sports Reserves, whilst Lea Sports PSG Reserves are en route for a meeting with Four Model.

The club to enjoy home advantage are AFC Turvey, they will be entertaining Farley Old Boys Reserves at Stonefields.

Of the five all Bedfordshire County Football League encounters, the top tie on paper is the all division two clash at Cutler Hammer between hosts Kempston Hammers Sports and Lea Sports PSG. A tie in which the visitors on league form will start firm favourites to emerge the winners.

Perhaps however the tie of the round comes at Oakley Playing Fields between hosts M & DH Oakley and their fellow division three counterparts Renhold Village. On league form the hosts are the favourites, but the Village Boys are renowned cup fighters and last seasons beaten finalists, thus should never be written off.

In the other three ties there's a chance of seeing a spot of giant-killing taking place. In form division three Cranfield United Reserves the best bet, they journey to face division two Bromham United at their Playing Field Headquarters. Whilst you would give division four Potton Town more than half a squeak when they host division two Kings AFC at Sunderland Road Playing Fields in Sandy.

The final tie coming in Mowsbury Park between division four Goldington and division two Elstow Abbey. With the hosts now on a three game winning run, this will be no easy tie for The Abbey Boys.

In Division Two league action, at Hurst Grove, Lidlington United having been beaten just once on home soil this campaign will fancy their chances of the three points when visited by a Queens Park Crescents side that has lost its last two away games despite the visitors arriving as leaders.

Should this happen, it will give an opportunity for Arlesey Social Galacticos to move back to the top of the league standings. Their requirement being the full three points when they journey to The Bedford Hockey Centre to face hosts Harpur FC.

For Stevington, who have won three of their last four home outings, the chances to improve upon that record comes when Clifton with just one win from their last six outings come calling upon them at their Playing Fields headquarters.

Over at Greenfield Road, hosts Westoning Recreation Club will be seeking their first win in five outings against Great Barford who have lost five of their last six away outings. Whilst the final action comes at Digswell Playing Fields, Shefford Town & Campton Reserves taking on Stopsley Park. The Town looking for their first win in seven outings against a Park side that has lost its last three games.

Division Two League Table at 4th December 2010.

| POS | | P | W | D | L | F | A | GD | PTS |
|-----|--|----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1 | Queens Park Crescents | 14 | 9 | 2 | 3 | 43 | 31 | 12 | 29 |
| 2 | Arlesey Social Galacticos | 12 | 8 | 3 | 1 | 41 | 26 | 15 | 27 |
| 3 | Lea Sports PSG | 11 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 41 | 16 | 25 | 25 |
| 4 | Elstow Abbey 06 | 12 | 7 | 1 | 4 | 43 | 19 | 24 | 22 |
| 5 | Clifton | 12 | 6 | 4 | 2 | 36 | 28 | 8 | 22 |
| 6 | Bromham United | 12 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 30 | 26 | 4 | 20 |
| 7 | Great Barford | 11 | 6 | 0 | 5 | 25 | 22 | 3 | 18 |
| 8 | Westoning Recreation Club | 12 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 27 | 22 | 5 | 15 |
| 9 | Lidlington United Sports | 12 | 4 | 3 | 5 | 28 | 27 | 1 | 15 |
| 10 | Marabese Ceramics | 10 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 13 | 14 | -1 | 14 |
| 11 | Shefford Town & Campton Reserves | 12 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 26 | 36 | -10 | 12 |
| 12 | Kings AFC | 11 | 4 | 0 | 7 | 26 | 37 | -11 | 12 |
| 13 | Stevington | 13 | 4 | 0 | 9 | 28 | 46 | -18 | 12 |
| 14 | Stopsley Park | 11 | 3 | 1 | 7 | 34 | 36 | -2 | 10 |
| 15 | Harpur FC | 12 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 36 | 56 | -20 | 10 |
| 16 | Kempston Hammers Sports | 11 | 2 | 0 | 9 | 11 | 46 | -35 | 6 |

In Division Three, it's a trip on the road for promotion seeking Sharnbrook Reserves. They head to Steppingley Road looking for win number five on the bounce against Flitwick Town Reserves.

Also very much in the promotion race are Co-op Sports, for them its home Solway Road North action against Westoning Recreation Club Reserves who travel looking to repair a four game losing away run.

Sundon Park Rangers are another club pushing for promotion, they travel to Gold Street to face Riseley Sports. The Rangers having lost just once on the road this

campaign will fancy their chances of the three points against a home side that has won just once from five outings this season on home soil.

Over at Harvey Close, Caldecote A will be in home action against Royal Oak Kempston. The hosts going into the game on a three game losing run against an Oak outfit that has lost its last five league games to slip into the bottom three of the league table.

Division Three League Table at 4th December 2010

| POS | | P | W | D | L | F | A | GD | PTS |
|-----|--|----|----|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| 1 | Pavenham | 12 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 50 | 7 | 43 | 36 |
| 2 | Sharnbrook Reserves | 11 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 32 | 17 | 15 | 27 |
| 3 | M & DH Oakley | 11 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 39 | 10 | 29 | 25 |
| 4 | Co-op Sports | 12 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 30 | 20 | 10 | 20 |
| 5 | Sundon Park Rangers [Saturday] | 11 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 33 | 16 | 17 | 19 |
| 6 | Renhold Village | 10 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 26 | 20 | 6 | 14 |
| 7 | Riseley Sports | 10 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 21 | 20 | 1 | 14 |
| 8 | Cranfield United Reserves | 9 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 17 | 18 | -1 | 14 |
| 9 | Flitwick Town Reserves | 10 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 18 | 24 | -6 | 13 |
| 10 | Westoning Recreation Club Reserves | 10 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 26 | 35 | -9 | 10 |
| 11 | Dunton Reserves | 12 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 18 | 35 | -17 | 10 |
| 12 | Caldecote 'A' | 10 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 16 | 32 | -16 | 9 |
| 13 | Royal Oak Kempston | 11 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 17 | 31 | -14 | 7 |
| 14 | Wilshamstead Reserves | 9 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 14 | 38 | -24 | 5 |
| 15 | Shefford Town & Campton 'A' | 10 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 9 | 43 | -34 | 4 |

In Division Four, its home action for two of the leading promotion candidates. Second place Eastcotts hosting Bedford Park Rangers in Hillgrounds where they will be expected to maintain their seasons unbeaten home ways against a Rangers side whose only away win of the campaign came way back in early September, some six outings ago. Whilst fourth place Thurleigh are hosting second from bottom of the table Kempston Athletic at Keysoe Road. The home side still 100% on home soil this season firm favourites to collect the three points from an Athletic side that is yet to win on the road this campaign.

For bottom of the table Wootton Village, its home action against Dinamo Flitwick. The Village looking for their opening home league point of the season in this game number six, against a Dinamo side who search out away win number four on the bounce to enhance their promotion push.

Over at Whiston Crescent, Clifton Reserves now without a win from their last four home outings, look to repair the damage when visited by Goldington Hammers who have won just twice from six outings on the road this season.

The days final action being at Bedford Road Recreation Ground, the venue for Sandy Reserves home encounter with Stewartby Village. The hosts looking to repair a four game losing run and notch up their first home win of the season against a Village side that has won just once on the road this season.

Division Four League Table at 4th December 2010

| POS | | P | W | D | L | F | A | GD | PTS |
|------------|--|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|
| 1 | Pavenham | 12 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 50 | 7 | 43 | 36 |
| 2 | Sharnbrook Reserves | 11 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 32 | 17 | 15 | 27 |
| 3 | M & DH Oakley | 11 | 8 | 1 | 2 | 39 | 10 | 29 | 25 |
| 4 | Co-op Sports | 12 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 30 | 20 | 10 | 20 |
| 5 | Sundon Park Rangers [Saturday] | 11 | 5 | 4 | 2 | 33 | 16 | 17 | 19 |
| 6 | Renhold Village | 10 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 26 | 20 | 6 | 14 |
| 7 | Riseley Sports | 10 | 4 | 2 | 4 | 21 | 20 | 1 | 14 |
| 8 | Cranfield United Reserves | 9 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 17 | 18 | -1 | 14 |
| 9 | Flitwick Town Reserves | 10 | 4 | 1 | 5 | 18 | 24 | -6 | 13 |
| 10 | Westoning Recreation Club Reserves | 10 | 3 | 1 | 6 | 26 | 35 | -9 | 10 |
| 11 | Dunton Reserves | 12 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 18 | 35 | -17 | 10 |
| 12 | Caldecote 'A' | 10 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 16 | 32 | -16 | 9 |
| 13 | Royal Oak Kempston | 11 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 17 | 31 | -14 | 7 |
| 14 | Wilshamstead Reserves | 9 | 1 | 2 | 6 | 14 | 38 | -24 | 5 |
| 15 | Shefford Town & Campton 'A' | 10 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 9 | 43 | -34 | 4 |