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Monday 28th March 2011 Action Round-Up

This seasons Bedfordshire County Football League Jubilee Cup Final at Second Meadow Biggleswade United on Friday April 27th will be between Elstow Abbey and Lea Sports PSG after they both emerged semi-final winners tonight.

The Abbey with goals from Dave McCarthy and Ashley Windridge either side of the half-hour mark looked to coasting to victory over Kings AFC at Second Meadow to be leading 2-0 at half-time. Kings AFC however were a different side in the second period and when substitute Lee Morgan pegged a goal back from a free kick on 58 minutes, it was game back to such an extent that Abbey manager Wesley Matthews was screaming at his troops louder from the touchline than can normally only be heard from a bunch of kids on a Alton Towers joyride.

It however worked, Abbey gradually regaining their grip on the contest to run out 2-1 winners and keep their seasons treble hopes alive.

Over at The Hollow Potton United, Lea Sports PSG were within seven minutes of making their exit before Martin Collins struck to take the game into extra time against Westoning Recreation Club. PSG were to open the scoring just a minute before the break via Andre Juraszek but a goal from Ian Dawson on 59 minutes and a Ian Buckingham penalty 12 minutes later saw The Rec Boys lead until Collins vital equalizer seven minutes from time.

In that extra time, Juraszek on 109 minutes and Collins on 115 minutes were to strike again to win the day for the Sportsman.

In the evenings Division Three league action, Sharnbrook Reserves were to retain their place at the head of the league table with a 1-1 draw at second place Pavenham, James Owen netting for the home side against a reply from Martytn Caine. The result leaving the sides just separated by a single point but with Pavenham having played three games less they still remain the title favourites.

After three straight defeats, Dunton Reserves returned to winning ways with a 3-0 home win over Royal Oak Kempston, goals from Chris Wuestner, David Gibbs and Dan Cutmore doing the damage. But Caldecote A have now lost their last 11 games after being defeated 0-5 at home by Renhold Village. Dan Luke with a brace plus single strikes from Carl Townsend, John Searle and Stuart Kester all finding the back of the net.

In Division Four, Goldington netted their sixth away on the bounce to enhance their promotion hopes with a 6-1 victory at Kempston Athletic, Karl Anderson and John Hutchinson both netting twice alongside Alan Cudjoe and Damien Quigley against a lone reply via Jason Beddall.

Still however in that promotion mix are Thurleigh, they thanks to a Dan Newton penalty were 1-0 winners at Goldington Hammers for whom it was their sixth consecutive home defeat.

Travellers Tales from Monday 28th March 2011.

With our resident Traveller Brian Buck having past his 10,000th game watched the previous week to which we offer him our congratulations he is now embarking on his next 10,000 to such an extent that he took in both Dunton Reserves game with Royal Oak Kempston before dashing off to The Jubilee Cup Semi-Final between Lea Sports PSG and Westoning Recreation Club at The Hollow, below is his version of what he saw.

257. (10,007) Monday 28th March 2011. Dunton Reserves 3 Royal Oak Kempston 0 (Bedfordshire County League Division 3) (6pm kick off) att 15 approx. Well we actually got underway at 6.15pm which was mainly due to the late arrival of some of the visiting team, including their manager, who was second from last to arrive, blaming the league for sending his side to the other side of the world for a midweek match! My bet is that had the match been a 6.15pm kick off we would have started at 6.30pm! Anyway the ref eventually played two thirty seven and a half minute periods. The pitch was rock hard and the grass was so long in the corners that you could lose a player in there for weeks! Dunton took a third minute lead through Chris Wuestner while the visitors minds were still in the back of their managers van. But once the half settled down I thought that although Dunton created more chances Royal Oak might turn out to be the better side. They looked set to prove me right when they started the second half well, but then Dunton regrouped and with 26 minutes played sub Dave Gibbs, having just come on, headed home from a corner. With Royal Oak now chasing the game Dunton got their third goal on the break 8 minutes later through Daniel Cutmore. But on the night although the game was a decent one I thought that I was the best player on show. My flicks and passes to the players from the touchline were world class!

258. (10,008) Monday 28th March 2011. Lea Sports PSG 4 Westoning Recreation Club 2 (after extra time) Bedfordshire County League Jubilee Cup Semi Final) (Played at Potton United) (7.30pm kick off) att 20 approx. After the previous game had finished I belted off to Potton for my second game of the evening and didn't miss too much. In truth the first half of this match was nowhere as exciting as the previous game had been and just before half time six spectators left and went off to watch the other semi final at Biggleswade United to see if that was any better. But they were to miss the best part of the match. Just before half time Lea Sports, who had been the better side in this period, opened the scoring when the Westoning keeper let a simple shot by Andre Juraszek from the edge of the area slip through his hands. In the second half Westoning soon gained control and they deserved their equaliser from Ian Dawson on 59 minutes even though the Sports keeper made a brilliant initial save trying to keep the ball out. Then on 71 minutes Westoning scored from the spot through Ian Buckingham after the ref deemed a tackle was illegally made. At this point victory for them seemed assured, but on 83 minutes Martin Collins headed home via the crossbar, with appeals for offside being denied. Extra time and Lea Sports shaded the first period. Then on 109 minutes Juraszek got his second goal and then five minutes from time, Martin Collins danced his way along the goal line, easily evaded some half hearted challenges and shot home to earn Lea Sports the right to face Elstow Abbey in the final. Apart from the first half this was a cracking match to watch.

Action Round-up Wednesday 30th March 2011.

Before a Hillgrounds Kempston Rovers crowd of 150, Bedford Hatters made their passage in the final of this seasons Centenary Cup with a 3-0 win over Marston Shelton Rovers, second half goals from Scott Alleyne, Darak Joswiak and Mark Reed doing the damage. They will now face either Bedford Sports Athletic or Potton Wanderers who play in the second semi-final at Forde Park, Langford FC on Thursday 14th April 2011.

In The Premier Division supported by Sportsform action, Shefford Town & Campton made it eight wins on the bounce in winning 3-1 away at Renhold United and thus perhaps ending the home sides championship hopes for the season. Lee Bilcock opening the scoring on 11 minutes before Anup Kalayan struck to draw United level 16 minutes later but with goals from Andrew Hayday on 52 minutes and Bilcock again on 70 minutes Town were to win the day.

However Town's lead at the head of the standings still remains at four points after Blunham who have played two games less ran out 7-0 winners at AFC Kempston Town who were losing for the first time in six outings, a Matty Smith own goal plus a twice taken penalty by Andrew Vallom saw Blunham lead 2-0 at the interval until in the second period Andy Smith hit a brace alongside single strikes from Steve Thomas, Matty McMahon and Zak Rowe to bring up the seven goal tally.

Down at the other end of the table, Arlesey Town Reserves remain rooted to the bottom spot after being beaten 5-3 at home by Caldecote. The visitors with two goals from Paul Lawrence and strikes from Matt Lee Dell and Barry Dellar led 4-0 at the break until only Tom Wallace added to their tally in the second period against home replies via Dan Manning twice and Marlon Jones.

Premier Division Supported By Sportsform League Table at 30th March 2011

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Shefford Town & Campton	19	14	3	2	53	28	25	45
2	Blunham	17	13	2	2	71	23	48	41
3	Wilshamstead	19	11	3	5	64	46	18	36
4	Caldecote	19	11	2	6	47	35	12	35
5	Renhold United	18	10	4	4	43	30	13	34
6	Flitwick Town	18	7	3	8	30	35	-5	24
7	Oakley Sports	18	7	2	9	30	42	-12	23
8	Leighton United	17	6	3	8	42	38	4	21
9	Dunton	17	5	3	9	24	39	-15	18
10	Sharnbrook	17	5	2	10	27	40	-13	17
11	AFC Kempston Town	17	3	5	9	22	47	-25	14
12	Woburn	18	3	4	11	29	54	-25	13
13	Arlesey Town Reserves	20	2	4	14	35	60	-25	10

In Division Two, Elstow Abbey moved to within a single point of league leaders Bromham United with a 4-1 home win over Shefford Town & Campton Reserves, Harry Ellis with a hat-trick including a strike after just 18 seconds plus a goal from Tom Pitts taking The Abbey's unbeaten home ways to seven games.

Elsewhere, two goals from Darren Sims was enough to earn Lidlington United Sports a 2-0 home win over Marabese Ceramics and in Division Three, M & DH Oakley climbed up into third slot thanks to a 1-0 home win over Riseley Sports, Shaun Cafferty netting the vital goal.

Over at Second Meadow Biggleswade United, Caldecote Reserves made their way into the final of this seasons East Beds Charity Cup with a 3-1 win over Henlow. Terry Lawrence, Paul Gower and Andrew Spiers all finding the back of the net against a lone reply from Adam Covell. They will now face either Dunton Reserves or Gamlingay who meet in the second semi-final at Second Meadow on Wednesday 13th April 2011.

Action Round-Up Thursday 31st March 2011

Ickwell & Old Warden ensured this season's Biggleswade Knock Out Final will be an all Bedfordshire County Football League affair following tonight's Semi-final win over Langford Reserves at Forde Park. Lee Threadgold shooting them into a 2-0 lead with strikes in the 16th and 28th minutes of the game before Gareth Boness pulled the deficit back to a single goal just five minutes from half-time.

The second period was however to remain goalless despite Ickwell having to play the last 30 minutes with just 10 players after Dan Threadgold was red carded for his second yellow card offence of the evening.

Ickwell will now come back to Forde Park for the final on Tuesday 2nd May when they will face either Dunton or Caldecote who meet in the second semi-final at Horseshoes Close on Monday 11th April 2011.

Action Round-Up Saturday 2nd April 2011.

FA Inter-League Cup Preliminary Round

The Bedfordshire County Football League made their exit from the 2011/12 FA Inter-league Cup at the first hurdle when beaten 4-0 by the Suffolk & Ipswich League at Hadleigh United. With goalkeeper Barry Uylatt suffering a recurrence of his old foot injury in the opening five minutes and thereafter unable to kick, with no replacement goalkeeper on the bench it was always going to be an uphill battle from that stage.

The home side taking the lead in the 13th minute via Luke Reid and then doubling their scoreline on 34 minutes with a goal from Mical Moore, but for an outstanding save from home goalkeeper Daniel Crump to deny Kai Griffiths-Shilton three minutes later, the visitors might have found a way back into the contest before the half-time break.

However, goals from substitute Craig Jennings in the 68th and 87th minutes of the game sealed their fate.

Division One

Potton Wanderers lead at the head of the league table remains at eight points after they were awarded three points when Blunham Reserves failed to raise a side to meet them at Mill Lane. Still in second spot are Bedford Hatters, who having played four games less kept the pressure up to retain their seasons unbeaten home ways with a 5-0 victory over Luton Old Boys. Mark Reed with a hat-trick plus a brace from Simon Pixley doing the damage.

Division One League Table at 2nd April 2011

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	<u>Potton Wanderers</u>	20	17	0	3	76	19	57	51
2	<u>Bedford Hatters</u>	16	14	1	1	60	8	52	43
3	<u>Marston Shelton Rovers</u>	17	13	1	3	44	24	20	40
4	<u>Meltis Albion</u>	21	11	1	9	46	41	5	34
5	<u>Sandy</u>	20	9	4	7	45	46	-1	31
6	<u>Bedford S.A.</u>	20	8	3	9	53	51	2	27
7	<u>Henlow</u>	21	7	5	9	41	52	-11	26
8	<u>FC Meppershall</u>	18	7	3	8	46	41	5	24
9	<u>Caldecote Reserves</u>	18	6	2	10	27	34	-7	20
10	<u>Blunham Reserves</u>	21	5	5	11	26	47	-21	20
11	<u>Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves</u>	19	4	5	10	28	38	-10	17
12	<u>Luton Old Boys [Saturday]</u>	21	5	1	15	29	71	-42	16
13	<u>AFC Kempston Town Reserves</u>	20	4	1	15	18	67	-49	13

For third place Marston Shelton, who trail The Wanderers by 11 points but with three games in hand, it was a 2-1 home win over AFC Kempston Town Reserves. Aaron Franks and Mark Champkin seeing their goals only replied to by Justin Sturnilo.

Down at the other end of the table, Caldecote Reserves eased their relegation fears with a 2-1 victory at near neighbours Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves, all thanks to strikes from Joe Jordan and Tom Dupey against a reply via Robert Gaylor.

Following a run of five games without a win, FC Meppershall returned to form with a 4-3 home victory over Bedford Sports Athletic, Kieron Langley with a brace plus strikes from Porrick Walsh and Craig Damon outweighing replies from Asa Mead twice and Paul Nigro.

Division Two

Its all change again at the head of the league table with Elstow Abbey now the new leaders. With Queens Park Crescents under Beds FA suspension and unable to visit the Warren for their scheduled game, the Abbey were thus awarded the three points, plus in an hastily arranged game at bottom of the table Kempston Hammers Sports they emerged 6-0 winners. An own goal plus strikes from Ed L'Erario and Dave McCarthy seeing them into a 3-0 half-time lead before this lead was doubled in the second period via another L'Erario strike and a brace from Jermaine Mills.

Division Two League Table at 2nd April 2011

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	<u>Elstow Abbey 06</u>	19	13	2	4	62	22	40	41
2	<u>Westoning Recreation Club</u>	21	11	4	6	53	38	15	37
3	<u>Kings AFC</u>	18	12	0	6	56	38	18	36
4	<u>Bromham United</u>	21	11	3	7	44	35	9	36
5	<u>Lea Sports PSG</u>	15	11	2	2	47	17	30	35
6	<u>Queens Park Crescents</u>	21	10	2	9	43	38	5	32
7	<u>Lidlington United Sports</u>	19	9	4	6	40	33	7	31
8	<u>Clifton</u>	21	9	4	8	43	42	1	31
9	<u>Great Barford</u>	20	7	2	11	28	58	-30	23
10	<u>Stopsley Park</u>	18	6	2	10	47	44	3	20
11	<u>Marabese Ceramics</u>	17	6	2	9	23	27	-4	20
12	<u>Stevington</u>	22	6	1	15	42	63	-21	19
13	<u>Shefford Town & Campton Reserves</u>	18	5	3	10	34	47	-13	18
14	<u>Kempston Hammers Sports</u>	20	3	1	16	16	76	-60	10

Now up into second spot four points adrift of the leaders are Westoning Recreation Club, they took their current unbeaten ways up to six games with a 2-0 win at Clifton, an own goal plus a strike from Ian Buckingham doing the damage.

Just one point behind The Rec Boys but with three games in hand of them are Kings AFC, recording their seventh league win on the bounce via a 5-4 win at Stopsley Park. Josh Clements with a hat-trick and Rowan Hazelwood with a brace having their goals only replied to by Lee Russell twice plus Chris Gardner and Matt Palmer.

Starting the day on top of the pile but now down into fourth slot are Bromham United, they were beaten 1-0 at Marabese Ceramics, Nick Hooley netting the vital goal.

However perhaps The Abbey's main challengers for the title are Lea Sports PSG, although they sit in fifth place in the standings, they trail The Abbey by just six points but with four games in hand following their 3-2 win at Lidlington United Sports who were only losing for only the third time on home soil this season. Paul Collins, Liam Trainor and Glen Collins netted the PSG goals against home replies via David Brooks and Kieran Wilks.

The days final game in this section seeing Stevington run out 5-0 home winners over Great Barford, Darren King with a hat-trick plus goals from Richard Howlett and Mark Wharton doing the damage.

Division Three

With their nearest rivals Pavenham away on Watson Shield duty, Sharnbrook Reserves stretched their lead at the head of the standings to four points with a 4-0 home win over Shefford Town & Campton A. Kevin Harris netting a hat-trick alongside a strike from son Jayme.

Division Three League Table at 2nd April 2011

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Sharnbrook Reserves	22	17	1	4	65	32	33	52
2	Pavenham	18	15	3	0	69	14	55	48
3	Sundon Park Rangers [Saturday]	21	12	6	3	76	35	41	42
4	M & DH Oakley	19	13	2	4	51	23	28	41
5	Co-op Sports	21	12	4	5	62	34	28	40
6	Cranfield United Reserves	19	9	4	6	39	32	7	31
7	Riseley Sports	24	8	4	12	47	50	-3	28
8	Renhold Village	17	7	5	5	46	29	17	26
9	Wilshamstead Reserves	19	8	2	9	43	55	-12	26
10	Dunton Reserves	22	7	1	14	33	62	-29	22
11	Royal Oak Kempston	20	6	3	11	34	54	-20	21
12	Flitwick Town Reserves	20	6	2	12	29	56	-27	20
13	Westoning Recreation Club Reserves	20	5	2	13	44	58	-14	17
14	Caldecote 'A'	22	4	0	18	32	85	-53	12
15	Shefford Town & Campton 'A'	20	2	3	15	19	70	-51	9

Meantime, Sundon Park Rangers edged closer into the promotion stakes after they took their unbeaten ways up to nine games with a 3-0 home victory over M & DH Oakley. Matt Conway with a brace plus Luke Evans on the scoresheet.

However, Co-op Sports promotion hopes took a big knock when they suffered their first defeat in 10 outings, 4-0 away at Renhold Village. Jon Searle with a hat-trick plus Carl Townsend doing the damage.

There was a first away defeat of the season for Cranfield United Reserves, they were beaten 2-0 at Westoning Recreation Club Reserves, an own goal and a strike from Rob Malcom taking the Rec Boys to their first home win in seven outings.

Elsewhere, Riseley Sports were defeated for the fifth time on the bounce away from home when beaten 3-0 at Flitwick Town Reserves, Harry Rowlands twice plus Dean Conway finding the back of the net. To complete a full set of home winners on the day, all of whom kept a clean sheet, were Wilshamstead Reserves 1-0 victors over Dunton Reserves thanks to a goal from Richard Frank Jepps.

Watson Shield

Pavenham safely made their way into the last four of this seasons competition with a 4-0 home win over Stewartby Village, James Owen twice plus goals from Michael Bates and Stuart Beazley now setting up a meeting with Royal Oak Kempston who emerged penalty shoot-out winners over Dinamo Flitwick. 1-1 after 120 minutes play, Lorenzo Jordan on the scoresheet for The Oak and Brendan Kane for The Dinamo, successful penalties from Oak's David Bevan, Andrew Palombella, Michael Field and Sean Boland were only replied to by Ben Canning and Dale Goldie.

In the other half of the draw, AFC Turvey needed the requirement of extra time to see off Goldington at Stonefields. The visitors taking the lead via Karl Anderson which was cancelled out five minutes from time by John Guiney, who alongside a strike from Andrew Wren won the day for the home side in extra time.

They will now face either Co-op Sports or Thurleigh who meet in 14 days time following Thurleigh's 2-1 second round win at Lea Sports PSG Reserves. Ben Stock and Steve Pledge netting the vital goals against a home reply via Ryan Durrant.

Division Four

Eastcotts are now up into third place in the league standings and right there in the promotion mix after netting a 2-1 home win over Sandy Reserves. Tony Milioti and Matty Walsh on the scoresheet against a reply from Nathan Morris.

Division Four League Table at 2nd April 2011

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	<u>AFC Turvey</u>	19	19	0	0	108	21	87	57
2	<u>Goldington</u>	19	14	1	4	96	32	64	43
3	<u>Eastcotts AFC</u>	20	13	2	5	67	26	41	41
4	<u>Dinamo Flitwick</u>	21	12	3	6	59	47	12	39
5	<u>Thurleigh</u>	18	12	1	5	54	31	23	37
6	<u>Potton Town</u>	18	11	2	5	44	28	16	35
7	<u>Clifton Reserves</u>	21	9	2	10	63	74	-11	29
8	<u>Stewartby Village</u>	21	7	3	11	40	62	-22	24
9	<u>Lea Sports PSG Reserves</u>	19	6	3	10	29	47	-18	21
10	<u>Goldington Hammers</u>	23	7	0	16	40	89	-49	21
11	<u>Bedford Park Rangers</u>	22	6	2	14	48	70	-22	20
12	<u>Kempston Athletic</u>	20	5	2	13	36	76	-40	17
13	<u>Sandy Reserves</u>	19	4	1	14	23	54	-31	13
14	<u>Wootton Village</u>	18	2	2	14	20	70	-50	8

However, Potton Town's promotion hopes took a big knock when they were defeated for the first time in nine outings, 2-1 away at Goldington Hammers, who were thus ending their own

run of six straight defeats. Jimmy Jacob and Michael Stafford the home marksmen against a Town reply from James Dean.

Down at the other end of the table, Kempston Athletic returned to winning ways with a 2-0 home win over bottom of the table Wootton Village, Jamie Marsh netting both goals.

Preview Saturday 9th April 2011

With the league season now entering its last full month of action the Premier Division supported by Sportsform title race now looks to be a two way fight between Blunham and Shefford Town & Campton. For both of them this weekend its trips on the road, Blunham heading to The Armadillo Stadium looking for their fourth away win on the bounce against bottom of the table Arlesey Town Reserves whose last win came on the opening weekend of the year when victorious over AFC Kempston some 11 games ago. Meantime, Shefford Town & Campton head for a Horseshoes Close meeting with Dunton. Town in search of win number nine on the bounce over a home side that are now unbeaten in their last five home starts.

For the other two clubs still looking to push into that championship race, Renhold United and Wilshamstead, it is also trips on the road. United still unbeaten on the road this season heading for a Crawley Road meeting with Woburn who have failed to win all of their last nine outings to drop into the relegation mix, whilst Wilshamstead head to Steppingley Road to take on Flitwick Town.

Other action comes at Lodge Road, the venue at which hosts Sharnbrook will look to take their unbeaten home ways up to four games against a Caldecote side that has won its last four away outings, plus at Stanbridge Road, Leighton United host Oakley Sports. United going into the game now having lost their last five league outings against a Sportsman's side that has won just three times on the road all season.

The Division One title race like the top flight contest could well be down to just two clubs after this weekend, if this is not to be the case then Marston Shelton Rovers need to find a way of inflicting a first home defeat of the season upon Bedford Hatters when they journey to face them at Miller Road or Potton Wanderers still give The Rovers a second chance by losing in Mowsbury Park against FC Meppershall.

At the other end of the table, it's a must win game for both hosts Luton Old Boys and Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves when they go head to head at Chaul End Lane, plus Kempston Town Reserves will be anxious to at least share the spoils with the visiting Henlow at Hillgrounds.

Also sitting too close to comfort to the drop zone are both Caldecote Reserves and Blunham Reserves and whilst they both have home encounters, the collection of points will not be easy. Sandy being the visitors to Harvey Close to face Caldecote and Bedford Sports Athletic on their way to Moggerhanger Playing Fields to take on Blunham.

However the Division Two title race looks far more cloudy, yet the skies may clear a little this weekend when the result of The Pirton Recreation Ground game between two of the leading contenders becomes known. We are of course talking about Lea Sports PSG home game with Kings AFC.

In many ways its last chance saloon title hopes for both hosts Westoning Recreation Club and Bromham United when they go head to head at Greenfield Road, whilst Queens Park Crescents who entertain Great Barford in Mowsbury Park following their recent Beds FA suspension now look out of the race for another season.

Down at the other end of the standings, Stevington will be looking to collect at least a point from the home encounter at their Playing Fields headquarters against visitors Stopsley Park. A comment that also applies to both Marabese Ceramics who host Lidlington United Sports at

Groveside and Shefford Town & Campton Reserves who go into local derby action at Rectory Close against Clifton.

The Division Three title now looks like Pavenham's to lose rather than the other clubs to win, and despite Cranfield United Reserves travelling to face them in Hillgrounds having been beaten just once on the road this season you would expect the home club to prevail.

Sharnbrook Reserves, I'm sure, have far from given up the ghost to collecting the title this term and it will be a major surprise if they fail to keep the pressure up on the league leaders by dropping points in their visit to Harvey Close to face relegated haunted Caldecote A.

In the fight for a top three placing that could well still mean division two football next term both M& DH Oakley who face Dunton Reserves at Oakley Playing Fields and Co-Op Sports who host Royal Oak Kempston at Solway Way North will be looking and expecting to collect all three points that are on offer.

Other action centres on the teams at the other end of the table, Shefford Town & Campton A making their way for a 4.15pm kick off against Flitwick Town Reserves, whilst Westoning Recreation Club Reserves head to Gold Street to be hosted by Riseley Sports and Wilshamstead Reserves entertain Renhold Village at Jubilee Playing Fields.

With AFC Turvey, who this weekend travel to Mowsbury Park to face Goldington Hammers all but home and crowned Division Four title winners, the centre of attention falls on those sides chasing each other to join them in division three next season. The big clash of the day thus being the Hillgrounds encounter between hosts Eastcotts and their visitors Dinamo Flitwick.

Of the others still in the chase, you would expect Goldington to collect all three points when they journey to take on Clifton Reserves at Whiston Crescent, a comment that also applies to Potton Town who go into local derby action at Bedford Road Recreation Ground against Sandy Reserves and Thurleigh who make their way to Mowsbury Park for a meeting with Bedford Park Rangers.

The other action comes at Pirton Recreation Ground, the venue for Lea Sports PSG Reserves home encounter with Wootton Village and the Stewartby Way meeting between hosts Stewartby Village and their visitors Kempston Athletic.

Action will then move on to Monday evening with a series of eight games. In Division Two at The Warren, Elstow Abbey will be looking to enhance their title hopes when they entertain Marabese Ceramics, whilst Division Three action brings a programme of three games. At Renhold Playing Fields, its local derby action between hosts Renhold Village and visitors M & DH Oakley. Whilst Digswell Playing Field is the venue for Shefford Town & Campton A's home encounter with Royal Oak Kempston and Caldecote A travel to Crawley Road to be hosted by Cranfield United Reserves.

In Division Four, the action will see both Eastcotts who travel to Pirton Recreation Ground to face Lea Sports PSG Reserves and Potton Town who host Clifton Reserves at Sunderland Road Playing Fields anxious to collect points in their quest for promotion. Whilst at Keysoe Road, Thurleigh will seek the same when they host Stewartby Village.

Whilst outside the league at Horseshoes Close, Premier Division supported by Sportsform Dunton, take on Caldecote in a Biggleswade KO Cup semi-final affair for the right to meet Ickwell & Old Warden in the final at Forde Park Langford on Tuesday 3rd May.

All these games kicking off at 6.15pm apart from at Crawley Road where kick off is 7.45pm.

There will be more action 48hours later on Wednesday evening, headed by the second of this seasons Britannia Cup Semi-finals at Hillgrounds between Renhold United and Shefford Town & Campton in a game that kicks off at 7.30pm.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform league action comes at Horseshoes Close where Dunton host Arlesey Town Reserves and it's a big night at Harvey Close for Division One title hopefuls Bedford Hatters who are the visitors to take on Caldecote Reserves. Whilst just down the road on The Green, points will be even more anxiously sought by hosts Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves and their visitors AFC Kempston Town Reserves in their quest to beat the drop.

In Division Two, it will be promotion points Lea Sports PSG will be looking for when they host Clifton at Pirton Recreation Ground, a comment that also applies to Kings AFC when they host Shefford Town & Campton Reserves at King George VI Playing Fields.

The final Division Two action sees Lidlington United Sports entertain Stopsley Park at Hurst Grove.

In Division Three it's a programme of four games. In Hillgrounds, champions elect Pavenham host Westoning Recreation Club Reserves, whilst at Lodge Road, its also a home game for their nearest rivals Sharnbrook Reserves when Royal Oak Kempston come calling.

Other action comes at Gold Street, the venue for Riseley Sports home encounter with Renhold Village and at Jubilee Playing Fields where Wilshamstead Reserves host Sundon Park Rangers.

In Division Four, Keysoe Road is the venue for hosts Thurleigh taking on AFC Turvey and Hillgrounds the venue where promotion seeking Goldington will receive a visit from Kempston Athletic.

These league games kicking off at 6.15pm.

The final action of the week then takes place on Thursday evening when at Forde Park, Langford FC. Bedford Sports Athletic and Potton Wanderers take to the field in the second of this seasons Centenary Cup ties for the right to face Bedford Hatters under Biggleswade United's Second Meadow floodlights on Friday 6th May 2011.

Kick Off at Forde Park being 7.30pm.

Watson Shield 2010-11 Semi-Final Arrangements

Wednesday 27th April 2011.

AFC Turvey v Co-op Sports or Thurleigh. The Hollow, Potton United FC.
Pavenham v Royal Oak Kempston. Hillgrounds, Kempston Rovers FC.

Kick off time for both games being 7.30pm

Record breaking month for our Website Site

We are proud to announce that our league website www.bedfordshirefootballleague.co.uk took a record number of 18937 visitors during the month of March 2011, those visitors also making a record number of 268664 hits.