

# **Bedfordshire County** **Football League**



**Season 2009-10**

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## **Barry is off to Wembley**

Following the Regional Charter Standard Adult Club of the Year Award to Dunton FC, their subsequent nomination for a National Award has resulted in The Football Association choosing club manager Barry Morris to receive a personal award for the work he has undertaken at Horseshoes Close. He has been invited to be a VIP guest of The Football Association at Wembley for The Charity Shield match between Manchester United and Chelsea on Sunday August 9th where he will be given his National Adult Task Force Award at half-time on the pitch.

## **Pre-Season Fixture List Update**

### **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

Caldecote Reserves v Gamlingay. 2.30pm  
Campton Reserves v Shefford Town. 2.30pm  
Colney Heath Reserves v Biggleswade United Reserves. 3.00pm  
Knebworth v Southill Alexander. 3.00pm  
Kempston Hammers v Eastcotts. 2.30pm  
Stewartby Village v Kings AFC. 2.30pm

### **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

Sandy v Inter Cople. 11.00am

### **Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

Biggleswade Town v Southill Alexander. 7.30pm  
Dunton v Bedford Hatters. 6.30pm  
Eastcotts v M&DH Oakley. 7.00pm  
Sandy Reserves v Hobgoblin Old Boys. 6.30pm

### **Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

Sandy v Luton Old Boys. 6.30pm  
Stevington v Oakley Sports. 6.30pm  
Stotfold Reserves v Campton. 7.00pm

### **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

Biggleswade Town Reserves v Caldecote. 7.45  
Langford Reserves v Biggleswade United Reserves. 7.45pm

### **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

Brache Sparta Community Centre Reserves v Tottenhoe Reserves. 2.30pm  
Campton v Langford Reserves. 2.30pm  
Cottered v Caldecote A. 2.30pm  
Dunton v Gamlingay. 2.30pm  
Kings AFC v Kempston Hammers. 2.30pm  
Sandy v Dunton Reserves. JP Trophy Semi-Final 1.30pm  
Blunham Reserves v Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves. JP Trophy SF, 4.30pm.  
Westoning Recreation Club v Flitwick Town. 2.00pm

### **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

Sandy Reserves v Gardeners Arms. 6.30pm  
Shillington v Shillington Sunday. (Shillington Charity Shield) 7pm

### **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

Caldecote Reserves v Great Barford. 6.30pm  
Woburn v Flitwick Town. 6.30pm

### **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

Biggleswade United Reserves v MatesFC ( Southend ) 7.45pm  
Caldecote v Henlow. 6.30pm  
Campton Reserves v Clifton. 7.00pm  
Marabese Ceramics v Sandy. 6.30pm ( Biggleswade Knock Out Cup )  
Shillington v AFC Kempston Town. 7.00pm

### **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

Marston Social v Eastcotts. 7.00pm  
Sandy Reserves v Sharnbrook Reserves. 6.30pm

### **Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2009**

Caldecote A v Marabese Ceramics. 2.30pm  
Crawley Green v Brache Sparta Community Centre Reserves. 3.00pm  
Flitwick Eagles ( Sunday ) v Flitwick Town. Venue and ko tba.  
Kings AFC v Clapham Colts. 2.30pm  
JP Trophy 3<sup>rd</sup> Place and Final at Sandy FC 1.30pm and 4.30pm  
Stewartby Village v Eastcotts. 2.30pm

### **Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

Caldecote Reserves v Campton Reserves. 6.30pm ( East Beds Junior Charity Cup )  
Sandy Reserves v Bedford United Sunday. 6.30pm  
Shillington v Flitwick Town. 7.00pm

### **Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

Sandy Reserves v Bellioni's. 1pm

It is advisable to check with the home club, the date, kick off time and venue of the above games before travelling.

### **Pre-Season Friendly Match Results.**

#### **18<sup>th</sup> July 2009**

Cheshunt 7, Southill Alexander 2.

#### **22<sup>nd</sup> July 2009**

London Colney 1, South Alexander 2.

#### **25<sup>th</sup> July 2009**

Basildon United 0, Southill Alexander 2.  
Brache Sparta Community Centre Reserves 4, 61FC Luton Reserves 2.  
Campton 0, Buntingford Town 1.  
Olney Town 5, Oakley Sports 2.  
61FC Luton 4, AFC Kempston Town 0.

#### **28<sup>th</sup> July 2009**

Eastcotts FC 7, Kempston Athletic 3.

#### **29<sup>th</sup> July 2009**

Campton 2, AFC Dunstable. 0

#### **30<sup>th</sup> July 2009**

Blunham 4, AFC Kempston Town Reserves 2.

#### **1<sup>st</sup> August 2009**

Campton 0, Crawley Green.2.  
Dunton 4, Baldock Cannon.5  
Halstead Town 2, Southill Alexander 0.

## **Off to a Flying Start**

With the league season now just less than a month away we take this opportunity to have a look at the days opening fixtures in the Premier Division supported by Sportsform to ascertain if we can pinpoint the seasons early high flyers.

Current champions Caldecote will travel to Lodge Road to face Sharnbrook in the knowledge that for the past seven seasons their only blimp on having a perfect 100% winning start to the campaign was last seasons 1-1 home draw with Renhold United, whilst the home side have been beaten on the opening day for the past three seasons.

Two clubs who normally get their season off to a flyer meet on The Green, where Ickwell & Old Warden will entertain Renhold United. The home side having a perfect 100% record for the past five seasons, an achievement even more remarkable as all five games were played away from home. Whilst United were last beaten in their opening game of the season as long ago as season 2002-03 when they lost 3-4 at home to Luton Borough.

Another club unbeaten in their opening game of the campaign for the past five seasons are AFC Kempston Town who will be in home Hillgrounds action against the travelling Riseley Sports. The Sportsman have been asked to journey three times away from their Gold Street base in the past seven seasons to commence their season and on each occasion they have returned empty handed.

For the two league newcomers, Southill Alexander perhaps will be heartened to hear visitors Woburn have won just twice on the opening day of the season in the past seven campaigns and perhaps Biggleswade United Reserves will face a tougher task at Second Meadow when hosting Dunton. The visitors having been asked to travel just once away from Horseshoes Close in the past six seasons, this ending in a 1-0 victory over Sandy Reserves in season 2007-08.

At Rectory Road, Campton will host Oakley Sports in a repeat of last seasons opening game which ended in a 3-3 draw, but with the home side having won five of their previous six starts to the season against the Sportsman's record of two wins over the same period of time, it will be the home side who will start favourites to collect the three points on offer.

Over at Moggerhanger Playing Fields, hosts Blunham will be seeking their third opening day win on the bounce but should be aware that visitors Westoning Recreation Club have won their opening day game of the campaign on five occasions during the last seven seasons.

The final game at Miller Road, would look to favour hosts Meltis Corinthians who have been beaten just twice in the past seven seasons on the opening day whilst visitors Wilshamstead, having been asked to travel away from Jubilee Playing Fields in four of the last five seasons, are yet to return with a full haul of three points.