

# Bedfordshire County Football League



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## Action Round-Up from Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September

Biggleswade United Reserves are the early leaders of the Premier Division supported by Sportsform league table after claiming their second win of the week with a 2-0 home victory over Renhold United. Kai Griffiths-Shilton and Sean Murray netting the vital second half goals. United heading the table on goal difference from Campton who needed another late Mark Lagatta goal to secure a 2-1 home win over AFC Kempston Town. Earlier in the game Ollie Houseden had shot the home side ahead only to see a Tom Pitts free kick level matters up for The Town, before Lagatta stole the show.

For Saturday's heroes Woburn it was a 1-0 defeat at Dunton. Steve Snelling goal 15 minutes from time claiming the points for the home side..Meanwhile their victims at the weekend Southhill Aleaxander were finding things much more to their liking at The Carlsberg Stadium with a 5-0 home win over Ickwell & Old Warden. Ashley Townsend with a hattick plus goals from Mark Capontes and Greg Moore-Macdougal bringing about the nap hand.

After their heavy defeat at Blunham at the weekend. Westoning Recreation Club recovered to earn a home point in a 2-2 draw with Oakley Sports. Ian McGuinness seeing them into a 1-0 half-time lead but strikes from Jon Searle and Jason Angol saw the visitors lead until 15 minutes from time when Mcguinness netted his second goal of the evening to give the home side a share of the spoils. Or that was the theory until match referee John Brown reported to the league that he had abandoned the game ten minutes early due to the fading light. Blunham however were coming down to earth at Wilshamstead where they needed a late Andy Smith penalty to draw 2-2. The home side with a penalty of their own from Michael Jones took the lead until Matty McMahon levelled matters. David Benson then headed Wilshamstead 2-1 in front and seemingly on their way to three points until Smith struck late on from the spot.

The early pacemakers at the head of the Division One league table are Sandy who lead the way on goal difference thanks to their 7-0 home win over FC Meppershall. Goals from Chris Cooper, Daniel Bailey and Dan Threadgold saw them 3-0 ahead at the break before a brace in the second half from Sam James plus strikes from Dean Haines and Brad Smith brought up the seven goal tally. In second spot are Bedford Sports Athletic. 2-1 away winners at Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves. Goals from Ashley Mead and Gary Canazno taking them to the points against a home reply from Matthew Bruney.



**Sandy FC**

Also with the maximum six points from six and in third and fourth spot are Leighton United and Flitwick Town after they both came up with wins on the road. United claiming a 3-2 victory at Stevington despite home goals from Andy Latimer and Ian Woods, whilst The Town needed just a single goal from Mark Bartlett 15 minutes from time to claim the points in a 1-0 success at Kempston Hammers Sports.

Elsewhere, Caldecote Reserves run out 4-0 victors at Meltis Albion. Goals from Paul Gower, Tom Dupey, Leeroy Odd plus a Jack Boyd penalty doing the damage. Also winning on the road were both Marston Social and Campton Reserves, goals from James Armstrong, Darren Rowlett and Antony Deakin taking Social to a 3-0 win at Blunham Reserves whilst a Dan Mabbot brace and a goal from Gary Ansell saw Campton win 3-0 at AFC Kempston Town Reserves.

The evening's other game in this division being abandoned just seven minutes from time at Groveside due to the fading light. At the time hosts Henlow were leading Kempston 5-2 thanks to goals from Glen Clarke, Jo Fallano, Adam Covell, Tyron Saunders and Jake Renney.

In Division Two, the early table toppers are Potton Wanderers who, with two goals from Sam Worthington plus strikes from Danny Fox and Ricky Aris won 4-0 at Harpur FC. Chasing them up on goal difference are both Bedford Hatters and Arlesey Social Galacticos who both came up with their own second wins of the week. A brace of goals from Scott Alleyne plus strikes from Richard Cook, Simon Pixley and Danny De Foe taking The Hatters to a 5-1 home victory over Kings AFC whose lone reply

came via Marcus Tomlin while The Social were winning 3-1 at Elstow Abbey despite a home goal from David McCarthy.

Also enjoying wins on the road were Great Barford and Marabese Ceramics. Barford with goals from Gary Russon, Jason Ames, Justin Brown and Freddie Windram winning 4-2 at Clifton, for whom Gareth Carter and Tony Norman netted. Whilst for The Ceramics it was a 3-0 success at Shillington James Tizard netting a brace alongside a goal for Ricky Bruniges.

The evening's final two games bringing about a 3-3 draw between Brache Sparta Community Reserves and Luton Old Boys. Martin Collins, Nathan Prime and Kevin Lamb netting the home goals to replies from Levi Baikpon twice and Glodi Kweme. While Marston Shelton Rovers kicked off their season 5-0 home winners over Kempston Royals. Goals from Aaron Franks, Jim Burraway, Chris Patrickson, Simon Craddock and an own goal doing the damage.

### **Action Round-Up from Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> September**

Biggleswade United Reserves remain on top of the Premier Division supported by Sportsform table after they came from a goal down at half-time to win 5-1 at Riseley Sports. Liam Wales had given the home side the lead but it was to be a vastly different story in the second period when goals from Matthew McCartney, Joe Jordan, Jack Gabbitas, Byrn Williams and Daniel Bean saw United run the show to run out easy winners. Also making it three wins from three outings to trail United in the league table on goal difference only, were Campton 3-2 winners at Ickwell & Old Warden. Goals in the opening half from Lee Bilcock and Gary Ansell saw Campton lead 2-0 at the break and when Ansell added a third goal 10 minutes into the new half it looked all over. Alas someone forgot to tell home striker Steve Thomas who netted twice in the closing 20 minutes to see the sides only separated by a single goal at the final whistle.

Moving up into third slot are AFC Kempston Town 10-2 home winners over Westoning Recreation Club. A first half hat-trick from James Allen plus a penalty from Danny Pilgrim saw The Town lead 4-0 at the break, by which time The Rec Boys were down to 10men following the sending off of Robbie Faulkner in conceding the penalty just 18 minutes into the game. Then after the break two further goals from Pilgrim saw him complete his hat-trick alongside strikes from Tom Pitts and Justin Patterson to take Town 8-0 ahead. Goals then from George Hyde and Ian Buckingham reduced the scoreline to 8-2 until Town's Sundeep Gill netted a brace to bring up the double figure scoreline.

In fourth slot are reigning champions Caldecote who, in only their second outing of the season, won 6-2 at Blunham. Ahead via a goal from Paul Lawrence just three minutes into the contest they were to be pegged back by a strike from Elliot West to see the sides go in at the interval all square at 1-1. But Lawrence was to turn out to be the day's starman with two further goals early in the new period to claim his hat-trick and take his side 3-1 ahead. Matty McMahan then brought the scoreline back to 2-3 before a Leeroy Odd penalty; a fourth goal from Lawrence, plus a strike from Russell Kemp saw the champions home.

Elsewhere Dunton came up with their second home win of the week with a 2-0 victory over Southill Alexander. Tom McGhee slotting them ahead on 20 minutes whilst a Steve Snelling strike ten minutes from time wrapped up the points. Meltis Corinthians made their belated start to the season a winning one with a 2-1 home success over Sharnbrook. Dean Warren popping them in front after 20 minutes play only to see Rick Bulzic level matters ten minutes from the break before Kaylan Wilson came up with the Sweetboys winner 15 minutes from time.

Both of the other two top flight games of the day going to the away clubs. Oakley Sports with goals from Ben Brown and Jon Searle winning 2-1 at Wilshamstead whose reply came via Kevin Bulter. Whilst Renhold United were winners by the same scoreline at Woburn. Kane Alexander giving United a 25th minute lead which was to last just ten minutes before Nick Skolsky levelled matters for the home side until a Damon Quigley goal 20 minutes from time settled matters United's way.

### **Premier Division supported by Sportsform Table at 5<sup>th</sup> September 2009**

<b>16 Teams</b>	<b>Games Played</b>	<b>Games Won</b>	<b>Games Drawn</b>	<b>Games Lost</b>	<b>Goals For</b>	<b>Goals Against</b>	<b>Goal Difference</b>	<b>Points</b>
<a href="#">Biggleswade United Reserves</a>	3	3	0	0	9	1	+8	9
<a href="#">Campton</a>	3	3	0	0	8	5	+3	9
<a href="#">AFC Kempston Town</a>	3	2	0	1	15	6	+9	6
<a href="#">Caldecote</a>	2	2	0	0	10	3	+7	6
<a href="#">Dunton</a>	3	2	0	1	3	2	+1	6
<a href="#">Blunham</a>	3	1	1	1	12	10	+2	4
<a href="#">Southill Alexander</a>	3	1	0	2	6	4	+2	3
<a href="#">Meltis Corinthians</a>	1	1	0	0	2	1	+1	3
<a href="#">Oakley Sports</a>	2	1	0	1	4	4	+0	3
<a href="#">Sharnbrook</a>	3	1	0	2	5	6	-1	3
<a href="#">Woburn</a>	3	1	0	2	3	4	-1	3
<a href="#">Renhold United</a>	2	1	0	1	2	3	-1	3
<a href="#">Wilshamstead</a>	2	0	1	1	3	4	-1	1
<a href="#">Ickwell &amp; Old Warden</a>	2	0	0	2	2	8	-6	0
<a href="#">Riseley Sports</a>	3	0	0	3	3	12	-9	0
<a href="#">Westoning Recreation Club [Saturday]</a>	2	0	0	2	4	18	-14	0

Leighton United are the new leaders of the Division One table thanks to their 3-1 home victory over Flitwick Town. Goals from Simon Woolhead and Michael Porter plus a Darryl Smith penalty doing the damage against a Town reply from Ben Wallington. United taking over the top slot from Sandy who now drop down into third place after they were beaten 2-1 at Marston Social. Steve Holt shooting The Social ahead on 20 minutes until a strike from Ian Hammitt five minutes from the break levelled matters. Antony Deakin then hitting the home sides winner five minutes from time.

Jumping above Sandy into second spot are Bedford Sports Athletic despite being held to a 1-1 home draw by Stevington. Tom Housden netting the home goal and Eddie Haddow replying for the visitors. Still with a 100% record and in fourth slot are Henlow who in their second game of the campaign were 4-0 home winners over Kempston Hammers Sports. Andy Newton netting twice alongside Pete Saunders and Jo Fallano.

Following their heavy defeat at Sandy in midweek FC Meppershall came up with a big win of their own 8-1 at home over AFC Kempston Town Reserves. Both Tom Donovan and Jay Nice claiming hat-tricks alongside single goals for Craig Damon and Jamie McGregor whilst The Town reply came via Ed L'erario. Also recovering from a midweek defeat were Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves 4-3 winners at Campton Reserves. Lee Tetley hitting a brace plus Dean Elwart and Matthew Bruney finding the back of the net against a brace in reply from Dan Mabbot and a goal for Stef Collins making up the home total.



**FC Meppershall**

The days other two games in this section seeing Caldecote Reserves and Blunham Reserves share the spoils in a 1-1 draw, Jack Boyd netting for the home side and Jason Rainbow for the visitors. Meanwhile Kempston were 2-1 home winners over Meltis Albion. Goals from Jarvis Anderson and Dean Sturniolo doing the damage against an Albion penalty reply from Michael Butler five minutes from time.

### Division One Table at 5<sup>th</sup> September 2009

<b>16 Teams</b>	<b>Games Played</b>	<b>Games Won</b>	<b>Games Drawn</b>	<b>Games Lost</b>	<b>Goals For</b>	<b>Goals Against</b>	<b>Goal Difference</b>	<b>Points</b>
<a href="#">Leighton United</a>	3	3	0	0	10	5	+5	9
<a href="#">Bedford Sports Athletic</a>	3	2	1	0	7	3	+4	7
<a href="#">Sandy</a>	3	2	0	1	10	3	+7	6
<a href="#">Henlow</a>	2	2	0	0	5	0	+5	6
<a href="#">Marston Social</a>	2	2	0	0	5	1	+4	6
<a href="#">Flitwick Town</a>	3	2	0	1	4	3	+1	6
<a href="#">Caldecote Reserves</a>	3	1	1	1	5	2	+3	4
<a href="#">FC Meppershall</a>	3	1	1	1	11	11	+0	4
<a href="#">Campton Reserves</a>	3	1	0	2	7	6	+1	3
<a href="#">Kempston</a>	1	1	0	0	2	1	+1	3
<a href="#">Ickwell &amp; Old Warden Reserves</a>	3	1	0	2	7	9	-2	3
<a href="#">Blunham Reserves</a>	3	0	2	1	4	7	-3	2
<a href="#">Stevington</a>	3	0	1	2	3	6	-3	1
<a href="#">Meltis Albion</a>	2	0	0	2	1	6	-5	0
<a href="#">Kempston Hammers Sports</a>	2	0	0	2	0	5	-5	0
<a href="#">AFC Kempston Town Reserves</a>	3	0	0	3	2	15	-13	0

Leading the way at the head of the Division Two table are Potton Wanderers, yet things were not easy at Mill Lane where they run out 4-3 home winners over Marston Shelton Rovers. Two goals from James Hearson, an own goal and a Ricky Aris strike being just enough to secure the full three points over a Rovers side whose goals came via Mark Champkin, Antony Henman and Lee Dudley. For second spot and still 100% from their three outings, Bedford Hatters things were rather easier in a 7-0 away win at Luton Old Boys. Simon Pixley leading the way with a hat-trick, Scott Alleyne netting twice plus also on the scoresheet were Tom Redmond and Chris Fry.

Holding down third spot and still unbeaten for the season are Brache Sparta Community Reserves following a 7-4 home win over Shillington. Martin Collins netting twice alongside an own goal plus single strikes from Rossani Rafferto, Hagi Conteh, Dave Collins and Chris Littlejohn. The visitors replies coming via a Sam Larsen double strike plus Dean Larsen and Lewis Osbourne.

Meanwhile Great Barford were 3-2 home winners over Elstow Abbey. Dave McCarthy netting the only goal of the opening half for the visitors until strikes from Gary Russon and Jason Ames took Barford 2-1 ahead. Tim Smith then levelled matters before Luke Haverly came up with the home winner. It was also a case of coming from behind for Kempston Royals, likewise 3-2 home winners over Shefford Town. Adam Spoor had The Town ahead in the games opening minute but a second

half hat-trick from Lorenzo Jordan turned things around for The Royals before Simon Longman netted the second Town goal five minutes from time.

### Division Two Table at 5<sup>th</sup> September 2009

<b>15 Teams</b>	<b>Games Played</b>	<b>Games Won</b>	<b>Games Drawn</b>	<b>Games Lost</b>	<b>Goals For</b>	<b>Goals Against</b>	<b>Goal Difference</b>	<b>Points</b>
<a href="#">Potton Wanderers</a>	3	3	0	0	19	3	+16	9
<a href="#">Bedford Hatters</a>	3	3	0	0	15	1	+14	9
<a href="#">Brache Sparta Community Reserves</a>	3	2	1	0	14	9	+5	7
<a href="#">Arlesey Social Galacticos</a>	2	2	0	0	4	1	+3	6
<a href="#">Great Barford</a>	3	2	0	1	7	7	+0	6
<a href="#">Kempston Royals</a>	3	2	0	1	6	9	-3	6
<a href="#">Luton Old Boys [Saturday]</a>	3	1	1	1	9	13	-4	4
<a href="#">Marston Shelton Rovers</a>	2	1	0	1	8	4	+4	3
<a href="#">Shefford Town</a>	2	1	0	1	7	3	+4	3
<a href="#">Marabese Ceramics</a>	2	1	0	1	3	5	-2	3
<a href="#">Clifton</a>	2	0	0	2	2	5	-3	0
<a href="#">Harpur FC</a>	2	0	0	2	2	7	-5	0
<a href="#">Kings AFC</a>	2	0	0	2	3	9	-6	0
<a href="#">Shillington [Saturday]</a>	3	0	0	3	7	16	-9	0
<a href="#">Elstow Abbey 06</a>	3	0	0	3	3	17	-14	0

The Division Three season was to kick off with just a programme of four games, but with a eye opening 11-1 home win for Stopsley Park over Caldecote A. Rob Smith leading the way with an hat-trick, Stuart Lyons, Nathan Osbourne and Simon Richards all netting twice whilst there were single goals from Mike Buckmaster and Dean Abrahams. The Caldecote reply coming via Barry Croxon.

Elsewhere Lidlington United Sports started their season with a 3-0 home success over Wilshamstead Reserves. Two goals from Alex Burrows and a strike from Darren Sims doing the damage. Meanwhile the other two games were to fall the way of the visiting sides. Dunton Reserves with four goals from Andrew Spiers plus strikes from Steve Spiers and Leo Churms winning 6-4 at Renhold Village for whom Dan Luke struck twice plus Callum Stewart and Lloyd Chette. Whilst Queens Park Crescents were 3-1 winners at Westoning Recreation Club Reserves with goals from Shezad Satter, Mohammed Zahar and Hassan Yousuf against a home reply from Joe Rogers.

The Division Four season was to kick off with big wins for Sharnbrook Reserves and Sundon Park Rangers. For Sharnbrook it was a 8-0 home win over Bedford Park Rangers, Darren Wallinger with a hat-trick leading the way. Jamie Harris netted twice

plus there were single goals from Dan Gloss, Andrew Darnell and James Whitmore and for The Rangers it was a 9-2 away victory over Kempston Athletic. Earl Orru and Nicky Buttergeig netting twice alongside single goals for Matthew Conway, Chris Conway, Steve Farkns, Mark Bonner and Gordon Conway. The Athletic replies coming via a Gary Whitbread penalty plus Rob Booth.



### **Sundon Park Rangers FC**

Not far behind these two clubs were M&DH Oakley 6-1 winners at Flitwick Town Reserves. Nicola Mattia and Sean Cafferty netting twice alongside James Dean and Russell Beddall with The Town reply coming via Grant Tibbet. For Dinamo Flitwick it was a 3-2 home win over Stewartby Village. Goals from Ben Canning, Dean Meyes and Ernest Mayne doing the damage against replies from James Greenslade and Ben Sparks.

The days final game seeing Clifton Reserves and Thurleigh share the spoils in a 2-2 draw. Gareth Carter and Barrie Hallybone netting the home goals against replies from Stef Wilson and Scott Moses.

### **Preview for Saturday 12th September 2009**

Action in The Premier Division supported by Sportsform sees the game of the day come at Rectory Road, where current league leaders Biggleswade United Reserves travel to face second place and still 100% themselves from their opening three games Campton. For third place AFC Kempston Town its a trip on the road to Jubilee Playing Fields to face Wilshamstead who will enter their third home fixture of the campaign still looking for their first win of the season.



Over at Harvey Close, still 100% Caldecote will commence their seasons home programme with a visit from Oakley Sports, whilst also starting their home campaign will be Renhold United who entertain Dunton at their Playing Fields headquarters.

There are just three clubs left in the top flight still seeking their first point/points of the season, but that will all change when two of them meet at Greenfield Road where Westoning Recreation Club host the travelling Ickwell & Old Warden. Riseley Sports the third club making up the trio sit the afternoon out without a game.

The days other two top flight games seeing Blunham hit the road for Lodge Road and a meeting with Sharnbrook whilst Southill Alexander entertain Meltis Corinthians at The Carlsberg Stadium.

Division One action sees league leaders Leighton United hit the road for Cutler Hammer and a meeting with Kempston Hammers Sports who are yet to put a point on the board this season, whilst second place Bedford Sports Athletic also hit the road for a tough looking fixture at Steppingley Road against hosts Flitwick Town.

For third place Sandy its home local derby action at Bedford Road against Caldecote Reserves whilst near neighbours Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves are in home action on The Green against FC Meppershall. Meanwhile over at Miller Road, Meltis Albion will be seeking their first points of the season when they host Henlow, a comment that also applies to AFC Kempston Town Reserves who host 100% Marston Social at Hillgrounds.

The days other two games in this section seeing Blunham Reserves in home Moggerhanger Playing Field action against Kempston whilst Stevington receive a visit from Campton Reserves.

In Division Two both of the top two clubs are on the road, leaders Potton Wanderers heading for Digswell Playing Fields to face Shefford Town whilst Bedford Hatters are back down the A6 for a second weekend running to take on Brache Sparta Community Reserves at Dallow Road.

Over at The Warren, Elstow Abbey entertain Kings AFC where both clubs will be seeking their opening points of the campaign, a task that also applies to Clifton who travel to Chaul End Lane to face Luton Old Boys and Harpur FC who host Great Barford at The Bedford Sports & Hockey Centre.

Other games in this division coming at Groveside where Marabese Ceramics receive a visit from Kempston Royals whilst at Marston Playing Fields, Marston Shelton Rovers host Arlesey Social Galacitos.

Division Three action is restricted to just four games but those contest see all of the leading four sides in action. League leaders Stopsley Park Rangers in home action against Renhold Village whilst second place Lidlington United Sports will host Caldecote A at Hurst Grove.

The other two games coming at Horseshoes Close where third place Dunton Reserves will be in home action against a starting the season Riseley Sports Reserves and in

Mowsbury Park, the venue for fourth place Queens Park Crescents home fixture with Wilshamstead Reserves

In Division Four, its a trip on the road for the early season pace setters Sharnbrook Reserves who head to Hinksley Recreation Ground to face Dinamo Flitwick, whilst Sundon Park Rangers will commence their home season in Stockwood Park with a visit from Bedford Park Rangers.

Other action comes in Hillgrounds where Kempston Athletic host Thurleigh. At Stewartby Way, the venue for Stewartby Village home clash with Flitwick Town Reserves whilst perhaps the top game of the day in this section is the Oakley Playing Fields meeting between M&DH Oakley and visitors Eastcotts.

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