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Bedfordshire FA Inter-League Centenary Cup Final date set.

The Bedfordshire FA have announced that this seasons Bedfordshire FA Centenary Cup Final between The Bedfordshire County Football League and The North Home Counties Sunday Football League will take place on Wednesday 24th February 2010 at Cranfield United. Kick Off 7.45pm.

East Beds Charity Cup Semi-Final Draw 2009-10 season.

Dunton Reserves v Caldecote Reserves. Wednesday 31st March 2010.

Gamlingay United v Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves. Wednesday 7th April 2010.

Both games to be played at Second Meadow. Biggleswade United FC.

The Final will take place at Forde Park, Langford FC on Friday 23rd April 2010

Action Round-up from Saturday 13th February 2010

Premier Division supported by Sportsform

Blunham may have extended their unbeaten ways to 11 games, but their lead at the head of The Premier Division supported by Sportsform table is now down to goal difference after they were held to a 3-3 home draw by Southill Alexander. Mick Hutton was to give the league leaders an early lead before the visitors took over to race 3-1 in front, all thanks to an own goal plus a brace from Jason Lynch. Then when Elliot West missed a penalty for the home side, the visitors first win in eight league outings looked very much on the cards. However, West was to make full amends to save his side a point. First being on hand to net the rebound after Barry Ulyatt had become the second home player to fail from the penalty spot, before he came up with the equalizer just eight minutes from time.

For second place Ickwell & Old Warden, it was their ninth win on the bounce when Caldecote were defeated 2-1 on The Green. Ahead as early as the second minute, Gary Fil was to double the scoreline 20 minutes in, before an own goal 20 minutes from time set up a tense finish.

Biggleswade United are now up into fourth spot above Caldecote after they secured their third home win on the bounce, 2-1 over Wilshamstead. Tony Norman and Jack Gabbitas hitting the vital goals against a lone reply from Colin Marshall.

For Dunton, it was an end to their nine game losing run when they salvaged a point from a 2-2 draw with Campton. Nicky Threadgold shooting the home side ahead after 20 minutes, but with just a minute of the opening half left Barry Morris upended Andy Hayday in the box and Sam Larsen netted from the spot to level matters at 1-1. Larsen 10 minutes into the new period was to give his side the lead, before Morris turned from villain to hero when he headed home Dunton's equalizer 20 minutes from time.

The day's lone away win in the top section belonged to Sharnbrook, 4-2 winners at AFC Kempston Town. Ricky Bulzis on the scoresheet twice alongside strikes from Jack Hoogstraten and Chris Prior against home replies via Richard Lightfoot and Danny Pilgrim.

Top scorers of the day however were Woburn, 7-1 home winners over bottom of the table Westoning Recreation Club. It was The Rec Boys who took the lead via Ollie Summers until two goals from Martin Holland ensured it was the home side who lead 2-1 at the break. Holland was to complete his hat-trick in the second period as The Safari Boys, with a brace from Alex Otterway and goals from Ben and Jake Nicholls, romped away to the three points.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform Table at 13th February 2010.

14 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Blunham	16	11	3	2	50	26	+24	36
Ickwell & Old Warden	16	12	0	4	44	31	+13	36
Oakley Sports	13	10	0	3	34	21	+13	30
Biggleswade United Reserves	17	9	1	7	37	37	+0	28
Caldecote	17	8	3	6	38	26	+12	27
Renhold United	16	6	5	5	34	37	-3	23
Campton	16	7	1	8	36	36	+0	22
AFC Kempston Town	12	6	1	5	31	22	+9	19
Wilshamstead	12	5	3	4	31	22	+9	18
Sharnbrook	16	5	3	8	27	35	-8	18
Woburn	15	5	1	9	33	40	-7	16
Dunton	16	3	2	11	20	39	-19	11
Southill Alexander	13	2	4	7	25	33	-8	10
Westoning Recreation Club [Saturday]	15	2	1	12	28	63	-35	7

Division One

Flitwick Town's lead at the head of the Division One league table is now up to 12 points, after they took their winning ways to eight games with a 2-0 victory at FC Meppershall. Dean Warren with a header 12 minutes into the contest and a strike from Dean Conway 17 minutes into the second period winning the day.



Flitwick Town FC

Meanwhile, second place Meltis Albion were being held to a 2-2 draw at Caldecote Reserves. Jack Boyd and Mark Endersby netting for the home side against Albion replies via a Charlie Betts penalty and Daniel Wells.

Marston Social as a result, moved to within goal difference of Caldecote Reserves to maintain fifth spot in the league standings after they collected their fifth home win on the bounce 5-2 over Blunham Reserves. Two goals from Daniel Bullen plus strikes from Ashley Dean, Andy Deacon and Darren Rowlett only being replied to by Matthew Geaves and Carl Warner for the visitors, who have now lost all of their last five away games.

Also on the same number of points as Marston Social and in sixth place in the league table are Kempston, 2-1 home winners over AFC Kempston Town Reserves, Town going down to their seventh consecutive defeat. Alex Goosby and Ricky Prince netting the vital goals against a Town reply from Chris Mills.

Elsewhere, Bedford Sports Athletic returned to winning ways with a 7-4 home win over bottom of the table Kempston Hammers Sports. Jonathan Woolf netting twice alongside single strikes from John Reece, Ashley Mead, Paul Nigro, Tony McGovern

and Aaron Edwards for The Athletic against Hammers replies via Jimmy Grandidge, Sean Winconek, Martin Humphries and Steve Walker.

Also hitting seven goals were Sandy, 7-1 home winners over Stevington, to take their current winning ways to four games. Niko Stanchev grabbing a hat-trick and supported by single strikes from Phil Beal, Ian Hammett, Chris Baines and Craig Baker.

Campton Reserves meantime, were suffering their third home defeat in a row when beaten 4-1 by Henlow. Pete Saunders netting twice alongside Bryan Seago and Andy Newton against an own goal for the home side

Division One League Table at 13th February 2010.

16 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Flitwick Town	20	15	1	4	51	25	+26	46
Meltis Albion	18	10	4	4	39	28	+11	34
Leighton United	15	10	2	3	44	22	+22	32
Caldecote Reserves	17	9	3	5	44	31	+13	30
Marston Social	17	9	3	5	39	28	+11	30
Kempston	16	10	0	6	43	38	+5	30
Sandy	18	8	1	9	49	34	+15	25
Bedford Sports Athletic	18	7	4	7	46	43	+3	25
FC Meppershall	18	7	2	9	51	52	-1	23
Henlow	16	7	2	7	32	39	-7	23
Blunham Reserves	20	6	4	10	31	46	-15	22
AFC Kempston Town Reserves	17	5	2	10	25	48	-23	17
Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves	14	5	1	8	29	37	-8	16
Campton Reserves	19	5	1	13	37	57	-20	16
Stevington	18	4	3	11	35	58	-23	15
Kempston Hammers Sports	15	4	1	10	41	50	-9	13

Saturday, 05 September 2009: FC Meppershall v AFC Kempston Town Reserves - Away Win was awarded

Centenary Cup

Leighton United will now face a Semi-Final trip to Stevington in this seasons Centenary Cup after they netted a 5-0 home Quarter-Final win over Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves. Simon Woolhead, Kevin Hilton, Colin Moore, Asim Munir and Jake Forsythe the goalscorers.

Division Two

The top game of the day in this section saw fourth place Brache Sparta Community Reserves take their current unbeaten ways to five games by gaining a point from a 1-1 draw at fifth place Arleseey Social Galacticos. Graeme Leger netting for the home side against a Sparta reply from Jack Phillips.

Elsewhere, Harpur FC came up with their first away win of the season 3-1 at Great Barford. The defeat, the home sides fifth on the bounce, dropping them into second from bottom spot of the league table. Gary Pearson, Lee Meekin and Fabio Cataldo on the scoresheet for the visitors against a home reply from Luke Haverley.

Kings AFC, meanwhile were taking their unbeaten home ways to six games via a 3-3 home draw with Clifton. Lee Morgan, Oliver Plested and Andy Mayes on the mark for Kings against a Barry Hallybone brace and a goal for Lee Austin in reply.



Kings AFC

For Shillington, it was their seventh home defeat on the bounce when beaten 1-4 by Elstow Abbey. The Abbey now climb out of the relegation zone above both Great Barford and Clifton. Adam Flynn shooting them ahead after five minutes before for

the home side Matt Evens levelled matters 15 minutes later. Yet goals from Flynn on the half-hour mark and Dave McCarthy 10 minutes later took The Abbey 3-1 before McCarthy struck again 20 minutes into the new period to ensure the points were safe.

Division Two League Table at 13th February 2010

14 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Bedford Hatters	17	13	2	2	66	22	+44	41
Potton Wanderers	15	11	2	2	61	20	+41	35
Marston Shelton Rovers	16	10	4	2	55	24	+31	34
Brache Sparta Community Reserves	15	8	5	2	40	22	+18	29
Arlesey Social Galacticos	16	8	4	4	35	34	+1	28
Kings AFC	15	7	3	5	52	36	+16	24
Shefford Town	15	6	3	6	41	37	+4	21
Harpur FC	15	6	2	7	37	43	-6	20
Kempston Royals	17	5	3	9	29	46	-17	18
Marabese Ceramics	15	5	2	8	17	29	-12	17
Elstow Abbey 06	17	5	1	11	30	53	-23	16
Clifton	17	3	6	8	26	43	-17	15
Great Barford	18	4	2	12	27	55	-28	14
Shillington [Saturday]	14	0	1	13	22	74	-52	1

Division Three

The lone game in this section was to bring about a 4-4 draw between Caldecote A and Dunton Reserves. Ryan Ambrose twice plus Barry Croxon and Steve Bush finding the net for the home side against Dunton replies from John Fediw twice plus Tom Burton and Nicky Albone. Dunton Reserves now move up into third spot in the league table above Stopsley Park.

Division Three League Table at 13th February 2010

10 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Queens Park Crescents	10	8	2	0	42	11	+31	26
Lidlington United Sports	10	6	2	2	27	16	+11	20
Dunton Reserves	11	6	2	3	31	28	+3	20
Stopsley Park	11	5	4	2	41	28	+13	19
Renhold Village	11	5	2	4	36	29	+7	17
Caldecote 'A'	13	5	2	6	27	54	-27	17
Wilshamstead Reserves	11	4	0	7	32	27	+5	12
Westoning Recreation Club [Saturday] Reserves	9	3	2	4	17	21	-4	11
Riseley Sports Reserves	10	2	0	8	27	41	-14	6
Sandy Reserves	12	1	2	9	22	47	-25	5

Division Four

For league leaders Sundon Park Rangers, it was only a share of the spoils when held to a 1-1 draw at Flitwick Town Reserves. Steve Farkas netting the goal to take The Rangers unbeaten ways up to six games against a Town reply from Grant Tibbett.

Having lost their last eight games, it was a red letter day for bottom of the table Bedford Park Rangers as they came up with a 2-1 home win over Stewartby Village. Richard Patterson shooting The Rangers in front after 35 minutes only to see Gareth O'Brien level matters just a minute before the break. Rangers then won the points when Jimmy Jacob converted a late penalty.

Clifton Reserves meanwhile were holding onto their season's unbeaten home record with a 4-2 win over M& DH Oakley. Dave Dice with a brace plus goals from Greg and Barry King doing the damage against replies from Nicolo Mattin and Dan Lupton.

The final game of the day in this section seeing Thurleigh run out 5-4 winners at Dinamo Flitwick. Steve Pledge, Dan Newton, Sam Queeley, Ben Stock plus an own goal doing the damage against home replies from Ben Canning, Nick Stanton, Dan Myers and Kerion Bunyan.

Division Four League Table at 13th February 2010.

11 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Sundon Park Rangers [Saturday]	15	10	3	2	68	21	+47	33
Sharnbrook Reserves	12	9	1	2	44	12	+32	28
M & DH Oakley	13	8	0	5	38	22	+16	24
Flitwick Town Reserves	13	7	1	5	38	43	-5	22
Dinamo Flitwick	14	6	2	6	38	30	+8	20
Thurleigh	13	6	2	5	35	33	+2	20
Eastcotts	12	5	2	5	29	26	+3	17
Clifton Reserves	11	5	1	5	33	30	+3	16
Stewartby Village	12	4	0	8	29	37	-8	12
Kempston Athletic	10	2	0	8	24	55	-31	6
Bedford Park Rangers	15	2	0	13	17	84	-67	6

Bedfordshire FA Junior Cup Quarter-Finals

This seasons Bedfordshire FA Junior Cup Final we now know will be an all Bedfordshire County Football League affair after today's Quarter-Final ties. Potton Wanderers, thanks to goals from Jessie Mayo, Sam Worthington and Antony Schurek seeing off the last of The Luton District and South Beds League clubs, Christians in Sport, with a 3-2 away win. Whilst Renhold Village run out 3-2 home extra time winners over North Bucks League outfit Heath Panthers United, Micheal Luke, Carl Townsend and Pete Neal netting the vital goals.

Elsewhere, Bedford Hatters with goals from Tom Redmond, Richard Cook and Chris Fry were 3-0 home winners over Queens Park Crescents and Marston Shelton Rovers came away from Marabese Ceramics 4-2 victors. Strikes from Xennon Paul, Jim Burraway, Chris Patrickson plus a Lee Dudley penalty only replied to by home goals from Gary Bottezzi and Denver Donaldson.

Watson Shield

In Group One action, Riseley Sports have left themselves an uphill battle to fight if they are to make it into the last 16 after being defeated 2-5 at home by Stopsley Park. Jack O'Shea with a hat-trick and Andy Randell a brace, the Park marksmen against home replies from Mark Weekley and Phil Taylor.

Watson Shield Group One Table at 13th February 2010

3 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Dinamo Flitwick	3	2	0	1	8	6	+2	6
Stopsley Park	4	2	0	2	10	10	+0	6
Riseley Sports Reserves	3	1	0	2	6	8	-2	3

In Group Three, Kempston Athletic bid farewell to The Shield for another season when beaten 1-0 at Sharnbrook Reserves. Darren Wallinger netting the lone goal in the 90th minute.

Watson Shield Group Three Table at 13th February 2010

3 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Sharnbrook Reserves	4	4	0	0	11	3	+8	12
Caldecote 'A'	4	1	1	2	7	9	-2	4
Kempston Athletic	4	0	1	3	6	12	-6	1

In Group Five, Wilshamstead Reserves took a big step forward towards a place in the last 16 by winning 3-2 at Westoning Recreation Club Reserves. Rob Tebbut, Mark Kelly and Ross Zeltabrohov netting the vital goals against Rec Boys replies from Ian Cooksley and Dan Channon.

Watson Shield Group Five Table at 13th February 2010

3 Teams	Games Played	Games Won	Games Drawn	Games Lost	Goals For	Goals Against	Goal Difference	Points
Wilshamstead Reserves	3	2	0	1	6	5	+1	6
Sundon Park Rangers [Saturday]	2	1	0	1	6	4	+2	3
Westoning Recreation Club [Saturday] Reserves	3	1	0	2	7	10	-3	3

Preview for Saturday 20th February 2010.

Action in The Premier Division supported by Sportsform this weekend sees the match of the day taking place at Moggerhanger Playing Fields..Where league leaders

Blunham look to extend their current unbeaten run to 12 games when third place Oakley Sports come visiting. Oakley travelling in search of their eighth away win on the bounce to stretch their current winning ways to seven games and if successful, blow the championship title contest wide open.

For Ickwell & Old Warden, who only trail the leaders on goal difference:..It's a trip on the road to Lodge Road to face hosts Sharnbrook, the men from The Green seeking their sixth away win on the bounce to take their current winning ways to 10 games.

Derby action is on the menu at Harvey Close, the venue at which Caldecote entertain a Biggleswade United Reserves outfit that has only won once on it's last six trips away from Second Meadow to slip off the pace in the championship race.

Over at Rectory Road, Campton host Renhold United, just 14 days after removing them from The Britannia Cup at the same venue.Whilst at the bottom end of the league table. The big game of the day takes place at The Carlsberg Stadium, where Southill Alexander who have just one home win to their name all season host local rivals Dunton.The visitors travelling having lost all of their last six away games.

Other action comes at Greenfield Road, where bottom of the table Westoning Recreation Club go into home action against AFC Kempston Town. The Town with just one away defeat from their last four outings away from Hillgrounds, suggesting they will travel confident of collecting the three points on offer.

Elsewhere, the final top flight action comes at Jubilee Playing Fields, where Wilshamstead, now unbeaten in their last four home games host Woburn who travel in pursuit of only their third away win of the season.

In Division One for league leaders Flitwick Town, it's home Steppingley Road action against fellow title contenders Meltis Albion.Town looking for their seventh home win on the bounce, whilst The Albion travel unbeaten on the road since losing at Blunham Reserves back in late September.

For fellow title contenders, Leighton United, it's a return to league action at Stanbridge Road, where having been beaten just once on home soil this campaign they will be expected to collect the full three points against the visiting FC Meppershall.

Elsewhere, if Marston Social are to stay in the promotion race, the need of finding some away form is paramount. Social travelling now without a away win in six outings to Bedford Road Recreation Ground to face a returning to form Sandy.

The need of picking up points on the road to stay in the promotion race also applies to Kempston. They journey to The Green to face an Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves side, who themselves are in need of points to stay out of the relegation zone at the other end of the table.

Meanwhile, Caldecote Reserves are hitting the road with just one away victory from their last four outings to be improved upon at Stevenyton. Whilst over at Hillgrounds.

AFC Kempston Town Reserves now without a win in seven outings entertain in form Henlow.

The day's other action in this section coming at Cople Playing Fields, where Bedford Sports Athletic host Campton Reserves and at Cutler Hammer, the venue for bottom of the table Kempston Hammers Sports home clash with Blunham Reserves, who journey having lost their last five away games.

Division Two action sees league leaders Bedford Hatters on the road to The Warren to face Elstow Abbey. The Hatters looking to retain their season's unbeaten away ways against an Abbey side that has won just three times on home soil all season.

For second place Potton Wanderers, it's also a trip on the road, heading to Hillgrounds to face Kempston Royals, who like The Abbey have won just three times on home soil in league action this campaign.

Marston Shelton Rovers, currently holding down third slot, also journey looking to take their unbeaten away ways to seven games at Arlesey Recreation Ground against fellow promotion candidates Arlesey Social Galacticos.

Still very much in the promotion race are Brache Sparta Community Reserves, who will have home advantage at Dallow Road when visited by Harpur FC. The Sparta still unbeaten on home soil this season firm favourites to collect the three points against a Harpur side that only won once on the road this season in league action.

For Marabese Ceramics, it's home Groveside action against Great Barford. The home side without a league win in their last three outings, whilst the visitors journey having lost there last four away games.

Over at Greenfields, bottom of the table Shillington, look for league win number one of the season when they host Clifton in local derby action. The visitors travelling seeking their third away win on the bounce.

The day's final action in this Division coming at Digswell Playing Fields, where Shefford Town entertain Kings AFC.

Division Three league action is reduced to just a programme of three games. However both of the top two clubs in the league table will be in action. League leaders, Queens Park Crescents who still hold down a 100% away record for the season heading to Renhold Playing Fields to face Renhold Village. Whilst second place Lidlington United Sports also hit the road, travelling to Hillgrounds to face Wilshamstead Reserves seeking to take there unbeaten league ways to six games.

The third and final game coming at Harvey Close, where Caldecote A will be in home action against Stopsley Park, the visitors travelling still unbeaten on the road in league action this season.

In Division Four, it's a programme of just two games. At Whiston Crescent, Clifton Reserves defend their seasons home unbeaten record when Kempston Athletic come calling and at Keysoe Road, the venue for Thurleigh home encounter with Flitwick

Town Reserves. The visitors will be looking for league away win number five on the bounce against a host side that as lost just once on home soil all season.

For other clubs, it's action in another series of Watson Shield Group matches. In Group One, Riseley Sports Reserves host Dinamo Flitwick at Gold Street, knowing only a win will see them into the last 16. Whilst in Group Two, Dunton Reserves require to just avoid a really heavy defeat to make it into the last 16 knock-out stage when they host Bedford Park Rangers at Horseshoes Close.

In Group Four, M& DH Oakley are already assured of top spot in the group host Eastcotts. The visitors travelling knowing only a six goal win or greater will see them gain an automatic last 16 place, but a win of any kind could well see them qualify as one of the best placed third clubs.

The final action coming in Group Five at Steppingley Road, the venue for Westoning Recreation Club Reserves home encounter with Sundon Park Rangers. The hosts knowing that a victory is required for them to obtain an automatic last 16 spot.

Following on from the weekend action, The Bedfordshire County Football League Representative side will be in action on Wednesday 24th February when they play The North Herts County Sunday Football League in the final of this seasons Bedfordshire FA Inter-League Centenary Cup at Cranfield United FC, Kick Off 7.45pm.