

Bedfordshire County **Football League**



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Ground Hoppers enjoy their day at Rectory Road

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The Wavendonian and I arrived at Campton Playing Field to be greeted by a giant salivating bull mastiff. Canine aside, this was yet another quality tick in what is turning out to be a belter of a season. The home side committee and supporters were most amiable and also informative in matters regarding the club such as where Shefford will play next season (a new venue near the doctors surgery, Hitchin Rd). On site the little wooden shack which houses the dressing rooms also had a teabar, which was most welcome on a foggy and slightly nippy afternoon. There is a small patch of hard standing outside the hut with a couple of benches scattered around. The playing field being carparkless and set back from the main road has an enclosed feel.

Shefford routed Dunton in the first half, score at the interval was 7-1 and could have been more. Much more even play in the second period. Rounded off with as promised a second visit to the Golden Well, Henlow Camp but details belong on a good fast food forum.

Posted on The Tony Kempster Website on Monday 22nd November 2010.

Travellers Tales Reports on the plight of our Treasurer

Finally, some bad news recently for the Bedfordshire County League treasurer and vice chairman Barry Watson, who is also an avid Spurs fan. He tells me that he recently logged onto the Spurs website under his name, B.T Watson only for it to deny him access because his name contained an offensive word! Look at it again. **B.T. Watson!** See yer.

Four Leagues Trophy Defeat for The Bedfordshire County Football League

The Bedfordshire County Football League last Wednesday evening failed to clinch the point that would have seen them lift the delayed 2009-10 Four Leagues Trophy when beaten 4-0 at Wellingborough FC by The Northants Combination League.

A goal ahead in the 16th minute via Glen Turner, the hosts then had a glorious chance to double their lead nine minutes later when County goalkeeper Barry Ulyatt hauled down Paul Simpson in the box to concede a penalty, however home player Marcus Edge skied the resulting spot kick over the crossbar.

Simpson was to however gain his revenge in the period of time added on at the end of the opening half when he struck twice from close range to race the hosts 3-0 ahead at the break.

The final goal arriving 20 minutes from time from a now redeemed Edge.

With the Peterborough & District League having beaten The Northampton Town League 24 hours by a 2-0 scoreline, the Combination Boys now just need to win their final fixture against The Northampton Town League on Tuesday 7th December at Cogenhoe to lift the trophy on goal difference ahead of The Bedfordshire County Football.

Team. Barry Ulyatt, Blunham. Daniel Webb, Shefford Town & Campton. Raskesh Gill, Ollie Housden, Renhold United. Neville Allen, Blunham, Alex Woolston, Jason Allison, Tim Gill, Sheldon Washington, James Allen, Renhold United. Adam Larsen, Shefford Town & Campton. Substitutes Used. Tumain Dallas, Oakley Sports. Dean Warren, Flitwick Town and Kai Griffiths-Shilton, Caldecote.

League Table at Wednesday 24th November 2010

POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Bedfordshire County Football League	6	4	0	2	6	6	0	12
2	Northants Combinaton	5	3	0	2	12	9	3	9
3	Northampton Town Football League	5	2	0	3	6	7	-1	6
4	Peterborough & District Football League	6	2	0	4	7	9	-2	6

Action Round-Up from Saturday 26th November 2010

Premier Division Supported by Sportsform

In the one game that was to survive the weather, Renhold United took themselves to the top of the Premier Division supported by Sportsform league table with a 3-2 home win over bottom of the table Biggleswade United Reserves. It was however far from plain sailing for the new league leaders. After Alex Woolston had given the home side the lead, goals from Lucas Banton and Damien Curtis had the visitors ahead 2-1 by the half-time break, until in the second period Woolston levelled matters up at 2-2 and substitute Tommy Foyle hit the winner 15 minutes from time.

Premier Division supported by Sportsform League Table at 27th November 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

Division One

Just like in the top division just one game beat the weather, that game came at Hillgrounds where Meltis Albion ran out 2-0 away winners over FC Meppershall to end their hosts seven game unbeaten run. Daniel Wells shooting The Albion ahead just two minutes into the contest before he doubled the scoreline just a minute into the second period.

Division One League Table at 27th November 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

Division Two

Division Two action was to see three games commence but just two finish. The game that failed to finish came at Groveside where hosts Marabese Ceramics with a goal

from Darren Payne after nine minutes were leading local rivals Clifton 1-0 until referee Matt Slater abandoned the contest just 10 minutes into the second half due to the deteriorating frozen conditions.

It was however a much better day for Queens Park Crescent as they returned to the top of the Division Two league table thanks to a 6-3 home victory over Stevington. The visitors prior to the start of the game were yet to gain a point on the road this season took the lead via Darren King, but by the half-time break they trailed 4-1, Ayaz Hussain netting twice alongside Shezed Satter and Hassen Yousef. In the new period Hussain completed his hat-trick and Iram Khan also added to the home scoreline against replies via an own goal and Clinton Tatham.

For Kings AFC it was a first home win of the season with a 4-2 home victory over a Liddington United Sports side that has failed to win on the road in its last seven outings. Rowan Hazelwood with a hat-trick plus Josh Clements doing the damage against replies from Keiren Wills and Darren Sims.

Division Two League Table at 27th November 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	Liddington 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

Division Three and Four

All 13 games were postponed due to the frozen state of the grounds.

Preview Saturday 4th December 2010

Premier Division supported by Sportsform action this weekend sees the top game taking place at Harvey Close. Fourth place Caldecote beaten just once on home soil all season taking on second place Wilshamstead who have won their last four away outings in the process of building up a 10 game unbeaten run.

For the new league leaders Renhold United, also beaten just once on home soil this term, one would expect that record to be maintained when an Oakley Sports side

without a win in their last five outings come calling to their Playing Field Headquarters.

Its local derby action at Second Meadow where bottom of the table hosts Biggleswade United Reserves look to end a four game losing run against a Southill Alexander team who are yet to win on the road this season.

Over at Hillgrounds, AFC Kempston Town will be in search of home win number one of the campaign against fifth place Shefford Town & Campton, the visitors will arrive now unbeaten in their last seven outings the firm favourites for the points.

Elsewhere, looking for their first away win of the season will be Arlesey Town Reserves, they travel to Horseshoes Close to face a Dunton outfit that has only won two of its five home outings so far this season.

Whilst action at Steppingley Road sees Flitwick Town now without a win from their last three games take on local rivals Woburn. The Safari Boys having won just once on the road this season perhaps second favourites for the points.

The final top flight action coming at Stanbridge Road, where Leighton United are taking on Sharnbrook, United, perhaps the favourites to gain the spoils.

This weekend will now see last weekends postponed games in The Bedfordshire FA Intermediate Cup taking place. 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 Division One, Its local derby action on The Green between hosts Ickwell & Old Warden Reserves and their visitors Blunham Reserves. The hosts in search of their first home win of the campaign against a Blunham side that has so far won just once on the road this season.

Fairing much better on home soil this season are Sandy, they go into Bedford Road Recreation Ground action seeking their third home win on the bounce against FC Meppershall. It will be no easy task as the visitors are unbeaten in their last five away outings.

Over at Foxell Recreation Ground, its home action for Brache Sparta Community Reserves against AFC Kempston Town Reserves. Sparta in search of their first win in seven games, whilst The Town are without a win from their last three games.

Whilst just down the road at Chaul End Lane, bottom of the table Luton Old Boys host Caldecote Reserves. The hosts looking to end a four game losing run against their visitors who are now on a five game losing run.

The final action in this section comes at Groveside, where Henlow who have been beaten just once on home soil this season face a Meltis Albion side that won its first away game of the season just last weekend at FC Meppershall.

The Division Two league programme is restricted to just five games. At Arlesey Recreation Ground, Arlesey Social Galacticos will be defending their seasons unbeaten home ways against a Stevington side that is still to win on the road this season. Whilst defending their 100% home ways for the season will be Great Barford when they are paid a visit by a Marabese Ceramics outfit that is now unbeaten in its last three away outings.

Over at Hurst Grove, Lidlington United Sports 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 league leaders.

Whilst at Greenfield Road, hosts Westoning Recreation Club entertain Harpur FC as they seek their first win on home soil since Mid-September.

The final action comes at Rectory Road between Shefford Town & Campton Reserves and Stopsley Park, the hosts in search of their first win in seven outings against a Park side that has lost its last three away games.

There are just two games to the Division Three programme, at Gold Street, hosts Riseley Sports look for just their second home win of the season against a Dunton Reserves side that has lost its last three trips away from Horseshoes Close. Whilst at Solway Road North, promotion hopefuls Co-op Sports will be in home action against Flitwick Town Reserves.

The Division Four league programme is also one of just two games. Mowsbury Park being the venue where Bedford Park Rangers entertain Sandy Reserves, the hosts looking for their first win in five outings against a Sandy side that has lost its last four away games.

The other action comes at Keysoe Road between Thurleigh and Dinamo Flitwick. Second place Thurleigh defending their seasons 100% home record against a Dinamo outfit who will arrive on a six game unbeaten run.

For the remainder of the lower division sides, its action in either the Bedfordshire FA Junior Cup Round Three or the opening round of this seasons Watson Shield. In the Junior Cup action, 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 Christian 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.

On the Watson Shield front, the tie of the round comes in Stockwood Park between hosts Sundon Park Rangers and their visitors Sharnbrook Reserves.Both teams are flying high in the division three promotion stakes and with home advantage the Rangers will fancy their chances of avenging a league defeat at Lodge Road earlier in the season.

All division four action takes place in Hillgrounds,Kempston Athletic hosting Stewartby Village. When the sides met in league action at the same venue in mid-October the honours were shared and one can see this tie being another close encounter.

Of the other four ties, division four sides have the chance to put one over their opposition from division three.Enjoying home advantage will be Clifton Reserves at Whiston Crescent against Westoning Recreation Club Reserves and Eastcotts in Hillgrounds when they host Wilshamstead Reserves.

Other Hillgrounds action sees division three Royal Oak Kempston facing Goldington Hammers, whilst the other lower division side to travel are Wootton Village, they head to Digswell Playing Fields and a meeting with Shefford Town & Campton A.