

# RISELEY SPORTS



## BARTON ROVERS RESERVES



Bedfordshire County League  
Premier Division 2022-23

Saturday 8th April, 2023

Kick off 2.30pm

Official Matchday Programme



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# BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY LEAGUE ROUND-UP

**Riseley Sports stole the headlines with a thumping 6-1 away win against Stotfold Development in the Bedfordshire County League Premier Division last weekend.**

The hero of the hour was Lewis Donald with a hat-trick while Sonny Newton-Cootes weighed in with two goals with the other coming from James Jermyn.

The other Premier Division clash saw Biggleswade United Reserves defeat Queens Park Crescents 4-2 with Frelas Meneambolo netting twice with the other goals coming from Bradley Heaps and Lewis Dogweed while Mohammed Ahmed scored twice for the Bedford side.

In the Britannia Cup, AFC Oakley progressed to the second round with a 4-3 away win at Flitwick Town where David Groom netted twice. The other scorers were Lawrence Bentham and Ashbel Mensah.

The Town replies came from Martin Byrne, Dan Stafford and Reece Smith.

Bradley Raines steered Sharnbrook to the Britannia Cup semi-finals with a goal to ensure a 1-0 victory at Cranfield United.

Elstow Abbey have also reached the semi-final stage after an emphatic 6-1 victory over AFC Kempston Town Hammers.

Scott Alleyne weighed in with a hat-trick while the other goals came from Justin Newman, Steve Gentle and Ali Mohiyaldeen. The only Hammers response came from Joel Simpson.

Caldecote knocked out last season's Britannia Cup winners Biggleswade FC Reserves on kicks from the penalty spot after the tie ended in a 3-3 deadlock.

Guiseppe Follano scored twice for Caldecote with the other effort coming from Joseph Turbidity. Joe Worboys netted twice for FC Reserves while Oliver Thomas was also on target.

## BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION 2022-23

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	P	W	D	L	GD	Pts
Elstow Abbey .....	20	16	4	0	46	52
Cranfield United.....	22	15	4	3	36	49
Biggleswade FC Res...	23	14	3	6	25	45
Stotfold Development..	23	13	2	8	23	41
Crawley Green Res.....	19	12	4	3	31	40
AFC Oakley .....	22	11	3	8	16	36
Shefford TC Res.....	24	11	3	10	8	36
Caldecote .....	22	11	2	9	9	35
Sharnbrook.....	21	10	4	7	23	34
<b>Riseley Sports.....</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>32</b>
Flitwick Town .....	22	7	2	13	-27	23
Queens Park Cres.....	20	6	4	8	-16	22
Biggleswade Utd Res..	22	5	4	13	-36	19
Marston Shelton Rov*..	23	4	4	15	-22	12
AFC Kempston TH .....	23	3	1	19	-64	10
Barton Rovers* .....	21	2	2	16	-52	8

**As at 6th April**      \* Points Adjustment

## FIXTURES

**Saturday 8th April**

**League**

Caldecote v Cranfield United  
Marston Shelton Rovers v Shefford TC Reserves  
Elstow Abbey v Crawley Green Reserves  
Queens Park Cres v Biggleswade FC Reserves  
Riseley Sports v Barton Rovers Reserves  
Biggleswade Utd Reserves v Sharnbrook

**Britannia Cup**

Stotfold Development v AFC Oakley

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# FROM THE MANAGER

Welcome to Barton Rovers Reserves for this Bedfordshire County League Division One match along with the referee Martin Darlow.

An up and down few games since we were last at home where we suffered a 3-0 defeat against a strong Biggleswade FC Reserves side. We then travelled to local rivals AFC Oakley, a team against whom we seem to always put in a very good performance but still come away disappointed and unfortunately history repeated itself as we narrowly lost 1-0.

It was a game that was very much there for the taking and missed opportunities cost us dear. This, then in turn, made last week's game away to Stotfold Development look like a daunting prospect. We went down 3-0 against them recently and they were fourth in the table, unbeaten in ten games. The game started in a sloppy way for us conceding after only three minutes and looking like it might be a difficult afternoon for us. But three minutes later we were level through Sonny Newton-Cootes after a great ball from the returning, just for one game, centre-back Dom Loadman.

This instantly changed the mood of everyone and 20 minutes later we took the lead through another goal from Sonny. The momentum was with us and a brilliant hat-trick from Lewis Donald and a goal from James Jermyn along with a solid and well-organised defence performance saw us inflict Stotfold's heaviest defeat of the season by a 6-1 margin. and it really could and probably should have been more. And as a **Stop Press** we held our nerve for a 3-2 away win at Biggleswade United Reserves on Wednesday.

**James Woolf**



## Riseley Sports Officials

**President:** Nigel Gell  
**Vice President:** Andrew Clifton  
**Chairman:** David Balderstone  
**Club Secretary:** Andrew Groom  
**Treasurer:** Andrew Gell  
**Manager:** James Woolf  
**Assistant Manager:** Paul Kane  
**Kit Manager:** Sam Langley  
**Committee Members:** David Balderstone, Andrew Gell, Andrew Groom, Paul Kane, James Cooke, Jordan Harris, James Woolf, Nigel Rees, Paul Brown, John Cappa.

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# FIRST TEAM FIXTURES

## 2022-23 SEASON

FIX	DATE	OPPOSITION	COMP	KO/RES	POS	1	2	3	4	5
M1	Sep 03	<b>Elstow Abbey</b>	BCL	2-2	-	Lewin	J.Harris	Harrison	Healy <sup>1</sup>	Ball
M2	Sep 24	Marston Shelton Rovers	BCL	1-1		Lewin	Davey	Harrison	Hislop	Knight
M3	Oct 01	Caldecote	BCL	2-3		Lewin	J.Harris	Prior	Willett	Bunday
M4	Oct 08	<b>Flitwick Town</b>	BCL	2-2	-	Lewin	JHarris	Willett	Hislop	Bunday
M5	Oct 15	Sharnbrook	BCL	0-5		Lewin	JHarris	Willett	Hislop	Bunday
M6	Oct 22	<b>Shefford T Camp Res</b>	BCL	1-2	15	Lewin	Harrison	Prior	Hislop	Bunday
M7	Oct 29	<b>Flitwick Town</b>	CST	3-4	-	Lewin	Harrison <sup>1</sup>	Prior	Hislop	JHarris
M8	Nov 05	AFC Kempston TH	BCL	7-1	14	Lewin	Blayney	Prior	Hislop	Bunday <sup>1</sup>
M9	Nov 12	<b>AFC Oakley</b>	BCL	0-4	15	Lewin	Jermyn	Prior	Hislop	Bunday
M10	Nov 19	Barton Rovers Res	BCL	2-1	13	Lewin	Blayney	JHarris	Hislop	Knight
M11	Nov 26	Biggleswade FC Res	BCL	2-2	13	Lewin	Bennett	JHarris	Hislop	Knight
M12	Dec 03	<b>Biggleswade Utd Res</b>	BCL	3-1	12	Lucas	Healy	JHarris	Hislop	Knight
M13	Jan 14	Flitwick Town	BCL	4-3	12	Hislop	Healy	JHarris	Bunday	Knight
M14	Jan 28	Shefford TC Res	BCL	3-0	10	Hislop	Marler	JHarris	Bunday	Knight
M15	Feb 04	<b>Caldecote</b>	BCL	3-1	8	Hislop	Marler	JHarris	Bunday	Knight
M16	Feb 11	<b>Stotfold Development</b>	BCL	0-3	10	Seuke	Willett	JHarris	Hislop	Knight
M17	Feb 18	<b>Queens Park Crescents</b>	BCL	1-2	10	Lewin	Willett <sup>1</sup>	Prior	Hislop	Knight
M18	Feb 25	<b>Sharnbrook</b>	BCL	1-0	10	Hislop	Blayney <sup>1</sup>	Prior	Cooper	Knight
M19	Mar 04	Cranfield United	BCL	0-3	10	Lewin	Darlow	Cooper	Lourenco	Hislop
M20	Mar 11	<b>AFC Kempston TH</b>	BCL	3-3	10	Hislop	Blayney	Cooper	Poole	Knight
M21	Mar 18	<b>Biggleswade FC Res</b>	BCL	0-3	10	Lewin	Darlow	J. Harris	Willett	Hislop
M22	Mar 25	AFC Oakley	BCL	0-1	10	Lewin	Bennett	Knight	Keech	Hislop
M23	Apr 01	Stotfold Development	BCL	6-1	10	Lewin	Bennett	Loadman	Willett	Marler
M24	Apr 12	Biggleswade United Res	BCL	3-2	10					
M	Apr 08	<b>Barton Rovers Res</b>	BCL	2.30						
M	Apr 10	<b>Marston Shelton Rovers</b>	BCL	2.30						
M	Apr 15	<b>Crawley Green Reserves</b>	BCL	2.30						
M	Apr 19	Queens Park Crescents	BCL	6.15						
M	Apr 22	Crawley Green Reserves	BCL	2.30						
M	Apr 29	<b>Cranfield United</b>	BCL	2.30						
M	May 06	Elstow Abbey	BCL	2.30						

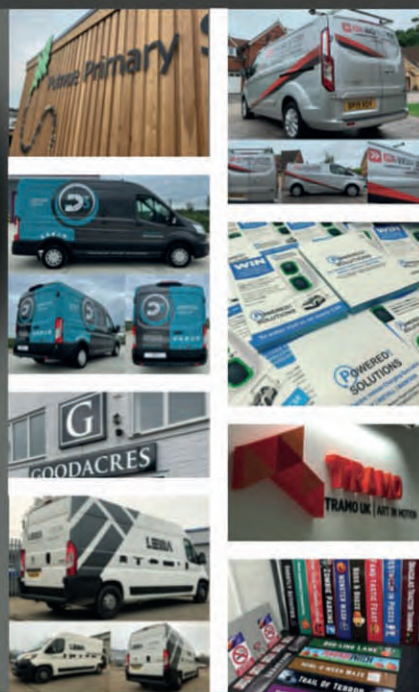
## COMMUNITY NEWS

**A Spring Concert takes place at Bletsoe Village Hall on Sunday 16th April at 3pm. A variety of groups and a soloist. Entry £3.**



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**(1,2) - GOALS SCORED**

\* First Sub; + Second Sub; ^ Third Sub; ! Fourth Sub; = Fifth Sub

6	7	8	9	10	11	S	S	S	FIX
Bunday	OCrook	MCrook	Keech	N-Cootes <sup>1</sup>	Donald	Cooke, Jermyn, Taylor			M1
Marler	Bennett	M.Crook	Keech	N-Cootes	Donald <sup>1</sup>	Cooke, King			M2
Marler	Bennett	M.Crook	Keech	N-Cootes <sup>1</sup>	Donal <sup>#</sup>	Cooke Hislop <sup>1</sup> Simmons			M3
Marler <sup>1</sup>	M.Crook	N-Cootes <sup>1</sup>	Cooke	Keech	Donald	Healy Jermyn Simmons			M4
Marler	Healy	N-Cootes	Cooke	Keech	Donald	MCrook Knight King ermyn Simmons			M5
Marler	Jermyn	N-Cootes	Keech	Simmons	Donald <sup>1</sup>	Blayney, Cooke, JHarris			M6
Blayney	Jermyn	MCrook <sup>1</sup>	Keech	Simmons	Donald	Bunday Cooke King Knight			M7
Marler	N-Cootes <sup>1</sup>	MCrook <sup>1</sup>	Keech	Simmons	Donald <sup>1</sup>	Cooke <sup>1</sup> JHarris Knight Willett <sup>2</sup>			M8
Marler	N-Cootes	MCrook	Keech	Cooke	Donald	JHarris Lucas Simmons Taylor Willett			M9
Marler	N-Cootes	MCrook	Keech	Cooke	Simmons	Bennett Lucas Taylor Willett <sup>2</sup>			M10
Simmons	N-Cootes	MCrook	Keech	Taylor <sup>1</sup>	Willett <sup>1</sup>	Bunday, O.Crook, Donald, Jermyn			M11
Simmons	N-Cootes <sup>1</sup>	MCrook	Keech	Taylor <sup>1</sup>	Willett <sup>1</sup>	Bunday, Cooke, Cooper, Donald, King			M12
Simmons	N-Cootes <sup>1</sup>	MCrook <sup>1</sup>	Keech	Taylor <sup>2</sup>	Donald	Bennett, Blayney, Cooke, Marler			M13
Simmons	N-Cootes	MCrook	Keech	Taylor <sup>1</sup>	Donald	Cooke, N.Crook, Willett <sup>1</sup>			M14
Simmons	N-Cootes <sup>2</sup>	MCrook <sup>1</sup>	Keech	Taylor	Donald	Bolton, Carbonero			M15
Simmons	N-Cootes	MCrook	Keech	Cooke	Donald	Cooper, Carbonero			M16
Bunday	Simmons	MCrook	Cooke	Marler	Donald	N.Crook, JHarris, Poole			M17
JHarris	Simmons	Keech	Cooke	Marler	Donald	Bolton, Bunday, MCrook			M18
JHarris	Simmons	Keech	Cooke	M.Crook	Bennett	N.Crook, Carter			M19
JHarris	Simmons	Keech	Cooke <sup>1</sup>	M.Crook	Donald <sup>2</sup>	Bunday, Jermyn, Lucas			M20
Bunday	Jermyn	Carbonero	Searle	M.Crook	Donald	N.Crook Lourenco			M21
Bunday	Simmons	N-Cootes	Taylor	M.Crook	Donald	Cooke, J.Harris			M22
Bunday	Jermyn <sup>1</sup>	N-Cootes <sup>2</sup>	Keech	M.Crook	Donald <sup>3</sup>	O. Crook, Searle			M23

## TODAY'S REFEREE - MARTIN DARLOW

Today's referee Martin Darlow is better known in cricket circles.

Having been a key figure in Bedfordshire cricket, Martin is currently the English Cricket Board deputy chairman.

He was the interim chairman for most of 2022 but is expected to step down from the ECB this May.



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**RISELEY SPORTS**  
**BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION**  
**2022-23 Appearances and Goalscorers**

	League			Cup			Total		
	Starts	Sub	Goals	Starts	Sub	Goals	Starts	Sub	Goals
Thomas Lewin	15			1			16		
Jordan Harris	15	5		1			16	5	
Nelson Lourenco	1	1					1	1	
Liam Bolton		2						2	
Ryan Prior	6			1			7		
Jack Healy	4	1	1				4	1	1
Jake Hislop	19	1	1	1			20	1	1
Jay Willett	9	4	8				9	4	8
Elliot Bunday	13	4	1		1		13	5	1
Ryan Carbonero	1	2						2	
Patrick Knight	12	2			1		12	3	
Matt Marler	13	1	2				13	1	2
Dominic Loadman	1						1		
Edward Searle	1	1					1	1	
Mitchell Crook	19	2	3	1		1	20	2	3
Aaron Keech	20			1			21		
Sonny N-Cootes	17		10				17		10
Lewis Donald	18	2	8	1			19	2	8
James Cooke	9	9	2		1		9	10	2
Mark Darlow	2						2		
Alex Taylor	6	3	5				6	3	5
Nathan Crook		4						4	
Jamie Simmons	14	4		1			15	4	
Ed Blayney	4	2	1	1			5	2	1

Ollie Davey 1; Sam Harrison 4 1; Samuel King (4); Koron Cooper 3 (2); Richard Ball 1; Owen Crook 1(2); Dan Bennett 6 (2); James Jermyn 5 (5) 1; Dan Lucas 1 (3); Josh Poole 1(1); Ryan Carter (1); Sam Seuke 1;

## VISITING GOLD STREET

### ***BARTON ROVERS RESERVES***

Barton Rovers appear to be on course for a swift return back to the Bedfordshire County League First Division.

The Sharpenhoe Road side have found it difficult to adjust to the higher level and are currently rooted to

the bottom of the Premier Division.

There have been some glimmers of hope including the 0-0 draw against high-flying Cranfield United.

Another notable performance

was the 1-0 victory against fellow strugglers AFC Kempston Town Hammers.

The Barton Rovers club will be remembered for when they reached the FA Vase final in 1977-78, losing 2-1 to Newcastle Blue Star.

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**Managers have this saying which is often spilled during the second half of the season that baffles and amuses us journalists in equal measure.**

Some say it more regularly than others, some more genuinely than others, but the fact of the matter is – and whisper it quietly – that we actually don't believe a word they say.

Asked how they assess their team's current form or overall league position, it's quite commonplace to receive a response along the lines of: "I don't look even at the league table until around Easter".

So, I ask myself a) does a manager really not compare his team's fortunes to that of their rivals until three quarters of the season have passed; and, if so, at what point do they finally cast their eye over the standings?

Are we scoring enough goals? Are we conceding too many? Are our rivals outperforming us? One glance at a league table can answer all.

Nine times out of ten, a winning manager will not need to scroll down on their digital subscription to The NLP on a Sunday morning or rush out to the local newsagents, they know themselves whether their team have been good enough to compete in the higher reaches of the division.

One only hopes, however, that Notts County boss Luke Williams is not one of those managers who vow not to regularly check his side's progress. Losing just two of their 41 matches this season, scoring 103 goals along the way, Williams and his Magpies would be celebrating an emotional return to the Football League any other season, but in the most exciting two-horse title race in the National League for years, they don't even find themselves on top of the pile.

That honour is bestowed on Wrexham, who lead by three points with a game in hand going into the Easter weekend. Monday's game between the two at the Racecourse Ground promises to be an absolute classic, dare I suggest, the biggest game in non-league history?

The fact that neither Williams or Parkinson aren't the first managers to be celebrating a promotion or title-winning campaign up and down the country shows just how many top performances we have enjoyed so far this term.

By our reckoning, Worksop Town were the first English champions of 2022-23 after sauntering to the Northern Premier League East division having lost just once all season.

They were followed on top of the winners' rostrum by North Ferriby, who continued their rise back to the top tiers by clinching the Northern Counties East Premier division, similarly Macclesfield, who made it back-to-back promotions from Step Five to Step Three by cruising to the Northern Premier League West title. And then there's Berkhamsted, who are also celebrating title success after a storming campaign in Southern League Division One Central.

One thing's for sure, the Easter bunny will be delivering more title success this weekend with the likes of Ebbsfleet United and South Shields among a number of clubs chasing confirmation this Bank Holiday.

One thing's for sure, you can be certain that Fleet boss Dennis Kutrieb and Mariners chief Kevin Phillips will have lived through every permutation and will know exactly what their teams have to do to ensure success.

**Jon Couch**

# THE TEAMS

Saturday 8th April



**RISELEY  
SPORTS**

**Yellow**

**THOMAS LEWIN (GK)**

**JAKE HISLOP**

**MITCHELL CROOK**

**JOSH POOLE**

**EDWARD BLAYNEY**

**AARON KEECH**

**PATRICK KNIGHT**

**ELLIOT BUNDAY**

**JAMIE SIMMONS**

**JAMES COOKE**

**LEWIS DONALD**

**JORDAN HARRIS**

**NATHAN CROOK**

**JAMES JERMYN**

**KORON COOPER**

**ALEX TAYLOR**

**Manager**

James Woolf

**Referee:** Martin Darlow

**NEXT AT GOLD STREET**

**RISELEY SPORTS**

**v**

**Marston Shelton Rovers**

**Monday 10th April**

**BARTON ROVERS  
RESERVES**



**Blue**

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