# RISELEY SPORTS

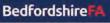




# **CRAWLEY GREEN RESERVES**



Bedfordshire County League Premier Division 2022-23 Saturday 15th April, 2023 Kick off 2.30pm Official Matchday Programme





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# BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY LEAGUE ROUND-UP

Elstow Abbey took a big stride in taking the Bedfordshire County League, sponsored by Sportsform when they clinched a 5-1 home victory over Crawley Green Reserves last weekend.

Dan Green and Glenn Tumulty both netted twice with the other goal coming from Aaron Jones while the Luton side were gifted a late own goal.

Cranfield United suffered a blow when they were beaten 3-0 by Caldecote, whose scorers were Giuseppe Fallano, James Tudbury and Corey Tyler.

Struggling Queens Park Crescents went down 3-1 at home to Biggleswade FC Reserves with the visitors' goals coming from Josh Roberts, Mark Charles and Oliver Thomas. Mohammed Ahmed bagged the Crescents' consolation.

Harry Baker was on target as Marston Shelton Rovers recorded a 1-0 victory over Shefford Town & Campton Reserves, whose season

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Elstow Abbey Cranfield United Biggleswade FC Res Stotfold Development Crawley Green Res Caldecote AFC Oakley Shefford TC Res <b>Riseley Sports</b> Sharnbrook Flitwick Town Queens Park Cres Biggleswade Utd Res	<b>P</b> 23 24 24 25 21 25 23 26 <b>25</b> 23 23 23 23 23 22	W 18 15 14 13 12 12 11 10 7 6 5	<b>D</b> 5 4 3 2 4 4 3 4 <b>6</b> 4 2 4 4	L 0 4 6 9 4 9 8 11 9 8 14 13 13	<b>GD</b> 51 34 27 25 29 12 18 7 1 22 -28 -24 -36	Pts 59 52 48 44 43 40 39 37 36 34 23 22
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As at 14th April \* Points Adjustment

appears to be coming off the rails.

James Cooke and Sonny Newton-Cootes edged Riseley Sports to a 2-1 home victory over bottom side Barton Rovers Reserves, whose reply came from Nathan Miller.

□ Stotfold Development reached the semifinals of the Britannia Cup and will now face Sharnbrook. The Development battled to a 2-1 win over AFC Oakley with goals from Joe Bennett and Ashley Kersey while Nathan Aulsberry replied for the visitors.

□ On Easter Monday, Premier Division leaders Elstow Abbey were held to a 2-2 draw at Caldecote with efforts from Craig Damon and Daniel Mattin while the hosts' goals came from Evan Beldon and James Tubridy.

Goals from Temitayo Akerele, Charlie O' Mahony and George Onwusonye helped Crawley Green Reserves to a 3-1 victory over Queens Park Crescents while Riseley Sports drew 0-0 with Marston Shelton Rovers. AFC Oakley had a 4-2 win against Stotfold Development.

# **FIXTURES**

#### Saturday 15th April

#### League

Elstow Abbey v Sharnbrook AFC Oakley v Shefford TC Reserves Barton Rovers v Marston Shelton Rovers Biggleswade FC Reserves v Flitwick Town Caldecote v AFC Kempston Town Hammers Queens Park Crescents v Biggleswade Utd Res Riseley Sports v Crawley Green Reserves Stotfold Development v Cranfield United

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# **FROM THE MANAGER**

Welcome to Crawley Green Reserves for this Bedfordshire County League Division One match along with the referee Will Spencer.

With the season coming to an end and fixtures needing to be completed by the end of the month, the fixture schedule hasn't been overly kind on the lads, especially having a smaller squad compared to others.

So three games in six days was a big test for us. Wednesday night saw us take on Biggleswade United Reserves, a 3-2 victory with an impressive performance topped off with a few spectacular goals. First a leftfooted volley from James Cooke and a direct free-kick from Mitch Crook along with a second from Cooke secured all three points. Saturday then saw us take on bottom of the table Barton Rovers Reserves, with another superb performance from the lads. We clinched another three points in a 2-1 victory.

With availability already being a struggle for Saturday's game and most lads having already played the Wednesday before, Easter Monday at home to Marston Shelton Rovers wasn't looking too great with only 12 being available and a few bodies very much feeling the strain and no sub until half-time. This was apparent early on in the game when Cooke pulled his hamstring. Thankfully, he managed to soldier on until the break.

We could see it as two points lost but in reality, it was a point well earned with both teams struggling towards the end. With only five games left to play and a difficult run-in to end the season, we take on Crawley Green Reserves today looking to try and keep our unbeaten run going.

**James Woolf** 



#### **Riseley Sports Officials**

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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	Elstow Abbey	BCL	2-2	-	Lewin	J.Harris	Harrison	Healy1	Ball
M2	Sep 24	Marston Shelton Rovers	BCL	1-1		Lewin	Davey	Harrison	Hislop	Knight
М3	Oct 01	Caldecote	BCL	2-3		Lewin	J.Harris	Prior	Willett	Bunday
M4	Oct 08	Flitwick Town	BCL	2-2	-	Lewin	JHarris	Willett	Hislop	Bunday
M5	Oct 15	Sharnbrook	BCL	0-5		Lewin	JHarris	Willett	Hislop	Bunday
M6	Oct 22	Shefford T Camp Res	BCL	1-2	15	Lewin	Harrison	Prior	Hislop	Bunday
M7	Oct 29	Flitwick Town	CST	3-4	-	Lewin	Harrison1	Prior	Hislop	JHarris
<b>M</b> 8	Nov 05	AFC Kempston TH	BCL	7-1	14	Lewin	Blayney	Prior	Hislop	Bunday1
M9	Nov 12	AFC Oakley	BCL	0-4	15	Lewin	Jermyn	Prior	Hislop	Bunday
	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	Biggleswade Utd Res	BCL	3-1	12	Lucas	Healy	JHarris	Hislop	Knight
	Jan 14	Flitwick Town	BCL	4-3	12	Hislop	Healy	JHarris	Bunday	Knight
	Jan 28	Shefford TC Res	BCL	3-0	10	Hislop	Marler	JHarris	Bunday	Knight
	Feb 04	Caldecote	BCL	3-1	8	Hislop	Marler	JHarris	Bunday	Knight
	Feb 11	Stotfold Development	BCL	0-3	10	Seuke	Willett	JHarris	Hislop	Knight
	Feb 18	Queens Park Crescents	BCL	1-2	10	Lewin	Willett1	Prior	Hislop	Knight
	Feb 25	Sharnbrook	BCL	1-0	10	Hislop	Blayney1	Prior	Cooper	Knight
	Mar 04	Cranfield United	BCL	0-3	10	Lewin	Darlow	Cooper	Lourenco Poole	Hislop
	Mar 11 Mar 18	AFC Kempston TH	BCL BCL	3-3 0-3	10 10	Hislop Lewin	Blayney Darlow	Cooper J. Harris	Willett	Knight Hislop
	Mar 25	Biggleswade FC Res AFC Oakley	BCL	0-3 0-1	10	Lewin	Bennett	Knight	Keech	Hislop
	Apr 01	Stotfold Development	BCL	6-1	10			-	Willett	•
	Apr 05	Biggleswade United Res	BCL	3-2	10	Lewin Lewin	Bennett	Loadman J. Harris	M. Crook1	Marler
	Apr 08	Barton Rovers Res	BCL	2-1	9	Lewin	Simmons Cooper	J. Harris	M. Crook	O. Crook O. Crook
	Apr 10	Marston Shelton Rovers	BCL	0-0	9	Lewin	Cooper	J. Harris	Hislop	Bunday
M	Apr 15	Crawley Green Reserves	BCL	2.30	0	Lewin	Cooper	J. 1101115	Пізіор	Bunuay
Μ	Apr 19	Queens Park Crescents	BCL	6.15						
М	Apr 22	Crawley Green Reserves	BCL	2.30						
М	Apr 29	Cranfield United	BCL	2.30						
Μ	May 06	Elstow Abbey		2.30						



#### BOLD FIXTURES - HOME GAMES (1,2) - GOALS SCORED

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

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Thomas Lewin	18			1			19		
Jordan Harris	18	5		1			19	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	20	1	1	1			21	1	1
Jay Willett	9	5	8				9	5	8
Elliot Bunday	15	4	1		1		15	5	1
Tom Breitenbach	1						1		
Patrick Knight	13	2			1		13	3	
Matt Marler	13	1	2				13	1	2
Lewis Blades	1						1		
Edward Searle	1	2					1	2	
Mitchell Crook	22	2	4	1		1	23	2	5
Aaron Keech	22			1			23		
Sonny N-Cootes	20		11				20		11
Lewis Donald	20	2	8	1			21	2	8
James Cooke	12	9	5		1		12	10	5
Mark Darlow	2						2		
Alex Taylor	6	4	5				6	4	5
Nathan Crook		4						4	
Jamie Simmons	16	4		1			17	4	
Ed Blayney	4	2	1	1			5	2	1

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

# **VISITING GOLD STREET**

# **CRAWLEY GREEN RESERVES**

Although they may not win the Bedfordshire County League Premier Division this season, Crawley Green Reserves have a good chance of finishing in the top three.

The reason for this is that they have several games in

hand over their closest rivals, which could haul them up the table from fifth, where they were at the start of April.

The Luton side are capable of pulling out the big result and this was the case when they clinched a 4-0 win over Sharnbrook last month.

The first team are currently eighth in the Step Five Spartan South Midlands League, a considerable improvement from last season when they finished 18th out of 20 teams.



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#### Where did this season go? It doesn't feel all that long ago the new campaign was kicking off. Suddenly we're on the final straight and some are already through the finish line.

On Good Friday, National League South Ebbsfleet United joined the non-league champions' list following in the footsteps of Worksop Town, Macclesfield and Berkhamsted when it comes to Steps One to Four.

On Easter Monday it was the turn of South Shields, who were on course for the NPL Premier title back in 2020 before covid hit, and NPL Division One Midlands outfit Stamford.

If you're reading this on Saturday, 15th April, there will no doubt be more this afternoon, with the likes of Hashtag United and Ramsgate as well as AFC Totton closing in.

Easter Monday also saw the National League biggie. The showdown between Wrexham and Notts County, that has been marked on the calendar for some time.

The pair showed up in north Wales having set the bar at new heights – both on 100 points, both with more than 100 goals and both miles ahead of the rest of the division.

But, as we know, only one is guaranteed to go up with just one automatic promotion spot into the EFL. While there is a growing sense that could become two in the near future, and that is surely the way to go, it has brought the drama to this year's promotion race.

And this game didn't disappoint. In case you missed it, former England keeper Ben Foster made a stoppage-time penalty-save to help Wrexham to a 3-2 win and put them firmly in the driving seat for the title seeing as they also boast a game in hand.

Time for any more twists? We shall soon see but the two sides have produced incredible seasons and it does feel harsh one may not go up. That's because the play-offs are a lottery. It would be a cliche if it wasn't so true. Anything can seemingly happen.

And while the bubbly is popped around the country to toast titles, it's the post-season play-offs that squeeze a season's worth of drama into a one-off tie. They are unscripted, unadulterated, adrenaline-fuelled, actionpacked games.

From next season they will also be introduced at Step Five. The overwhelming positive reaction to the FA's announcement shows the people are largely getting what they want. They keep seasons alive for so many teams. And that brings fans through the turnstiles.

There are so many dynamics to the games. Often a team has been in the mix all season, pushing for the title and then they have to deal with the disappointment of missing out late on. At the other end of the scale are the teams who didn't necessarily expect to be there but they've been in the groove and gatecrash the qualifying places on a hot streak. Nobody wants to play this team.

And that's the thing about the play-offs. A team may have finished 20-odd points ahead of an opponent, but that doesn't always mean a whole lot in a one-off game where the stakes are at their highest.

If you've ever experienced your team in the play-offs you may well also subscribe to the view they are probably the worst way to lose. A season's work up in smoke in the blink of an eye.

Matt Badcock

# **THE TEAMS** Saturday 15th April



# RISELEY SPORTS

# **Yellow**

THOMAS LEWIN (GK) JAKE HISLOP MITCHELL CROOK PATRICK KNIGHT MATT MARLER AARON KEECH EDWARD SEARLE ELLIOT BUNDAY JAMIE SIMMONS JAMES COOKE LEWIS DONALD

JORDAN HARRIS OWEN CROOK JAMES JERMYN KORON COOPER ALEX TAYLOR

> Manager James Woolf

> > Referee: Will Spencer

### **NEXT AT GOLD STREET**

RISELEY SPORTS v Cranfield United

Saturday 29th April 2023

# CRAWLEY GREEN RESERVES



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