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FROM THE DRESSING ROOM

I'd like to give a warm welcome to the Moulton Town directors, management, players and supporters.

Moulton has had a great start to the season, and will be a tough test for us tonight. Everyone is excited by the challenge, and as always, we will be looking for a positive result.

In our two previous games this month, we have come away with two more wins, continuing our winning form. Against Raunds Town, we played some exciting attacking football and showed a real desire to score goals, putting nine past the Raunds keeper.

We then faced Holmer Green on Saturday, where we lacked energy off the ball in the first half, allowing them to put pressure on our

defence. The second half saw a change in attitude, and the boys were fantastic. A special mention goes to Jordan Brown for getting his first hat-trick for the club as we won 4 - 1.

I'd also like to welcome Jim Burnside to the club. Jim is a great character with a winning mentality that will be crucial for us. Having won the FA Vase last season with Newport Pagnell, Jim will bring that winning experience into the group.

Again I'd like to thank all the supporters; you have been unbelievable this season, so please keep getting behind the boys as I know it makes a massive difference for them.

Rob Sinclair,
Manager



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FROM THE BOARDROOM

So it is probably time to start talking about this Bitcoin thing.

We have a vision to bring league football to Bedford, a massive challenge requiring access to capital beyond what the club can generate on a match day.

Money will not guarantee success, but it will put the club in contention. I believe that a modern club can stand for something, and I have looked at other successful clubs that have built an identity beyond just footballing excellence. Standing for the mission of Bitcoin, our club can attract fans, sponsors and revenue, which will allow us to compete with the biggest teams through the leagues.

My Bitcoin podcast is over five years old, and I have made over 500 episodes. You could say I have talked about Bitcoin a lot, so it won't be possible to do it justice here in a single page of notes, but I do want to explain why I have made it my life's work and why it is part of our vision for the club.

As the country struggles with high inflation, recessionary pressures and massive public debt, I think it is important that people educate themselves on the nature of money and how we all pay for the irresponsible monetary policy of the government. When the government increases spending and borrows money, we and future generations pay the price. For me, Bitcoin represents a check and balance on the government, a shift in power to the people, which is an essential pillar of democracy.

In future issues, I will discuss why we have linked Bitcoin to the club. If you want to learn more about Bitcoin, I would recommend my friend Vijay Boyapati's book, *The Bullish Case for Bitcoin*. Alternatively, I know a good podcast that is worth checking out.

Peter McCormack,
Chairman

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CAPTAIN'S CORNER

Our unbeaten run has continued with two more wins this month. We beat Round's Town 9 - 1 in the Gladwish trophy before beating Holmer Green 4 - 1 this weekend to go back to the top of the league.

This month presents new challenges for the team. With the cup games added to the schedule, we play six times this month, with four games in the final ten days. While this creates new types of pressure, the lads thrive on it and know we have a solid squad of players to rely on.

After seven straight wins, the mood within the camp is buzzing.

We train hard and continually work on improving our performances as we know the winter months will become more challenging as the weather deteriorates.

Moulton Town will be our toughest challenge yet; they sit third in the table after an impressive start to the season. We know that we will be their toughest challenge too, and the match has all the ingredients to be a game to remember.

**Luke Knight,
Captain**

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FROM THE PRESS ROOM

We are now two weeks on from Real Bedford's last home game against Raund's Town. The wait has felt far longer, despite having a game in between.

In the match against Holmer Green this weekend, we saw what manager Rob Sinclair has been building and what Bedford can do. Without star striker Dan Walker, Jordan Brown was back in the team and took the headlines, scoring a hat-trick in a 4 - 1 away win.

Dan Walker was left on the bench after taking a knock against Raund's, yet the team returned all three points to McMullen Park. The result showed the depth of the squad at Rob Sinclair's disposal and the healthy competition which will drive each player to fight for their place in the team.

Despite Holmer Green's challenging start to the season, they caused Bedford problems in the first half, highlighting that there is no room for complacency in the league.

Today Bedford faces their most formidable challenge yet. Moulton, who currently sit in 3rd in the table, have produced some dominant displays during their season openers and will be keen to inflict a first defeat on Bedford this season.

A key battle this evening will be between the two top strikers for both sides. With an impressive 11 goals in 6 games, Walker will face off against Moulton's Joe Evans, who has scored 8 goals in only 3 appearances for the away team. Those two leading the line for their respective sides will undoubtedly be the battle to watch.

We are guaranteed another thriller under the Tuesday Night Lights at McMullen Park, and we are delighted to have you here in person or tuning in on the live stream to watch it with us.

Will Roberts,
Real Bedford Commentator



FROM THE OFFICE

What a wonderful start to the season. Rob Sinclair and his team have excelled on the pitch with seven wins from seven games. Although the season is still in its early days, the team are doing exactly what is asked from them – and doing it in style, with some stunning football and plenty of goals to entertain our growing crowds.

It is a shame that this season, the fixtures schedule has meant we mostly play away from home and miss out on the warm summer Saturday afternoon home games. But the numbers we have seen turn out for these first home fixtures have been wonderful to see – including the nearly 150 who turned up on a wet Tuesday night to see us beat Raunds in the cup by a whopping nine goals to one. Seeing so many Bedfordians behind their local team is heart-warming and spurs the players on.

As well as looking to improve the match day experience, we have also been working to build solid foundations to help us climb the football pyramid and support football in the Bedford community. Our partnership with Bedford Park Rangers, creating a pathway from youth to adult football; and with Bedford Ladies and

Girls, who play here at McMullen Park on Sundays – are the first small steps on that journey.

We are also spending a lot of time talking with other partners and community groups, submitting planning permissions, and working with the council and financial partners to develop and improve our club's future. The club's growth will not only lead to more young people playing football but will further opportunities for employment and investment in the community.

From the printer of the programme you're holding to the beer you are drinking, we always strive to partner with local suppliers, so together, we can build upon this great community project. You, too, are part of this.

I want to thank you for your ongoing support and welcome you to reach out with any feedback, ideas or comments you may have to enable us to continue to improve.

Tom Pattinson
CEO

PLAYER PROFILE

Full name: Tom Hitchcok

Nickname: Hitch, Hitchy, Hitchuu

Date of birth: 1st Oct 1992

Place of birth: Hemel Hempstead

Position: Midfield.

Previous clubs: QPR, Rotherham, MK Dons, Bedford.

Favourite team: Best team in London, Chelsea.

Favourite player: Zola, Gudjohnsen, Dan Walker.

Most memorable footballing moment: Scoring on my debut for QPR.

Career highlight: Getting promoted with Rotheram.

Occupation: Courier. I throw parcels over gates.

Hobby: I love a bit of golf.



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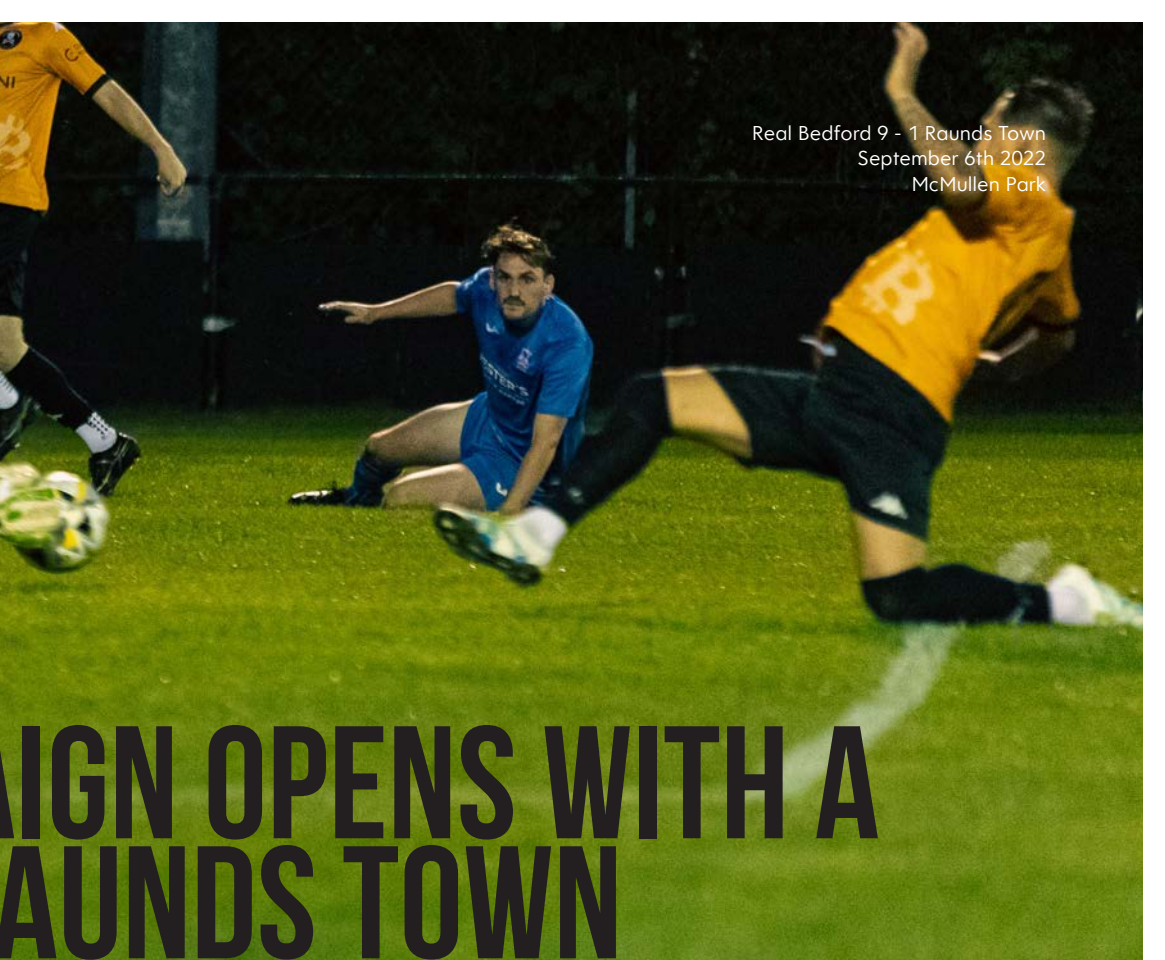
Real Bedford kicked off their cup campaign with a devastating performance, beating Raunds Town 9-1 under the lights of McMullen Park..

Following a 100% start to the league season, manager Rob Sinclair picked a strong starting line-up, proving too much for Raunds Town.

A pre-match shower made for a fast opening to the game, and Real was 3 - 0 up within 12 minutes. Tom Hitchcock opened the scoring by heading into an empty net after a shot from Dan Walk-

er came back off the crossbar. Six minutes later, Ben McGrath smashed a rebound into the back of the net, and Dan Walker found the net in the 12th minute to add his name to the scoresheet.

As it looked like the floodgates would open, Raunds adjusted to the game's pace and managed to hold Bedford back until the 35th minute, when Dan Walker made it 4 - 0.



Real Bedford 9 - 1 Raunds Town
September 6th 2022
McMullen Park

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SECOND HALF

Just four minutes into the second half, Raunds got onto the score sheet. Still, any thoughts of a comeback were quickly squashed when Real Bedford's newest signing, Eddie Corbit, capped off another man of the match performance with a brilliantly worked goal.

With Bedford comfortably in control of the game, manager Rob Sinclair made three changes, bringing on Matthew Clifford, James Duckett and Flynn Baker-Bond.

Flynn opened his account for Bedford with an excellent long-range shot buried in the bottom corner of the box.

Captain Luke Knight received a red card in the 83rd minute. Still, this reduction to 10 men would not slow Bedford down, and they would score three more goals in the last five minutes with Kevin Owusu, a second from Tom Hitchcock and a goal for returning striker Jamie Sylvester making it nine for the home side.



Real Bedford continued their 100% record, winning away at Holmer Green. With Ampthill dropping points at Lutterworth Athletic, Real went two points clear at the top of the Spartan South Midlands Division One.

After four successive defeats, Holmer Green had replaced their manager, signed two new players and picked up their first win away at Raunds. Despite this challenging start to the season, the away supporters quickly dismissed any thoughts that this would be an easy win for Bedford.

Two early chances for the hosts showed a team capable of playing good passing football, and with more clinical finishing, it could have been Holmer Green ahead first in the game.

Bedford managed to soak up the early pressure and should have been awarded a penalty just after the half-hour mark. Jordan Brown picked

up an excellent ball over the top of the Holmer defence, then took it past the keeper only to be upended inside the box. The referee determined this to be a dive by Brown, awarded a free-kick to the home team and carded the striker.

While Holmer Green dominated the opening 25 minutes of the game, Bedford took control of the last 15 minutes and managed to take the lead just before the break. Kevin Owusu picked up the ball in midfield and played a ball deep into the Holmer Box, which Tom Hitchcock picked up and coolly slotted into the bottom left-hand corner. With prolific striker Dan Walker on the bench after picking up a knock against Raunds Town, Hitchcock highlighted the squad's strength, scoring his fourth of the season for Real.

SECOND HALF

The second half saw the arrival of new Real Bedford signing Jim Burnside, replacing Flynn

Holmer Green 1 - 4 Real Bedford
September 17th 2022
Holmer Green Sports Association



EIGHT LEAGUE WIN TO THE TOP OF THE

Baker-Bond. With Jim sitting alongside Jordan Brown and Tom Hitchcock playing behind the front two, the games dynamics changed as Burnside hustled the Holmer defence.

Bedford dominated the second-half's opening and doubled their lead on 57 minutes. A long clearance from the Bedford defence by James Duckett beat the Holmer defence, and Jordan Brown picked up the ball 35 yards out, taking the ball into the Holmer box before calmly slotting the ball under the goalkeeper.

It looked like all three points would be heading back to McMullen Park when Holmer Green pulled a goal back. Just three minutes after Brown's strike, the ball broke free in the Real box, which Holmer's number 10 hit first-time beyond the outstretched arms of Tyler McGregor, bringing the home side back into the game.

The goal could have set up a nervy end to the

game, but the progress that Bedford has made this season under Rob Sinclair was on display when Jordan Brown restored the away team's two-goal lead with a wicked shot inside the box. Matt Clifford crossed from the left, and Brown picked up the ball 12 yards out, smashing it into the top left-hand corner.

Jordan Brown was not finished there and completed his hat-trick one minute after the restart with one of the goals of the season. Burnside put the Holmer midfield under immediate pressure from the kick-off, and the ball fell to Brown, who unleashed a shot into the top right-hand corner from 25 yards, completing his hat-trick.

While Bedford took all three points, Holmer Green proved better than their results suggest and will prove tough opposition as they develop under their new management.

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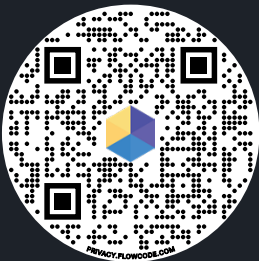


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YOUTH UPDATE

This weekend was greeted with much anticipation and excitement, given last week's false start. With this in mind, our teams took the opportunity to remember and mark a historic moment in this country's history with a minute's silence observed across all games by our youth players.

Queen Elizabeth, for many, was a constant. A sign of steadfastness and a symbol of our British culture. As we usher in the new reign of King Charles III, it is a historical moment all our youth players will look back on and remember.

We have also seen the first phase of our new bespoke Kappa kits rollout. These kits have created much excitement among our young players, and rightly so. I mean, who doesn't love a new kit? This will further strengthen the thread between the youth and the senior team, as we have also opted for the white kappa shirt as our away kit.

The first round of games has seen all our teams compete with fantastic football played, from our under-7s to under-18s. It is a testimony to our one-club playing philosophy, strengthened by introducing our tailor-made coaching platform provided by the Coaching Manual. The Coaching Manual is an educational software provider for coaches where session plans are downloaded and designed by our coaches for one club use. With this, we aim to continue investing in our volunteers to make us the best grassroots club in our local community.

Please look out for our young mascots in the up-and-coming fixtures for Real Bedford FC as we continue to show our support for the senior team's unbeaten start to this campaign.

James Allison
Chairman
Bedford Park Rangers



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AUGUST				
SAT 6	3:00PM	H	Rushden & Higham United	(W) 3-0
SAT 13	3:00PM	A	Buckingham Athletic	(W) 1-7
SAT 20	3:00PM	A	Burton Park Wanderers	(W) 1-2
TUE 23	7:45PM	H	Letchworth Garden City Eagles	(W) 3-0
SEPTEMBER				
SAT 3	3:00PM	A	London Tigers	(W) 1-2
TUE 6	7:45PM	H	Raunds Town (Gladwish Challenge Trophy)	(W) 9-1
SAT 17	3:00PM	A	Holmer Green	(W) 1-4
TUE 20	7:45PM	H	Moulton FC	
SAT 24	3:00PM	A	Amersham Town	
TUE 27	7:30PM	A	London Tigers (Division One Cup)	
OCTOBER				
SAT 1	3:00PM	A	Lutterworth Athletic	
TUE 4	7:45PM	A	Raunds Town	
SAT 8	3:00PM	H	Winslow United	
SAT 15	3:00PM	H	Rugby Borough	
TUE 18	7:45PM	A	Letchworth Garden City Eagles	
SAT 22	3:00PM	A	Northampton Sileby Rangers	
SAT 29	3:00PM	A	THE GLADWISH CHALLENGE TROPHY Second Round	
NOVEMBER				
SAT 5	3:00PM	H	Raunds Town	
SAT 12	3:00PM	A	Thame United Reserve	
TUE 15	7:45PM	A	Moulton FC	
SAT 19	3:00PM	H	Eaton Socon	
SAT 26	3:00PM	H	London Tigers	
DECEMBER				
SAT 3	3:00PM	H	Northampton ON Chenecks	
SAT 10	3:00PM	A	Wellingborough Whitworth	
SAT 17	3:00PM	H	Amersham Town	
TUE 27	7:45PM	A	Amphill Town	
JANUARY				
MON 2	3:00PM	H	Langford	
SAT 14	3:00PM	H	Northampton Sileby Rangers	
WED 21	7:45PM	A	Eaton Socon	
SAT 28	3:00PM	H	Wellingborough Whitworth	
FEBRUARY				
SAT 18	3:00PM	H	Buckingham Athletic	
SAT 25	3:00PM	A	Rugby Borough	
MARCH				
SAT 4	3:00PM	H	Holmer Green	
SAT 11	3:00PM	H	Burton Park Wanderers	
SAT 18	3:00PM	A	Rushden & Higham United	
SAT 25	3:00PM	H	Lutterworth Athletic	
APRIL				
SAT 1	3:00PM	A	Northampton ON Chenecks	
SAT 8	3:00PM	A	Langford	
MON 10	3:00PM	H	Amphill Town	
SAT 15	3:00PM	H	Thame United Reserves	
SAT 22	3:00PM	A	Winslow United	



THE AWAY TEAM

Moulton were formed in 1896, playing their first game against the village of Old, resulting in a 2–2 draw. In 2004, the club won the Northamptonshire Combination Premier Division, finishing runners up in 2005 and 2006. In 2022, the club was admitted into the Spartan South Midlands League Division One.

The club currently play at Brunting Road, Moulton. In 2018, a 3G pitch was installed at the ground.

Moulton have had a good start to the season with five wins from six and currently sit in 3rd place in the table.

POS	Team	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Real Bedford FC	6	6	0	0	17	18
2	Amphill Town	6	5	1	0	17	16
3	Moulton	6	5	0	1	13	15
4	Amersham Town	5	4	1	0	13	13
5	Northampton O.N Chenecks	5	4	0	1	13	12
6	Northampton Sileby Rangers	6	4	0	2	5	12
7	Eaton Socon	6	2	4	0	4	10
8	Lutterworth Athletic	6	2	2	2	3	8
9	Winslow United	6	2	1	3	2	7
10	Rushden & Higham United	5	2	1	2	-2	7
11	Letchworth Garden City Eagles	6	2	1	3	-3	7
12	Langford	7	2	1	4	-4	7
13	Buckingham Athletic	6	2	1	3	-10	7
14	Rugby Borough	4	2	0	2	2	6
15	Wellingborough Whitworth	5	2	0	3	-2	6
16	London Tigers	6	2	0	4	-3	6
17	Raunds Town	6	1	0	5	-12	3
18	Holmer Green	6	1	0	5	-18	3
19	Thame United Reserves	7	1	0	6	-21	3
20	Burton Park Wanderers	6	0	1	5	-14	1

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JAMES **DUCKET**
MICHAEL **FISHER**
ANDY **SINCLAIR**
JACK **UTTRIDGE**
TOM **WOOD**
BEN **WALSH**
LUKE **KNIGHT (C)**
BEN **MCGRATH**
STANLEY **AYRE**
TYRELLE **MCLEOD BENTLEY**
JAMIE **SYLVESTER**
JIM **BURNSIDE**
HARRY **MURRAY**
EDDIE **CORBITT**
MATT **CLIFFORD**
FLYNN **BAKER-BOND**
DAN **WALKER**
TOM **HITCHCOCK**
KEVIN **OWUSU**

MANAGER: ROB **SINCLAIR**
ASSISTANT MANAGER: MARK **DUCKET**
GOALKEEPING COACH: IAN **BROWN**
HEAD SPORTS THERAPIST: LOTTIE **BURTON**
KITMAN: JON **DARCEY**

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JACK **MULLALLY**
DYLAN **WESTON**
ANDY **HALL**
DERRICK **OKOYE**
JJ **MACARTHY**
DENIZ **DEMICIRI**
JOEY **EVANS**
GEORGE **WINGROVE**
CLASTON **JUNIOR GORDON**
SHAD **REZA**
TOM **O'NEILL**
EMANUEL **ASANTE**
COLE **MASON**
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MITCH **ROBERTS**
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