

Captain's Report BEDFORD B: 2014 - 15

	Division One	Played	Matches			Games			Points		Match Points
			W	D	L	W	D	L	F	A	
1	Bedford A	10	8	2	0	22	20	8	32.0	18.0	18
2	Leighton Buzzard A	10	5	2	3	21	18	11	30.0	20.0	12
3	Milton Keynes A	10	5	1	4	23	13	14	29.5	20.5	11
4	Bedford B	10	4	2	4	14	23	13	25.5	24.5	10
5	Kents Luton	10	4	1	5	13	17	20	21.5	28.5	9
6	Northampton	10	0	0	10	8	7	35	11.5	38.5	0

Bedford B vs.	Home Result	Away Result
Bedford A	L 2.0 - 3.0	L 1.5 - 3.5
Leighton Buzzard A	W 3.0 - 2.0	D 2.5 - 2.5
Milton Keynes A	L 1.0 - 4.0	W 3.5 - 1.5
Kents Luton	L 2.0 - 3.0	D 2.5 - 2.5
Northampton	W 3.5 - 1.5	W 4.0 - 1.0

I think it's fair to say that Bedford B had a brilliant season. As you will note from the above we managed to take points off everyone except our bigger brother Bedford A –but even here the result of both matches remained undecided for a long time. We were impressive away from home and if we'd had won anyone of the matches we lost, it is conceivable we'd had finished in the silver medal position! All in all I'm very proud of the team –I cannot remember the last time Bedford B scored an overall 50% in the Beds Chess League Division One.

Very well played and many thanks to –in no particular order, Chris Hill, Alex Taylor, Richard Bodily, and Nick Collacott. I'm sure one reason for our success was the fact that I was able to field a settled team; Gerry Nolan, John Harbour, and Neil Hickman only 'shared' five boards between them when a 'regular' wasn't able to turn out.

Please see the separate data sheets I shall circulate at the AGM.

As a parting shot I am struggling to play a decent game of chess nowadays and feel I'm not good enough to be a fixture even on Board 5 in Division One. So I would prefer to relinquish the captaincy and I should like to nominate Alex to be my successor.

G. Valerio

Bedford 'B' Captain