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We are Clapton CFC.

If you've ever had dreams of owning a football club, you've come to the right place. With your first year of membership, you get a £1 share in the club and you can join our committees, keep our club going, and vote on important issues.

If you have suggestions or want to lend a hand, page 11 has a list of all the committees and the emails to get in touch.



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First batch of CCFC shirts are here

As Tom Petty sang, the waiting is the hardest part.

So we must thank everyone who pre-ordered a Clapton CFC kit for their patience while we have quietly been working out how to handle the amazing and unexpected demand.

The story of our Spanish Republic-inspired away shirt somehow went around the world, and friends and comrades, particularly in Spain and Britain, started ordering the away kit faster than our manufacturer Rage Sport could make them.

Never in our wildest dreams did we expect 5,400 kits to be pre-ordered. More importantly, we have been humbled to hear so many personal stories about the Spanish Republic and the International Brigades. Much, more on that to follow.

The team at Rage have risen to the challenge of fulfilling the orders, working non-stop. Maurizio Affuso from Rage said: "I do not sleep."

There is finally some good news as Rage have shipped a big batch of shirts – which as you can see from the photo at the top of the page has arrived in East London!

We've partnered up with a delivery team at Weengs, which is getting ready to ship them out. They should start arriving at people's doors within the next week or so.

The rest of the pre-ordered kits are still being made and will be shipped when we receive further deliveries from Rage over the next few weeks.

That means we are hopeful we can start taking further pre-orders soon. Not yet, but soon!

If you wish to find out when we can take pre-orders again, register your email address on our site claptoncfc.co.uk

We are planning to use some of the income for a permanent commemoration of the International Brigades – we are speaking to the International Brigades Memorial Trust about this.

Thank you so much for your patience. No pasaran!

Dan Evans designs programme cover

We called out in the last programme for artists/designers/illustrators to get involved and put themselves forward to design one of the programme covers and the response has been amazing.

First off the mark is the work of Dan Evans (@danxdraws on Instagram) who drew Eliot Crosbie about to tuck into a roast, let's hope he does this same this afternoon.

If you want to try your hand and design a cover, email us at comms@claptoncfc.co.uk or through our social media channels. We'll get in touch and give you access to a load of assets so you can go wild.

If design isn't your thing but want to contribute with the articles, views, photography, illustration, recipes, tips or interpretive modern dance, drop us an email and we'll put you in touch with the "Matchday Magazine" team.

Geoff catching up with fans after the league win away at Ealing FC.



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A WORD FROM THE GAFFER

It was good to get back to winning ways last weekend with the 4-2 victory at South Kilburn. Though once again we had to come from behind.

I didn't think we played badly in the first half. It was just one lapse of concentration at the back. From then on, I thought we dominated the game.

We wanted to take the momentum from the second half of the Hutton game the previous week, where we turned a 3-0 half-time deficit into a narrow 5-4 defeat, into this game.

So we kept the formation and personnel pretty much the same. We would like a cup run so it was great to progress to the next round.

However, it's back to league action this weekend and our first game at home.

We want to build on the Ealing Town game, our only league game so far where we came back to take all three points against good opposition.

I think most, if not all, title contenders at any level, base their title campaigns on very strong home form.

We will look to be no different and aim to get maximum points from all our home games in particular.

That's not to talk down FC Roast who will be tough opponents having won in the cup and run Stonewall close in their only league game.

Despite the neutrals loving the goalfests at CCFC games recently, conceding 7 goals in 2 games is never ideal for a manager.

So we will aim to rectify that today and make it back to back wins and hopefully a second clean sheet.



If there can be such a thing as a 'feelgood defeat', this was it.



On a drizzly autumn day, just over 400 people saw Clapton CFC's first competitive game at The Stray Dog – and they were treated to a barnstormer that will live long in the memory.

The Tons looked dead and buried at half-time but mounted a dramatic comeback, only to lose out to the odd goal in nine as Hutton progressed to the second round of the BBC Essex Senior Cup.

The Essex Olympian side stamped their authority on the opening stages, racing into a 2-0 lead with little over 20 minutes played.

Going forward, Clapton were struggling to open up their opponents and problems were compounded by injuries that forced off defender Andrew Lastic and midfielder Phil Blakesley.

The only glimpse of threat from the home side in the first 45 came when Sherwin Stanley spun away from his man only to fire straight at the keeper, after nice work from Stefan Nielsen on the left wing.

Hutton added a third goal just before the break, slotting home the rebound to a free kick that had rattled the bar. With the tie seemingly put to bed, many Clapton fans were hoping for little more than a show of mercy in the second half.

But as was the case on the previous Saturday, when Clapton had turned around a 1-0 deficit against Ealing Town to win 1-2, the performance improved dramatically after the break.

Player-manager Geoff Ocran – who named himself on the bench – switched from three at the back to a 4-4-2 formation and the more direct style immediately caused Hutton all sorts of problems.

Paul Oshin, making his full debut, was the driving force in midfield, winning headers

and moving play forward. Clapton's attackers were also linking up brilliantly: Stanley, Nielsen and Eliot Crosbie taking turns to play each other in on goal with first touch flicks from long balls.

This bore fruit when the outrushing Hutton goalkeeper brought down Stanley, who took the chance to fire home from the spot himself – handing the Tons a lifeline. Shortly after that, Crosbie burst through on goal and finished smartly for 2-3 to really bring the contest back to life.

The Essex side then scored a penalty against the run of play to make it 2-4, but just one minute later and Clapton had reduced the deficit again through a back post header from Oshin.

The ding-dong half continued with the visitors extending their lead to 3-5 from yet another penalty, when substitute Tom Carding was adjudged to have backed into a Hutton player – a decision described as 'very harsh' by Ocran.

Keeper Dan Anfossy did well to get a hand to the low effort, but it agonisingly looped over him into the top corner.

Yet again, Clapton bounced back. Stanley shot past the Hutton goalie at his near post to set up a thrilling finale. In spite of some CCFC players looking dead on their feet, having put in immense shifts harassing Hutton's players all over the park, the late chances were all at the right end.

As the rain teemed down and the fans turned up the volume, Anfossy made his way forward for an injury time free kick. The dream of the most dramatic equaliser in the history of our club (of any club?!) seemed on.

But in the end, the set piece came to nothing, leaving Hutton relieved to have avoided penalties and a potential cup upset.

CCFC made the trip to Wembley on a perfect late September day to take on South Kilburn Reserves in the first round of the Jim Rogers Presidents Division One Cup.

The venue, Northwick Park, could not have been more basic, with no roped off pitch, bench or even changing rooms. However, the travelling Tons fans brought their usual noise and atmosphere to the unique occasion.

CCFC player-manager Geoff Ocran made a couple of changes, including defender Ashley Headley handed his first start at centre-back for the injured captain Andrew Lastic. However, the Tons once again started slowly, with South Kilburn taking the lead within the first minute with their first attack of the game. A header across the box was tapped in out of mid air by their number 9, which left our keeper Dan Anfossy with little chance.

There was almost an immediate response from Clapton CFC when straight from kick-off they secured a free kick on the edge of the South Kilburn penalty box. Stefan Nielsen ploughed the initial effort straight into the defensive wall, in the ensuing scramble CCFC were able to find the back of the net, only for it be disallowed after an offside call.

Before the match was ten minutes old, the Tons had two further good chances which they were unlucky to not be rewarded for. Eliot Crosbie made a solo dash across the edge of the box, beating several defenders before putting the ball over the bar. On the next play he set up Louis Rene for a shot which also went skywards.

CCFC continued to apply the pressure with a header striking the crossbar before bouncing off the goal line. Unfortunately, VAR technology is probably still a few years away from being brought in at this level.

Throughout the remainder of the first half, South Kilburn had the occasional speculative run but the momentum was very much with the visitors. Chances came for Sherwin Stanley and once again for Crosbie, but they remained unconverted. After yet another close chance the South Kilburn defence could be heard screaming for "F-ing help." This help eventually came in the form of the half time whistle, with South still holding onto their 1-0 lead.

Upon the restart, CCFC made what is quickly becoming their signature move, putting aside their first half worries with a couple of goals within a few minutes.

Clapton's second disallowed goal of the match with followed by a legitimate equaliser from Crosbie. 1-1 at last. The Tons then pulled ahead two minutes later with Dean Bouho converting a chance that came through a corner kick.

If Tons fans thought that was game over, South Kilburn had other ideas and only had to wait five minutes for their chance to pull even from the penalty shot. Their goalscorer from the first half stepped forward, but was denied his second by diving save from Anfossy to the sound of frantic celebration from players and fans alike.

From the ensuing corner, Crosbie had a chance to add to his total for the afternoon with a pitch-length dash that beat the keeper who was nearly up at the halfway line but a covering defender forced him to put the ball wide.

Clapton eventually managed to get their insurance through a nice little back and forth between Stanley and goal scorer Nielsen.

Five minutes later he was able to add to his goal tally when he converted a penalty to make it 4-1. He was subbed off to well-deserved cheers from the fans as he made way for Jon Akaly.

Heading into the dying minutes of the game, South Kilburn were awarded a penalty courtesy of a contentious handball. This time their goalie made his way up the pitch to take the shot, raising hopes that if Anfossy could repeat his earlier heroics an empty net at the other end was waiting. South's keeper made sure this was never going to happen as he drilled the ball to the right, Anfossy went the right way but stood little chance of stopping it.

As injury time began, Clapton looked to increase their lead and had a third goal disallowed, while with seconds remaining sub Akaly was denied.

After the game, player-manager Geoff Ocran told us: "I didn't think we played too badly in the first half. It was a lapse of concentration at the back. From then on, I thought we dominated the game. What they had was the long ball over the top but we dealt with that."

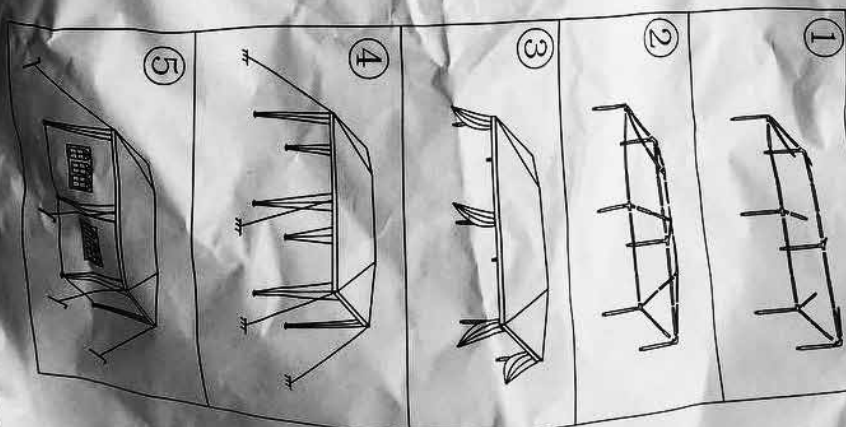
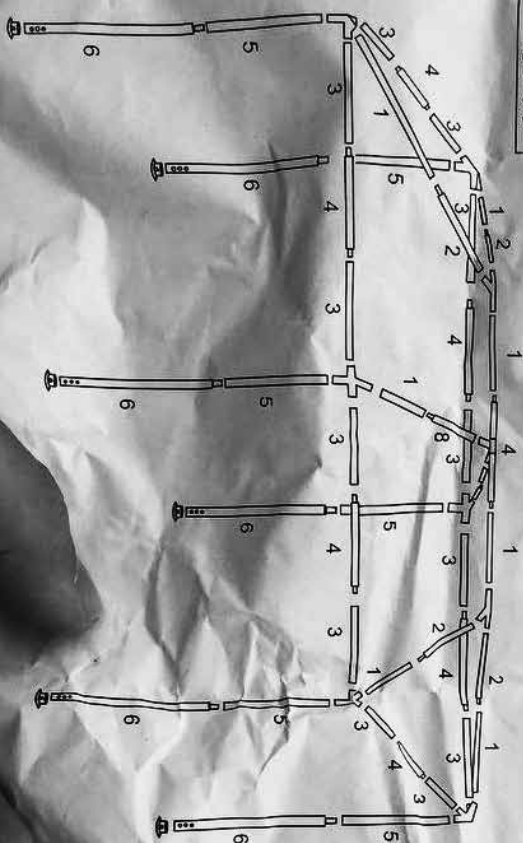
We now move on to the next round where an away game at FC Deportivo Galicia Reserves awaits (unfortunately not in Galicia). We look forward to seeing plenty of you there.

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Who knew putting games on for your fan-owned club in the Middlesex Counties League Division 1 Central and East would require spending some of your time with a pocket-sized handbook on your person?

Did you know we're on the hook for a £20 fine if we fill out the team sheet late every game? No? Us neither.

Welcome to Matchday Committee's world.

The committee's responsibilities are essentially to make sure that game days happen, and happen as smoothly as possible. This means looking after the players on the day so they can do their thing, making sure fans are safe and happy at the Stray Dog, that our opponents' players, officials and fans know where they are going and what kit they need to bring to the game.

In practice this means lots of Telegram messenger, learning the optimum way to wash muddy kits, setting up gazebos in the rain, remembering who has the key to the shed with all our stuff in it, calling referees on a Friday evening and asking them what on earth a "club assistant referee" is, buying size-5 footballs and chasing them over the fence when someone gets over-excited, and other assorted tasks that - sometimes - take the glamour out of games. But we own this club and it is a privilege to make sure that, come Saturday, the ball is kicked around and we're all there to watch it happen.

If you are as depraved as us and this sounds like fun, we'd love to have you join the committee. Can guarantee: a meeting at the pub with decent frequency, experience in gazebo construction, an intimate insight into which players are sliding around on the grass and bragging rights when you pull out your League Handbook from your back pocket.

LEFT These instructions are bound to get lost so do us a favour, take a photo on your phone so we know there are plenty of copies. Much appreciated.



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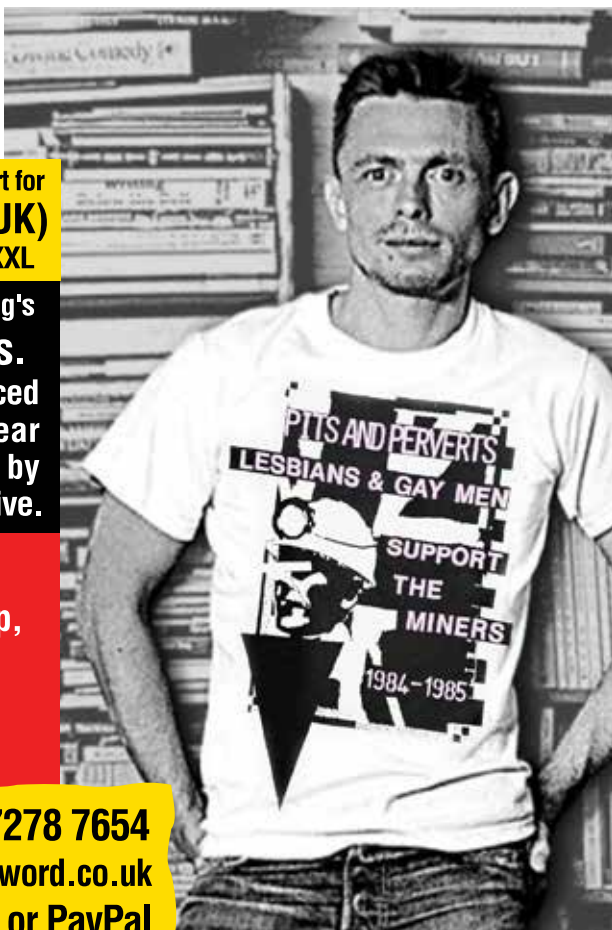
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Solidarity Forever!

TONS IN ACTION

Joshua Adejokun leads the post-match stretching after The Tons beat Ealing FC 2-1 in the first game of the season.





Cable Street –
The Road to Spain
by Jim Jump

BATTLE OF CABLE STREET

On 4 October 1936, Sir Oswald Mosley, leader of the British Union of Fascists, tried to parade his thuggish Blackshirts through the East End of London. The Blackshirts were notorious for their antisemitism, racism and violence at meetings towards anyone who spoke out against them.

But thousands of protesters, including many from the local Jewish population, along with many hundreds of anti-fascists from around London and the rest of the country, blocked the way. In violent clashes with the police, their chant was the same slogan as the one on the Clapton CFC away shirt: '¡No pasarán!' – 'They shall not pass!'

**To Trafalgar Square
to support Spain:
No pasaran?
Or to Gardiner's Corner
to support Whitechapel
They shall not pass.**



LEFT
Banner in
Madrid,
1936.

The protesters won the day. The police failed to clear a path and the Blackshirts did not pass. The event has gone down in history as the Battle of Cable Street and is commemorated today by a magnificent mural on the side of the old Stepney Town Hall on Cable Street.

'¡No pasarán!' was the same defiant cry of the defenders of Madrid in the autumn of 1936 when General Franco, aided by Hitler and Mussolini, tried to take the Spanish capital. He failed. Indeed, Madrid never fell in the Spanish Civil War, as many proud madrileños still tell you to this day. Franco only marched into the city when the Spanish Republic collapsed in March 1939 at the end of the war.

BELOW A permanent reminder of the Cable Street events.



In the fighting around Madrid the International Brigades – that great anti-fascist army of volunteers from around the world – were in the thick of the action. Franco changed tactics in February 1937, trying to surround Madrid by cutting the vital main road to Valencia. Again he failed, though the British Battalion of the International Brigades paid a heavy price, losing 150 dead and as many injured.

Among those who fought at that Battle of Jarama were several veterans of the Battle of Cable Street. Many more subsequently travelled to Spain.

Typical of them was Lou Kenton. The eldest child of politically radical Jewish parents who had escaped the 1905 pogroms in Ukraine, he left school at the age of 14 and worked in various factory and warehouse jobs in the East End and later as a Fleet Street printer. He joined the Young Communist League and began reading books, writing poetry. He also took up sports, principally football and boxing – later claiming to have had his nose broken twice: once in the ring and on another occasion in a street fight with Blackshirts.

In 1932 he travelled to Germany as part of a socialist football team that played several matches in the Ruhr. But the tour was cut

BELOW Charlie Goodman, who later joined the International Brigades, being led away by the police during the Battle of Cable Street.



short during a game in Essen when shots were fired from the crowd of 30,000 spectators by Nazi sympathisers. Lou and the rest of his team were shielded by their German opponents as they hurriedly left the pitch.

During the Battle of Cable Street Lou deployed his communist branch members to occupy the area around Aldgate station. Then by motorbike he sped from section to section to relay news of police movements that were being monitored by roof-top look-outs – these were the days before walkie-talkies or mobile phones!

Lou was desperate to get to Spain to carry on the fight. At first he was rejected, but eventually joined the volunteers in the summer of 1937, riding through France on his flat-twin Douglas motorbike. With his motorbike he worked in Spain as a despatch rider, taking messages and mail to and from the various fronts.

As well as Lou and the other 2,500 volunteers from the British Isles who joined the International Brigades, many thousands more were part of the Aid Spain movement that supported their efforts and the fight against fascism. Among them were the East End parents of author and broadcaster Michael Rosen. His recent anthology of poems, 'Don't Mention the Children', contains a tribute to them that invokes the Battle of Cable Street. 'They shall not pass' was fittingly first read at an attempted march through Whitechapel by the EDL (English Defence League) in 2011.



Part of the poem says:

***You both saw Hitler on the Pathe News
You both saw Hitler blaming the Jews
You both collected for Spain,
collecting for Spain
when Franco came.
When round the tenements,
the whisper came
Mosley wants to march
here, through the East End.
So what should it be?***

While all this was going on, what was the attitude of Britain's Conservative-led government? They were eager to appease Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy. A large part of the ruling class admired Hitler and Mussolini for the way they dealt with their opponents on the left. Those same people detested Spain's elected left-of-centre government and its programme of social and economic reform.

So Britain enforced a hypocritical policy of 'non-intervention' in the Spanish Civil War, which meant imposing an arms embargo on the Spanish Republic while turning a blind eye to the troops and armaments being supplied by the fascist dictators.

But just as the people of the East End forcibly prevented the police from clearing the way for the Blackshirts, so the International Brigade volunteers defied government threats to prosecute them for enlisting in a foreign war.

And just as local residents around Cable Street were joined in solidarity by anti-fascist protesters, including Jewish, socialist, anarchist, Irish and communist groups, the International Brigades also showed the world an unprecedented example of international solidarity and selfless commitment to anti-fascism.

That is why we remember them today. Fascism and all its many ugly facets – whether antisemitism, militarism, racism, sexism, hostility to immigrants and violent authoritarianism – has not gone away.

Inspired by the International Brigaders who took the road to Spain via Cable Street, a new generation must say once again: '¡No pasarán!'.

*Jim Jump is the Secretary of the
International Brigade Memorial Trust
For more information about their work:
www.international-brigades.org.uk*



ABOVE Lou Kenton: boxer, footballer and International Brigade volunteer.

HISTORY

The Isthmian League Years

by Gary Price

In the late 19th and early 20th century the leading amateur clubs had to rely on cup competitions and friendlies to get their football fix. Clapton had competed in the first two years of The Southern League in 1894/5 and 1895/6, but indifferent form and an inability to compete with professional clubs led to their resignation in 1896. The two away defeats to Millwall Athletic by 9-1 and 11-1 reflected the gap in ability, though a 7-3 victory over Southampton St Mary's was a brief highlight.

It is fair to say that the era up to the outbreak of the Second World War was The Tons' heyday.

On 16th February 1905, Thomas Kirkup, Secretary of The London FA, George Clark, Honorary Treasurer of Ilford FC and Frank Evans, Honorary Secretary of Clapton FC, met at Winchester House, Old Broad Street, London to discuss the formation of a strong southern amateur football league. Also present were representatives of, Casuals, Civil Service, Ealing Association and London Caledonian football clubs. All were in favour and the Isthmian League was formed on 8/3/1905. The FA officially sanctioned the new league on 31st March 1905.

On 9/9/1905 Clapton played London Caledonian at The Dog, commencing an unbroken Isthmian league membership that was terminated at the end of the 2005/6 season with relegation to the Essex Senior League. The "history" boys that September afternoon were; J Wilding (goalkeeper), AK Vickridge and R Ewan (backs), H Parkinson, L Peet-Yates and HC Hollis (half backs), HJ Eastwood, CG Russell, F Campbell, CS Rance and AJ Seaton (forwards). CS Rance scored a second half goal to secure a win for the Tons.

Clapton went on to compete in 89 campaigns in the Isthmian League winning the title twice in 1910/11 and 1922/23. It is fair to say that the era up to the outbreak of the Second World War was the Tons' heyday. In its first 29 seasons Ton finished in the top half of the table on 15 occasions. In its 60 succeeding seasons, Ton only achieved top half status on three occasions, though one of these included a Division 2 title win, then the third level. During its stay in the Isthmian League, Ton met 119 teams. Dulwich Hamlet, Ilford, Leytonstone, Oxford City, St. Albans City and Woking all did battle with Ton on over a 100 occasions.

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Oxford City	130	40	24	66	213	261
Dulwich Hamlet	117	31	27	59	164	249
Leytonstone	114	24	27	63	159	260
Woking	112	47	19	46	214	225
Ilford	106	23	28	55	140	215
St. Albans City	104	26	20	58	165	221



"Come on you Toons"

Original 1930s Harold Gittens cartoon
from the Evening News.



Full Name Shamrez Darr **Place of Birth** Leytonstone **Birthdate** 10.9.85 **Height** 5'10 **Weight** 13st7 **Home** Hornchurch **Day job** Train driver. **Previous clubs** Dagenham & Redbridge, Borehamwood, Enfield 1893, Waltham Forest, Ilford, London Apsa, Wadham FC. **Favourite player** Roberto Baggio, Alessandro Del Piero, Bergkamp, Cristiano Ronaldo. **Favourite team, apart from CCFC** Manchester United. **Most memorable match played in** For Waltham Forest vs Great Waking and scoring the winner in the FA Cup. **Favourite ground played at** Stamford Bridge. **Biggest high in football** Six months trialling with Leicester City and Leyton Orient. And being on the bench as youth team player with the 1st team for Thurrock vs Luton Town in the FA Cup. **Lowest point in football** Constant injuries in my 30s. **Likes and hobbies** Socialising with family & friends. Music. Watching crime thrillers. **Dislikes** Racism, sexism, homophobia, Tories **Favourite charity** Children with Cancer. **Favourite country visited** Dubai and Jamaica. **Favourite food** Caribbean food. **Favourite music/performers** R&B, hip hop, Michael Jackson **Favourite TV shows** Line of Duty, Power, Narcos, El Chapo. **Favourite film** Matrix, Dark Knight, Forest Gump. **What you love about football** Highs and lows of the game in 90 minutes. **What you hate about football** Ticket prices for Premier League games and the lack of funding for grass roots football. **Biggest influence on you** Mum. **Footballing ambition** Win the double with Clapton CFC and get us to the Essex Senior League. **Who would you most like to meet?** Sir Alex Ferguson.

PLAYER

PROFILE



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Daniel Anfossy

Gravy Ultras aka CCFC
Northern Supporters.

Vladyslav Bendovskyy

Keep 'em out
keeper.

Martin

Defenders

Andrew Lastic

Good luck,
skipper.

From CCFC Northern
Supporters aka
Gravy Ultras

Dean Bouho Available

Ellick Coleman Available

Ethan Dixon Available

Liam Smyth

... and we both
looked at each
other and said
"Bobby Moore!"

J

Yacine Rabia Available

Ashley Headley Available

Romelle Pile

Keep it up!

East London Workers
and Peasant's Red Army.

Tom Carding

Monday Night
Football's very
own has made
it to the big
leagues!

TB

Midfield

Callum Keir Available

Geoff Ocran

C'mon Geoffrey
Ocran, score a
goal for George
and Charlie.

Jai Bhogal Available

Joshua Adejokun

Fly down
that wing.

Paul Rutherford

Maxwell Nwofor Available

Phil Blakesley

Best of luck for
the season.

The Homer Tons
A&E Disco Division

Louis Rene

Louis Rene -
the only good
thing about the
right wing

Paul HL

Prince Kwakye Available

Sham Darr Available

Stefan Kilron Available

Paul Oshin Available

Stefan Nielsen

Tons' very
own Michael
Laudrup.

Gary Price

Gabriel Ogunwomoju

Available

Jon Akaly Available

Charlie Fagan Available

Saiid Jaffa Available

Sherwin Stanley Available

Attack

Bogdan Panescu

Forza Clapton!

Danny Daly

Eliot Crosbie

Wishing you a
great season
and lots of
goals - Come
on you Tons.

Stan, Austin and Cole

OPPONENTS

Fútbol Club de Roast

A warm welcome to FC Roast for today's first Middlesex League match at The Stray Dog.

They are another new team to the Middlesex County Football League. The club, for Irish people living in London, has grown quickly since forming three years.

Chairman James Carty told us. "We moved from 5 a side to 7 a side to 11 a side astro leagues as we wanted to play at a higher standard.

"We decided to become affiliated and we aim to build further from here. We're very much an Irish team but we have players from all sorts of backgrounds."

FC Roast has received assistance from both grassroots grants from the FA and their sponsors Pizetta to help them reach the stage they are at today.

Tons fans should keep an eye out for experienced striker Bradley Barraclough, who has played in the Football League with Lincoln City, before moving on to the likes of Bradford Park Avenue, Buxton, Spalding United and Gainsborough Trinity.

Carty also picked out fellow striker Max Tagliapietra and fullback Stephen "Boo" Hargadon as ones to watch.

Roast, who also have perhaps the coolest logo in English football, will arrive at The Stray Dog to start what is only their third competitive game of the season.



MATCH CENTRE

RESULTS

2018/19 Season (League* unless stated)

*Cherry Red Records Middlesex
County Football League Division 1

Sep 15

Ealing Town FC 1 **CCFC 2 (Smyth, Oshin)**

BBC Essex Premier Cup Round 1

Sep 22

CCFC 4 (Oshin, Crosbie, Stanley 2)
v Hutton FC 5

Jim Rogers President's Division One Cup

Sep 29

South Kilburn Reserves 2 v **CCFC 4**
(Crosbie, Bouho, Nielsen 2)

FIXTURES¹

Oct 6

CCFC v FC Roast 2:30pm

Oct 12/13

TBC

Anagram Records Trophy Round 1

Oct 20

CCFC v Epping Town FC

Nov 3

CCFC v Hereford Palace 2pm

Nov 10

London Samurai v CCFC 2pm

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Daniel Anfossy
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DEFENCE

Andrew Lastic
Dean Bouho
Ellick Coleman
Ethan Dixon
Liam Smyth
Yacine Rabia
Ashley Headley
Romelle Pile
Tom Carding

MIDFIELD

Callum Keir
Geoff Ocran
Paul Oshin
Jai Bhogal
Joshua Adejokun
Maxwell Nwofor
Phil Blakesley
Louis Rene
Prince Kwakye
Sham Darr
Stefan Kilron

ATTACK

Eliot Crosbie
Stefan Nielsen
Sherwin Stanley
Bogdan Panescu
Gabriel Ogunwomoju
Jon Akaly
Charlie Fagan
Saiid Jaffa

FC ROAST

1 Guy Leslie
2 Toby Mason
3 Stephen Hargadon
4 Barry Harvey
5 Cormac Coyne

6 Aidan Gaule
7 Jamie Fallon
8 James Carty (P/M)
9 Bradley Barraclough
10 Max Tagliapietra

11 Chris Cleary (C)
14 Wale Fawaz Popoolya
16 Andrew Broe
18 Sam Chadney
20 Michael Gilmartin

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