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VS LARKSPUR ROVERS  
2.00PM, 15 FEBRUARY 2020  
WADHAM LODGE STADIUM  
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CLAPTON CFC MEN'S VS  
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CLAPTON CFC WOMEN'S VS  
HAMPTON & RICHMOND BOROUGH  
2.00PM, 23 FEBRUARY 2020  
THE STRAY DOG  
GREATER LONDON WOMEN'S FOOTBALL  
LEAGUE DIVISION-ONE



# THE VOLUNTEER ISSUE







## GEOFF OCRAN

### MEN'S TEAM PLAYER-MANAGER



**IT'S QUITE FRUSTRATING AT THE MOMENT AS it seems we can't get a run of games together or even back to back, which is tough for everyone concerned.**

Games in hand are great on paper but with the other contenders winning their games, the margins for error become smaller. Psychologically it's always better to be closer to the top in a title race as it changes the dynamics but all we can do for now is chalk the games off one by one and see what the table looks like come March.

Next two games are important as they are against teams in our mini league at the top end of the prem. Larkspur are a bit of an unknown entity to us with this being our first encounter but from their results, they look like a well organised side

who don't give many goals away. Brentham we know what to expect and taking 3 points off them could be vital come the end of the season as they are the front runners currently.

We are at home so we go into every game with the confidence and belief we will win and the next two games will be no different! (Also praying Mother Nature is kind to us).

At the Larkspur Rovers game we will be also be holding a minute's silence for Robert Teppett who made an appearance for Clapton CFC vs Sant Miquel in a friendly last season.

A close friend of both management and the playing squad who will be sorely missed so we dedicate this game to his memory.

## PATRICK MCLAUGHLIN

### WOMEN'S TEAM HEAD COACH

**HELLO EVERYONE, WELCOME TO BRENTFORD then Hampton & Richmond Borough for two important matches.**

In our last home game, we lost to a very strong Dulwich Hamlet side but battled well in the second half, getting a well-deserved goal.

The following week we made the short trip to Islington hoping to bounce back but started the game slowly.

In the first half we allowed decisions to affect the way we played. However, in the second half we played with a lot more confidence and pushed to the very end, with our comeback falling just short.

This confidence carried into a cup game away against Clapham United, tough opposition from the league above.

Against good sides, not converting chances is always likely to be costly and so it proved. We battled well in an even game, but while they scored with their best chance of the game, ours

was brilliantly saved in the last minute. Although disappointing, there were a lot of positives that we will look to build on.

Storm Ciara blew out a return game against Dulwich, so it will have been two weeks since our last game when we come up against Brentford.

At one point this season our results were identical to Brentford's, however a couple of draws and a win against next week's opponents Hampton & Richmond have them five points ahead of us having played a game extra.

Remarkably, this will be Hampton & Richmond's final league game of the season while we will still have five left.

Important wins in January at home to Dulwich and Islington have pushed them up to 5th.

The whole team and I greatly appreciate the support fans have given us this season, if we play at our best I'm confident we can give you something to celebrate! Enjoy!





## RIP ROB TEPPETT

Clapton CFC men's team players and coaches are in mourning for their friend and team-mate Rob Teppett.

Teps, as he was known to family and friends, died in late January, apparently having taken his own life.

He was the assistant manager, coach and player for the St Margaretsbury FC reserve team.

Previously Rob was a striker for teams near and far, including Walthamstow, Wadham Lodge, Brimsdown Rovers, Broxbourne Borough, Hertford Town, Codicote, Colney Heath, Hatfield, Bournemouth FC, New Milton Town, Stotfold, Potton United and Swanage.

Over the years, several of the CCFC squad played alongside him, including Cemal Agdelen, Geoff Ocran, Sham Darr and Eliot Crosbie.

And last season, Teps turned out for Clapton CFC too, playing up front in our international home friendly against Sant Miquel.

At our next men's team home game

on Saturday, February 15th, we will also be holding a minute's silence for him.

The family are asking for any charity donations to be made to Football Beyond Borders, a charity doing work in an area that he felt strongly about.

We will have a bucket collection at the men's team home game against Larkspur Rovers.

St Margaretsbury honoured Rob's memory before the start of their first team and youth team games with a minute's silence.

## CCFC GENERAL MEETING

Your club will be holding a General Meeting in Forest Gate on Thursday, February 20th.

This is a chance for members to come along and discuss the ongoing running of the club.

There's a lot happening at the moment so it's a great chance to catch up with everything that is going on.



Members are welcome to submit proposals for discussion at the meeting. Any proposals should be sent to the secretary by Sunday 16 February.

The meeting will take place on Thursday 20 February at 7.30 in Durning Hall Community Centre. We are hoping to provide an audio stream for members who are unable to attend in person.

## OLD SPOTTED DOG PUB PLANS

Plans have been submitted to restore the "severely dilapidated" disused Old Spotted Dog pub and build a 68-room hotel on its car park.

Parts of Grade II-listed The Spotted Dog Inn in Forest Gate dating back to the 15th and 19th centuries could be renovated to provide a bar, restaurant and coffee lounge if the bid goes ahead.

The pub next to the football ground was a hunting lodge used by Henry VIII before becoming a drinking hole but has been closed since 2004 and is on Historic England's at risk register.

The Heritage Advisory organisation has described it as "severely dilapidated" with the need to stop the rot "becoming still more urgent".

Developer Highpride Properties has made the bid which also includes plans for the four storey, 68 room hotel on the corner of Upton Lane and Wyatt Road.

A reinstated conservatory, space for an outdoor marquee and a pergola linking the listed building to the hotel extension are also among the plans.

The bid follows meetings between the developer and Save the Spotted Dog campaign members where the pub's supporters urged Highpride to save the building, return it to pub use, provide a "safe" garden with children's play area and additional community space, documents show.

More information on the Save the Old Spotted Dog Pub campaign - [savethespotteddog.org](http://savethespotteddog.org)



## PURCELL ON THE NAUGHTY STEP

Men's team assistant manager Stu Purcell has been banned for one game for his sending off away to Hillingdon.



That means he misses the next game. However, he has the FA Ref Respect certificate now too.

Stu said: "Apologies once again to all the ClaptonCFC family. Good luck to the lads on Saturday."



## HUNDRED UP

Sherwin Stanley's hat trick goal - the Tons' sixth in the 6-2 win at Stonewall - was the 100th CCFC league goal scored by the men's team.

56 goals have been scored in 15 home games and 44 in 18 away. Sherwin has scored 25 of those goals, 14 at home, 11 away.

## CIARA WHIPPING UP A STORM

Clapton CFC women's team's midfielder general Ciara Monahan is the subject of an inspiring video produced by Football Beyond Borders.

Filmed at the home game versus Dulwich Hamlet Reserves, it focuses on her work as a coach for Goal Diggers.

It's been viewed tens of thousands of times already, watch it at [twitter.com/FBeyondBorders/](https://twitter.com/FBeyondBorders/)

## TODAY'S COVER ART

Was designed by Phil Bold and has been lovingly hand screen printed by Clapton committee volunteers. Phil wanted to do a screenprint over the cover, saying that as everything at Clapton seems very hands on, a hand printed cover for each programme was a great way to highlight the way our members get stuck in.

If you want to design a cover for one of our programmes this season, please email us at [comms@claptoncfc.co.uk](mailto:comms@claptoncfc.co.uk).

**FOR THE NEXT TWO MATCH WEEKENDS, WE'RE focusing on the volunteers who spend their weekends, evenings and even lunch breaks doing everything that makes CCFC tick.**

Clapton CFC is not just owned by the fans, it is 100% run by the fans. That's a major difference compared to most other clubs because we're not just 'helping' the club, we are the club. If our volunteers all went on holiday one weekend, hundreds of people would show up in Walthamstow to be met by Geoff playing the spoons to stall for time, while Sham desperately tried to find the gate clicker. It simply doesn't bear thinking about.

CCFC has no paid staff or players. The graft to look after the crazy shirt sales, record-breaking matchday crowds, 1,400 members and the fantastic playing sides all comes from the passion, skill and love of those people singing beside you in the stands.

Underpinning it all is a recognition that the club's success depends on these contributions, no matter how large or small.

**"I TELL MY FRIENDS THAT AT CLAPTON THAT YOU CAN GET INVOLVED WITH WHATEVER YOU WANT TO DO AND THAT THERE'S A MEMBER FOR EVERYTHING"**  
Jack, Young Tons Ctte

At CCFC, our members team up into committees, to run the different aspects of the club and get stuff done. There were 14 committees at the last count, though new committees crop up when a new idea comes along. Ideally every member would play an active part in running the club.

Clapton's volunteers are a decent cross-section of the membership. Those who've followed Clapton

for years, alongside an influx of members with new skills and new ways of doing things. Each member can be part of two committees, though people often help out others when extra hands are needed.

Ok so I've said we run everything, but what does that look like? To pluck a few examples out of the air like Jack Francis on a pacey cross, this means: taking the gate money, booking flights for international friendlies, ferrying the kit to/from games, dressing the stands with banners, doing the accounts, collecting food bank donations and posting stories to Instagram.

**"WITH CLAPTON CFC I HAVE FOUND SOMETHING I HAVE MISSED SO MUCH SINCE MOVING TO THE UK - A FOOTBALLING FAMILY, A HOME AWAY FROM HOME WITH PEOPLE WHO SHARE MY VALUES IN LIFE AND IN FOOTBALL."**  
Sophia, W1T & Comms Ctte

Our volunteers put forward ideas and work together to see them through. The Young Tons started life as a proposal at a member's meeting, which then morphed into mid-week training sessions. The first session had two coaches and ten kids. They now involve six coaches and 30+ kids, with the Young Tons fielding mixed teams in tournaments like the Man Den Community Club Shield.

Another member was asked to take some pictures near the start of last season. With no background in sport photography, he documented most games during our cup and title winning run, eventually being joined by other Clapton snappers.

100 of these pictures went into publishing CCFC's first book, 'TON!' which is sold at our merch stand, (now on its second reprint).



**"THE FANS ARE THE CLUB, WE'RE JUST ADD-ONS."**  
Stu, Assistant Manager M1T

Most committees organise via Telegram or WhatsApp, alongside regular(ish) meetings every few months. We also have volunteers working from outside London and even overseas. Our International committee has members in at least three countries and is currently working toward setting up a network of fan owned clubs.

You don't have to attend regular matches to help out with (most) committees, so if you are reading this online, at your first game, or first game in a while, there's lots you can do from home.

**"WHEN CCFC STARTED UP AS A LOCAL FAN OWNED ENTITY, I DIDN'T WANT TO BE ON THE SIDE-LINES. I WANT TO SEE THIS MODEL THRIVE."**  
Jason, Merch Ctte

'What's this building to?' you may ask. Cards on the table, to keep growing the club we need more people to throw their lot in with us and get involved.

On the 15th February we will have our volunteering stall at the game. Please come say hi, ask that question you've been meaning to, talk to us about what you love and what you're good at.

Don't know anything about running a football club? No worries, neither did we two years ago. Most jobs are things you do at home or work and lots of our members have picked up new skills whilst giving time to CCFC. Some have done safeguarding courses for the Young Tons sessions; another has become an email marketing nerd through producing the weekly newsletter. If you've ever wondered how to register for VAT in Spain, we have a committee member who can teach you.

In writing this, we spoke to members across different committees and the same response kept cropping up, "We're building something". And we would love you to be a part of it.

**If you believe in the club, believe in our way of doing football, and can give an hour here or there - JOIN US.**

**TONS JUST WANNA ~~HAVE FUN~~ GET INVOLVED!**



# DR WALDEMAR SPIER POKAL TOURNAMENT

**LAST MONTH SAW CLAPTON CFC SEND A stellar mixed 6-a-side team to the 2020 Dr Waldemar Spier Pokal tournament hosted by our friends at F95 Antirazzista Alliance of Fortuna Düsseldorf. The team lived up to CCFC's weekly tradition of high drama with pain, penalties and prattling about with some new best mates.**

Dr Waldemar Spier, a Düsseldorf dentist and Fortuna member was expelled from his club in by the Nazis in 1933 just before Fortuna won the German championship. Dr Spier eventually died on the 2nd March 1945 in Auschwitz.

The tournament serves to remember him and all other victims of the Nazi regime. It's also an opportunity to bring together progressive fan groups from across Germany and Europe, with the football

itself accompanied by food, drink, music and lots of chances to meet with friends old and new.

Game 1 saw CCFC take on hockey ultras Pferde DEG, and only 4 minutes into the match, renowned keeper Martin managed to dislocate his shoulder in the process of letting in the game's only goal. The Düsseldorf crowd applauded him off to hospital to the bemusement of our team. Game 2 was the BFF's derby against our hosts from the summer, Roter Stern Leipzig.

Our three players from CCFC's newly-minted Women and non-binary 5s team (Annabel, Gabi & Jess) paid no mind though, with a game of crunching tackles and non-stop line running. CCFC won 2-1. Our third match was with the Antirasisisters, who despite a strong counteroffensive gameplan, fell to some surprising efforts from CCFC and a 3-1 result.

Clapton would rue not taking the clean sheet though, as it all came down to the final group game against local Fortuna fans and last year's champions Dangersmouth, who could also progress to the quarters. Rumours abound that they plied

**"CLAPTON WOULD RUE NOT TAKING THE CLEAN SHEET THOUGH, AS IT ALL CAME DOWN TO THE FINAL GROUP GAME AGAINST LOCAL FORTUNA FANS."**

our players with a trojan gift of Pfefferminzlikör before the match, but these remain unconfirmed.

A cagey 10 minutes saw a score of 0-0 at full time and call for penalty-takers. Offside hero Tom Marsland stepped up as keeper, but despite a fantastic second save Dangersmouth finished as winners 0-0 (4-2). Clapton resolved to showcase our singing talents for the rest of the day and supported Dangersmouth through to the final.

Throughout the day different fan groups worked hard to make all visitors feel welcome. CCFC were certainly keen to make the most of the bar stocked with local Altbier, the merch from our competitors and the home-cooked food from across Germany.

In the final prize ceremony Colegio were awarded with the Dr Waldemar Spier plate as this year's champions, and each team was presented with gifts from the other teams in attendance, CCFC triumphantly walking away with more peppermint booze and Dresden stollen. Following on from the previous night's pre-tournament drinks, our hosts brought the tournament to close with an all-night techno party, CCFC throwing shapes in spite of varying injuries.

The following day's recovery brunch at the local Fanprojekt was a much-needed chance to reflect on the weekend with new friends and slowly recover. Undeterred, our football nerd contingent took the opportunity to watch the local U16s play a match in the rain, CCFC banner posted up on the side and foul throws loudly contested.

A great weekend in Düsseldorf and yet another fantastic reminder that our Clapton community is part of a wider family of like-minded, fan-powered groups across Europe. A huge thank you from CCFC to everyone at F95 Antirazzista Alliance.



**THIS YEAR I HAVE BEEN LUCKY ENOUGH TO have been chosen as 1 of 33 people to run the London Marathon 2020 for UNICEF UK.**

I have taken on this challenge partly because of sibling rivalry, with my sister having run the marathon before, but I've also been inspired by my late mother, who was an ambassador for the charity and spent a lot of her life fighting for justice and peace not only for children in war-torn nations, but for those in Waltham Forest as well.

An image that remains in my mind from childhood was the two of us in the living room watching a news item on the humanitarian crisis in Darfur with her being visibly upset at the devastation that the conflict had on young children. Children which should not be suffering and denied safety, simply because of their nationality.

For over 70 years UNICEF have provided life saving food, education, emergency relief, and

vaccines for children all over the world including Yemen, Syria, Myanmar, Bangladesh, Liberia and also in the UK. UNICEF receives no money from the UN budget and so relies entirely on donations, such as the funds that I am trying to raise by torturing myself for 26.2 miles in April.

At the moment training is tough. I'm a regular 5k runner and can often be seen outside the Peter May Centre in Walthamstow on Saturday morning for ParkRun. However, the prospect of running over 8 times that distance without breaking down seems daunting. As you might have discovered this season, I'm ever so slightly competitive, so I'm looking to complete this challenge in a half decent time, proving that the stereotypes about Goalkeepers aren't all true. I completed a marathon walk at the back end of last year in 6 and a half hours so something closer to 5 hours is my goal.

By the time the Marathon comes around in April I will also be the wrong side of 30, so I have to make sure I keep my knees as strong as possible after knocks against Wivenhoe and London Samurai this season. So begins an exciting regime of a good diet, daily gym-work and long cold runs in East London.

Our CCFC family are exceptional at showing support and solidarity to those who are on the wrong side of war, oppression or abuse. I'd be incredibly grateful for any donation either in person, or via my justgiving page.

[www.justgiving.com/fundraising/jack-francis1](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/jack-francis1)

Come on you Tons!

**JACK FRANCIS // SOPHIA AXELSSON //  
ALICE MAY WILLIAMS // LUCY SPOURS //  
LUCY ROLINGTON // ALICE NUTMAN //  
CAPUCINE RIOM // REBECCA VON BLUMENTHAL**

## HACKNEY HALF-MARATHON

**AT CLAPTON COMMUNITY FOOTBALL Club we know that community and solidarity is everything. We know that working and playing together contributes to our mental well-being.**

We also know that sometimes in life, we may be isolated, without a community, without a team, or just in need of a little extra help to get our heads back in the game.

On May 17, 2020, Alice May Williams, Sophia Axelsson, Lucy Rolington, Lucy Spours, Alice Nutman, Capucine Riom and Rebecca von Blumenthal from the Clapton CFC women's side will (alongside six friends) run the Hackney Half-Marathon to raise money for Mind in the City, Hackney and Waltham Forest.

All of us appreciate the importance of organisations like Mind, some of us have benefitted from its services in the past, and want to give back.

"In any given year, mental health problems will affect one in four people in the UK, responsible for the largest burden of disease in the country – affecting 28% of the population.

Mind in the City, Hackney and Waltham Forest (Mind CHWF) is driven by the needs of people experiencing mental distress and we won't give up until everyone gets both support and respect." [mindchwf.org.uk](http://mindchwf.org.uk)

Support our team to support our local community. Let's show some solidarity to our friends inside and outside our football family.





**IF THERE IS ONE THING I CAN SAY (OR WRITE) about Calais, it's you should go. Honestly, it's really easy. All you need to do is turn up and help.**

There are several organisations supporting displaced people in northern France - all of which are entirely run by volunteers, both long and short term.

On the 1st of December 2015, The Refugee Community Kitchen was set up, its aim to provide hot meals to the refugees in northern France every day, without judgement.

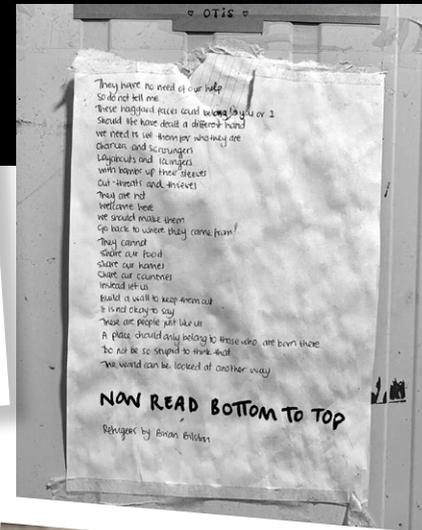
The Refugee Community Kitchen have served food everyday since.

Something that couldn't be achieved without the hundreds of volunteers - even those that turn up for the day keep the cogs in motion.

These charities stand against the French police as well as the UK and French government. It's so far beyond a hostile environment - they actively make

# INDIVIDUALS, SUCCESSFULLY RUNNING AN ORGANISATION IN A DIFFERENT WAY

**CLAPTON CFC MIDFIELDER ESTHER ROUTLEDGE REPORTS FROM HER VISIT TO VOLUNTEER, MEET, AND DANCE WITH THE REFUGEES OF NORTHERN FRANCE AT CHRISTMAS...**



life in Calais as difficult as possible.

I'm not going to lie; the purgatory of Calais and Dunkirk is incredibly depressing. Hundreds of people, including unaccompanied children sleeping rough in the bitter cold and rain.

It's the futility of it all. The work is hard, but nothing changes. It's a day-to-day cycle of survival. The definition of hand to mouth.

However, volunteering there is genuinely fun. You basically spend the day chopping vegetables or wood, meeting cool people and having great conversation.

In a way, being in Calais is reminiscent of Clapton CFC. It's a group of individuals, successfully running an organisation in a different way. In a way society says doesn't work. Yet, they are doing it with a lot of singing and dancing in the process.

This Christmas, my sister and I were lucky enough to personally go distribute the food in Dunkirk. It has a predominantly Kurdish community and they have to be the friendliest people I've ever met.

When you're pulling up the sheer number of people there hits you like a ton of bricks. Hundreds and hundreds of incredibly talented people just looking for an opportunity to have a life somewhere.

We served them food, ate dinner alongside them, had some great conversations and then ended up teaching the dance moves to Africa to try and keep warm.

It's the language skills that shocks me the most, so many of the people there can speak so many languages. In a points-based system, these people are on 500x the points of anyone I know.

As I said, if there is one thing I could say about Calais, it's you should go. It's a place that's hard to put into words: it's beautiful skies among a backdrop of barbed wire, it's all the hope and no hope at all.

If you want to go or ask more questions, please feel free to ask me: [estherroutledge1@gmail.com](mailto:estherroutledge1@gmail.com)

## DECEMBER 2019

IN NOVEMBER 2019, CLAPTON CFC spent £15,310.36, with over half of this covering an order for another batch of replica shirts (£6,704.38) and postage for sending out merchandise orders (£1,647.81). The other major expenses were the second instalment of our rent on the stadium at Wadham Lodge for the men's first team and an order for a new batch of scarves.

December was another quiet month because of the number of postponed games and other expenses relate mainly to the general monthly costs of running a football club. The main exception was costs related to the visit by Abu Dis Sports Club, the Palestinian girls team from Gaza: this included Clapton CFC paying for tickets to watch West Ham Ladies beat Manchester United.

In addition to this spending, the club also donated £300 to the LGBTQ+ youth homelessness charity akt.

Our income in December was £8,273.75, with the largest element almost £6000 for merchandise orders. With only one men's first team game in December (our 6-5 win on penalties in the Alec Smith Cup quarter-final against Stonewall FC) and no women's first team games, we still received £1,268.81 in match day donations.

A report on the club's income and expenditure for the first six months of the year is available on our website.

### THE BOARD

Thomas Bleasdale  
Kevin Blowe *Treasurer*  
Robin Cowan

Matthew Cunningham  
Evanthia Georgiou  
Jack Mellors *Secretary*

Laura Miller  
Tony Roome  
Paul Rutherford

Martin Silver  
Chris Tymkow  
*League Representative*

### EXPENDITURE

Merchandise costs	£6,704.38
Ground hire	£4,182.50
Postage for merchandise	£1,647.81
Production of scarves	£950.40
Match day security	£356.40
Printing programmes	£287.28
Printing stickers	£215.66
Physio	£136.42
Rainbow laces and captain's armbands	£117.70
Stationery	£109.17
Facilitation of OSDGT directors induction	£100.00
Laundry	£100.00
Food for players	£67.50
WHUFC tickets for Gaza girls team	£66.00
Expenses for Freedom 4 Football event	£63.64
Match officials	£52.00
Online store fees	£35.00
Disciplinary fines	£30.00
Accounting software	£28.80
Other postage	£20.20
OSDGT Companies House annual confirmation	£13.00
Replacement socks	£10.50
Meeting venue hire	£10.00
Players half-time refreshments	£6.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£15,310.36</b>

### INCOME

Merchandise	£5,999.92
Matchday donations	£1,268.81
Membership	£734.95
Programme sales	£120.00
Direct debit donations	£75.60
Interest on savings	£64.92
Player sponsorship	£9.55
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£8,273.75</b>



## SUPER 5 WOMEN'S LEAGUE



**CLAPTON CFC'S NEW BEGINNERS FIVE-A-SIDE team sit proudly at the top of the table after four games of the Super 5s League season.**

In fact we have a 100% record with wins against Tottenham Hotspitch, Sporting Club de Mundial, Hackney Parrots and MSA & Frenford.

All games take place on one of the 3G pitches at Mabley Green in Hackney, where supporters are welcome, and it's free entry.

The league season runs until April 16th. Games are every Thursday, kicking off at 7pm, and it's 20 minutes each way.

**HERE'S HOW THE SEASON HAS GONE SO FAR...**

### Clapton CFC 5s 1 Tottenham Hotspitch 0

A remarkably tight opening game against the league's best team name was settled by Nadine Croucamp's goal. An amazing achievement to get a clean sheet.

### Clapton CFC 5s 3 Sporting Club de Mundial 1

Goals by Australian Enforcer Jess Loughnan (2) and Lucy Rankin earned some sweet revenge

for the team after two friendly defeats to SCdM before Christmas.

Coaches Ellie, Julie and Byron had been working tirelessly with the 5s on fitness, positioning, goalkeeping, attacking and avoiding the dreaded foul throw and it paid off.

### Clapton CFC 5s 6 Hackney Parrots 2

Some scintillating football blew the Parrots away, Gabriella Monasso pinged the first off the post. Hana Frances then calmly slotted home a low shot before the Parrots grabbed one back.

Rhianne Wright broke her duck with a lovely low shot then Dutch Detonator Gabriella scored again. The Parrots struck back with a penalty, then Lucy Rankin scored from the spot for us, and Hana completed the scoring in the last minute.

### Clapton CFC 5s 4 MSA & Frenford FC 2

The Tons surged into a 4-0 lead before being pegged back by fellow high-flyers, Muslimah Sports Association & Frenford.

Gabriella Monasso scored the opening goal, a powerful finish by Rhianne Wright doubled the lead, and Hana Frances shot low into the net for a third before half-time.

In the second half, Lucy Rankin dispatched a lethal low shot into the far corner and Chelsie Sparks saved a penalty.

HOME



## LARKSPUR ROVERS

**Saturday, February 15th**  
**Middlesex County Football League**  
**Premier Division**

**It's the first of a tough run for the men's team as Larkspur Rovers, along with next week's opponents Brentham have the best points per game record in the league.**

Just three defeats in the league - two

of them against Stonewall - sees the Northolt based side averaging two points per game.

Last week they fought back from 2-0 down to win 3-2 against London Samurai, only the visitor's second defeat of the season.

They're the division's entertainers, averaging more than three goals per game, with top scorer Benjamin Esprit on 14 goals already and Jamie Gourey on 9.

It's only their second season at this level, and a remarkable turnaround after they finished third bottom and won just three games last season.

They joined the MCFL league in 2013/4 and have enjoyed three promotions since then, but were formed in 1950.

They offer football for boys, girls, men and women from four-year-olds to vets based at their £1million 3G complex at Lord Halsbury Playing Fields.

At the game we will be holding a minute's silence for former CCFC player Robert Teppett, who died in January.

At the family's request we will have a bucket collection for Football Beyond Borders, a charity doing work in an area that he felt strongly about.



HOME



## BRENTFORD

**Sunday, February 16th**  
**Greater London Women's Football**  
**League Division One**

**Storm Ciara (the tumultuous weather, not the fearless CCFC captain) made sure that no games in the GLWFL Division One (and indeed most other leagues) were played last weekend.**

And now it's finally time for the Tons to go up against the one and only team in Division One they are yet to meet. It's finally time for a game against Brentford Women.

Brentford, or the Bees as they are also known, currently sit in 7th place in the league with 13 points. They have won 3 games, drawn 4 and lost 5.

This side of the New Year has seen them lose to Dulwich Hamlet Reserves, win against Hampton & Richmond Borough, and draw against Regents Park Rangers and most recently to Comets.

The Bees play most of their home games at the ground of Bedfont Sports FC (right in between Hatton Cross and Heathrow Terminal 4 on the Piccadilly Line).



However, as their male equivalents, Brentford FC, are about to say goodbye to their historical home at Griffin Park, they have also played home games there.

In fact a decent crowd of over 200 turned up to see the Bees draw with Regents Park Rangers in October.

Brentford and CCFC followed a very similar path at the beginning of this season. The Bees have since pulled ahead of the Tons, but if the game against Clapham United is anything to go by, Brentford are in for a tough fight.

HOME



## BRENTHAM FC

**Saturday, February 22, 2020**  
**Middlesex County Football League**  
**Premier Division**

**Clapton's men face a potentially season-defining game on Saturday 22nd February at home against table topping Brentham FC.**

The two sides last met at the start of 2020, with Brentham achieving the

greatest result in their 100-year history (judging by the boisterous celebrations) by netting a late, late equaliser in a 2-2 draw against the Tons.

Sherwin Stanley and Lewis Owiredu put Clapton 2-0 up before the Brentham fight back, including a very soft penalty, in a scrappy game with a number of bookings and which left plenty of those present less than impressed with the performance of the referee.

The match was of course memorable for the red card shown to assistant manager Stu Purcell - however he has now completed the FA's Referees Respect Module (and has the certificate to prove it) so has promised to be on his best behaviour.

Since the last meeting Brentham have

remained unbeaten in the league, beating NW London and PVC Victoria, both tough opponents for the Tons, and a surprising draw against Yeading Town.

The league leaders however aren't one of the teams who have applied for promotion despite sitting top of the league, with their home pitch not meeting the necessary ground grading requirements.

The Tons do have a number of games in hand heading into this game and will be hoping for a repeat of last season's late surge up the table.

Clapton remain unbeaten at home at the time of writing, having not lost a competitive home game for over a year, and will be confident of getting a result.

HOME



# HAMPTON & RICHMOND BOROUGH

Sunday, February 23, 2020  
Greater London Women's Football League Division One

The last time the teams met, 44 Clapton supporters travelled all the way to Feltham, and with a five



piece percussion set had both home supporters - and players - dancing throughout the game. The Tons started stronger and took the lead with a header from Plows, but then lost concentration and allowed Hampton to get back into the game with two goals scored on either side of the half-time mark.

A brilliant shot right into the top right corner from master technician Zhane Amoaten saved the draw and saw herself rightfully picked as star player.

Since that cold, warm, dry and rainy game in early November, the Beavers have played 8 games. They lost to Brentfird, Walton Casuals, Comets, Crystal Palace, and away to Dulwich Hamlet. They have also produced big wins against Regents Park Rangers, Islington Borough, and a 3-1 win at home against Dulwich.

As of 10 February 2020, Hampton & Richmond Borough sit in 5th place in the league, having played 16 games so far, more than any other team in the league. They have won 5 games, drawn 2 and lost 9. A home game against Luton Town (16/2) and this away fixture against the Tons is all that remains for the Beavers this season.

After that, they will have to sit back and wait for the rest of the league to catch up.

AWAY



# YEADING TOWN

Saturday, February 29th  
Middlesex County Football League Premier Division

The Clapton CFC men's team make the trip over to Brunel University in Uxbridge for the second time this season.

On this occasion their opponents will be Yeading Town FC, who play on the

3G next to Hillingdon's grass pitch.

Yeading finished second in the MCFL Division One West last season, a mere point behind champions Hilltop, but were initially denied their application for promotion.

After a hearing at Wembley Stadium, that decision was overturned and the club, who were founded in 2013, are competing at Step 7 for the first time.

Yeading have been having mixed results this season and currently sit 13th in the table.

However, they have shown themselves

to be a tough nut to crack, promotion challengers London Samurai, Pitshanger Dynamo and league leaders Brentham were all only able to take a single point each from their league games against Town.

For the Tons this fixture will come in the middle of a challenging series of games, which will see Geoff Ocran's men facing the current top three teams in the league in the space of four weeks.

It is a run of games that could make or break Clapton's season and it will be important to maintain momentum by bringing three points back to East London.

# MESSAGE TO A TON

It's been a cracking start to the 19/20 season with more than 30 players sponsored out of a total 65 players from the men's and women's teams in less than a fortnight. If you're thinking of supporting your favourite Ton visit [www.chuffed.org/project/tonsmessag](http://www.chuffed.org/project/tonsmessag) and donate from as little as £5.

You will be listed as a player supporter with your name and brief message of support featured on the

website and in the matchday programme for the whole of the season.

The money raised will go towards kit and equipment for players and our training sessions for women and under 16s.

For any queries relating to 'Message to a Ton' email [fundraising@claptonfc.co.uk](mailto:fundraising@claptonfc.co.uk)

### CCFC MEN'S SQUAD

- Joshua Adejokun** S Have a great season Josh, Forza Clapton. *From the Parmenter family*
- Noah Adejokun** S
- Cemal Agdelen** S *From the Parmenter family*
- Dan Anfossy** S
- Phil Blakesley** S Come on Felipe - hold it down in midfield and beyond this season. We Love you Blaаaaakesley. Legend *Joe Zlotowitz*
- Sham Darr** S
- Jack Francis** S
- Bilal Hussain** S
- Jerry Jairette** S
- Andrew Lastic** S A credit to the 'Tons' In solidarity. *Dave Clinch*
- Nick Loblack** S
- Stefan Nielson** S Hope you're staying on your feet more this season. *Pie the French Bulldog x*
- Geoff Ocran** S
- Jordan Odofin** S
- Yacine Rabia** S Good luck to Yas Rabia and the Clapton team this season. *Muzzy Vurulmaz*
- Sherwin Stanley** S
- Jon Akaly** A
- Dean Bouho** S
- Tom Carding** A

### CCFC WOMEN'S SQUAD

- Ellick Coleman** A
- Eliot Crosbie** S "Oooh E-I-I-ot Crosbie"
- Justin Cummins** A
- Charlie Fagan** A
- Nabeel Hashim** A
- Ashley Headley** A
- Ben Kadler** A
- Stefan Kilron** A
- Prince Kwayke** A
- Alby Miller** A
- Paul Oshin** A
- Lewis Owiredu** A
- Bogdan Panescu** A
- Bruno Pereira** A
- Romelle Pile** A
- Imran Rehman** A
- Louis Rene** A
- Fama Sangare** A
- Liam Smyth** A
- Jake Stevens** A
- Polly Adams** S
- Zhane Amoaten** S Amazing touches, beautiful passes, perfect control. Please keep caressing the ball as you're doing!
- S+T Leyton Massive**
- Sophia Axelsson** S

### CCFC PLAYER SPONSORS

- Georgie Brophy** S
- Susana Ferreira** S
- Elena Holmes** S
- Ana Holmes** S
- Emily Link** S
- Ciara Monahan** S
- Annika Quartey** S
- Lucy Rolington** S Best of luck for the season! *Mark McCormick*
- Naomi Scriven** S
- Lucy Spours** S
- Rebecca von Blumenthal** S
- Saskia Walker** S
- Laura Wright** S
- Hannah Wright** S
- Alice Nutman** A
- Phoebe Parthews** S
- Stedrika Perkins** A
- Verity Phillips** S
- Harriet Plows** A
- Capucine Riom** A
- Esther Routledge** S
- Good luck this season. Score some goals! Lara Dudley-Hart**
- Alice Williams** S

S PLAYER SPONSORED  
A PLAYER AVAILABLE!



## MATCH REPORT: 19/01/2020 CLAPTON CFC 1 DULWICH HAMLET RESERVES 5

GREATER LONDON WOMEN'S FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

IN SPITE OF THE UNSEASONABLY SUNNY conditions, the Stray Dog pitch was still hopelessly waterlogged. So Clapton women's long-awaited matchup with Dulwich Hamlet Reserves had to take place on the adjacent 3G pitch.

And although Clapton gave as good as they got for the majority of the game, a five minute lapse in the first half where they conceded three goals settled the tie.

The South Londoners took the lead on 20 minutes. Their number eight was played through



and tidily slotted past Sophia Axellson.

After blocking a particularly dangerous Scriven cross, Dulwich broke up the field and their left winger floated one into the box. It glanced off the bar and away to safety. A let off.

It was to be only a short reprieve.

Axellson made an excellent save, pushing a close range effort onto the bar. It wasn't cleared. Clapton's keeper palmed away another effort. But the Dulwich forward was able to prod home at the third time of asking.

From Hamlet's next venture forward, another goal. They overloaded our defence with a quick counter, then fed their number 13 in space on the right, who rifled into the far corner.

The very next attack and it was 4-0. The ref awarded a soft-ish penalty for an alleged foul by Rolington. It was blasted down the middle by the Hamlet number eight.

The last chance of the half came to Clapton. Free kick magician Ciara Monahan sent an effort from the edge of the box just over the bar. As the cliché goes, it was probably too close.

Near the 60 minute mark, Emily Link used her skill to beat a defender and advance on goal. From a tight angle, she fired goalwards. The Dulwich keeper managed to block with her feet.

But Dulwich were able to deliver a final blow to the battling Tons with another clinical strike to make it 5-0.

The Tons almost hit straight back when Scriven returned a Hamlet goal kick with her head. Through on goal, Link tried to place it in the bottom corner. The impressive Dulwich keeper was able to tip it round the post for a corner.

In the closing stages the home fans were given something to celebrate when a low Scriven cross was turned in by sub Rebecca von Blumenthal.

A consolation goal the effort of the players deserved

## MATCH REPORT: 25/01/2020 STONEWALL FC 2 CLAPTON CFC 6

MIDDLESEX COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUE,  
PREMIER DIVISION

IT WAS A TALE OF TWO HATTRICKS AS LEWIS Owiredu and Sherwin Stanley spearheaded this come-from-behind victory for Clapton's men's side.

After early action at either end, Stonewall were given a chance to get in front from the spot.

Striker Ollie Rabie hit it weakly down the middle. Jack Francis dived and held the ball, but the lino thought the Clapton keeper had been fractionally off his line. Rabie made no mistake from the retake, rolling it into the corner.

The Tons hit back instantly. Stanley floated in a dangerous cross-shot from the right. It flew over stranded Stonewall keeper Dennis Aware's head into the net.

Then, in the blink of an eye, they were ahead. A Francis kick was flicked on by midfield header-winner Julian Austin. Fama Sangare picked it up, cut past a man and played a reverse pass to Owiredu.



The winger ran it in and blasted past Aware at his near post.

Just a few minutes later, Stonewall pulled level with a gorgeous goal. A diagonal ball was sent in from the left. Rabie ran onto it and guided a perfect header back past Francis.

On 33, they had a great chance to get back in front. A Stonewall forward burst through on goal and rounded Francis and tried to squeeze in from the narrow angle. But Nick Loblack was on the line to block.

Home winger George Watmough beat Cernal Agdelen on the right and hared into the box. Dean Bouho hooked in a perfectly-timed tackle to avert an almost certain goal.

The second half started with Stonewall still looking the more likely to win the tie. But two quickfire Tons goals knocked the stuffing out of the hosts.

On 55, another sweet assist from Sangare. Owiredu, from the right this time, ran in and popped through Aware's legs. With Clapton still under the cosh, another breakaway saw Owiredu free in the box. His hattrick finish was a neat turn and low shot. 4-2 Clapton.

Shortly afterwards, accidentally, Stanley found himself clean through on goal, about 30 yards out.

Instead of jogging it in and doing the striker thing, he decided just to lash an angry boot at it. The ball flew into the top corner.

To wrap things up, a late penalty allowed Stanley to complete his hattrick and lay claim to half of the match ball. (Is that how it works?)



Susana Ferreira into two fine saves in the first 20 minutes.

Then, as if it wasn't hard enough to see so many foul throws, Borough were awarded an outrageous penalty after their shot hit a hand and it was deemed handball by the ref.

You hate to see that too.

Borough coolly slotted home their penalty, 1-0.

The 66 sodden Tons supporters in attendance at St Aloysius Playing Fields got behind the team and were in fine voice, but less than ten minutes later Borough had scored another, 2-0.

Just before half-time Borough were awarded a frankly nonsense free kick which resulted in their third goal.

They were playing well of course, and it's fair to say the Tons were not at their best, despite Emily Link making some great runs forward.

But as the weather got grimmer, Clapton's performance improved.

It was a corner, 15 minutes from time, that resulted in the visitors' first goal of the match.

Fox in the box, Naomi Scriven, headed the ball into the Borough net and suddenly it was game on!

Clapton kept up the pressure with Verity Phillips and Lucy Rolington having a great second half. Within just two minutes of her first, Scriven almost had her second goal from a cross. Borough were rocking.

With less than ten minutes to go, Scriven burst forward with a run so searing it dried the pitch under her feet, and smashed home a thundering goal.

3-2 and time to play, you love to see that.

And it looked like we would score again, but time, tide, and referees wanting to go home wait for no one and the full time whistle was blown before Scriven could get her hat-trick.

## MATCH REPORT: 02/02/2020 CLAPHAM UNITED WFC 1 CLAPTON CFC 0

JOHN GREENACRE MEMORIAL TROPHY

ONCE AGAIN, THE CCFC WOMEN'S TEAM FOUND themselves wading through mud and standing water, and where once there was a centre spot for kick off, there now appeared to be a small boating lake.

Clapham started brightly and threatened the Tons goal with two free kicks on the edge of the box and a corner within the first fifteen minutes, but Susana Ferreira was looking strong in goal and kept her composure to keep the score level.

Clapham continued to attack, and on 16 minutes a perfectly placed through ball was picked up by their number 14 and shot past Ferreira.

The next ten minutes saw both teams chasing after the ball, pinging awkwardly off the potholed pitch and getting carried sideways by gusts of wind.

The Clapton corner taken by Ciara Monahan on 23 minutes should have given us a deserved equaliser had it not been for a determined punch from the Clapham keeper that diverted the ball off the bar.



In the closing stages of the half, Emily Link had a couple of menacing forays in from the right.

At the other end, Lucy Rolington was having absolutely none of it when Clapham's forward entered the box and she slide tackled like a perfectly timed juggernaut to deny Clapham another shot on goal.

A brilliant one-handed save by Ferreira just before halftime denied Clapham a two goal lead.

Play was back and forth, with Ferreira producing some stunning saves to keep Clapham at bay, and Monahan showing brilliance with an audacious sombrero to keep possession in midfield. A sombrero! The cheek of it...

But it was Clapham who went closest to scoring next with the ball firing off the bar.

The Tons had Ferreira to thank for keeping the score at 1-0 deep into the second half as she produced some more outstanding saves from a wave of Clapham shots, her work rate evident from the quagmire she was now wearing as a kit.

Into the last 15 minutes and it was a total Tonslaught as Clapton kept pushing forward time and time again.

It looked like we would find the equaliser when Verity Phillips burst through on goal. She picked her spot, but the Clapham keeper made an excellent save to book the South Londoners a place in the next round.

## MATCH REPORT: 26/01/2020 ISLINGTON BOROUGH 3 CLAPTON CFC 2

GREATER LONDON WOMEN'S FOOTBALL  
LEAGUE DIVISION ONE

MUD. IT'S BECOME SYNONYMOUS WITH THE Tons of late. Here we were, away in the depths of North London, taking on Islington Borough in yet another muddy field.

Within minutes of kick off, the game was gone. Not the match itself, the game.

Here was the first of two successive foul throws by Islington Borough, one even came complete with a... yelp?

Then Clapton got into the mix with their own foul throw. Then Islington had another one. You hate to see it.

Borough started brightly, unlike the afternoon itself, and piled on the pressure forcing Tons keeper



## CLAPTON HISTORY BY CHRIS TYMKOW

# THE MIECZNIKOWSKI BROTHERS

## CLAPTON'S POLISH STARS OF THE EARLY 1900S

**WADHAM LODGE HAS PLAYED ITS PART IN Clapton history before. From at least 1898-99 a team called Pemberton FC was based there. Pemberton had a left-winger named Walter Miecznikowski, whose father came from Poland, and whose talents earned him a call-up to a London side in February 1899. Walter Miecznikowski found himself playing alongside three Clapton players in the London team: McGahey, Cook and Stanley Briggs.**

The Clapton players must have liked what they saw, for by the end of the 1899-1900 season Miecznikowski was firmly established in the Clapton side, scoring their third goal in a 3-0 London Charity Cup Final replay win against Old Carthusians.

An equally fine cricketer, Walter Miecznikowski (pictured) was in the Middlesex 2nd XI against both Essex and Surrey that summer. When football returned in the autumn, he celebrated with a hat-trick in a 9-0 Clapton win against Eastleigh at the Spotted Dog.

It was the 1900-01 season that saw Walter Miecznikowski noted by bigger audiences, as by January 1901 he was playing in the Football League for Notts County, still retaining his amateur status as a Clapton player, a common arrangement at the time.

January 1901 also marks the beginning of the available Clapton FC Minute Books, now stored at

the Bishopsgate Institute Archive.

On 28 January 1901 Walter Miecznikowski was on a Clapton sub-Committee to arrange a 'Smoking Concert'.

At the same meeting Walter's younger brother, Edward Miecznikowski, is named in the minutes, picked for Clapton Reserves. Edward, a clerk at the Braintree Manor steel works, was living with the Miecznikowskis' Warsaw-born father in Huddlestone Road, north London.

With two Miecznikowskis now at the club, Clapton often resorted to the nicknames 'Micky' and 'Micky junior' to distinguish the brothers. Both were named in the Clapton team to play Portsmouth in April 1901. The Fratton Park crowd saw Pompey win 8-2, but again Walter Miecznikowski's talents had been noted. He was in Portsmouth colours later that month, scoring their third goal in a 4-0 victory over Spurs with a 'brilliant drive'.

Walter Miecznikowski then seems to have signed both league terms with Fulham and amateur terms with Clapton, during which time both he and Edward played for the Tons in a friendly against Notts County at the Spotted Dog before a crowd of about 5,000.

By February 1903 Walter Miecznikowski was an occasional West Ham United player. Still on the books at the Spotted Dog, he was absent from

Clapton's away match against Shepherd's Bush at Tufnell Park that same month for a good reason – he was getting married.

Not that the fact stopped Edward Miecznikowski. Edward did his duties as his brother's Best Man, then headed off to the match!

Walter Miecznikowski's story then takes a dramatic turn. The month after he got married, the Clapton FC minutes record that the Secretary was 'asked to arrange with Mr Miecznikowski the form his present should take'.

This was near the end of a season that saw Miecznikowski, along with Clapton's Evans, play

in a West Ham side that lost 4-0 to Luton.

The first Clapton committee meeting of the following season was informed that the Secretary had paid £7. 2s to Messrs Chappell & Co 'in connection with the W Miecznikowski Testimonial'. Chappell & Co were music publishers who also sold pianos.

The Miecznikowskis' father had sold pianos for a living. Did Clapton FC buy Walter Miecznikowski a piano to help set up his new marriage home?

If they did, the FA decided, as they were to do with Harry Earle, that this infringed the Amateur code and counted as a payment.

The Clapton committee meeting of 26 October 1903 was cagey about how it recorded the matter, but noted a letter of resignation from Walter Miecznikowski and asked the Secretary to write 'and thank him for his past services and to say how deeply the committee regretted the circumstances that had compelled him to resign his membership'.

Walter Miecznikowski, along with his brother Edward, played some more matches for Fulham after that. In the 1904-05 season both Miecznikowskis joined a newly created team, Southern United FC. In the summer months Walter played cricket for Honor Oak, for whom in 1908 he hit 200 not out against Fulham, the reporter thinking him 'quite good enough for first class cricket'.

But Walter Miecznikowski's amateur football days were over. In August 1909 he applied to the FA to have his amateur status restored, but was refused.

He was in good company. The only other player refused at the time was with Northampton, but was destined to become famous elsewhere – a certain Herbert Chapman.





**VOLUNTEER PROFILE:**  
**ELLIE MULLIGAN**

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Tooting  
**WHERE YOU LIVE:** Stoke Newington  
**DAY JOB:** Food Stylist  
**FAVOURITE FOOTBALLER:** My nephew Daniel, who plays for Merstham Tigers.  
**FAVOURITE TEAM, APART FROM CLAPTON CFC:** There are other teams? (I have a soft spot for Palace).  
**BIGGEST HIGH IN FOOTBALL:** Clapton winning the league last season.  
**LOWEST POINT IN FOOTBALL:** The first game I ever went to as a teen, I was so bored I missed both goals because I was looking at the floor. Also, losing a game in December last season at the Stray Dog, with no shelter in the sideways rain.  
**FOOTBALLING AMBITION:** Watching CCFC play at the OSD.  
**PERSON YOU'D MOST LIKE TO MEET:** The inventor of the meringue.  
**WHEN DID YOU START VOLUNTEERING:** I think it was around October this season.

**WHICH COMMITTEE:** Matchday; the best one.  
**HOW'S IT GOING:** It's been a real eye opener! As someone who used to come to games at kick off then leave pretty much straight after, I didn't know what went into getting the actual event ready. I suppose I had never really thought about it before, but a lot of people work very hard to make it happen. From organising refs (and getting them snacks for half-time) to putting up the banners and getting the drums out of the shed, collecting and washing the kits after the game, there's plenty to be done. Being on this committee has really enriched the whole Clapton experience for me. As a relative newcomer I feel very much a part of the community now and have made a load of new mates through it.  
**BEST JOB IN YOUR COMMITTEE:** All of them. Join us.  
**WORST JOB IN COMMITTEE:** No comment

**VOLUNTEER PROFILE:**  
**TONY REED**

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Ashington, Northumberland  
**WHERE YOU LIVE:** Walthamstow  
**DAY JOB:** Local Government stuff  
**FAVOURITE FOOTBALLER:** Socrates  
**FAVOURITE TEAM, APART FROM CLAPTON CFC:** NUFC (through gritted teeth)  
**BIGGEST HIGH IN FOOTBALL:** Genuinely, finding CCFC. A club that holds my personal values at its core having fallen completely out of love with modern football for years. Last season as a whole, winning the cup and then winning the league on the last day of the season. It was truly amazing – beautiful.  
**LOWEST POINT IN FOOTBALL:** My 18th Birthday - Newcastle v Sunderland promotion playoff  
**FOOTBALLING AMBITION:** Sampling the atmosphere at a St Pauli game  
**PERSON YOU'D MOST LIKE TO MEET:** They're all dead  
**WHEN DID YOU START VOLUNTEERING:** I got co-opted on to Comms when I started posting clips from games on Twitter last season, then later joined Matchday and then

the Merch subcommittee.  
**HOW'S IT GOING:** I love being involved and part of what to me, is more than a club. I chip in as much as I can – mainly on matchday setting up etc. There is so much more involved though, and the whole Matchday team are immense. The work that everyone puts in, and that goes on during week in the run up to both games at the weekend to make sure it all works and the team and supporters are looked after, is impressive – we always need more hands! In Merch I usually put forward bad ideas, and help with holding or taking delivery of stock - we have had such an amazing response from around the world, keeping up with the online orders, picking and packing - everyone chips in.  
**BEST JOB IN YOUR COMMITTEE:** I like getting there early when no-one's around and hanging the banners.  
**WORST JOB IN COMMITTEE:** Running back and forward to my house to re-stock the Merch stand on Non League day ha ha. We'll stock accordingly next year!



## MEN'S

DATE	COMP	VENUE / OPPONENTS	RESULT	SCORERS	ATT.
06/07/19	Friendly	Wadham Lodge 3G (H) vs <b>Wanderers FC</b>	W 3-2	Wise, Ocran, Kilron	30
13/07/19	Friendly	Mabley Green (A) vs <b>Lopes Tavares</b>	L 1-4	Nott	75
20/07/19	Friendly	The Stray Dog (H) vs <b>Sporting Hackney</b>	L 1-2	Panescu (Pen)	150
25/07/19	Friendly	Wadham Lodge Stadium (A) vs <b>Walthamstow FC</b>	L 1-2	Nielsen	120
27/07/19	Friendly	Menace Arena (A) vs <b>Peckham Town</b>	W 4-3	Wise, Hussain (2), J Adejokun	97
03/08/19	Friendly	The Stray Dog (H) vs <b>NW London FC</b>	L 2-6	Hussain (2)	207
10/08/19	Friendly	Sportpark Döllitz (A) vs <b>Roter Stern Leipzig</b>	W 2-2 (3-0 pns)	Odofoin, Crosbie	650
20/08/19	MCFLPD	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>Sporting Hackney</b>	W 2-0	N Adejokun, Crosbie	404
24/08/19	MCFLPD	Hanwell Town FC (A) vs <b>Pitshanger Dynamo</b>	L 0-2		143
31/08/19	FAV	Blackstone Stadium (A) vs <b>Wivenhoe Town</b>	L 1-5	Loblack	133
07/09/19	ASPDC	Brunel University Sports Complex (A) vs <b>Hillingdon FC</b>	W 3-0	J Adejokun 2, Nielsen	82
14/09/19	Friendly	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>Eastfield FC</b>	W 3-0	Trialist, Panescu, Owiredu	102
21/09/19	MCFLPD	Rectory Park (A) vs <b>Hilltop FC</b>	D 2-2	N Adejokun, Kwakye	77
28/09/19	MCFLPD	Indian Gymkhana (A) vs <b>Indian Gymkhana</b>	L 4-5	N Adejokun 2, Marinho, Yfeko	80
05/10/19	MCFLPD	Wembley FC (A) vs <b>Cricklewood Wanderers</b>	L 0-5		109
12/10/19	MCFLPD	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>Stonewall FC</b>	W 5-2	Owiredu 3, Kwakye, Crosbie	909
19/10/19	BBCEPC	Runwell Sports Club (A) vs <b>Runwell Sports</b>	W 2-1	J Adejokun, Sangare	167
26/10/19	MCFLPD	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>CB Hounslow Res</b>	W 4-0	Owiredu, Kwakye, Yfeko, Smyth	329
02/11/19	BBCEPC	Runwell Sports Club (A) vs <b>Runwell Sports</b>	L 1-2	Agdelen	111
05/11/19	MCFLPD	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>NW London</b>	W 1-0	Odofoin	273
09/11/19	MCFLPD	Hanworth Villa (A) vs <b>PFC Victoria</b>	W 3-2	Austin, Hussain, Stanley	95
30/11/19	MCFLPD	Northwood FC (A) vs <b>London Samurai</b>	W 3-1	Stanley 2, Hussain	115
07/12/19	ASPDC	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>Stonewall</b>	W 1-1 (6-5 pns)	Yfeko	527
04/01/20	MCFLPD	Brentham Club (A) vs <b>Brentham</b>	D 2-2	Owiredu, Stanley	125
11/01/20	MCFLPD	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>PFC Victoria</b>	D 2-2	Austin 2	563
25/01/20	MCFLPD	Barn Elms (A) vs <b>Stonewall FC</b>	W 6-2	Owiredu 3, Stanley 3	95
15/02/20	MCFLPD	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>Larkspur Rovers</b>			
22/02/20	MCFLPD	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>Brentham</b>			
29/02/20	MCFLPD	Brunel University (A) vs <b>Yeading Town</b>			
07/03/20	ASPDC	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>London Samurai</b>			
14/03/20	MCFLPD	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>Cricklewood Wanderers</b>			
21/03/20	MCFLPD	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>Hillingdon</b>			
28/03/20	MCFLPD	Hadley FC (A) vs <b>NW London</b>			
04/04/20	MCFLPD	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>Hilltop</b>			
11/04/20	MCFLPD	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>Indian Gymkhana</b>			
15/04/20	MCFLPD	Hackney Marshes (A) vs <b>Sporting Hackney</b>			
18/04/20	MCFLPD	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>Kensington Dragons</b>			
25/04/20	MCFLPD	CB Hounslow Club (A) vs <b>CB Hounslow Reserves</b>			
02/05/20	MCFLPD	Linford Christie Stadium (A) vs <b>Kensington Dragons</b>			
09/05/20	MCFLPD	Wadham Lodge Stadium (H) vs <b>Pitshanger Dynamo</b>			

MCFLPD = Middlesex County Football League Premier Division FAV = FA Vase BBCEPC = BBC Essex Premier Cup ASPDC = Alec Smith Premier Division Cup

## GAMES TO BE ARRANGED

**Home** vs London Samurai and Yeading Town.

**Away** vs Hillingdon and Larkspur Rovers.

## WOMEN'S

DATE	COMP	VENUE / OPPONENTS	RESULT	SCORERS	ATT.
03/8/19	Friendly	The Stray Dog (H) vs <b>Santacruzense</b>	W 5-2	Link (4), Riddick	207
18/8/19	Friendly	The Stray Dog (H) vs <b>Tower Hamlets</b>	W 9-0	Link (4), Walker (3), Monahan, Quartey	109
01/09/19	FAC	The Stray Dog (H) vs <b>Margate</b>	W 6-3	Link (2), A Holmes, L Wright, Monahan, Philips 310	
08/09/19	GLWFL	The Stray Dog (H) vs <b>Luton Town Development</b>	W 4-0	Scriven 2, A Holmes	140
15/09/19	GLWFL	Barn Elms (A) vs <b>Regents Park Rangers</b>	D 1-1	Amoaten	60
22/09/19	FAC	The Stray Dog (H) vs <b>Oakwood Ladies</b>	L 2-3	A Holmes, Riom	261
06/10/19	GLWFL	The Stray Dog (H) vs <b>Walton Casuals</b>	L 1-2	Walker	103
13/10/19	GLWFL	The Stray Dog (H) vs <b>Comets</b>	W 5-2	Scriven 2, Monahan, L Wright, Amoaten	71
20/10/19	CWC	The Stray Dog (H) vs <b>Leyton Orient Development</b>	L 0-5		126
27/10/19	GLWFL	The Stray Dog (H) vs <b>Crystal Palace Development</b>	L 1-4	Routledge	85
03/11/19	GLWFL	Tudor Park (A) vs <b>Hampton &amp; Richmond Borough</b>	D 2-2	Plow, Amoaten	44
10/11/19	GLWFL	Stray Dog (H) vs <b>Islington Borough</b>	L 3-4	Monagan 2, E Holmes	103
05/01/20	GLWFL	Xcel Sports Hub (A) vs <b>Walton Casuals</b>	L 1-3	Walker	40
12/01/20	GLWFL	Clapham Common (A) vs <b>Comets</b>	L 2-4	Scriven, Link	37
19/01/20	GLWFL	Wadham Lodge 3G (H) vs <b>Dulwich Hamlet Reserves</b>	L 1-5	Von Blumenthal	183
26/01/20	GLWFL	St Aloysius (A) vs <b>Islington Borough</b>	L 2-3	Scriven 2	66
02/02/20	JGMT	Clapham Common (A) <b>Clapham United</b>	L 0-1	85	
16/02/20	GLWFL	Wadham Lodge 3G (H) <b>Brentford</b>			
23/02/20	GLWFL	Stray Dog (H) <b>Hampton &amp; Richmond Borough</b>			

GLWFL = Greater London Women's Football League Division 1 FAC = Women's FA Cup CWC = Capital Women's Cup

## GAMES TO BE ARRANGED

**Home** vs Regents Park Rangers.

**Away** vs Crystal Palace Development, Brentford, Luton Town Reserves.

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- Manhica
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- Eka Harpon
- Douglas Hillman
- Christopher Housego
- Gary Illsley
- Kema Johnson
- Malik Johnson
- Shahob Khosrowshani
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- Daniel Power

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- Maddison Parker-Andrew
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- Eleanor Roch
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