

CLAPTON COMMUNITY FC

Clapton Community FC is a Community Benefit Society wholly owned and run by our 1500 plus members. We have women's and men's first teams and development teams, open access women, non-binary and youth training, five-a-side teams, youth teams and a cricket team.

OUR HOME

The Old Spotted Dog Ground, Rear of 212 Upton Lane, Forest Gate, London E7 9NP

The charity Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust operates the OSD on behalf of Clapton CFC members.

HONOURS

CLUB

- > 2023 Community Football Club of the Year - National Game Awards
- > 2021 Lockdown Heroes Award Winners - Football Supporters Association

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

- > 2023 Middlesex County **Football League Premier Division champions**
- > 2022 Alec Smith Premier **Division Cup winners**
- > 2019 Middlesex County Football League Division One Central & East champions
- > 2019 Jim Rogers Presidents **Cup winners**

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

- > 2023 FSA Supporters **Direct Shield winners**
- > 2022 John Greenacre **Memorial Trophy winners**

RECORDS

ATTENDANCES MEN'S FIRST TEAM

- > 1266 vs FC Roast at Stray Dog
- > 1153 vs FC United of Manchester at Old Spotted Dog Ground
- > 909 vs Stonewall FC at Wadham Lodge Stadium
- > 902 vs Kensington Dragons at Old Spotted Dog Ground

ATTENDANCES WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

- > 1153 vs FC United of Manchester at Old Spotted Dog Ground
- > 775 vs FC St. Pauli at **Old Spotted Dog Ground**
- > 500 vs Ashford at Old Spotted Dog Ground
- > 449 vs Leatherhead at **Old Spotted Dog Ground**

APPEARANCES

100 appearance medals: Dean Bouho, Geoff Ocran, **Jack Francis**

50 appearance medals: Annie Lyons, Arthur Wright, Bailey Pryce, Carl Paul, Cemal Agdelen, Daniel Anfossy, Dean Bouho, Emily Link, Fama Sangare, Fionn Glancy, Fred Taylor, Geoff Ocran, James Briggs, Joshua Adejokun, Julian Austin, Lenny Holmes, Li Steiner, Liam Smyth, Lucy Spours, Maria Mendonca, Marta Boiro, Marta

Casanovas, Mim Chadwick, Noah Adejokun, Polly Adams, Prince Kwakye, Samba Badjana, Sherwin Stanley, Stefan Kilron, Verity Phillips, Charlie Fagan, Teju Callisto.

COMPETITIVE WINS

Men's first team: 11-1 vs Hereford Palace 2018 Women's first team: 14-0 vs St Margaretsbury 2023

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

Eastern Counties League Division One South // Essex FA

Geoff Ocran - player/manager Sham Darr - assistant manager Ridhwaan Yusuf - first team coach Jack Mellors - first team coach Matt Bailey - assistant first team coach Carl Paul - player-coach Kasita Boateng - physio

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

London & South East Regional Women's Division 1 North // London FA

Coach Koral - coach/manager

ONLINE

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GEOFF OCRAN MEN'S TEAM HEAD COACH



THIS IS A TEAM THAT DOESN'T give up or settle for a draw. It's six wins on the bounce now and eleven league games unbeaten.

On Saturday away at our old friends, NW London, it took us a while to get into it. It was a case of biding our time and knowing when we could hit them. Equalising just before half-time was a big factor, it changed the dynamics. In the second half we came properly into it and won it 4-2. At 3-2 though the game could easily have gone either way, but our attitude and shape was spot on. We deserved it, to put another shift in with graft and quality showed maturity.

When Barkingside pulled it back to 1-1 late on away on Wednesday, we still went for a winner. A draw is a good result away from home but with the run we are on we had so much belief in the team to get three points and so it proved. I didn't feel at any stage they were the dominant team and the back four were solid. They have been the foundation of this run of wins.

That result put us second in the table but we are looking at performances and if they are consistent the results should take care of themselves. Confidence is high throughout the squad, we're chalking them off and we go on to another form team Wormley Rovers today.

#ClaptonFamily #OSD

PLAYER PROFILE: ALASDAIR GURNEY



FULL NAME: Alasdair William Howard Gurney

PLACE OF BIRTH: Sheffield HEIGHT: 1828.8mm, give or take

WHERE YOU LIVE: Forest Gate DAY JOB: Children's Healthcare PREVIOUS CLUBS:

Salts, Cardiff Corries ALL TIME FAVOURITE PLAYER: R9

FAVOURITE TEAM, APART FROM CLAPTON CFC: Swindon Town BIGGEST HIGH IN FOOTBALL: Winning headers

LOWEST POINT IN FOOTBALL:

DISLIKES: Sunak's speech on genders **FAVOURITE COUNTRY**

Equal rights and cold pints

VISITED: Norway **FAVOURITE FOOD:**

Losing headers

LIKES AND HOBBIES:

Yorkshire puds **FAVOURITE FILM:** The Imitation Game

FAVOURITE TV: Brooklyn Nine Nine

FOOTBALLING AMBITION: To play 90 mins and be able

to walk the next day

Marauding forward Arthur Wright has left Clapton CFC after 68 games, 26 goals and 17 assists for the men's first team in competitive football. The 30-year-old made a dynamite start to this season, with 5 goals in the first 5 games, but has found appearances limited in recent weeks.

Arthur will be staying in the same division having signed for Newbury Forest, where ex-CCFC player Tafari Nicholas also plays. He scored twice and was player of the match in our game away at Newbury Forest earlier this season.

He's also dual signed with North East Lions in the Essex Alliance League, where he scored a hat-trick on his debut last Saturday. His team-mates there include ex-CCFC players Musa Manneh, Romelle Pile, Callum Keir, Tashan Benjamin and Ashley Headley.

Arthur joined us in April 2021 and made his debut during the post-lockdown Middlesex Super 6 League competition. Including friendlies, he made 77 appearances and scored 32 goals, among his most memorable being away at FC United of Manchester.

Player-manager <u>Geoff Ocran</u> paid tribute, saying: "We wish Arthur well, he leaves on good terms, there's no animosity. We've got close ties with Newbury Forest. A lot of the teams in East London are close-knit, we all know each other from playing on the Marshes and Mabley Green. The FC United away friendly was a big goal for him as I feel that's when he established himself as a player



in the first 11. Then he never really looked back. He wants to play. He found himself out of the squad

just as we went on a run of wins. He was top scorer in the league at one point so we know his ability, but it's very difficult to make everyone happy, we've got a big squad. That's football, unfortunately."

BIG MATCH TOMORROW

Possibly the club's most prestigious opposition ever in a competitive game visit the Old Spotted Dog Ground at 2pm tomorrow - Fulham FC's women's team. They were the first women's football team to turn professional and are second in the division above so we're rank outsiders... but you never know.

WRAP UP LONDON

With the cold snap kicking in, CCFC are asking fans to donate old coats as part of the Wrap Up London campaign.

There will be a drop off point at both of this weekend's games so if you have forgotten today come back tomorrow.

Coats and jackets of all sizes are gratefully received, but not duvets, sleeping bags or other clothes.

There will be other drop-off points across London if you miss these - check the website handsonlondon.org.uk/wrap-uplondon.



WORMLEY ROVERS FC

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THURLOW NUNN EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE DIVISION ONE SOUTH

WORMLEY FOOTBALL CLUB WAS FORMED IN 1921 and moved to its present ground in 1954. Former England and Arsenal winger David Bentley and TV presenter Bradley Walsh are among the products of their youth set-up, which nowadays has 300 boys and girls playing. Wormley Rovers side finished third last season, losing to promoted Sporting Bengal United in the play-offs.

PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The two teams met for the first time on the opening day of this season, which finished 0-0. However, due to a change in management and in personnel, only 4 of the Wormley team that day played in their last game too.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

They've re-signed Charncey Dash, George Beattle and Cabhan Clarke from Step 3 Potters Bar Town, Step 4 Ware and Step 5 Stansted respectively. Beattle has 7 goals in 7 games while former West Essex and Grays Athletic striker Michael Mignot has joined and hit 5 in 5.

FORM GUIDE

Wormley have moved from 17th to 7th in the table under their new management while also being top of the form table. Clapton CFC are the second best form side with five wins in a row so it should be a thrilling clash.

"WE F<mark>***ING</mark> LOVE YOU ARTHUR WRIGHT, ARTHUR WRIGHT, OH YEAH"

CUP FINALS AT THE OLD SPOTTED DOG GROUND - PART 2

OUR SERIES ON THE CUP FINALS hosted here during the 140 years-plus of its football history.

THE WEST HAM HOSPITAL CUP

A month after the 1888 Inter-Hospital Cup Final took place, the first final of the West Ham Hospital Cup was held at the Old Spotted Dog Ground. The competition was created to raise funds for building a hospital to serve the newly created County Borough of West Ham. It was not the first time the Old Spotted Dog Ground had been put to such use.February 1885 had seen a football match between Upton Park FC and United Hospitals in aid of the West Ham Dispensary, whose wooden boarded frontage can still be seen at the Stratford end of Romford Road.

Two years later, a cricket match took place on the field now solely devoted to football, as part of a fete in August 1887. The money raised was used 'for the establishment of

a hospital at West Ham'. Like the Hospital Cup Final in spring, the summer cricket fund-raiser was to become an annual event at the 'Dog'.

IIIIIIIITHE OLD SPOTTED DOG GROUND

Eight clubs entered the first West Ham Hospital Cup competition: Grange Park, Barking, St Luke's, Upton Excelsior, Woodville, Fillebrook, Ilford, and Dreadnought. The final on 31st March 1888 saw Ilford beat local team Woodville 3-0 in front of a crowd of around 2,000. It capped a great year for Ilford FC, who also picked up the Essex Senior Cup, a competition Clapton Community FC entered for the first time this season. th

The Hospital Cup, also known as the West Ham Charity Cup, was to continue until the 1930-31 season. Its finals became intimately associated with the Old Spotted Dog Ground, nearly thirty of them being held at So the chances are high.

there. So the chances are high that the medal shown here was earned at the 'Dog', although, not being inscribed, it is not known which year it dates from.

Chris Tymkow

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UPCOMING FIXTURES

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

HIME	COMP	OPPONENTS/ VENUE
7.45pm	ECL	(A) Tower Hamlets (at Mile End Stadium)
3pm	ECL	(A) Southend Manor (at Southchurch Park Arena)
3pm	ECL	(H) Benfleet (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
3pm	ECL	(A) Harlow Town (at Harlow Arena)
3pm	RCL	(H) Park View (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
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WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

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DATE	TIME	COMP	OPPONENTS/VENUE
Nov 05	2pm	LSWRWFLC	(H) Fulham (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Nov 12	2pm	LSWRWFL	(H) Actionians Reserves (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Nov 19	2pm	CWC	(A) London Seaward Reserves (TBC)
Nov 26	3pm	LSWRWFL	(A) Brentford (at Bedfont Sports Club)
Dec 10	2pm	LSERWFL	(H) Richmond Park (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)

RESULTS - LAST FIVE GAMES

MEN'S FIRST TFAM

DATE	COMP	OPPONENTS	RESULT
Oct 14	ECL	Hackney Wick vs CCFC	3 - 0
Oct 17	ECL	CCFC vs CFC	2 - 1 👿
Oct 21	ECL	CCFC vs Enfield Borough	3 - 1 👿
Oct 28	ECL	NW London vs CCFC	2 - 4 👿
Nov 01	ECL	Barkingside vs CCFC	1 - 2

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	COMP	OPPONENTS	RESULT
Sep 24	LSEWRL	Dulwich Hamlet Reserves VS CCFC	4 - 2
Oct 01	WFAC	Wodson Park vs CCFC	3 - 2
Oct 08	LSEWRLC	Welling vs CCFC	3 - 5 💌
Oct 11	LSEWRL	CCFC vs Hackney	3 - 1 💹
Oct 22	LSEWRL	CCFC vs Dulwich Hamlet Reserves	2 - 2 D

TABLES SCAN WITH YOUR PHONE TO VIEW





WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM



TOP GOALSCORERS

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MEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 8 Noah Adejokun
- 5 Arthur Wright
- 4 Julian Austin
- 3 Fred Taylor, James Briggs, Muhammad Mikaeel, Taylan Gul
- 2 Jeff Twumasi, Lewis Owiredu, Terry Amoao

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 14 Teju Callisto
- 5 Emily Link, Marta Casanovas
- 4 Maria Mendonca
- 3 Larissa Vieira, Lucy Spours, Marta Boiro

TOP APPEARANCES

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MEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 21 Jeff Twumasi
- 20 Jack Francis, James Briggs
- 19 Bailey Pryce, Dean Bouho, Mohammed Mikaael, Noah Adeiokun
- 17 Junia Charlton
- 15 Charlie Fagan, Julian Austin

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 10 Li Steiner, Maria Mendonca. Marta Casanovas
- 9 Teju Callisto
- 8 Allana Scoble, Verity Phllips
- 7 Emily Link, Lenny Holmes, Lirian Santos, Marta Boiro, Paula Griffin
- 6 6 Annie Lyons, Lily Smith



MANAGER

GEOFF OCRAN

GOALKEEPERS

JACK FRANCIS
DANIEL ANFOSSY
ROBIN PHILPOTT

DEFENDERS

ALEX AKANBI
ADIL ALI
DEAN BOUHO
JUNIA CHARLTON
SAMUEL COOK
CHARLIE FAGAN
JOSHUA GEORGE
RICARD JOSEPH
SAMUEL MARCHI
CARL PAUL
BAILEY PRYCE
ADAM SIDKY

MIDFIELDERS

CEMAL AGDELEN
JULIAN AUSTIN
JAMES BRIGGS
SHAM DARR
FIONN GLANCY
JAMES GOLDRING
ALASDAIR GURNEY
CALLUM HOSIER
GEOFFREY OCRAN
PAUL OSHIN
JAMES PAVELY
JEFFREY TWUMASI

ATTACKERS

NOAH ADEJOKUN
JOEL AKUWUDIKE
TERRY AMOAFO
PATRICK BAIRD
TAYLAN GUL
MUHAMMAD
MIKAEEL
LEWIS OWIREDU
SHERWIN STANLEY
FREDERICK TAYLOR
SULEYMAN
ZAHMOUL

WORMLEY ROVERS

GUS STEELE

RYAN TAYLOR-HAMMOND
JONHA EVANS
RYAN STEVENSON
LUKE MARSHALL
TYLER SPRINGER
CRAIG TOLLEY
DYLAN BONFIELD DILLON LEE
CHARNCEY DASH
ELLIOTT CHAMPNESS
LOUIE OFFER
MASON OAKLEY
MICHEAL MIGNOT
SERGE ERKARSLAN
ARCHIE HAMMOND

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