

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

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CLUB

- > 2021 Lockdown Heroes Award Winners – Football Supporters Association
- > 2023 Community Football Club of the Year – National Game Awards
- > 2023 Grounds Management Association Volunteer Grounds Team of the Year

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

- > 2022 John Greenacre Memorial Trophy winners
- > 2023 FSA Women's Trophy winners

> 2024 FSA Women's 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

150 appearance medals: Dean Bouho. 100 appearance medals:

Geoff Ocran, Jack Francis, Noah Adejokun, Lucy Spours, Maria Mendonca, James Briggs, Emily Link and Li Steiner

50 appearance medals: Annie Lyons, Arthur Wright, Bailey Pryce, Carl Paul, Cemal Agdelen, Daniel Anfossy, Fama Sangare, Fionn Glancy, Fred Taylor, Joshua Adejokun, Julian Austin, Lenny Holmes, Liam Smyth, Marta Boiro, Marta Casanovas, Mim Chadwick, Polly Adams, Prince Kwakye, Samba Badjana, Sherwin Stanley, Stefan Kilron, Verity Phillips, Charlie Fagan, Teju Callisto, Allana Scoble, Lewis Owiredu, Junia Charlton and James Pavely.

COMPETITIVE WINS

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

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

Southern Counties East Football League Division One // Essex FA Geoff Ocran – Manager Sham Darr – Assistant Manager Ridhwaan Yusuf – Head Coach Jack Mellors – First Team Coach Matt Bailey – First Team Coach Aqs Hafeji – Data Analyst Kasita Boateng – Physiotherapist

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

London & South East Regional Women's Division 1 North // London FA Jason Murray – Head Coach Brian Bramble – Assistant Manager Kevin Watts – First Team Coach Sunny Hunjan – Goalkeeper Coach

ONLINE

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GEOFF OCRAN MEN'S TEAM MANAGER

I THINK IT WAS CLEAR TO SEE HOW disappointed we were to concede with virtually the last kick of the game last Saturday at Welling Town but it was our naivety and lack of composure which made us drop two points. A harsh lesson which we hope we learn from as we don't want to get to the business end of the season and rue points dropped unnecessarily.

We did however score some great team goals at Welling which makes it even more frustrating they didn't equate to another away win. However, it does show the work we did over pre-season is coming to the fore. This is our philosophy, our DNA and that won't change over the season. "WE DID HOWEVER SCORE SOME GREAT TEAM GOALS At welling which makes it even more frustrating they didn't equate to another away win."

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I'm writing this before Saturday's away game at Croydon, who currently sit top of the early season table. We are just under the twopoints-a-game average which we believe will have us in contention at the top end of the league. Hopefully a good result at Croydon will set us up for two more important games this week starting tonight under the lights against Lewisham Borough and then Forest Hill away from home.

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These big games are the chance for us to let the league know that we are 'standing on business' and we want to be the team to catch, so we must start getting results against other promotion contenders. No better time than to start now!

> #nonleague #Step6 #OSD #Claptonfamily #Wegoagain

MEMBER PROFILE: COLIN YATES



PLACE OF BIRTH: Bromley, Kent WHERE YOU LIVE: Upton Park. Plaistow **DAY JOB: Retired FAVOURITE PAST AND CURRENT** CLAPTON CFC PLAYERS: Sherwin. Briggsy, Larissa, Emily, Polly, Chelsie, Teju, Naomi, really I've never met a CCFC player who wasn't a nice person FAVOURITE TEAM, APART FROM **CLAPTON CFC:** Not really any team in particular except Chelsea and I'm trying to be indifferent to them FOOTBALL AMBITION: For all of my grandchildren to get as much if not more enjoyment out of football as I've always done. I should really wish that

for everyone

song I've ever heard

BIGGEST HIGH IN FOOTBALL: Going to games with any of my grandchildren PERSON YOU'D MOST LIKE TO WATCH A GAME WITH: Any of my five grandchildren and all the lovely people I've met at Clapton matches over the years WHEN DID YOU START VOLUNTEERING? Unfortunately I'm not that useful nowadays so never is the honest answer WHAT IS THE FIFTH SONG IN YOUR MUSIC APP SHUFFLE? I wish I had one but it would be 'I Wanna Be Your Dog' by Iggy Pop & the Stooges or 'All Mine' by Portishead, probably the scariest

THEY WORE THE SHIRT: PAUL OSHIN

ALTHOUGH PAUL ONLY APPEARED ON 37 occasions during his six seasons registered with us he holds a unique place in our history. On the 15/9/18 Paul became the <u>first CCFC player</u> to score a winning goal in a league game when he netted the decisive goal in the 2-1 win

at Ealing Town after appearing as a second half substitute. Paul scored the following week in the BBC Essex Premier Cup defeat to Hutton at The Stray Dog, the only M1T player to <u>score in their first two</u> <u>competitive games</u> until Taylan Gul equalled the record in 2023.

During that first season Paul appeared in more cup games than league appearing in every game except the final during our successful Jim Rogers Presidents Cup campaign.

Though never a regular due to work commitments, Paul's best run of games came the following season when he started eight consecutive league and cup games, his presence in midfield helping the team win six and draw one of those games.

Paul also made a notable contribution to the 22/23 MCFL Premier title winning campaign, the team unbeaten in every game he appeared in with seven wins and a draw.

STATS

Debut: 15/9/18 Ealing Town away in the MCFL Last first team appearance:

8/12/23 Cannons Wood away in the ECL.

Season	League		Cups		Total	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
18/19	2(1)	2	6(1)	1	8(2)	3
19/20	8(1)	-	3	-	11(1)	-
20/21	-	-	4	-	4	-
21/22	-	-	(1)	-	(1)	-
22/23	5(3)	-	-	-	5(3)	-
23/24	1	-	1	-	2	-
Total	16(5)	2	14(2)	5	30(7)	3

Substitute appearance in brackets.

Gary Price

FIXTURES OUT NOW

We now have the full season for Clapton CFC Men's First Team in the SCEFL Division One which you can see on our website.



SCAN WITH YOUR PHONE TO VIEW

SOME NOTES:

• With only <u>34 league</u> games compared to last season's 42 in the Eastern Counties League, there are seven blank weekends as it stands. However, these may be filled if we go on cup runs or there are postponements

• There are <u>no midweek</u> <u>league games</u> <u>after September</u> for now – though postponements and cup games may end up being scheduled for midweeks

- While there are no games on Boxing Day or New Year's Day, we do have our East London derby at <u>Soul</u> <u>Tower Hamlets in</u> Mile End on <u>Saturday,</u> December 28
- The much-awaited jolly boys and girls <u>outing</u> <u>down to Margate</u> to play Canterbury City will take place on Saturday, February 1
- We're home on <u>Non-</u> <u>League Day</u> for the first time in a long while.
 We'll host Croydon on Saturday, March 22
- The season ends at the Old Spotted Dog Ground when promotion favourites <u>Forest Hill Park</u> visit on Saturday, April 26.



CUP COMPETITIONS

Clapton CFC Men's First Team are in <u>three</u> <u>cup competitions</u> this season. We are making only our second foray into the <u>FA Vase</u> and will host former winners Hoddesdon Town here on Saturday, <u>September 21</u> in the second qualifying round.

On Tuesday, <u>September 24</u> we'll host Bridon Ropes in the <u>SCEFL League Challenge Cup</u> first round, with the winners playing Croydon at home in the second round.

In the Essex Senior Cup, on Tuesday, October 1 we will host Harwich & Parkeston of the Eastern Counties League Division One North, so they are also the same level as us. The winners of that tie will play at home to Benfleet or FC Clacton, both one division above.

With only 34 league games this season compared to 42 last season, everyone will be hoping for a run in one or more cups, or we have a lot of blank weekends.

For the last few years only teams in Step 5 or above qualify for the Men's FA Cup, so we are a promotion away from making our debut in that. We also entered the London Senior Trophy, however a London FA admin error meant we were not included in the draw.

TICKETS FOR BRENTFORD AWAY

Later this month there's going to be <u>the biggest</u> <u>crowd in CCFC history</u> and tickets are available now. The <u>Clapton CFC Women's</u> <u>First Team</u> game away to league leaders <u>Brentford</u> has been switched to their main stadium.

The L&SERWL Division One North clash will take place Sunday, September 29 at 3pm at the Brentford Community Stadium aka the Gtech. We have an allocation of physical tickets for <u>block \$104/105</u> which will be available to

buy tonight (assuming they did not sell out on Sunday).

Otherwise you can book online on the Brentford website - worth booking in <u>S106</u> or nearby so that Clapton fans are close together.



LEWISHAM Borough CFC

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SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE DIVISION ONE SOUTH

THE CLUB WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2003 AS A merger of three teams - Elms, Moonshot and Ten Em Bee. Among the latter's former players was Joe Gomez of Liverpool.

The Boro won the Kent County League Division One West in their first season and the Premier Division at the second attempt. They have played at this level since 2011. Last season lost in the play-offs after an epic 13-12 shoot-out but won the league cup.

PREVIOUS MEETINGS

None.

FORM GUIDE

Lewisham have only played 3 league games so far, compared to our 6, and all away from home, due to their home ground the Ladywell Arena being out of action due to athletics season. They were due to play their first home game on Saturday against fellow tenants of the ground, Forest Hill Park.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

Most of last season's cup-winning, play-off side is intact but Bryan Zepo, the division's third top scorer, has left. Stepping in up front are Emmanuel Oshinowo, who bagged 7 goals for Holmesdale in a higher division last season, and Ezekiel Kamara, who has 3 goals already this season. OUR OFFERS: 0.75% property sale fee | Three months free property management





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UPCOMING FIXTURES

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	TIME	COMP	OPPONENTS/VENUE
Sep 14	3pm	SCEFL	(A) Forest Hill Park (at Ladywell Arena)
Sep 21	3pm	FAV	(H) Hoddesdon Town (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Sep 24	7.45pm	SCEFLCC	(H) Bridon Ropes FC (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Sep 28	3pm	SCEFL	(H) Canterbury City (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Oct 01	7:45pm	BBCEC	(H) Harwich & Parkeston (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	TIME	COMP	OPPONENTS/VENUE
Sep 15	2pm	LSEWRFL	(A) Denham United (at The Den)
Sep 29	3pm	LSEWRFL	(A) Brentford (at Gtech Stadium)
Oct 06	2pm	LSEWRFL	(A) Richmond Park (venue TBC)
Oct 17	7.45pm	LSEWRFL	(H) Hackney (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Oct 20	2pm	LSEWRFL	(H) AFC Whyteleafe (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)

RESULTS – LAST FIVE GAMES

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MEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	COMP	OPPONENTS	RESULT
Sep 07	SCEL	Croydon vs CCFC	4 - 3 💶
Aug 31	SCEFL	Welling Town vs CCFC	3 - 3 🛛 🖻
Aug 27	SCEFL	CCFC vs Soul Tower Hamlets	1-1 🖻
Aug 24	SCEFL	Halls Athletic vs CCFC	0 - 4 🛛 💆
Aug 17	SCEFL	Sporting Club Thamesmead vs CCFC	1-2 🛛

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	COMP	OPPONENTS	RESULT	
Sep 08	LSEWRFL	CCFC vs Leatherhead	1 - 3	L
Sep 01	WFAC	Hutton vs CCFC (decided on penalties)	2-2 (5-3)	L
Aug 25	LSEWRFL	Dulwich Hamlet Reserves vs CCFC	2 - 1	L.
Aug 18	LSEWRFL	CCFC vs Actonians Reserves	0 - 1	L.
Aug 11	Friendly	CCFC vs Sport London e Benfica	2 - 1	w

TABLES SCAN WITH YOUR PHONE TO VIEW



WOMEN'S **FIRST TEAM**

Returning Arthur Wright scored against Soul Tower Hamlets in 1-1 draw at OSD

TOP GOALSCORERS

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MEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 3 Fred Taylor, Joel Akuwudike, Julian Austin, Noah Adejokun
- 1 Arthur Wright, Cameron Gordon, Lewis Owiredu, Louis Brown, Sam Cook

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 2 Emily Link, Rebekah Higgins
- 1 Aimee Shaw, Egle Trezzi, Kaylee Shurety

TOP APPEARANCES

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MEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 8 Bailey Pryce, Jack Francis, Julian Austin, Ross Broadway
- 7 Joel Akuwudike, James Briggs, Jeff Twumasi
- 6 Emmanuel Olasehinde, Louis Brown, Noah Adejokun, Noah Salama
- 5 Fred Taylor, Dean Bouho, Junia Charlton, Sam Cook, Tami Unuefa
- 4 Adam Sidky

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 5 Chelsie Sparks, Kaylee Shurety, Marta Casanovas
- 4 Emily Link, Lucy Spours, Chloe Owen, Julia Moulton, Li Steiner, Maria Mendonca, Rebekah Higgins
- 3 Aimee Shaw, Alice Sharpe, Claire Huggins, Eva van der Vliet, Marta Boiro, Taiyah Evans

MANAGER GEOFF OCRAN

GOALKEEPERS

JOSHUA BOATENG TOBY EMERSON JACK FRANCIS ROBIN PHILPOTT

DEFENDERS

ADIL ALI DEAN BOUHO ANDREA CAIO JUNIA CHARLTON SAM COOK CHARLIE FAGAN JOSHUA GEORGE ALASDAIR GURNEY SEB HARTWELL STEFAN KILRON BAILEY PRYCE ADAM SIDKY GUS STEELE TAMI UNUEFA

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CEMAL AGDELEN JOEL AKUWUDIKE JULIAN AUSTIN JAMES BRIGGS ROSS BROADWAY SHAM DARR AZARIAH GEORGE-LAWAL FIONN GLANCY JAMES GOLDRING GEOFF OCRAN JAMES PAVELY NOAH SALAMA JEFFREY TWUMASI

FORWARDS

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THE SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE strongly support recent FA statements that there should be a zero tolerance approach against racism and all forms of discrimination, accordingly any form of discriminatory abuse whether it be based on race or ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, faith, age, ability or any other form of abuse will be reported to the relevant County Association for action by that Association.

THE SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE supports the 'Swearing – Let's Tackle It' campaign and strongly condemns the use of foul and abusive language at football matches.

LEWISHAM BOROUGH CFC

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