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**CLAPTON CFC vs**  
**BRIDON ROPES FC**

**7.45PM TUESDAY, 24TH SEPTEMBER, 2024**

**OLD SPOTTED DOG**

**Southern Counties East  
Football League Challenge Cup  
First Round**

**CLAPTON CFC**

**JUNIA CHARLTON  
DEFENDER**



# This Club Belongs To You And Me

## NEW DOCUMENTARY RELEASED

Clapton CFC is the subject of a new documentary called 'This Club Belongs To You And Me'. The Voices. Media

documentary covers the political and community ethos of the club and 'how it has become a beacon of hope for football fans'.



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## DEVELOPMENT TEAM SEASON KICKS OFF

The Men's Development Team have started their first season in the Hackney and Leyton League Premier Division after an impressive three promotions in as many seasons.

This year, the management team of Jon Akaly and Tom Marsland, is delighted to welcome a new yet familiar face: player/coach Stefan Kilon. A true club stalwart, Stef has been with CCFC since the very first game away at Holland FC back in 2018.

The Development Team continues to nurture talent for Geoff Ocran's Men's First Team. Recent graduates include Emmanuel Olasehinde, Felix Murray, and Alasdair Gurney.

The Premier Division features Hackney Borough with familiar faces James Briggs and Josh George; Badoo, boasting Arthur Wright; and City East, featuring Old Spotted Dog legend Jerry Jairette.

Adding to the excitement, the team will make its debut in the London Junior Cup, facing a challenging first-round away draw against Greenwich Park Rangers.

All league matches are held at Hackney Marshes on Sunday mornings, with a 10:30 am kick off.

## CCFC IN THE LEAGUE CUP(S)

It's almost six years to the day since our inaugural league cup tie against South Kilburn Res in the Jim Rogers Cup, a 4-2 win with Eliot Crosbie scoring our first league cup goal. After further wins against Deportivo Galicia Res, London Samurai, and Wilberforce Wanderers, we were in the final in Uxbridge. After a 2-2 draw against Hilltop we emerged winners on penalties to lift our first silverware.

The following season as members of the MCFL Premier Division we competed in the Alec Smith Cup. After accounting for Hillingdon and Stonewall, London Samurai beat us in the semis on penalties at Mabley Green.

The 20/21 season saw no league cup games due to Covid. We returned to Uxbridge for the final of the Alec Smith the following season after beating Sporting Hackney,

Larkspur Rovers, and Cricklewood Wanderers. Despite being 0-2 down late on we recovered to defeat Kensington Dragons on penalties. Dragons exacted revenge the following season as we were beaten 1-2 in our first defence of the trophy.

Promotion to the Eastern Counties League for the 23/24 season brought with it, entry to the competition's league cup, though Hutton beat us in our only game in the tournament, 1-2 in Billericay.

*Gary Price*

## BRENTFORD GAME NEXT SUNDAY

There's still time to grab a ticket for Sunday's big game as the Clapton CFC Women's First Team visit league leaders Brentford. Adult tickets are just £2, children's tickets are free (under 18s). If you want to be with / near the CCFC fans, please book in

block S107 or S108. Book your tickets online via the Brentford website.



SCAN WITH YOUR PHONE TO GET TICKETS



## GEOFF OCRAN MEN'S TEAM MANAGER

**AND JUST LIKE THAT, WE ARE INTO the first round of the FA Vase for the first time. As per usual, we did things the hard way but I guess that's what makes us so entertaining and increased the suspense.**

It was the second game in a row where I think our performance level has been high and we've been able to adhere to a new game plan. We want to have different variations to our play so we can adjust throughout the game and manage them better but this will be a process.

We felt, despite going one down early on, we were the better team so we just had to keep playing our football and using the width to our advantage. The red card, which was naive from us, made the game closer than it should have been but we still felt relatively comfortable with 10 men. We could have won the game right at the end with a couple of

chances before it went to penalties.

We made a couple of subs with penalties in mind as we are confident that we have enough technicians to generally score all five. Not to mention that we have been blessed with goalkeepers who thrive on these situations like Jack and Dan Anfossy.

It's the SCEFL Challenge Cup tonight vs Bridon Ropes which also includes teams in the league above. It's always hard to gauge how seriously the opposition take league cups as it's a chance to utilise the squad and we will use the opportunity to do the same.

However, on the back of the victory on Saturday, we would like to maintain the momentum with another win and set ourselves up for what is a big game vs Canterbury on Saturday.

**#WeGoAgain #ClaptonCFC #Step6  
#LeagueCup #ClaptonFamily**

## MEMBER PROFILE: GARY PRICE



**PLACE OF BIRTH:** London

**WHERE YOU LIVE:**

Wangford, Suffolk

**DAY JOB:** Retired

**FAVOURITE PAST AND CURRENT**

**CLAPTON CFC PLAYERS:**

Past – Stefan Nielsen.

Present – Sherwin Stanley

**FAVOURITE TEAM, APART FROM**

**CLAPTON CFC:** West Ham United

**FOOTBALL AMBITION:** Clapton

CFC in the Essex Senior League

**BIGGEST HIGH IN FOOTBALL:**

Clapton CFC winning the Middlesex County Football

League Central and East title in the first season

**PERSON YOU'D MOST LIKE TO**

**WATCH A GAME WITH:**

Sukhdev Johal

**WHEN DID YOU START**

**VOLUNTEERING?** July 2018

**HOW IS IT GOING?** Very good,

though I will see less away

games now we have been

moved from the Eastern

Counties League

**WHAT IS THE FIFTH SONG IN**

**YOUR MUSIC APP SHUFFLE?**

Anarchy in The UK

## BRIDON ROPES FC



SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST  
FOOTBALL LEAGUE CHALLENGE CUP

### 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

### MIDFIELDERS

CEMAL AGDELEN  
GABRIEL AKUWUDIKE  
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

NOAH ADEJOKUN  
TERRY AMOAKO  
LOUIS BROWN  
CAMERON GORDON  
TAYLAN GUL  
FELIX MURRAY  
EMMANUEL OLASEHINDE  
LEWIS OWIREDU  
SHERWIN STANLEY  
FRED TAYLOR  
ARTHUR WRIGHT  
SULEYMAN ZAHMOUL

### BRIDON ROPES

Stanislaw Abyszkin / David Adesanwo /  
Olusegun Akinwunmi / Emmanuel Andero  
/ Cameron Anderson / Emmanuel Bestman  
/ Simon Bye / Finlay Chambers / Patrick  
Da Lomba / Ronan Dunphy / Matthew  
Farnworth / Drew Graham / Kian Houston  
/ Elias London / David Makisi / Billy Marsh  
/ Cemal Osman / Joe Quinnear / Samuel  
Sarpong / Jamie Thuillier / Patrick Ward /  
John Woodcock

BRIDON ROPES FC WAS FORMED as a factory team in 1935 by workers at the British Ropes Works in Charlton. It was originally called British Ropes FC, before becoming Bridon Sports in 1990 and Bridon Ropes in 1992.

The name Bridon originates from 'British' and 'Doncaster', where the company is headquartered. After spells in the London Spartan, Spartan South Midlands, London Intermediate and Kent County leagues, they've been in this division for over a decade.

There's been some near misses from promotion since (including 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th places) while last season new manager Lee Rooks led them to 10th place safety.

### FORM GUIDE

It's been a defensive masterclass so far, conceding just three goals in the first six games. They have beaten SC Thamesmead and Welling Town (who we drew with), and drew with Tooting Bec and Faversham Strike Force (who beat us). Their two defeats are by the odd goal against Croydon and Sheppey Sports.

### PLAYERS TO WATCH

Last season's top scorer Lester Lawrence (10 in 16 games) has dropped down to play for Bexley at Step 7, opening up a spot for teenager David Makisi who was top scorer for Greenwich All Stars with 14 goals in 24 games in his first season in men's football.

### UPCOMING FIXTURES

#### MEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	TIME	COMP	OPPONENTS/VENUE
Sep 28	3pm	SCEFL	(H) Canterbury City (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Oct 01	7.45pm	ESC	(H) Harwich & Parkeston (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Oct 12	3pm	SCEFL	(A) Bridon Ropes (at Meridian Sports & Social Club)
Oct 19	3pm	SCEFL	(H) Sheppey Sports (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Oct 22	7.45pm	SCEFL	(A) Meridian VP (at Meridian Sports & Social Club)

#### WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	TIME	COMP	OPPONENTS/VENUE
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)
Oct 27	2pm	LSEWRFL	(A) Ashmount Leigh (at Meadowbank Stadium, Dorking)