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Clapton CFC vs Dunmow Town FC Saturday, August 2nd 2025. Kick-off 3pm

Thurlow Nunn Eastern Counties Football League Division One South



OPPONENTS

DUNMOW TOWN FC

Welcome to today's visiting players, coaches, supporters and officials

Dunmow Town formed in 2020 playing in the Essex & Suffolk Border League and were promoted to the Eastern Counties League in 2023. They reached the play-off finals in their first season, losing to Wormley Rovers, who beat us in the semis. Now based at Hoddesdon Town's Lowfield, Dunmow have previously groundshared at Braintree Town, Heybridge Swifts and Saffron Walden Town.

Form guide

Dunmow have been quiet online and on social media, but they played two higher division teams in friendlies, losing to Saffron Walden 4-3 and Basildon United 3-0. Last season they finished 12th, winning their last two games.

Previous meetings

This will be our third competitive clash. In 2023/24, Dunmow became the first side to beat us at Step 6, with a 2-0 win at the Old Spotted Dog Ground in August. The return game at Heybridge in February was a 1-1 draw, Noah Adejokun with our goal. Prior to that, we'd played a couple of friendlies, winning 2-1 in the summer of 2021 after losing 3-0 in 2020.

Player/s to watch

Striker Darnell Fuller scored a whopping 32 goals last season, second best in the division. He's back for another season along with the vast majority of last season's side.

THREE FAREWELLS

Popular attacker Noah Adejokun has signed for Essex Senior League side Sporting Bengal United.

It's always bittersweet when a player leaves to move up the divisions and none more so than Noah, who joined in 2019 to play alongside older brother Josh.

Noah, 24, has the third most appearances for the Clapton CFC Men's First Team with 168 and the third biggest haul of goals too with 66.

Meanwhile, 'the other Noah', 25-year-old midfielder Noah Salama has rejoined his old club NW London in our division. He made 24 appearances for CCFC after joining us last summer.

Finally, we will also be coming up against

Josh George this season after he signed for a

new-look Cannons Wood side. The big defender

made 20 appearances for CCFC across two seasons.

We wish them all well.



GEOFF OCRAN

MEN'S HEAD COACH

Tuesday night's 2-1 defeat against Basildon Town was not the result or performance we were looking for to start the season. After a good start to the game and the lion's share of possession, we didn't put the game to bed and naturally we were punished for switching off at two set pieces.

We had enough quality on the pitch to win, we dominated chances but we were hit by a couple of sucker punches. There are no real excuses from us as we knew what their biggest threat was going to be. Lessons need to be learnt and learnt quickly as that was a typical Thurlow Nunn style game from two seasons ago. Teams will come with a game plan to nullify us and we need to find different ways of answering those questions.

On a positive note, we did create a lot of chances and you would like to think that on another day, that translates into a comfortable home win. There were a few competitive debuts and they would have seen what beating Clapton away means to any visiting opposition. It's their cup final to play in front of a big crowd. It was a bit of an eye-opener because we came off the back of a good pre-season where we notched up some wins against higher opposition.

We can't dwell too long on Tuesday's defeat and there's another game at home today. It has to be positive result so we can get our league campaign up and running. The good thing about the start of the season is there's another game usually a few days away. It was a good result for Dunmow Town in the week for them against Cannons Wood so they will arrive here with confidence.

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ABOUT US

Clapton Community FC is a
Community Benefit Society
wholly owned and run by our
members. The charity Old
Spotted Dog Ground Trust
operates the ground on behalf
of Clapton CFC members.

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

Geoff Ocran - Manager

Sham Darr - Assistant Manager

Jack Mellors - First Team Coach

Aqs Hafeji - First Team

Coach/Data Analyst

Robin Phipott - Goalkeeper Coach

Kasita Boateng - Physiotherapist

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MEN'S FIRST TEAM



GOALKEEPERS

Toby Emerson Jack Francis Chris Mathers Robin Philpott

DEFENDERS

Dean Bouho
Andrea Caio
Junia Charlton
Sam Cook
Charlie Fagan
Alasdair Gurney
Seb Hartwell
Bailey Pryce
Adam Sidky
Tami Unuefa
Will Wright

MIDFIELDERS

Cemal Agdelen
Joel Akuwudike
Julian Austin
Ross Broadway
Nathan Cook
Azariah George-Lawal
Pete Jamieson
Felix Murray
Enzo Pina
Jeffrey Twumasi

FORWARDS

Louis Brown
Nico Bunduku
Korahn Gayle
Cameron Gordon
Andre Odeku
Flavien Stierlen
Fred Taylor
Jacob Wintour

DUNMOW TOWN FC

Maurice Abana Samuel Bernard Bobby Bolden Aaron Browne Jake Chadwick Harrison Crowther Jakub Dobrzynski Oliver Emsden Fehinti Falola Darnell Fuller Pooya Karimi Mohamud Kaudeer Rivan Metsaha Delphin Moorat Harrison Mott Mikael Mouskoundi Naniel Nakipou-Getmansky Mitchell Owers Jakim Parillon-Antoine Reggie Pegrum Tim Pitman Beau Ponsford Charlie Rainbird Huey Reid Luke Robinson Harrison Suchley Bosko Trivunovic Jack Young

NEXT GAME HERE AT THE OLD SPOTTED DOG GROUND

Tomorrow at 2pm CCFC Women's First Team vs Haringey Borough (friendly)

OFFICIALS

Referee

Benjamin Darken

Assistant Referees

Patrick Billong Abu Taher



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