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Clapton CFC vs Burnham Ramblers FC Saturday, August 9th 2025. Kick-off 3pm

Thurlow Nunn Eastern
Counties Football League
Division One South



OPPONENTS

BURNHAM RAMBLERS FC

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

Formed in 1900, Burnham Ramblers joined senior football in 1985 and moved to their present ground Leslie Field in 1987. They progressed up the leagues as high as Isthmian North for two seasons from 2013 to 2015. They have been in this division since 2018, finishing 13th, 6th, 7th, 22nd and 11th. Their most famous legend is Gordon Brasted who moved to Arsenal - however, our own James Briggs is among their former players too.

Form guide

It's been a strong start with two wins out of three so far, including beating Basildon who of course beat us. Those three games have been high-scoring with 14 goals at either end.

Previous meetings

Two season ago, we drew the home game 2-2 through very late goals from James Goldring and Taylan Gul, a bizarre free-kick after the keeper picked up his own goal-kick. We later secured a crucial 2-1 away win, through goals from Julian Austin and a late winner from Goldring.

Player/s to watch

Striker Asa Cansdale has 2 goals from 2 games, and previously scored against us playing for Dunmow. Manager Paul Hayes is a former Charlton and Brentford striker who sometimes still sometimes puts on the boots aged 41.

GETTING TO KNOW THEM

Some more info on the four new signings who have made their debuts so far this season...

Defender Will Wright has played for teams in Manchester, Madrid, Melbourne, Loughborough and London. He's an optimistic Man United fan.

Midfielder Pete Jamieson stopped playing football for several years after being dropped by Crystal Palace Academy. His job is running a homeless hostel and he ran the London Marathon last year, raising £2600 for charity.

Midfielder Nathan Cook, from Brighton, scored 19 goals at the Old Spotted Dog Ground in his previous spell here. He appeared on BBC quiz show Pointless and is known for his colourful jumpers.

Bristol-born attacker Korahn Gayle is a professional skateboarder with more social media followers than the club. He supports Arsenal but has a soft spot for Manchester United too.

More new names to be unveiled soon!



GEOFF OCRAN

MEN'S HEAD COACH

A response to the defeat against Basildon Town last Tuesday was required and we got the answers we were looking for on Saturday against Dunmow Town. It was good to get our first home win of the season as I believe home wins are imperative to our promotion push this season. A clean sheet, five goals plus a great overall team performance were the icing on the cake.

On reflection, I don't think we were far off it against Basildon, we just fell for some of the dark arts which we should know about as it's our third season at this level. Bad habits resurfaced such as switching off at set pieces and lacking composure in the final third. Our approach to the Dunmow game was the same: start on the front foot and high press from the word go. With the depth we currently have in the squad, we are now able to rotate depending on personnel and opposition.

Burnham Ramblers have two wins this season already so they will look to build on a good start so we have to be wary of the threat they will pose today. This is the last of three consecutive home games for us so six points out of a possible nine would be a decent return considering the Basildon result. We then travel to Brimsdown on Wednesday night and Hutton next Saturday giving us chances to improve on our away form which wasn't great last season.

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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 Philpott - 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
Gabriel Akuwudike
Joel Akuwudike
Julian Austin
Ross Broadway
Nathan Cook
Azariah George-Lawal
Pete Jamieson
Felix Murray
James Pavely
Enzo Pina
Jeffrey Twumasi

FORWARDS

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

BURNHAM RAMBLERS FC

Aiden Jon Brown
Asa Cansdale
Gabe Costello
Derek Selasenam Feyi
Tom Franks
Christian Frimpong
George Hamill
Paul Hayes
Will Edward Hayes
Jack Higgleton
Patrick Hoy
Jamie Hudson
Jordan Hudson
Alexander James
Summers

Jamie Marsh
Dbinna Okafor
Doradon Pjetra
Alex Porter
Liam Whitehead

NEXT GAME HERE AT THE OLD SPOTTED DOG GROUND

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

OFFICIALS

Referee

Christopher Perkins

Assistant Referees

Patrick Billong Jake Hinckson



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