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Clapton CFC vs Basildon Town FC

Tuesday, July 29th 2025.

7.45pm

Thurlow Nunn Eastern Counties Football League Division One South



## OPPONENTS

### BASILDON TOWN FC

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

Basildon Town are the town's oldest club. formed nine years before Essex Senior League side Basildon United. Town were a major force in the Essex Olympian League, but were unable to be promoted due to the ground grading at their Basildon Sports & Leisure Club home. In 2021/22 they moved to groundshare with United and promotion came at the first attempt as runnersup. In 2022/23 they finished agonisingly one point away from back-to-back promotions but missed out in the playoffs. Last season they returned to Basildon United's Gardiner Close ground, after a spell at Rookery Hill, former home of East Thurrock United.

### Form guide

After finishing a decent ninth place last season, manager Alec Simm will no doubt be looking to promotion. In pre-season they've been playing higher level opposition, losing to Tilbury and Great Wakering Rovers.

### Previous meetings

Two seasons ago, both games ended in draws. It was 2-2 at the Old Spotted Dog Ground in August, with Noah Adejokun and Jeff Twumasi grabbing our goals. In the return game in September, Adam Sidky's goal secured a 1-1 draw.

### Players to watch

Joint top scorers Dylan Jones and Luke Winter, who both scored 11 goals last season, have signed up again for the new season.

## CCFC NEW SIGNINGS

A warm welcome back to the Old Spotted Dog Ground to Nathan Cook, who played at London's oldest senior football ground for three seasons from 2015 in a midfield alongside James Briggs, Paul Oshin and Geoff Ocran.

Two teenagers who have signed after impressing in preseason are midfielder Enzo Pina and striker Nico Bunduku, who has also bagged a couple of goals.

Defender Will Wright was the trialist who scored our 500th competitive goal
against Dunstable
Town last week. Former
Brimsdown attacker
Flavien Stierlen also
scored in that game
coming off the bench.

Midfielder Pete
Jamieson scored in our
5-3 friendly win against
Sporting Bengal United.
Experienced goalkeeper
Chris Mathers, who
also played that game,
will provide back-up
for Jack Francis.

Finally, attacker

Korahn Gayle is
the latest Men's
Development Team talent
to make the step up.



## **GEOFF OCRAN**

## MEN'S HEAD COACH

It all starts again tonight and unusually on a Tuesday night due to events well documented. We return to the Thurlow Nunn Eastern Counties League which was our desired destination but we thank everyone in the Southern Counties East Football League for their hospitality last season.

Having just fallen short of the play-offs last season, we wanted to build on the momentum of winning the league cup. In terms of having that belief and confidence to win big games when it matters, the victory against Forest Hill Park in the SCEFL Division One Cup final at Barking has definitely been a turning point with this current squad and our results in pre-season reflect that.

It's been a very positive pre-season on the whole as we wanted to see if we can compete against opposition higher up the pyramid. We also wanted to strengthen in all departments with new acquisitions this season considering the potential amount of league and cup games.

Our objectives for the upcoming season will be similar to the last two seasons. That means firstly attempting to reach the play-offs with a minimum of a top 5 finish. If we can achieve that, then the emphasis will be to finish in the top two positions in those play-off places to ensure a home semi-final tie.

Game 1 of 40 is Basildon Town tonight so here's to the start of another successful 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 Phipott - Goalkeeper Coach

Kasita Boateng - Physiotherapist

# CCFC

## 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

### BASILDON TOWN FC

Bade Alaketu Jack Allen Freddie Barrett Daniel Blockley Giovanni Boffa Jamie Bradbourn Lewis Brown Anthony Cooke Grant Cumming Leonardo Defreitas-Lowe Joseph Andrew Durrant Stanley Goodgame Jack Hurley Charlie Jarvis Dulan Jones Matthew Knight Abidemi Lamina Aaron Lang Freddie Madle Christian Mukanda Aaron Newman James Nottage Joe Poxon Christopher Reed Frankie Darren Senior Montana Stewart Jack Suters Luke Winter

### NEXT GAME HERE AT THE OLD SPOTTED DOG GROUND

This Saturday, August 2nd at 3pm

CCFC Men's First Team vs Dunmow Town

#### **OFFICIALS**

Referee

Anthony Browne

Assistant Referees

Alex King Paul Roberts



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