

CLAPTON COMMUNITY FOOTBALL CLUB

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OLD SPOTTED DOG GROUND

212 UPTON LANE, FOREST GATE, LONDON E7 9NP

Clapton CFC vs
Herne Bay
Sunday, August 17th 2025.
Kick-off 2pm
London & South East
Regional Women's Football
League Division One North



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OPPONENTS

HERNE BAY

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

The current Herne Bay women's team formed in 2012 in the South East Counties Women's Football League. Three successive promotions saw them reach the London & South East Regional Women's League Premier Division (tier 5) where they stayed for three seasons before dropping back down to Division One South. Due to a summer restructure they now find themselves laterally moved to the North division. They play their home games at Winch's Field, the same stadium as the men's team in the Isthmian League.

Form guide

Over the summer, The Bay have beaten Margate 6-1, drawn 2-2 with Tonbridge Angels but lost 9-0 defeat away to QPR (who play a level higher). Last season they finished 9th while we were 7th so we should be well matched. They also had a decent run in the FA Cup, beating Margate and Sutton United before a narrow defeat to QPR.

Player/s to watch

Most of last season's squad have signed up for the new challenge in the north despite what presumably will be longer journeys. That includes joint top scorers Steph Adby and Ysobebe Demomme, the latter of whom scored a hat-trick last weekend.

NEW SIGNINGS

A silky smooth attacker, **Leigha Bradding-Butler** joins us after playing for Bloomfield College in New Jersey and (closer to home) Billericay Town in the Women's National League Division One South East. She joined CCFC because of the "inclusive community and good vibes right from the first trial" and scored a great goal in the friendly against Haringey Borough.

Ella Bowles is a brave and agile young goalkeeping talent. She has been an ever-present in our friendlies, earning a deserved first clean sheet against Comets last week. We have the strong Clapton Community presence among staff and students at her school to thank for encouraging her to join.

Ella previously played at London Seaward and Camden Town, for whom she made her FA Cup debut last season. She's also been to St George's Park to meet and train with the England squad.

Welcome - a few more names to come!

WHO'S IN THE DIVISION

Clapton CFC Women's First Team will face six new teams in the London & South East Regional Women's Football League Division One North this season.

Three teams have been laterally moved from the L&SERWFL D1 South in today's opponents **Herne Bay** plus **Soccer Elite Football Academy** and **AFC Greenwich Borough** (formerly called Welling United). Both of those latter

two we've played (and beaten) in cup competitions before.

Two teams were promoted from the division below in **Camden Town** and **Hammersmith** and one team relegated to join us in **Ashford United**, who we've had some cup tussles with before.

The five familiar opponents are **Actonian Reserves**, **Bromley**, **Dulwich Hamlet Reserves**, **Hackney** and **Richmond & Kew**.

PRE-SEASON RESULTS

Over the summer, CCFC beat Comets 4-0 and lost to higher division opponents Haringey Borough 7-3, plus Eastbourne Borough and Watford Ladies 8-1.

ALICE SHARPE

WOMEN'S HEAD COACH

Alright you lovely lot - we're back! After a summer that's flown by, it's time to get stuck into a brand new season, and I couldn't be more buzzing to kick things off here at the Old Spotted Dog Ground.

First up, a big welcome to Herne Bay - new to the division and no doubt looking to make their mark. We're expecting a tough game, but we're ready for the challenge.

Last season ended in a way none of us could've predicted - with that abandoned cup game. It seems petty to mention we were 2-0 up after 20 minutes... but I've done it anyway my coaching legacy requires it.

But I'll tell you what - seeing our players standing shoulder to shoulder with the fans, refusing to play on while showing support for Palestine... that was the proudest moment of my coaching career. Football matters, but people matter more.

That moment showed what this club is truly about - community, solidarity, and courage. The women in this team don't just play - they lead, they inspire, and they make us all proud to wear these colours.

Pre-season's been a bit of a mixed bag, to be honest. Some great spells, some things we need to sharpen up. But that's what it's there for. From today, it all counts.

We go into this season with belief and players new and old proud to be part of CCFC. Let's give Herne Bay a proper welcome to East London.

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.

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

Alice Sharpe - Head Coach

Brian Bramble and

Jack Francis - Coaches

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GOALKEEPERS

Ella Bowles
Janell Mathurin

DEFENDERS

Marta Boiro
Mim Chadwick
Lenny Holmes
Annie Lyons
Julia Moulton
Noora Oikarainen
Allana Scoble
Alice Sharpe
Kaylee Shurety
Eva van der Uliet

MIDFIELDERS

Lucy Spours
Li Steiner
Egle Trezzi

FORWARDS

Leigha Bradding-Butler
Marta Casanovas
Emily Link
Maria Mendonca
Aimee Shaw
Sophie Ugur

HERNE BAY

Alicia Adams
Stephanie Adby
Isabelle Allier
Ruby Darkes
Ysobebe Demomme
Kate Foster
Rosie Hague
Macey Hall
Lily Harris
Paige Hovey
Isobel Lewis-Taggart
Abbie Potter
Olivia Rolfe
Charlotte Scales
Ffion Sharp
Eleanor Walker

**NEXT GAME HERE AT THE
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**Tuesday at 7.45pm CCFC Men's First Team
vs AS London [League Cup]**

OFFICIALS

Referee

David Dice

Assistant Referees

Jake Hinckson
Zakariya Ikram



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