

CLAPTON COMMUNITY FOOTBALL CLUB

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TO YOU AND ME*

OLD SPOTTED DOG GROUND

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**Clapton CFC vs
Lymore Gardens FC
Tuesday, Sept 2nd 2025.
Kick-off 7.45pm
Thurlow Nunn Eastern
Counties Football League
Division One South**

OPPONENTS

LYMORE GARDENS FC

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

Lymore Gardens FC was formed in 2016 by Lee Benjamin, who is chairman and manager. Since then they've had three promotions starting from Division 2 of the Essex Alliance League while being known for risk-taking, attacking football. Their ultimate aim is to reach Step 3 and build their own stadium in the Leytonstone area. It is a Community Interest Company also doing anti-racism work in schools and the wider community. They have 350 players and 8 teams.

Form guide

Since being promoted this summer to Step 6 for the first time, things couldn't have gone any better. They're top of the table, winning every game and scoring more goals than any other team.

Previous meetings

The teams met in a friendly in July at Lymore Gardens' groundshare home at Redbridge FC. Two goals from trialist - now signed - Nico Bunduku and one from Adam Sidky helped us to a 3-1 win.

Player/s to watch

Dylan Roberts is the only player in the division with more goals than our own Fred Taylor. He's been with the club since the start and was the top scorer in the Essex Alliance League for the last two seasons.

END OF THE HOME RUN

Today, finally, our crazy run of home games ends. We've had **8 games** here in the **first 35 days**, compared to **2 away**. We only have 7 home games from Christmas to the end of the season!



OLD LEASE PLANS

The Old Spotted Dog Ground's small grandstand was opened in November 1994.

It was built just before Newham Community Leisure Trust signed a new 99-year lease on January 25, 1995 aiming to use the ground 'to provide a focal point of the local community'.

To support this, landlords Intreprenuer Estates (who also owned the pub next door) asked only for a peppercorn rent, later rising to

£5,000 per year.

Further planned redevelopments never happened - including an all-weather surface and the pitch being shifted westwards to create enough space at the pub end for a smart new clubhouse.

Thankfully, **Clapton CFC bought the ground in 2020**, or the lease for football would have ended on January 24, 2094.

Chris Tymkow



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**HYUNDAI**

GEOFF OCRAN

MEN'S HEAD COACH

Last Saturday's game against Southend Manor was our third league win on the bounce. We haven't really hit any sort of form, performance wise, but we're finding a way to win anyway which is a good trait to have.

Yes, we dominated the majority of the game but didn't really have much to show for it besides the penalty. I want us to be much better in the final third, retain the ball better and move the ball quicker and with purpose as that's when we are at our best.

We are starting to get goal contributions from other departments which is a great asset to have. Goals from defence and midfield will be key during this stage of the season as we look to solidify our position in the playoff spots and close the gap at the top of the table.

Tonight's opponents Lymore Gardens have been flying this season in all competitions so they deserve massive credit, especially the management who started the club not too long ago. They are top of the table but experienced their first defeat on Saturday so they will need no extra encouragement in what is another local derby.

This is the start of a few tricky games in the league so it will be another barometer to know where we currently are as a squad.

#Step6 #ThurlowNunn #OSD
#WeGoAgain #ClaptonFamily

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
James Briggs
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

LYMORE GARDENS FC

Yinka Akinlabi
Wisley Baltazar
Zidane Bolessa
Ryo Brown
Alex Coster
Malik Donaldson
Richie Dorcas
Callum Fisher
David Gillespie
Andre Graham
Tarome Hemmings
Gravlyn-Boss Kitondo
Gaston Mendy
John-Jay Mooney
Sidhant Nayar
Papa Ndiaye
Dylan Roberts
Munnir Saad
James Smith
Maksim Todoshchuk

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

**Saturday, September 13 at 3pm -
CCFC Men's First Team vs Newbury Forest**

OFFICIALS

Referee

Dan Hawkins

Assistant Referees

Patrick Billong
U18 Assistant



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