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Clapton CFC vs
Rayleigh Town FC
Tuesday, Oct 14th 2025.
Kick-off 7.45pm
Thurlow Nunn Eastern
Counties Football League

Division One South



OPPONENTS

RAYLEIGH TOWN FC

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

Rayleigh Star was founded in 1897 and changed their name to Town in 1946. They were successful in the Essex Olympian Football League for many decades but were unable to progress higher due to the limitations of their London Road home. So in 2022 they moved to groundshare with Concord Rangers and were promoted into the Eastern Counties League Division One South within two seasons after winning the EOFL title for a seventh time. The club is ambitious both about progressing further up the leagues and also returning to their home town.

Form guide

Last season, Rayleigh just missed out on back-to-back promotions. They finished fourth in their first season at this level but ended up losing to Hackney Wick in the play-off final. This season they're unbeaten away but sit three points below us, just outside the play-off places. They have lost just two games, against Burnham Ramblers (who also beat us) and high-flying Newbury Forest.

Previous meetings None.

Player/s to watch

Arnold Acheampong is top scorer so far with 6 goals in 8 games while Dylan Jones has 4 in 5 since joining from Basildon Town, where he hit double figures last season.

FIRST SO CUP GAMES

The Men's First Team game with AS London marked our 50th cup tie since our first in August 2018 against Enfield Town in the Brian Lomax Trophy. Overall, we've won 30 cup games, lost 18, while two were drawn.

We've lifted three league cups - the
Jim Rogers Presidents Division One Cup in
2018/19, the Alec Smith Premier Division Cup
in 2021/22 and the Southern Counties East
Football League Division One Cup in 2024/25.
We also won the Brian Lomax this season.

We have a 100 percent record in both the Jim Rogers and the SCEFL Division One Cup. Conversely, we have never won in the SCEFL Challenge Cup, the Eastern Counties League Challenge Cup and the BBC Essex Senior Cup.

Most appearances are Dean Bouho (41) and Jack Francis (29) and leading scorers Sherwin Stanley (19) and Fred Taylor (14).

Gary Price



GEOFF OCRAN

MEN'S HEAD COACH

Saturday's home match against Hoddesdon Town was a routine win in the end, but it felt like a game we could have historically slipped up on. Pretty much everyone in the crowd of 1057 would have turned up with the expectation of a comfortable home win given the two teams' recent form. However, as we all know, football often plays by its own rules and over-confidence and complacency could have been our undoing.

Getting an early goal is imperative in these sorts of games as it's a typical confidence booster and settles any anxiety. Being 2-0 up within the first 15 minutes, and 3-0 at half-time, the key was to continue to push on and add to the scoreline which we duly did to make it 4-0. Unfortunately our momentum was disrupted by more injuries and then our over-eagerness to add to the scoresheet led to us conceding in injury time. Job done, nonetheless.

Tonight's opponents Rayleigh Town seem to have the same sort of profile to teams we have lost to already this season so it's very important we are not naive to fall for the same game plan again. The first goal will be crucial in this game as Rayleigh don't give much away and we always intend to start on the front foot.

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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
James Briggs
Ross Broadway
Nathan Cook
Azariah George-Lawal
Fionn Glancy
James Goldring
Pete Jamieson
Felix Murray
James Pavely
Enzo Pina
Jeffrey Twumasi

FORWARDS

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

RAYLEIGH TOWN FC

Arnold Acheampong

Taylor Armstrong

Ben Baxter

Louis Bazely

Leo Clark

Robert Hodgson

Joshua Hudson

Dylan Jones

Charlie Little

Michael Ogunoye

Jamie Philbrick

John Sasere

Charlie Seaden

Damian Siemienczuk

Tommy Sykes

Mofi Tunde-O.jolowo

NEXT GAME HERE AT THE OLD SPOTTED DOG GROUND

Saturday at 2pm -

CCFC FTFA Team vs Goal Diggers

OFFICIALS

Referee

Elora Hardstaff

Assistant Referees

Emmanuel Armah-Agyeman Abu Taher



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