

# **CLAPTON COMMUNITY FC**

Clapton Community FC is a Community Benefit Society wholly owned and run by our 1500 plus members. We have women's and men's first teams and development teams, open access women, non-binary and youth training, five-a-side teams, youth teams and a cricket team.

# OUR HOME

The Old Spotted Dog Ground, Rear of 212 Upton Lane, Forest Gate, London E7 9NP

The charity Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust operates the OSD on behalf of Clapton CFC members.

# HONOURS

#### CLUB

- > 2021 Lockdown Heroes Award Winners – Football Supporters Association
- > 2023 Community Football Club of the Year – National Game Awards
- > 2023 Grounds Management Association Volunteer Grounds Team of the Year

#### **MEN'S FIRST TEAM**

- > 2023 Middlesex County Football League Premier Division champions
- > 2022 Alec Smith Premier Division Cup winners
- > 2019 Middlesex County Football League Division One Central & East champions
- > 2019 Jim Rogers Presidents Cup winners

#### **WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM**

- > 2022 John Greenacre Memorial Trophy winners
- > 2023 FSA Women's
- Trophy winners

> 2024 FSA Women's Trophy winners

# RECORDS

#### ATTENDANCES MEN'S FIRST TEAM > 1266 vs FC Roast at Stray Dog > 1153 vs FC United of Manchester at Old Spotted Dog Ground > 909 vs Stonewall FC at Wadham Lodge Stadium > 902 vs Kensington Dragons at Old Spotted Dog Ground

#### ATTENDANCES WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

 > 1153 vs FC United of Manchester at Old Spotted Dog Ground
> 775 vs FC St. Pauli at Old Spotted Dog Ground
> 500 vs Ashford at Old Spotted Dog Ground
> 449 vs Leatherhead at Old Spotted Dog Ground

#### APPEARANCES

150 appearance medals: Dean Bouho. 100 appearance medals:

Geoff Ocran, Jack Francis, Noah Adejokun, Lucy Spours and Maria Mendonca. 50 appearance medals: Annie Lyons, Arthur Wright, Bailey Pryce, Carl Paul, Cemal Agdelen, Daniel Anfossy, Emily Link, Fama Sangare, Fionn Glancy, Fred Taylor, James Briggs, Joshua Adejokun, Julian Austin, Lenny Holmes, Li Steiner, Liam Smyth, Marta Boiro, Marta Casanovas, Mim Chadwick, Polly Adams, Prince Kwakye, Samba Badjana, Sherwin Stanley, Stefan Kilron, Verity Phillips, Charlie Fagan, Teju Callisto, Allana Scoble, Lewis Owiredu, Junia Charlton and James Pavely.

A WORD FROM THE CLUB

#### **COMPETITIVE WINS**

Men's first team: <u>11-1</u> vs Hereford Palace 2018 Women's first team: <u>14-0</u> vs St Margaretsbury 2023

#### **MEN'S FIRST TEAM**

Southern Counties East Football League Division One // Essex FA Geoff Ocran – Manager Sham Darr – Assistant Manager Ridhwaan Yusuf – Head Coach Jack Mellors – First Team Coach Matt Bailey – First Team Coach Aqs Hafeji – Data Analyst Kasita Boateng – Physiotherapist

#### WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

London & South East Regional Women's Division 1 North // London FA Jason Murray – Head Coach Brian Bramble – Assistant Manager Kevin Watts – First Team Coach Sunny Hunjan – Goalkeeper Coach

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# GEOFF OCRAN MEN'S TEAM MANAGER

COMING OFF THE BACK OF A 3-0 HOME defeat against Faversham Strike Force where the scoreline didn't reflect the game, last Saturday's win at Sporting Club Thamesmead was the perfect response away from home.

I've always believed that if you drop points at home then you work to make them up away, so hopefully we can start building momentum now.

It was a bit of a nightmare getting to the game with the Blackwall Tunnel being closed, causing severe delays to the Rotherhithe, Dartford and Woolwich Ferry crossings but, this is something that will improve as the season progresses. It's all part of adjusting to the new league which is not ideal but in the same breath it's not something we can hide behind as an excuse.

The game finished 2-1 but really should have been put to bed earlier with the opportunities

we had. There was some great football on display with an early contender for goal of the season, with our second finished by Noah Adejokun - a move straight off the training ground. There were lots of positives to take with new players making their debuts and integrating further within our growing squad. Soul Tower Hamlets tonight will be very different to the Tower Hamlets we drew with both times last season. The table always starts to take shape after 10 games of every season and we would like to be in the play-off positions as a minimum target. The cup competitions start to come into play next month, so you don't really want to be playing catch up so early in the season. It's imperative we keep getting the results this early in the season and letting the teams around us take points off each other. #NonLeague #Step6 #OSD #ClaptonCFC

ClaptonFamily #WeGoAgain

# MEMBER PROFILE: ANDY BARR



PLACE OF BIRTH: Exeter WHERE YOU LIVE: Javron les Chapelle, Mayenne, France DAY JOB: English Language Coach FAVOURITE PAST AND CURRENT CLAPTON CFC PLAYERS: James Briggs, Dean Bouho, anyone with loyalty to the club **FAVOURITE TEAM, APART FROM CLAPTON CFC: Brentford** FOOTBALL AMBITION: The return of the Amateur Cup. The appreciation of those running the football clubs rather than that towards many players who just take

#### **BIGGEST HIGH IN FOOTBALL:**

The formation of CCFC, the acquisition of the OSD PERSON YOU'D MOST LIKE TO WATCH A GAME WITH: My Dad, I miss him. Sukhdev WHEN DID YOU START VOLUNTEERING? Living in France makes volunteering difficult but I am up for any suggestions. HOW'S IT GOING? Thrilled at the progress being made at CCFC, on and off the field WHAT IS THE FIFTH SONG IN YOUR MUSIC APP SHUFFLE? Noodle Soup - Four80East

# THEY WORE THE SHIRT: ELIOT CROSBIE

ELIOT'S GOAL IN LAST SEASON'S LEGENDS MATCH evoked memories of when he captained the team to a league and cup double in our inaugural season. During that season, Eliot made the most appearances, missing only three games, and was second leading scorer behind Sherwin Stanley. His five goals in the 11-1 rout of Hereford Palace is an individual scoring record for the Men's First Team. Arguably his most vital goal was the late winner in the 6-5 league win against Curve at The Stray

Dog. That goal capped an incredible fightback after we trailed 2-4 at half time, and 4-5 late into the game. Victory in the final two games ensured that the MCFL Central and East title was won by a single point.

During his time at CCFC Eliot scored in thirteen different games of which twelve were won and one lost. Sadly, Eliot wasn't able to repeat the exploits of that first season as work commitments and living in West London curtailed his future contribution to the club.

#### STATS

Debut: 7/8/18 Enfield Town away in The Brian Lomax Trophy. Last first team appearance:

24/4/21 Stonewall at home in the Middlesex Super Six League. First goal: 22/9/18 Hutton at home in the BBC Essex Premier Cup. Last goal: 29/2/20 Yeading Town away in the MCFL Central and East.

#### HONOURS

2018/19 MCFL Central and East Title 2018/19 Jim Rogers President's Division One Cup 2018/19 Anagram Records Trophy runner up.

Season	League		Cups		Total	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
18/19	18	13	11	5	29	18
19/20	5(1)	3	-	-	5(1)	3
20/21	3(1)	-	1(1)	-	4(2)	-
Total	26(2)	16	12(1)	5	38(3)	4
Total	20(2)	10	12(1)		00(0)	-

Gary Price

Substitute appearance in brackets.



# MEET THE COACHING TEAM

Geoff Ocran, who has

formed in the summer

2018. It's Geoff's first

managerial role, but

months later in 2018

in our debut season.

Sham had previously

Geoff and Sham are

players, aged 39 and 38 respectively, so you may

see them back on the

field in an injury crisis. Ridhwaan Yusuf, more

commonly known as

last season after our

promotion to Step 6,

having previously been

Coach Ruudy, is our Head

Coach. Ruudy joined us

Wadham Lodge.

been in the hot seat

since the club was

AT THE START OF THE NEW SEASON, IT'S TIME to put the spotlight on the Clapton CFC Men's First Team backroom staff.

The Manager is of course first team coach for both **Billericay Town's men's** and women's teams and manager of Harlow Town Ladies.. He is also the founder and head coach of R77 Academy he's masterminded two We have two First promotions and two cups. Team Coach roles, filled Our Assistant Manager by Jack Mellors and Matt is Sham Darr, who joined Bailey. Both have been the coaching team a few on the coaching team for several seasons through our rise up the leagues. The Physiotherapist for a second season is Kasita managed and coached at London Apsa, Ilford and **Boateng while Aagib** Hafeji also continues as Data Analyst. both still registered as



# FOOTBALL QUIZ

- Name the four teams in Greater London in the National League 24/25
- (2) Wimbledon stars Robbie Earle and Marcus Gayle played for which Caribbean nation?
- (3) Which team was relegated from the Scottish Premiership at the end of 23/24?
- (4) Can you name the Scottish Championship side who replaced them?
- (5) What is the name of League of Ireland side Bohemians' home ground?
- (6) Where are the top two Premier League grounds, crowd capacity wise, in London?
- (7) The Abbey Stadium is the home of which League 1 side?
- (8) The Magpies is the nickname for which League 2 side?
- (9) What year did Sky start showing live football?
- (10) Newton LFC was the original name for which top women's football team?

#### women's team to go fully professional)

(1) 1992 (10) Liverpool Women FC (the first 62,062 (7) Cambridge United (8) Notts County West Ham: 62,500 and Tottenham Stadium, Spurs: United (5) Dalymount Park (6) London Stadium, Wealdstone (2) Jamaica (3) Livingston (4) Dundee Answers: (1) Barnet, Dagenham, Sutton Utd and Kieron McGowan





# **SOUL TOWER HAMLETS**

#### SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE **DIVISION ONE SOUTH**

#### SOUL TOWER HAMLETS WERE KNOWN JUST as Tower Hamlets until this summer, when they merged with Soul FC from the Essex Alliance League.

The club formed as Bethnal Green United FC in 2000 in the Middlesex County Football League and were promoted into the Essex Senior League in 2008. They've won the Gordon Brasted and ESL Cup trophies and reached the last 16 of the FA Vase. Meanwhile, Soul - which stands for Soul Organisation For Unity and Leisure - is a community organisation formed in 2003.

#### FORM GUIDE ......

STH are unbeaten so far, starting the season with two straight away wins at Welling Town and Meridian VP then a draw at home to Canterbury City.

#### PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The teams met twice last season in the Eastern Counties League, with an entertaining 2-2 draw at Mile End Stadium followed by a 1-1 draw at the Old Spotted Dog Ground.

#### PLAYERS TO WATCH

Former Chelmsford City and Wingate & Finchley striker Tim Monsheju has scored three in two appearances. Ex-Exeter City defender Kamarl Duncan and former Levton Orient defender Romauld Boco have long careers much higher in the pyramid. Walthamstow captain Ade Cole is also dual signed with STH.

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### **UPCOMING FIXTURES**

#### MEN'S FIRST TEAM DATE TIME COMP OPPONENTS/VENUE

Aug 31	3pm	SCEFL	(A) Welling Town (at Mayfield Place, Phoenix Sports FC)
Sep 07	3pm	SCEFL	(A) Croydon (at Croydon Sports Arena)
Sep 10	7.45pm	SCEFL	(H) Lewisham Borough (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Sep 14	3pm	SCEFL	(A) Forest Hill Park (at Ladywell Arena)
Sep 21	3pm	FAV	(H) Hoddesdon Town (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)

## WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

#### DATE TIME COMP OPPONENTS/VENUE

Sep 01	2pm	WFAC	(A) Hutton (at Hannakins Farm Leisure Centre, Billericay)
Sep 08	2pm	LSEWRFL	(H) Leatherhead (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Sep 15	2pm	LSEWRFL	(A) Denham United (at The Den)
Sep 22			Potentially Women's FA Cup second qualifying round
Sep 29	3pm	LSEWRFL	(A) Brentford (at The Brentford Community Stadium)

## **RESULTS – LAST FIVE GAMES**

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### **MEN'S FIRST TEAM**

DATE	COMP	OPPONENTS	RESULT
Aug 17	SCEFL	Sporting Club Thamesmead vs CCFC	1 - 2 🛛 💆
Aug 10	SCEFL	CCFC vs Faversham Strike Force	0-3 L
Aug 03	SCEFL	CCFC vs Greenways	1-0 🛛
Jul 27	Friendly	CCFC vs Camden & Islington United	3-0 🛛
Jul 23	Friendly	CCFC vs Fisher	1-6 💶

### WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	COMP	OPPONENTS	RESULT
Aug 18	LSEWRFL	CCFC vs Actonians Reserves	0-1 💶
Aug 11	Friendly	CCFC vs Sport London e Benfica	2 - 1 🛛 💆
Aug 07	Friendly	CCFC vs Welling United	5 - 1 🛛 💆
Aug 04	Friendly	CCFC vs Leyton Orient	3 - 5 💶
Jul 27	FSAWT	Enfield Town vs CCFC	1 - 3 🛛 💆

TABLES SCAN WITH YOUR PHONE TO VIEW	MEN'S FIRST TEAM	WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM
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### **TOP GOALSCORERS**

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#### **MEN'S FIRST TEAM**

2 Fred Taylor 1 Noah Adejokun, Joel Akuwudike, Julian Austin, Lewis Owiredu

#### WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

2 Emily Link 1 Kaylee Shurety

#### TOP APPEARANCES .....

#### **MEN'S FIRST TEAM**

- 5 Ross Broadway, Bailey Pryce
- 4 Joel Akuwudike, Julian Austin, Dean Bouho, Jack Francis, Emmanuel Olasehinde, Noah Salama, Tami Unuefa
- 3 Noah Adejokun, James Briggs, Louis Brown, Junia Charlton, Sam Cook, Fred Taylor, Jeff Twumasi

#### WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

2 Marta Boiro, Marta Casanovas, Claire Huggins, Emily Link, Julia Moulton, Chloe Owen, Kaylee Shurety, Chelsie Sparks, Lucy Spours

(Excluding last weekend's games)

### MANAGER GEOFF OCRAN

# GOALKEEPERS

JOSHUA BOATENG TOBY EMERSON JACK FRANCIS ROBIN PHILPOTT

## DEFENDERS

ADIL ALI DEAN BOUHO ANDREA CAIO JUNIA CHARLTON SAM COOK CHARLIE FAGAN JOSHUA GEORGE ALASDAIR GURNEY SEB HARTWELL STEFAN KILRON BAILEY PRYCE ADAM SIDKY GUS STEELE TAMI UNUEFA

# MIDFIELDERS

CEMAL AGDELEN JOEL AKUWUDIKE JULIAN AUSTIN JAMES BRIGGS ROSS BROADWAY SHAM DARR AZARIAH GEORGE-LAWAL FIONN GLANCY JAMES GOLDRING GEOFF OCRAN JAMES PAVELY NOAH SALAMA JEFFREY TWUMASI

# FORWARDS

NOAH ADEJOKUN TERRY AMOAFO LOUIS BROWN CAMERON GORDON TAYLAN GUL FELIX MURRAY EMMANUEL OLASEHINDE LEWIS OWIREDU SHERWIN STANLEY FRED TAYLOR ARTHUR WRIGHT SULEYMAN ZAHMOUL

#### THE SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE strongly support recent FA statements that there should be a zero tolerance approach against racism and all forms of discrimination, accordingly any form of discriminatory abuse whether it be based on race or ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, faith, age, ability or any other form of abuse will be reported to the relevant County Association for action by that Association.

THE SOUTHERN COUNTIES EAST FOOTBALL LEAGUE supports the *Swearing - Let's Tackle It'* campaign and strongly condemns the use of foul and abusive language at football matches.

# SOUL TOWER HAMLETS

SHAREEF ALI WESLEY ANTONIO SHERMANDIN ARTMELADZE ALEX BALISANI NICK BELL ROMUALD BOCO BEN BYRNE ADE COLE KAMARL DUNCAN

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