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**CLAPTON CFC vs
THETFORD TOWN FC**

3.00PM SATURDAY, 9TH NOVEMBER, 2024

**OLD SPOTTED DOG
FA Vase**

CLAPTON CFC

**ADAM SIDKY
DEFENDER**

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

- > **2024** FSA Women's Trophy winners
- > **2023** FSA Women's Trophy winners

- > **2022** John Greenacre Memorial 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 and Jack Francis.

100 appearance medals:

Geoff Ocran, Noah Adejokun, Lucy Spours, Maria Mendonca, James Briggs, Emily Link, Li Steiner, Bailey Pryce and Fred Taylor.

50 appearance medals:

Annie Lyons, Arthur Wright, Carl Paul, Cemal Agdelen, Daniel Anfossy, Fama Sangare, Fionn Glancy, Joshua Adejokun, Julian Austin,

Lenny Holmes, Liam Smyth, Marta Boiro, Marta Casanovas, Mim Chadwick, Polly Adams, Prince Kwakye, Samba Badjana, Sherwin Stanley, Stefan Kilon, Verity Phillips, Charlie Fagan, Teju Callisto, Allana Scoble, Lewis Owiredu, Junia Charlton, James Pavely, Suleyman Zahmoul, Alice Sharpe, Jeffrey Twumasi and Joel Akuwudike.

COMPETITIVE WINS

Men's first team:

11-1 vs Hereford Palace 2018

Women's first team:

14-0 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

Brian Bramble – Caretaker

Head Coach

Assisted by Jack Francis,

Alice Sharpe and Egle Trezzi

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Instagram, Facebook, YouTube,

Flickr, Threads, TikTok



**BECOME
A MEMBER**



GEOFF OCRAN MEN'S TEAM MANAGER

AFTER FIVE GAMES ON THE ROAD, we now find ourselves back at home in the second round of the FA Vase.

Our form has picked up since the last time we were here and I would say the performance away at Bridon Ropes set the tone for the Stansted game as a turning point in our season to date.

It's also no coincidence that we've looked much more cohesive when our squads have been as consistent. Availability has been better and our injury list is starting to clear up so we have been able to build a spine through the team. However, our Achilles heel is still our conversion rate in the final third.

Our victories are still too close

for our liking, especially when we create good opportunities to kill the game and don't give our defence some well deserved respite. It's the final part of the jigsaw that needs to improve so we can compete at the top end of the league come the business end.

Today's game is another free hit where the pressure will be on our opponents Thetford Town who are flying high in the step above. We've played teams higher in the pyramid before and one thing we always do is compete and that's the foundation to get a result in what will be a great occasion at the OSD!

**#WeGoAgain #ClaptonFamily
#FAVase #OSD**

PLAYER PROFILE: TAMI UNUEFA

PLACE OF BIRTH:

London

HEIGHT: 6"2

WHERE YOU LIVE:

Forest Gate

DAY JOB: Student

PREVIOUS CLUBS:

Peterborough,

Buckhurst Hill

ALL TIME FAVOURITE

PLAYER: Van Dijk

FAVOURITE TEAM, APART

FROM CLAPTON CFC:

Chelsea

BIGGEST HIGH IN

FOOTBALL: Playing u18

with Peterborough at 15

LOWEST POINT IN

FOOTBALL: Getting released from Peterborough

LIKES AND HOBBIES:

Football and Cooking

DISLIKES: Losing

FAVOURITE COUNTRY

VISITED: Italy

FAVOURITE FOOD:

Jollof Rice and chicken

FAVOURITE TV: Family Guy

FOOTBALLING AMBITION: To

play professional football



THEY WORE THE SHIRT: JAKE STEVENS

JAKE, A GOAL SCORING MIDFIELDER, NETTED twice on debut in the 11-1 drubbing of Hereford Palace. His goals were vital in tight league games in the promotion winning season 18/19 season and in reaching the Anagram Records Trophy final. It was later revealed that Jake had played much of the season through the pain barrier.

A knee injury kept him out for the whole of the 19/20 season, but he was an ever-present in the post-Covid Middlesex Super Six League in 20/21. He was our leading scorer with five goals as we finished undefeated runners-up.

The 21/22 season was his most consistent, appearing in 16 of the 25 league games. He finished his CCFC career on a high as a sub in the Alec Smith Premier Cup Final win over Kensington Dragons.

Jake was reunited with former teammates when the CCFC Legends played the present team at the end of last season. Jake scored in a losing Legends team but, in the 12 competitive games in which he scored, 11 were won and one drew.



STATS

Debut: 3/11/18

Hereford Palace at home in the MCFL

Last first team appearance: 14/5/22

Wilberforce Wanderers at home in the MCFL

HONOURS

2018/19 MCFL Central and East title.

2018/19 Anagram Records Trophy runner up.

2018/19 Jim Rogers Presidents Cup Winner

2021/22 Alec Smith Premier Cup Winner

2018/19 Goal of the Season, Eastfield away in MCFL

2020/21 Players Player of the Season

Season	League		Cups		Total	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
18/19	9(2)	4	4(1)	1	13(2)	5
20/21	2(1)	-	5	5	7(1)	5
21/22	11(5)	4	2(1)	1	13(6)	5
Total	22(8)	8	11(2)	7	33(10)	15

Substitute appearance in brackets. Gary Price

REMEMBERING OUR YOUTH TRAINING COACH STEPHEN JENKINS

STEPHEN CAME TO us in January 2020, becoming one of the initial volunteers at our youth training sessions. He quickly became established as a reliable volunteer with buckets of enthusiasm and a desire to get involved. Before long, he took his first steps to becoming a qualified coach, completing the first 90% of the introduction course in record time. However, he took so long to complete the final 10%, we told him if he didn't complete it by the following week, he'd have to come to training

in an England rugby top. He completed it that evening, and it wasn't long before he became one of our first qualified coaches.

During the past few weeks, I've spent a lot of time reflecting on the time Stephen spent with us, finding myself scrolling through old messages. One message really stood out. When we asked coaches to give us a short statement on why they volunteered, Stephen was of course the first to respond: "My favourite memories as a kid was football and rugby training for my

CCFC MEMBERS RAISE £1,600 AT GLASTONBURY FESTIVAL

Six CCFC members raised £1,600 working for the Workers Beer Company at Glastonbury back in June. They worked on one of the many bars during the festival week and talked to loads of people about the club too. By volunteering, their wages went directly to the club.

This is the third

time CCFC members have volunteered at Glastonbury, bringing the total raised for the club to over £5,000. A massive thank you to the members for their hard work behind the bars and to the Workers Beer Company for their support and trust allowing them back each year.

local sides back in Wales, so being able to do the same hopefully gives the same experience to our teams. For me, CCFC Youth Training is about making football inclusive and accessible to everyone, no matter how much or little experience you have. It has been fantastic to see each and every child develop in their own way and I can't wait to see how we grow as a group over the next few years."

In the years that followed, Stephen played a vital part in how we grew. Once he completed his badges he took over the u9s team. This team led the way for the other youth teams we now have competing in

various leagues around east London. Stephen took immense pride in seeing one child's journey from participant to becoming our youngest qualified coach. He was instrumental in this, through his mentoring and support. Stephen was loved by the kids he coached and his fellow volunteers and is greatly missed.

Today is a day to say thanks to all Stephen brought to the club. Before the game there will be a minute of applause, during which the kids from his session will unveil a banner they have made. We will also be hanging his picture in the clubhouse.

Phil – Youth Training

CYCLE PATH WORK BEGINS



After a planning permission delay, Newham Council have granted contractor, Kenson Highways, to begin construction of a new cycle path and fence in the alley beside the Old Spotted Dog Ground.

The work will involve tarmacng the Disraeli Road entrance, flattening the bank next to the clubhouse and removing the old, hazardous fence by our warehouse yard. In the final stages we will also get a new turnstile.

The work is due to take 4 more weeks - not the 6 months the contractors signs suggest! The alley and Disraeli Road gate will be out of use during this time, so we ask fans to take extra care when navigating the ground.

If you have questions or suggestions, a working group for this project is organised by the Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust and is available via trust@oldspotteddog.org



THETFORD TOWN FC

WELCOME TO TODAY'S VISITING PLAYERS, COACHES, SUPPORTERS AND OFFICIALS

THETFORD TOWN FC WAS FOUNDED IN 1883 and has been based at its current Mundford Road ground since 1905. They were founder members of the Eastern Counties League in 1935.

They're now in the Premier Division - which is one level above us - and have finished runners-up in 1990 and again in 2023. For the last two seasons The Brecklanders have lost in the end-of-season play-offs. Player-manager Matt Morton, who has been in charge since 2019, appeared in the TNT Sports documentary *Rylan: Homophobia, Football and Me* earlier this year.

PREVIOUS MEETINGS

None.

FORM GUIDE

Thetford are nestled in the play-off places once again this season, with games in hand too and are the top scorers in the division by some margin. In the FA Vase, they've beaten Swaffham Town and Conard United so far.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

Former Scotland U21 international Cameron King has enjoyed an impressive career at Norwich City, Kings Lynn Town, FC Halifax Town and Shamrock Rovers. Daniel Gilchrist and George Diggins are both in double figures and among the top five scorers in the division. Former Sheringham FC player Diggins bagged a hat-trick in the last round of the Vase.



CCFC fans on a National Demonstration for Palestine

NEWHAM AGAINST APARTHEID

IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO WATCH THE news and not feel a sense of DESPAIR that we cannot stop the massacre of thousands of civilians, many of them children, in Gaza by Israeli occupation forces or the theft of land and the violence of far right settlers in the West Bank. However, as the writer Nadeem Aslam says, "despair has to

be earned. I personally have not done all I can to change things. I haven't yet earned the right to despair."

The Palestinian people have provided the global community with the tools for non-violently resisting Israeli apartheid: boycotts, disinvestment and sanctions. Clapton CFC is already one of the first in England by declaring itself an "apartheid free zone" and cutting links to companies profiting from grave human rights violations. It is incredible, though, that in east London, we are alone in taking this action. We aim to fix this.

The Community Outreach Committee is asking for volunteers to help to persuade 20 local cafes, restaurants, religious & cultural centres, bookshops and other local

businesses to sign up as Apartheid Free Zones. We will help with registration with the BDS Movement, provide a free window decal for premises that sign up and seek to build a culture of solidarity and friendship with the communities where we are based. We are starting off in Newham, the home of the Old Spotted Dog Ground – but if there are members in other parts of east London who want to organise in their own areas, we can help with resources.

If you want to get involved in talking to local people or you have contacts in Newham you can approach, please email Community Outreach at community@claptoncfc.co.uk



For more on Apartheid Free Zones please scan QR code

"WE WILL HELP... BUILD A CULTURE OF SOLIDARITY AND FRIENDSHIP WITH THE COMMUNITIES WHERE WE ARE BASED."

UPCOMING FIXTURES

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	TIME	COMP	OPPONENTS/VENUE
Nov 16	3pm	SCEFLC	(H) Staplehurst Monarchs (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Nov 23	3pm	SCEFLC	(H) Sheppey Sports (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Nov 30	3pm	SCEFLC	(A) Tooting Bec (at High Road, Chipstead FC)
Dec 07	3pm	SCEFLC	(H) Bridon Ropes (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Dec 14	3pm	SCEFLC	(A) Rochester United (at Rochester United Sports Ground)

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	TIME	COMP	OPPONENTS/VENUE
Nov 10	2pm	LSEWRFL	(H) Bromley (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Nov 17	2pm	CWC	(H) Comets (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Dec 01	1.30pm	LSEWRFL	(H) Aylesford (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Dec 08	1pm	LSEWRFL	(A) Leatherhead (at Fetcham Grove)
Dec 15	2pm	LSEWRFL	(H) Denham United (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)



Fred Taylor took his season tally up to eight goals with one against Greenways last Saturday

TOP GOALSCORERS

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 8 Fred Taylor
- 7 Noah Adejokun
- 4 Cameron Gordon
- 3 Joel Akuwudike, Julian Austin

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 11 Emily Link
- 7 Taiyah Evans
- 6 Rebekah Higgins
- 4 Aimee Shaw
- 3 Egle Trezzi, Marta Casanovas

TOP APPEARANCES

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 18 Jack Francis
- 17 James Briggs, Joel Akuwudike, Noah Adejokun, Ross Broadway
- 15 Fred Taylor, Jeff Twumasi, Julian Austin
- 14 Bailey Pryce, Junia Charlton
- 13 Tami Unuefa

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 14 Kaylee Shurety
- 12 Emily Link, Lucy Spours, Maria Mendonca, Marta Boiro
- 11 Aimee Shaw, Chloe Owen, Egle Trezzi, Rebekah Higgins, Taiyah Evans
- 10 Eva van der Vliet, Li Steiner, Marta Casanovas
- 9 Julia Moulton, Mim Chadwick

RESULTS - LAST FIVE GAMES

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	COMP	OPPONENTS	RESULT
Nov 02	SCEFL	Greenways vs CCFC	1 - 3 W
Oct 26	SCEFL	FC Elmstead vs CCFC	2 - 2 D
Oct 22	SCEFL	Meridian VP vs CCFC	0 - 1 W
Oct 19	FAV	Stansted vs CCFC	1 - 2 W
Oct 12	SCEFL	Bridon Ropes vs CCFC	2 - 3 L

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	COMP	OPPONENTS	RESULT
Nov 03	LSEWRFL	Richmond & Kew vs CCFC	0 - 3 W
Oct 27	LSEWRFL	Ashmount Leigh vs CCFC	1 - 4 W
Oct 20	LSEWRFL	CCFC vs AFC Whyteleaf	8 - 0 W
Oct 17	LSEWRFL	CCFC vs Hackney	3 - 0 W
Oct 13	LSEWRFL	AFC Whyteleaf vs CCFC	0 - 4 W

TABLES

SCAN WITH YOUR PHONE TO VIEW

MEN'S FIRST TEAM



WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM



CCFC

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
FELIX MURRAY
BAILEY PRYCE
ADAM SIDKY
GUS STEELE
TAMI UNUEFA

MIDFIELDERS

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

FORWARDS

NOAH ADEJOKUN
TERRY AMOFAO
LOUIS BROWN
CAMERON GORDON
TAYLAN GUL
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.

THETFORD TOWN FC

SAM BOND
RYAN
DICKERSON
GEORGE DIGGENS
DANIEL
GILCHRIST
DYLAN GROVE
RYAN

HAYLETT
CAMERON
KING
ADAM LAKER
HARVEY LOTT
JAYDYN LOTT
JAKE MANN
KIERAN MONEY

CALLUM OLPIN
MARLEY
REYNOLDS
ELLIOT SMITH
JOSHUA
MARTIN WELLS
MALACHI
WRIGHT

OFFICIALS

REFEREE
ROBERT POOLE
ASSISTANT
REFEREES
DAVID
BEHLING
AND
STEPHEN
POULTER

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.

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