

# 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

### **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, Fred Taylor and Cemal Agdelen.

50 appearance medals: Annie Lyons, Arthur Wright, Carl Paul, 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 Kilron, Verity Phillips, Charlie Fagan, Teju Callisto, Allana Scoble, Lewis Owiredu, Junia Charlton, James Pavely, Suleyman Zahmoul, Alice Sharpe, Jeffrey Twumasi, Joel Akuwudike, Ana Holmes and Khadir Elyas.

#### **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 Ags Hafeji - Data Analyst Kasita Boateng - Physiotherapist

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

Jack Francis - Coach

**London & South East Regional** Women's Division 1 North // London FA Alice Sharpe - Head Coach Brian Bramble - Coach

# ONLINE

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# GEOFF OCRAN MEN'S TEAM MANAGER

IT WAS A BODY BLOW TO LOSE last Saturday due to a dubious penalty and lapse of concentration shortly after. In many ways, it sums up our season to date where we haven't capitalised on being the better team with that word resurfacing again... 'ruthlessness'.

The conundrum many of the faithful will be asking is how do we perform better over the second half of the season to secure a play-off spot? I feel a lot will be dependent on having numerous goal threats other than Fred Taylor and Noah Adejokun, which also includes better output from midfield and set pieces.

Losing to Rochester was definitely a painful one considering the form we have been in but there is no time for self-pity as we have other

promotion contenders to play in the shape of SC Thamesmead today and Soul Tower Hamlets next week.

The league is evidently very close and the play-off positions will potentially go down to the last few games of the season. Draws at this stage don't really help us so we will have to adopt a cup final mentality of taking the extra risks to win games like today otherwise we leave ourselves too much to do with cases of 'what if?'

The Clapton Christmas party after today's game will definitely be more vigorous after a win and that would be a perfect birthday present for me too. Time for us to step up now.

> #ClaptonFamily #XmasParty #Step6 #BirthdayWin #WeGoAgain

# LAYER PROFILE: EMMANUEL MARVELOUS OLASEHINDE



PLACE OF BIRTH:

Homerton Hospital WHERE I LIVE: Hackney DAY JOB: Student/football

PREVIOUS CLUBS: Leyton Orient (trial), Cheshunt

u18s, Hackney Wick u16s, Hackney Borough, Milfields Park and Hackney District ALL TIME FAVOURITE PLAYER:

Mario Balotelli **FAVOURITE TEAM, APART FROM CLAPTON CFC: Brighton** BIGGEST HIGH IN FOOTBALL:

First Team debut for CCFC

### LOWEST POINT IN FOOTBALL:

Getting injured while on trial LIKES AND HOBBIES:

Netflix, reading books and playing games

**DISLIKES: Manchester United** FAVOURITE COUNTRY VISITED:

Germany

**FAVOURITE FOOD: Mac and** 

cheese

**FAVOURITE FILM: Twilight FAVOURITE TV: Dexter** FOOTBALLING AMBITION:

Scoring a hat-trick all with headers

# SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE

As more users migrate away from Twitter, we've been working hard to increase our presence and provide match updates elsewhere. Although still in the trial phase, you can now follow Men's First Team and Women's First Team match updates on the platform of your choice:

#### Bluesky



#### Twitter:



#### WhatsApp:



The Men's First
Team games are
also on Football
Web Pages:



### Telegram:





We are reducing our other output on Twitter too. Player of the match votes now take place on Instagram, videos are uploaded on Instagram and YouTube, and there's a new 'On This Day' feature on Bluesky and Instagram.

# **OUTSIDE PROJECT**



At the last Women's First Team home game, we held a bucket shake for our friends at the <u>Outside Project</u>, which is gearing up to open a new Trans Winter Night Shelter in

Hackney. Thanks to all who helped raise £129.42 despite the filthy weather.

### FIXTURE UPDATES

Three fixture changes for the Men's First Team – all at our Old Spotted Dog Ground...

- The cup game vs Sporting Club Thamesmead is on Tuesday, January 7
- The league game vs Meridian VP has moved to <u>Saturday</u>, February 15 (from January 4)
- The postponed league game vs Bridon Ropes has been rescheduled to <u>Saturday</u>, March 1

Meanwhile the Women's First
Team now have all but two of
their fixtures for the season. That
includes the postponed games
against Brentford at home and
Leatherhead away. Full fixtures
for all teams on the website.



# **NEW SIGNING**

Welcome to Andre Odeku, who made his debut for the Clapton CFC Men's First Team as a sub in the win at Tooting Bec recently. The 22-year-old attacker won the golden boot when playing for Haringey Borough U23s and has since played for their first team and also Brightlingsea Regent.

# MERCH UPDATE

Today is your final chance to get some Clapton CFC merch before Christmas. On the merch stall, we have home and away replica shirts in most sizes, <u>baseball</u> <u>caps</u>, <u>black beanies</u>, <u>away</u> <u>scarves</u> and <u>home beanies</u>. There's also some stock left of the <u>Clapton CFC x</u> <u>Hackney Bumps T-shirt</u>, with all profits going to Gaza Sunbirds and Pal.Gaza.

### CHRISTMAS PARTY

You are invited to the <u>CCFC Christmas</u>

<u>Party tonight!</u> Festivities get under way
at 7pm with the bar closing at 10.30pm.

DJs will play a variety of genres as well as some Christmas classics with food served from 8pm. And of course there's the annual potato rolling.

# THROUGH THE TURNSTILES

On the 22/9/2018, the Men's First Team played its first competitive home game, when a crowd of 415 saw us play Hutton in BBC Premier Cup at The Stray Dog.

Since then over 35,000 fans have seen M1T play at the various venues that have been used as home grounds.

Gary Price

Season	Total attendances	Average		
Highest Attendance				
2018/19	6746	450		
1266 v FC Roast in t	he MCFL game switch	ed to the Stray Dog <sup>1</sup>		
2019/20	4033	448		
909 v Stonewall in th	ne MCFL at Wadham L	odge Stadium³		
2020/21	1316	439		
' '	536 v Sporting Hackney in the Super Six at Wadham Lodge Stadium			
2021/22 5466		304		
427 v Woodford East in the BBC Essex Premier Cup at Wadham Lodge Stadium				
2022/23 2895 290				
902 v Kensington Dragons in the MCFL at the Old Spotted Dog.  First M1T competitive game at The OSD				
2023/24	10625	462		
1153 v FC United in the Brian Lomax Cup at the Old Spotted Dog. Double header with W1T <sup>2</sup>				
2024/25	3998	363		
802 v Thetford Town	802 v Thetford Town in the FA Vase at the Old Spotted Dog			
TOTAL	35009	393		

Total attendances at each venue	Average	
Old Spotted Dog	14388	436
Stray Dog	9926	397
Wadham Lodge Stadium	6752	358
Mabley Green	707	353
Wadham Lodge 3G	600	200
Oakside	185	185
Hackney Marsh Show Pitch	166	166
Hackney Marsh	571	143

Top three highest attendance - game details in top table

1 Stray Dog				
2 Old Spotted Dog		1153		
3 Wadham Lodge Stadium	909			



# SC THAMESMEAD FC

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

FORMED IN 1900 AS ROYAL ORDNANCE Factories Sports Association, they've had multiple name changes over the years. In 1966 they became Royal Arsenal Sports and Recreation Association, in 2003 Seven Acre Sports, in 2011 Seven Acre & Sidcup then finally in 2016 becoming Sporting Club Thamesmead after moving to their current ground. They've been in the SCEFL Division One since it formed, with their best finish being fourth in the aborted 2019/2020 season.

# FORM GUIDE

SC Thamesmead are the top form side in the division, without a defeat in 10 games, and having won 6 of the last 7. That run has seen them quietly creep up the table to eighth, one place and one point behind us. Their success has been based on their superb defensive form, with four clean sheets in a row.

# PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Earlier in the season, we met for the first time. Despite going behind early on, we grabbed a great 2-1 win, with goals from Noah Adejokun and Julian Austin.

# PLAYERS TO WATCH

Former Erith & Belvedere, Cray Valley PM and FC Elmstead player Connor Dobson scored a cracking goal from distance in that meeting in August.

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### **UPCOMING FIXTURES**

### MEN'S FIRST TEAM

### DATE TIME COMP OPPONENTS/VENUE

Dec 28	3pm	SCEFL	(A) Soul Tower Hamlets (at Mile End Stadium)
Jan 07	7.45pm	SCEFLC	(H) Sporting Club Thamesmead (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Jan 11	3pm	SCEFL	(H) FC Elmstead (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Jan 25	3pm	SCEFL	(H) Halls Athletic (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Feb 01	3pm	SCEFL	(A) Canterbury City (at Hartsdown Park, Margate FC)

### WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

#### DATE TIME COMP OPPONENTS/VENUE

DAIL	HINE	COM	OFF CHERTS/ VEHOL
Jan 12	2pm	LSERWFL	(A) Bromley (at Hayes Lane)
Jan 19	2pm	LSERWFL	(H) Richmond & Kew (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Jan 26	2pm	LSERWFL	(H) Dulwich Hamlet Reserves (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Feb 02	2pm	LSERWFLT	(H) Ashford United (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Feb 09	2pm	LSERWFL	(A) Actonians Reserves (at Gunnersbury Park)

### **RESULTS - LAST FIVE GAMES**

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### MEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	COMP	OPPONENTS	KESULI
Dec 14	SCEFL	Rochester United vs CCFC	2 - 0
Nov 30	SCEFL	Tooting Bec vs CCFC	2 - 4 👿
Nov 23	SCEFL	CCFC vs Sheppey Sports	1-3
Nov 16	SCEFL	CCFC vs Staplehurst Monarchs	2 - 1 👿
Nov 09	FAV	CCFC vs Thetford Town (decided on pens)	0 - 0 (7 - 8)

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

DATE	COMP	OPPONENTS	RESULT	
Dec 01	LSERWFLC	CCFC vs Aylesford	0 - 1	L
Nov 17	CWC	CCFC vs Comets (decided on pens)	2 - 2 (3 - 5)	L
Nov 10	LSERWFL	CCFC vs Bromley	0 - 3	L
Nov 03	LSEWRFL	Richmond & Kew vs CCFC	0 - 3	W
Oct 27	LSEWRFL	Ashmount Leigh vs CCFC	1-4	W

# TABLES



MEN'S FIRST TEAM



WOMEN'S FIRST TEAN



# TOP GOALSCORERS

### MEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 14 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, Egle Trezzi
- 3 Marta Casanovas

### TOP APPEARANCES

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

- 23 Jack Francis
- 22 Noah Adejokun
- 21 James Briggs, Ross Broadway
- 19 Fred Taylor, Jeff Twumasi, Julian Austin, Junia Charlton
- 18 Bailey Pryce, Joel Akuwudike, Tami Unuefa

#### WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 17 Kaylee Shurety
- 15 Emily Link, Lucy Spours, Maria Mendonca, Marta Boiro
- 14 Aimee Shaw, Egle Trezzi, Taiyah Evans
- 13 Chloe Owen, Eva van der Vliet, Marta Casanovas
- 12 Li Steiner, Rebekah Higgins

### 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

TERRY AMOAFO

LOUIS BROWN

CAMERON

**GORDON** 

TAYLAN GUL
ANDRE ODEKU
EMMANUEL
OLASEHINDE
LEWIS OWIREDU
SHERWIN
STANLEY
FRED TAYLOR
ARTHUR WRIGHT

ZAHMOUL

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### SPORTING CLUB THAMESMEAD FC

LUKE ALLIBAND
BACHI BARI
ALFIE CLARK
CHARLIE DALE
CONNOR
DOBSON
EDWARD

**DWYER** 

KANAN FITTON
STEVE
KARKARI
CAMERON
MACMILLAN
RYAN
MCCOURT
RYAN PENTON

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language at
football matches.

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