



**CLAPTON CFC VS
MERIDIAN VP FC**

3.00PM SATURDAY, 15TH FEBRUARY, 2025

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**Presence & Co Southern Counties
East League Division One**

**TOGETHER WITH
FOOTBALL V HOMOPHOBIA**

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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, Fred Taylor, Cemal Agdelen, Charlie Fagan and Marta Boiro.

50 appearance medals:

Annie Lyons, Arthur Wright, Carl Paul, Daniel Anfossy, Fama Sangare, Fionn Glancy, Joshua Adejokun,

Julian Austin, Lenny Holmes, Liam Smyth, Marta Casanovas, Mim Chadwick, Polly Adams, Prince Kwakye, Samba Badjana, Sherwin Stanley, Stefan Kilron, Verity Phillips, 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

Aqs Hafeji – Data Analyst

Kasita Boateng – Physiotherapist

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

London & South East Regional

Women's Division 1 North //

London FA

Alice Sharpe – Head Coach

Brian Bramble – Coach

Jack Francis – Coach

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GEOFF OCRAN MEN'S TEAM MANAGER

DOES IT REALLY GET better than last Saturday? A last minute winner and celebrating with the Scaffold in a must-win game!

Based on our second half performance and the chances we created, it was the least we deserved. In the first half, we were playing into Rochester United's hands by playing too centrally as they were playing a diamond in midfield. So we got them in at half-time and just focused on exploiting the wide areas via our full-backs and wingers.

Once Noah Adejokun went centrally and Jake Wintour came on, they

didn't have an answer as they started to tire so it was just about finding that bit of quality to get the result which came thankfully from Julian Austin's second goal.

A result like that should give us the boost needed for the run in which involves playing most of the teams in and around the play-off picture, mainly at home too.

It's Meridian which on paper looks a lot more straightforward but this league has taught us that everything needs to be earned and we don't have time to be complacent.

**#OSD #Step6 #ClaptonCFC
#ClaptonFamily**

PLAYER PROFILE: JAKE SIMMS

PLACE OF BIRTH: Shepherd's Bush

HEIGHT: 5'10

WHERE YOU LIVE:

South Tottenham

DAY JOB: Climate justice campaigner

PREVIOUS CLUBS: Kensington Dragons, Shooting Starz (coach)

ALL TIME FAVOURITE PLAYER:

Alan Judge

FAVOURITE TEAM, APART FROM CLAPTON CFC: Brentford

BIGGEST HIGH IN FOOTBALL:

Celebratory Nandos trip after winning the Mayors cup without

conceding a goal in year 6

LOWEST POINT IN FOOTBALL:

Never matching the heights I reached aged 10

LIKES AND HOBBIES: Cats and community organising

DISLIKES: Mining companies

FAVOURITE COUNTRY VISITED: Croatia

FAVOURITE FOOD: Bhindi bhaji

FAVOURITE FILM: Uncut Gems

FAVOURITE TV: White Lotus

FOOTBALLING AMBITION:

Playing more games in front of fans at the Old Spotted Dog



CLAPTON CFC v HOMOPHOBIA

THROUGHOUT FEBRUARY WE ARE BACKING the Football v Homophobia (FvH) campaign.

Collectively, we want to demonstrate that football should be for everyone and through football we can break down the artificial barriers that exist in our community.

All seven of our teams have designated a game or training session, including the Women's First Team cup game against Ashford United last week and today's Men's First Team game:

- Our captains will wear rainbow armbands and our players rainbow laces to raise awareness
- We holding a bucket shake and selling limited edition badges in aid of two LGBTQ+ campaigns, *Come As You Are* and *Lesbians & Gays Support The Migrants*
- Buy a guest beer from Queer Brewing in Leyton, a queer and trans-owned brewery. They will donate 10p from every beer to a LGBTQ+ charity



SCAN WITH YOUR PHONE TO DONATE TO THE BUCKET SHAKE ONLINE



MY EXPERIENCE OF LGBTQ+ PEOPLE IN FOOTBALL - CHARLIE FAGAN

I'VE PLAYED MEN'S FOOTBALL FOR 18 YEARS, FOR SUNDAY teams on Hackney Marshes, midweek games on Market Road's cambered pitches, university mud baths in Manchester and five seasons with CCFC's men's team. Across hundreds of teammates, I have never shared a changing room with anyone who was openly LGBTQ+.

Statistically, this is almost impossible. It was recently reported that one-in-ten 16 to 24-year-olds identify as lesbian,

gay or bisexual, so if my changing rooms were even remotely representative, I would have had loads of LGBTQ+ teammates.



CCFC & STONEWALL

Since our first meeting in our debut season we have met Stonewall more than any other team. Below is a snapshot of every game.

P10 W6 D3 L1 F25 A11

12/1/19
Stonewall **4-0** CCFC

MCFL Central and East
We fail to score for the first time competitively and drop into the bottom half of the table, in a game that was more even than the score suggests.

16/2/19
CCFC **5-1** Stonewall

MCFL Central and East
We gain revenge as we start a run of nine wins and a draw to pip Stonewall to the title by a point.
Scorers: Lewis Owiredu (2), Josh Adejokun, Eliot Crosbie, Stefan Nielsen.

12/10/19
CCFC **5-2** Stonewall

MCFL Premier
A crowd of 909 was the largest for a CCFC game at Wadham Lodge Stadium.
Scorers: Lewis Owiredu (3), Eliot Crosbie, Prince Kwakyee.

7/12/19
CCFC **1-1** Stonewall

CCFC win 6-5 on penalties.
Alec Smith Premier Cup
A POTM winning performance from keeper Dan Anfossy as we win the penalty shoot out in near darkness.
Scorer: Aaron Yfeko.

25/1/20
Stonewall **2-6** CCFC

MCFL Premier
A record away win in the league as Lewis Owiredu and Sherwin Stanley become the only MIT players to score hat tricks in the same game.

24/4/21
CCFC **1-1** Stonewall

Middlesex Super Six League
Our first competitive game for more than four months due to Covid is played behind closed doors due to ongoing restrictions.
Scorer: Noah Adejokun.

The fact that I haven't, or haven't been aware of them, means either they deemed football an unsafe space and did not play, or they were there and didn't feel able to be open about their sexuality. Either way, football failed them, meaning my experience of LGBTQ+ people in football is sadly one of absence.

My experience is typical across the men's game. Blackpool's Jake Daniels is the only openly gay male professional footballer in England. With 5,000+ male professionals in England, it is a terrible indictment of men's football that no other LGBTQ+ players have felt able to come out and demonstrates the importance of being loud and visible in

supporting campaigns like Football v Homophobia.

While women's football has celebrated recent high profile on-field successes, it also provides a model for LGBTQ+ inclusivity that men's football must learn from to boost representation and visibility, from grassroots to the professional game.

Having never had an openly LGBTQ+ player in CCFC M1T, we can do more to ensure LGBTQ+ players know they are welcome and ensure the club's values are represented on the pitch as well as in the Scaffold.

I want to play in a sport where everyone feels welcome and valued, and proudly support Football v Homophobia.

9/11/21
CCFC 0 - 0 Stonewall

MCFL Premier
The first time we fail to score in a competitive home game, a run of 33 games.

12/2/22
Stonewall 0 - 4 CCFC

MCFL Premier.
Josh and Noah Adejokun score in the same game for the sixth time as the unbeaten run against Stonewall stretches to seven games.
Scorers: Josh Adejokun, Noah Adejokun, James Briggs, and Fred Taylor.

13/8/22
CCFC 3 - 0 Stonewall

MCFL Premier.
Greg Moore scores twice on debut as we get off to a fine start to the title winning season.

Scorers: Greg Moore (2), and Fred Taylor.

2/5/23
Stonewall 0 - 0 CCFC

MCFL Premier.
Our tenth and to date last meeting with Stonewall was a cagey affair as we gained the point that clinched the title.

Gary Price



MERIDIAN VP FC

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

MERIDIAN SPORTS & SOCIAL FC STARTED AS a five-a-side team including current manager and chairman Dwindler Tamna and three of his brothers. They joined the Dartford & District League in 1995, then the Kent County League in 2003. They have been at this level since 2011 and two years later merged with Valley Park FC, becoming Meridian VP. The name presumably derives from being based in Greenwich near the meridian line.

FORM GUIDE

Although bottom of the table without a win, don't be fooled. They're unbeaten in the last three games, all against high-flying sides, and were seconds away from a first win away at Thamesmead last week before conceding an injury time equaliser.

PREVIOUS MEETINGS

In the away game earlier in the season, we bagged three points by the narrowest of margins. An early Fred Taylor goal put us ahead, but we had to survive a second half onslaught with Jack Francis kept busy. Geoff Ocran felt they were in a false position after that performance.

PLAYERS TO WATCH

Top scorer Rami Halloufi has five goals this season, while the fantastically named Robinhood Mensa Sowah is formerly of our old divisional rivals Park View and Barkingside.

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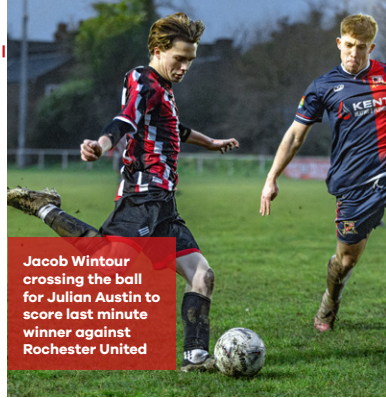
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Jacob Wintour crossing the ball for Julian Austin to score last minute winner against Rochester United

UPCOMING FIXTURES

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	TIME	COMP	OPPONENTS/VENUE
Feb 18	7.45pm	SCEFLC	(H) Halls Athletic (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Feb 22	3pm	SCEFL	(A) Faversham Strike Force (at The Mount)
Mar 01	3pm	SCEFL	(H) Bridon Ropes (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Mar 08	3pm	SCEFL	(H) Tooting Bec (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Mar 15	3pm	SCEFL	(H) FC Elmstead (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	TIME	COMP	OPPONENTS/VENUE
Feb 23	1pm	LSERWFL	(A) Bromley (at Hayes Lane)
Mar 02	2pm	LSERWFLT	(H) Hackney (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Mar 16	2pm	LSERWFL	(H) Brentford (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)
Mar 23	1.30pm	LSERWFL	(A) Leatherhead (at Fetcham Grove)
Mar 30	2pm	LSERWFL	(H) Richmond Park (at Old Spotted Dog Ground)

TOP GOALSCORERS

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 16 Fred Taylor
- 8 Julian Austin
- 7 Noah Adejokun
- 6 Cameron Gordon
- 3 Arthur Wright, Joel Akuwudike, Louis Brown

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

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

TOP APPEARANCES

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

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

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

- 19 Kaylee Shurety
- 18 Emily Link, Maria Mendonca, Marta Boiro
- 17 Aimee Shaw, Egle Trezzi, Lucy Spours
- 16 Marta Casanovas
- 15 Eva van der Vliet, Li Steiner, Taiyah Evans

RESULTS - LAST FIVE GAMES

MEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	COMP	OPPONENTS	RESULT
Feb 08	SCEFL	CCFC vs Rochester United	2 - 1 W
Feb 01	SCEFL	Canterbury City vs CCFC	2 - 0 L
Jan 25	SCEFL	CCFC vs Halls Athletic	6 - 1 W
Jan 07	SCEFLC	CCFC vs Sporting Club Thamesmead	4 - 0 W
Dec 28	SCEFL	Soul Tower Hamlets vs CCFC	2 - 1 L

WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM

DATE	COMP	OPPONENTS	RESULT
Feb 09	LSERWFLT	CCFC vs Ashford United	3 - 0 W
Jan 26	LSERWFL	CCFC vs Richmond & Kew	2 - 3 L
Jan 19	LSERWFL	CCFC vs Dulwich Hamlet Res	0 - 0 D
Dec 01	LSERWFLC	CCFC vs Aylesford	0 - 1 L
Nov 17	CWC	CCFC vs Comets (decided on pens)	2 - 2 (3 - 5) L

TABLES



MEN'S FIRST TEAM



WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM



CCFC

MANAGER

GOFF 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
GOFF OCRAN
JAMES PAVELY
NOAH SALAMA
JEFFREY TWUMASII

FORWARDS

NOAH ADEJOKUN
TERRY AMOFAO
LOUIS BROWN
CAMERON
GORDON
TAYLAN GUL
ANDRE ODEKU
EMMANUEL
OLASEHINDE
LEWIS OWIREDU
SHERWIN
STANLEY
FRED TAYLOR
JACOB WINTOUR
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.

MERIDIAN VP FC

DUKE AIDOO
DANIEL
AKINTIMEHIN
AYO BAKARE
STEFAN DIXON
RAMI
HALLOUFI

TYLER
KERLEW-STEWART
ALEX MCKENZIE
ROBINHOOD
MENSAH SOWAH
CHARLIE
NORCOTT

TREASURE OBI
MICHAEL OGUNBO
JESSEL SAMBA
KEVAL SESAY-INCE
DOUANE WEST
JORDAN WILLIAMS

OFFICIALS

REFEREE
GRANT STEELE
ASSISTANT-REFEREES
KENECHUKWU-AGHASILI-AND-DANIEL WYATT

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.