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STELLA LAMONT CI IIB PRESIDENT

We are very sorry to announce that our Club President, Stella Lamont passed away last Saturday.

She first became involved with club in the late seventies.

Stella's interest in football was kindled in the early years of the1950s when she began going to matches with her brother-in-law (whose wife never took to the sport). She was happy watching from the terraces for twenty years when a move to Surrey offered an opportunity for greater involvement. Her son played for a newly formed club in a newly formed Surrey youth league and she joined the club's committee as secretary. Soon afterwards she stepped up to the league committee as secretary, treasurer, and eventually chairman before settling into the background as life president.

Between times as her interest in nurturing youth football grew, she was pleased to be part of a group that took teams to America and hosted them here. These football and cultural exchanges as they were known, fashioned many happy memories and made friends for life. Running parallel to this her interest in semi-professional football was developing. When the youth league finals were played at West Street, Epsom's original ground in Ewell, she couldn't resist the opportunity to become involved here as well, and for thirty years she was part of the hidden wiring - the small and dedicated group who ensure there is club to play for at all.

Stella took various committee posts and took on cowriting the match day programmes with her great and much missed friend Dave Wilson. Stella had great literary skills and created some fantastic programmes. At the time of writing, (30th July 2023) Stella was two months shy of her ninety-fifth birthday and very proud to be our club president.

Sending our deepest sympathies to her son lan and family from everyone at Epsom & Ewell Football Club, our thoughts are with you all on this very sad occasion.

Once we have the details of the funeral, they will be publicised.

Stella is pictured wearing her scarf that she machine knitted on the eve of our Vase final in 1975.















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AFC Croydon Athletic was officially born on 6th February 2012 after a group of supporters gathered at Selhurst Evangelical Church in South Norwood to form a new club.

The newly appointed Committee had just 7 weeks to put everything in place to convince the Football Association and the League that they were worthy of a place at Step 6 in the pyramid. Despite the challenge, it was a successful journey.

The need to form a new club came about because of the demise of Croydon Athletic FC who had become the innocent victims of an international cricket match-fixing scandal by their then owner. Valiant attempts to find a buyer, which looked very positive at times, turned out to be fruitless and with debts mounting and owners unwilling to pay what they owed the club folded playing its last game in December 2011.

Having secured the support of the Combined Counties League and the London FA, representatives of the Club met officials from the FA and made their case for being placed in Division One. Having made a presentation and answered questions for more than ninety minutes there followed a long wait to see if they would endorse the application. On the day of the first Annual General Meeting, on 10th May, the Club got the call that they had been recommended to be placed at Step 6.

The biggest challenge had been securing a stadium to play at. The club's real home remained the Mayfield Stadium off Mayfield Road but that currently lies empty as the owners of the old Club refused to give it up and back to the Council and whilst unused the clubhouse was destroyed by fire.

AFC CROYDON ATHLETIC

For the first season, the Club was indebted to both Croydon FC and Croydon Council who facilitated the use of Croydon Sports Arena as the Club's first home.

With a place in the League secured, the focus shifted from off-the-field priorities back to the team. On 29th May the Club announced the appointment of Antony Williams as its and along with first manager management team he set about the task of putting together a squad capable of competing in the division. The preparations began in earnest with the first pre-season friendly against Fisher FC and the journey had really begun. We completed our initial season in Division One of the Combined Counties League in a creditable 8th position. The club also won its first piece of silverware by winning the Lemon Recordings Division One cup by beating Staines Lammas 5-0 at Windsor. The 2013/14 Season was more a season of continued consolidation. We finished one place higher in the League and with a little bit more consistency could have been in the final shake-up for promotion.

The Club returned to its Spiritual home of Mayfield Stadium on 15th November 2014 with a game against Banstead Athletic. This was later than had been expected as there were problems with the pitch and floodlights. Despite these problems and having to play their first 10 matches away from home the club maintained a promotion-chasing position all season and finally clinch 2nd place with a 3-0 victory over Cobham FC. The club also won its 2nd piece of silverware when winning the London Senior Trophy beating Interwood 4-3 after extra time.

With the FA Leagues Committee having placed the club in The Southern Counties East Football League (formally the Kent League) following promotion for the 2015/16 season the club then maintained their position in the League by finishing 11th

Antony Williams resigned to take over at Chipstead FC and the club replaced him with Kevin Rayner as they looked to continue the progress they have made.

His first season saw a 7th place finish which remains our highest position. It was hoped that this would enable the team to progress further but successive seasons have seen mid-table finishes. In 2017/18 they slipped to 13th and the following year they went down to 15th. However, in 2018/19 saw progress in the FA Cup for the first time which coincided with their first home tie too. A 5-0 victory over Rochester United and then a 1-0 replay win over Hanworth Villa saw a First Qualifying Round tie.

Since then the global pandemic has curtailed two seasons. The 2019/20 season saw progress in the FA Cup again before succumbing to Herne Bay United after a replay but after 27 games the season was abandoned. Season 2020/21 started late with a thriller of an FA Cup tie against Sutton Common Rovers with a record 174 turning up but the season would again be curtailed after just 12 matches.

A reorganisation means that it is time to move back to the Combined Counties Football League Premier Division South for the 2021/22 season with the firm wish that we have a full season to look forward to

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We also held our first showcase football trial, where we brought in multiple scouts representing clubs (Southampton FC, Gillingham FC, Bromley FC, and more) and observed players aged 8-22 to scout for their respective clubs. Out of 29 players who attended, 5 drew interest from the scouts and were put in contact with them. We hope to host more showcases soon. Head over to our website for further information!







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Epsom & Ewell FC v Sutton United Specsavers Surrey Senior Cup Tuesday 7th November 2023

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Our club has been in existence since 1971, originally known as West Ewell Wanderers FC. In 2006 the club changed its name to Epsom & Ewell Colts FC.

Since 2006 the Colts have gone from strength to strength, not only on the pitch but also with its committee, managers and coaches who ensure the stability, standards and continued growth of the club.

Currently, we run a mixture of boys & girls teams, with the number of teams standing at 50 plus that play across Saturdays and Sundays.

As part of our three-year development plan, the Colts have initiated key partnerships and priorities:

Partnership with Chelsea Football Club Foundation to support the development of the Club, Managers and Players.

Partnership with GLF and Glyn School to secure a home ground that can provide excellent facilities for both the Colts and the wider community.

Our Ladies' team has now been created and provides lots of fitness and fun.

Sponsorship initiatives to provide income and longevity for the club

Our community partner clubs are a part of our project to return back to the borough, by allowing more younger players to use first-class grassroots facilities we have partnered with many local organisations to try and achieve this. You will find out more about our other community partners in future editions





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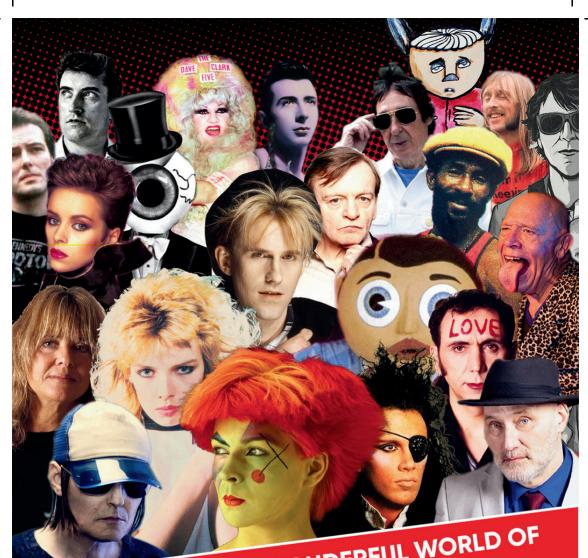






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	Appearances (Sub Appearances)	Goals
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Aikins-Hawkson Jude	1 (1)	0
Amissah Ben	7 (7)	0
Batula Ade	20 (5)	5
Brown Kiyo	11 (4)	0
Carpene Tino	17 (8)	1
Clothier Chester	8	0
Colwell Toby	1	0
Edwards Rory	21 (2)	0
Elsom Lewis	1 (1)	0
Eshilokun Tijani	6 (1)	2
Inwugwu Nick-Aaron	20 (8)	1
Keogh Harvey	20	0
Kugthas Ayran	11 (3)	0
Miller Luke	6 (3)	2
Negassi Sirak	12 (6)	2
Nelson-Roberts Ethan	19	1
Ofosu-Hernandez Jabari	7 (3)	0
Owusu George	9 (5)	3
Pinder Marlon	6 (1)	2
Powell Zach	15	1
Steve Springett	4 (1)	0
Stanley Jaan	17 (6)	4
Tierney Reece	9 (2)	0
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