



# The New Club Times

April 3<sup>rd</sup> 2026

## 4 Clubs Lunch June 2<sup>nd</sup>

Stephen Hodge writes:



At the June lunch, which we are hosting, our speaker will be **Cornelius Lysaught**.

In an age where sports broadcasting often leans towards high-energy commentary and dramatic emphasis, Cornelius Lysaught represents a different kind of voice: thoughtful, cultured, observant, and deeply professional. Lysaught is more than a familiar voice in horse racing; he is a respected

storyteller and ambassador for the sport. His journey from local radio to national correspondent demonstrates dedication, discipline, and genuine passion for his craft. His contributions have shaped how millions of listeners understand and enjoy horse racing, making him an important figure in British sports media. His legacy continues not only in the memories of the events he described but also in the standard he set for thoughtful, responsible, and informed sports journalism. With his contribution, it should be a very enjoyable and entertaining lunch

**Lunch 12.30pm for 1.00pm, carriages 3.30pm**

**Cost - £45.00 to include apéritif and wine on the lunch table**

**If you wish to attend, please contact Stephen Hodge on [reciprocalclubs@thenewclub.co.uk](mailto:reciprocalclubs@thenewclub.co.uk)**

## House Notes

Marilyn Burn writes:

**Lecture Supper: Garden Hunting in China.** Well, those of you who didn't come missed a treat. The speaker, Timothy Walker, was funny, knowledgeable and fascinating. As I went round the tables afterwards, half a dozen of you said could we have him back this year, never mind next year. He was outstanding, and we learned so much not only about Chinese botanical gardens but about so much more. And the food was outstanding, especially the dessert, *Accident in the Potting Shed*. Sally Perkins said it was the best meal she had ever had in the Club. Timothy has sent me a list of his lectures, and we will certainly get him back next year.

## Wonderful, wonderful Copenhagen: Wednesday April 8 6.30 for 7

**Members £25 Guests £30**



I have told you all about this in several previous NCTs, but just to remind you – Copenhagen is now the centre of the foodie world, and Carl has devised a menu based on the best of Danish cooking. If you would like to come to this, book by signing up on the board, or **writing to me at [housenewclub@gmail.com](mailto:housenewclub@gmail.com)** or going to the Members Area, Future events on the website or **click**

**on this link: <https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/wonderful-wonderful-copenhagen/>**

## An Evening of Opera: Wednesday April 15

Drinks from 5.30 Opera 6-7.30pm Dinner 7.45 Black tie £75 Guests £80



I'm delighted to say that there has been a late upsurge in bookings, and this is now fully booked! That is excellent news, as we could not have arranged another opera evening if there was the lack of enthusiasm that there seemed to be last week.

The event is limited to 44 so that you can all get seated in the hall, but I can squeeze in another 4, and there are bound to be cancellations, **so please let me know if you would like to come at [housenewclub@gmail.com](mailto:housenewclub@gmail.com)**

## St George's Day: A Celebration of Englishness with the Choir

Tuesday April 21 Choir 6-6.45pm Drinks 6.45 Dinner 7.15

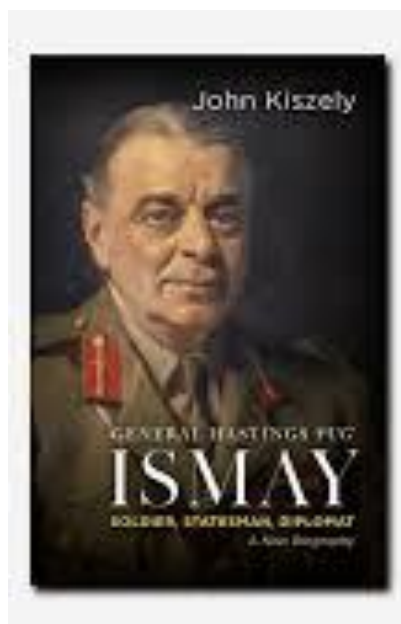
Choir: £25 Non-Choir £35 Guests £40



You all know that this will be a wonderful evening, because it is not only fully booked, it is bursting at the seams! There are 76 of you coming and 2 on the waiting list. There are bound to be cancellations, **so if you would like to go on the waiting list please write to me at [housenewclub@gmail.com](mailto:housenewclub@gmail.com)**

## Lecture Supper: General 'Pug' Ismay, Soldier, Statesman and Diplomat by Lt General Sir John Kiszely KCB, MC, DL

Friday April 24 Lecture 5.30 Drinks 6.45 Dinner 7.15 Members £35 Guests £40



This is the story of Churchill's Chief of Staff throughout the War, and ultimately one of his honorary pallbearers. He was instrumental in events from the India and Pakistan independence to the establishment of Nato, of which he was the first Secretary-General. And he was local, retiring to Wormington, Broadway, and it is given by his biographer. We could hardly do better.

Lt General Sir John Kiszely's operational service included Northern Ireland, The Falklands, Bosnia and Iraq. He was awarded the MC for an action during the Battle of Mount Tumbledown during the Falklands War, where he led an attack in close quarter battle against determined resistance through the Argentine position which drove them from the summit. He was Assistant Chief of the Defence Staff. The only reason we can get him to talk to us is that he lives at Broadway, so he is more or less local.

He has written an authoritative biography of "Pug" Ismay, and is now an historian, author and associate Fellow at the Changing Character of War Centre at Pembroke College, Oxford.

***And Carl has devised a brilliantly apposite menu:***

**CRÈME SOLFERINO**  
1859 battle of Solferino

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**SAUTEED BREAST OF CHICKEN MARENGO**

Celebrating the Napoleonic victory of June 1800  
Sauce of mushrooms, cream & garlic, finished with tomatoes, eggs and  
crayfish. Apparently, items foraged by the chefs in the nearby woods.

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**PRUSSIAN BOULETS**

Cannonball pastries, reflecting the bombardment of Paris  
Little round choux buns filled with vanilla pastry cream and covered in a warm chocolate &  
hazelnut sauce

There are still spaces available, although it is filling up fast this week. If you would like to  
come to this, book by signing up on the board, or **writing to me at**  
[housenewclub@gmail.com](mailto:housenewclub@gmail.com) or going to the Members Area, Future events on the website  
or **click on this link:** [https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/lecture-supper-g...szeley-kcb-  
mc-dl/](https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/lecture-supper-g...szeley-kcb-mc-dl/)

**Club Supper: Wednesday April 29th 6.30 for 7 Members £25 Guests £30**

A simple club supper of old favourites. Come and enjoy it with your friends.

**Prawn Cocktail**

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**Shepherd's Pie with Slow Cooked shoulder of Lamb**

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**Lemon & Raspberry Posset with Almond Tuille**

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or **click on this link:** <https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/club-supper>

**A Visit to Chevenage:** look out for the separate information on this terrific visit coming  
to you with this. If you would like to come, **please write to Jane at**  
[jane@janemoyle.co.uk](mailto:jane@janemoyle.co.uk)

## Art Group

The Art Group have decided to meet weekly from 13th April on Monday mornings 10.15 -  
12.15 in the Function Room. We meet to sociably spend time painting, drawing or crafting  
on a 'come when you can' basis. **Contact Sally Perkins [sallyeperkins@btinternet.com](mailto:sallyeperkins@btinternet.com)**

## AGM

Don't forget the Club's AGM takes place on Tuesday April 7<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm.

## Club Closure

Please note that the club is closed from Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> April to Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April inclusive.

## Events Calendar

**Note: For all events, please sign up in The Club or ring/email the organiser**

(\*\* denotes newly added events)

Date	Time	Event	Organiser/Contact/Link
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	6.30pm	<b>**AGM</b>	<a href="mailto:secretary@thenewclub.co.uk">secretary@thenewclub.co.uk</a>
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	6.30pm for 7pm	<b>Dinner in Copenhagen</b> £25 (Guests £30)	<a href="https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/wonderful-wonderful-copenhagen/">https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/wonderful-wonderful-copenhagen/</a> or <a href="mailto:housenewclub@gmail.com">housenewclub@gmail.com</a>
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	10am	<b>Music Group</b> Theme: <i>My Current Favourite Three Tracks</i>	Ian McPherson <a href="mailto:ianmcperson@fastmail.com">ianmcperson@fastmail.com</a>
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	10.15am	<b>Art Group</b> (now weekly, every Monday)	Sally Perkins <a href="mailto:sallyeperkins@btinternet.com">sallyeperkins@btinternet.com</a>
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	11am	<b>Book Group</b> <i>Tulip Fever</i> by Deborah Moggach	Tom Potter <a href="mailto:gtpotter@btinternet.com">gtpotter@btinternet.com</a>
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April	10.30am	<b>New Club Ramble</b> Snowhill circuit followed by lunch at the Snowhill Arms	Pete Chadwick <a href="mailto:pete@thechads.org">pete@thechads.org</a>
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April	6pm	<b>Club Italiano Conversation</b> Meet in the Bar then go to Library	Paulette Faulkner <a href="mailto:clubitaliano24@gmail.com">clubitaliano24@gmail.com</a>
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> – Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	All Day	<b>The April Meeting</b>	Stephen Hodge <a href="mailto:stephenghodge@hotmail.com">stephenghodge@hotmail.com</a>
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	10.15am	<b>Memoir Group</b>	Mario Malt <a href="mailto:mario@malts.co.uk">mario@malts.co.uk</a>
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	Opera 6-7.30pm Dinner 7.45pm	<b>An Evening of Opera</b> Black Tie £75 (Guests £80)	<a href="https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/an-evening-of-opera/">https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/an-evening-of-opera/</a> or <a href="mailto:housenewclub@gmail.com">housenewclub@gmail.com</a>
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	10.15am	<b>Art Group</b>	Sally Perkins <a href="mailto:sallyeperkins@btinternet.com">sallyeperkins@btinternet.com</a>
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Choir 6pm-6.45pm Drinks 6.45pm Dinner 7.15pm	<b>St George's Day Supper</b> <b>An Evening of Englishness</b> Choir £25 Non-choir £35 (Guests £40)	<a href="https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/st-georges-day-a...n-of-englishness/">https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/st-georges-day-a...n-of-englishness/</a> or <a href="mailto:housenewclub@gmail.com">housenewclub@gmail.com</a>
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	11am	<b>Art Appreciation</b>	Mike Phillips <a href="mailto:mikep3143@icloud.com">mikep3143@icloud.com</a>

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Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	3.30pm	<b>Chess Group</b>	Mario Malt <a href="mailto:mario@malts.co.uk">mario@malts.co.uk</a>
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	5.30pm	<b>Lecture Supper</b> <i>General "Pug" Ismay, Soldier, Statesman and Diplomat</i> Lecturer: Lt General Sir John Kiszely, KCB, MC, DL £35 (Guests £40)	<a href="https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/lecture-supper-g...szeley-kcb-mc-dl/">https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/lecture-supper-g...szeley-kcb-mc-dl/</a>  or <a href="mailto:housenewclub@gmail.com">housenewclub@gmail.com</a>
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	10am	<b>Art Group</b>	Sally Perkins <a href="mailto:sallyeperkins@btinternet.com">sallyeperkins@btinternet.com</a>
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	6.30pm for 7pm	<b>Club Supper</b> Menu of old favourites £25 (Guests £30)	<a href="https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/club-supper/">https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/club-supper/</a>  or <a href="mailto:housenewclub@gmail.com">housenewclub@gmail.com</a>
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	5pm onwards	<b>Race Night</b> Featuring Hunter Chase Racing	Stephen Hodge <a href="mailto:stephenghodge@hotmail.com">stephenghodge@hotmail.com</a>
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	5pm	<b>Quiz Night</b> £12.50 includes Bar meal	Ian McPherson <a href="mailto:ianmcperson@fastmail.com">ianmcperson@fastmail.com</a>
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Jazz 6pm -7.45pm Dinner 8pm	<b>An Evening at Ronnie Scott's</b> Members £50 (Guests £60)	<a href="https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/another-evening-at-ronnie-scotts/">https://thenewclub.co.uk/event/another-evening-at-ronnie-scotts/</a>  or <a href="mailto:housenewclub@gmail.com">housenewclub@gmail.com</a>
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	10am – 5.30pm	<b>**Visit to Chevanage House and Tetbury</b> £60 (includes coach)	Jane Moyle <a href="mailto:jane@janemoyle.co.uk">jane@janemoyle.co.uk</a>
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	11am	<b>Book Group</b> <i>Elizabeth is Missing</i> by Emma Healey	Tom Potter <a href="mailto:gtpotter@btinternet.com">gtpotter@btinternet.com</a>
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	6pm	<b>Club Italiano Conversation</b> Meet in the Bar then go to Library	Paulette Faulkner <a href="mailto:clubitaliano24@gmail.com">clubitaliano24@gmail.com</a>
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	10am	<b>Music Group</b>	Ian McPherson <a href="mailto:ianmcperson@fastmail.com">ianmcperson@fastmail.com</a>
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	10.15am	<b>Memoir Group</b>	Mario Malt <a href="mailto:mario@malts.co.uk">mario@malts.co.uk</a>
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	3.30pm	<b>Chess Group</b>	Mario Malt <a href="mailto:mario@malts.co.uk">mario@malts.co.uk</a>

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Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June	12.30pm for 1pm	<b>Hosting 4 Clubs Lunch</b> Speaker: Cornelius Lysaght: "My life and Characters on The Turf" £45 (to include aperitifs and wine on table)	Stephen Hodge <a href="mailto:reciprocalclubs@thenewclub.co.uk">reciprocalclubs@thenewclub.co.uk</a>
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	5pm	<b>Quiz Night</b> £12.50 includes Bar meal	Ian McPherson <a href="mailto:ianmcperson@fastmail.com">ianmcperson@fastmail.com</a>
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June	10am	<b>Music Group</b>	Ian McPherson <a href="mailto:ianmcperson@fastmail.com">ianmcperson@fastmail.com</a>
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June	2.30pm	<b>**Ladies Afternoon Tea</b> with Julie Kent, MBE	Felicity Davies <a href="mailto:felicityjdavies@icloud.com">felicityjdavies@icloud.com</a>
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June	6pm	<b>Club Italiano Conversation</b> Meet in the Bar then go to Library	Paulette Faulkner <a href="mailto:clubitaliano24@gmail.com">clubitaliano24@gmail.com</a>
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July	6pm	<b>Club Italiano Conversation</b> Meet in the Bar then go to Library	Paulette Faulkner <a href="mailto:clubitaliano24@gmail.com">clubitaliano24@gmail.com</a>
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	TBC	<b>Golf Competition</b> Sherdons Golf Course	Mario Malt <a href="mailto:mario@malts.co.uk">mario@malts.co.uk</a>
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	12.30pm for 1pm	<b>Four Clubs Lunch</b> Cardiff and County Club Bus available for transport	Stephen Hodge <a href="mailto:reciprocalclubs@thenewclub.co.uk">reciprocalclubs@thenewclub.co.uk</a>
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	TBC	<b>Founders' Dinner</b>	Marilyn Burn <a href="mailto:housenewclub@gmail.com">housenewclub@gmail.com</a>