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Welcome



Join **Hull City Supporters' Trust** (HCST) in turning back time to create a unique and enduring tribute to the original 1906 Spion Kop End of Hull City's original ground. Lost to history in the 1965 British Railways summer excursion loop, football history ended at Hull City's original home ground as the railway loop created an oasis of nature.

But now, in the run-up to Hull City's 120th Anniversary, HCST have a unique opportunity to establish a permanent memorial, and to gain a National Lottery Heritage Fund grant, possibly to the tune of £500,000. A condition of the grant includes a 10% target of matched funding, so the not-for-profit HCST has to raise £50,000.

We are creating the Spion Kop 1906 Club to celebrate Hull's unique football heritage and to support this nationally important sporting passion project.

The UK's renowned expert, author and lecturer on sports architecture, **Simon Inglis**, has lent his support to the project:-

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*"Usually when football and rugby grounds are demolished, little or no physical traces survive, so the rediscovery of remnants of **Anlaby Road's Spion Kop** is of genuine interest and importance in terms of our wider national sporting heritage. This is especially so, given that the 'football terrace' – that is, the mound or slope upon which millions of fans stood for their thrills, spills and companionship – represents, arguably, one of the great cultural icons of 20th Century life in Britain. So I fully support the efforts of the **Hull City Supporters' Trust** to conserve the remains of the 'Kop' as a tangible link to the past, not only for Tigers' fans but for all visitors to the modern-day MKM Stadium. The conserved terracing will serve as a lasting reminder of how different viewing conditions were for the average football fan, yet at the same time provide a poignant reminder of how much we share with our forebears. I wish the project every success and look forward to visiting this no-doubt-soon-to-be-famous venerable hump of Hull!"*

Spion Kop 1906 Club supporter membership benefits:

An exclusive Spion Kop 1906 Club lapel badge;

Hull City Supporters' Trust (HCST)
Associate Membership;

A numbered member listing on the Spion Kop 1906 Club supporters board located adjacent to the preserved terrace;

Photograph of yourself on the Spion Kop;

Priority assurance that your name and/or your ancestor's name will be offered the opportunity to be engraved on the "Walk of Legends" stainless steel footpath leading to the Spion Kop terrace.

Spion Kop 1906 Club membership: £20 (or £25 to include a one-year full HCST membership)

Send your donation using PayPal to contact@hullcityst.com

Please also confirm your name, address, email and mobile to: contact@hullcityst.com

Player of the Month (March)

Captain **Lewie Coyle** took your top votes for March (77), followed by **Jacob Greaves** (42), **Regan Slater** (14) and first points to **Omur Abdulkadir** (12). **Lewie** now surges ahead of Jaden Philogene for the season lead with 291 votes. **Jaden** follows on 230, **Jacob Greaves** (172) & **Tyler Morton** (135).

Kingston Bowling Club:

I promised **Tom Wilkinson**, one of our Senior Tigersmen, that I would share the following information that could be of interest to a number of our members. **Kingston Bowling Club**, formed in 1905, would love to welcome some new members as their new season is just taking off. They promise that those who do join them will “have fun” and “make new friends”.

They are based at 20 Ash Grove, off Beverley Road in Hull HU5 1LU where they have their own green and clubhouse. They have two membership categories, Active Bowling (£85 per year but new members only pay £50) & Social (£50 pa). Rink fees are £2 per game. Potential new members are offered 3 free sessions while they make their minds up!

The season has just started and runs to September.

Interested? Turn up any afternoon or evening, or call Rick on 07913 790528, or email kingstonbowls@outlook.com



April Members' meeting:

There was a great response after last month's meeting when Garreth Roberts was our special guest. He warmed our hearts. Do visit our website, where you can read Shirley's report from the meeting and especially Richard's interview with Garreth.

Please click [here](#) to read the report

Finally, Barbara members if anyone had any **Hull City books** that they did not want. She would like to have a bookstall at the **Memorabilia Day** for unwanted books which can be purchased by donating. The money raised will be given to the **Tigers Trust**. Any books not sold will be given to local schools by the Tigers Trust.

Our End of Season Lunch is on Thursday next (2nd May) and our guest speaker is **Tommy Coyle**, making a welcome return visit.



Richard Beachell with Garreth Roberts (Allen in the background)



Full credit to our Manager, **Liam Rosenior**, who made this wonderful stand following some dreadful abuse he had been given by a so-called 'City fan'. Liam is one of us and we love claiming him because “his Nana came from Hull”. We are one people, wherever we come from and we need to keep renewing that stand to “Say No to Racism”.

MAY 2024 MEMORABILIA ARTICLE

You will read elsewhere in this Newsletter about the Hull City Supporters Trust (HCST) forming the 1906 Spion Kop Club. If you recall members of the HCST gave a presentation regarding the remaining piece of land from the old Anlaby Road football stadium at our February meeting. At the time they called it the Anlaby Road Tribute Project (ART Project). It appears things have moved on since then and they are now trying to raise money to excavate the site. They have formed the 1906 Spion Kop Club. This is a live heritage project regarding Hull City AFC.

On Thursday 18 April **The Tigers Trust** launched their **Heritage Hub** in the Tigers Trust Arena. It is a project the Senior Tigers Memorabilia Team has supported and given a great amount of help with. If you haven't visited the Arena for some time then pop in and have a look. They will be pleased to show off what they have done to date and tell you what they have planned. It should also be noted that the gathering of memorabilia and researching the club's heritage is providing the foundation for further projects to help sufferers of Dementia, Alzheimer's and Loneliness. It is planned that the Memorabilia and Gallery on the Senior Tigers website will form the basis of the material to be used in these projects.

Then on **6 June**, we have our own **Memorabilia and Heritage event** in the Kingston Suite at the MKM Stadium. A flagship event for the Senior Tigers and the opening event of the **football club's 120th Anniversary celebrations**. This is a real honour for us and we are putting in great work to make it a success. We chose the first Thursday of the month (June) as it is traditionally the Senior Tigers monthly meeting day and it was in June 1904 that the club was founded. We need all of our members to support the event by visiting the stadium as if it were a usual meeting day. Entrance is free and refreshments will be available in the Raich Carter Suite. The exhibition will be open most of the day from 10.30 am with an end time to be confirmed. We would love to see you all at some point during the day.

In addition, we are looking for volunteers to help us on the day. Help is required with stewarding, greeting fans, ensuring there are no bottlenecks, general security, etc. If you can help don't hesitate to get in touch with Barbara Wilkinson or any committee member

What can you expect to see at the event? Without giving too much away you will learn a lot about the

heritage and history of the club via a Timeline. There will be information about the man considered to be the father of the modern game, who was born in Hull. Memory jogging information on the men from the Hull Daily Mail who kept us informed on club news and match reports over the years. Some before local radio and the internet gave us a closer link with the football club. There will be newspapers and scrapbooks to browse through, displays of worn shirts, programmes, magazines, footballs, books, documents, cups, trophies and much more.

TV screens will be in constant use showing films, videos, items from our web site, etc. There will be a cinema area where you can take your seat and enjoy some memories. We expect some ex-players to pop in and be available to chat with you and answer questions.

The Tigers Trust will be doing some fundraising to help boost their funds to aid the great work they do in the community. So please support this worthy cause. **KCOM**, who have been great supporters of the Senior Tigers with sponsorship, offer us **IT Drop-in Sessions** to help you with your computing skills and have provided free match tickets for Hull City home games, are also celebrating their 120th Anniversary. They will display some past items that have been an important part of the local community for many years. As a bonus, if it is not been booked by another sporting club, we hope to have the **Team Bus** for you to visit.

So please put the 6th of June in your diary.

This is a not to be missed event for all Tigers fans.

Tony Conway.

Senior Tigers Memorabilia and Heritage Coordinator.



KCOM IT Drop-in Sessions

The IT Drop-in Sessions at the KCOM Learning Zone in Carr Lane continue to be successful. The feedback from our members is always positive.

These sessions are continuing and the next session is on **Monday 20th May**. Another reminder will be circulated a few days beforehand.

Shirley Cormack

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