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John Rylands Library

01/01/1900

The John Rylands Library is a late-Victorian neo-Gothic building on Deansgate in Manchester, England. The library, which opened to the public in 1900, was founded by Enriqueta Augustina Rylands in memory of her husband, John Rylands. The John Rylands Library and the library of the University of Manchester merged in July 1972 into the John Rylands University Library of Manchester; today it is part of The University of Manchester Library. The architectural style is primarily neo-Gothic with elements of Arts and Crafts Movement in the ornate and imposing gatehouse facing Deansgate which dominates the surrounding streetscape. The library, granted Grade I listed status in 1994, is maintained by the University of Manchester and open for library readers and visitors.

January 2020

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
30	31	1 New year's Event Today	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 January Exams..	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 ..January Exams	25	26
27 Week 2.1 (A)	28	29	30	31	1	2

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Munich air disaster: 8 Manchester United F.C. players are among the 23 killed

06/02/1958

The Munich air disaster occurred on 6 February 1958 when British European Airways Flight 609 crashed on its third attempt to take off from a slush-covered runway at Munich-Riem Airport, West Germany. On the plane was the Manchester United football team, nicknamed the "Busby Babes", along with supporters and journalists. Twenty of the 44 on the aircraft died at the scene. The injured, some unconscious, were taken to the Rechts der Isar Hospital in Munich where three more died, resulting in 23 fatalities with 21 survivors. The team was returning from a European Cup match in Belgrade, Yugoslavia, having eliminated Red Star Belgrade to advance to the semi-finals of the competition. The flight stopped to refuel in Munich because a non-stop flight from Belgrade to Manchester was beyond the "Elizabethan"-class Airspeed Ambassador's range.

After refuelling, pilots James Thain and Kenneth



February 2020

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
27	Week 2.1 (A) 28	29	30	31	1	2
3	Week 2.2 (B) 4	5	6	7	8	9
10	Week 2.3 (A) 11	12	13	14	15	16
17	Week 2.4 (B) 18	19	20	21	22	23
24	Week 2.5 (A) 25	26	27	28	29	1

Event Today



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The Blanketeers set out to march to London; on 11 March 160 are arrested at Stockport

11/03/1817

The Blanketeers or Blanket March was a demonstration organised in Manchester in March 1817. The intention was for the participants, who were mainly Lancashire weavers, to march to London and petition the Prince Regent over the desperate state of the textile industry in Lancashire, and to protest over the recent suspension of the Habeas Corpus Act. The march was broken up violently and its leaders imprisoned. The Blanketeers formed part of a series of protests and calls for reform that culminated in the Peterloo massacre and the Six Acts.

March 2020

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
24 Week 2.5 (A)	25	26	27	28	29	1
2 Week 2.6 (B)	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Week 2.7 (A)	10	11 <i>Event Today</i>	12	13	14	15
16 Week 2.8 (B)	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 Week 2.9 (A)	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Easter Vacation..	31	1 ..Easter Vacation..	2	3	4	5

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Mechanics' Institute, Manchester

07/04/1824

The Manchester Mechanics' Institution is formed for the purpose of enabling Mechanics and Artisans, of whatever trade they may be, to become acquainted with such branches of science as are of practical application in the exercise of that trade; that they may possess a more thorough knowledge of their business, acquire a greater degree of skill in the practice of it, and be qualified to make improvements and even new inventions in the Arts which they respectively profess. It is not intended to teach the trade of the Machine-maker, the Dyer, the Carpenter, the Mason, or any other particular business, but there is no art which does not depend, more or less, on scientific principles, and to teach what these are, and to point out their practical application, will form the chief object of this Institution.

The most notable of the founders were William Fairbairn, Richard Roberts, George William Wood, George Phillips, Joseph Brotherton and Benjamin



April 2020

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
30 Easter Vacation..	31	1 ..Easter Vacation..	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 Easter
		Event Today				
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 ..Easter Vacation, Orthodox Easter
20 Week 2.10 (B)	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Week 2.11 (A)	28	29	30	1 Labour day	2	3

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The Manchester ship canal is formally opened by Queen Victoria

21/05/1894

The Manchester Ship Canal is a 36-mile-long (58 km) inland waterway in the North West of England linking Manchester to the Irish Sea. Starting at the Mersey Estuary near Liverpool, it generally follows the original routes of the rivers Mersey and Irwell through the historic counties of Cheshire and Lancashire. Several sets of locks lift vessels about 60 feet (18 m) up to Manchester, where the canal's terminus was built. Major landmarks along its route include the Barton Swing Aqueduct, the only swing aqueduct in the world, and Trafford Park, the world's first planned industrial estate and still the largest in Europe.



May 2020

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
27 Week 2.11 (A)	28	29	30	1 Labour day	2	3
4 Week 2.12 (B)	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 Summer Exams..	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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Inaugural meeting of the national Trades Union Congress held at the Mechanics' Institute

06/06/1868

The Trades Union Congress (TUC) is a national trade union centre, a federation of trade unions in England and Wales, representing the majority of trade unions. There are fifty affiliated unions, with a total of about 5.6 million members.



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June 2020

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
1 ..Summer Exams..	2	3 ..Summer Exams	4 Summer Vacation Begins	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	1	2	3	4	5

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The Whitworth Art Gallery building is formally opened

29/07/1908

The Whitworth is an art gallery in Manchester, England, containing about 55,000 items in its collection. The gallery is located in Whitworth Park and is part of the University of Manchester.

In 2015, the Whitworth reopened after it was transformed by a £15 million capital redevelopment that doubled its exhibition spaces, restored period features and opened itself up to its surrounding park. The gallery received more than 440,000 visitors in its first year and was awarded the Art Fund's Museum of the Year prize in 2015

July 2020

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 Summer Graduation..	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 ..Summer Graduation	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2

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Manchester City F.C. play their first match at the City of Manchester Stadium, having moved from Maine Road

10/08/2003

The City of Manchester Stadium in Manchester, England, currently known as the Etihad Stadium for sponsorship reasons, is the home of Manchester City and, with a domestic football capacity of 55,097, the fifth-largest in the Premier League and tenth-largest in the United Kingdom.



August 2020

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Event Today						
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	1	2	3	4	5	6

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The third Theatre Royal opens

29/09/1845

Knowles found a new site for his theatre on Peter Street. He demolished the Wellington Inn and Brogden's Horse Bazaar. Knowles employed Francis Chester and John Gould Irwin as the architects for his new theatre. In preparation for the building of the new Theatre Royal, Knowles and Chester went to London and visited most of the metropolitan theatres, noting their areas, internal forms, acoustic capabilities, etc. With a cost of £23,000, the new Theatre Royal opened to an audience of 2,500. Precautionary measures against fire were taken by placing a tank on the roof capable of holding 20,000 gallons of water, which was connected by pipes to the stage and the green room. Its programme that night included Weber's Oberon overture, Douglas Jerrold's "Time works wonders" and an elaborate ballet spectacle "The Court Ball in 1740". Knowles's schedule of productions was intensive – in one season there were 157 performances at which two and

September 2020

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 Semester One begins	22	23	24	25	26	27
28 Week 1.1 (A)	29	30	1	2	3	4
Event Today						

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The Lowry art gallery and theatre complex opens in Salford Quays

12/10/2000

The Lowry is a theatre and gallery complex at Salford Quays, Salford, Greater Manchester, England. It is named after the early 20th-century painter L. S. Lowry, known for his paintings of industrial scenes in North West England. The complex was officially opened on 12 October 2000 by Queen Elizabeth II.

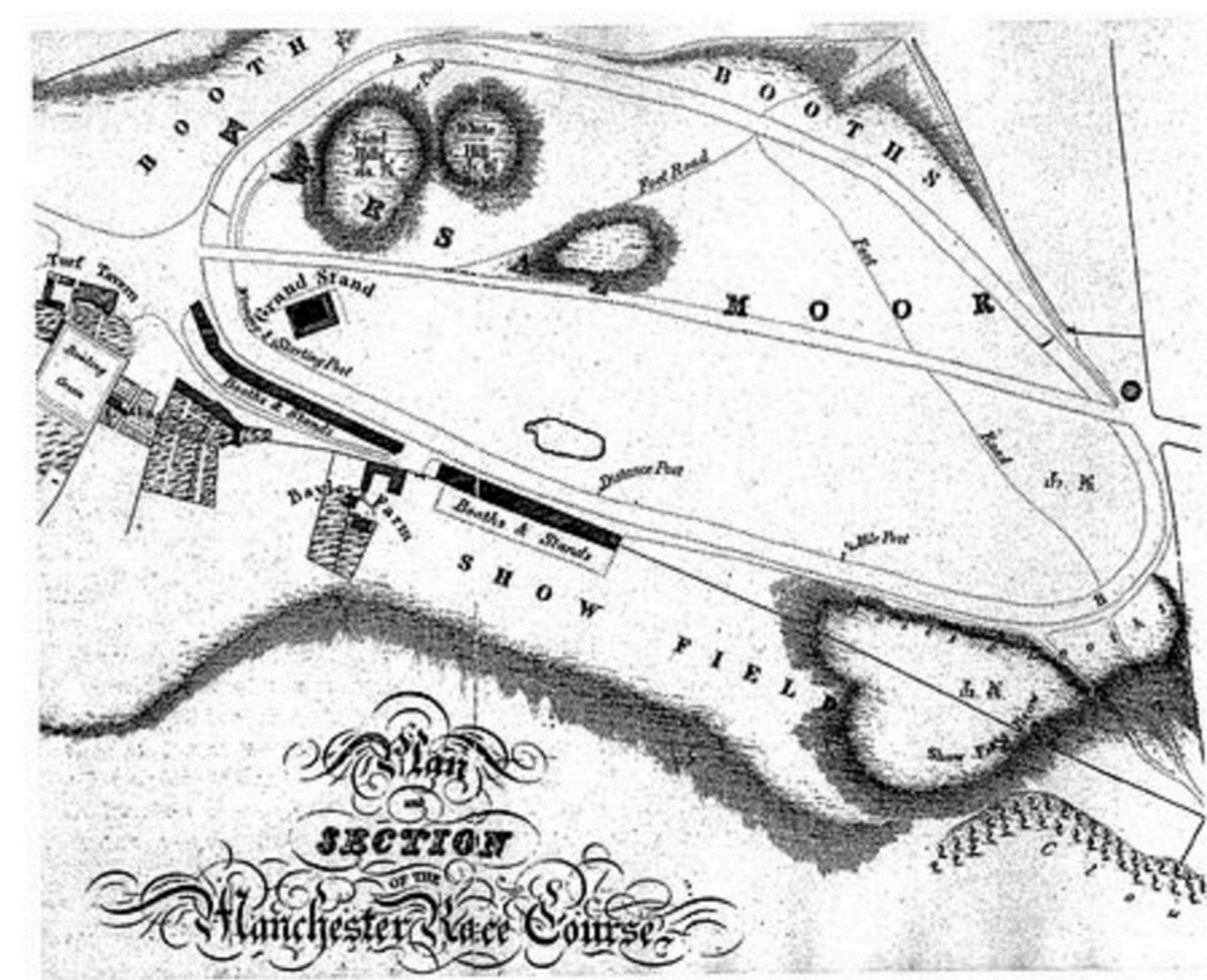


October 2020

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
28 Week 1.1 (A)	29	30	1	2	3	4
5 Week 1.2 (B)	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 Week 1.3 (A)	13 <i>Event Today</i>	14	15	16	17	18
19 Week 1.4 (B)	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 Week 1.5 (A)	27	28	29	30	31	1



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Manchester Racecourse holds its last meeting

09/11/1963

Manchester Racecourse was a venue for horse racing located at a number of sites around the Manchester area including; Kersal Moor, New Barnes, Weaste and Castle Irwell, Pendleton, then in Lancashire. The final home of the course, Castle Irwell, was closed in 1963. Despite its name, the course was never actually located within the boundaries of the ancient township of Manchester or the subsequent city of Manchester.

November 2020

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
26 Week 1.5 (A)	27	28	29	30	31	1
2 Reading Week	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Week 1.7 (B)	10 <i>Event Today</i>	11	12	13	14	15
16 Week 1.8 (A)	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 Week 1.9 (B)	24	25	26	27	28	29
30 Week 1.10 (A)	1	2	3	4	5	6

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Trolleybuses in Manchester last operate

31/12/1966

The trolleybus system in Manchester, England, opened on 1 March 1938, and gradually replaced the Manchester tramway network. By the standards of the various now defunct trolleybus systems in the United Kingdom, the Manchester system was a large one, with a total of 9 routes, and a maximum fleet of 189 trolleybuses. It closed on 31 December 1966.



December 2020

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
30 Week 1.10 (A)	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Week 1.11 (B)	8	9	10	11	12	13
14 Week 1.12 (A)	15	16	17	18 Christmas Break	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Christmas	26	27
28	29	30	31	1 Event Today	2 New year's	3