

Lord's Cricket Ground launches 2017 Long Room Legends of Sport

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Lord's Cricket Ground today announces it will host the 2017 Long Room Legends of Sport event with England Rugby Head Coach Eddie Jones.

The event, on Thursday 19th January, will allow guests to get up close and personal with the popular Australian, who has enjoyed a successful first year as England Coach since taking over from Stuart Lancaster in November 2015.

Jones will give a first-hand insight into England's hugely successful year, including his reaction to a thrilling win against Australia in December. He will also regale guests with tales of the squad's 14 successive wins including an RBS Six Nations Grand Slam, a whitewash in the three Test series tour of Australia and convincing wins in all four games of the Autumn International Series.

BBC Radio Rugby Union commentator Ian Robertson will host what is expected to be a lively Legends of Sport Q&A session.

The evening event begins with a drinks reception in the Long Room Bar, to be followed by a three-course dinner with fine wines in the iconic Lord's Long Room, situated in the Grade II* Listed Pavilion.

Nick Kenton, MCC Head of Sales, Meetings & Events and Hospitality said: "As one of the leading sporting venues in London we work hard to create unique and unforgettable experiences at Lord's. We are really excited to be holding the second in the series of Long Room Legends of Sport events with Eddie Jones."

Tickets cost £229 per person and can be purchased online at the Lord's website (<https://www.lords.org/news/2016-2/december/legends-of-sport-with-eddie-jones/>)

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Note to Editors:

For more information on hospitality at Lord's, please contact the Hospitality Sales Team on 0207 616 8598 or hospitality@mcc.org.uk.

About Marylebone Cricket Club (MCC)

MCC is the world's most active cricket club, the owner of Lord's Ground and the guardian of the Laws and Spirit of the game. Founded in 1787, it issued the first code of Laws in 1788 and moved to its current home in 1814. There are 18,000 Full and 5,000 Associate Members of MCC.

MCC also has a World Cricket committee, which is chaired by Mike Brearley and contains eminent current and former players and administrators – including Sourav Ganguly, Ricky Ponting and Shaun Pollock. It has a remit to act as an independent think tank, debating issues and making recommendations about the health and state of the game and to commission research.

MCC owns the most comprehensive collection of cricket artefacts and books in the world, housed in its museum and library at Lord's which is visited by tens of thousands of visitors from all over the world each year.

About Lord's Cricket Ground

The current Lord's Cricket Ground is its third incarnation. The first ever match played at 'Lord's Cricket Ground' came in 1787 when businessman Thomas Lord staged a game between Middlesex and Essex at a newly built ground in what was then known as Dorset Fields.

By 1811, MCC had moved to a new Ground in the Eyre Estate of St John's Wood. This ground proved unpopular but when plans emerged for the Regent's Canal to be built straight through it, Thomas Lord gratefully accepted compensation and moved the Ground to its current location in 1814.

About meetings and events at Lord's

Lord's has 12 unique spaces which can host meetings, conferences, receptions, dinners and weddings for up to 1,000 people. From the grandeur of the Long Room in the Grade II* listed Pavilion, to the modernity and style of the J.P. Morgan Media Centre, the venue boasts a variety of spaces, many with great views of the pitch. The venue attracts clients from a variety of industry sectors including corporates, associations and agencies.

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