## Hearts Museum Will be a Crowd Puller

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The much-anticipated Hearts Museum will officially open its doors to the fans this coming Friday, 23 September, at 10.00am. At the media event at Tynecastle on Wednesday evening to publicise the opening, Chief Executive Ann Budge spoke of her surprise when first taking charge of the club at the fact that many of the club's artefacts were hidden away in a cupboard. Given the rich history of Heart of Midlothian Football club, this was something she felt needed to be addressed.

Among the Tynecastle legends in attendance on Wednesday were John Robertson, John Colquhoun, Neil McCann, Graham Shaw and Alan Anderson.

Museum curator Caroline Mathers and the team of Hearts historians have put together the story of Hearts since the formation of the club in 1874. The result of their incredible hard work and devotion to this project is a quite wonderful museum which is simply a must-see for every Hearts supporter.

Hearts Museum - This Is Our Story, This Is Our Song - is free to the public although donations are welcome. The museum is situated in the Gorgie stand, in the area which used to house the club shop.

Hearts will also open the Memorial Garden on the same day — this is also free to enter for the public.

The Museum only will be open on match-days from 10am -12pm (unless there is a lunch-time kick-off). The Memorial Garden is unable to be open on match-days due to security logistics.

Otherwise, the Museum and the Memorial Garden will both be open at the following times:

Thursday 10am - 4pm

Friday 10am - 4pm

Saturday 10am - 4pm (Non match-days)

Sunday 12pm - 4pm

The Museum is well worth a visit and is sure to rekindle many memories for Hearts fans of all ages.

In other news, Hearts have announced that Perry Kitchen is the new club captain. The American international takes over the captain's armband from Alim Ozturk.