

Programme Information Highlights

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Happening this month...

Wednesday 4 June

The Sovereign, the House of Lords and the House of Commons come together for the State Opening of Parliament. The Queen's speech marks the start of the parliamentary year while setting out the government's agenda for the coming session.

The new Terminal 2 opens at Heathrow Airport. A United Airlines flight from Chicago will be the first to land at The Queen's Terminal, which will eventually serve 20 million passengers every year. The terminal will be home to 23 Star Alliance airlines, as well as Aer Lingus and Germanwings carriers.

David Cameron and other leaders of the Group Seven countries attend the G7 Summit. The meeting, which was originally scheduled to be held in Sochi, will now take place in Brussels. Following the annexation of Crimea, Russia will be excluded from the summit.

Friday 6 June

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh attend a ceremony at Sword Beach, Normandy, commemorating the 70th anniversary of the D-Day landings. The event forms part of Her Majesty's three-day state visit to France.

Tuesday 10 June

Angelina Jolie co-hosts a four-day summit that hopes to improve and standardise investigations into large-scale sexual violence during wartime.

One-hundred-and-forty-one countries will meet at the event in London.

Wednesday 11 June

The National Office for Statistics releases its latest figures concerning UK unemployment.

Thursday 12 June

The 2014 FIFA World Cup kicks off in Brazil as the host nation takes on Croatia in the opening match in San Paulo. England's campaign begins on 14 June in the heart of the Amazon when Roy Hodgson's team take on Italy in the jungle city of Manaus.



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The University of Glasgow awards honorary degrees to President of the Commonwealth Games Federation HRH Prince Tunku Imran and the Secretary-General of the Commonwealth of Nations General Kamalesh Sharma.

Chancellor George Osborne addresses the banking community at the annual Mansion House Dinner. Last year, Osborne's speech outlined the next stage in the government's plan to take the banking system from rescue to recovery.

Saturday 14 June

The Queen's 88th official birthday is celebrated with the Trooping of the Colour on Horse Guards Parade. As well as the annual military procession, salutes and guns will be fired in Green Park and at The Tower of London. Her Majesty will also enjoy an RAF flypast from the balcony of Buckingham Palace.

Monday 17 June

The world's most famous stamp goes on sale at Sotheby's in New York. The sole-surviving example of a British Guiana One-Cent Magenta is expected to fetch between £10million and £20million.

Wednesday 18 June

The Edinburgh International Film festival begins. One of the biggest highlights of the year for the European film industry, the event celebrates exciting and innovative cinema and will run until 29 June.

Monday 23 June

The 2014 Wimbledon Tennis Championships begin. Andy Murray will be looking to defend his title at

SW19 after he beat Novak Djokovic in the men's final last year. His straight-sets victory over the Serbian made him the first British man in 77 years to be crowned Wimbledon champion.

Wednesday 25 June

Music fans don their wellies for the 2014 Glastonbury festival. Last year, The Rolling Stones

drew thousands to the Pyramid Stage for their debut performance at the five-day event at Worthy Farm in Somerset.

Friday 27 June

The National Office for Statistics publishes its final growth figures for the first quarter of the financial year.



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