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Cornflower Ball 2025

Thursday 20 March **Emirates Old Trafford** Manchester



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## Congratulations Spinal Injuries Association on the ongoing success of the Cornflower Ball.

We understand how much life can change for those with a spinal injury and their loved ones. SIA provides much needed emotional care and practical support for their members.

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## WELCOME TO THE CORNFLOWER BALL

It is with enormous pleasure that I welcome you to the beautiful Emirates
Old Trafford building, to celebrate SIA's 2025 Cornflower Ball.
It's been a year since we were last here together, raising a glass to SIA's
50th year and looking back on five decades of work dedicated to realising
our vision of a fulfilled life for everyone affected by
spinal cord injury.

Today, with the same unwavering determination we now look ahead with our entire effort focused on change: campaigning for change in government and parliament, building a consensus on a strategy-for-change with the whole sector behind us that will transform NHS pathways for people with spinal cord injury, and coordinating a growing nationwide network of organisations who will be available to anyone, anywhere who needs help.





## One such area that we want to see transformed is women's health.

In October 2024, SIA launched its first ever women's health taskforce aimed at identifying and addressing terrible and unnecessary gaps in the healthcare offered to women after spinal cord injury.

In February 2025, we then hosted a high-profile parliamentary roundtable with policymakers, experts, academics and other women's charities who we brought together to address the unique challenges faced by women living with spinal cord injury including maternal health,

menstruation, menopause and reproductive care.

Tonight, you will hear from Dani, a young mum with spinal cord injury who, after finding out she was pregnant, was left having to fight an outdated system to receive a termination she was told she had to have — a termination she didn't want. Her story is heartbreaking, but sadly not uncommon.

Our mission is and has to be to raise awareness of the urgent need for tailored approaches in healthcare that foster a collaborative approach to women's health.

Please support SIA and all the Dani's we support every day.

Please engage with our fundraising this evening and help us raise the crucial funds we need to amplify the voices of women with spinal cord injury and to create meaningful change.



As ever, we couldn't do any of this without the support of our sponsors. We are grateful for each and every one of you and for the help you offer in raising awareness of our vital causes. Tonight, special thanks to headline partner Slater and Gordon and supporting partner Fletchers. We would also like to thank Active Care Group, Charles Stanley, Exchange Chambers, JMW, Kain Knight and Premex,

I wish you all a wonderful evening, and I look forward to spending it with you.

## Nik Hartley OBE CEO, Spinal Injuries Association









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"SIA has been a vital support throughout my journey"

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Reproductive and gynaecological health are challenging for women with spinal cord injury - they face complex pregnancies and are often discouraged from having families altogether. SIA is here to support women through any issues they may face and is fighting for change, ensuring all women get the healthcare that they need and deserve. Help us break these barriers and support all women by donating above.

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## FUNDRAISING TONIGHT

Appeal kindly sponsored by Active Care Group.
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Silent & Live auction
The silent auction closes at 22.30.
Live auction prizes are listed, the auction will begin at 21.45.

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Awards will be presented at the Rebuilding Lives Conference on the evening of Thursday 2 October

Do you know a remarkable person or team making a big impact in the spinal cord injury community?



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### Cornflower Ball

**20th March 2025** 



'Share a Pie for SCI' is all about coming together to support SIA. Sweet or savoury, every slice shared helps raise vital funds for people with spinal cord injury. So grab a slice, join the fun, and let's bake (or buy) a difference together! Coming soon.

## Make a difference with every slice



## Friday 27 June Cirencester Park Polo Club, Gloucester

Join us for our Polo Day at one of the country's most prestigious clubs and raise vital funds and awareness for people with spinal cord injury.

**Ticket includes:** Champagne upon arrival, three-course meal with wine, an introduction to polo and match and an evening cocktail with music.

#### **REGISTER YOUR INTEREST**

### TABLE HOSTS

We would like to extend a huge thank you to the table hosts for their incredible support tonight:

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