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## THE UNITED WARDS' CLUB OF THE CITY OF LONDON

### **Stanley Baldwin MP – the quintessential English gentleman**

Club member Michael Badger will give a talk on Stanley Baldwin via Zoom at 6:30 pm on Wednesday 30 September 2020.

Baldwin came from an esteemed wealthy family of established iron founders from Bewdley, Worcestershire. He came to prominence through his devastating attack on Lloyd George at the 1922 meeting at the Carlton Club which saw the ending of the coalition between the Liberals and the Conservatives. The imminent death of Andrew Bonar Law saw Baldwin rise to be leader of the Conservative party, a post he held until May 1937. He had the uniqueness of giving a natural calm to the nation at large, instilling confidence as the man to be trusted. Baldwin can be said to have saved the monarchy with his handling of the Abdication Crisis in 1936, and the possibility of the Union becoming a Republic never arose under his stewardship. Despite his pleasing demeanour he had many detractors who tried without success to unseat him. It was said that Stanley Baldwin was the only person who ever got the better of Winston Churchill.

The talk will touch upon many interesting facts about Stanley Baldwin not generally known, making him an unfairly misunderstood politician who put his country first. Vanity was unknown quantity to him.

There is a small charge for this talk of £5 which will be donated in full to Patronage of Bees Abroad, a very worthwhile charity of which Michael is a Patron.

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Logon details will be sent to those booking and you are asked to join the meeting from 6:15 to allow a prompt start at 6:30.



**Andrew Dyke**  
Secretary