1860–1859

1860  German immigrants open first UK gym club.
1865  German Gymnasium opens in St Pancras, London.
1881  FIG (International Gymnastics Federation) formed.
1888  The AGA formed, the official association for gymnastics in England. Later to become BAGA.
1890  Formation of the Scottish AGA. First issue of "The Gymnast" Magazine.
1895  The Ulster AGA was formed as well as the Irish AGA based in Dublin.
1896  First national Championships held in Northampton.
1899  First international held in Dublin (England v Ireland v Scotland)
1900  Adam’s Shield introduced as trophy for winning team – now Men’s Artistic Team trophy.
1902  The Welsh AGA formed. All 3 home nations affiliated to the AGA.
1908  Walter Tysall wins Olympic silver medal at London Olympics.
1912  Men’s team win Olympic bronze in Stockholm.
1913  Membership introduced at cost of 1 penny per year (6,250 members).
1928  Women’s team wins Olympic bronze in Amsterdam.
1936  "The Gymnast" magazine ceases publication.
1950’s  British Army introduces gymnastics as part of fitness programs. Aldershot Army School becomes a leader in gymnastics.
1957  Nik Stuart (MBE service to gymnastics) wins silver on floor at European Championships.
1959  "The Gymnast" magazine is reborn, published quarterly.
1959  The first British trampoline Championships is organised by the AGA. Trampoline later set up their own association, The British Trampoline Federation.