

The historic grounds now known as Surbiton Racket and Fitness Club has a long and remarkable history. Here are some of the key moments:

#### 1881

Club was founded and was known as the Berrylands Lawn Tennis Club. There were 200 members and 11 grass courts.

## 1904

The Surrey Grass Court Championships were inaugurated at the club.

#### 1939-45

Club remained open throughout the war, thanks almost entirely to the efforts of Mr. Leslie Perry, the Honorary Secretary at the time. The lower grass courts were dug up for allotments.

#### 1963

Mr E B Ames, the President, celebrated the 60th anniversary of his membership of the Club. During most of this time, he had served in an official capacity.

## 1975

Club was re-named Surbiton Lawn Tennis and Squash Rackets Club.

## 1997

For the first time since 1979, the club once again became host for the Surrey Grass Court Championships. Players from all around the world returned to play on the grass courts of Surbiton. Tim Henman, Boris Becker and Michael Chang played exhibition matches.

#### 2005

With the aid of grants and loans from the LTA, we built an air dome containing two indoor tennis courts, finally guaranteeing tennis in all weathers.

## 2006

A succession of highprofile winners won the men's event at Surbiton, with America's Marty Fish taking the title in 2006 and France's Jo-Wilfried Tsonga claiming the title in 2007.

## 2019

Dan Evans became the first British winner of the modern era, beating Serbia's Viktor Troicki in the final.

# 2022

Two-time Wimbledon champion Andy Murray played in the tournament at Surbiton, enduring huge global coverage of the event.

Everything you need to know about Surbiton Racket and Fitness Club - www.lta.org.uk/ fan-zone/international/ surbiton-trophy/eventguide/on-the-day/

