

Leatherhead & District Local History Society  
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The Original Club House - Alf Perry  
Leatherhead Golf Club - Kingston Road - Leatherhead



Woodbridge Corner c. 1905  
Showing a view of the Club House



Club House & Shop c. 1960s

The Course was originally laid out in 1903, at which date the Club was known as the Surrey Golf Club. The Club House was a conspicuous landmark when approached from the south as the main road forks to Esher on the left and to Kingston on the right. In 1938 the course underwent considerable alterations.



Alfred Perry 1935

Before the Second World War the club had a claim to fame as being the home course of Alf Perry born 1904. He worked as a club professional, and won the 1935 Open Championship at Muirfield. He retired from his post at Leatherhead in 1972, and died two years later. Perry was a member of the Great Britain Ryder Cup team in 1933, 1935 and 1937.

During the Second World War a small part of the course had temporarily to be given up when on the 6th September 1940 a bomb wrought havoc on the 18th Green and Club House. With the building of the M25 the old club house had to be demolished and a new one built further in on the course. To this day its ancient oak trees line the fairways whilst the greens which are well guarded and subtly contoured are regarded as being amongst the best in Surrey.

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