

The Surrey County Athletic Association was formed in November 1990, incorporating the Surrey County AAA (founded in 1920) and the Surrey County Women's AAA (founded in 1932). The first county championship was held in 1934/35.

Belgrave's Women's Section was formed in 1976, but as far as the Surrey County Cross-Country Championships were concerned, five seasons passed before we saw any claret and gold vests on the start line. Then, the following winter, it was a full team, led by the experienced Pam Davies. Pam was at the tail end of her career, having in her time been one of the leading cross-country racers in the country. Her old club Selsonia Ladies AC had witnessed her winning this Championship no less than seven times, but with her old club having folded up, she took delight in leading the way for a new squad just finding its way on the country.

A third place team performance was gained four years later, at Frimley, and then the first of our three team wins was achieved at the same course in 1993/94 with a devastatingly low score of 17 points. Gabby Collison led that team with an individual silver medal. Further occasional forays into medal territory came as we entered the new millennium, but our performances tended to be very patchy; more often than not it proved impossible to turn out a full team to follow a high placing team leader. Two more team wins came in the next ten years but if anything, the completion of a

team became even rarer until, in latter years, sheer weight of numbers has meant that we have always been in the hunt for medals – although another team win has not been witnessed in nearly 20 years.

Gabby, Birhan Dagne and Sarah Murphy all launched individual attacks on the front of the field, but it wasn't until 2026, after two years of steady improvement, that Emily Bradley became Belgrave's first Surrey Champion; she scored a good win over Aldershot's outstanding five times winner Georgie Bruinvels.

Teams were made up of the first three runners from each club until 1994/95, thereafter it was four. The method of calculating team scores has varied; sometimes all runners from the result who were in incomplete teams were first removed; sometimes, additionally, runners who were outside their club's scorers were also removed. Nowadays – we believe from 2006/07 – the actual finishing positions have been used, meaning that a club with many non-scoring runners can push back rival teams.

The race distance has varied. From 1998 it has been 8 km. Nominally, before that, it was 4 miles, although earlier than 1983 it was a little less still

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Senior Women

1976/77 to 1980/81	Belgrave did not take part.		
1981/82	-	-	Morden Park , 12 Dec. — incomplete team, 29 Annie Briggs, 31 Joanne Warnett; 33 finished; 4 teams closed in; team winners Haslemere Border AC 10 pts.; individual winner Rachel Disley (Haslemere Border AC).
1982/83	4th	80 pts.	Richmond Park , 11 Dec. — 14 Pam Davies, 26 Rosemary Honeychurch, 40 Linda Sparks; 41 finished; 7 teams closed in; team winners Epsom & Ewell H. 31 pts.; individual winner J. Standing (Crawley AC).
1983/84	-	-	Morden Park , 10 Dec. — incomplete team, 22 Pam Davies, 24 Rosemary Honeychurch; 44 finished; 9 teams closed in; team winners Mitcham AC 35 pts.; individual winner Jo White (Mitcham AC).
1984/85	7th	62 pts.	Frimley , 8 Dec. — 6 Rosemary Honeychurch, 25 Pam Davies, 31 Annie Briggs; 49 finished; 9 teams closed in; team winners Borough of Hounslow AC 34 pts.; individual winner Rachel Disley (Borough of Hounslow AC).
1985/86	-	-	Frimley , 14 Dec. — Belgrave did not take part; 37 finished; team winners Woking AC 27 pts.; 6 teams closed in; team winners Woking AC 27 pts.; individual winner S. March (Woking AC).
1986/87	3rd	55 pts.	Frimley , 13 Dec. — 14 Jennifer Webb, 18 Jacinta Coppinger, 23 Rachel Heathcock, 29 Rosemary Honeychurch, 38 Gabrielle Collison; 62 finished; 12 teams closed in; team winners Aldershot, Farnham & Dist, AC 47 pts.; individual winner Samantha Baines (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist, AC).
1987/88	-	-	Happy Valley, Coulsdon , 12 Dec. — incomplete team, 17 Jacinta Coppinger; 52 finished; 8 teams closed in; team winners Guildford & Godalming AC 30 pts.; individual winner Philippa Mason (Guildford & Godalming AC).
1988/89	-	-	Happy Valley, Coulsdon , 10 Dec. — Belgrave did not take part; 50 finished; 8 teams closed in; team winners South London H 14 pts.; individual winner Shireen Bailey (Bromley Ladies AC)
1989/90	-	-	Frimley , 9 Dec. — Belgrave did not take part. 54 finished; 10 teams closed in; team winners South London H 10 pts.; individual winner Zara Hyde (Woking AC).
1990/91	6th	75 pts.	Happy Valley, Coulsdon , 8 Dec. — 9 Wendy Cottrell, 17 Gabrielle Collison, 49 Jacqui Smiter, 52 Susan Clack; 79 finished; 8 teams closed in; team winners Herne Hill H. 33 pts.; individual winner Ceri Pritchard (Herne Hill H.).
1991/92	-	-	Frimley , 13 Dec. — incomplete team, 42 Jacqui Smiter; 59 finished; 8 teams closed in; team winners Woking AC 30 pts.; individual winner Zara Hyde (Woking AC).
1992/93	4th	39 pts.	Happy Valley, Coulsdon , 12 Dec. — 11 Helen Maskrey, 14 Morag Andrew, 17 Gabrielle Collison, 40 Jacqui Smiter, 64 Sophia Howard, 76 Angela Patten, 78 Sue Porter; 78 finished; 13 teams closed in; team winners Herne Hill H. 26 pts.; individual winner Zara Hyde (Woking AC).
1993/94	1st	17 pts.	Frimley , 11 Dec. — 2 Gabrielle Collison, 7 Helen Maskrey, 8 Martina Ryan, 24 Jacinta Moore, 61 finished; 13 teams closed in; team winners Belgrave H 17 pts.; individual winner Zara Hyde (Woking AC).
1994/95	-	-	Happy Valley, Coulsdon , 10 Dec. — incomplete team, 9 Nikki Haines, 48 Nina Mills; 72 finished; 10 teams closed in; team winners Herne Hill H 20 pts.; individual winner Zara Hyde (Woking AC).
1995/96	7th	95 pts.	Frimley , 9 Dec. — 14 Nikki Haines, 15 Helen Maskrey, 46 Jackie Oakley, 53 Jackie Stone; 65 finished; 11 teams closed in; team winners Herne Hill H 36 pts.; individual winner Zara Hyde (Woking AC).
1996/97	-	-	Happy Valley, Coulsdon , 16 Dec. — incomplete team, 6 Nikki Haines, 23 Morag Andrew, 60 Jacinta Moore; 72 finished; 9 teams closed in; team winners Herne Hill H 37 pts.; individual winner Zara Hyde (Woking AC).
1997/98	10th	156 pts.	Frimley , 13 Dec. — 30 Tania Sturton (U20), 52 Samantha Symonds, 54 Catherine Eastham, 63 Jacqui Smiter; 74 finished; 10 teams closed in; team winners Herne Hill H 37 pts.; individual winner Rachel Disley (Thames H&H).

1998/99	-	-	Happy Valley, Coulsdon , 12 Dec. — incomplete team, 13 Helen Maskrey, 26 Syreeta Stracey, 30 Catherine Eastham; 69 finished; 9 teams closed in; team winners Herne Hill H 26 pts.; individual winner Anita Mellowdew (Epsom & Ewell H).
1999/2000	3rd	52 pts.	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 8 Jan. — 8 Helen Maskrey, 11 Nikki Haines, 25 Tania Sturton, 37 Kate Dillane; 70 finished; 7 teams closed in; team winners South London H 31 pts.; individual winner Zara Hyde (Woking AC).
2000/01	-	-	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 6 Jan. — incomplete team, 10 Erica Fogg, 25 Tanya Sturton; 62 finished; 7 teams closed in; team winners South London H 26 pts.; individual winner 1 Kate Jenrick (Highgate H).
2001/02	2nd	36 pts.	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 5 Jan. — 6 Juliette Clark, 12 Erica Fogg, 15 Syreeta Stracey, 16 Tanya Sturton; 68 finished; 10 teams closed in; team winners South London H 32 pts.; individual winner Jo Kelsey (Army AA).
2002/03	13th	213 pts.	Nork Park, Banstead , 4 Jan. — 8 Mathilde Heaton, 13 Juliette Clark, 66 Jan Whittington, 72 Amy Pike, 95 Nina Mills; 109 finished; 15 teams closed in; team winners Woking AC 40 pts.; individual winner Jo Kelsey (Army AA).
2003/04	1st	33 pts.	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 3 Jan. — 6 Mathilde Heaton, 8 Juliette Clark, 10 Angela Walker, 11 Erica Fogg, 22 Syreeta Stracey, 69 Nina Mills; 83 finished; 11 teams closed in; team winners Belgrave H 33 pts.; individual winner Jo Kelsey (Woking AC).
2004/05	-	-	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 3 Jan. — incomplete team, 8 Sarah Murphy, 10 Mathilde Heaton; 75 finished; 8 teams closed in; team winners Ranelagh H 36 pts.; individual winner Lorna Vyse (Woking AC).
2005/06	-	-	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 7 Jan. — incomplete team, 13 Sarah Murphy, 18 Mathilde Heaton, 80 finished; 8 teams closed in; team winners Ranelagh H 20 pts.; individual winner Genevieve Gardener (Guildford & Godalming AC).
2006/07	1st	38 pts.	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 6 Jan. — 3 Birhan Dagne, 9 Sarah Murphy, 10 Catherine Bryson, 16 Mathilde Heaton, 34 Sarah Gailey; 98 finished; 11 teams closed in; team winners Belgrave H 38 pts.; individual winner Emily Adams (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist AC).
2007/08	-	-	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 5 Jan. — incomplete team, 5 Sarah Murphy, 19 Katherine Swanson; 76 finished; 7 teams closed in; team winners South London H 53 pts.; individual winner Emily Adams (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist AC).
2008/09	-	-	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 3 Jan. — incomplete team, 4 Sarah Murphy, 22 Mathilde Heaton, 60 Catherine Eastham; 97 finished; 12 teams closed in; team winners Aldershot, Farnham & Dist AC 24 pts.; individual winner Lily Partridge (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist AC).
2009/10	-	-	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 20 Feb. — incomplete team, 4 Sarah Murphy, 19 Mathilde Heaton; 68 finished; 7 teams closed in; team winners Ranelagh H 63 pts.; individual winner Sophie Morris (Windsor, Slough, Eton & Hounslow AC).
2010/11	-	-	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 8 Jan. — Belgrave did not take part; 99 finished; 13 teams closed in; team winners Aldershot, Farnham & Dist AC 28 pts.; individual winner Emily Wicks (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist AC).
2011/12	-	-	Denbies Vineyard, Dorking , 7 Jan. — incomplete team, 26 Mathilde Heaton, 33 Anne Hegvold; 143 finished; 6 teams closed in; team winners Thames H&H 78 pts.; individual winner Georgie Bruinvels (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist. AC).
2012/13	-	-	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 5 Jan. — incomplete team, 17 Mathilde Heaton, 59 Vicki Goodwin; 115 finished; 12 teams closed in; team winners Herne Hill H 70 pts.; individual winner Georgie Bruinvels (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist. AC).
2013/14	3rd	96 pts.	Denbies Vineyard, Dorking , 7 Jan. — 13 Josephine Rhodes; 14 Deborah Noel, 31 Felicity Cole, 38 Vicki Goodwin, 45 Zoe Smith; 149 finished; 18 teams closed in; team winners Aldershot, Farnham & Dist. AC 19 pts.; individual winner Lily Partridge (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist AC).
2014/15	5th	97 pts.	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 3 Jan. — 17 Josephine Rhodes, 21 Nici Cahusac, 23 Keri Mackenzie, 36 Felicity Cole, 74 Vicki Goodwin; 129 finished; team winners Aldershot, Farnham & Dist. AC 18 pts.; individual winner Georgie Bruinvels (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist. AC).
2015/16	8th	147 pts.	Denbies Vineyard, Dorking , 10 Jan. — 9 Zoe Vail Smith, 19 Felicity Cole, 45 Christina Pennock, 74 Megan Bailey; 144 finished; 15 teams closed in; team winners Aldershot, Farnham & Dist. AC 17 pts.; individual winner Georgie Bruinvels (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist. AC).
2016/17	5th	129 pts.	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 7 Jan. — 21 Sophie Harris, 33 Iona Cousland, 35 Rebecca O'Kill, 40 Christina Pennock, 52 Sally Underhill, 57 Fiona Maddocks, 61 Megan Bailey, 65 Helen White, 86 Vicki Goodwin; 129 finished; 15 teams closed in; team winners Ranelagh H 65 pts.; individual winner Phoebe Law (Kingston AC & Poly H).
2017/18	6th	146 pts.	Denbies Vineyard, Dorking , 7 Jan. — 30 Iona Cousland, 32 Mhairi Hall, 35 Felicity Cole, 49 Megan Bailey, 50 Helen White, 51 Lizzie Goldie-Scot, 57 Justine Lynch, 89 Vicki Goodwin; 114 finished; 14 teams closed in; team winners Guildford & Godalming AC 49 pts.; individual winner Isabel Brinsden (Epsom & Ewell H).
2018/19	-	-	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 5 Jan. — Belgrave did not take part; 138 finished; 15 teams closed in; team winners Aldershot, Farnham & Dist. AC 41 pts.; individual winner Isabel Brinsden (Epsom & Ewell H).
2019/20	3rd	91 pts.	Denbies Vineyard, Dorking , 7 Jan. — 7 Georgie Fenn, 18 Emily Barrett, 29 Olivia Papaioannou, 38 Camilla Barden; 132 finished; 17 teams closed in; team winners Aldershot, Farnham & Dist. AC 16 pts.; individual winner Lily Partridge (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist AC).
2020/21			No race due to coronavirus pandemic.
2021/22	3rd	90 pts.	Denbies Vineyard, Dorking , 9 Jan. — 13 Jessica Saunders, 24 Lizzie Goldie-Scot, 26 Natalie Beadle, 27 Laura Goodson, 29 Mimi Corden-Lloyd, 30 Sarah Dewhirst, 31 Fiona Maddocks, 38 Sophie Cowper, 64 Emily McHugh; 140 finished; 14 teams closed in; team winners Aldershot, Farnham & Dist. AC 13 pts.; individual winner Niamh Brown (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist AC).
2022/23	2nd	60 pts.	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 7 Jan. — 6 Naomi Lenane, 15 Felicity Harrison, 16 Olivia Papaioannou, 23 Natalie Beadle, 27 Orna McGinley, 29 Bethany Brown, 30 Ella-May Hards, 32 Mimi Corden-Lloyd, 44 Sarah Dewhirst; 124 finished; 12 teams closed in; team winners Aldershot, Farnham & Dist. AC 48 pts.; individual winner Nancy Scott (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist AC).
2023/24	4th	72 pts.	Denbies Vineyard, Dorking , 7 Jan. — 12 Naomi Lenane, 17 Leonora Lynn, 21 Natalie Beadle, 22 Emily Bradley, 34 Olivia Papaioannou; 110 finished; 11 teams closed in; team winners Aldershot, Farnham & Dist. AC 34 pts.; individual winner Georgie Bruinvels (Aldershot, Farnham & Dist AC).
2024/25	4th	100 pts.	Lloyd Park, Croydon , 4 Jan. — 7 Emily Bradley, 17 Penny Oliver, 25 Lara Mangan, 51 Emily Barrett; 104 finished; 16 teams closed in; team winners Guildford & Godalming AC 33 pts.; individual winner Suzie Monk (Guildford & Godalming AC).

2025/26 - - Denbies Vineyard, Dorking, 4 Jan. — 1 Emily Bradley, 13 Alex Gandee, 62 Sara Ridmy; 106 finished; 11 teams closed in; team winners Aldershot, Farnham & Dist. AC 35 pts.; individual winner Emily Bradley (Belgrave H).

Team positions in the top six

- 1st • 1993/94, 2003/04, 2006/07.
- 2nd • 2001/02, 2022/23.
- 3rd • 1986/87, 1999/2000, 2013/14, 2019/20, 2021/22.
- 4th • 1982/83, 1992/93, 2023/24.
- 5th • 2014/15, 2024/25.
- 6th • 1990/91, 2017/18

Belgrave teams have medalled 10 times in the 49 races held since the Women's section was formed. The lowest ever points score for Belgrave Harriers is 17 at three to score in 1993/94, and 33 at four to score in 2003/04. The highest ever points score was 156 at four to score in 1997/98.

Top Belgrave runners in the Surrey Cross-Country Championships

Ranked on individual medal and place tally. Positions in the top ten are shown with the performance date, followed by team medals, if any. Where a runner's best position is outside the top ten, the best position only is shown with the performance date. Where a runner has additional runs outside the top 25 this is indicated by '+'. Occasionally, to avoid a tied position in the list, a place outside the top 25 is shown.

Emily Bradley	• 1st (2025/26), 7th (2024/25), 22nd. Team: three scoring runs, twice as the leading team member.
Gabrielle Collison	• 2nd (1993/94), 17th twice, +1. Team: four runs, three scoring and once the leading member.
Birhan Dagne	• 3rd (2006/07). Team: 1st (2006/07). One run as the leading member.
Sarah Murphy	• 4th twice (2008/09, 2009/10), 5th (2007/08), 8th (2004/05), 9th (2006/07), 13th. Team 1st (2006/07). Six runs in all, five as the leading Belgravian – all five without enough runners to complete a team. The best run of high level performances in all our teams. The second most prolific scorer.
Mathilde 'Tilly' Heaton	• 6th (2003/04), 8th (2002/03), 10th (2004/05), 16th, 17th, 19th, 22nd, +1. Team: two wins (2003/04, 2006/07). Three times the Club's leading runner, nine runs in all and would have been a scorer in all of them had seven of them not been in incomplete teams. Our most prolific scorer and runner with the most runs.
Juliette Clark	• 6th (2001/02), 8th (2003/04), 13th. Team: 1st (2003/04), 2nd (2001/02), 13th, Three scoring runs, leading the team home once.
Haines, Nikki	• 6th (1996/97), 9th (1994/95), 11th, 14th. Team: 3rd (1999/2000). Four runs, three of them as the leader.
Naomi Lenane	• 6th (2022/23), 12th. Team: 2nd (2022/23). Two scoring runs, each time the leader.
Rosemary Honeychurch	• 6th (1984/85), 24th +2. Teams: Four runs, three of them scoring, one as the leading runner.
Helen Maskrey	• 7th (1993/94), 8th (1999/2000), 11th, 13th, 15th. Team: 1st (1993/94), 3rd (1999/2000). Five runs, all in scoring positions, three times the leader. Third most prolific scorer.
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Georgie Fenn	• 7th (2019/20). Team: 3rd (2019/20). One scoring run as the team leader.
Martina Ryan	• 8th (1993/94). Team: 1st (1993/94). One scoring run.
Zoe Vail Smith	• 9th (2015/16) +1. Team: two runs, one scoring and leading.
Wendy Cottrell	• 9th (1990/91). Team: one scoring and leading run.
Erica Fogg	• 10th (2000/01), 11th, 12th. Team: 1st (2003/04), 2nd (2001/02). Three scoring runs, one as the leading runner.
Catherine Bryson	= • 10th (2006/07). Team: 1st (2006/07). One scoring run.
Angela Walker	= • 10th (2003/04). Team: 1st (2003/04). One scoring run.
Josephine Rhodes	• 13th (2013/14), 17th (2014/15). Team: 3rd (2013/14). Two scoring and leading runs.
Jessica Saunders	= • 13th (2021/22). Team 3rd (2021/22). One scoring, leading run.
Alex Gandee	= • 13th (2025/26). Team: one scoring run.
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Morag Andrew	• 14th (1992/93), 23rd. Team: two scoring runs.
Pam Davies	• 14th (1982/83), 22nd, 25th. Team: three scoring runs, two as leading runner. Previously, running for Selsonia Ladies AC, 1st seven times (1960/61, 1962/63, 1963/64, 1964/65, 1965/66, 1966/67, 1967/68), 2nd twice (1961/62, 1968/69), 3rd twice (1957/58, 1970/71), 5th (1959/60), 8th twice (1971/72, 1974/75), 13th, 14th twice, 15th, 19th, +2.
Jennifer Webb	• 14th (1986/87). Team: 3rd (1986/87). One scoring run as the leading runner.
Deborah Noel	• 14th (2013/14). Team: one scoring run.
Syreeta Stracey	• 15th (2001/02), 22nd, +1. Team: 2nd (2001/02). Three runs, two scoring.
Felicity Harrison	• 15th (2022/23). Team: 2nd (2022/23). One scoring run.
Tania Sturton	• 16th (2001/02), 25th twice, +1. Team 2nd (2001/02), 3rd (1999/2000). Four scoring runs, once as the leading runner.
Olivia Papaioannou	• 16th (2022/23), +2. Team: 3rd twice (2019/20, 2022/23). Three runs, two scoring.
Jacinta Moore/Coppinger	• 17th (1987/88), 18th, 24th, +1. Team: 3rd (1986/87). For runs, three scoring, once the leading runner.
Leonora Lynn	= • 17th (2023/24). Team: one scoring run.
Penny Oliver	= • 17th (2024/25). Team: one scoring run.
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