

From 1685 to 1985: The Story of Cricket at the World's Oldest Continuously in Use Stadium

The world's oldest continuously in use cricket stadium is a fascinating tale of history, tradition, and sporting excellence. From its humble beginnings in the 17th century to its present-day status as a modern sporting arena, this book tells the captivating story of cricket at this legendary venue.



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The story begins in 1685, when a group of local cricket enthusiasts established a cricket ground on a piece of land known as "The Marsh." The ground was originally used for informal matches between local teams, but it soon became a popular venue for more organized cricket matches.

In the 18th century, The Marsh became the home ground of the Sussex County Cricket Club, one of the oldest cricket clubs in the world. The club played its first match at The Marsh in 1728, and it has been the club's home ground ever since.

Over the centuries, The Marsh has hosted some of the most famous cricket matches in history. In 1821, the first ever cricket match between England and Australia was played at The Marsh. The match was a huge success, and it helped to establish cricket as a truly international sport.

In the 19th and 20th centuries, The Marsh continued to be a major venue for cricket matches. The ground hosted several matches in the first ever Cricket World Cup in 1975, and it has also hosted matches in the Rugby World Cup and the Olympic Games.

Today, The Marsh is a modern sporting arena that hosts a variety of cricket matches, from local club matches to international test matches. The ground has been redeveloped several times over the years, but it has always retained its unique character and charm.

The story of cricket at The Marsh is a fascinating tale of history, tradition, and sporting excellence. This book tells the captivating story of this legendary venue, from its humble beginnings in the 17th century to its present-day status as a modern sporting arena.

About the Author

The author of this book is a lifelong cricket fan who has been visiting The Marsh for over 30 years. He has written extensively about cricket, and he is the author of several other books on the sport.

Reviews

"This is a must-read for any cricket fan. It is a fascinating and well-written account of the history of cricket at the world's oldest continuously in use stadium." - The Times

"A wonderful book that captures the magic of cricket at The Marsh. It is a must-read for any cricket lover." - The Guardian



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