Unveiling the Tapestry of BRC

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Step into the captivating world of BRC's history as we unveil the intricate tapestry of our 75-year journey! From the days of Jastro Park to the remarkable Pine Street era, we invite you to immerse yourself in the timeless stories that shaped the heart and soul of our club.

Did you know that our roots trace back to the creation of four courts at Jastro Park in 1930? This was the birth of a legacy that would flourish into the Bakersfield Racquet Club we know today. Before Jastro, tennis enthusiasts carried their own nets to play at Beale Park—a far cry from the amenities we enjoy now!



Jack Lynch

As the city's first tennis pro in 1930, Lake Lovelace's passion ignited the flame of excellence at BRC. He coached Wimbledon champions Dennis Ralston and Sally Moore, and his dream of a private club became reality in 1948. Lake's legacy lives on as we celebrate 75 years of champions, community, and dedication.



Lake LoveLace, 93, in 1989

Fast forward to 1964, where Andy Davidson's journey began as BRC's pro. His influence spanned decades, nurturing juniors into 39 national title-winners. And Dave Urner's resilience built the foundation of our club, overcoming obstacles to bring BRC to life.



1923 Lake Lovelace/Dave Urner Jastro Park



1935 Andy Davidson Jastro Park



Lake Lovelace/Dave Urner

Join us on October 21st, to celebrate BRC! Stay tuned for more weekly stories, each adding a new thread to the rich fabric of BRC's history.

Let's make our 75th anniversary celebration truly legendary!