

# CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY RAMBLING CLUB

## Easter Term 1997

Once again, we invite you to leave the city for a few hours this Term, and enjoy the surrounding countryside with us. Many of us will be extremely busy this term, but we hope the warm summer weather will entice you to join some of our friendly, relaxing walks. There is no need to sign up beforehand, and your only expense is the bus/train fare plus our 20p annual membership fee. We usually stop at a village pub en route, but you should bring a packed lunch and liquid refreshment anyway. Strong boots and waterproof clothing are also recommended. In addition to our rambles this summer, we look forward to seeing you at our Formal Hall gathering in Sidney Sussex, and our evening punt picnic later in the term.

**Sunday 27th April**                      **Brandon – Thetford**                      **9 miles**                      **Contact: David**

Starting from Brandon, we follow the Little Ouse river to Santon Downham. We then make our way through Forestry Commission woodland (passing over the 25 metre contour!!), ending in Thetford.

Out: 0900 bus to Brandon                      Return: 1455 bus from Thetford, arriving back at 1605

**Saturday 3rd May**                      **Swaffham Bulbeck – Cherry Hinton**                      **7 miles**                      **Contact: Matthew**

In an experimental break with tradition, we present a Saturday afternoon ramble. Walking through the countryside east of Cambridge, we pass through the fenland villages of Lode and Teversham. We shall be leaving later than usual to accommodate those with morning lecture commitments, so there will be no stop for lunch.

Out: 1430 bus to Swaffham Bulbeck                      Return: Bus from Cherry Hinton (frequent service), probably arriving back about 1800.

**Sunday 4th May**                      **Sidney Sussex Formal Hall**                      **Contact: Aidan**

If you wish to attend this dinner, please send a cheque for £3 to Aidan Budd at Sidney by Monday 28th April, indicating whether you require a vegetarian meal. Smart dress should be worn, and a gown if you have one. Wine can only be brought if bought from Sidney Buttery. Meet in the Baron of Beef pub on Bridge Street beforehand, at 7pm.

**Sunday 11th May**                      **Horseheath circular**                      **8 miles**                      **Contact: David**

A circular walk near Haverhill, passing through undulating countryside. After stopping for lunch at Castle Camps, we return via the Harcamlow Way.

Out: 1110 bus to Horseheath                      Return: 1604 bus from Horseheath, arriving back at 1635.

**Sunday 18th May**                      **OXFAM walk for the Right to a Home**                      **7/14/21 miles**                      **Contact: Matthew**

This walk is not organised by the club, but it promises to combine an enjoyable day's rambling with an extremely worthwhile fund-raising event. The walk takes a circular route from Whittlesford, and you can start at any time from 8.00 to 10.30am (8.00am to 2pm for the 7 mile route). A free bus service from Cambridge is provided by Oxfam, but you must book seats in advance. For further details and sponsor forms, contact Matthew or phone the Walk Action Line on 301317.

**Thursday 12th June**                      **Punt picnic**                      **Contact: Matthew**

A traditional way to enjoy a summer evening at the end of term. Starting at 8pm from Trinity Backs, we shall punt up the Cam to Grantchester. After a picnic on the meadow, we return by moonlight into Cambridge. Please reserve a place with Matthew by Saturday 3rd May to avoid disappointment, as punts need to be booked early. There is no charge, but please bring your own drinks.

**Saturday 14th June**                      **Bury St Edmunds circular**                      **10 miles**                      **Contact: Aidan**

A relaxing post-exam walk along the river Lark, Northwest of Bury St Edmunds. There will be an opportunity for a picnic lunch on the bank of the river.

Out: 1015 train to Bury St Edmunds                      Return: 1713 train arriving back at 1756.  
[times liable to change – check beforehand]

**Saturday 21st June**                      **Midsummer marathon:  
Cambridge – King's Lynn**                      **48 miles**                      **Contact: Matthew**

A more challenging, but highly satisfying walk. Passing through Ely and Downham Market, we hope to follow the waters of the Cam and Great Ouse all the way to the estuary in King's Lynn. There are several railway stations along the route, so there is no commitment to walk the full distance! In particular we hope some of you will join us at Downham Market for the last 15 miles (contact Matthew to arrange this).

Meet: Quayside next to Magdalene Bridge, 12 midnight, Friday night.                      Return: Train from King's Lynn, hopefully around 6pm.

### Meeting Places (please arrive at least 10 mins before departure):

Bus: At the corner of Drummer Street and Emmanuel Street, near the public toilets.  
Train: In the main hall of Cambridge railway station.

### The Rambling Club is brought to you by:

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