CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY RAMBLING CLUB

Michaelmas Term 1999

Welcome (back) to the Rambling Club! We once again invite you to leave the city for a few hours this term, and enjoy the surrounding countryside with us. The pace of our walks is generally easy, as our primary aim is to relax and appreciate the local scenery and villages. 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. There is no need to sign up in advance to join a walk, and your only expense is the bus/train fare to the start point for each ramble, plus our £1 annual membership fee. In addition to our walks this term, we look forward to seeing you at our Formal Hall gathering in Robinson!

Sunday 17th October **Cambridge − Waterbeach** **6 miles** **Contact: Simon**

Our traditional introductory ramble. We follow the course of the Cam from Magdalene Bridge to the pub at Waterbeach.

Out: Meet 1415 at Quayside Return: 1719 train from Waterbeach

Sunday 24th October **Haverhill − Steeple Bumstead** **10.5 miles** **Contact: Laura**

Passing Anne of Cleves' house in Haverhill, we proceed to the village of Birdbrook for a lunch stop at the charming pub, The Plough. Then we pass through Moyn's Park to Steeple Bumstead and its 19th century lockup, and return from there to Haverhill.

Out: 0925 bus to Haverhill Return: 1625 bus from Haverhill, arriving Cambridge 1718

Saturday 30th October **Grafham Water circular** **12 miles** **Contact: Anneliese**

This walk circumnavigates Grafham Water, the only respectable stretch of water in the vicinity of Cambridge. The lake is bordered by interesting nature reserves. We will start and finish walking in the town of Buckden, which boasts the historic towers in which Henry VIII imprisoned Katherine of Aragon.

Out: 0925 bus to Huntingdon Return: 1705 bus from Huntingdon, arriving Cambridge 1740

Tuesday 9th November **Formal Hall at Robinson** **Contact: Simon**

If you would like to come to this event, please send a cheque for 5.90 (made payable to "Simon Cottrell"), together with your name, college and e−mail address, to Simon by Monday 1st November, or bring it to the ramble on Saturday 30th October. Please state if you require a vegetarian meal. The meal will start at 7.30pm; further details will be issued to those attending in due course.

Saturday 13th November **Wicken Fen** **11.5 miles** **Contact: Laura**

We start from Burwell, skirting St Edmunds Fen to the village of Wicken for a lunch stop. Then we walk around Wicken Fen, Britain's oldest nature reserve, and from there down Reach Lode.

Out: 1000 bus to Burwell Return: 1625 bus from Reach

Sunday 21th November **Epping Forest** **13 miles** **Contact: Simon**

We head east from Cheshunt, passing briefly through the Lee Valley Park, then crossing the wooded undulating countryside of south−west Essex. We enter Epping Forest on its north edge, and walk several miles south−west through the forest, stopping at a pub in the centre of the forest. When we leave the forest, we turn north−west and return to the valley of the River Lee at Enfield Lock.

Out: 0850 train to Cheshunt Return: 1632 train from Enfield Lock, arriving back at 1728

Note: The train fare will be more expensive than usual; 8.20 with a railcard.

Sunday 28th November **Madingley circular** **7 miles** **Contact: Owen**

Leaving Cambridge, we will walk to Coton for a lunch stop, then go on to Madingley where we will walk around the grounds of Madingley Hall. We shall return to Cambridge by Wrangling Corner (yes, really) and Girton College. Even though this walk is relatively short, the end of the walk is likely to be muddy, so suitable footwear is still recommended.

Out: 1200 outside the Senate House

Full day excursion **Contact: Matthew**

We are hoping to organise a somewhat longer walk in the week after the end of term. More details will be given out nearer the time.

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

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

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