# Easter 2001 Termcard

Welcome back to the Rambling Club! Although many of us will be busy with exams this term, we hope you will find time 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 or 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 <u>Formal Hall at St. Johns</u>, and at our <u>post-exam punt picnic</u>!

Note: This term's walks are along paths which are currently Foot-and-Mouth free, but this may change before the time of the rambles. Keep watching this website, or your e-mail if your name is on our mailing list.

# Sunday 6th May

#### Hildersham - Addenbrooke's

7½ miles
Contact: <u>David Barden</u>
Out: 1325 bus to Hildersham
Return: Bus from Addenbrooke's, arriving in the City Centre at about 1800.

Starting from the quiet village of Hildersham, we head north to the line of the Old Roman Road. We then follow this grassy track to the west across rolling countryside and through woodland, before descending to Addenbrooke's along Wort's Causeway. Hopefully we will obtain a panoramic view across Cambridge in the process! Note: As this is an afternoon walk, there will be no lunch stop.

# Saturday 12th May

#### **Grafham Water circular**

12 miles Contact: <u>Matthew</u> Out: 0935 bus to Huntingdon. Return: 1712 bus to Huntingdon, returning to Cambridge at 1845 or 1937.

This walk completely encircles the Grafham Water reservoir, southwest of Huntingdon. Following a mixture of footpaths and off-road cycleways, our route will offer good views of this popular watersports location and nature reserve. Lunch will be at the Montagu Arms in Grafham, on the northern shore of the lake.

### **Tuesday 15th May**

### Formal Hall at St John's

#### Contact: David Spence

If you would like to attend, please send a cheque for £2.92 (payable to "David Spence"), to David at St John's College by Thursday 10th May, or bring it to the ramble on Sunday 6th. Please state your name, college and e-mail address, and whether you would like a vegetarian meal. The meal will start at 7.30pm; further details will be issued to those attending in due course.

# Saturday 19th May

#### **Brandon - Thetford**

12 miles Contact: <u>Mike Pollitt</u> Out: 1106 train to Brandon. Return: 1747 train from Thetford, arriving back at 1833.

From Brandon we walk north-east through Thetford Forest to Grime's Graves (actually old flint mines), where we shall stop for lunch. Please note that there is no pub on this walk, so it is important to bring a packed lunch. We then continue south-east through the forest until we reach a path alongside the River Little Ouse, which we follow to Thetford for the return train.

# Thursday 14th June

#### **Punt Picnic to Grantchester**

#### Contact: David Spence

We invite you to join us on our traditional end-of-term outing on the Cam. Starting at 6.30pm from Trinity Backs, we shall punt upriver to Grantchester; after a picnic on the meadow, we return by moonlight (?) into Cambridge. We will provide food, and there will be a charge of  $\pounds 3.50$  ( $\pounds 2.50$  for members) to cover this and the punt hire. Please feel free to bring your own drinks. If you would like to come, please send  $\pounds 2.50/\pounds 3.50$  to David by Thursday 7th June at the latest (cheques payable to "Cambridge University Rambling Club").

### Saturday/Sunday 16th/17th June

#### Undecided

#### Contact: Daniel

We will hopefully have an after-exam ramble, but we will wait until later in the term to plan the location and route, by which time there will hopefully be more open footpaths to choose from! We will post the details by e-mail and on this website nearer the time.

### Friday 22rd - Sunday 24th June

### Oxford - Cambridge: The Varsity March

82 miles Contact: <u>Matthew</u>

Following the success of the events of the previous three years, we are planning to repeat our mammoth two-day sponsored walk, but this time in reverse and raise money for charity. The details are not yet decided and rely heavily on the opening of the footpaths between Oxford and Cambridge. If you would be interested in taking part if it goes ahead then please contact Matthew.

# **Summer Holidays**

#### **European Walk**

Contact: Matthew

Some members of the Rambling Club's current and previous committees are planning a possible week's rambling somewhere in Europe (to compensate for the cancellation of the Easter Ramble) in late July or early August. Places will be limited and so we cannot guarantee places, but if you are interested then please contact Matthew.

# **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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