

Lent 2000 Termcard

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 pound annual membership fee.

In addition to our walks this term, we look forward to seeing you at our [Formal Hall gathering at Girton!](#)

Saturday 29th January

Stowmarket circular

10 miles

Contact: [Anneliese](#)

Out: 1009 train to Stowmarket

Return: 1658 train from Stowmarket, arriving back at 1801

Taking the river path south-west from Stowmarket, we skirt Combs Wood and cross farmland to the village of Great Finborough, where we stop for lunch. Looping north after lunch, we pass Onehouse Hall and make our way through woodland back to Stowmarket.

Sunday 6th February

Royston circular

10.5 miles

Contact: [Simon](#)

Out: 1027 train to Royston

Return: 1612 train from Royston, arriving back at 1633

We cross Therfield Heath on the edge of Royston and then climb a wooded hillside, heading south towards Therfield village where we will stop for lunch. We then continue south-east following the Chain Walk for a short distance. On reaching the village of Buckland, we turn due north towards Reed, and then gradually descend towards Royston following the Hertfordshire way.

Saturday 12th February

Oakham - Stamford

13.5 miles

Contact: [Matthew](#)

Out: 1005 train to Oakham

Return: 1716 train from Stamford, arriving back at 1838

We head eastward from Oakham along the Hereward Way, and join the Rutland Cycle Way, which runs along the northern edge of Rutland Water with fine views. After lunch at the White

Horse Inn at Empingham, we continue through open countryside to join the River Welland for the last two miles into Stamford.

Note: The train fare for this walk is more expensive than usual; £10.15 with a railcard.

Sunday 20th February

Haverhill and Steeple Bumpstead circular

10.5 miles

Contact: [Laura](#)

Out: 0925 bus to Haverhill

Return: 1625 bus from Haverhill, arriving back at 1718

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 Bumpstead and its 19th century lockup, and return from there to Haverhill.

Thursday 24th February

Formal Hall and AGM at Girton

Contact: [Anneliese](#)

If you would like to come to this event, please send a cheque for £5.25 (made payable to "Anneliese Parkin"), together with your name, college and e-mail address, to Anneliese by Wednesday 16th February, or bring it to the ramble on Saturday 12th February. Please state if you require a vegetarian meal. Dinner will start at 7.15pm, and will be followed by the club's AGM; further details will be issued to those attending in due course.

Sunday 5th March

Swaffham Bulbeck - Cambridge and Pancakes

9.5 miles

Contact: [David](#)

Out: 1105 bus to Swaffham Bulbeck

Starting from Swaffham Bulbeck, we head west to the village of Lode, and from there across Stow cum Quy Fen to Horningsea, where we will stop for lunch. We then follow the River Cam into Cambridge. Join us for pancakes afterwards in David's room (50A King Street) - feel free to bring your own toppings!

Sunday 12th March

Great Shelford circular

11 miles

Contact: [Owen](#)

Out: 1005 bus to Great Shelford

Return: 1544 bus from Great Shelford, arriving back at 1600

From Great Shelford, we roughly follow the course of the River Granta upstream to the village of Babraham, where we will stop for lunch. We walk on to Little Abington and then follow the course of a Roman road to the ancient hill fort of Wandlebury atop the optimistically named Gog Magog Hills, before returning to Great Shelford for the bus.

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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