

## Lent 2001 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 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 [Formal Hall at Robinson](#), and at our [meal at Efe's Turkish restaurant](#).

---

### Saturday 27th January

Horseheath - Fulbourn

10 miles

Contact: [Fiona](#)

Out: 1015 bus to Horseheath

Return: 1558 bus from Fulbourn, arriving back at 1638

We start the term with a walk across the undulating countryside of south-east Cambridgeshire. We head north-west from Horseheath, passing Balsham Wood on our way to Balsham village, where we will stop for lunch. We then continue towards Cambridge, passing through the picturesque Fleam Dyke Nature Reserve, and finishing our walk in the village of Fulbourn.

---

### Sunday 4th February

Wicken - Ely

10 miles

Contact: [Matthew](#)

Out: 1105 bus to Wicken

Return: 1704 train from Ely, arriving back at 1720

We begin by touring Wicken Fen, an area of undrained fenland preserved by the National Trust. After following Wicken Lode to Upware, where we stop for lunch, we walk downstream along the Cam and Great Ouse to Ely, through the bleak but impressive landscape of the fens. At the end of the walk, there will be an opportunity to visit Ely Cathedral, which is visible throughout the latter part of the walk.

---

### Thursday 8th February

Meal at Efe's Turkish Restaurant

Contact: [David Barden](#)

As a change from the traditional Formal Hall fayre, we invite you to join us for a meal at Efe's in King Street. If you would like to attend this event, please contact David by Sunday 4th to reserve a place.

---

## Sunday 11th February

Great Chesterford - Newport

11½ miles

Contact: [David Spence](#)

Out: 1034 train to Great Chesterford

Return: 1712 train from Newport, arriving back at 1737

We head east out of Great Chesterford along the Icknield Way, and then turn south towards Little Walden, where we will stop for lunch. We continue on through the historic town of Saffron Walden, then follow the Harcamlow Way south through Audley End and into Newport.

---

## Sunday 18th February

Hitchin - Stopsley

12 miles

Contact: [Matthew](#)

Out: 0954 train to Hitchin

Return: 1628 bus from Stopsley, then 1720 train from Hitchin, arriving back at 1753

Leaving Hitchin town along the River Oughton, we head west into one of the hilliest areas of Hertfordshire. Lunch will be at the Motte and Bailey in Pirton, a familiar venue for previous participants of the Varsity March to Oxford. We finish our walk at Stopsley Common, on the outskirts of Luton.

---

## Saturday 24th February

Bourn - Comberton and Pancakes!

8 miles

Contact: [David Barden](#)

Out: 1000 bus to Bourn

Return: Return: 1500 bus from Comberton, arriving back at 1525

**This walk has been cancelled as a precautionary measure in the light of the foot-and-mouth disease outbreak. The pancake event planned to follow the walk is also cancelled. We will try to reschedule the walk on an alternative date.**

*We start off in a south-westerly direction, heading up out of the Bourn valley to Ermine Street, where we will stop for lunch. We then walk east along Porter's Way, passing Oliver Cromwell's hole (whatever that is) before heading down into the village of Kingston. From there, we pass through Toft before arriving at Comberton. Join us for pancakes afterwards in David's flat (50A King Street).*

---

## Saturday 3rd March

Broxbourne - Walthamstow

14½ miles

Contact: [Simon](#)

Out: 0905 train to Broxbourne

Return: Bus from Walthamstow, then 1730 train from Tottenham Hale, arriving back at 1837

*Note: The train/bus fare will be more expensive than usual; £10.00 with a railcard.*

**This walk has been cancelled due to the continuing spread of the foot-and-mouth disease outbreak.**

*Heading east from Broxbourne, we pass briefly through the Lee Valley Park and skirt the village of Lower Nazeing. We then turn south-east across the rolling wooded countryside of south-west Essex, and stop for lunch in the hamlet of Copthall Green. After lunch, we walk south-west through Epping Forest, one of the largest expanses of natural woodland in the area. We pass Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge on the edge of Chingford and then follow the River Ching through the southern part of the forest, finishing our walk on the edge of Walthamstow.*

---

## Tuesday 6th March

Formal Hall at Robinson and AGM

Contact: [Simon](#)

Depart: 1130 from the Senate House

Return: 1632 train from Shepreth, arriving back at 1645

If you would like to attend this Formal Hall, please send a cheque for £6.30 (payable to "Simon Cottrell") to Simon by Monday 26th February, or bring it to the ramble on Saturday 24th. Please state your name, college and e-mail address, and whether you would like a vegetarian meal. The meal will start at 7.30pm and will be followed by the club's AGM in the Games Room, Robinson College, at 9.00pm.

---

## Saturday 10th March

Brandon - Thetford

12 miles

Contact: [Mike](#)

Out: 1105 train to Brandon

Return: 1749 train from Thetford, arriving back at 1838

**This walk has been cancelled due to the continuing spread of the foot-and-mouth disease outbreak.**

*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.*

---

## 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.

---

## Contacts

Simon Cottrell (President) Robinson [sjc64@hermes.cam.ac.uk](mailto:sjc64@hermes.cam.ac.uk)

---

*Cambridge University Rambling Club*, last updated: 1 March 2001

Please send any comments about this website to [rambling@cusu.cam.ac.uk](mailto:rambling@cusu.cam.ac.uk)