

## Michaelmas Term 2004:

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**Saturday 16th October:** **"The theoretically straightforward Introductory Ramble"**  
**Cambridge - Waterbeach (6 miles) [\[Richard\]](#)**

*This is a gentle stroll down the Cam, ideal for any new members who want to find out more about the club and meet some fellow rambling enthusiasts. We'll stop at a pub in Waterbeach for a drink before catching the train back to Cambridge.*

**Meet:** 14:00 on the Quayside by Magdalene Bridge

**Return:** 17:35 train from Waterbeach, arriving in Cambridge at 17:44

**Cost:** £2 for train ticket (£1.30 with railcard). Please bring exact change!

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**Tuesday 19th October:** **Pub Meet (The Granta, 8pm)**

*Come and join us for a drink and a ramble of the conversational variety. A particularly good opportunity for any new members to come along and find out more about the club. Just look for the group with the sheep!*

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**Sunday 24th October:** **"And the award for the best named pub goes to..."**  
**Wicken - Ely (10 miles) [\[Laura\]](#)**

*Starting from Wicken, we explore Wicken Fen, an area of undrained fenland representing a fragment of the wilderness that originally covered East Anglia. After following Wicken Lode to Upware, where we stop for lunch in the "Five Miles From Anywhere No Hurry Inn" (!), we walk downstream along the Cam and the Great Ouse through the unique landscape of the fens. We continue along the Great Ouse until we reach Ely, from where we return by train.*

**Meet:** 09:55 at the bus station for the 10:10 bus to Wicken

**Return:** 17:07 train from Ely, arriving in Cambridge at 17:23

**Cost:** Approx £4 for bus fare and £3.60 for train (£2.40 with railcard).

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**Saturday 30th October:** **"Penguin Counting Expedition no. 378"**  
**Bishops Stortford Circular (11 miles) [\[Simon\]](#)**

*We follow the river south out of Bishops Stortford. We then head west to the village of Much Hadham, our lunch stop. In the afternoon, we walk north towards Hadham Ford before returning to Bishops Stortford via Bury Green.*

**Meet:** 09:50 at the railway station for the 10:05 train to Bishops Stortford

**Return:** 16:02 train from Bishops Stortford, arriving in Cambridge at 16:37

**Cost:** £6.80 for return train ticket (£4.50 with railcard)

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**Thursday 4th November:   Pub-Meet (The Castle Inn, Castle Hill, from 8pm)**

*Come and join us for a drink and a ramble of the conversational variety. Just look for the group with the sheep!*

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**Sunday 7th November:   "Another chance to meet the famous rambling bus driver?"**

**Stow cum Quy - Burwell (11 miles) [\[Helen\]](#)**

*From Stow cum Quy we join the Harcamlow Way, passing Anglesey Abbey en-route to Lode. We then head west to the Swaffhams where we'll stop for lunch before admiring Swaffham Prior House, and two churches in one churchyard. Following this we join the Devil's Dyke footpath towards the village of Reach, passing the site of a Roman villa before heading back into Burwell for the bus.*

**Meet:** 09:55 at the bus station for the 10:10 bus to Stow cum Quy.

**Return:** 16:52 bus from Burwell, arriving in Cambridge at 17:34

**Cost:** Approx £4 for bus fare.

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**Saturday 13th November:   "Home is where the Hert is. Well, for Alan at least"**

**Harpenden to Welwyn North (10 miles) [\[Alan\]](#)**

*Exploring Alan's native Hertfordshire, this walk takes an Easterly route out of Harpenden, following the River Lea to Wheathampstead, where we'll stop for lunch. We then turn north, ascending a little past some wooded areas towards Ayot St. Lawrence, where we may have time to stop and look at the historical church remains. From here we head in a south-easterly direction before bearing east towards the village of Welwyn (not Welwyn Garden City!), on our way to Welwyn North station for the train back.*

**Meet:** 08:40 at the train station for the 08:54 train to Welwyn Garden City, then bus to Harpenden.

**Return:** 16:34 train from Welwyn North, arriving in Cambridge at 17:25

**Cost:** £12.70 (£8.40 with railcard) plus approx £2 for bus fare.

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**Tuesday 16th November:   Meal at 'Ask' [\[Laura / Helen\]](#)**

*Join us for a meal out at this popular Italian restaurant on Bridge Street. If you'd like to go, please let Laura or Helen know by email before Tuesday 9th November.*

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**Sunday 21st November: "Geoffrey's Birthday Extravaganza"**

**Ashwell & Morden Circular (11 miles) [\[Geoffrey\]](#)**

*This walk takes in the rolling countryside of south Cambridgeshire and the wide Cam valley to the north. From Ashwell & Morden station we head north-east through Morden Grange to Litlington, where we'll stop for lunch at the Crown Pub. We then follow the lane north to Abington Piggotts, before turning west to pass by the Mordens on our way back to the station.*

**Meet:** 09:40 at the railway station for the 09:54 train to Ashwell & Morden

**Return:** 15:59 train from Ashwell & Morden, arriving in Cambridge at 16:25

**Cost:** £5.30 for return train ticket (£3.50 with railcard)

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**Saturday 27th November: "The Legendary Ben Fryer Commando Course"**

**Hitchin to Stopsley (13 miles) [\[Ben\]](#)**

*From Hitchin we head west through the Oughtenhead Common nature reserve and on to the Icknield way path towards Pirton, where we'll stop for lunch at the Motte & Bailey. We then meander south-west through Tingley Wood to find some hills, and after reaching the dizzying height of 180m (you won't find that in Cambridgeshire!) we descend down into Stopsley.*

**Meet:** 09:40 at the train station for the 09:54 train to Hitchin

**Return:** 15:55 bus from Stopsley to Hitchin, then train arriving in Cambridge at 16:52

**Cost:** £8.70 for return train ticket (£5.75 with railcard), and about £2 for bus fare.

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**Saturday 4th December:**      **"Circular walk with free cake and a tenuous George Orwell connection..."**

**Thetford forest circular (18 miles) [\[Laurence\]](#)**

*Come on the last and longest walk of term to broaden your minds with many strange and wonderful things (and get free cake!). See Thetford Priory, River and Sewage Works, pass by the Devil's Punchbowl, a lake and a castle before learning of this walk's very tenuous connection with George Orwell. Afterwards you are all invited back to Laurence's house for cake, sandwiches and more cake. If you're a member of the club, unable to do the walk but want to see your friends one last time you are more than welcome to join us afterwards for the cake - contact Laurence for more details.*

**Meet:** 07:10 at the train station for the 07:26 train to Thetford

**Return:** Back in time for tea and cakes. Or more accurately, about 17:16

**Cost:** £7.10 for return train ticket (£4.70 with railcard)

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