



May 1992



Peace Prayer
of
St Francis

Lord make me an instrument of thy peace
Where there is hatred ..let me sow love
Where there is injury ... pardon;
Where there is doubt...faith;
Where there is despair ... hope;
Where there is darkness...

Where there is sadness ... joy.

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much

...To be consoled... as to console
...To be understood .. as to understand
...To be loved ... as to love

For

It is in giving ... that we receive.
It is in pardoning .. that we are pardoned
It is in dying ... that we are born to eternal life.

St Francis

Hello Ramblers once again!

- and welcome to all those who have climbed on board in recent months, namely BRIDIE DAVITT, ANNE DUNNE, BERNADETTE O'BRIEN, ELSIE O'SULLIVAN, VICKI WILSON, RITA MOCHER, GERARD CROSSAN, CAROLINE GRIFFIN, ANN HARVEY, BREDA LYONS, MARGARET MASCARENHAS, MARY MAXWELL AND TERESA MERIFIELD. It looks like it's time to do some serious recruiting of new male Ramblers so how about it, all you young ladies!

According to reports most people are enjoying the walks & we all owe a sincere thanks to those who put themselves forward to plan and lead a ramble time after time. BUT we should all aim at contributing to the overall running of the Club too, so we, your totally dedicated committee(!), ask you again to offer to lead a walk in the next session - and henceforth! (See Philip's form on pg.7).

Forgive me for lecturing but we do also need to be reminded that, when, rambling, it is good to try and contribute to making the day pleasant for everyone and one way of doing this is to be aware of others especially those behind us so that NO-ONE GETS LOST OR LEFT BEHIND.

The membership secretary asks me to jog the memories and consciences of those who have not yet paid their subscription for 1991-92; perhaps they would consider sending a double sub now for 92-93, if possible before the end of June.

With holiday time and this fantastically good weather with us, we are glad to suggest the following for those who would like to spend more time with friends from St. Francis Club: SMALL HOLDERS & SELF-SUFFICIENCY SHOW - July 4th (Sat.) At ARDINGLY: 10.32 train from Victoria to Haywards Heath, arr. 11.24 Then free bus from outside station to Ardingly Showground. (Free samples of cider, honey etc and Dorothy Hickman will be looking out for you there, I'm sure.)

Special ramble on Saturday, June 20th with a visit to caves which must be very interesting and then on the Sunday, 21st we have our day of Recollection. This will be at Emmaus Centre, West Wickham, Kent. If you need directions please contact Paul Brunning or me. We can arrive around 10.30 for coffee, have Mass at 11 am and then Sr. Elizabeth McNulty will give us talks or lead discussions according to our needs. We can leave late afternoon but those who would like to stay for Benediction at 5 o'clock are welcome. The cost is £3 for those who are bringing packed lunch and £10 for those who like cooked lunch. Tea & coffee are provided. If you have not already decided to come, do give it a thought and contact Paul if you feel the call!

We've had a beautiful detailed .and illustrated map accompanying an invitation to Budapest and Balaton in wooded countryside west of Budapest. The invite comes from FERENC BOLDVAI, a geography teacher who offers us a share of his home in Budapest for £4 a night or £5 a night in Balaton. It sounds very attractive - availability is between June 1st and August 31st and I will send a copy of the full communication to anyone who asks for it. Ferenc's idea is to encourage good relations between Catholics of different countries as a contribution to peace - & we certainly need that! So let's help him out and do ourselves a favour too.

For your diary: A.G.M. Oct. 10th. Make a note now and be there to tell us what you think! Mass will be at 6 pm for the ramblers' intentions. XMAS PARTY! - Jan. 9th 93. Both events are at Holy Apostles, Pimlico For your information & assistance -- the Committee Members are: Paul Brunning- Tony Finnegan - Peter Lobo - Philip Evans - Anne Richardson - Helen O'Brien - Maureen Mulryan – and Olivia Delargy

Enjoy yourselves

Olivia D.

RAMBLES: JUNE 1992 - AUGUST 1992

June 7th, 1992 (Poet Shelleys' Centenary) Leader: Maurice Hickman

Meet: Victoria at 9.40 for 10.02 train to Horsham, arrive 11.04.
(A brief visit will be made during the morning to Field Place - the poet's birthplace).
Lunch: Chequers Inn - Rowhook.
Tea: Tom & Jackies' - Christs Hospital.
Distance: 13 miles (including 2 miles after tea) returning from Horsham.
Fare: £4.95 Network card.

June 14th, 1992 Leader: Jim Reed

Meet: Victoria at 10.30 for 10.47 train to Balcombe, arrive 11.37.
Lunch: Ardingly Inn - Ardingly.
Tea: Live in 'Hope'.
Distance: 11 miles - returning from Balcombe.
Fare: £4.50 Network Card.

June 20th, 1992 (Saturday) Leader: Paul Brunning

Meet: Charing Cross at 10.30 for 10.48 train to Chislehurst,
arrive 11.13.
Lunch: The Partridge, Chipperfield Road, St. Pauls Cray (Pub has food),
FOLLOWED BY AN OPTIONAL VISIT TO Chislehurst Caves (within Zone 5).
45 minute conducted tour £2.80.
Returning from Chislehurst.
Fare: £2.20 CDR Chislehurst.

June 21st, 1992 - DAY OF RECOLLECTION.

June 28th, 1992 Leader: Richard Chill

Richard will meet train at East Croydon.
Meet: Victoria at 9.40 for 10.02 train to Redhill, arrive 10.35.
(Change at Redhill for 10.41 to Reigate, arrive 10.46).
Lunch: Dolphin, Betchworth.
Tea: Brockham.
Distance: 9 miles, returning from Reigate.
Fare: £3.00 CDR Reigate Network Card.

July 5th, 1992 Leader: Philip Evans

Meet: Baker Street (Met. Line) at 10.35 for 10.50 train to Wendover (Change at Amersham) Arrive
Wendover 11.48.
Lunch: Bugle, Lee Clump.
Tea: You can dream.
Distance: 11 miles, returning from Chesham.
Fare: £4.20 CDR Wendover. Network valid if ticket is bought at Marylebone.
N.B.1. - Train travellers may find it easier to arrive early and purchase tickets from Harylebone,
6 mins. walk from Baker St. Ticket is valid.
N.B. 2. - Car Drivers should drive to Chalfont Latimer where train arrives at 11.26.

July 12th, 1992

Leader: Pat Donachie

Meet: Victoria at 9.45 for 10.04 train to Boxhill & West Humble, arrive 11.07.

Lunch: The Cock, Headley.

Tea: Boxhill.

Distance: 12 miles, returning from Boxhill & West Humble.

Fare: £3.00 COR Boxhill & West Humble Network Card

July 19th, 1992

Leader: Dorothy Hickman

Meet: Waterloo at 10.10 for 10.25 train to Guildford, arrive 11.01.

Lunch: Percy Arms, Chilworth.

Tea: Chilworth Manor (£1 admission - National Gardens Scheme Charitable Trust).

Distance: 9 miles, returning from Guildford.

fare: £4.07 COR Guildford Network Card.

July 26th, 1992

Leader: Eugene Donnelly

Meet: Waterloo at 10.20 for 10.37 train to Hampton Court, arrive 11.09.

Lunch: The Lion Gate Hotel.

Tea: Hampton Court.

Distance: 8 miles, returning from Hampton Court.

fare: £2.13 Network Card COR Hampton Court

August 2nd, 1992

Leader Tony Finnegan

Meet: Victoria at 9.30 for 9.47 train to Balcombe, arrive 10.37.

Lunch: Cat Inn, West Hoathley.

Tea: ?

Distance: 13 miles returning from Three Bridges.

Fare: £4.50 COR with Network Card.

August 9th, 1992

Leader: Mary Hennessy

Meet: Baker St. (Met Line) at 10.20 for 10.34 train to Watford, Arrive 11.16.

Lunch: Clarendon Arms, Chandlers Cross.

Tea: You might be lucky.

Distance: 9 miles. returning from Moor Park.

Fare: £4.00 CDR Watford Network Card NOT VALID on this journey .

August 16th, 1992

Leader: Peter MacDonald

Meet: Victoria at 8.45 for 9.02 train to Bognor Regis, arrive 10.48 (Short bus journey to Pagham).

Lunch: Crab & Lobster, Sidlesham.

Tea: Pagham (Swim at end of Ramble approx. 4 pm).

Distance: 7 miles, returning by bus from Pagham to Bognor Regis.

Fare: £8.53 COR Bognor Regis Network Card.

August 23rd. 1992

Leader: Philip Evans

Meet: Waterloo at 9.40 for 9.55 train to Rowlands Castle, arrive 11.22.

Lunch: Coach & Horses, Compton.

Tea: Who knows???

Distance: 16 miles. returning from Petersfield.

Fare: £8.40 Network Card Saver, return from Rowlands Castle .

August 31. 1992

Leader: Mary Hickman

Meet: Victoria at 10.40 for 11.02 train to Redhill. arrive 11.35.

Lunch: Mint Arms. Lower Kingswood.

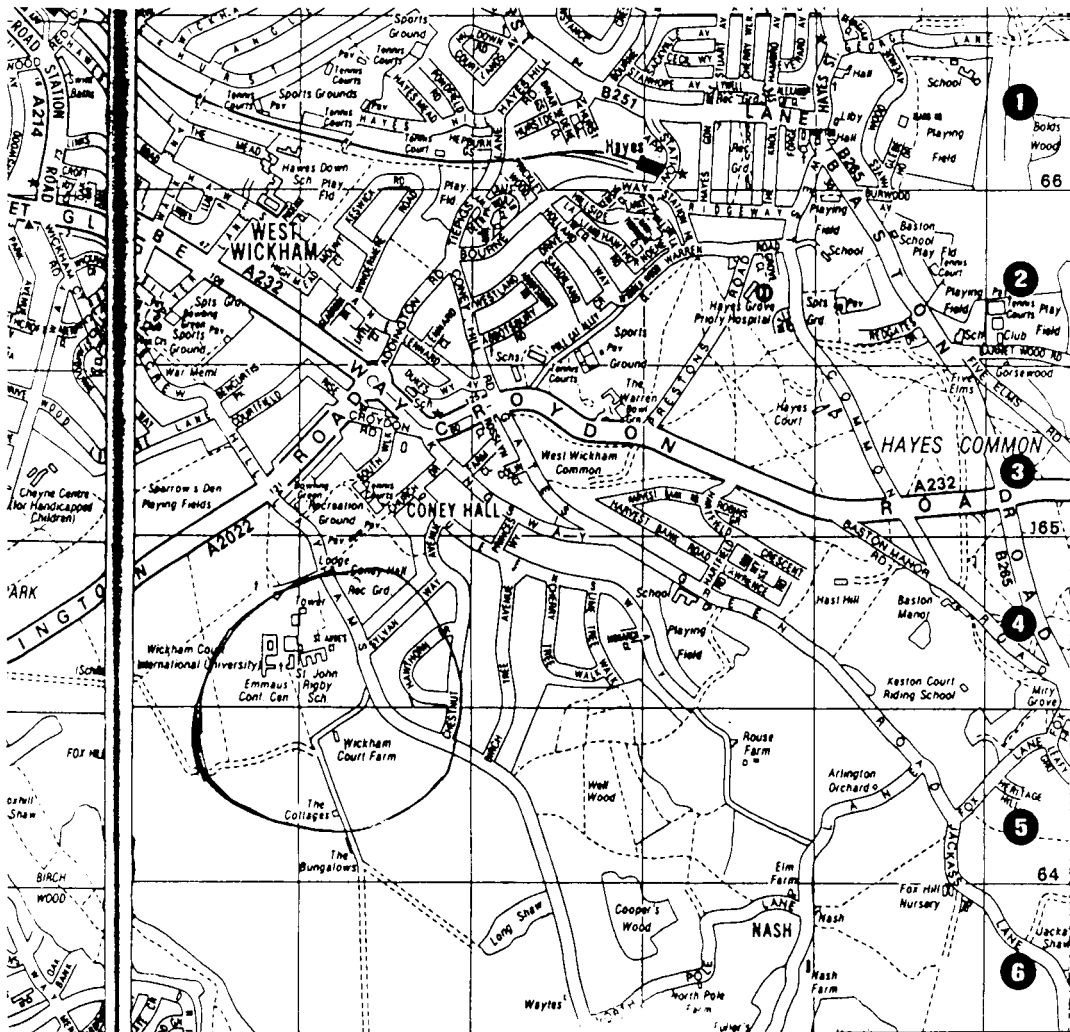
Tea: Redhill.

Distance: 11 miles.

Fare: £2.87 Network Card CDR Redhill.

Day of Recollection: Sunday, June 1st 92
at
EMMAUS RETREAT & CONFERENCE
CENTRE,
LAYHAM'S RD. WEST WICKHAM
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Tel: 081- 777- 2000



Livingston
West Lothian

20 April 1992

Dear Ramblers

At the time of writing it is three months since I left London and it seems as if I've been here forever.

Many thanks to all those who have written to me. I will get round to corresponding to individuals eventually.

In the parish where I am at the moment there is a rambling group and I've been out a few times already. We meet in the church car park and pile into whatever cars are available, or needed, and drive to the start of the ramble, and passengers make a specified contribution to the driver. It works out cheaper than public transport and gets us to places than might not otherwise be accessible.

Only one of these walks has been a fat walk, along the coast at Dunbar where the Firth of Forth enters the North Sea. Part of the walk was along the edge of a golf course and part on the beach. The wealth of sea birds was marvellous but there were no eagles or albatross. The other walks have all been hill climbs and all but one, over a thousand feet. Boxhill would seem a dawdle now.

We are practising for Ben Nevis which we plan to climb on 23rd May. I'm going swimming regularly to build up my stamina. It seems that the temperature at the top of Ben Nevis is likely to be 20^o lower than on the ground so it is to be hoped that the weather is generally warmer that day.

The variety of birds and wildlife we see on these walks is quite marvellous. On my first outing I could hear a strange laughing sort of sound, later I saw what it was - a brown fowl with black eyes and large scarlet eyebrows - and it let us get quite close so it obviously knew that it was long time till the 12th August.

The only disadvantage of this group is that they are all from the same parish, mostly families and the only socialising likely to occur is at parish events and birthday and anniversary dos but once I am more settled (flat sold and house bought) I shall be exploring other possibilities for socialising.

I am about to set off for my second return trip to London since my departure, but there is **50** much to do on those trips that I don't get much opportunity to meet up with anyone, but maybe one of these days I'll find the time to come out with the St Francis Ramblers.

*Happy Rambling
Aime (WALSH)*

Have you led a ramble yet? Please don't always leave it to the seasoned leaders. New ramble leaders are always welcome - if you know a route which could be used fill up the details below and send them to:

Philip Evans

Date:

Leader:

Meet: at
(Arriving at

For (time) train to
am)

Lunch:

Distance:

Fare: