

# Varsity March 2015: Itinerary – DRAFT 2

**Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> – Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2015**

From Cambridge: Meet at 07:00 at Parkside coach stop (bay 16 on the side of Parker's Piece, near the police station, *not* in the main Drummer St bus station) for the 07:10 X5 bus to Oxford (arriving 10:45). Single ticket £12.50/£9.40 student (£13/£9.50 return). Alternatively take the 08:15 train to King's Cross then 09:50 from Paddington, arriving in Oxford at 10:48 (Train fare £52.20/£34.45 railcard (£52.30/£34.50 return)). For Oxford walkers, and for Cambridge walkers not taking the 07:10 bus, please meet outside the University Church of St Mary, Oxford (on the north side of the church next to Brasenose College and Radcliffe Square) at 11:00. Please be on time to allow the starting photo and a prompt start at 11.10!

		<b>Gri d</b>	<b>Total km</b>	<b>Total miles</b>	<b>Arrive</b>	<b>Break</b>	<b>Depart</b>	<b>Escape (overleaf)</b>
1	OXFORD, St Mary's church	516063	0.0	0.0	11.00 Sat	10	11.10 Sat	
2	Oxford, Magdalen roundabout	523060	0.8	0.5	11.20 Sat		11.20 Sat	
3	Shotover Plain, car park	564062	5.5	3.4	12.21 Sat		12.21 Sat	
4	Wheatley, church	597058	8.7	5.4	13.03 Sat		13.03 Sat	(a)
5	Cross M40 motorway, junction 8	625051	11.9	7.4	13.45 Sat		13.45 Sat	
6	Waterstock, church	635056	13.1	8.1	14.01 Sat	25	14.26 Sat	(b)
7	Ickford Bridge	649065	14.7	9.1	14.47 Sat		14.47 Sat	(c)
8	Shabbington, church	666068	16.5	10.3	15.12 Sat		15.12 Sat	(d)
9	Long Crendon, crossroads	694086	19.9	12.4	15.58 Sat	10	16.08 Sat	(e)
10	Chearsley, church	720103	24.0	14.9	17.03 Sat		17.03 Sat	(f)
11	Cuddington, crossroads	738111	26.1	16.2	17.31 Sat	10	17.41 Sat	(g)
12	Cross to north bank on footbridge	749123	28.0	17.4	18.08 Sat		18.08 Sat	
13	Wier Lodge (near Fairy Hill)	775134	31.2	19.4	18.52 Sat	10	19.02 Sat	(h)
14	Haydon Mill Farm	794142	33.4	20.8	19.33 Sat		19.33 Sat	
15	Aylesbury, town square	819137	36.6	22.8	20.18 Sat	105	22.03 Sat	(i)
16	College Farm, road bridge	872139	42.4	26.4	23.25 Sat		23.25 Sat	**
17	Wilstone Bridge	904144	45.7	28.4	0.12 Sun		0.12 Sun	**
18	Marsworth, towpath meets road	917144	47.1	29.3	0.32 Sun	15	0.47 Sun	**
19	Cross railway	929160	49.3	30.7	1.19 Sun		1.19 Sun	**
20	Ivinghoe, church	945162	51.3	31.9	1.48 Sun	10	1.58 Sun	**
21	Ivinghoe Aston, Lilac Farm	952183	53.9	33.5	2.36 Sun		2.36 Sun	**
22	Northall, pub	961199	56.0	34.8	3.07 Sun	15	3.22 Sun	**
23	Eaton Bray, junction near church	969209	57.3	35.6	3.41 Sun		3.41 Sun	**
24	Lower End, phone box	976224	59.1	36.7	4.08 Sun		4.08 Sun	**
25	Sewell Farm	994228	61.2	38.0	4.39 Sun	10	4.49 Sun	**
26	Chalk Hill, cross A5	002236	62.4	38.8	5.07 Sun		5.07 Sun	**
27	Bidwell, cross A5120	013245	64.2	39.9	5.34 Sun		5.34 Sun	**
28	Bridge over M1 motorway	038259	67.6	42.0	6.26 Sun	15	6.41 Sun	(j)
29	Water tower, north of Luton	059261	70.2	43.6	7.21 Sun		7.21 Sun	(k)
30	Track crosses A6, north of Luton	080265	72.6	45.1	7.57 Sun	10	8.07 Sun	(l)
31	Invisible picnic tables	109282	76.1	47.3	9.01 Sun	40	9.41 Sun	(m)
32	Track meets B655	133301	79.0	49.1	10.26 Sun		10.26 Sun	
33	Punch's Cross	155303	81.3	50.5	11.02 Sun	10	11.12 Sun	
34	Ickleford, church	183317	84.4	52.4	12.01 Sun	10	12.11 Sun	(n)
35	Wilbury Hill, path meets road	201325	86.4	53.7	12.43 Sun		12.43 Sun	
36	Letchworth, station	217327	88.3	54.8	13.13 Sun	50	14.03 Sun	(o)
37	Norton, church	231345	90.8	56.4	14.43 Sun		14.43 Sun	
38	Path meets A507 (near Baldock)	241350	92.1	57.2	15.04 Sun	10	15.14 Sun	(p)
39	Cat Ditch, path meets road	267374	96.1	59.7	16.19 Sun		16.19 Sun	
40	Ashwell, road junction	268395	98.2	61.0	16.53 Sun	15	17.08 Sun	(q)
41	Flitton's Farm, track crosses road	290407	100.7	62.5	17.49 Sun		17.49 Sun	(r)
42	Litlington, track crosses road	317421	103.8	64.5	18.41 Sun	10	18.51 Sun	
43	Track crosses A1198	348433	107.2	66.6	19.48 Sun	30	20.18 Sun	(s)
44	Melbourne, Icknield Way meets A10	371438	109.6	68.1	20.59 Sun		20.59 Sun	
45	Meldreth, station	376455	111.7	69.4	21.35 Sun	10	21.45 Sun	(t)
46	Shepreth, junction near station	393480	115.3	71.6	22.47 Sun		22.47 Sun	(u)
47	Barrington, road junction	394496	117.5	73.0	23.25 Sun	10	23.35 Sun	
48	Haslingfield, church	403521	120.0	74.5	0.18 Mon	10	0.28 Mon	
49	Grantchester, Rupert Brooke	432557	125.2	77.8	1.59 Mon	10	2.09 Mon	
50	CAMBRIDGE, Gt. St. Mary's church	448585	129.0	80.1	3.16 Mon		3.16 Mon	(v)

**Escape options** (Some of the more complex ones have several alternative routes; this is an incomplete list of suggestions. See, for example, [www.transportdirect.info](http://www.transportdirect.info) for more details).

	To Oxford	To Cambridge
(a) Wheatley	Bus 280 (xx:13,xx:33, xx:53) or U1 (xx:14, xx:44) to Oxford.	Bus 280 (dep. xx:13, xx:33, xx:53) to Haddenham & Thame Parkway station then train to London Marylebone, then Bakerloo & Victoria lines to KingsX, then train to Cambridge. <b>or</b> Return to Oxford then X5 bus (last bus 19:30).
(b) Waterstock	Walk 0.6 km to A418 (Oxford Road, 635048) then bus 280 (dep. xx:03,xx:23, xx:43) to Oxford.	Walk 0.6 km to A418 (635058) then bus 280 (dep. xx:01, xx:21, xx:41) to Haddenham & Thame Parkway station then train as per (a). <b>or</b> Return to Oxford then X5.
(c) Ickford Bridge	Walk 1.3 km to The Fox, Tiddington, then bus 280 (dep. xx:02, xx:22, xx:42) to Oxford.	Walk 1.3 km to The Fox, Tiddington, then bus 280 (dep. xx:04, xx:24, xx:44) to Haddenham & Thame Parkway station then train as per (a). <b>or</b> Return to Oxford then X5.
(d) Shabbington	Bus 110 (dep 15:41; stop is at 665068) to Thame (Town Hall, arr 16:00) then bus 280 (dep. 16:14 from Town Hall) to Oxford. <b>or</b> Walk 1.6 km to North Weston then bus 280 (dep xx:02, xx:22, xx:42,678059).	Bus 110 (dep 15:41; stop is at 665068) to Thame (Town Hall) then bus 280 (dep 16:15, Town Hall) to Haddenham & Thame Parkway station then train as per (a). <b>or</b> Stay on bus 110 to Aylesbury (arr. 16.35) then 17.05 train or 16.45 bus as (i). <b>or</b> Return to Oxford then X5.
(e) Long Crendon	Bus 110 (dep. 16.06, 17.16, 18:38; stop is at 693086) to Dinton opp New Road (760109) or Dinton Castle (765114), then bus 280 from these points. <b>or</b> Bus 110 (dep 15:04, 15:54, 18:24 to Thame then bus 280 to Oxford.	Bus 110 (dep. 16:06, 17:16, 18:38; stop is at 693086) to Aylesbury then (i). <b>or</b> Bus 110 (dep. 15:04, 15:54, 18:24) to Thame then bus 280 to H&T Parkway. <b>or</b> Return to Oxford then X5.
(f) Chearsley	Walk 0.4 km to the Bell (717106) then bus 110 (dep 16:15, 17:25, 18:47) to Dinton then bus 280 to Oxford as (e). <b>or</b> Bus 110 (dep. 18:16) to Thame then Bus 280 to Oxford.	Walk 0.4 km to The Bell (717106) then bus 110 (dep. 16:15, 17:25, 18:47) to Aylesbury then train or bus as (i). <b>or</b> Bus 110 (dep. 18:16) to Thame then bus 280 to H&T Parkway then as (a). <b>or</b> Return to Oxford then X5.
(g) Cuddington	Bus 110 (dep. 17:28, 18:50) to Dinton then bus 280 to Oxford. <b>or</b> Bus 110 (dep 18:13) to Thame then bus 280 to Oxford <b>or</b> Walk 1.1 km to King's Cross junction (741100) then bus 280 to Oxford.	Bus 110 (dep. 17:28, 18:50) to Aylesbury then train or bus as per (i). <b>or</b> Bus 110 (dep 18:13) to Thame then bus 280 to H&T Parkway then train <b>or</b> Walk 1.1 km to King's Cross junction then 280 to Aylesbury or H&T <b>or</b> Return to Oxford then X5.
(h) Cross River Thame	Walk 2.1 km to Stone (W-bound stop is at 782123) then bus 280 (dep. 18.10, 18:40, 19:25, 20:09,...) to Oxford.	Walk 2.1 km Stone village hall (784123) then bus 280 (dep. 18:35, 18:55, 19:15, 19:39, 20:07,...) to Aylesbury then train as per (i). <b>or</b> Walk 2.1 km to Stone (W-bound stop is at 782123) then bus 280 (dep. 18.10, 18:40, 19:25, 20:09,...) to H&T Parkway then train as per (a)
(i) Aylesbury	Bus 280 from Aylesbury bus station bay 11 (dep. 19:15, 20:00, 20:55, 21:55, 22:55, 23:55) to Oxford.	Train (dep. xx:05, xx:35, 18:05, 18:35, 19.05, 19.27, 20:05, 21:05, 21.27, 22:05) to London Marylebone, then underground to KingsX, then train to Cambridge <b>or</b> xx:45 (last 17:45) bus 150 (bay 6) to Milton Keynes Stop H4) then X5 (stop G3) <b>or</b> xx:15 (last 19:15) bus X60 (bay 10) to Buckingham High St (45 min) then X5 (xx:22, xx:52, last 20:22) from Buckingham High St to Cambridge
** Saturday night options	Taxi to Luton airport then 02:20 coach JL737 from Bay 4 to Oxford (arr.04:10). <b>or</b> taxi to Luton airport then coach A1 (dep 00:55, xx:55 to 04:55, 05:40, 06:00,... bay 10) or coach 757 (dep 00:20, xx:20 to 03:20, 03:50, 04:50, 05:55, 06:35,... bay 7) to London Victoria then coach as per (j). <b>or</b> Taxi to Hemel Hempstead bus stn then 02:45 (stop 8) coach JL737 to Oxford. <b>or</b> Taxi and/or rail repl. bus from Tring (03:55), Cheddington (04:16) or Leighton Buzzard (04:36) to Milton Keynes train stn (arr. 05:18) then X5 (stop Z, first bus 06:25) to Oxford. First morning train from L. Buzzard to MK is 07:46 and to London (then see (j)) is 06:54. <b>or</b> Taxi to Leagrave train stn then see (j)	Taxi to Luton airport or Luton or Challyne, then: Coach 787 from Luton airport (bay 4, 01:20) or Luton train stn (stand 9, 01:30) to Cambridge (arr. 03:00) <b>or</b> Taxi then Coach 777 from Challyne (Dunstable Rd, adj Simpson Close, 04:05) or Luton Galaxy Centre (stop G1, 04:15) or Luton airport (bay 4, 04:30) to Stanstead Airport (bay 18) then 06:30 coach 350 (bay 18) to Cambridge <b>or</b> Taxi to Bedford then X5 (first 05.26) <b>or</b> Taxi to Leagrave train stn then see (j)
(j) Bridge over M1 motorway	Taxi or walk 3.0 km to Leagrave station then train (dep. ....01:59, 02:18, 02:29, 03:07, 03:37, 06:57, 07:57, 08:37, 08:57,...) to Bedford, walk 0.5 km to Bedford bus station then X5 (stop H, 05:30, xx:30 to 17:30, plus 09:00, xx:00 to 20:00) to Oxford. <b>or</b> train (dep. 05:25, 05:55, 06:25, 06:55, 07:25, 07:55, 08:10, 08:25,...) to Harpenden then rail repl. bus to St Pancras then train or coach to Oxford – see below.  <b>Train options from London:</b> From KingsX / St Pancras take Circle or HCity line to Paddington then train to Oxford. Fast direct trains 08:36, xx:36 to 21:36 plus additional fast services each hour via Didcot Parkway or Reading, plus additional slow services at xx:30. After 21:36, take 22:36, 23:47 to Didcot Parkway then rail replacement bus to Oxford.  <b>Coach options from London:</b> Oxford Tube (Victoria Coach Stn, Stop 10, runs 24hr) or X90 (Victoria Coach Stn, Stop 7, 6.30am to 2.30am) to Oxford. From KingsX /St Pancras take Victoria line (07:02 - 23:44) to Victoria. Or bus 10/N73/390 (24hr) from St Pancras stop R to Marble Arch then Tube/X90 from Stop 14.	Taxi or walk 3.0 km to Leagrave (or Luton) station then train (dep. ....01:59, 02:18, 02:29, 03:07, 03:37, 06:57, 07:57, 08:37, 08:57,...) to Bedford, walk 0.5 km to Bedford bus station then X5 (stop G, 05:26, xx:26 to 18:26 plus 05:56, xx:56 to 21:56) <b>or</b> (dep. 05:25, 05:55, 06:25, 06:55, 07:25, 07:55, 08:10, 08:25,...) to Harpenden then rail repl. bus to St Pancras then walk to KingsX and train to Cambridge <b>or</b> Train (times as for StPancras) to Luton, then bus 101 (dep 08:10, 08:40, xx:40 stop C3, or 1 min later from Midland Rd stop) to Hitchin Hermitage Rd, walk 1.0 km to Hitchin stn (or stay on bus 101 to Stevenage stn) then train (xx:22, xx:48) to Cambridge.
(k) Water tower	Walk 0.3km to Whitefield Junior Sch (061259) then bus 27 (dep. 07:29, 08:14, 08:44, 09:06... to Leagrave station or Luton centre (stop C4) then as per (j) <b>or</b> Walk 0.3 km to Olympic Cl (065261) then coach 757 (08:28,09:28) to Luton station (stand 3) or Luton Airport or London Victoria, then as per (j).	
(l) A6 N Luton	Coach 757 (dep. 08:33,09:33) from Turnpike Dr (080263) to Luton station (stand 3) or Luton Airport or London Victoria, then as per (j). <b>or</b> Bus 81 (dep. 07:54, 08:54,10:59, ev.2hr) from Turnpike Dr (080263) to Luton then (j). <b>or</b> Bus 81 (every 2hr from 11:24) from 080264 to Bedford then X5.	
(m) Invisible picnic tables	Walk 2.6 km from Mortgrove Farm to Lilley (stop at 120261) then bus 101 (xx:21) to Luton then train to Bedford for X5 or rail repl. bus to St Pancras as per (j).	Walk 2.6 km from Mortgrove Farm to Lilley (stop at 120261) then bus 101 (xx:53) to Hitchin Hermitage Rd (or Stevenage train stn) then as per (j).
(n) Ickleford	Bus 72 (dep. 10:31, 12:31, 14:31...) to Hitchin Bancroft (Stop D) then walk 1.1 km to Hitchin stn then train (xx:30,xx:58 to KingsX then see (j)). <b>or</b> Train (xx:52) from Hitchin to St Neots, walk 0.8km to Longsands Rd, X5. <b>or</b> Bus 72 (dep. 08:53, 10:53, 12:53...) to Bedford then X5 as per (j).	Bus 72 (dep. 10:31, 12:31, 14:31...) to Hitchin Bancroft (Stop D) then walk 1.1km to Hitchin station train (xx:22, xx:48) to Cambridge. <b>or</b> Bus 72 (dep. 08:53, 10:53, 12:53...) to Bedford then X5.
(o) Letchworth	Train (xx:29, xx:53) to KingsX then as (j). <b>or</b> to Hitchin then St Neots, X5 (as n) <b>or</b> Train (xx:27, xx:53) to Cambridge then walk 1.4 km (or bus) to Parkside (Stop 16) then X5 (xx:10, xx:40 to 15:40 then 16:40, 17:40, 18:40).	Train (dep. xx:27, xx:53) to Cambridge.
(p) A507 near Baldock	Walk 1.0 km to Baldock station then train (dep. xx:26, xx:50) to KingsX then see (j). <b>or</b> Train to Cambridge (or St Neots) then X5 as (o).	Walk 1.0 km to Baldock station then train (dep. xx:30, xx:56) to Cambridge.
(q) Ashwell	Walk 2.7 km to Ashwell & Morden station then train (dep. xx:21) to KingsX <b>or</b> Train to Cambridge (or St Neots) then X5 as (o).	Walk 2.7 km to Ashwell & Morden station then train (xx:01) to Cambridge
(r) Flitton's Fm	Walk 2.2 km to Ashwell & Morden station then as (q)	Walk 2.2 km to Ashwell & Morden station then as (q)
(s) A1198	Walk 2.2 km to Royston station then train. (dep. xx:16, xx:42 to KingsX)	Walk 2.2 km to Royston station then train (dep. xx:07, xx:39) to Cambridge.
(t) Meldreth	Train (dep. xx:11 to 21:11, then 22:11* (arr. 23:19), 23:31*(arr. 00:42)) to KingsX then see (j). *Will involve a coach from London.	Train (dep. xx:11 to 00:11, plus 01:13) to Cambridge.
(u) Shepreth	Walk 0.2 km to Shepreth Stn then train (dep. 3 min before Meldreth in (t))	Walk 0.2 km to Shepreth Stn then train (dep. 3 min after Meldreth in (t))
(v) Cambridge	Oxford walkers arriving in Cambridge are very welcome to stay overnight with one of us. The journey back to Oxford on Monday can be made using the X5 bus or the train via KingsX and Paddington. If you want to get back to Oxford without staying the night there are a few options: - If we arrive early you might catch the last train (dep. 23:16) to London KingsX then a coach to Oxford (see (j)). - Coach 727 (00:45, 03:05, 05:05 from Parkside stop 16) to Heathrow Airprt Cntl bus stn then coach OXF (stand 15, 03:50, 05:40 then 06:10, 06:40...) to Oxford. - The first train is 04:48 via Liverpool Street and Paddington, later trains via KingsX (single ticket £52.70/£34.80 railcard). - The first direct X5 bus (from Parkside stop 16) is 06:20 (single ticket £12.50/£9.40 student; also check megabus.com for cheap advance tickets from £1.50).	