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LUNCHEON, TUESDAY 16th JANUARY



Robin Field-Smith previously gave us a talk on the work of the Inspectorate of Constabulary. This time Robin gave a very interesting talk on "The Capital Ring". This is a series of walks which starts in Woolwich and takes in Wimbledon, Richmond, Greenford, Hendon, Hackney and back to Woolwich a distance of around 85 miles. Robin mentioned a number of little-known facts and places of interest that the walks pass.

Anthony Grantham gave the vote of thanks on behalf of the club.

LUNCH AT THE VIEW, TWICKENHAM TUESDAY 27th FEBRUARY

This was the view from The View, the training restaurant at the well-appointed Richmond-Upon-Thames College. Many thanks to Hywel Thomas for arranging this well-attended and enjoyable event and to Phil Preedy for managing our payments.



WALK AND LUNCH, TWICKENHAM ALONG THE THAMES, TUESDAY 5th MARCH



We met at St. Mary's Church, Twickenham, our route a circular walk, mainly on the Riverside via Marble Hill and Richmond; two hours and slightly less than three miles.

We were thirteen, and, avoiding the new lake created by the recent rains at Marble Hill, and blessed with good walking weather, we managed to avoid the 'unlucky' stigma.

As one of the walkers noted, no matter how familiar the surroundings, there were surprises: an ancient sign on an alley off the riverside path, warning local traders to avoid "street cries"; a Victorian pissoire, still functional, in Pope's York House Gardens, and a newly-created grotto as we skirted Marble Hill House.

Although a planned diversion to the Orleans House Gallery had to be abandoned due to building work, there was a more successful side-trip across the York House bridge to view the white marble sea nymphs (as featured on bottles of Twickenham Brewery's "Naked Ladies" ale) in their rather faded glory. We arrived at the Eel Pie pub in Church Street, a unique venue full of memorabilia to the glory days of 60's rock, and were joined by some non-walkers for a hearty meal and a friendly welcome.

FUTURE EVENTS

Tuesday 26th March: Visit to Poppy Factory (bookings now closed)

Tuesday 2nd April: Walk/Pub Lunch, The Carpenters Arms, Limpsfield RG8 0TG
Organiser: Mike Fraser

Tuesday 16th April : Club Luncheon: Annual General Meeting. No speaker.