



St Francis of Assisi Catholic Ramblers Club

To: A Welcome New Contact

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Dear New Enquirer

Thank you for your recent enquiry about the St Francis of Assisi Catholic Ramblers Club. I am one of the membership secretaries for the current year and a member of the club also runs a site on the Internet where you can see information about the club. The address is "www.stfrancisramblers.org.uk".

Our welcome pack is too bulky to send by e mail but if you let me have your postal address I will send you a copy of the current programme together with a booklet containing lots of information and tips that will make your rambling experience safe and enjoyable. I hope you will then join us on one or more of the events shown on the programme. There are no formalities - just seek us out at the station; we are easily recognised by our walking boots, small rucksacks and happy faces!

Every Sunday regardless of weather we walk in a wide variety of locations in the Home Counties. We usually meet at a Central London Station and take a train to the beginning of the ramble. In winter you should wear warm clothing and at all times it is essential to wear walking boots or strong shoes ie shoes with a good grip to give stability on muddy surfaces. You should also carry waterproofs.

The weekly ramble is the backbone of our activities. We organise regular social events including parties at Christmas and New Year. We also organise occasional walking weekends and holidays. Any member of the club can organise an event and have it included in the programme provided he or she provides a telephone number for contact.

The Club has provided opportunities for Catholics of all ages and both sexes to socialise for over 75 years. From the beginning it has enjoyed the approval of the Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster and a copy of each programme is sent to the Cardinal's representative at his specific request. It is affiliated to the Ramblers Association.

Full membership is available to any Catholic. Members of other Christian Churches may become associate members. Membership is currently £7 on joining and is renewable every October except that new members joining after 31 July in one year do not need to pay again until October

in the following year. You can join by sending a cheque for £7 payable to “St Francis of Assisi Catholic Ramblers Club” to the Treasurer whose name and address will be in the welcome booklet we send to new enquirers. Or you can pay a committee member on a ramble. Life membership is available at 20 times the annual subscription.

Please e mail me if you would like more information or visit the website on

“www.stfrancisramblers.org.uk” Yours sincerely,

Antoinette Adkins

Francis O’Sullivan