Sevenoaks Ramblers

Through ancient woods, pretty villages and across two golf courses -11 miles

Wednesday, 16th September

The season of mellow fruitfulness was in evidence with an abundance of ripe Bramley apples in the orchard we crossed yesterday, though the blackberries were too small to be worth picking. The weather, however, was definitely perfect, with lots of sunshine and the very dark clouds on the horizon not turning into a downpour that could have spoiled the second leg of our 11-mile walk.

This led us from St Mary's Platt to Offham, having crossed Wrotham Heath golf course and the very dangerous Seven Mile Lane. The ferociously barking dogs next to the footpath along the railway signalled another potential danger, but stayed behind the fence, surely disappointed not to be able to take a bite out of a few Ramblers!

There were 16 of us in number, having 'lost' 6 after the first leg of the walk to Plaxtol. The latter missed out on our pleasant lunch break at the Blue Anchor in Platt, where the generous landlady not only allowed us to park for the duration of our walk, but also to consume our picnics in the garden. A lunch stop to be recommended!

