

CTS Termcard Easter 2022

Rooms for in-person events TBC

Pub Night

Week 0

27 April, 19.30, The Castle Inn (near Castle Hill)

This is what all the ‘cool societies’ are doing nowadays, or so we’ve been told. Come along for a relaxed and informal meeting – this term is short and busy, so get your Tolkien fix while you can.

Power in Middle Earth

Week 1

4 May, 19.30, Emmanuel College

Everyone wants power, but few can wield it. With great power comes great responsibility. What if we tried more power? ‘Power’ has a variety of meanings, and all of them come up in Tolkien’s writings. Any interpretation or viewpoint is therefore extremely welcome.

Urban Planning in Middle Earth

Week 2

11 May, 19.30, online

How can Minas Tirith possibly expand in size? Why don’t the dwarves prioritise structural safety over really cool bridges? Do the Galadhrim need to extend their ladders as their trees grow? The cities and towns of Middle-Earth are varied and multifarious. Just as in our own world, a lot of work has to be going on behind the scenes to keep them intact.

Eagle Debate: Best Eagle Debater

Week 3

18 May, 19.30, Emmanuel College

Several contestants. One overloaded eagle. Who, out of all of Tolkien’s characters, would be the best at winning an eagle debate? Who would be best in the dance-off round? And of course – what would their winning strategy be?

Poking at the Nooks and Crannies of Tolkien

Week 4

25 May, 19.30, online

Thankfully, *The Lord of the Rings* is a book that most people can pick up with one hand. But the world of Middle-earth doesn’t stop there. Eons pass before the elves ever awaken, about which we know nothing. Vast expanses of uncharted lands lie to the East and South. And we are given some tantalising hints about parts of the world we never see – how does Ugluk know what a picnic is?

Games Night

Week 5

1 June, 19.30, Emmanuel College

Life at Cambridge is hard. We can’t be expected to come and have serious debates about Tolkien every week. Lay your troubles aside, and join us on Games Night for a light-hearted evening of Consequences, Contact, Taboo and potentially even Tinuviel Pursuit (and any other games, of course).

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Magic in Tolkien's Works

Week 6

8 June, 19.30, online

Galadriel doesn't approve of Samwise using the same word 'magic' to describe what she does and what Sauron does. Our goal this week is therefore to a) do it as much as possible while she isn't looking and b) untangle what the differences actually are.

Storytelling and Poetry

Week 7

15 June, 19.30, Emmanuel College

For this week, we're thinking of a complete read-through of one of the shorter works from our Library. Each person present can do as much or as little as they want. Book to be chosen nearer to the time.

Puntmoot/Geeksoc Picnic

Week 8

Date and time TBC (in-person)

Puntmoot – We hire some punts and head upstream for a time. If you're secretly Earendil, now would be a good time to mention it.

GeekSoc Picnic – In association with the Sci-Fi and Fantasy people (whose turn it is to organise this) and the Doctor Who people, we go for a picnic. Fighting with pool noodles is supposed to only occur between Stewards and Chairbeings.

CTS Read-along

Weekly

Fridays, 19.30, Discord

The CTS Discord read-along continues! We're reading *Lord of the Rings* at the moment and are currently ploughing through Book 4 (aka the second half of *The Two Towers*).