



**RINGWOOD NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY**  
Anderwood Inclosure and Mark Ash Wood Walk

Date: 25<sup>th</sup> February 2020  
Weather: Sunny spells with a heavy shower, 7 degrees  
Walk Leader: Martin King  
Attendees: 10

The walk started from Anderwood car park and barbecue site near Burley in the heart of the New Forest National Park, the site is managed by Forestry England. In the car park Crossbill was heard but not seen then into Anderwood Inclosure passed the barbecue site. Following the grassy ride where we found a recently deceased Treecreeper in perfect condition, up to the cycle track where we turned left onto the gravel track. Continuing on to a T junction where we took the gravel cycle track to the right. At Hart Hill we heard several Goshawks calling and also saw one soaring high above the trees through a gap in the canopy. In this area we also heard Buzzard & Raven calling. The track continues on into North Oakley Inclosure, before turning left onto an extremely muddy and wet track. Where I am glad to say there were no mishaps. Through the gate into Mark Ash Wood where we had lunch on a freshly fallen beech limb bought down in a storm. While having lunch Theresa and myself heard a Lesser Spotted Woodpecker call but sadly we could find it. After lunch a short walk in the wood looking for lesser spots but no luck, we saw some Narcissus flowers 'Tete-a-Tete' at the base of a Beech tree. Then through the gate and back into Anderwood Inclosure.  
*Martin King*

<b>Birds</b>	<b>Birds cont.</b>	<b>Others</b>
Crossbill	Treecreeper	<b>Fungi</b>
Song Thrush	Coal Tit	Turkeytail
Robin	Buzzard	Bleeding Oak Crust
Nuthatch	Goshawk	Green staining of the Green Elfcup
Blue Tit	Goldcrest	
Wren	Raven	<b>Mammals</b>
Chaffinch	Siskin	Grey Squirrel
Mistle Thrush	Wood Pigeon	Roe Deer
Great Tit	Lesser Spotted Woodpecker	
Great Spotted Woodpecker	Stock Dove	<b>Flowers</b>
Redwing	Dunnock	Narcissus Tete-a-Tete



*Large Burl growing on an Oak Tree by Gerry Traves*



*Our lunch stop, a fallen Beech Tree limb by Gerry Traves*

