



RINGWOOD NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Broomy Walk

Date: 27th November 2024
 Weather: Overcast and very wet underfoot
 Walk Leaders: Liz and Mike Read
 Attendees: 7

We met at Broomy Walk car park situated on the gravel track which leads to the High Corner Inn down the hill, its located in Linwood, six miles north east from Ringwood. From the car park we walked across the open very wet and soggy heathland of Broomy Plain to a path which led us past Broomy Lodge a privately owned house, then onto Broomy Inclosure which comprises of oak planted in 1829. The inclosure was 'thrown open' long ago, and without fences the commoners' stock have grazed away the ground cover between the trees shaping the present scene of tall oaks with nothing between. Walking towards Holly Hatch Cottage we met someone from Forestry England who told us a White Tailed Eagle had been just a bit further along the track sat on open heathland by Splash Bridge, of course by the time we got there it had gone. Dockens Water which runs under the bridge had completely flooded the area due to Storm Bert which had passed over us at the week-end. We returned back to our route but a but further along we met the flooding again so we diverted our path upwards bypassing it to arrive at the High Corner Inn pub where we had lunch. Built originally as a farmhouse in the 17th century it has seen considerable alteration and extension but retains its old world charm. Afterwards we walked up the steep hill back to the car park.

Birds	Fungi
Meadow Pipit	Golden Spindles
Raven	Puffball
Stonechat	Ivory Waxcap
Blackbird	Deceiver
Chaffinch	Yellow Stagshorn
Robin	Glistening Inkcap
Song Thrush	Yellow Brain
Nuthatch	Birch Polypore
Blue Tit	Lichen
Great Tit	Reindeer Lichen/Moss
Goldcrest	
Long Tailed Tit	Mammals
Buzzard	Roe Deer
Wren	
	Flowering Plants
	Common Gorse
	Daisy



Yellow Brain Fungus by Lyn Traves