

## **RINGWOOD NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY**

### Cadman's Pool



Date: 27th September 2022  
 Weather: Mainly sunny with a cool breeze  
 Walk Leaders: Martin King and Theresa Holden  
 Attendees: 16

Cadman's Pool, located south of Fritham and west of Cadnam is situated in front of a beautiful old wood known as Ances or Anses Wood and was created by Deputy Surveyor Arthur Cadman in the 1960's to enhance the scenery. It was subsequently stocked with fish and is now one of only three ponds where fishing is allowed by permit only. It's also a breeding ground for duck and Canada geese. Stoney Cross area was a RAF WWII airfield, opened in 1942 it served both the Royal Air Force and United States Army Air Forces. During the war it functioned primarily as a combat bomber and fighter airfield, it closed in January 1948. Today the area is managed by the Forestry England.

Our walk took us from Cadman's Pool east through Anses Wood skirting along the edge of South Bentley & North Bentley Inclosures to Janesmoor Plain. Then turned south across the Linwood/Fritham road to Ocknell campsite then onto our lunch stop in Ocknell Inclosure. After lunch we continued on through Ocknell Inclosure, passing Ocknell Pond and back to the starting point.

<b>Flowering Plants</b>	<b>Birds</b>	<b>Fungi</b>	<b>Mammals</b>
Common Gorse	Chaffinch	Beech Woodwort	Brown Rat
Ling	Dunnock	Beech Sickener	Grey Squirrel
Tormentil	Blue Tit	Field Mushroom	
Autumn Hawkbit	Mallard	Grey Puffball	<b>Dragonflies</b>
Smooth Hawksbeard	Canada Goose	Brown Puffball	Southern Hawker
Dwarf Gorse	Moorhen	Grey Speckled Amanita	Common Darter
Golden Rod	Robin	Purple Brittle-gill	
Bell Heather	Great Tit	Common Funnel	<b>Beetles</b>
Common Catsear	Long-tailed Tit	Veined Shield	Lesser Stag Beetle
Self-heal	Wood Pigeon	Scarlatina Bolete	Dor Beetle
Bristle Bent	Chaffinch	Cep or Penny Bun	
Common Thyme	Stonechat	Oyster Mushroom	<b>Galls</b>
Devilsbit Scabious	Swallow	Tawny Funnel	Robins Pincushion
Autumn Lady's Tresses	House Martin		
Common Centaury	Blackbird		
Chamomile	Raven		
Thyme-leaved Speedwell	Starling		
Buckshorn Plantain	Magpie		
Yarrow	Wood Lark		
Eyebright	Bullfinch		
Daisy	Marsh Tit		
Pale Flax			
Lesser Spearwort			
Common Ragwort			
Marsh St. John's Wort			
Greater Plantain			



Dor Beetle (*Geotrupes stercorosus*) by Martin King



Lesser Stag Beetle (*Dorcus parallelipedus*) by Martin King