



RINGWOOD NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Birds of Keyhaven Walk

Date: 22nd March 2018
 Weather: Sunny Spells
 Walk Leader: Pete Wellstead
 Attendees: 21

Keyhaven Marshes lies between Hurst Spit and Lymington on the Hampshire coast. The area was bought by Hampshire County Council in 1984 and is managed by Hampshire and Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust.

Although there is no access into the coastal marshes themselves, gravel paths maintained by Hampshire County Council allow visitors to walk along the sea wall and admire the stunning vistas across the Solent to Hurst Castle and the Isle of Wight.

Today the area incorporates mudflats, salt marshes, shingle banks, coastal grazing marshes, and saline lagoons. The reserve supports important populations of birds and rare and specialist plants and invertebrates.

Birds	Birds cont.	Birds heard but not seen
Redshank	Mute Swan	Pheasant
Black-tailed Godwit	Mallard	Skylark
Turnstone	Teal	
Snipe	Wigeon	
Curlew	Pintail	
Lapwing	Shoveller	Others
Dunlin	Tufted Duck	1 Deer
Grey Plover	Gadwall	1 Adder
Oystercatcher	Eider	
Little Egret	Brent Goose	
Grey Heron	Canada Goose	
Buzzard	Robin	
Peregrine Falcon	Blackbird	
Kestrel	Chaffinch	
Cormorant	Goldfinch	
Red-breasted Merganser	Greenfinch	
Spoonbill	Carrion Crow	
Herring Gull	Little Grebe	
Great Black-backed Gull	Wheatear	
Lesser Black-backed Gull	Meadow Pipit	
Black-headed Gull	Long-tailed Tit	
Coot	Spotted Redshank	
Moorhen		



Turnstones by Lyn Traves