## RINGWOOD NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY Breamore Walk



Date: 28<sup>th</sup> April 2023 Weather: Sunny and warm

Walk Leaders: Jean Crawford and Richard Briggs

Attendees: 16

Breamore is a village and civil parish near Fordingbridge, Hampshire. Within the parish Breamore House built in 1583 with an E-shaped ground plan lies. Alongside is the Anglo Saxon parish church of Saint Mary where a 1,000 year old Yew Tree stands within the churchyard. On one side of the house is a pristine forest and on the other a grass parkland. The estate borders the New Forest, it is part of the Cranborne Chase & West Wiltshire Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Edward Hulse M.D. the Court Physician to William III in England purchased Breamore Estate in 1748. It still remains their family home over two and a half century's later. The Breamore Countryside Museum is a post war village museum show casing staged sets depicting traditional village life, along with old farm machinery, a collection of tractors, steam engines, steam workshop and a traction engine. After the morning walk passing by bluebell woods, we returned back to the car park where we had a picnic lunch. Afterwards we did a further walk around the southern side of the estate where we passed by a large patch of Cowslips. Numerous Brown Hares were seen on both walks, some were very close by and did not seem bothered by us.

Flowering Plants	Flowering Plants cont.	Birds	Mammals
Pedunculate Oak	Field Madder	Swallow	Numerous Hares
Common Sorrel	Common Comfrey	Great Tit	Roe Deer (4)
Greater Stitchwort	Forget-me-not spp.	Wren	
Common Chickweed	Bugle	Goldfinch	Butterflies
Common Mouse-ear	Ground Ivy	Kestrel (2)	Small White
Red Campion	White Dead-nettle	Blackbird	Orange Tip (m&f)
Lesser Celandine	Red Dead-nettle	Wood Pigeon	Speckled Wood
Common Fumitory	Yellow Archangel	Jackdaw	Peacock
Greater Celandine	Moschatel	Green Woodpecker	Holly Blue
Wood Anemone	Ivy-leaved Toadflax	Robin	
Hedge Mustard	Green Field Speedwell	Chaffinch	Others
Cuckoo Flower	Ribwort Plantain	Chiffchaff	Dung Beetle
Garlic Mustard	Daisy	Nuthatch	
Hairy Bittercress	Groundsel	Blackcap	
Shepherd's Purse	Dandelion	Coal Tit	
Wild Strawberry	Ramsons	Red Kite (2)	
Blackthorn	Bluebell	Song Thrush	
Common Storksbill	Butcher's Broom	Pheasant	
Herb Robert	Lords and Ladies	Whitethroat	
Dog's Mercury	Germander Speedwell	Skylark	
Common Dog Violet		Long-tailed Tit	
Sanicle		Goldcrest	
Cow Parsley		Dunnock	
Primrose		Raven	
Cowslip		Carrion Crow	



Hares at Breamore by Rose Harris