



RINGWOOD NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Breamore Estate Walk

Date: 19th February 2026
 Weather: Overcast
 Walk Leader : Jean Crawford and Richard Briggs
 Attendees: 17

Breamore is a village and civil parish near Fordingbridge, Hampshire. Within the parish Breamore House built in 1583 with an Elizabethan E-shaped style ground floor plan lies. Alongside is the Anglo Saxon parish church of St Mary where a 1,000 year old Yew Tree stands within the churchyard. 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 and it still remains their family home. By the car park is Breamore Countryside Museum which depicts post war village life, a farm shop and cafe. The morning walk took us uphill past the house then through Breamore Woods where we could see the leaves of bluebells emerging. At the top we turned right to circle back walking alongside farmland, then passing the church to the cafe where we had lunch. Afterwards there was a further walk around the southern side of the estate, Brown Hares were seen on both walks, unfortunately they were all some distance away.

Birds	Flowering Plants	Fungi
Sparrowhawk	Snowdrop	Turkeytail
Pheasant	Groundsel	Brick Tuft
Red Kite	Daisy	Hairy Curtain Crust
Mistle Thrush	Lesser Celandine	King Alfred's Cakes
Blue Tit	Mistletoe	Witches Butter
Robin	Primrose	Jelly Ear
Nuthatch	Dog's Mercury	Split Porecrust
Blackbird	Hazel Catkins (m&f)	
Great Tit	Butcher's Broom	Mammals
Tawny Owl (heard)	Green Field Speedwell	Brown Hares
Buzzard	Wall Rue	Roe Deer
Wren	Black Spleenwort	
	Red Dead-nettle	Insects
		Harlequin Ladybird



Jelly Ear Fungus by Lyn Traves