



RINGWOOD NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

A pool, a pond and a puddle

Date: 10th August 2018
 Weather: Overcast with a heavy thunderstorm 15 degrees
 Walk Leader: Bill Syrratt
 Attendees: 14

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 remains of the airfield sits on New Forest Crown Land managed by the Forestry Commission.

After leaving the car park, passing by some of the old airfield, we crossed the road to Ocknell Plain and its pond which had completely dried up as a result of the recent heatwave, then onto Sluffers and Bratley Inclosures, no puddles found. We had lunch followed by very heavy rain and a thunderstorm then lots of puddles whilst returning back across Bratley and Broomy Plains to the car park.

Flowering Plants	Flowering Plants cont.	Butterflies	Birds
Creeping Cinquefoil	Tormentil	Meadow Brown	Magpie
Ling	Daisy	Gatekeeper	Chaffinch
Bell Heather	Sneezewort		Mallard Ducks
Cross-leaved Heather	Rosebay	Others	Meadow Pipit
Leafy Hawkweed sp.	Petty Whin	Fox Moth Larvae	Goldfinch
Dwarf Gorse	Foxglove	Chanterelle Fungus	Blackbird
Bramble	Wood Spurge		Wood Pigeon
Autumn Hawkbit	Yarrow		Carrion Crow
Devilsbit Scabious			
Chamomile	Grasses etc.		
Common Ragwort	Purple Moor Grass		
Dodder	Yorkshire Fog		
Dandelion	Common Reed		
Greater Plantain			
Catsear	Ferns		
Birdsfoot Trefoil	Hard Fern		
Redleg			
Water Mint			
Lesser Spearwort			
Marsh St. John's Wort			
Marsh Thistle			
Spear Thistle			
Self-heal			
Buckshorn Plantain			
Pineappleweed			
Mouse-ear Hawkweed			



Cadman's Pool - Ling Heather by Lyn Traves