



RINGWOOD NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Ogdens Walk

Date: 2nd October 2018
 Weather: Overcast, 18 degrees
 Walk Leaders: Jayne O'Reilly and Marsha Partridge
 Attendees: 15

Ogdens is a small hamlet south of Hyde Common near Frogham in the civil parish of Hyde, in the New Forest, near Fordingbridge Hampshire. Situated in the valley of Latchmore Brook which is a tributary of the River Avon, it is surrounded by heathland and woodland. Latchmore Brook rises in Picket Corner and Crow's Nest Bottom (north of Fritham), draining west towards Ogdens where it becomes known as the Huckles Brook. The Brook extends through three forested inclosures: Islands Thorn Inclosure, Amberwood Inclosure and Alderhill Inclosure before entering the open forest. Ogdens is very rural with a few houses scattered on tracks and farmland. The hamlet is named after Ogden Rooke, a local landowner who possessed Ogdens Purlieu in the latter half of the 17th century. Purlieu is a Norman-French word meaning 'the outskirts of a forest'; a place free from forest laws.

Jayne advises; Our walk took us from Ogdens car park, up Hasley Hole, through Hasley Inclosure and then back down to the car park over Little Witch and Great Witch, total 4.63km where we had our lunch. After lunch 8 went home and the remaining 7 walked along Latchmore Brook into Alderhill Inclosure where we returned to Ogdens on the North side of the brook, crossing numerous water ways and boggy areas, this part of the walk was Martins idea! And probably the most interesting. 10/10 for Marion finishing in one piece, I think she was the fittest one there, total another 4km.... so much for my short walk.

Flowering Plants	Birds	Birds cont.	Fungi
Common Ragwort	Rook	Starling	False Deathcap
Common Catsear	Magpie	Blue Tit	Beefsteak Fungus
Tormentil	Jackdaw	Mistle Thrush	Panthercap
Knotgrass	Wren	Ring Ousel	Birch Bolete
Dwarf Gorse	Robin	Chiffchaff	Dyers Mazegill
Yarrow	Wood Pigeon	Snipe	
Dandelion	Great Tit		
Ling	Carrion Crow		
Cross-leaved Heath	Chaffinch	Mammals	Insects
Bramble	Goldfinch	Fallow Deer (large herd)	Dor Beetle
Wood Sage	Wood Lark		
Red Clover	Meadow Pipit	Fish	
White Clover	Linnet	Minnows	
Marsh Thistle	Swallow		
Meadow Thistle	Green Woodpecker	Butterflies	
Bell Heather	Buzzard	Speckled Wood	
Autumn Hawkbit	Siskin	Small White	
Harebell	Coal Tit		
Daisy	Great Spotted Woodpecker	Dragonflies	
	Sparrowhawk	Southern Hawker	
	Nuthatch		
	Stonechat		



Meadow Thistle seen in Hasley Inclosure by Martin King