

Birds and Nature Group

The pleasure of strolling through a leafy glade surrounded by bird song (if your hearing is good enough!) can be one of the great joys of life. If you've wondered what these birds are or want to learn more about the flowers and butterflies that we can see, in the company of others, do come along to the Birds and Nature Group. We're a friendly bunch, at varying stages of knowledge about what's going on in nature all around us, but good at sharing what we see or know with one another. Many pairs of eyes make these visits very rich and enjoyable, whatever aspect of nature you're interested in. We book lunch at a suitable hostelry after the walk.

We usually go on the fourth Monday morning of the month; no trip in August and December. Our plan this year follows our usual pattern of visits to local reserves, where we'll (hopefully) have good seasonal sightings of flora and fauna. These include LRWT Eggleton and Lyndon on Rutland Water, Ketton Quarry reserve, Deeping Lakes, as well as Barnwell near Oundle and Frampton Marsh. We start each year meeting for lunch and planning the year's programme together, which helps to share the leadership of each event and pools local knowledge of suitable venues. If you're interested, please contact our group co-ordinator David Woodman as given in the Newsletter. david@sbirds.uk



At Barnwell Country Park in March



At Lyndon LRWT hide in June: note the ospreys on screen



At Swaddywell in May (Courtesy of Langdyke Trust)