

The August Field Meeting was held at Grafham Water (track around southern half of Lagoons), on 13th August 2023 and was attended by 7 members.

The walk was round the Lagoon area from Plumber Park. The weather was dry but a little overcast and breeze. There were few birds seen but Sedge Warbler and Chiffchaff were heard. There were House Martins and Swallows over the Lagoon. Several Puffballs were seen in the woodland. Plants of particular interest were Yellow-wort and Squirrel tail Fescue.

The lists that were recorded : Plants recorded by Gordon Wyatt; Butterflies, Moths & Leaf Miners by Barry Dickerson

Trees & Scrub

Acer campestre	Field Maple
Alnus cordata	Italian Alder (<i>planted</i>)
Clematis vitalba	Traveller's Joy
Cornus sanguinea	Dogwood
Crataegus laevigata	Midland Hawthorn
Crataegus monogyna	Hawthorn
Fraxinus excelsior	Ash
Prunus spinosa	Blackthorn
Rosa canina	Dog Rose
Rosa sp	(a rose) (<i>planted</i>)
Rubus caesius	Dewberry
Rubus fruticosus agg	Bramble
Salix caprea	Goat Willow
Sambucus nigra	Elder
Ulmus glabra	Wych Elm

Grasses, Sedges & Rushes

Arhenatherum elatius	False Oat-grass
Dactylis glomerata	Cock's-foot Grass
Holcus lanatus	Yorkshire Fog
Lolium perenne	Perennial Rye-grass
Phleum bertolonii	Small Timothy Grass
Phragmites australis	Common Reed
Poa annua	Annual Meadow-grass
Vulpia bromoides	Squirreltail Fescue (TL160669)
Carex flacca	Sedge
Carex otrubae	False-Fox Sedge
Juncus inflexus	Hard Rush

Flowering plants

Anagallis arvensis	Scarlet Pimpernel
Agrimonia eupatoria	Agrimony
Bellis perennis	Daisy
Blackstonia perfoliata	Yellow-wort (TL157667)
Calystegia sylvatica	Great Bindweed
Centaurea nigra	Black Knapweed
Centaureum erythraea	Common Centaury
Cerastium fontanum	Common Mouse-war
Cirsium arvensis	Creeping Thistle
Cirsium vulgare	Spear Thistle

Convolvulus arvensis
Daucus carota
Dipsacus fullonum
Epilobium hirsutum
Epilobium adenocaulon
Geranium dissectum
Geranium mole
Glechoma hederacea
Hypericum hirsutum
Hypericum perforatum
Linum catharticum
Lotus corniculatus
Lotus pedunculatus
Mentha arvensis
Myosotis arvensis
Odontites verna
Picris echioides
Plantago lanceolata
Plantago major
Potentilla reptans
Primula veris
Prunella vulgaris
Rumex crispus
Senecio erucifolius
Senecio jacobaea
Silene alba
Sonchus arvensis
Stachys sylvatica
Tamus communis
Trifolium dubium
Trifolium repens
Urtica dioica
Veronica serpyllifolium

Field Bindweed
Wild Carrot
Teasel
Great Willowherb
American Willowherb
Cut-leaved Cranesbill
Dovesfoot Cranesbill
Ground Ivy
Hairy St John's-wort
Perforate St John's-wort
Fairy Flax
Bird's-foot Trefoil
Greater Bird's-foot Trefoil
Corn Mint
Field Forget-me-not
Red Bartsia
Bristly Ox-tongue
Ribwort Plantain
Greater Plantain
Creeping Cinquefoil
Cowslip
Selfheal
Curled Dock
Hoary Ragwort
Common Ragwort
White Champion
Perennial Sow-thistle
Hedge Woundwort
Black Briony
Lesser Trefoil
White Clover
Common Nettle
Thyme-leaved Speedwell

Butterflies

Pieris rapae
Celastrina argiolus
Polytonia c-album
Pararge aegeria
Pyronia tithonus

Small White
Holly Blue
Comma
Speckled Wood
Gatekeeper

Moths

Scotopteryx chenopodiata
Epirrhoe alternata
Spilosoma lubricipeda

Shaded Broad-bar
Common Carpet
White Ermine (larva)

Leaf miners

Stigmella aurella
Stigmella salicis

Stigmella hybnerella
Stigmella aceris
Stigmella regiella
Stigmella crataegella
Emmetia marginea
Emmetia angusticollella
Antispila petryi
Lyonetia clerkella
Caloptilia rufipennella
Parornix anglicella
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Phyllonorycter oxyacanthae
Phyllonorycter salicicolella
Cameraria ohridella

Apple Leaf Miner

(on Horse Chestnut on route to lagoons)



Spindle Ermine Moth



Speckled Wood



Corn Mint