

The Hullbridge U3A Bird Watching Group Monthly Report by Roy Simmons



Our January meeting was held on the 24th January at Hanningfield EWT Reserve. The weather was fair but chilly. There was a stiff breeze so the birds were sheltering at the Southern end of the reservoir, as can be seen in the top image above. We had a good bird watch when we saw; mixed flocks of Widgeon and Teal, a flock of Lapwing and Mallard, and several species of Goose, Canada, Greylag, Brent (Dark Fronted), Egyptian, and the resident Mute Swans and Cormorants. We also saw Robins, Blue Tits, Great Tits, Blackbirds, and Pigeons in the wooded areas.

Our next meeting will be at EWT Reserve at Blue House Farm, North Fambridge. Weather permitting this will be on the 28th February, meeting in the Car Park and moving off at 10:00 Hrs. We have been to this venue several times before. The paths are grass and can be muddy, and there are no facilities at this venue.

Please dress appropriately for the conditions on the day.