

The Hullbridge U3A Bird Watching Group Monthly Report by Roy Simmons



The meeting on the 24th September was to have been Two Tree Island but as the car park has been commandeered by caravans, it was decided to go to the Wallasea Island Reserve.

We met at the reserve carpark. The Reserve Warden advised us that there was a "Glossy Ibis" to be seen on the reserve, and we moved off at 10:15. There were several

paths to take, some 5 miles or more, some circular paths others only one way. We decided to take the "Sea Wall Path, about 3 Miles.



The tide was coming in and the birds were being pushed back to shore. We saw; Oyster Catchers, Avocets, Shelduck, Terns, Gulls of all kinds, Geese of most species, Little Egrets, and all the usual small bird like; Swallows, Linnets, Pipits Wagtails, and several singing Skylarks. Unfortunately we did not see the Glossy Ibis, even so this was a very enjoyable event.

The next meeting will be at Hanningfield Reservoir EWT Reserve. To meet in the Visitor's Centre at 10:00, on the 22nd October. Hopefully I will be able to be there.

Please note that Phil Perry has created a superb new "U3A Hullbridge" Web Site. For the Group Monthly Report go to this Web Site which can be reached using this link:- <https://hullbridge.u3asite.uk/>