

Guided Walk on Naphill Common 19th April 2009

37 people came on the 'Guided Walk on Naphill Common' led by Trevor Hussey. They came from as far a field as Tring and Watlington as well as from Naphill.

It was a warm sunny afternoon and we were told about the history of the Common. We were shown the 'Ladies Mile' and where the fair was held. We moved on to Lady Horse pond and Willow pond then to the 'Clumps' and the 'Umbrella Tree'.

On the way back we looked at the main surviving Juniper on the Common and were told about efforts to bring it back to the Common and other areas of the Chilterns. We looked at the earthworks and the 'Great Beech' by Dew pond. We were told about the 'Fairy Shrimps' which were found on the Common. The 'Tank Tracks' can be seen where Churchill tanks were tested. We ended up looking at the remains of very old trees which fell down about 15 years ago. It is a good (but sad) example of what can happen to the pollarded trees on the Common.

Many thanks to Trevor Hussey and his helpers.









