

**The Worthys
A Photographic Survey & Anniversary Celebration
Sunday 20th May 2007**



As a prelude to the 3rd Anniversary Celebration, the first half of the afternoon, members split up into small groups to take photographs of some of the natural aspects of our villages (Kings Worthy, Headbourne Worthy, Martyr Worthy and Abbots Worthy). It was a warm and very sunny afternoon, making the walks that much more enjoyable.

The brief included:

- Views – farmland, lanes, hedgerows, waterways, watercress beds, other open spaces
- Close-ups – flowers, fungi, habitats, insects
- Portraits – animals, trees, bridges, other interesting artefacts
- Anything of conservational interest.

From the outset the groups went their own ways, the routes of which were pre-arranged as follows:

Group 1: Maureen covered Path 502/501, Worthy Down Halt and Hookpit Farm Lane, on her own!

Group 2: Jonathan & Charlotte & family covered KW Primary School, back of Cart & Horses, Broadview, Lovedon Lane, Kim Bishop's Walk and Top Field

Group 3: Sue, Martin & David (plus four hounds!) covered the scenic route of Martyr Worthy and the Itchen Valley

Group 4: Bruce, Mike, Katie & Lizzie covered the top end of Winnall Moors, St Mary's Church, Headbourne Worthy, St Swithun's Church and watercress beds

Later in the afternoon the groups met back at Ruby and Martin's, who again kindly hosted the celebration party, this time in their newly-built garage! Photographs taken were handed in and discussed. Sandwiches, cocktail sausages, fancies, biscuits, and plenty of cups of tea were laid on by Ruby and Maggie, with beer, wine, and champagne as well. Finally, celebration cake was eaten. Old members were invited too, marking a very enjoyable occasion for all. Well done to us for our achievements over the last year!

A selection of photographs will be posted on the website, www.worthysconservationvolunteers.org.uk, for all to see – the best to be judged at a later date.

Weather: sunny and warm, 20°C approx.

Bruce Graham



3rd Anniversary Party !!



Selection from Photographic Survey:



Wildflowers on Peeks Field and St Mary's Church



Fungus growing on lime tree, near Martyr Worthy



Interesting trunk



View from Hinton House Drive



Wildflowers on rocky terrain at Worthy Down Halt



Juvenile Mute Swan on River Itchen