

Birding Group

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The Birding Group do not meet in December so there is no report of sightings this month. Our proposed program for 2020 is as follows:

January	Watt Tyler; a local trip in view of weather
February	Rainham Marshes; good selection of winter visitors
March	Rye Meads or Mersey Island. Enquiries re tide will determine which venue we visit
April	Fingeringhoe annual trip for the Nightingale
May	Minsmere full day trip.
June	Blake's Wood for bird song or Abbott's Hall Farm hopefully for the Turtle Dove
July	No visit planned
August	Canvey Wick or Tilbury Fort
September	Wallasea Island: a general walk to see what is there
October	Bowers Marsh: often geese graze in numbers
November	Hanningfield: local in case of poor weather

Full details of the venues and how to get to them will be emailed to group members in the normal way. As usual, if anyone has a suggestion for any alternative venues, please let me know.

New members are very welcome to join us, please feel free to contact me on the numbers above. We meet at 10 am on the forth Friday of the month and set off about ten minutes later. The walking is not arduous and we usually spend more time standing or sitting in hides enjoying the spectacle of nature. There is no fee to join the group and **all abilities are more than welcome** whether an experienced birder or total novice. We look forward to seeing you throughout the coming year.