



On 19th February, we had **7,514** trees in our database and **10,688** photographs

Welcome to the latest issue of Tree Watch.

It's still cold as I write this, but it's nearly March and spring isn't too far away. If you haven't done any surveying for us yet, why not consider it now. As you'll see on page 4, we are holding a training session in April. Before that we have our AGM. All members have been circulated with information about this. Please come along if you can.

To complement Alison's theme of ancient trees (page 4) I've included these photos of hollow trunks. They are all English oaks: clockwise from left MRNS 395 (Woodley), 7671 (Shinfield), 5752 (Earley) and 4415 (Swallowfield).



The next issue of Tree Watch will be May 2018 and the copy deadline is 30th April. If you have any comments or responses to anything in this issue or contributions for future issues please send them to: Elaine Butler - **datamanager @ wdvta.org.uk**

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Events - March-May 2018

- ❖ Tuesday 20th March - 19:30 - Our **AGM** - Hawthorns School, Northway, Woosehill; parking on site; location map on website.
- ❖ Saturday 24th March - 10:30 - Walk around Wargrave Chalk Pit and Mumbery Nature Reserve with optional lunch afterwards. Booking required (see website).
- ❖ Saturday 28th April - 09:00-12:30 Surveyor training - Charvil Village Hall (see page 4)

Non-WDVTa events:

- ❖ Thursday 19th April - 10:30 - U3A walk in Windsor Great Park. Numbers limited-see page 5

For up-to-date information - see the events page on our website - wdvta.org.uk/events.php

MEMBERSHIP DETAILS AND DATA PROTECTION.

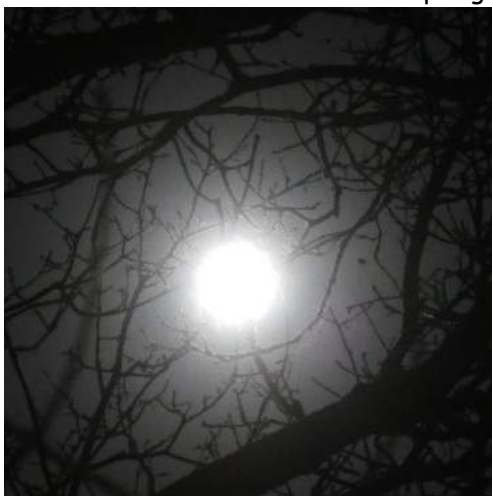
New data protection regulations come into force in May this year. They are in part designed to avoid people staying on mailing lists, when perhaps they've forgotten they ever signed up. This is obviously particularly likely with an organisation that doesn't charge a membership fee. We will be circulating all members next month, asking if you still want to be a member and receive information from us. Please make sure you reply to that email if you do still want to be a member of WDVTa. If we have no reply, we'll have to remove you from our membership and mailing lists.

TREE WATCHING FROM MY CHAIR

Alison Griffin

I hope it is not a little too late to wish you all a Happy New Year with plenty of enjoyment in 2018 from all your WDVTa and tree related activities. I'd especially like to welcome our newest members to their first edition of Tree Watch.

Tree watching from my 'chair' may be a little of a misnomer as I am doing a lot of tree watching from my seat, car seat to be more precise. Yes, well, when did you last have a conversation with someone local that didn't mention traffic delays and congestion? I notice that in the last Tree Watch I mentioned that I was enjoying recognising trees along the roadside from their visible fruits. I'm now attempting to think positively in traffic queues by just looking at trees. Apart from enjoying the tracery shapes of the bare branches which I have long appreciated, I have particularly noticed the very different colours of twigs and branches especially the maroon to black of the silver birch and the pale yellow-green of the weeping willow. The hazel catkins have been splendid too in January. Ted Green in his talk in January mentioned that he thinks we are losing rookeries, so I have been watching out, not just for the sound and sight of rooks, but for their nesting trees. I've even seen what I think might be a ball of mistletoe.



We had our first committee meeting of the year on January 31st and with a clear night, we had good views of the super blue blood moon on the way there and back and I took this night shot of winter tree tracery.

Christmas, Trees and Champagne

Did you manage to see the TV programme just before Christmas when Dame Judi Dench was talking about her love of trees? It is well worth watching when it is repeated if you didn't see it. Set around the seasons and with her quoting relevant passages from Shakespeare, it was very informative as well as

enjoyable. I loved her quote "my life is now trees, yes, trees and champagne"! Tony Kirkham the Head of Arboretum at Kew Gardens replied to our invitation to come to our Launch last year to say that he was sorry, but he was filming with Dame Judi Dench that day - now we know why. In the programme they visited Wytham Woods in Oxfordshire where we hope to have a visit later this year. They also went to look at the Crowhurst Yew in Surrey. This tree features in a new publication from the Surrey Tree Wardens, written to celebrate their 25th anniversary, 'Remarkable Trees of Surrey', that Derek Oxbrough bought at the Tree Council conference last Autumn. The yew is one of the contenders for the title of the oldest yew in the country. A door gives access the hollow trunk which historically has been used as the meeting place for the parish council as well as housing a homeless family.

European Tree of the Year

The start of the year means that voting for the European Tree of the Year is now open. It closes at the end of February. There are links on page 12 to the Woodland Trust website where the finalists for the UK can be seen and to the European Tree of the Year site where you can see the shortlisted trees. On both sites the stories about the trees make interesting reading. Only the English tree has been included this year from the UK. Please visit the site and vote for it.

New Forest in Northumberland

The Forestry Commission has given approval for the planting of 600,000 trees over the next two years at Doddington Moor in Northumberland. It will be 350 hectares (860 acres) in size with both broadleaf (birch and oak) and conifer (spruce and pine) species planned, creating the largest forest to be planted in England for more than 30 years.

Closer to home, I have had a couple of emails informing us about a Network Rail funding scheme for planting and management of woodlands to compensate for trees lost along the railway for the electrification programme. If you know of any projects which might benefit from this funding opportunity, then get in touch.

West Berkshire publications

The West Berkshire Countryside Society recently published a newsletter 'Veteran Trees for the Future'. This is an interesting read and has a map and notable trees marked around Bucklebury Common. In 2013 they also published a couple of Veteran Tree walk leaflets for Burnt Hill Common and Ashampstead Common. [Links on page 12.]

Anniversary Report follow up

As we hoped, publishing the report has made our name more widely known. One of the first contacts came from Radio Berkshire who asked me to be interviewed on their Breakfast Show in late November. It was an interesting experience and we may now be on their radar for 'tree' related local topics. The other person being interviewed was Stephen Chown, Head of Parks and Countryside for Bracknell Forest Council. He was talking about a draft Tree Strategy that had just been put out for public consultation. He sent me a link to this and the committee have contacted councillors and officers at Shute End and hope to meet them in the next few weeks to talk about creating a Tree Strategy for Wokingham Borough. If you would like to read the draft Bracknell Strategy, follow the web-link on page 12.

At committee meetings and at the Coordinator and Tree Warden meeting this month, we are talking about how we can use the report to market ourselves, become more widely known, attract new members and also sell copies of the report.

Could you help?

- Local publications - we have a press release text that we can send you.
- Parish / Town fetes and events - we have display material that can be used on a stall.
- School fetes could be a very good venue for a stall - are you connected with any school?
- Local groups who might like a speaker - we can come along to give a talk.
- We have had success too with some small local businesses taking copies of the report to sell. Are there any near where you live that might do that as well?

Please get in touch if you can help or have any ideas.

Surveyor Training

We have had several new members join over the last year and we have also been approached by Charvil parish council to work with them to review and update their tree data. They have a group of about four new members and we have planned a training session in Charvil for them on **Saturday April 28th** from **9am to 12.30**. This training is open to all members, but we will need the support of experienced surveyors, so please get in touch with me or Elaine if you would like:

- To be trained
- To have some refresher training
- Are able to come along and help with practical training.

We will be planning a follow-up training session for May / June, so if you would like to come, but the April date isn't convenient, let us know and we can get back to you when the second date is arranged.

Ancient Trees

At the Launch in October I talked to Jill Butler about our records and the Ancient Tree Hunt (ATH) data as I had spotted that more of our trees were now classified by them as 'ancient' than had been when we wrote the report. Before Christmas she sent us a spreadsheet with the ATH data for our trees which Elaine and I have been studying. We know that they have not put all of our data onto their database, but they now do have 6481 records from us, so 86% of our records are included.

In their version of the data they add a classification of 'ancient', 'veteran' or 'notable' for each tree and we now have 54% and 46% of our trees are 'veteran' and 'notable' respectively.



However, the really good news is that the number classified as 'ancient' has increased to 28. It was just 4 when we wrote the report. Although we have no additional ancient yews, just the one in Ruscombe, we do have 8 more ancient oak trees, making 10 in total, although 2 of these are dead. The sweet chestnut in Wargrave that may be the oldest tree in our database has been added as an ancient tree. There was already a sweet chestnut in Wokingham Without classified as ancient. The very significant addition to our 'ancient' trees is willows, with 15 in total,



accounting for half of our ancient trees. The two shown here are MRNS 5207 and 5136, both in Swallowfield Park.

Elaine and I are still analysing the information, but the database has been updated to show the ATH classification where known. We will also prepare more information on these very important and significant trees for the AGM.

AGM

Our AGM will be on **Tuesday March 20th** and is being held at the Hawthorns School, Northway, Woosehill from 7.30pm - 9.30pm. All members should have already received the details. We hope you will be able to join us and hear about the plans for the year ahead.

THE NORTHERN FOREST

Last month the government announced plans for a new "northern forest" with the planting of 50,000 trees, but its previous promise to plant 11 million trees hasn't been fulfilled yet. The Woodland Trust says 2017 saw the lowest level of planting in England for many years - just 1,000 hectares. Moreover, the government is providing less than 2% of the funding required for this new forest. The project will cost £500 million over 25 years; the government providing just £5.7 million. Referring to funding which will derive from the mitigation of the environmental impact of major transport projects such as road building and HS2, Paul de Zylva from Friends of Earth said, *"It is a supreme irony that tree planters will have to get funding from*

HS2, which threatens 35 ancient woodlands north of Birmingham. You simply can't compare the biodiversity value of new sticks in the ground with ancient forest."

Roger Harrabin, the BBC environment analyst, is dismissive of the project, describing it as just a marketing slogan. Describing it as "not a forest, just a small increase in woodlands near cities", he asked for suggestions for a more appropriate name. Amongst those sent in were Accrington Arboretum, Gove's Grove, Great Northern Spinney and the Northern Bower House.

"The description of the project from the Woodland Trust suggests that the forest will be less of a green ribbon and more of a sparsely-threaded doily."

Other views are available!

'THE HEART OF THE PARK' – A WALK IN WINDSOR GREAT PARK

This circular walk will be led by Bill Cathcart, retired superintendent of the Park, and will include Queen Anne's Ride, Snow Hill, and the Deer Park, with views of Windsor Castle as well as many beautiful ancient and veteran trees. It's organised through the Wokingham U3A 'Walks in History' group but up to 10 places are being offered to WDVTA members. It's on Thursday morning 19th April. Please contact Barbara Stagles [bkstagles @ btinternet.com](mailto:bkstagles@btinternet.com) to reserve a place and receive further details.

Some of you will remember the excellent WDVTA walk there in 2009. That was also led by Bill, together with Ted Green. A selection of photos from that walk is on our website: wdvta.org.uk/WDVTS/Windsor/

The tree shown here, we were told, is the largest *Quercus robur* in the UK – and hence probably in the world. It has a girth of 12m and is 1,300 years old



JUBILEE OAKS FIVE YEARS ON

In 2012, 60 Jubilee Oaks were planted across the Borough to commemorate the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. Last summer Stephanie McKay and Barbara Stagles visited all 60 oaks to see how they had fared. They took photos of all the trees and these are now on the website. Just click on a tree number on the Jubilee Tree Map to see the "then and now" photos.

The photos below are of tree #51, when planted in 2012 and in 2017. It is outside Spring Gardens, a sheltered housing establishment managed by WBC. Not only is this a very appropriate site for a Jubilee



planting, it also has historic links. In 1897, a Jubilee oak tree from Windsor Great Park was planted nearby to commemorate Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee. That tree no longer exists, being removed to facilitate the building of a couple of garages in 1961!! It is number W003 in our Commemorative and Special Trees inventory with a link to a photograph of it. That photo is also on the front cover of 'Our Village of Spencers Wood', a booklet produced by the Local History Group in 2001, and currently out-of-print, but available in local libraries. Our tree was planted within a few yards of the location of an 'oak pollard' noted on the first OS map of 1871 and on subsequent editions. That tree was a boundary oak on the Basingstoke Road and marked a point on the Parliamentary County Division Boundary. On the 1909 OS map the tree is just labelled 'Oak', and this is repeated on the 1911 and 1913 maps. However it is absent from the 1930 map and there is no sign of a tree there now.

TREE WARDEN ACTIVITIES

Stephanie McKay

On Saturday 25th November during National Tree Week pupils from the Hawthorns Primary School planted oak saplings in Cantley Park Wokingham. These trees were collected two years previously by some of the same pupils when they sprouted unexpectedly due to mild weather. Each class at the school then nurtured a tree ready for replanting. This was a very popular event and we learnt how to attach a guard to the saplings before putting them into the ground. Our overall aim was to protect the unique genetic features of the oaks already living in the park for the future.



LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FOR ANNE BOOTH

At the BBOWT AGM Anne Booth was presented with a much-deserved Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of her work, particularly at Moor Copse nature reserve. She has been the warden there since 1985, running monthly work parties, leading bluebell walks, writing blogs, and still finding time to survey butterflies at Decoy Heath nature reserve. Anne is second from left in the photo below.



Anne was a "founder" veteran tree surveyor, helping to get the project started in Wokingham Town, before the survey was extended to the rest of the Borough, when she became joint coordinator for Earley. She completed the survey in Earley in 2016. Her profile featured in Tree Watch issue 13 (May 2012). Amongst her other voluntary work, she is a committee member of the Earley Environmental Group (EEG) and helps with the Priest Hill Toad Patrol.

Well done Anne.

IN MEMORY OF PENNY MILLER

As mentioned in the last issue, Penny, our Wargrave coordinator, very sadly died last year. On a lovely sunny day last month, three silver birch trees were planted in the Wargrave Chalk Pit nature reserve to celebrate Penny's life and remember her great contribution to both that reserve and to WDVTA. Without Penny's efforts this lovely wildlife haven would not exist. The trees were planted by Penny's husband, Phil, and Stephen Loyd, who organises the monthly working parties at the site.



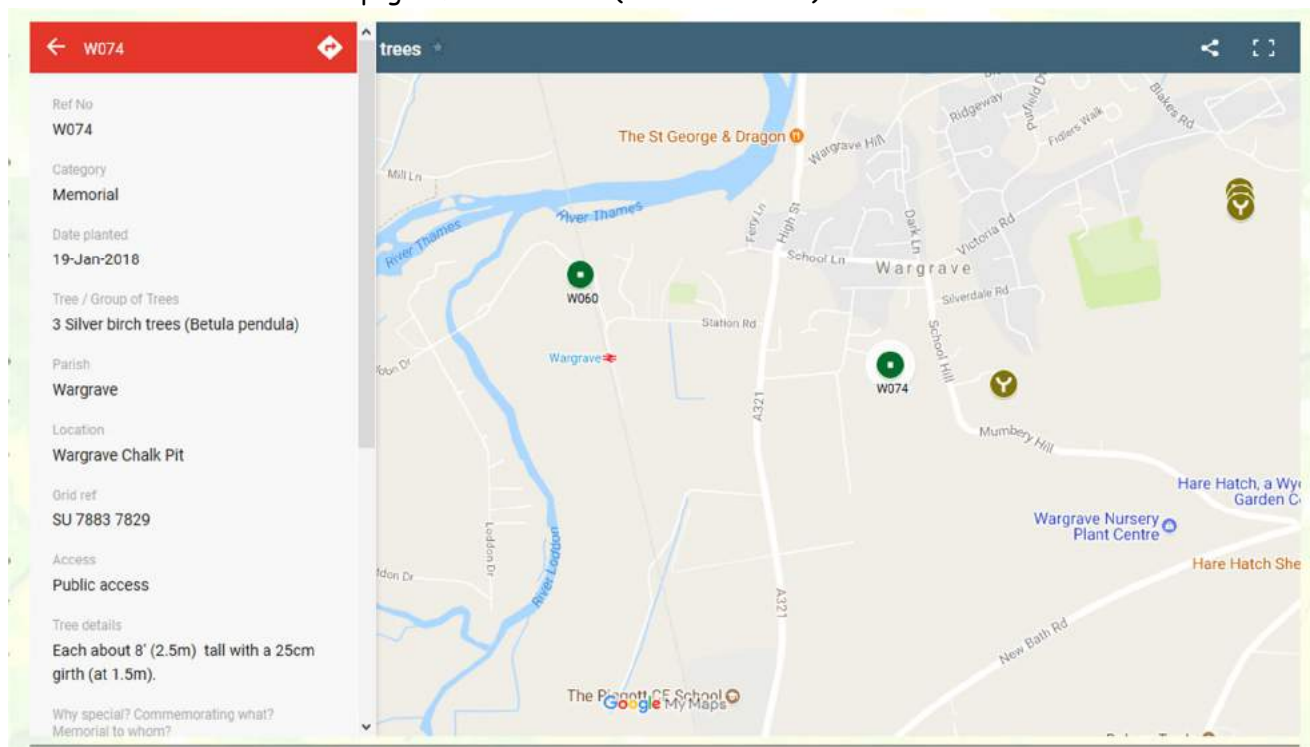
Left:
Friends of Wargrave Chalk Pit working party.

Below right:
Penny's husband, Phil, with their daughter, Katy, and granddaughter, Sophia, who is looking admiringly at one of the trees, whilst, naturally, her mother and grandfather look admiringly at her.

Below left:
Phil & Stephen planting one of the trees.



These trees are now in our "Commemorative and Special Trees" inventory, as entry W074; accessed via the 'Commemorative Trees' page of our website (as shown below).



FROM WHITEBEAM IN WALES TO LOOKING AFTER OUR TREE VALUES:

Patricia Green

A talk by Jon Stokes of the Tree Council

Jon Stokes gave a presentation arranged at RISC by Reading Tree Wardens on 29th November 2017. He had dashed from Wales where he had been examining 20 endemic Whitebeam, so rare that there are only four in the world of one of these, Ley's whitebeam. Jon waved a piece of timber from one tree that is to be ring-counted to calculate its age.

Turning to ash die-back, Jon thought a major loss of trees could affect our landscapes within ten years. He estimated the cost of removing dead ash trees would be about £9 billion across England, and wondered what the cost of proper replacement planting might be. "So how do we put a value on trees, when considering all the pressures for development?" he asked. Planning authorities now place an emphasis on ecological networks being bigger, better and more joined up, and acknowledge the importance of trees in flood prevention, as wind breaks, reducing pollution, and in carbon collection, for example. This has led to the development of a national policy on spending moneys according to the value of trees, in which there is clearly more monetary value found in urban areas than in the countryside.

Much work has been done on quantifying the financial benefit of trees. *Treezilla.org* is one web site that shows maps of trees and their values across Great Britain. It is based on 'iTree' work which gives a value in £ per annum for a given tree species and its girth. This system is being used in Portsmouth. Jon pointed out that saying 'this tree is nice' does not help anyone. The Tree Council's 'Charter for Trees', 2017, sets out the nine Charter Principles to be used by Local Authorities in valuing their trees, and setting policies accordingly. Jon hopes that methodologies such as these will enable us to retain trees more effectively in new developments.

DID YOU KNOW?...Your web searches could help plant trees.

Ecosia is a search engine (www.ecosia.org) that uses at least 80% of its profits from advertising revenue for tree planting projects all over the world. So far, it's planted over 21 million trees. By searching with Ecosia, you can help the environment for free.

Veteran Tree Survey snapshot

LOST TREES

105 = 1.4%

felled

19 = 0.25%

fallen

118 = 1.6%

recorded as stumps

44

most felled trees
recorded in any
parish/town
(Wokingham Town)

2

parishes with no
felled trees
recorded
(Remenham &
Swallowfield)

".... Wokingham District Veteran Tree Association, probably the most successful local veteran tree survey project in the UK."

David Alderman, ATH Head Verifier, (27 Jan 2018), Woodland Trust blog

WHERE IS IT?

Do you know where this tree is?

Answer in the next issue.



This one is in our database and has links with at least two articles in this issue.

From the last issue:



This is the Sycamore Gap tree in Northumberland, growing in a very picturesque site in a gap in Hadrian's Wall. It was placed 5th in the European Tree of the Year contest last year, having won the England Tree of the Year award in 2016. Much photographed, the lower image is the more familiar one. [Photo credits on page 12.]

This month's

A C R O N Y M / I N I T I A L I S M

GRIS - Global Register of Introduced and Invasive Species

This on-line database can be searched by country, kingdom (animals, plants, fungi etc), habitat and evidence of impact, and within that by genus or species. It's very easy to use and the results can be downloaded as a csv or pdf file. [Currently a semi-colon is used as the separator instead of a comma. That may be rectified; but in the meantime, you need to specify the separator to get the data into a spreadsheet format. LibreOffice automatically gives you that option - Excel 2016 doesn't.]

It lists 4 alien oaks for the UK: *Quercus canariensis*, *Q. cerris*, *Q. ilex* and *Q. rubra*, of which the last three are listed as having an "impact". I'm sure you can think of other alien (non-native) oaks growing here.

A search for evidence of impact for terrestrial plants in the UK produced 63 entries; nine of which are trees: 2 pines (*Pinus nigra*, *P. pinaster*), 3 cherries (*P. laurocerasus*, *P. lusitanica*, *P. serotina*), *Robinia pseudoacacia*. and the three oaks referred to above.

In Tree Watch 33 (May 2017 p9) I mentioned another downloadable database called GlobalTreeSearch.

These databases can be very useful; but the old adage applies "Absence of evidence is not evidence of absence"!

SADLY DEPARTED - MRNS 183, 184 & 185 - all felled as part of the Elms Field development in Wokingham Town.

All three trees were recorded in 2008 as part of our initial survey of the veteran trees in Wokingham Town. The much-publicised regeneration of Elms Field has now started and sadly some lovely trees and hedges are being lost, including these three. We have lost a 200 year old English oak (MRN 185) and London Plane (MRN 184) and a 120 year old Lime (MRN 183), all healthy, with more years of life left to them.



Above are before and after photos of the oak, MRN 185. Below is the Lime, MRN 183 and; below right is the London Plane, MRN 184



There was a report in the Wokingham Paper on 19th Feb ([link on page 12](#)).

Also lost since the last issue is MRN 1236, a Lombardy Poplar felled in Earley.

The 1,000 year old **Buttington Oak** collapsed this month. A spectacular pollard, with a girth of 11m, it stood isolated in a field on Offa's Dyke near Welshpool, but it had no special support. It was the largest tree on Offa's Dyke and considered the second largest in Wales. [Follow the link on page 12 for some good photos.] Probably planted as a boundary marker, it is said to mark the site of the Battle of Buttington in 893; where a combined army of Saxons and Welsh successfully laid siege to a Viking fortification.

SPECIES IN FOCUS - IDIOT FRUIT (*IDIOSPERMUM AUSTRALIENSE*)

10 miscellaneous facts about the Idiot Fruit

1. Also known as the Green Dinosaur, it was one of the earliest flowering plants and has been around for 120 million years.
2. It only exists in isolated areas of North Queensland, with the highest concentration in the Daintree Rainforest, Cooper Creek. This area is considered an isolated relict of Gondwanan vegetation, containing an exceptional range of primitive flowering plants.
3. Loggers found it in an area south of Cairns in 1880s and called it "ribbonwood" because of its cabinet-making qualities. [The name 'Ribbon wood Tree' has been applied to several unrelated trees, including this one.]
4. It was reported to Ludwig Diels and described by him in 1902; but not confirmed then. Clear felling of the rain forest (for sugar cane plantations) meant no living specimen could be found to verify the reports and it was considered extinct.
5. Re-discovered in 1971 inside the stomachs of dead cattle.
6. It's called 'the idiot fruit' because the heavy seeds fall to the ground below the parent tree (where their growth is inhibited) and there are no effective vectors.
7. The seeds contain very toxic alkaloids and even the Southern Cassowary, which is responsible for dispersing many toxic rainforest seeds, does not eat the idiot fruit. Apparently, the Musky rat-kangaroo, a native marsupial, does bury some of these seeds; and perhaps they were formerly dispersed by now-extinct marsupials, such as Diprotodon, which adapted to cope with the toxins in Australian plants.
8. The fruits are not true fruits and the seeds are not true seeds. All the protective layers decay whilst still on the parent tree (and hence don't cushion the fall of the seed as once thought). It's the naked plant embryos that fall to the ground. These are very large, 8cm (3.1") in diameter, and weigh around 225 gms.
9. This evergreen tree has many very primitive characteristics, including its cotyledons. Whereas modern flowering plants have either one or two seed leaves (cotyledons), this plant has more and the number is not fixed. It's usually 3 or 4, but can be between 2 and 7.
10. Predictably, we don't have one in our database! So far I haven't been able to find one in any UK collection; but, when I came across it, I just couldn't resist finding out more about the "idiot fruit".



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© Daintree Rainforest Cooper Creek Wilderness.

.... *And to make you smile:*

I rather like this message I got from an online identification guide that found no matches for my search:

- you have a kind that is not yet in the guide,
- the guide is wrong,
- or you selected characters that you shouldn't have.

RECOMMENDED WEBSITES & READING

www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2017/12/winter-tree-identification-twigs-buds-and-silhouettes - a short winter tree identification quiz - try it out!

www.treeoftheyear.org - European Tree of the Year site

<https://democratic.bracknell-forest.gov.uk/documents/s112880/Exec%20260917%20Bracknell%20Forest%20Tree%20Strategy%20draft.pdf> - Bracknell's Tree Strategy (or just Google it!)

www.northwessexdowns.org.uk/uploads/File_Management/Publications/Heritage/VeteranTrees_Bucklebury.pdf - "Veteran Trees for the Future" - Bucklebury Common

www.griis.org - database of introduced and invasive Species

www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/blog/2018/01/ati-highlights-2017 - Ancient Tree Hunt 2017 highlights

Some sources used in this issue: all web pages accessed/checked 26-02-2018 (unless stated otherwise)

p3 Tree watching: <https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/visiting-woods/tree-of-the-year/> ;

<http://www.westberkscountryside.org.uk/Veteran%20Trees%20on%20Ashampstead%20Common.pdf>

<http://www.westberkscountryside.org.uk/Veteran%20Trees%20on%20Burnt%20Hill%20Common.pdf>

p 4 Northern Forest: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-42591494> ; "Farming Today" BBC Radio 4 18-01-2018:

p6 Anne Booth: <http://www.bbwt.org.uk/news/2017/10/17/bbwt-honours-volunteers%E2%80%99passion-nature>

p9 Where is it? <https://www.treeoftheyear.org/ETV-2018/Previous-Years/2017.aspx> ;

photo credits: <http://maxpixel.freegreatpicture.com/Tree-Northumberland-Sycamore-Gap-Hadrians-Wall-2133476>

<https://www.theguardian.com/environment/gallery/2016/sep/19/2016-woodland-trust-tree-of-the-year-shortlist-in-pictures#img-6>

p9 Acronym: <http://www.griis.org/> (database accessed 29-01-2018 & 25-02-2018 with same results); <https://www.nature.com/articles/sdata2017202>

p10 Sadly departed: <https://www.wokinghampaper.com/trees-removed-from-elms-field-ahead-of-works/> ; <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-mid-wales-43084088> ; https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle_of_Buttington

p11 Species in Focus: <http://coopercreek.com.au/living-green-dinosaur/> ; http://coopercreek.com.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/03/I_australiense.jpg

<http://www.wettropics.gov.au/the-green-dinosaur> ; <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Idiospermum>

http://keys.trin.org.au:8080/key-server/data/0e0f0504-0103-430d-8004-060d07080d04/media/Html/taxon/Idiospermum_australiense.htm

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Don't forget: You can download a pdf version of our 10th anniversary report from our website - but you can also access an extended version of it, with links to the trees mentioned:

wdvta.org.uk/report10.php

Details of all trees in our database are available via the web map pages: wdvta.org.uk/WDVTS

The inventory of commemorative and special trees can also be accessed via our website:

wdvta.org.uk/commem.php

Finally, and most importantly,
THANK YOU to everyone who is out there recording our trees.
We wouldn't have a database without you.