



Redlynch and District WI

Charity Registration No.292382

July 2018 Report

This year we decided to have our Annual Outing in July and the 11th was part of the year's outstanding summer weather, absolutely ideal for a trip to the Isle of Wight.

Herrington's picked us up locally and we headed for the Red Funnel terminus at Southampton. The Solent was like a mill pond. So much to see, Southampton fading away in the distance, small craft manoeuvring amongst the larger yachts, seagulls wheeling around and suddenly we had docked and were on our way to our lunch break at Godshill. Plenty to see on the way, Shanklin, Osborne House, Tower of the Royal Church as well as viewing everyone's gardens from the height of the coach!

Everyone did their own thing at Godshill with a deal of talking thrown in! Quite a few of us chose to sit under sun umbrellas surrounded by beautifully planted borders of flowering plants and shrubs, (although naming all the shrubs became quite a challenge) whilst our delicious food was cooked.

After lunch we re-joined the coach and drove along the Military Road to Yarmouth. Little traffic on the road allowed us to drive slowly and to appreciate the magnificent views of sea and coast, the colours intense under the cloudless bright sky. A walker here and there and a hang-glider swooping dramatically over the sea and cliffs keeping pace with us. All this with a quiet commentary on places and history from Graham, our driver.

Reaching Yarmouth a bright array of colours from the moored yachts greeted us. Just the place for a group photograph for the albums. Plenty of time to explore the quaint streets, enjoy a cup of tea and cake, or sit outside licking a big icecream. Memories are made like this.

Time for the return ferry. What a lovely day, no-one late for the coach anywhere, so we came back with the same number as we left with! A happy but tired group after a relaxing outing. We will hope for similar weather next year.

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