

SWAN 62 - REPORT

This years' SWAN Expedition took place from Good Friday, 6th April to Saturday 14th April 2012. It comprised 79 members from as far a field as Cheshire, Mid Wales, Shropshire, Winchester, Kent, Surrey, Cambridgeshire, Derbyshire, Wiltshire, Nottinghamshire and Norfolk.



Quanting from of Barton Turf



Rafting up on Hoveton Little Broad

The weather was very varied from sunny to rainy with variable winds which gave us plenty of reefing and quanting practice.

After meeting at Hoveton & Wroxham Scout HQ and shopping for supplies. This years route took us from the [Hunters Yard](#) at Womack Water, to [Upton Dyke](#), [Horsey Mere](#), [Hikling Broad](#), [Barton Turf](#) for Exercises and Training on Barton Broad and on to moor at [Sutton Staithe](#). Setting off early from Sutton Staithe we made Wroxham Broad where we were warmly welcomed at the [Norfolk Broads Yacht Club](#).

With the moorings being nearly full at Horning Ferry, the whole fleet got into [Cockshoot Dyke](#) near [Cockshoot Broad](#).

This years' time trails took place at [Thurne](#) mouth with the end of the expedition gathering at [Ludham Village Hall](#)



Use of alternative means of propulsion with the mast down

At 13:15 on Thursday the whole fleet rafted up on Hoveton Little Broad to pay tribute to Peter Evans by holding a two minutes silence, yelling “oggy oggy oggy” and singing “The Skipper” (this being the time of his funeral in Exeter). Peter took part in 18 expeditions from 1983 to 2004 but sadly died of a brain tumour recently aged just 42.

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