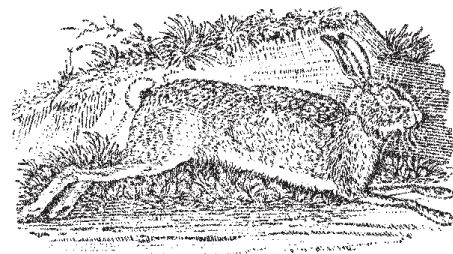


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SUMMER FARM WALK AND LUNCH AT HARCOURT FARMS, WIVETON



On Saturday 13 June, 42 members and supporters of the NBHC enjoyed a farm walk and lunch in hot summer weather, thanks to our hosts George Harcourt, who conducted the farm walk, and his mother, Janet, who told us all about the old Wiveton harbour and the area around the family's Church Farm, which stands on the edge of the valley of the river Glaven. Views enjoyed included Cley Mill (above) and Blakeney Point.

Our thanks go to Michael Pollitt for organising the walk and to our answer to Elizabeth David, no less than Jacinth Rogers, for providing a scrumptious three-course cold lunch.



Above: Our host George Harcourt who was in a Claas of his own, and Chairman Petch. **Above right:** Some of the walkers in the entrance to the farm, about to set out on the walk. The walk took-in the best example of an Esker in England. An Esker is a long, winding ridge of stratified sand and gravel, examples of which occur in glaciated and formerly glaciated regions.



The entrance to the three-seater privy on the e of Church Farm, Wiveton.

Above: On the top of Wiveton Downs. **Below:** On the way to the old gravel quarry. One crop grown on the farm - spring beans - has an unusual destination - Egypt - to be eaten during Ramadan.



Is this the remains of steps in the old Wiveton harbour wall, or the remains something else? Wiveton was once a very important harbour, which was superseded by Cley and then Blakeney.



Above: Janet Harcourt, with Michael Pollitt on her left.

Right: Admiring the remains of an historic apple tree, all that is left of a former orchard.