

UP AND COMING WALKS

Sunday 2 nd April	Silchester	Meet at Oakley schools lay-by
Morning with late lunch	Walk is 6 miles approx	9.50am for 10 start
Sunday April 23 rd		
Friday May 5 th		

Why not come and join us? Try a walk or two and see how it goes.

Check out oakleyramblers.org or email oakleyramblers@gmail.com

Check website nearer the time as times for walks may change.

WALK REPORT Saturday 18th February 5.5 miles 9 walkers left Oakley School lay-by to drive to Caesar's Camp near Upper Hale, Farnham. It is an Iron Age hill fort considered of national importance by Historic England. Miscellaneous finds include a Roman roof tile, now held in Camberley Museum and an early Rapier dating to the Middle Bronze age (c.1500-1000BC).

Early drizzle had eased, unfortunately no views of Frimley, Fleet or Farnborough due to low cloud but on a clear day London landmarks Shard, Canary Wharf and Wembley Arch can be seen.

We walked on firm sand and shingle paths along the northern path of the hill fort with silver birch trees to our left and many yellow flowered gorse bushes. Then past the east side of Caesar's Camp and into the conifer plantation known as the 'mini levada' which has water collection channels similar to those on the Island of Madeira.

Leaving the levada and going down into the valley we left Caesar's Camp and crossed into the MOD training area known as Area B4 (Long Valley), used for military training week days but open to walkers at weekends.

Crossing back into the Caesar's Camp location we ascended into an area of oak trees, hopped over a stream, through a vast sandy beach area and back to the car park. Then Water Witch pub, Odiham for lunch. *Leader Carolyn*

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