SPOTLIGHT ON LYNFORD ABORETUM

1924

Estate of 6000 Acres sold to FC



1945

FC establishes Forestry Training School in the Hall



1946-56

Arboretum planted to the east of the hall



1970

FC sells of the hall and some of the grounds, but retains the arboretum



1970-1990's

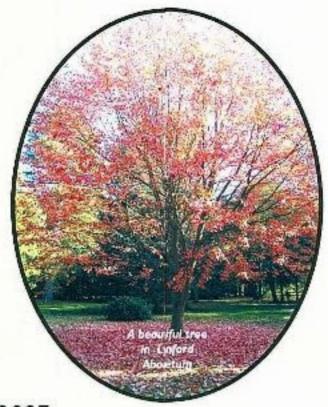
Arboretum open to public and cared for by FC



2006

FC asks FOTFP to look into taking over the care of the Arboretum.

After much considering of the implications of taking over the care of such an important site, the committee approved the request.



2007
FOTFP take over daily care.
Tools purchased, and much
clearance work undertaken.
Hamamelis (Witch Hazel) glade
cleared & re planted.



2008

Many existing trees identified and re labelled.

The lodge arrives to store tools and information material.

Moth surveys reveal over 230 different species on site Planting of shrubs and yew trees Thanks to ground clearance, grass cutting by machine is possible.

2009

Full tree audit completed and recorded, including gps locations Wild Flower meadow created 30 more specimen trees planted Successful grant application to Awards For All to fund the first set of interpretation boards seen on the site

New benches commissioned and sites prepared. Clearance work continues

removing many overgrown and unwanted shrubs and self-sown trees that threaten to push out the specimen varieties.



2010 so far !!
New benches installed
Serbian Spruces planted
Continued clearance of shrubs
Cub Scout Naturalist badge day
held followed the week after by
American Scouts badge day
Open Day for the Public
FC survey places Lynford as the
3rd most significant Arboretum
in the country