**Trent Park Circular, Wednesday 1st June 2011**

21 walkers, 7 miles – leader Peter Russell

21, including several recovering from the 100, had a brisk walk around the perimeter of the park with a loop inwards to the house and lake. We saw the massive 1702 obelisk placed there in 1934 by the super-rich Philip Sassoon (to be seen from the honeymoon bedroom of the Duke of Kent), then the Anglo-Saxon Camlet moat, then a ditch of 10-foot-high poisonous giant hogweed, and so to the mansion with its classical sculptures and history including the imprisonment of Hess before it became an emergency teacher training college whose estate was preserved as green belt. We missed out the final fields of buttercups but were pleased to have extra time at the Cock and Dragon pub with its good Thai curries where Jerry joined us after failing to find us or the house or obelisk.