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Eskrigg Reserve

October 2022 News Bulletin



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1. Thu. 13



Sat. 22



2.

Confirmed wildlife sightings at the Reserve during October.

a. Birds:

Blackbird, Blue Tit, Buzzard, Carrion Crow, Chaffinch, Coal Tit, Crossbill, Dunnock, Fieldfare, Goldcrest, Goldfinch, Great Spotted Woodpecker, Great Tit, Greenfinch, Grey Heron, Jay, Kestrel, Kingfisher, Long-tailed Tit, Mallard, Merlin, Moorhen, Mute Swan, Nuthatch, Pheasant, Redwing, Robin, Siskin, Sparrowhawk, Stock Dove, Thrush, Woodpigeon, Wren.



b. Mammals:

Bank Vole, Grey Squirrel, Mole, Rabbit, Red Squirrel, Roe Deer, Stoat, Weasel.

Photographs by Jim Grieve (JG), Jim Rae (JR)

3. **October 2022 Photo-gallery** – The **numbered fungi** were spotted on the Fungal Foray 30.10.22. The **lettered fungi** are a few of the ones spotted on other occasions during October.



Row 1: Brown Birch Bolete (22), White Saddle (25), Wood Hedgehog (27)
Row 2: Charcoal Burner (28), Tawny Funnel Cap (29), Clouded Funnel (30)
Row 3: Jelly Baby (A), Bay Polypore (B), Blusher (C)
Row 4: Brown Rollrim (D), Plums and Custard (E), Beech Milkcap (F)
Row 5: Sticky Bolete (G), Shaggy Inkcap (H), Bay Cup (I).

Photographs by Jim Rae

4. Construction and Maintenance Work during October.

Sat. 8 **Joe Borthwick, Thomas Boyes and Jim** repaired the Reserve sign at the car park after someone reversed their car into it and broke one of the posts and damaged the cross bars.



Mon. 10

Thomas Hargreaves and Jim cut the hedge at the side of the Dumfries road near the Cemetery Entrance then strimmed and raked the top section of the Northern Loop.

Tue. 11 **Gordon Reid and Jim** strimmed and raked the sides of the Car Park and then part of the Northern Loop.



Tue. 18 **Gordon and Jim** tidied the Bilberry, Honeysuckle and Larch walks with the strimmer, leaf blower and rakes.

Wed. 19 **Jim** tidied the top section of the Pipeline Walk.

Tue. 25 **Gordon and Jim** strimmed, pruned and raked another section of the Northern Loop.

Sat. 29 **Joe Borthwick, Sybille Spagele and Jim** filled in the pot holes on the Eskrigg Farm Road.



5. October Events

Fri. 14 During the week of the **Great Scottish Squirrel Survey**, the **Annandale Red Squirrel Group** met up with Victoria Chanin (Project Officer South East Scotland for Saving Scotland's Red Squirrels) at the Reserve to discuss a number of issues and then have a walk through the woods. They had hoped to see some of the red squirrels, but unfortunately on this occasion they didn't.



Sun. 30 **Fungal Foray with Duncan Ford**

Twenty people booked in for the event. As usual, Duncan was well prepared and impressed everyone with his depth of knowledge on the subject. It was near the end of this year's fungal season and yet there was a good representation of the various fungal groups along the woodland walks chosen and Duncan went into some detail about thirty different species. See the list on page 4. Despite a few showers, all present enjoyed the experience and learned a lot.

Thanks Duncan. P.S. Jim forgot to take a photograph of the group.

6. October flowers identified at Eskrigg Reserve and Woodland Walks.

Autumn Hawkbit, Bluebell, Creeping Buttercup, Dandelion, Herb Robert, Red Campion, Tormentil, Wavy Bittercress.

Photographs by Jim Rae

Fungal Foray with Duncan Ford - 30th October 2022 – **New Species**

Common Name	Scientific Name	Common Name	Scientific Name
1. Glistening Inkcap	<i>Coprinellus micaceus</i>	16. Honey Fungus	<i>Armillaria mellea</i>
2. Bay Bolete	<i>Imleria badia</i>	17. Common Puffball	<i>Lycoperdon perlatum</i>
3. Beechwood Sickener	<i>Russula nobilis</i>	18. Twotone Funnel	<i>Clitocybe metachroa</i>
4. The Miller	<i>Clitopilus prunulus</i>	19. Red Cracking Bolete	<i>Xerocomellus chrysenteron</i>
5. Shaggy Scalycap	<i>Pholiota squarrosa</i>	20. Bluefoot Bolete	<i>Xerocomellus cisalpinus</i>
6. Beech Knight (Fleck-gill)	<i>Tricholoma sciodes</i>	21. Suede Bolete	<i>Xerocomus subtomentosus</i>
7. Ashen Knight	<i>Tricholoma virgatum</i>	22. Brown Birch Bolete	<i>Leccinum Scabrum</i>
8. Lumpy Bracket	<i>Trametes gibbosa</i>	23. Scarletina Bolete	<i>Neoboletus praestigiator</i>
9. Summer Bolete	<i>Boletus reticulatus</i>	24. Elfin Saddle	<i>Helvella lacunosa</i>
10. Common Rustgill	<i>Gymnopilus penetrans</i>	25. Blusher	<i>Amanita rubescens</i>
11. Amethyst Deceiver	<i>Laccaria amethystina</i>	26. White Saddle	<i>Helvella crispa</i>
12. Fly Agaric	<i>Amanita muscaria</i>	27. Wood Hedgehog	<i>Hydnum repandum</i>
13. Branching Oyster	<i>Pleurotus cornucopiae</i>	28. Charcoal Burner	<i>Russula cyanoxantha</i>
14. Slippery Jack	<i>Suillus luteus</i>	29. Tawny Funnel Cap	<i>Paralepista flaccida</i>
15. Birch Knight	<i>Tricholoma fulvum</i>	30. Clouded Funnel	<i>Clitocybe nebularis</i>



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