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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.

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).

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.

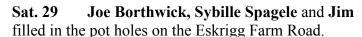
Tue. 11 Gordon Reid and **Jim** strimmed and raked the sides of the Car Park and then part of the Northern Loop.



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.





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.

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

Common Name

- 1. Glistening Inkcap
- 2. Bay Bolete
- 3. Beechwood Sickener

4. The Miller

- 5. Shaggy Scalycap
- 6. Beech Knight (Fleck-gill)
- 7. Ashen Knight

8. Lumpy Bracket

- 9. Summer Bolete
- 10. Common Rustgill
- 11. Amethyst Deceiver
- 12. Fly Agaric
- 13. Branching Oyster
- 14. Slippery Jack
- 15. Birch Knight

Scientific Name

Coprinellus micaceus Imleria badia

Russula nobilis

Clitopilus prunulus

Pholiota squarrosa Tricholoma sciodes

Tricholoma scioaes **Tricholoma virgatum**

Trametes gibbosa

Boletus reticulatus

Gymnopilus penetrans

Laccaria amethystina

Amanita muscaria

Pleurotus cornucopiae Suillus luteus

Tricholoma fulvum

Common Name

- 16. Honey Fungus
- 17. Common Puffball
- 18. Twotone Funnel
- 19. Red Cracking Bolete

20. Bluefoot Bolete

- 21. Suede Bolete
- 22. Brown Birch Bolete
- 23. Scarletina Bolete
- 24. Elfin Saddle
- 25. Blusher
- 26. White Saddle
- 27. Wood Hedgehog
- 28. Charcoal Burner

29. Tawny Funnel Cap

30. Clouded Funnel

Scientific Name

Armillaria mellea

Lycoperdon perlatum

Clitocybe metachroa

 $Xero comellus\ chrysenter on$

Xerocomellus cisalpinus

Xerocomus subtomentosus

Leccinum Scabrum

Neoboletus praestigiator

Helvella lacunosa

Amanita rubescens

Helvella crispa

Hydnum repandum

Russula cyanoxantha

Paralepista flaccida

Clitocybe nebularis



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