

Tyntesfield Audit, 25 January 2024

The New Year was greeted with a very reduced number of species, along with very few examples of each. Much effort was placed on finding Scarlet Elfcups, but the only samples seen were on moss covered logs on a wood pile at the top of the Estate. Likewise, nearly all the other species were growing on wood, including many old examples of *Apioperdon pyriforme* (Stump Puffball).

Two species, however, are worthy of note: *Arrhenia retiruga*, a very small fungus (1-2cm) that grows on moss was found in Farm Plantation, and *Crepidotus versutus*, a small Oysterling on dead bramble stems in Plantation. Although it is similar in general appearance to several other Oysterlings, this species is readily distinguished from other Oysterlings by its ellipsoid spores (see below)..

List of species:

Apioperdon pyriforme

Arrhenia retiruga

Bjerkandera adusta

Byssomerulius corium

Clitocybe fragrans

Crepidotus versutus

Dacromyces stillatus

Diaporthe samaricola

Exidia thuretiana

Fomitopsis betulina

Ganoderma adspersum

Inocybe geophylla

Panellus stipticus

Sarcoscypha austriaca

Stereum hirsutum

Stereum subtomentosum

Trametes versicolor

Tremella mesenterica

Tubaria furfuracea

Xylaria carpophila

***Sarcoscypha austriaca* (Scarlet Elfcup):** clearly well established on mossy logs in wood piles at the top of Plantation





Ellipsoid spores of Crepidotus versutus

