

Fungal Foray 28th October 2009

33 attended this event - 6 coming from the [Buckinghamshire Fungus Group](#) (BSG). The Foray was led by Derek Schafer and Penny Cullington from the BSG. This event was to carry out a survey of Naphill Common to determine which fungi can be seen. There are more than 15,000 species of fungi named in Britain.

As can be seen from the photograph below some fungi were found before we had all left the car park!! We went from the end of Downley Road, onto footpath H22 to Five 'Ways' and then onto Dew Pond and back via footpath H21 to Chapel Lane. There were frequent stops - it seemed every few yards - to look at fungi. The exact number of different species is yet to be determined (some need the use of a microscope to look at the spores etc.) As you can see only a very small part of the Common was surveyed. It is hoped that we can add to the number found over time.

Two and a half hours after we set off we returned to the Village Hall. A good time was reported by all. Our great thanks must go to Derek and Penny and to the other members of BFG who gave up their time to help with this survey.



We found fungi before leaving the car park!!



Intense interest being show over specimens found

Examples of fungi found on the walk (photos by Kevin Bennett):-







List of fungi found during the foray will appear later - watch the website