

New Species for the Valley

The fungi section of the Isle of Wight Natural History and Archaeological Society held its annual fungus foray on 2nd October 1999 in Dickson's Copse and the surrounding area of the Medina Valley. Over one hundred fungi were identified by Dr. Derek Reid and Mrs. Audrey Thomas, several of these being species new to the Isle of Wight.

New Species of Fungi for the Isle of Wight

Basidiomycetes

Agaricales

Cortinarius olidus

Entoloma sericeum f. *nolaniforme*

Inocybe atripes

Pholiota lenta

Russula pulchella

Gasteromycetes

Geastrum floriforme

Scleroderma bovista

Scleroderma cepa



Pholiota lenta

Also two new leaf miners and a gall have been found in the Medina Valley and identified by Dr. David Biggs.

Leaf miners

Mines, case and larvae of *Coleophora binderella* found on *Corycus avellanas* alongside the cycle path, 25/5/99. New to the Valley.

Leaf mine of the fly *Phytoliriomyza hilarella* found on bracken on footpath just north of Dodnor Creek, 6/9/99. New to the Island.

Galls

Galls of *Chirosia grossicauda* found on bracken in Dickson's Copse, 17/7/99. New to the Valley.