

# GWENT FUNGUS GROUP

## FORAY PROGRAMME 2020

**April - November**

**Arrive at 10.15 for foray to start at 10.30 am  
Please try to be prompt**

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Our forays are run by and for the members of the Gwent Fungus Group (GFG). The group is self-financing, a membership fee is levied to cover administrative costs involved in running the group. Please do not publicise the forays widely for they are not meant for the general public but as visits to record species. However, guests would be welcome.

All forays will be undertaken according to the nationally agreed guidelines in the leaflet entitled "The Wild Mushroom Pickers Code of Conduct" published by the BMS. Please wear suitable footwear to all sites and be prepared for all weathers. Some sites are quite steep and slippery in bad weather so please take care at all times.

Please note that smoking is prohibited on Forestry Commission and Woodland Trust sites.

***Well behaved dogs are welcome at most sites but neither the GFG nor the British Mycological Society (our insurers) will accept any responsibility for injury or damage caused directly or indirectly by a dog brought to foray by a member or visitor. Dogs should be kept on leads at all times.***

***Attendance at a single foray £1.00 per person or for the whole programme of 7 forays £6.00 per person or £10 per couple. Children accompanied by an adult are free of charge.***



**Geastrum triplex (earth star)**

**Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup> Llantarnam Abbey ST311929 NP44 3YJ**

**CANCELLED**

From the Newport direction, follow the Malpas road to the roundabout At the top of the hill signed Llantarnam. Take the second exit into Newport road (Heol Casnewydd) turn right in about 0.5 miles.

From the Abergavenny direction take the A4042 past Cwmbran to the roundabout signed Cardiff at the next roundabout take the third exit onto Newport Road (Heol Casnewydd). Turn right in about 0.5 miles

**Saturday May 16<sup>th</sup> Cadira Beeches Wentwood S0422949**

**CANCELLED**

Car Park is on East of road through Wentwood. From Pen y cae-mawr direction it is first car park on left (East) at a junction of tracks. From South, from Llanfair Discoed take the Usk road and then second car park once in the woodland. (to be confirmed)

**Saturday June 27<sup>th</sup> Allt-yr-Yn Newport ST296889**

Leave the M4 Motorway at Junction 27, High Cross, and take the B4240 Risca road towards Newport. After 0.4 miles at the top of a gentle climb, turn left onto Ridgeway. Proceed along this road for about 0.3 miles until you see a single storey white building with aials on top. Turn left here down a single track road, Allt-yr-Yn View, and proceed downhill for about 0.5 miles to a junction where Allt-yr-yn road goes off to the right. Carry on straight ahead and the entrance to Allt-yr-yn wood is about 100 yds on the left. It is sign posted. There is room for parking on the road at this point.

**Saturday September 5<sup>th</sup> Dingestow Court NP25 4DY**

From Abergavenny take the A40 past Raglan Castle but bear left before the slip road to Monmouth. Continue on this road for about 3 miles until you see a sign for Dingestow on your left. To get to the same point from the Monmouth direction, take the road through Mitchell Troy, continue on the road until just after the Somerset Arms

and look out for the Dingestow sign on your right. Drive down this road through the village and pass round a right angle bend. Drive on for another ¾ of a mile and look out for a sign saying Gwent Wildlife Trust on your left. Turn down here and park at the end in the visitors carpark.

**Saturday Sept 19<sup>st</sup> Blaen Bran Wood, Upper Cwmbran ST27032 97407**

From a roundabout on the Abergavenny to Newport road (A4042) take the turning to Cwmbran (A4051) follow this road to the second roundabout, there take an exit on the right signed "Upper Cwmbran". From this road take the third turning to the right, this runs into Five Locks Road, continue to a mini roundabout and turn right into Ty Pwca Road. Continue for about three-quarters of a mile and turn into Upper Cwmbran Road. Pass "The Queen Inn" on your right and keep climbing up, where the road widens; follow it round to the right passing a green area with a seat on it, There is a "No through Road" sign at this point. Continue uphill and look for an entrance to a car park on your right.

**Sunday Oct 3<sup>th</sup> UK Fungus Day Cwmcarn Forest Centre Cwmcarn**

Go to Natcarn Road, Cwmcarn, Crosskeys NP11 7FA and follow signs to the centre. The Centre website may help with directions.

**Saturday Oct 17<sup>th</sup> Trelleck Common –**  
directions will be sent later

**Saturday Nov 7<sup>th</sup> The Beeches near Penallt Monmouth –**  
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