

Fungi list from FORCE & LWT walk 22 October 2025

As there are very few conifers in the area all these fungi are associated mainly with broad-leaved trees and their wood

A good website to look at for fungi is [First Nature](#). It's free and reliable, and gives common names as well as the Latin ones.

On Ash log below Tower

Common name (general grouping if not ID'd to species)	Latin name	Substrate
Lumpy Bracket	<i>Trametes gibbosa</i>	On Ash log
Turkeytail	<i>Trametes versicolor</i>	On Ash log
Blackfoot Polypore	<i>Polyporus leptcephalus</i>	On Ash log
Jelly Ear	<i>Auricularia auricula-judae</i>	On Ash log
Bonnets	Tiny white <i>Mycena</i> growing in moss on log (see photo)	On Ash log
Southern Bracket	<i>Ganoderma australe</i>	On Ash log

In Crane Park

Scaly Earthball	<i>Scleroderma verrucosum</i>	On ground
Honey Fungus	<i>Armillaria mellea</i>	On old stump and its root. There's a lot of it around this year

On Crane Park Island

Poisonpie	<i>Hebeloma aestivale</i> .	'Mushroom-type' fungus growing on ground - associated with oak. Difficult to ID to species. Spore print dark reddish brown. ID'd to species by microscopic characters
Tar spot fungus	<i>Rhytisma acerina</i>	Black spots and blotches on sycamore leaf
A variant of Shaggy Parasol	<i>Chlorophyllum brunneum</i>	Shorter and smaller than Shaggy Parasol and found on rich ground. Spore print white. On soil by path
Hairy curtain crust	<i>Stereum hirsutum</i>	Small bracket-like fungus on logs. Easy to mistake for Turkey-tail at first glance but the under surface doesn't have pores (use a hand lens). Extremely common
Bonnets	White <i>Mycena</i> sp	On bark of fallen log
King Alfred's Cakes or Cramp Balls	<i>Daldinia concentrica</i>	Hard black balls on surface of logs.
Giant Ash Bracket	<i>Perenniporia fraxinea</i>	Large white bracket fungus on dead broad-leaved tree trunks, often encircling the base of the trunk,

		as in our specimens. Most commonly on Ash but can grow on other broad-leaved trees.
Coral spot	Nectria cinnabarina	Small clustered orange spots on dead twigs or small branches.
Sulphur Tuft	Hypholoma fasciculare	Mushroom with a yellow-orange cap that contrasts with the narrow pale-yellow gills with a visible dusting of black spores. On rotting wood.
Jelly Ear	Auricularia auricula-judae	Translucent, soft, brown jelly fungus growing in a cup-like form on dead wood and fallen branches of broad-leaved trees, often on elder.
Glistening Inkcap	Coprinellus micaceus	On fallen wood. This is one of the Inkcaps that doesn't deliquesce into black ink.
Redlead Roundhead	Leratiomyces ceres	On wood chip. Red caps. Black spores
Twiglet	Tubaria sp	In leaf litter. Small brown mushroom.

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