

FUNGI and related organisms

Just a few of the fungi found in the Wildlife Garden in spring, probably precipitated by the wet weather:

JELLY EAR / JEW'S EAR

Auricularia auricula-judae

In Wildlife Garden, growing on dead wood in early May.

The source of their name can be very clearly seen in these individual ear-shaped examples!



WOLF'S MILK SLIME MOULD

Lycogala species

In Wildlife Garden, growing under dead wood in early May. 2nd picture is a week later, 3rd picture is 2 weeks later.

When prodded during their pinky- orange coloured stage, a paste-like substance of the same colour can be seen inside.

This is a type of slime mould, a group of organisms which are no longer classified as fungi, but share many of the same habits, habitats and appearances.



CORAL SPOT FUNGUS

Nectria cinnabarina

Seen on dead twigs and branches in Wildlife Garden in mid-May.

