



RINGWOOD NATURAL HISTORY SOCIETY
Mosses, Liverworts and Lichens Study Day, Eyeworth

Date: 10th March 2026
 Walk Leader : Bill Syratt

16 people attended the morning session on the humid heath/mire/floodplain area north of Eyeworth Pond and car park woodland area. 9 people attended the afternoon session examining the mire area between the car park and the access road from Fritham. Weather fine and sunny to start but overcast by lunchtime with a cold wind developing. Woodland floor wet underfoot and humid heath waterlogged in places. Mire in good condition.

NB Some of the epiphytes were observed on fallen trees. Species seen on trees on trackside towards wet heathland recorded in the woodland list.

Twig species marked * in the woodland list are indicators of nitrogen enrichment.

Names follow: -

Mosses and Liverworts of Britain and Ireland: a field guide, 2010, BBS.,
 Lichens, an Illustrated Guide to the British and Irish Species, 2005, Dobson,
 Mosses and Liverworts have been checked against the Atlas of the Bryophytes of South Hampshire, 2010, Stern. All occur in the region visited or in adjacent areas.

List of Species observed on Wet Heathland and Mire.

	Mosses	
Blunt-leaved Bog-moss	<i>Sphagnum palustre</i>	Mire area
Red Bog-moss	<i>Sphagnum capillifolium</i>	Mire area
Magellanic Bog-moss	<i>Sphagnum magellanicum</i>	Mire area
Papillose Bog-moss	<i>Sphagnum papillosum</i>	Mire area
Soft Bog-moss	<i>Sphagnum tenellum</i>	On wet heathland
Bank Haircap	<i>Polytrichastrum formosum</i>	In heather hummocks
Bristly Haircap	<i>Polytrichum piliferum</i>	Grass by car park
Juniper Haircap	<i>Polytrichum juniperinum</i>	In heather hummocks
Broom Fork-moss	<i>Dicranum scoparium</i>	In heather hummocks
Rusty Swan-neck Moss	<i>Campylopus flexuosus</i>	In heather hummocks
Bog Bead-moss	<i>Aulacomnium palustre</i>	In heather hummocks
Heath Plait-moss	<i>Hypnum jutlandicum</i>	In heather hummocks
Red-stemmed Feather-moss	<i>Pleurozium shreberi</i>	In heather hummocks
Springy Turf-moss	<i>Rhytidiadelphus squarrosus</i>	In wet grassland
Glittering Wood-moss	<i>Hylocomium splendens</i>	In heather hummocks

List of Species observed in Woodland.

Mosses		
Bank Haircap	<i>Polytrichastrum formosum</i>	Banks and stumps
Silky Forklet-moss	<i>Dicranella heteromalla</i>	Soil around tree bases
Broom Fork-moss	<i>Dicranum scoparium</i>	Boles, stumps, ground
Capillary Thread-moss	<i>Bryum capillare</i>	Mainly fallen logs
Bicoloured Bryum	<i>Bryum dichotomum</i>	Fallen log
Swan-neck Thyme-moss	<i>Mnium hornum</i>	Banks and tree bases
Wood Bristle-moss	<i>Orthotrichum affine</i>	Epiphyte
Lyell's Bristle-moss	<i>Orthotrichum lyellii</i>	Epiphyte
Crisped Pincushion moss	<i>Ulota crispa</i>	Epiphyte
Common Tamarisk-moss	<i>Thuidium tamariscinum</i>	Banks and stumps
Creeping Feather-moss	<i>Amblystegium serpens</i>	Moist fallen branches
Mouse-tail Moss	<i>Isoetecium myosuroides</i>	Mainly tree boles
Silky Wall Feather-moss	<i>Homalothecium sericeum</i>	Mainly tree boles
Rough-stalked Feather-moss	<i>Brachythecium rutabulum</i>	Mainly fallen logs
Cypress-leaved Plait-moss	<i>Hypnum cupressiforme</i>	Epiphyte and logs
Mamillate Plait-moss	<i>Hypnum andoi</i>	Epiphyte
Liverworts		
Overleaf Pelia	<i>Pelia epiphylla</i>	On wet woodland floor
Dilated Scalewort	<i>Frullania dilatata</i>	Epiphyte
Forked Veilwort	<i>Metzgeria furcata</i>	Epiphyte
Lichens		
Common Powderhorn	<i>Cladonia coniocraea</i>	Rotting logs, stumps
Common Greenshield	<i>Flavoparmelia caperata</i>	Common epiphyte
Hooded Tube Lichen	<i>Hypopogymnia physodes</i>	Epiphyte
Shiny Camouflage Lichen	<i>Melanelia fuliginosa ssp glabratula</i>	Epiphyte
Grey Stone Lichen	<i>Parmelia saxatilis</i>	Epiphyte
Netted Shield Lichen	<i>Parmelia sulcata</i>	Epiphyte
Bitter Wart Lichen	<i>Pertusaria amara</i>	Epiphyte, crustose
Varied Rag Lichen	<i>Platismatia glauca</i>	Epiphyte
Hoary Rosette Lichen	<i>Physcia aipolia</i>	Epiphyte (twigs)*
Little Ciliated Lichen	<i>Physcia tenella</i>	Epiphyte (twigs)*
Warty Beard Lichen	<i>Usnea ceratina</i>	Epiphyte
Beard Lichen	<i>Usnea subfloridana</i>	Epiphyte
Common Yellow Wall Lichen	<i>Xanthoria parietina</i>	Epiphyte (twigs)*

Fungi Observed at Eyeworth 10/02/2026.

The day was designated a Moss, Liverwort and Lichen Study Day. But there were also many fungi present, perhaps surprisingly so for the time of year. They were particularly abundant on one large fallen, rotting beech, in the wood north of the car park. This list is a compilation from several members present. I am satisfied the identifications are accurate.

Scientific names from Sterry and Hughes.

Common Name	Scientific Name	Observation
Glistening Inkcap	<i>Coprinellus micaceus</i>	Remains on dead beech

Chicken of the Woods	<i>Laetiporus sulphureus</i>	Remains on dead beech
Sulphur Tuft	<i>Hyphaloma fasciculare</i>	Remains on dead beech
False Death Cap	<i>Amanita citrina</i>	Remains on forest floor
Turkeytail	<i>Trametes versicolor</i>	On dead beech
Hairy Curtain Crust	<i>Stereum hirsutum</i>	On dead beech
Beech Tarcrust	<i>Biscogniauxia nummularia</i>	On dead beech
Cramp Balls	<i>Daldinia concentrica</i>	On dead beech
Southern Bracket	<i>Ganoderma australe</i>	On dead beech
Lumpy Bracket	<i>Trametes gibbosa</i>	On dead beech
Flat Oysterling	<i>Crepidotus cf. applanatus</i>	On dead beech
Beech Woodwart	<i>Hypoxyton fragiforme</i>	On dead beech
Winter Polypore	<i>Polyporus brumalis</i>	On dead beech
Tear Dropper	<i>Cylindrobasidium laeve</i>	Underside of beech bole
Coral Spot	<i>Nectraria cinnabarina</i>	Well-rotted wood on floor
Common Eyelash	<i>Scutellinia scutellata</i>	Well-rotted wood on floor
Dung Roundhead	<i>Stropharia semiglobata</i>	On dung
Eyelash Dung Cup	<i>Cheilymenia fimicola</i>	On dung
Bog Beacon	<i>Mitrula paludosa</i>	In mire
Coral Slime Mould	<i>Ceratiomyxa fruticulosa</i>	On dead beech
Chocolate Tube Slime Mould	<i>Stemonotis fusca</i>	On dead beech
False Puffball Slime Mould	<i>Enteridium lycoperdon</i>	On dead beech

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