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**Grassland fungi and Waxcaps**

**Tuesday October 31st 12.30 - 4 pm**

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**Further Help and Information**

Herefordshire Fungus Survey Group (HFSG) [**www.herefordfungi.org**](http://www.herefordfungi.org)

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**Online resources**

**Plantlife Cymru’s Guide to identification and management of Waxcaps and grassland fungi:** [**https://www.plantlife.org.uk/uk/our-work/publications/waxcaps-and-grassland-fungi**](https://www.plantlife.org.uk/uk/our-work/publications/waxcaps-and-grassland-fungi)

[**The Conservation of Waxcap Grasslands**](http://bailey.persona-pi.com/Public-Inquiries/M4%20-%20Revised/11.3.21.pdf)**; British Wildlife, Vol 16, Number 1, October 2004. Gareth W Griffiths, John H Bratton and Gary Easton.**

[bailey.persona-pi.com/Public-Inquiries/M4%20-%20Revised/11.3.21.pdf](http://bailey.persona-pi.com/Public-Inquiries/M4%20-%20Revised/11.3.21.pdf)

**Plantlife’s Save our magnificent meadows** information sheet on waxcap grasslands

[www.magnificentmeadows.org.uk/assets/pdfs/Waxcap\_ID\_guide\_PL\_2014.pdf](http://www.magnificentmeadows.org.uk/assets/pdfs/Waxcap_ID_guide_PL_2014.pdf)

[**UKEconet-Wildtrack Publishing**](https://www.ukeconet.org/) **– Waxcaps and Allied Fungi Guide**

[www.ukeconet.org/waxcaps-identification-intro.html](http://www.ukeconet.org/waxcaps-identification-intro.html)

**Books**

*The Genus Hygrocybe* by David Boertmann Fungi of northern Europe Vol 1

ISBN 87-983581-1-1 (in English) **waxcaps only**

*Mushrooms and Toadstools of Britain and Europe* by R. Courtecuisse & B. Duhem, Collins Field Guide

ISBN 0-00-220025-2   Over 1750 species illustrated in colour.

*Grassland Fungi a field guide* by Elsa Wood and Jon Dunkelman. 2017.

ISBN 978-0-9576424-1-6. Available from [www.nhbs.com](http://www.nhbs.com)

**Management guidelines** *for grassland fungi include:*

* Avoid use of fertilisers, manure and herbicides*

* Ensure free-drainage*

* Retain permanent grassland*

* Avoid activities that cause soil compaction*

* Avoid stock feeding in sensitive areas*

* Maintain grassland through livestock grazing/grass cropping*

* Prevent the encroachment and establishment of trees and scrub*

* For lawns, cemeteries & amenity grasslands – keep grass short with regular mowing, remove all cut grass, avoid use of pesticides, etc., do not re-seed or carry out other actions which significantly damage the soil structure or affect drainage*

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