

## Perth Urban Bushland Fungi Project

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The Perth Urban Bushland Fungi (PUBF) project was started four years ago by the Western Australian Naturalists' Club in collaboration with the Urban Bushland Council and DEC's WA Herbarium. Through the involvement of community groups in fungi forays in local bushlands, the project has produced reports and collected many fungi specimens for the WA Herbarium. Despite thousands of fungi being documented in the Perth area during this time, there is still a good chance of encountering fungi which have not yet been named. It is estimated that there are 140,000 fungi in WA and fewer than 10 per cent that have been discovered and named.

The 'fungiperth' website was updated and launched in May. The website has an improved, easier-to-use version of the Fungi Field Book to help budding mycologists identify local fungi. Bushland fungi survey reports by PUBF are available which document approximately 3,000 fungi for 48 bushland areas in the Perth region. News items and information about free public events to be held in local bushland this winter are also listed.

The original website was designed by volunteer John Weaver and has been upgraded by DEC's Brett Glossop and Sarah de Bueger from PUBF with input from DEC mycologist Dr Neale Bougher. Visit [www.fungiperth.org.au/](http://www.fungiperth.org.au/).

