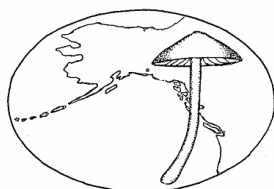


# Pacific Northwest Fungi



## News for May, 2006

Our biggest news for this month is that *Pacific Northwest Fungi* has begun publication.

First discussed at a meeting of the region's mycologists nearly four years ago, the new journal is part of the Pacific Northwest Fungi Project, an ongoing effort to develop a complete inventory of the fungi of the region.

*Pacific Northwest Fungi* is designed specifically for the World Wide Web and benefits from the speed, broad distribution, and low costs inherent in internet publishing. The journal publishes papers on all aspects of fungal natural history, ranging from ecology and biogeography to taxonomy, morphology and phylogeny. Article categories include Notes, Brief Reports, Full-Length Research Articles, and Reviews. Features of interest to authors include:

- All manuscripts are subject to anonymous peer review before acceptance.
- Publication is unusually rapid; papers are published individually on an ongoing basis rather than in collections (such as journal volumes).
- Papers are assigned DOI codes (Digital Object Identifiers). DOI's function as perpetual web addresses that are part of a global system for permanent archiving and retrieval of digitized information (such as government documents and scientific journal articles).
- Any reader with access to a computer and an internet search engine can find and download articles.
- The journal publishes color photographs.
- There are no page charges.

If you have questions about whether a manuscript would be suitable for publication in *Pacific Northwest Fungi*, please contact me by email.

In closing, it is a pleasure to acknowledge the founding Editorial Board members. Joe Ammirati, Hal Burdsall, Brenda Callan, Frank Dugan, Bruce McCune, Lorelei Norvell, Michelle Seidl, and Steve Trudell have given generously of their time, talent, and energy to develop the project from an initial concept into an operating journal. We hope that you will find *Pacific Northwest Fungi* to be a valuable mycological resource.

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