Golden Pholiota

## Pholiota aurivella [complex] (Batsch) P. Kummer



OVERALL: MPENA, 12/4/2009, *R. Orr.* GILLS and STALK: MPENA, 12/4/2009, *R. Orr.* SIDE: Pigtail, 10/21/2014, *J. Solem.* SIDE (showing veil): Pigtail, 10/21/2014, *J. Solem.* SPORES (7.2 – 9.3 X 4.9 – 5.9 μm): Pigtail, 10/21/2014, *R. Solem.* 

## Golden Pholiota Pholiota aurivella Strophariaceae J F M A M J J A S O N D ------+ ------+ -----+ ----+ ----+ ----+ ----+

**ID**: Cap orangish-yellow, sticky/slimy under large flat scales. Stalk yellowish-brown w/ fibrous scales below annular zone.

Habitat: Clusters. On trunks or stumps.

## **Cap**: 1.5 – 6 " [4 – 15 cm]

Cuticle orangish-yellow/yellowish-orange. Sticky/slippery/slimy/smooth beneath dispersed layer of large flattened scales (usually arranged concentrically). Convex/nearly flat. Margin inrolled. Flesh yellow. Odor indistinct or somewhat sweet.

**Gills**: Pale yellowish (reddish-brown in age). Attached. Close. Depth = 3X cap flesh.

Spores: Brown/rusty-brown. Broadly ellipsoid, smooth.

**Stalk**: 2 - 3" x 1/4 - 5/8" [5 - 7.5 cm x 5 - 15 mm] Yellowish/yellowish-brown. Covered w/ fibrous scales below annular zone. Dry. Hollow.

Frequency: Uncommon.

Locations: MPENA, PIGTL.

**Notes**: Mycobank 223664. Both specimens identified by examination of spores: R. Orr and R. Solem.

Synonyms: P. adiposa.

**References**: Bar 215. BBF 227, 305. Bni 285. Lin 712, 186. M&M 265. Phi 201. Roo 38. Stu 205. W&L 319.