Reticularia lycoperdon Bullard

Silver Hand

Reticularia lycoperdon Tubiferaceae







MATURE: Henryton, 4/15/2010, *R. Orr.* OLD: Big Branch, 5/12/2009, *J. Solem.* 

FRESH: Patuxent Branch Trail, 10/25/2016, *J. Solem.* MATURE: Wild Grass Ct, 10/24/2016, *J. Solem.* 

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**ID**: Body silvery-brown/black glob, Becoming black and cracking as it ages. Moves like an amoeba.

**Habitat**: Solitary, scattered, forms clusters. Variety of habitats, but often on decayed logs.

**Fruiting Body**: Up to 3.1" across [8 cm] Silvery-brown/gray-black outer wall; base surrounded by white margin. Finally a black cake-like hard, rough mass.

Spores: Dark brown. Nearly round, warty.

Frequency: Common.

**Locations**: AVORG, BENBR, BIGBR, DANPV, FARMS, GONRA, HENPV, MTPLT, PATBT, OTHER, SAVMT, WARPP.

Synonym: Enteridium lycoperdon.

**Notes**: Mycobank 189393. Wikd Grass Court specimen identified by examination of spores by R. Solem. "The plasmodial phase is mobile and is multi-nucleate, formed by the fusion of single cells and typically amoeboid in its movements, through cytoplasmic streaming." \*

**References**: \* <a href="http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Enteridium\_lycoperdon">http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Enteridium\_lycoperdon</a>
Bar 45. Myx 122.



SPORES (8.0-9.3 x 7.3-8.4 µm ): Wild Grass Ct, 10/24/2016, R. Solem.