Entoloma aff scabiosum



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Cap: centrally depressed to infundibuliform; 50 -75 mm diameter; distinctly radially fibrillose; greyish brown (6E3); margin somewhat inrolled.

Stipe: cylindrical to slightly clavate; $50-60 \times 8$ -11 mm; distinctly fibrillose; greyish brown.

Gills: sub-decurrent; pale greyish white becoming tinged with pink as the spores mature; lamellulae present in one series but somewhat irregularly distributed.

Flesh: pale grey, somewhat fibrous.

Smell: not distinct. **Spore print:** pink.

Spores: pentagonal; $8-10 \times 7.5-8.5 \mu m$.

Basidia: clavate; $25 - 40 \times 8 - 11 \mu m$; four spored; sterigmata very short.

Cheilocystidia: absent. Pleurocystidia: absent.

Pileipellis: a cutis of repent hyphae $+ 5 \mu m$ wide.

Habitat: in wet sclerophyll forest verging on rainforest with *Eucalyptus* sp. and

Syncarpia hillii present.

Notes: this is a robust fungus with a strongly fibrillose grey cap and greyish gills that turn pinkish. It was identified as a *Clitopilus* in the field but the pentagonal spores are distinctly entolomatoid. It does not figure amongst the *Entoloma* species described by Cleland, Gates and Noordeloos or Grgurinovic.

Collections examined: Cooloola Bioblitz 32, track to Lake Poona, Tina Watson, 15 May 2021; Cooloola Bioblitz 6, Sandra Tuszynska, Pettigrews Rd, 16 May 2021.