## Amanita flavella



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**Cap:** convex to plano-convex; 50 - 80 mm diameter; bright golden yellow (2A6, 3A8), with a more ochraceous centre; soft flat velar scales are concolorous or darker than the cap; velar remains appendiculate on cap margin.

**Stipe:** cylindrical with a sub-bulbous base;  $60 - 100 \times 10 - 18$  mms; white near apex becoming flushed with cap colour in lower half; large pendulous and fugacious ring, pale yellow and fragile, often breaking away; no volva but prominent yellow floccose scales on bulbous base which resemble those on the cap.

Gills: free; white; crowded; lamellulae in two series.

Flesh: white, unchanging.

**Spore print:** white.

**Spores:** ellipsoid;  $9 - 10 \times 6.5 - 7.5 \mu m$ , Q = 1.35; amyloid.

**Basidia:** clavate; four spored;  $40 - 5 - \times 9 - 11 \mu m$ . **Cheilocystidia:** spaeropedunculate or pyriform.

Pileipellis: Habitat:

**Notes:** The distinctive golden yellow colour combined with white gills and a ring make this species easy to identify. There have only been three collections in Queensland of this fungus.

**Collections examined:** SMF2323 (MEL and dup to BRI); PL1410, ? Pat Leonard, 1 April 2010.