

Coleoptera

17) *Odonteus armiger* (Scopoli, 1772) the smallest Geotrupid in the UK, the male is unmistakable with its central horn and two smaller projections either side of the head. Several were attracted to a moth trap on 23/8/23 at Dancersend Bucks SP905088

18) *Platyrhinus resinosus* (Scopoli 1763) Anthribidae. This species lays its eggs in the very hard and dry fruiting bodies of *Daldinia concentrica*. The fungi are so hard it is difficult for the female to lay her eggs within the fungus, this one was chewing a hole in the outer shell in preparation for egg laying. Largely dependent on Ash this species may suffer a decline as ash disappear to Die-back. Dancersend Bucks, SP899096 12/3/23

All photos taken with Olympus TG5 hand held, in the field