

SUSSEX BOTANICAL RECORDING SOCIETY

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Dear member,

I have just had details from Mrs. Briggs of information which our Recorders would particularly like to have this summer (in addition to the up-dating work which we do all the time).

1. For the following species the Recorders now have so much information new since the Atlas was printed, that it is proposed to issue new maps. Up-to-date records are therefore specially wanted:-

Lycopodium inundatum (Marsh clubmoss)

→ Ophioglossum vulgatum (Adders tongue)

Ceterach officinarum (Rustyback)

→ • Phyllitis scolopendrium (Harts tongue)

Dryopteris aemula (Hay-scented buckler fern)

Ranunculus auriconus (Goldilocks)

→ R. bulbosus (Bulbous buttercup)

R. aquatilis/peltatus ("Common" water crowfoot)

Tilia cordata (Small leaved lime)

Trifolium suffocatum (Suffocated clover)

Myosotis sylvatica (Wood forget-me-not) in native habitats

Filago vulgaris ("Common" cudweed) *

Leontodon taraxicoides (Lesser hawkbit)

→ • Epipactis purpurata (Violet helleborine)

→ • Spiranthes spiralis (Autumn ladies tresses)

Digitaria sanguinalis (Hairy finger-grass)

- * N.B. In some books "Common" cudweed was the name given to Gnaphalium uliginosum which is common in Sussex. Of the Atlas records for Filago vulgaris, two are post 1979, eight have been deleted as now acknowledged to have been G. uliginosum, and twenty-nine have no recent confirmation.

2. The Nature Conservancy Council has asked us to check the following species in Sussex:-

Campanula rapunculus (Rampion bellflower)

Centaurea calcitrapa (Red star-thistle)

Galium Tricornutum (Corn cleavers)

Mentha pulegium (Penny royal) Falmer or Ringmer?

For these, map reference, date, the number of plants and the associated plants growing with the plant in question are required, please.

3. Also this year there is a special survey for Pilularia globulifera (Pillwort). The Recorders would like to hear from anyone who has seen this plant in Sussex in the past five years.

At the A.G.M. copies of a second supplement to the Atlas were available. This sets out again the data which the Recorders like to have. (This is much as before). I have a few copies available, at 60 pence plus P & P (40 pence).

At the A.G.M. it was shown that in 1984 our expenditure was almost equal to our income (we have some reserves). Instead of putting up the subscription for 1986, it was decided to hold a Bring & Buy (specially plants and books) at the Autumn Get-Together. Details in the next letter.

The Sussex Trust for Nature Conservation is holding a Sponsored Flower Count,