

Wednesday Walk from the Old Start of the Corn Trail (Kings Highway) - 16 March 2011

The walk was the old start to the Corn Trail which is from the Kings Highway, opposite the large pull-in prior to descending Clyde Mountain. The dominant plant along the trail is the Coral fern (*Gleichenia* spp.) which smothers most ground cover plants and its abundance is probably the result of past logging and fire regimes letting in too much light and nutrients. Peeping through the mass of fern were the pink flowers of *Epacris impressa* and the whites of 2 forms of *Platysace lanceolata*. Of the larger emergent shrubs we recorded *Pultenaea villosa*, a glabrous *Persoonia mollis*, possibly ssp. *budawangensis*, *Tasmannia lanceolata*, *Monotoca elliptica*, the weeping *Baeckea linifolia*, *Banksia spinulosa* in flower, *B. oblongifolia* in bud, a stand of *Pomaderris discolor*, numerous specimens of a large aphyllous Santalaceae - *Leptomeria drupacea*, *Leptospermum polygalifolium* and *Prostanthera lasianthos*. The most common acacia was *A. obtusifolia* while *A. terminalis* was starting to flower. On the wetter parts of the track we recorded *Gonocarpus micranthus*, a tiny ?*Isolepis* sp., *Hypericum japonicum* and *Xanthosia pilosa* among others. Along the trackside were masses of the clubmoss *Lycopodium deuterodensum*, as well as *Mitrasacme polymorpha*, still in flower. We also found a single goodenia in flower, arising from a basal rosette possibly *G. bellidifolia*. The dominant tree was Silvertop Ash - *Eucalyptus sieberi*.



Walkers in the mist Image by Jean Geue



Gleichenia sp. Image by Jean Geue



Pomaderris discolor Image by Roger Farrow



Epacris impressa Image by Roger Farrow



Banksia spinulosa Image by Roger Farrow



Lycopodium deuterodensum Image by Roger Farrow



Leptomeria drupacea Image by Roger Farrow



Platysace lanceolata Image by Roger Farrow



Persoonia mollis Image by Roger Farrow



Gahnia sp. Image by Jean Geue



Gahnia sp. Image by Roger Farrow



Isolepis sp. ? Image by Roger Farrow

Plant List for 1 km from start of Old Corn Trail Access 16 March 2011

(?) indicates that those present were unsure of the name of the plant.

Acacia obtusifolia
Acacia suaveolens
Acacia terminalis
Aotus ericoides
Austrodanthonia sp.
Baeckia linifolia
Banksia oblongifolia
Banksia spinulosa
Cassytha sp.
Chiloglottis trilabra
Cyathea australis
Daviesia ulicifolia
Dianella tasmanica
Dichondra repens
Echinopogon sp.
Epacris impressa
Eucalyptus sieberi
Gahnia sp.
Gleichenia dicarpa
Gleichenia rupestris
Gonocarpus micranthus
Gonocarpus teucryoides
Goodenia belledifolia
Hypericum japonicum
Isolepis sp.
Juncus filiformis
Juncus sp.
Lepidosperma flexuosum
Leptomeria drupacea
Leptospermum polygalifolium
Lomandra filiformis
Lomandra longifolia
Lomatia ilicifolia
Luzula sp.
Lycopodium deuterodensum
Microlaena stipoides
Mitrasacme polymorpha
Monotoca elliptica
Monotoca scoparia
Patersonia sp.
Persoonia mollis
Pimelea linifolia
Platysace lanceolata
Pomaderris discolor
Prostanthera lasianthos
Pteridium esculentum
Pultenaea altissima
Stylidium armeria
Tasmania lanceolata
Tetratheca thymifolia
Veronica ? calycina
Viola hederacea
Xanthorrhoea australis
Xanthosia pilosa