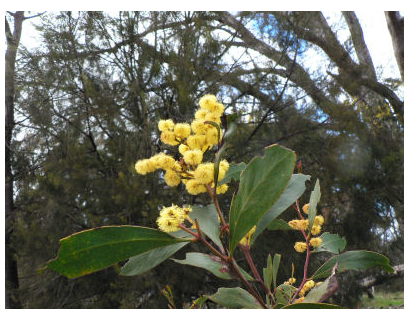


Wednesday Walk in the Gale Area from Wickerslack Lane – 3 September 2014

The area is at the southern end of the suburbs of Queanbeyan, bordered by the Old Cooma Road, Wickerslack Lane and the Queanbeyan River. It is managed by Queanbeyan Landcare and Council and is quite extensive with a wealth of species. We entered from Wickerslack Lane and followed some trails in the upper areas, away from the river and doing a loop. For a smallish area it has a surprising number of species, many of which we ticked off and even added a few. Interestingly, one of those we added was *Lomandra bracteata* which we don't see very often, but it had its basal, bright yellow flowers becoming prominent. We saw all 9 species of wattles - flowering well were *Acacia dawsonii*, *A. dealbata*, *A. genistifolia*, *A. gunnii*, *A. pycnantha*, *A. rubida* and *A. ulicifolia*. (Those not yet flowering were *A. mearnsii* and *A. parramattensis*.) There were massed displays of *Cryptandra amara* var. *longiflora*, *C. speciosa* and *Clematis leptophylla*, all emitting a lovely honey smell. We saw the first *Microseris lanceolata* of the season. Other flowers were *Hovea heterophylla*, *Hardenbergia violacea*, *Cymbonotus lawsonianus*, *Leucopogon fletcheri* ssp. *brevisepalus*, *Glycine clandestina*, *Indigofera australis* and *Veronica perfoliata*. There were many *Leucochrysum albicans* var. *tricolor* in bud as was *Pomaderris belutina* ssp. *betulina*. An interesting area.

For images below: JG = Jean Geue, LS = Linda Spinaze, MB = Martin Butterfield



Acacia pycnantha JG



Acacia gunnii MB



Acacia rubida MB



Acacia dawsonii MB



Lomandra bracteata JG



Lomandra bracteata close-up MB



Glycine clandestina JG



Hardenbergia violacea LS



Hardenbergia violacea close-up MB



Indigofera australis MB



Hovea heterophylla MB



Wurmbea dioica MB



Clematis leptophylla JG



Clematis leptophylla LS



Leucopogon fletcheri ssp.
brevisepalus MB



Veronica perfoliata MB



Cryptandra amara JG



Cryptandra speciosa MB



Pomaderris eriocephala JG



Scleranthus diander MB



Eryngium ovinum emerging JG



Chrysocephalum apiculatum MB

Plant List for Gale – from Wickerslack Lane – 3 September 2014

? indicates that those present were unsure of the plant name

Acacia dawsonii
Acacia dealbata
Acacia genistifolia
Acacia gunnii
Acacia mearnsii
Acacia parramattensis
Acacia pycnantha
Acacia rubida
Acacia ulicifolia
Acaena ovina
Ajuga australis
Amyema pendula
Anthosachne scabra
Arachnorchis sp.
Aristida ramosa
Arthropodium minus
Astroloma humifusum
Austrostipa bigeniculata

Austrostipa scabra ssp. *falcata*
Bossiaea buxifolia
Brachychiton populneus
Brachyloma daphnoides
Brachyscome rigidula
Bulbine bulbosa
Bursaria spinosa
Carex breviculmis
Cassinia arcuata
Cassinia longifolia
Cassinia quinquefaria
Cheilanthes austrotenuifolia
Chrysocephalum apiculatum (green & grey forms)
Chrysocephalum semipapposum
Clematis leptophylla
Convolvulus angustissimus
Crassula sieberiana
Cryptandra amara var. *longiflora*

Cryptandra speciosa
 Cymbonotus lawsonianus
 Daucus glochidiatus
 Daviesia mimosoides
 Dianella revoluta
 Dichelachne sp.
 Dillwynia sericea
 Dodonaea viscosa ssp. angustissima
 Dodonaea viscosa ssp. spatulata
 Drosera sp.
 Einadia hastata
 Eryngium ovatum
 Eucalyptus bridgesiana
 Eucalyptus macrorhyncha
 Eucalyptus melliodora
 Eucalyptus polyanthemus
 Eucalyptus rossii
 Exocarpos cupressiformis
 Galium gaudichaudii
 Geranium sp.
 Glycine clandestina
 Gonocarpus tetragynus
 Goodenia hederacea
 Greenhood rosettes
 Hardenbergia violacea
 Hibbertia obtusifolia
 Hovea heterophylla
 Hydrocotyle laxiflora
 Hypericum gramineum
 Indigofera australis
 Isoetopsis graminifolia
 Juncus sp.
 Kunzea ericoides
 Lepidosperma laterale
 Leptorhynchos squamatus
 Leucochrysum albicans ssp. tricolor
 Leucopogon attenuatus
 Leucopogon fletcheri ssp. brevisepalus
 Lissanthe strigosa
 Lomandra bracteata
 Lomandra filiformis ssp. coriacea
 Lomandra filiformis ssp. filiformis
 Lomandra longifolia
 Lomandra multiflora
 Luzula densiflora
 Melichrus urceolatus
 Microlaena stipoides
 Microseris lanceolata
 Microtis sp.
 Opercularia hispida
 Panicum effusum
 Pimelea curviflora
 Plantago varia
 Poa sp.
 Pomaderris betulina ssp. betulina

Pomaderris subcapitata
 Pultenaea microphylla
 Pultenaea procumbens
 Rytidosperma laeve
 Rytidosperma pallidum
 Rytidosperma sp.
 Scleranthus diander
 Senecio quadridentatus
 Solanum cinereum
 Stackhousia monogyna
 Stuartina muelleri
 Styphelia triflora
 Thelymitra sp.
 Themeda triandra
 Thysanotus patersonii
 Thysanotus tuberosus
 Triptilodiscus pygmaeus
 Velleia paradoxa
 Veronica perfoliata
 Vittadinia muelleri
 Wahlenbergia communis
 Wahlenbergia stricta
 Wurmbea dioica
 Xerochrysum viscosum

Bird List

Common Bronzewing
 Fan-tailed Cuckoo
 Laughing Kookaburra
 Galah
 Sulphur-crested Cockatoo
 Crimson Rosella
 White-throated Treecreeper
 Superb Fairy-wren
 White-eared Honeyeater
 Red Wattlebird
 Brown-headed Honeyeater
 Spotted Pardalote
 Striated Pardalote
 Speckled Warbler
 Striated Thornbill
 Australian Magpie
 Pied Currawong
 Black-faced Cuckooshrike
 Golden Whistler
 Grey Fantail
 Australian Raven
 White-winged Chough