

Field Meetings 2021 – COVID permitting

All Field Meetings start at 10.30am. unless stated otherwise. If you intend to come along to meetings please try and let Linda Robinson know, contact details at end of Newsletter.

Tuesday 23th February – Cover Bridge to check out *Galanthus elwesii* and hunt for old record of *Corydalis solida*, may see early *Gagea lutea*. Meet in car park opposite the Pub at SE144.871.

Saturday 13th March – Jervaulx Abbey to try and retrace a record of *Helleborus viridis* from the 1960's in SE18 Jervaulx and Eelmire, also checking out the *Myosotis ramosissima* recorded from there. Will be walking footpaths around the area and recording all the spring flora. Meet in the car park at Jervaulx Abbey Tea Shop at SE168.856.

Wednesday 24th March – Piercebridge, looking for *Gagea lutea* in NZ21C, last recorded in this tetrad by Henry Baines in 1840 and a look downriver into NZ21H to update the record by Darlington Field Club in 2016. Meet in the car park near the track to the old Roman Bridge at NZ213.155.

Saturday 17th April – Coverham Abbey and Pinkers Pond, to see if we can trace *Viola canina* and other spring species. Meet on the verge beside Pinkers Pond at SE114.868.

Wednesday 21st April – Garsdale to check out an old record of *Primula farinosa*. Meet near Hind Keld West, possible parking on the unfenced verge at SD711.913.

Saturday 15th May – Check out old records of *Potentilla crantzii* and *Persicaria vivipara* on Green Scar Crags above Widdale. Meet at Newby Head Gate at SD790.834.

Tuesday 18th May – Look for old record of *Gentiana verna* from the bank opposite Grains o'the Beck Farm between Brough and Middleton. Park above cattle grid west of and above Far Beck Bridge at NY863.206.

Friday 28th May – Aislabeck Quarries above Richmond to try and trace a few old records. Park near Gingerfield Lodge at NZ157.020.

Saturday 5th June – Burnt Orchid monitoring in Low Wanless fields. Meet down near Low Wanless Farm at SE063.896.

Wednesday 16th June - Gunnerside, a visit to check and update a record of Bird's Nest Orchid and check on Small White Orchid site. Meet in Gunnerside village and park where you can near SD950.981

Friday 18th June – Hudswell Bank to check out old record of Small White Orchid. Meet in Hudswell near road junction at NZ156.002.

Wednesday 23th June – Meeting in conjunction with the YNU. Visit to the Fotheringholme SSSI, also expect to help with the Small White Orchid monitoring. Meet at Eskeleth Bridge where there is limited parking at SD999.036.

Saturday 26th June - Trip up to Stag's Fell, above Hardraw, to check out an old 1990's record of Holly Fern. Meet near cattle grid at Hungry Well car park and view point at SD866.929

Saturday 10th July – – Trip to Tanfield to check out some old records of *Blysmus compressus* and *Atropa belladonna*. Meet in Tanfield centre, not sure about parking around SE269.788

Sunday 18th July – Hurst, to investigate the old mine workings up towards Fremington Edge and hunt for old record of *Armeria maritima*. Meet in Hurst on the roadside up near Hall Farm. (NZ043.023)

Friday 30th July – Jervaulx to walk down to the shingle banks on the Ure to see if we can spot an old record of *Galeopsis angustifolia*. Meet at Jervaulx opposite the entrance in the car park at SE168.856.

Wednesday 4th August – Bedale Beck to check out old record of *Sagittaria sagittifolia*. Not sure about parking but if we could meet up at the start of the footpath down the beck below the Station at SE267.883.

Saturday 21st August - Meeting to check out and old record of *Calla palustris* in a pond near Hallbank, Garsdale and update other records. Meet near the byway open to all traffic near Benson Bank Farm, not sure of parking round there so please be careful. Around SD671.911.

Tuesday 24th August – Downholme Bridge towards Marrick Park. Meet on the roadside at the start of the bridleway at Sour Nook near Downholme Bridge at SE109.992.

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