Notable finds in 2022

Allium oleraceum (Field Garlic), this was recorded by Deborah and Rebecca Millward at Woodhall in dense scrub on the 19th March (SD97.90)

Alnus rubra (Red Alder). This was recorded as planted on the path downriver from Tanfield Road Bridge on 10th July by Linda Robinson, Yan-Yee Lau, Trish New, Anne & Ken Readshaw and Jim Parkin. SE26.78.

Anacamptis pyramidalis (Pyramidal Orchid). This was recorded by Sarah Chilton on her property at Scarth Nick above Preston-under-Scar. This is the second record from this Hectad, the first record was one by John Percival in his 'Flora of Wensleydale' in 1888 from Bear Park near Aysgarth. SE06.91.

Aquilegia vulgaris (Columbine). This native Aquilegia was shown to us by Deborah Millward up Bardale Beck above Marsett Rigg on 4th June. Approximately 10 plants were seen on a damp narrow limestone ledge. SD89.86.

Betula nana (Dwarf Birch). This was an exciting new record for v.c.65 when John O'Reilly found two bushes on the 29th August on the summit area of Cronkley Fell, amazing it had not been discovered before because Cronkley Fell is very well botanised. There is one bush just over the river on Widdybank Fell in v.c.66. NY84.28.



Betula nana photographed by John O'Reilly

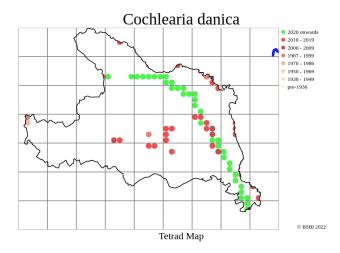
Brunnera macrophylla (Great Forget-me-not), this was recorded by Nick Morgan on a verge

on the outskirts of Ainderby Steeple on 23^{rd} March A first record for the v.c. (SD33.91)

Carex laevigata (Smooth-stalked Sedge). This was found by Rob Dixon at High Agra, Gollinglith Foot on 28th June. SE15.81.

Carex muricata subsp. *pairae* (Prickly Sedge). This uncommon Sedge in v.c.65 was found in two new locations in the lane to Castley above Four Lane Ends above the Crook of Lune, by Deborah Millward and Linda Robinson on 21st August. SD63.95, SD64.95.

Cochlearia danica (Danish Scurveygrass), On the 5th April on a journey as a passenger up the A1M and the A66, I took the opportunity to record every monad in which I spotted this little halophyte, It was slightly early for any plants on the top of Stainmore, hence the gaps.



Cotula alpina (Alpine Cotula). This small Australian native was spotted by Trish New at Marfield Wetlands on 12th June, this is a lowland record as opposed to all the other records in the v.c. which are found on the upland Grouse Moors. SE21.82.

Crepis mollis (Northern Hawk's-beard). This now uncommon species was confirmed from an old site near Thornton Rust by Deborah Millward, Ken and Anne Readshaw on 7th June. SD96.89.

Galium parisiense (Wall Bedstraw). This had been seeded on new verges just off the A1M near Leeming Bar at Coney Hill. Presumably sown in the seed mix spread by the road builders. SE28.90.

Hieracium bakeranum (Baker's Hawkweed). This critically endangered species had only a couple of plants left on the Planet in 2018. Since then seed has been collected and plants grown on. Some have already been reintroduced at various places along the Tees between Widdybank Farm and Wynch Bridge. This work has been carried out by Linda Robinson helped by Martin Furness of NE, Trevor Lowis, Jim Parkin, Deborah Millward, Mark Lynes and Anne and Ken Readshaw, Tim Rich gave helpful advice too. NY84.29, NY88.28, NY89.28, NY90.27 & NY90.28.

Leucojum vernum (Spring Snowflake). A few clumps were found naturalised on the riverside below the track to Danby Mill by Linda Robinson, Yan-Yee Lau, Ken and Anne Readshaw, Alan Wilson and Jim Parkin on 6th March, a second record for the v.c. SE14.87.



Leucojum vernum

Lilium martagon (Martagon Lily). This lovely garden escape was spotted at Marfield Wetlands on 3rd July by Trish New. SE21.82.

Meum athemanticum (Spignel). Four new sites were discovered on 21^{st} August by Deborah Millward and Linda Robinson up the lane to

Castley above Four Lane Ends, above the Crook of Lune. All found in SD63.95.



Meum athemanticum

Orthilia secunda (Serrated Wintergreen). This confirmation of an old record was received from Nik Aspey on 10th September from Cautley Spout. SD68.97..

Osmunda regalis (Royal Fern). This was recorded by Jo Parmenter on 5th June in Deepdale Nature Reserve near Lartington. This is the 3rd record for the v.c. NZ03.16.

Phytolacca acinosa (Indian Pokeweed). Recorded by Trish New on the edge of a car park in Masham on 5th September. A second record for the v.c. SE22.80.

Platanthera chlorantha (Greater Butterfly Orchid). This was recorded by Paul Waite on 15th August at a new site in a meadow near Cowgill in Dentdale. SD75.86.

Potentilla fruticosa (Shrubby Cinquefoil). This was recorded by Jo Parmenter on 5th June in Deepdale Nature Reserve near Lartington. NZ04.16.

Rosa multiflora (Many Flowered Rose). This was recorded on 24th June by Linda Robinson on a newly constructed part of the junction just off the A1M near Leeming Bar at Coney Hill. Lots of bushes planted by the road builders, possibly their take on Wild Roses. SE28.90.

Scrophularia vernalis (Yellow Figwort). This species is quite rare in the v.c. Recorded by Linda Robinson, Chris Weaver and Trish New on 27th April on the verge south of the wooded Thornborough Henge, this is only the second record in the v.c. since 2000. SE28.79.

Sedum rosea (Roseroot). This old record was confirmed by Nik Aspey on 10th September from Cautley Spout. SD68.97.

Viola canina (Early Dog Violet). This increasingly uncommon Violet was recorded on Ever Bank, above Pinker's Pond by Linda Robinson, Jim Parkin and Ken Readshaw on 13th April. SE11.87.

Viola odorata var *sulphurea* (Sweet Violet). This rare variety of Sweet Violet was shown to us by Chris Weaver who discovered it in 2021. It is a first record for the v.c. SE27.79.