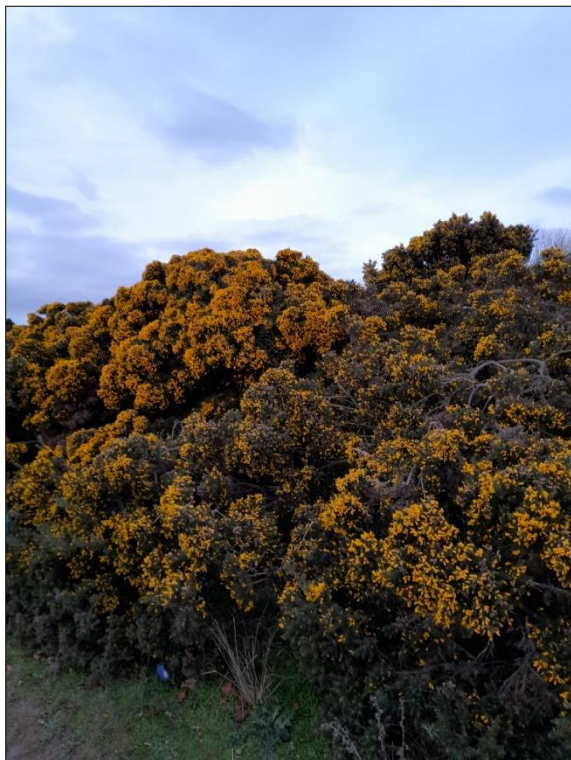


Vc95 Field Meeting Report: New Year's Plant Hunt, Findhorn, 3rd Jan 2023

This is the twelfth year the BSBI have held the NYPH. The aim is to see how many plants one can find in flower in 3 hours. Find out more at [New Year Plant Hunt 2023 – BSBI](#).

Seven of us had an enjoyable day wandering around Findhorn doing the NYPH trying to find species flowering, with some searching we found 30, a good total after all the cold weather we have had of late. We also enjoyed a lunch break in the Crown and Anchor, it was good to warm up!



Ulex europaeus (Gorse) in flower during the New Year Plant Hunt, left, and the group, above

Species list for the field meeting – plants in flower in bold, fruiting plants in red

Scientific name	Common name
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	Yarrow
<i>Alcea rosea</i>	Hollyhock
<i>Anthemis tinctoria</i>	Yellow Chamomile
<i>Bellis perennis</i>	Daisy
<i>Berberis darwinii</i>	Darwin's Barberry
<i>Calendula officinalis</i>	Pot Marigold
<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	Shepherd's-purse
<i>Cardamine hirsuta</i>	Hairy Bitter-cress
<i>Centranthus ruber</i>	Red Valerian
<i>Cerastium fontanum</i>	Common Mouse-ear
<i>Clematis tangutica</i>	Orange-peel Clematis
<i>Crepis capillaris</i>	Smooth Hawk's-beard
<i>Cymbalaria muralis</i>	Ivy-leaved Toadflax
<i>Diploxys muralis</i>	Annual Wall-rocket
<i>Erica cinerea</i>	Bell Heather

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<i>Euphorbia peplus</i>	Petty Spurge
<i>Fumaria muralis</i>	Common Ramping-fumitory
<i>Geranium lucidum</i>	Shining Crane's-bill
<i>Geranium molle</i>	Dove's-foot Crane's-bill
<i>Lamium purpureum</i>	Red Dead-nettle
<i>Lobularia maritima</i>	Sweet Alison
<i>Lolium perenne</i>	Perennial Rye-grass
<i>Malva arborea</i>	Tree-mallow
<i>Malva neglecta</i>	Dwarf Mallow
<i>Oenothera</i> agg.	Evening Primrose
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	Ribwort Plantain
<i>Poa annua</i>	Annual Meadow-grass
<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	Groundsel
<i>Silene coronaria</i>	Rose Campion
<i>Sonchus asper</i>	Prickly Sow-thistle
<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	Smooth Sow-thistle
<i>Spergula arvensis</i>	Corn Spurrey
<i>Stellaria media</i>	Common Chickweed
<i>Taraxacum</i> agg.	Dandelion
<i>Teesdalia nudicaulis</i>	Shepherd's Cress
<i>Trifolium arvense</i>	Hare's-foot Clover
<i>Tripleurospermum maritimum</i>	Sea Mayweed
<i>Ulex europaeus</i>	Gorse
<i>Urtica urens</i>	Small Nettle
<i>Vinca major</i>	Greater Periwinkle