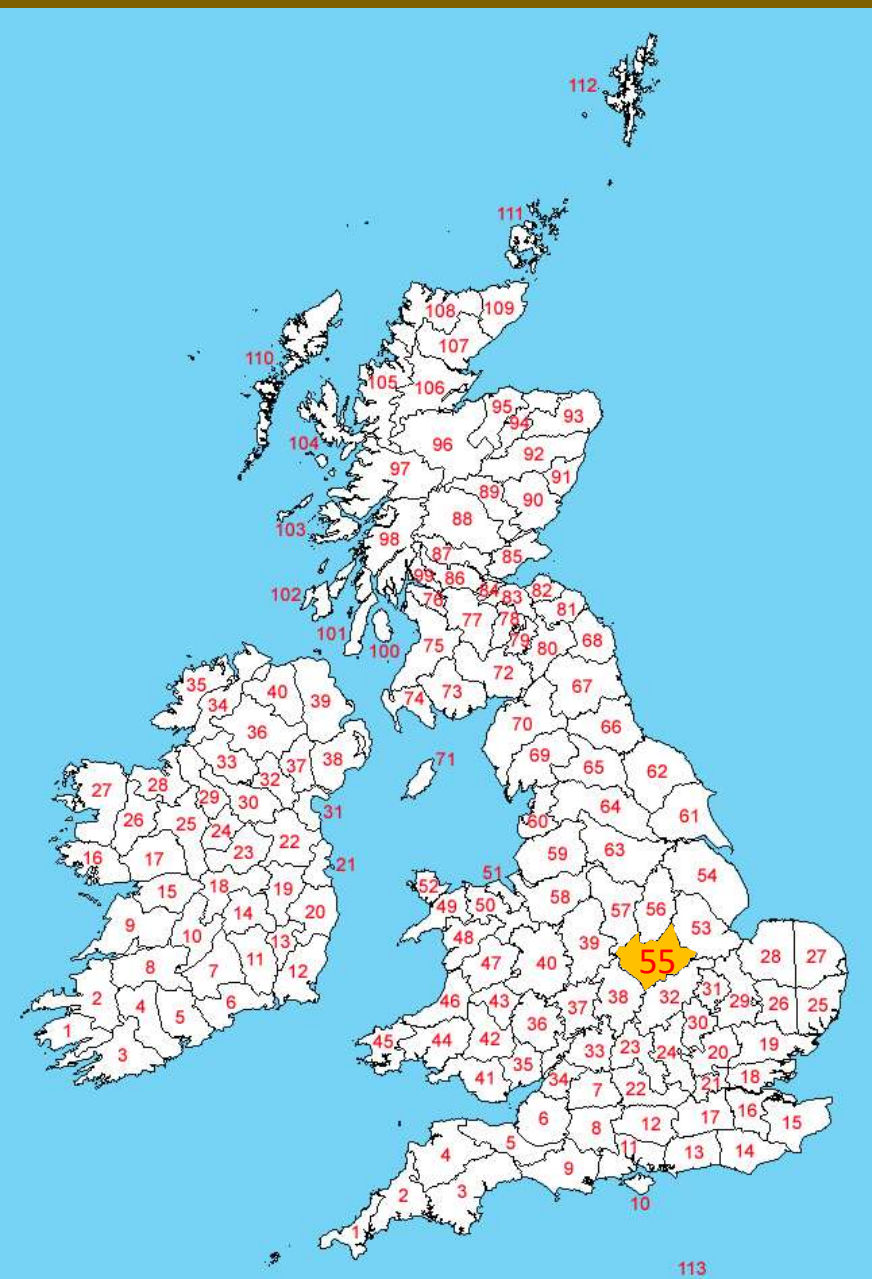


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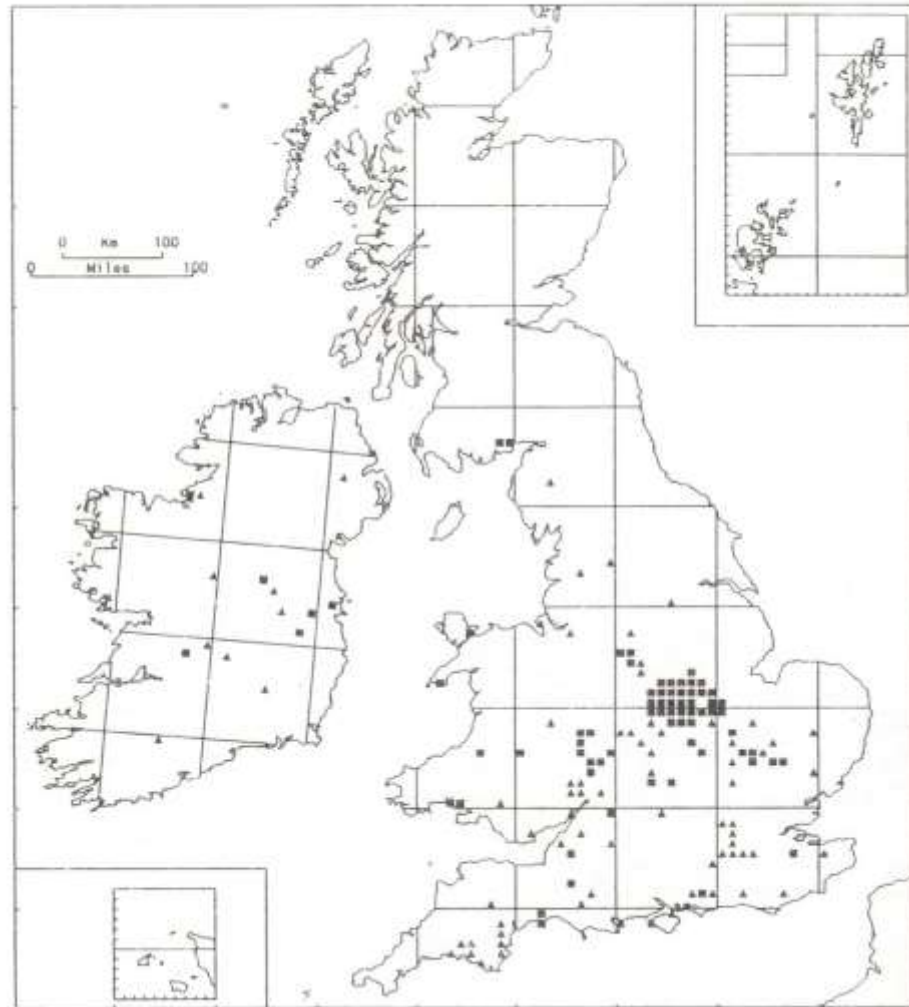


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Map 4. *R. x verticillacantha*  
(*R. arvensis* x *R. canina*) 4 x 12



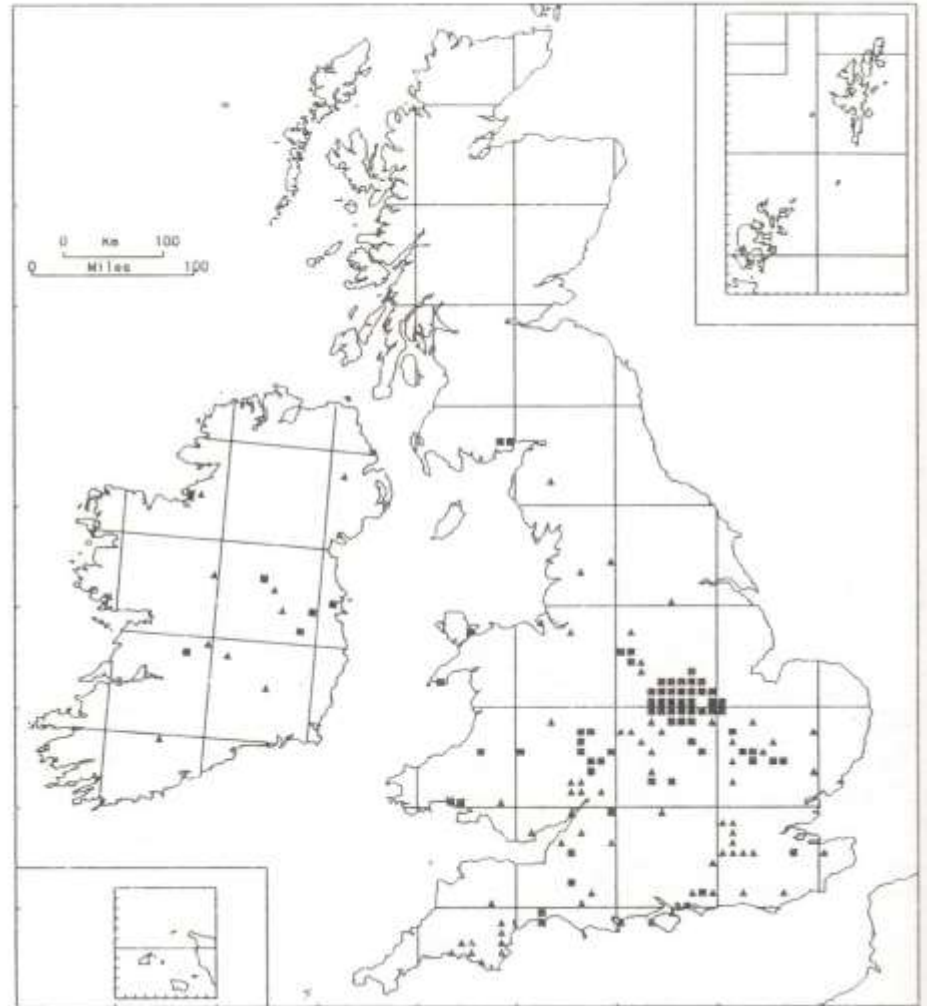


A. L. Primavesi



Grace Dieu Manor

Map 4. *R. x verticillacantha*  
(*R. arvensis* x *R. canina*) 4 x 12



Graham & Primavesi 1993. *Roses*. BSBI



Ashby de la Zouch

Grace Dieu Survey Unit

Loughborough >

Thringstone

Whitwick

Coalville

CHARWOOD FOREST



LNC Survey Unit 1

# GRACE DIEU

Area: 175.8 ha

Priory

Quarries

Farm

School

Thringstone

Railway

Whitwick

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52°45'11.29" N 1°21'11.36" W elev 139 m

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# GRACE DIEU

Area: 175.8 ha

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GD Wood

Cademan Moor

Swannymote Wood

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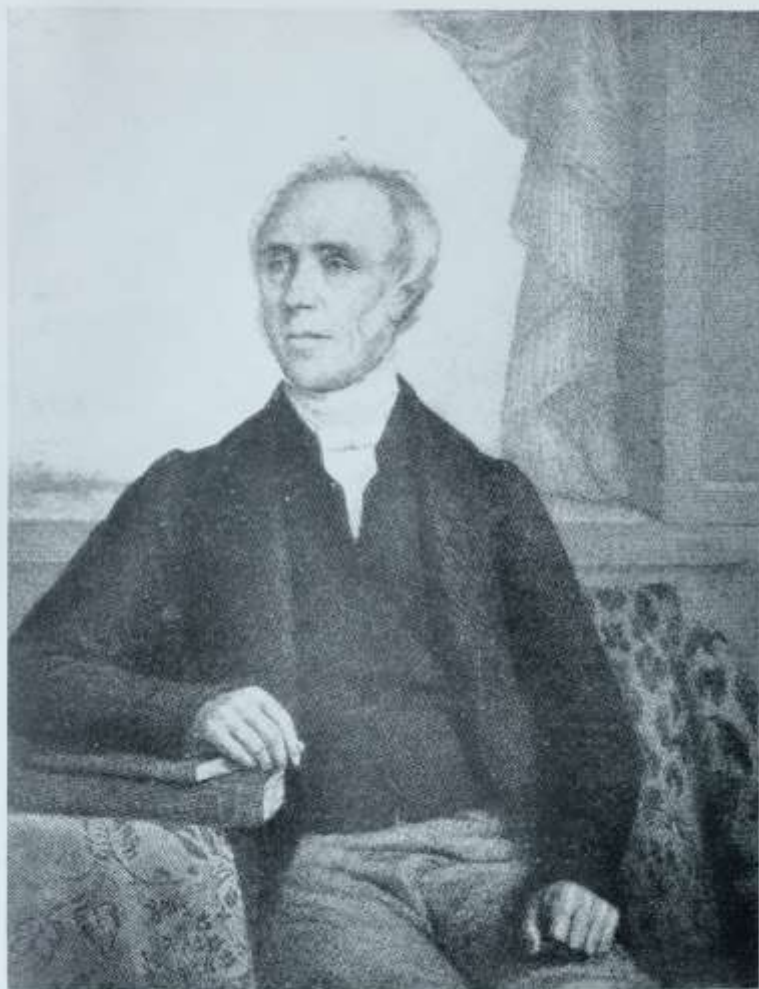
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*Solanum elaeagnifolium*  
Deadly nightshade  
ruins of Grousehill abbey.  
1831

Solanaceae.

From Mrs. Blham's donation  
named by Rev. A. Bloxam



See p. cviii

By courtesy of Henry Roby Bloxam

XXII. REV. ANDREW BLOXAM  
Vicar of Twycross, Leics.  
(1801-1878)



Kidney Vetch *Anthyllis vulneraria*



Species List - Flora (Phaseolus and vascular Cryptogams)

1) Grass Daw Wood

<i>Asar. Pseudopiptanthus</i>	- All parts	<i>Cestegus vovynae</i>	B
<i>Asaridus hippocastanum</i>	A, B	<i>C. zaycantha</i>	B
<i>Azula tenuis</i>	E	<i>C. vovynae</i>	B
<i>Azusa vovynae</i>	F	<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	All parts
<i>Alicaria patiolata</i>	B	<i>Dactyloctenium aegyptium</i>	B
<i>Allium vovynae</i>	B, 16	<i>Reichensia vovynae</i>	B
<i>Allyrium folio-fusca</i>	B	<i>D. lacina</i>	All parts
<i>Alnus vovynae</i>	B, D	<i>Digitaria vovynae</i>	E
<i>Amorcan vovynae</i>	B, 16	<i>Pygostylis dilatata</i>	B
<i>Angalia vovynae</i>	B	<i>D. folio-rus</i>	B, E
<i>Anthriscus vovynae</i>	B	<i>Erdymura vovynae</i>	B, 16
	B	<i>Epilobium vovynae</i>	B
	B, 16	<i>Epilobium vovynae</i>	B
	All parts	<i>E. vovynae</i>	B
		<i>E. vovynae</i>	B
		<i>Equisetum vovynae</i>	B

Someone has entered  
a Hound's-tongue  
record under  
Mammals!



Grace Manor School.  
Section 1. Grace Oaks Lodge  
Site of Special Scientific Interest.

Map 1 Habitat: Existing state and typical species.

Common catbird  
Field wood-rush  
Gemmae speedwell  
Pigunt

Common spotted orchid  
Lesser spearwort  
Alnash manyfold  
Ragged robin.

Pond, silted-up,  
overgrown with  
great willowherb.




Common spotted orchid  
Lesser spearwort  
Ragged robin  
Renote sedge.

Field wood-rush  
Gemmae speedwell  
Heath bedstraw.  
Tormentil

Ash  
Oak  
Scots pine  
Sycamore

Bluebell  
Dogs mercury  
Ivy  
Maid fern  
Sarsile

Key

Broadleaved woodland.	
Heath grassland.	
Marsh.	
Wet woodland (alder carr).	





Cademan Wood



Grace Dieu Wood





	Grace Dieu Wood	Cademan Wood
Ancient Woodland Indicators: (Proctor, 2013)		
<i>Paris quadrifolia</i>	✓	
<i>Anemone nemorosa</i>	✓	
<i>Chrysosplenium oppositifolium</i>	✓	
<i>Lysimachia nemorum</i>	✓	
<i>Galium odoratum</i>	✓	
<i>Veronica montana</i>	✓	
<i>Lamiastrum galeobdolon</i>	✓	
<i>Lathraea squamaria</i>	✓	
<i>Adoxa moschzellina</i>	✓	
<i>Luzula pilosa</i>	✓	
<i>Luzula sylvatica</i>	✓	
<i>Carex remota</i>	✓	
<i>Carex pendula</i>	✓	
<i>Carex sylvatica</i>	✓	
<i>Milium effusum</i>	✓	
<i>Melica uniflora</i>	✓	
Total vasc plants	305	75
Total fungi	324	295





Jacob's-ladder *Polemonium caeruleum*



Sunflower *Helianthus annuus*



Anther smut *Microbotryum stellariae*



Wasp *Megastigmus aculeatus*



Sherard's Downy-rose *Rosa sherardii*

## Why such a long list? (619 taxa)

- Diversity of habitats
- Late & low intensity agriculture
- LNC Survey 2008-2012 (4150 recs)
- Cambridge professors
- Tony Primavesi, Pat Evans
- Introductions
- Searching local Records Centre (650 recs)
- LNC records (117 recs)
- Searching museum collections (60 recs)

# MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE

THE WILDLIFE OF GRACE DIEU, LEICESTERSHIRE



**Stephen Woodward  
& Helen Ikin**



**A Loughborough Naturalists' Club survey of  
Grace Dieu Priory, Grace Dieu Wood,  
Cademan and Swannymote**