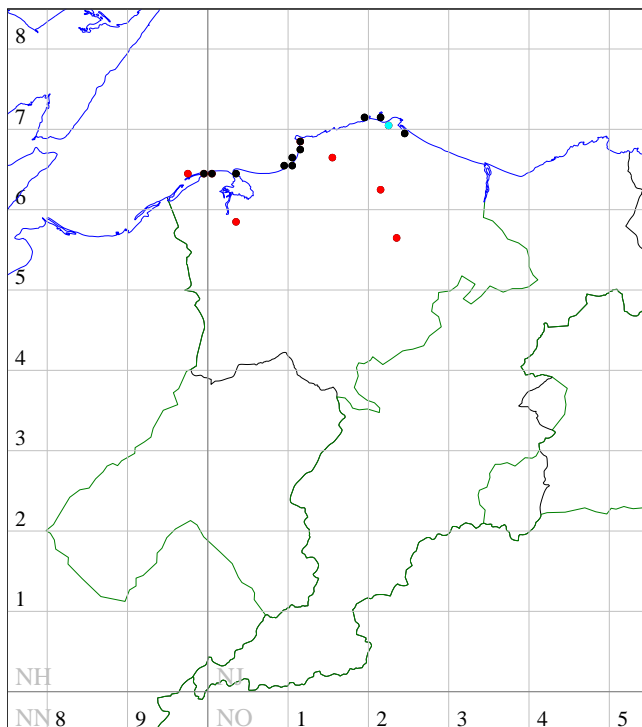


## Vc95 Field Meeting Report: Lossiemouth, 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023

With beautiful weather and great company 13 of us had a very enjoyable afternoon searching the golf course and sand dunes at Lossiemouth for *Myosotis ramosissima* (**Early Forget-me-not**). Early Forget-me-not is found on sandy areas along the Moray coast, mainly on sand dunes. There are a handful on records from inland as well, but it has not been seen at any of these sites for a very long time.

The late Mary McCallum Webster recorded the Early Forget-me-not from the golf course back in 1954, but there have been no records since so the aim of the meeting was to see if we can re-find it. Below is a map showing the distribution of the forget-me-not across vc95, the blue dot is the monad (1km square) that we searched in.

*Myosotis ramosissima* (Early Forget-me-not)



### Map showing records for Early Forget-me-not in vc95

Blue dot is the 1km square (monad) that we searched in.

Black dots are monads with records since 2000.

Red dots are monads with no records since 2000.

Despite plenty of perfect habitat for the species we had no luck in finding it. We saw a good variety of other species, with several species flowering nicely including *Vicia lathyroides* (**Spring Vetch**).



*Vicia lathyroides* (**Spring Vetch**), photographed by Ian McDonald and Bob Turner

**Species list for the field meeting (135 taxa) – thanks to Anne Burgess for producing this**

<b>Scientific name</b>	<b>Common name</b>
<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>	Sycamore
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	Yarrow
<i>Aegopodium podagraria</i>	Ground-elder
<i>Agrostis capillaris</i>	Common Bent
<i>Aira praecox</i>	Early Hair-grass
<i>Alchemilla conjuncta</i>	Silver Lady's-mantle
<i>Alchemilla mollis</i>	Garden Lady's-mantle
<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>	Garlic Mustard
<i>Ammophila arenaria</i>	Marram
<i>Anthoxanthum odoratum</i>	Sweet Vernal-grass
<i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i>	Cow Parsley
<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i>	Kidney Vetch
<i>Aphanes australis</i>	Slender Parsley-piert
<i>Aquilegia vulgaris</i>	Columbine
<i>Arabidopsis thaliana</i>	Thale Cress
<i>Astragalus danicus</i>	Purple Milk-vetch
<i>Bellis perennis</i>	Daisy
<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>	Heather
<i>Campanula persicifolia</i>	Peach-leaved Bellflower
<i>Campanula rotundifolia</i>	Harebell
<i>Cardamine hirsuta</i>	Hairy Bitter-cress
<i>Carex arenaria</i>	Sand Sedge
<i>Cerastium diffusum</i>	Sea Mouse-ear
<i>Cerastium fontanum</i>	Common Mouse-ear
<i>Cerastium glomeratum</i>	Sticky Mouse-ear
<i>Cerastium semidecandrum</i>	Little Mouse-ear
<i>Cerastium tomentosum</i>	Snow-in-summer
<i>Chamerion angustifolium</i>	Rosebay Willowherb
<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	Creeping Thistle
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	Spear Thistle
<i>Claytonia perfoliata</i>	Springbeauty
<i>Cochlearia danica</i>	Danish Scurvygrass
<i>Cochlearia officinalis</i> subsp. <i>officinalis</i>	Common Scurvygrass
<i>Colchicum autumnale</i>	Meadow Saffron
<i>Conopodium majus</i>	Pignut
<i>Cortaderia richardii</i>	Early Pampas-grass
<i>Cotoneaster simonsii</i>	Himalayan Cotoneaster
<i>Cotoneaster</i> sp.	a cotoneaster
<i>Crassula tillaea</i>	Mossy Stonecrop
<i>Crocus</i> sp.	A crocus
<i>Cytisus scoparius</i> subsp. <i>scoparius</i>	Broom
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	Cock's-foot
<i>Digitalis purpurea</i>	Foxglove
<i>Dryopteris dilatata</i>	Broad Buckler-fern
<i>Dryopteris filix-mas</i>	Male-fern

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<i>Echinops</i> sp.	Globe-thistle
<i>Equisetum arvense</i>	Field Horsetail
<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	Common Stork's-bill
<i>Erophila glabrescens</i>	Glabrous Whitlowgrass
<i>Ficaria verna</i> subsp. <i>verna</i>	Lesser Celandine
<i>Forsythia</i> sp.	a Forsythia
<i>Fumaria muralis</i>	Common Ramping-fumitory
<i>Galanthus nivalis</i>	Snowdrop
<i>Galium aparine</i>	Cleavers
<i>Galium verum</i>	Lady's Bedstraw
<i>Geranium lucidum</i>	Shining Crane's-bill
<i>Geranium robertianum</i>	Herb-Robert
<i>Hedera helix</i> agg.	Common Ivy
<i>Heracleum sphondylium</i>	Hogweed
<i>Hippophae rhamnoides</i>	Sea-buckthorn
<i>Hyacinthoides x massartiana</i>	Hybrid Bluebell (H. non-scripta x hispanica)
<i>Hypochaeris radicata</i>	Cat's-ear
<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	Holly
<i>Senecio jacobaea</i>	Ragwort
<i>Lamium album</i>	White Dead-nettle
<i>Lamium amplexicaule</i>	Henbit Dead-nettle
<i>Lamium purpureum</i>	Red Dead-nettle
<i>Leymus arenarius</i>	Lyme-grass
<i>Ligusticum scoticum</i>	Scots Lovage
<i>Lonicera periclymenum</i>	Honeysuckle
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	Common Bird's-foot-trefoil
<i>Luzula campestris</i>	Field Wood-rush
<i>Malus pumila</i>	Apple
<i>Meconopsis cambrica</i>	Welsh Poppy
<i>Montia fontana</i> subsp. <i>chondrosperma</i>	Blinks
<i>Muscari botryoides</i>	Compact Grape-hyacinth
<i>Narcissus</i> agg.	Cultivated Daffodil
<i>Ononis repens</i>	Common Restharrow
<i>Ornithogalum umbellatum</i> subsp. <i>campestre</i>	Star-of-Bethlehem
<i>Papaver dubium</i>	Long-headed Poppy
<i>Papaver pseudoorientale</i>	Oriental Poppy
<i>Parietaria judaica</i>	Pellitory-of-the-Wall
<i>Persicaria bistorta</i>	Common Bistort
<i>Pilosella officinarum</i>	Mouse-ear-hawkweed
<i>Pinus sylvestris</i>	Scots Pine
<i>Plantago coronopus</i>	Buck's-horn Plantain
<i>Plantago major</i>	Greater Plantain
<i>Plantago maritima</i>	Sea Plantain
<i>Polypodium vulgare</i>	Polypody
<i>Primula vulgaris</i>	Primrose
<i>Prunus avium</i>	Wild Cherry
<i>Puschkinia scilloides</i>	Striped Squill

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<i>Ranunculus acris</i>	Meadow Buttercup
<i>Ranunculus bulbosus</i>	Bulbous Buttercup
<i>Ribes sanguineum</i>	Flowering Currant
<i>Rosa rubiginosa</i>	Sweet Briar
<i>Rosa rugosa</i>	Japanese Rose
<i>Rosa</i> sp.	a Rose
<i>Rubus fruticosus</i> agg.	Bramble
<i>Rubus idaeus</i>	Raspberry
<i>Rumex acetosa</i> subsp. <i>acetosa</i>	Common Sorrel
<i>Rumex acetosella</i> subsp. <i>acetosella</i>	Sheep's Sorrel
<i>Rumex crispus</i>	Curled Dock
<i>Rumex obtusifolius</i>	Broad-leaved Dock
<i>Rumex x hybridus</i> ( <i>R. longifolius</i> x <i>R. obtusifolium</i> )	Northern Dock x Broad-leaved Dock
<i>Sagina procumbens</i>	Procumbent Pearlwort
<i>Salix x smithiana</i> ( <i>S. caprea</i> x <i>S. viminalis</i> )	Goat Willow x Osier
<i>Sambucus nigra</i>	Elder
<i>Saxifraga x urbium</i>	Londonpride
<i>Scilla forbesii</i>	Glory-of-the-snow
<i>Scilla siberica</i>	Siberian Squill
<i>Sedum acre</i>	Biting Stonecrop
<i>Senecio inaequidens</i>	Narrow-leaved Ragwort
<i>Senecio sylvaticus</i>	Heath Groundsel
<i>Senecio viscosus</i>	Sticky Groundsel
<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	Groundsel
<i>Silene dioica</i>	Red Campion
<i>Sorbus aucuparia</i>	Rowan
<i>Spergula arvensis</i>	Corn Spurrey
<i>Spergularia rubra</i>	Sand Spurrey
<i>Stellaria media</i>	Common Chickweed
<i>Symphytum tuberosum</i>	Tuberous Comfrey
<i>Taraxacum</i> agg.	Dandelion
<i>Thymus polytrichus</i>	Wild Thyme
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	White Clover
<i>Tulipa gesneriana</i>	Garden Tulip
<i>Ulex europaeus</i>	Gorse
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	Common Nettle
<i>Veronica arvensis</i>	Wall Speedwell
<i>Veronica chamaedrys</i>	Germander Speedwell
<i>Veronica hederifolia</i> subsp. <i>hederifolia</i>	Ivy-leaved Speedwell
<i>Vicia hirsuta</i>	Hairy Vetch
<i>Vicia lathyroides</i>	Spring Vetch
<i>Vicia sativa</i>	Common Vetch
<i>Vicia sepium</i>	Bush Vetch