

SOUTH LINCOLNSHIRE FLORA GROUP

2017 Newsletter

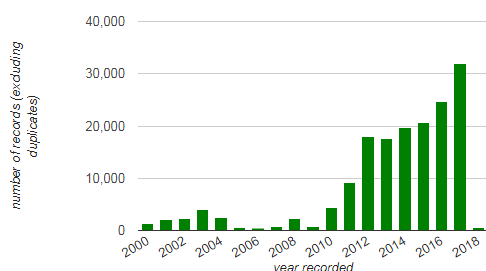
Sarah Lambert, BSBI Recorder VC53, February 2018

Recording progress

So far, I've entered just over 32,000 records into the MapMate database for 2017, and I estimate that I still have c. 15,000 Fen Flora records to enter, thanks to Owen's recent retirement. It seems likely that the number of records made in 2017 will exceed any previous year of recording for the 2020 Atlas, although until I've finally entered the historical data from LERC and Malcolm Pool, I can't be sure. In 2017 a total of 1121 taxa were recorded, a very similar number to 2016 and 2015.

Recording since 2000

Year-by-year breakdown of recording since 2000.



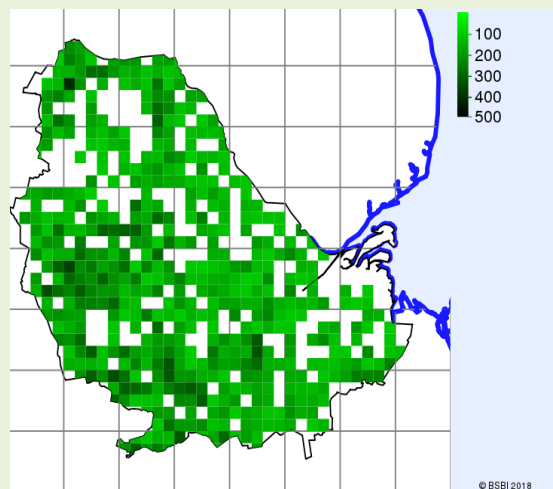
Recording has been more evenly distributed over the vice-county, though some parts of the north still need attention. Malcolm Pool and Richard O'Connor were very busy in the area around Grantham (SK93, SK83, SK94, SK84). Malcolm contributed 10,227 records, Richard contributed at least 311 and a further 1,470 records were made jointly. Jon Shanklin spent a week in May recording in TF05 and TF06 and made a huge contribution to the overall effort. Kerry Harrison recorded a further two tetrads in TF04, Richard Jefferson recorded three tetrads in TF03 and Mary-Anne Creedy, John Creedy & Phil Horton contributed useful records from a range of tetrads. As usual there has also been a very significant contribution from Owen Mountford and Jon Graham in the fenland area. Many others have contributed records, including Neil Harris, who is good at finding the uncommon species.

In terms of the number of records, the best recorded hectad this year has again been SK93, followed by SK84, TF03, TF05, TF06 and SK94. The highest number of species was recorded from

SK93 with a total of 575 different taxa, but this was closely followed by TF06 with 535.

For the 2020 Atlas, the BSBI consider that a hectad is well recorded when there are post-2000 records for more than 75% of taxa that have ever been recorded, although 67% is a more realistic target in South Lincolnshire. We now have good coverage of the southern part of the county, and the remaining gaps are on the western edge of the vice-county and around Lincoln, particularly in hectads SK85, SK86 and SK95.

The map below shows all tetrads which have a minimum of 100 species recorded since 2017. This has been produced using the BSBI database, which does not yet have all the 2017 data – when it is finally entered there will be many fewer gaps in the fens.



New Additions to the flora of VC53

We have recorded 35 new taxa in 2017, almost half the number recorded in 2015 and 2016, which is a consequence of several years of intensive recording, which has included many villages and urban areas. A rough attempt to partition species into categories gives the following breakdown.

- ❖ 16 (46%) garden escapes
- ❖ 11 (31%) planted trees and shrubs
- ❖ 3 (9%) subspecies / other taxa

- ❖ 3 (9%) hybrids
- ❖ 1 (3%) critical taxon (to be confirmed)
- ❖ 1 (3%) of uncertain status

One of the more attractive newcomers was Annual Gypsophila *Gypsophila muralis*, a delicate member of the Caryophyllaceae which is present throughout Europe and western parts of Asia, but is not native in the British Isles. In September I found a well-established population growing in a parched road verge and in the gutter at Pickworth. It had colonised from a population some distance away, growing in a rock garden, but it looked very at home. This species has become naturalised in The United States and east Asia. Seed is now widely available, so we may see more naturalised populations in the UK.



Woodlands

There have been several particularly interesting species recorded from woodlands in 2017. On 24th February I recorded Spring Snowflake *Leucojum vernum* in Shillingford Park, near Greatford. This is only the second record in VC53, the first being in 1959 from Casewick Park. This species was almost certainly introduced, but appeared to be quite well-established and was growing among swathes of naturalised snowdrops.



On 2nd May Caroline Tero posted a photograph of an immature flower spike of a Bird's-nest Orchid *Neottia nidus-avis* from Skellingthorpe Wood in the Facebook group. This species has always been rare in VC53, with only a scatter of records and most of them very old. In 1856 it was found in nearby Ash Lound Wood by R.E. Cole and there is also a pre-1969 record from SK97 by Irene Weston. This observation was the first post-2000 record in VC53, the only other recent one dating from Ingoldsby Wood in 1999.



On 13 July Malcolm Pool was recording in SK9930 including the footpath through Ingoldsby Wood. He took a track away from the footpath and followed the edge of the wood southward, reaching a sheltered, damp valley parallel to the footpath. When he stopped to examine some sedges and grasses he spotted some fronds of the delicate Wood Horsetail *Equisetum sylvaticum*.

I visited the site in late September and confirmed the presence of this species in a flushed area,

growing among rather lush vegetation with abundant Thin-stalked Wood-sedge *Carex strigosa* and Common Nettle *Urtica dioica*, together with frequent Male Fern *Dryopteris filix-mas*, Broad Buckler-fern *Dryopteris dilatata*, Lady Fern *Athyrium filix-femina* and Yellow Pimpernel *Lysimachia nemorum*. I attempted to count the number of fronds of Wood Horsetail, and estimated that there were at least 100, which is probably a significant underestimate.

This predominantly northern and western species is very rare in Lincolnshire with only six previously recorded sites, four of which are in VC54 North Lincolnshire. There have only ever been seven records of the species in VC53, most of which were from Nocton Wood, where it was last seen in 1963. The population at Ingoldsby wood is a completely new and very exciting discovery.



Grasslands

On 5th June, during a walk round Porter's Lodge Meadow NR, Mary-Anne Creedy spotted a bluish-green grass, which we quickly identified as Heath-grass *Danthonia decumbens*. It was locally frequent in one of the damper furrows. This is a very local species in VC53, being much more frequent in VC54. According to the BSBI database this was the first post-2000 record for South

Lincolnshire, the first record for the south of the vice-county and the second record for SK91 (the first being found in 2011 just over the border at Merry's Meadow in Rutland). However, since publicising this it seems a number of botanists knew of its presence here, but had never submitted formal records!



In June 2017 I found two populations of X *Schedolium loliaceum*, the hybrid between Perennial Rye-grass *Lolium perenne* (left on the image below) and Meadow Fescue *Schedonorus pratensis* (right on the image) in Threekingham and Little Bytham. There are very few records of this hybrid in VC53, and these are the second and third post-2000 records. This hybrid is occasional where both parents occur and is most frequently found in old pastures and meadows, in water meadows and on roadsides through old grassland usually on rich, heavy soils. It may be overlooked, but is quite distinctive when flowering,



Wetlands

A few hours of recording in January 2017 in an area of residential development, farmed fenland and the southern bank of Crowland Wash produced several interesting wetland species from a very small and superficially uninspiring roadside ditch along Low Road.

In the summer this ditch would probably be scarcely detectable because of the long grass on the banks, and might well be dry. But in January it supported a good range of wetland species, including a small population of Opposite-leaved Pondweed *Groenlandia densa* (UK Vulnerable), which is a feature of fen-edge ditches in VC53 and a very extensive population of Clustered Stonewort *Tolypella glomerata*, which is Nationally Scarce. This is only the second post-2000 record for this taxon in VC53; the previous one was found by us in a similarly undistinguished ditch in the Cowbit Wash area in April 2014. Clustered Stonewort is known to act as a winter/spring annual in seasonal water-bodies and it seems that this is the time of year to go and look for it. The other interesting record from the ditch was a couple of plants of Fen Pondweed *Potamogeton coloratus*, which is a new hectad record. In recent years it has only been recorded from the Baston Fen / Thurlby Fen Slippe area, though there is a record made by Druce from TF21 in 1911!



In May 2017 Neil Harris found a small patch of water whorl grass in flower at Baston Fen Slippe. This grass is now considered Vulnerable in England and this is only the fourth post-2000 record and is probably the same population that was recorded by Kerry Harrison two years ago..



Hedgerows

In early June I spotted an odd-looking willow growing beside a drain near Birthorpe. It proved to be the first county record for European Violet-willow *Salix daphnoides*, which is most frequently planted as an amenity tree, but may also be found naturalised in wild places. This specimen was not obviously associated with habitation, but was most likely planted some time ago. It was introduced into Britain in about 1829, and has been known from the wild since 1905. There are a number of

recent records from the area between Nottingham and Mansfield, and from Manchester, Liverpool and Blackpool.



After an absence of twenty years, there have been four records for the archaeophyte Dwarf Elder *Sambucus ebulus* in 2017. In May Richard Jefferson found it growing on a roadside verge on boundary of TF03X near Birthorpe, apparently a new sit. Later in the summer James Gallimore recorded it from a road verge near Ropsley, which is a well-known site last recorded by Malcolm Pool in 1997. In September I found a largely population growing in a hedge near Pickworth; it was frequent to abundant for a distance of about 40m. This appears to be a new site, though there are old, records for TF03 made by Joan Gibbons. In November I found another plant in a hedge near Aunsby. I'm not quite sure why there's been this sudden rush of records, but it definitely seems to still be well-established in TF03 and adjacent hectads .



Arable

In April 2017 Richard O'Connor found a very large population of Slender Thistle *Carduus tenuiflorus* growing on an arable field margin near Moor Barn, north of Hough-on-the-Hill. This is only the fourth post-2000 record for this predominantly coastal species, which is usually an alien inland, and favours well-drained soils.



Towns and villages

While recording in Wigtoft in April 2017 I found a second VC53 location for Early Meadow-grass *Poa infirma*. I nearly missed it, as it was growing in a closely-mown verge and it was only the very characteristic yellow-green colour that caught my eye. Although it was definitely past its best, there were still a number of anthers visible, which show up as tiny and scarcely longer than wide under a hand-lens. This is a significant population extending over 4-5m of verge.



In May 2017 Alyson Freeman recorded *Bacopa Sutura cordata* in Stamford, growing by a downpipe in St Mary's Street, opposite the Arts Centre. There was no sign of any pots or baskets. This was only the second record of this frequently grown ornamental in VC53. It also turned up in our New Year Plant Hunt in Bourne, though there it looked rather more bedraggled.



Reports of SLFG field meetings 2017

Thurlby
3rd April 2017

We were blessed with wonderful spring weather for our first field meeting of the year in Thurlby, much more pleasant than our visit to Heckington in 2016. We started at St. Firmin's Church and recorded in TF11D before lunch. This tetrad has been visited quite a few times since 2000, but never in early spring. Consequently we were able to update records for species such as Greater Stitchwort *Stellaria holostea* from the churchyard and Wood Anemone *Anemone nemorosa* from Park Wood, neither of which had been recorded since the 1980's. We added 45 new species for the tetrad, including Field Wood-rush *Luzula campestris* from the churchyard, Lesser Chickweed *Stellaria pallida* which was frequent in drought-prone mown grass and pavement edges, Maidenhair Spleenwort *Asplenium trichomanes* from a shaded wall and Dog's Mercury *Mercurialis perennis* from Park Wood (I can't think how that was overlooked previously!). We were also

pleased to find a rosette of a Bee Orchid *Ophrys apifera* on a mown grass verge.

After a very comfortable lunch at Mary-Anne's house a smaller group of us headed into the village to record in TF01Y, another tetrad with a good number of post-2000 records, but originating solely from Dole Wood. As expected we recorded many garden escapes and 'village' species, adding 64 new species to the tetrad. It was good to find some rather diverse road verges with a mix of neutral grassland indicator species such as Cuckooflower *Cardamine pratensis*, Field Wood-rush, Meadow Buttercup *Ranunculus acris*, Bulbous Buttercup *Ranunculus bulbosus*, Common Sorrel *Rumex acetosa* and Mouse-ear Hawkweed *Pilosella officinarum*. Highlights among the garden escapes were a small population of Fairy Foxglove high on a stone wall and a patch of Yellow Nonea *Nonea lutea* under a hedge.



In total we recorded 155 species from TF11D and 132 species from TF01Y, and saw 222 different taxa during the course of the day. A very good start to the year, and a gentle way to exercise those identification circuits that are often a bit rusty at the start of the year!

Swanholme Lakes and Hartsholme Park
24th April 2017

It's been a busy week so it's taken a bit of time to complete all the identifications and enter the species records from our recent trip to Hartsholme Country Park and Swanholme Lakes. We recorded a total of 201 species, of which 25 were new to tetrad SK96P (although this includes some intraspecific taxa). New species included Yellow-Flowered Strawberry *Potentilla indica*, Lesser

Stitchwort *Stellaria pallida* and Cowslip *Primula veris*. Other additions were Dawn Redwood *Metasequoia glyptostroboides*, growing near the lake and *Caltha palustris* subsp. *polypetala*, which was the giant-leaved Marsh-marigold growing in the linear water body on the way back to the car.



However, the most exciting addition was the very tiny Glabrous Whitlowgrass *Erophila glabrescens*, found growing on a sandy track in Swanholme Lakes SSSI, only the second ever record for VC53. Other species of note recorded from the SSSI included Changing Forget-me-not *Myosotis discolor*, Pillwort *Pilularia globulifera*, Green-ribbed Sedge *Carex binervis*, Creeping Willow *Salix repens*, Bulbous Rush *Juncus bulbosus* (which was the reddish plant growing in the boggy area) and Common Polypody *Polypodium vulgare* (confirmed microscopically), which was last recorded from Hartsholme Park in 1981 by Irene Weston.



After we dispersed I spent a couple of hours wandering around a housing estate and nature park in Birchwood. I recorded an additional 187 species, 97 of which were new to tetrad SK96J. Mown lawns in the housing estate were surprisingly good, with locally frequent Little Mouse-ear *Cerastium semidecandrum*, Early forget-me-not *Myosotis ramosissima*, Sheep's Sorrel *Rumex acetosella* and Mouse-ear Hawkweed *Pilosella officinarum*. The sandy verges of the Doddington Road also proved to be quite

species-rich, the highlights being the Common Ramping-fumitory *Fumaria muralis* subsp. *boraiei* and a thriving colony of Keeled-fruited Cornsalad *Valerianella carinata*, only the fifth ever site for this predominantly south-western species, and the third post-2000 record.

Tunman Wood NR 22nd May 2017

Once again we had a very successful trip, blessed by glorious summer weather. The group split into two, with one half starting in Thorpe-on-the-Hill SK96C, a tetrad with only ten previously recorded species, none of which we refound! Despite only looking at a small corner of the tetrad, we added ninety-six species including the first VC record for *Syringa x prestoniae*, a lilac with reddish-pink flowers that had been planted as a street shrub. Coincidentally, Jon Shanklin was also recording in the area on the same day, and between us we recorded 173 species in the tetrad.

We did very well in SK86X, which comprised Tunman Wood and farmland to the east of it. In total we recorded 207 species, and brought the post-2000 coverage up to 70%. We were disappointed not to find some of the known rarities such as Greater Woodrush *Luzula sylvatica* and Hard Fern *Blechnum spicant*, but in compensation we added 45 new species, including *Aphanes australis* and Marsh Cudweed *Gnaphalium uliginosum*. The two highlights of the day were Neil Harris's discovery of a small population of Bristle Club-rush *Isolepis setacea* on the edge of a shallow peaty pool, and Alyson Freeman spotting some Water-purslane *Lythrum portula* in a pool on a peaty ride in an area of clear-felled conifers. Once we all got our eye in, we found quite a few plants along the ride. Both of these species have been recorded from nearby tetrads, but are rare in the vice-county as a whole so a nice surprise.



We ended the day with tea and cake at Whisby Nature Park, very welcome after the long, hot walk up the hill to our cars!

Long Hollow 25th June 2017

We had a very good outing to Long Hollow, with temperatures that made botanising a pleasure. We started off in TF03D, which was a relatively well-recorded tetrad. The richest areas of grassland were all near our parking spot. The A52 verges had a very good calcicole flora including locally frequent Pyramidal Orchid *Anacamptis pyramidalis*, as well as Blue Fleabane *Erigeron acris* and Ploughman's Spikenard *Inula conyzae* among the more usual limestone grassland species.

We pondered specimens of Restharrow *Ononis* for some time. Having brought back a range of forms I can confirm that according to Stace there was definite Spiny Restharrow *Ononis spinosa*, a small amount that appeared to be Common Restharrow *O. repens*, but most had characters of both species and would be classified as the hybrid *O. x pseudoaxillaris*. The key features are the distribution of hairs on the stem, the ratio of leaf length to width and the shape of the end of the leaf. However, Sell and Murrell only recognise one species, Common Restharrow *O. spinosa*, with four subspecies, three of which appeared to be present in our tetrad: subsp. *spinosa*, subsp. *intermedia* (which is what most of ours was) and subsp. *procurrens*. I believe that this is a more accurate representation of the actual situation.



Despite being well recorded we managed to add sixteen new taxa for the tetrad, including Chalk Knapweed *Centaurea debeauxii*, which had previously been recorded as *C. nigra* agg., several taxa associated with wildflower seeding in Ropsley Quarry (Kidney vetch *Anthyllis vulneraria*, Bird's-foot-trefoil *Lotus corniculatus* var. *sativus*, Wild Clary *Salvia verbenaca*, Fodder Burnet *Poterium sanguisorba* subsp. *balearicum* and Sainfoin

Onobrychis viciifolium) and Common Stonewort *Chara vulgaris* from the new quarry pool, one of the only records for this species outside the fens. Interestingly, we also recorded Blunt-flowered Water-starwort *Callitriche obtusangula* from the pools, which shows the same distribution. We also updated some old records, the most notable of which were Autumn Gentian *Gentianella amarella* and Dropwort *Filipendula vulgaris*. It was also good to see plenty of Basil-thyme *Clinopodium acinos*.



TF03C proved to be rather less rich, but nevertheless we managed to find 162 species (boosted a bit by me dropping in to Braceby on the way home) which included 61 new taxa. The highlight of this tetrad was the open-structured grassland between Long Hollow and the quarry where we found a thriving population of Long-stalked Crane's-bill *Geranium columbinum*. Although Richard knew that there was an unusual *Geranium* in the vicinity, this species hadn't previously been formally recorded from the tetrad. This is only the fourth post-2000 record for VC53.



Stapleford Moor 18th August 2018

We had far from ideal weather for our trip to Stapleford Moor. However, despite the heavy lunchtime shower, we all had a very interesting walk round, and managed to arrive back at the cars before the worst downpour.

Despite a seemingly slow start we eventually recorded 189 species from SK85U which brings the number of post-2000 records up to a very respectable 214. It's always interesting to record on acid soils, where species such as Wavy Hair-grass *Deschampsia flexuosa* and Creeping Soft-grass *Holcus mollis* are common, and where finding Hogweed *Heracleum sphondylium* raised a cheer!



We recorded a number of noteworthy species. Climbing Corydalis *Ceratocapnos claviculata*, which is very local in woods on acid soils in the north of VC53, proved to be locally frequent in a couple of areas of the woodland. We also found Trailing St. John's-wort *Hypericum humifusum* in two monads. a thriving population of Trailing Tormentil *Potentilla anglica*, and a stand of Wood-sage *Teucrium scordium* at our picnic spot.



Two species of Hawkweed were found: Umbellate Hawkweed *Hieracium umbellatum* in the south-west corner of the wood, and Autumn Hawkweed *Hieracium sabaudum*, first on a bank near our

picnic site and then along the road verge to the south of the wood (in SK85T). We also amassed a good set of sedges including Common yellow-sedge *Carex demissa*, Pill Sedge *Carex pilulifera* and Green-ribbed Sedge *Carex binervis*. Towards the end of our walk we came across several bushes of Alder Buckthorn *Frangula alnus*, a local species of fens and damp, usually acid conditions which was berrying.

As well as the flora, there was a good range of fungi including False Death-cap, Yellow-cracked Bolete (probably) and a very fine Stinkhorn, which was certainly living up to its name! And of course, I mustn't forget the three baby lizards, basking on a wood stack, which attracted much admiration.

Nocton and Potterhanworth Wood 2nd September 2017

Another very interesting day's recording round Nocton village and Potterhanworth Wood, and this time we were blessed by perfect early autumn weather.

We spent the morning recording the village, which had a few surprises including a colony of about 50 marsh-orchids *Dactylorhiza* sp. in some waste ground behind the village hall car-park. Unfortunately it wasn't possible to identify them to species level, so a return visit next June will be required.

A stretch of spring-fed beck provided some aquatic and marginal species, and we pondered over the water-speedwell, trying to decide whether the flowers were blue or pink. Having examined the fruit the species was Blue Water-speedwell *Veronica anagallis-aquatica*, which has fruit stalks erect to spreading and the seed capsules a little longer than wide and scarcely notched.

The grounds of Nocton Hall, which now form part of a village walk, added a number of planted conifers, some grassland with lots of Lesser Stitchwort *Stellaria graminea* and locally frequent Lady's Bedstraw *Galium verum* and some old plantation woodland with Dog's Mercury *Mercurialis perennis* and a mixed stand of Wood-sedge *Carex sylvatica* and Grey Sedge *Carex divulsa* subsp. *divulsa*. Some of the latter had unusually long lower bracts, and we pondered the possibility of a hybrid, but it seems that our observations were within the recorded range of variation and it didn't have any other features to suggest hybridisation. We finished off in the

churchyard where there was abundant Mind-your-own-business *Soleirolia soleirolii*, and a few species of parched soils including Common Stork's-bill *Erodium cicutarium* and Field Madder *Sherardia arvensis*.

Our recording had taken us through two tetrads. In TF06M we recorded 146 species, 126 of which were new to the tetrad! In TF06S we recorded a more moderate 98 species, 39 of which were new. I can't help feeling there's still quite a lot of work to do in some parts of VC53!



After lunch at the picnic benches outside the village hall we decided to spend the afternoon in Potterhanworth Wood, partly because it would provide some shade. This tetrad was visited by the BSBI group in April 2016, but we concentrated on the western side of the wood. The footpath running along the western boundary turned up quite a few new species for the tetrad including Wood-sage *Teucrium scorodonia*, which was locally frequent along the wood edge, and a stand of Common Meadow-rue *Thalictrum flavum*, unusually growing on a dry bank.

There were fewer surprises within the wood, but we added Lady-fern *Athyrium filix-femina* and *Rubus vestitus* to the list, as well as a couple of conifers which had previously been overlooked (or ignored). We re-found a number of species not seen for many years including Wood Melick *Melica uniflora* on a boundary bank (last recorded in 1955), Autumn Hawkweed *Hieracium sabaudum* (1967), Marsh Cudweed *Gnaphalium uliginosum* and Bearded Couch *Elymus caninus* (1984), Corn Mint *Mentha arvensis* (1988) and Small Teasel *Dipsacus pilosus* and Giant Fescue *Schedonorus giganteus* (1991).



In total we recorded 162 species, 22 of which were new species and brought the total number of post-2000 records up to 281, which is 71% of the total. A very worthwhile trip.

New Year Plant Hunt, Bourne 31st December 2017

Nine of us spent exactly three hours scouring the streets of Bourne, searching for plants in flower for the BSBI New Year Plant Hunt.

We also produced a full plant list for TF0920 which came to a surprisingly high total of 171 species! Among the more interesting finds were pale galingale *Cyperus eragrostis* and silver-spiked sedge *Carex buchananii* in a derelict car-park/garden and Musk Stork's-bill *Erodium moschatum* in an area of mown grass on a south-facing verge.



We managed to find 63 species in flower, including the third record of *Bacopa Sutura cordata* for VC53, which was in the car-park at the start of the hunt. When all the results were in we had the eleventh longest list in the country – a very good result as all sites with a longer list were significantly further south and west, except for Cambridge.

South Lincolnshire Field Meetings 2018

*The exact date and times of meetings held by the South Lincolnshire Flora Group will be confirmed nearer the date using a Doodle poll, but will be close to the suggested date. Other recording or trips to collect for the LoveLincs Flora project trips may be added.

Date and time	Site name	Meeting Location	Tetrads and habitat	Organiser
*Saturday 24 March 10.30	Haddington & Auborn	Stepping Out car park, Dovecote Lane, Haddington, LN5 9EF SK913629	SK96B & SK96G Farmland, village, River Witham	SLFG Sarah Lambert 07784 169260 sarah.lambert7@ntlworld.com
*Saturday 21 April 10.30	Hill Holt Wood & Stapleford	Hill Holt Wood car-park LN6 9JP, SK863605. Access from A46 southbound.	SK86Q Ancient woodland and arable SK85Y Village, River Witham	SLFG Sarah Lambert 07784 169260 sarah.lambert7@ntlworld.com
*Saturday 12 May 10.30	Grimsthorpe Estate	Scottlethorpe Quarry – details to be confirmed later	TF02K Limestone grassland, woodland, quarry	SLFG Sarah Lambert 07784 169260 sarah.lambert7@ntlworld.com
Sunday 10 June 10.30 (to be confirmed)	Whisby Nature Park: grasses, sedges and rushes training and herbarium collection	Whisby Nature Park car-park (£2 parking charge)	SK96D & SK96I Acid grassland, open water	SLFG Sarah Lambert 07784 169260 sarah.lambert7@ntlworld.com
Saturday 30 June 10.30	Nocton Wood & Timberland	Stepping out car-park on Dunston Lane	TF06W & TF15E/J Replanted ancient woodland and village	SLFG Sarah Lambert 07784 169260 sarah.lambert7@ntlworld.com
*Saturday 14 July 10.30	Willow Tree Fen NR: LoveLincsFlora herbarium collection day	Reserve car-park	TF11I & TF11N Fenland	SLFG Sarah Lambert 07784 169260 sarah.lambert7@ntlworld.com
*Saturday 11 August 10.30	Careby Wood	To be confirmed. Probably in Carby village.	TF01H Ancient woodland, partly re-planted	SLFG Sarah Lambert 07784 169260 sarah.lambert7@ntlworld.com
Sunday 2 September 12.30 p.m.	Sutton Bridge Area	Meet and park at layby/verge on minor road at TF483210 . Nearest postcode: PE12 9YN	TF42V Saltmarsh, grassland	LNU Charlie Barnes 07931 259418 charlie@cucaera.co.uk
*Saturday 8 September 10.30	New Boultham & Boultham Mere	To be confirmed	SK97K & SK97Q Urban Wetland	SLFG Sarah Lambert 07784 169260 sarah.lambert7@ntlworld.com
*Saturday 29 September 10.30	Brant Broughton & Stragglethorpe	Park near St. Helen's Church, Brant Broughton SK915539	SK95B & SK95 C Villages, arable, hedges	SLFG Sarah Lambert 07784 169260 sarah.lambert7@ntlworld.com