

CAMBRIDGE FLORA GROUP

Excursions 2013

Please note that whilst most of our excursions are on Saturdays and start at 10.00am, the excursion to Gamlingay on 22 June starts at 11.00am and the Hayley Wood excursion on 11 August is on a Sunday. Participants are welcome to join the excursions for all or part of the day and we generally finish towards the end of the afternoon. A packed lunch will be necessary for all meetings. Meeting places have generally been chosen as having some parking space, but this can not be guaranteed.

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| 1. Saturday 27 April | Burwell | Meet at the church towards the south end of the High Street, Burwell (GR590.660). Jane Bulleid will be our guide to investigating the flora in and around this fen margin village |
| 2. Saturday 25 May | Whittlesford | Meet at the Bees in the Wall pub, North Road, Whittlesford (GR4675.4857). Ashley Arbon will be our guide to Park Wood and later to Jackson's Meadow (GR4633.4829) and, if we have time, Earl's Hook (GR4800.4836). |
| 3. Saturday 22 June | Gamlingay | Meet by the church at the east end of Church Street, Gamlingay (241.523). We should be able to visit the one remaining site for <i>Trifolium subterraneum</i> and to look for other potential sites for this and other annuals of dry sandy turf |
| 4. Saturday 13 July | Elford Closes | Meet on the old road just south of Stretham Ferry Bridge, Elford Closes (GR501.719). The intention is to walk both banks of the Ouse, first to the south-west(as far as the A10) and then to the north-east (just how far to the north-east will depend on time and enthusiasm of those taking part) |
| 5. SUNDAY 11 August | Hayley Wood | Meet at the north end of Hayley Lane, on the Longstowe/Gransden road (GR2945.5370). Our aim will be partly to have a collective search for an unconfirmed record of <i>Carex strigosa</i> in the wood and to inspect the <i>Polypodium vulgare</i> , then to see if we can track down <i>Rosa micrantha</i> in the hedges along tracks and paths in the vicinity of the wood |

6. Saturday 31 August Moreton's Leam

Meet at Ring's End, east of the A141, between the roundabout on the SE side of the Guyhirn road bridge and the site of the old railway bridge to the south (GR398.028). We shall aim to walk as much of the Leam as seems reasonable, perhaps coming back along the counter drain. We might hope for some interesting aquatics, to refind *Glaux maritima* and perhaps to discover Sea Couch even further up the Nene (it currently stops at Guyhirn)

7. Saturday 21 September

Fens between Parson Drove and Thorney

Meet at the junction of Cant's Drove and Black Drove, north east of Thorney Toll (GR351.053). Owen Mountford will be guiding our recording of at least tetrads TF30H and 30M in support of his Fen Flora project

Whilst at most of our meetings there will some of us systematically recording the flora of the areas we visit, please do not feel that you are required to participate in this more intensive surveying. We would be very pleased to see anyone who just wants to come to see or learn about the plants in these areas or who just enjoys looking for something of particular interest.

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