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THE VASCULAR FLORA OF THE PORONGURUP RANGE SOUTH-WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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ABSTRACT

The Porongurup Range has a vascular flora of 368 species in 67 families.

The three main vegetation units differ in their species richness: 85 species were recorded in Eucalyptus diversicolor (karri) forest, 255 species in E. marginata (jarrah) forest and open-scrub, and 119 species on granitic rock exposures. The number of species found in one only of these units was: 21 (karri), 163 (jarrah), 55 (granitic rocks). The flora of granitic rocks has a greater similarity to that of jarrah forest and open-scrub than to that of karri forest.

Only two species (Hibbertia bracteosa and Villarsia calthifolia) are known to be endemic to the Porongurup Range.

Several species that are prominent in similar habitats around or near the Porongurup Range are listed. A list of widespread species with apparently isolated populations in the Porongurup Range is also provided.

INTRODUCTION

The Porongurup Range (maximum altitude 655 m) rises from a plain between Albany and the Stirling Ranges, South-western Australia. The area above 300 m is approximately 3200 ha. Half of this area consists of tall open forest isolated by about 50 km from the nearest similar habitat. About 2300 ha of the Range and adjoining areas are National Park.

This paper is based essentially on plant collections made by me between 1974 and 1980, on all major peaks except Twin Peaks, Collier Peak and Halls Peak; most attention was given to the area between Woodlands Road and Millinup Pass. The Porongurup Range is here defined as being bounded by Woodlands Road and the 300 m contour line, with the addition of one area below 300 m, namely the Mira Flores estate on the southern side. A topographical map of the Range is given in Figure 1.

As the area has now been quite thoroughly collected, the 368 species listed in Appendices 1 and 2 probably represent some 90% of a total vascular flora approaching 400 species.

ENVIRONMENT

Geology and Soils

The Porongurup Range is representative of the country rock of the Archaean Plateau of Western Australia, consisting of granites and gneisses. On parts of this plateau are numerous granitic monadnocks of which the Porongurup Range is probably the largest.

On the upper parts of the Range there is much exposed granitic rock, and except in valleys soils (sands) are not deep. On the lower slopes, deep red loams have developed. Still further downslope, soils are gravelly (lateritic) sands.

Climate

There is no temperature recording station at the Range, but temperatures are probably slightly more equable than at nearby Mt. Barker (mean daily maxima in January and July = 27.4 and 14.8° C respectively; mean daily minima in same months = 13.3 and 6.5° C).

Rainfall data for Porongurup Village on the north side of the Range, just below the 300 m contour, are as follows:

	J	F	M	A	M	Ĵ	J	A	S	0	N	D	Y
Mean rainfall (mm)	31	33	46	64	98	102	107	93	92	94	54	34	848
Median rainfall (mm)	19	28	43	58	84	93	97	96	96	80	48	32	838
Mean No. raindays	7	8	10	13	16	18	20	17	17	16	11	8	160

These data are for the period 1914-1978 where records are available (usually 29-33 years). They show that about two-thirds of the annual rainfall falls between May and October inclusive. The Porongurup Range is also one of the few places in Western Australia where snow occasionally falls.

It seems very likely that the southern (windward) side of the Range would receive over 900 mm because of an orographic effect; this is evidenced by higher quality jarrah forest on the southern slopes relative to that of the northern slope.

Vegetation

Four vegetation units are recognizable: tall open forest (estimated area 1700 ha); open forest, including small areas of open-scrub, formerly continuous with the chief vegetation type surrounding the Range; a lithic complex of mossland, herbland and fernland (total area about 250 ha); and pasture. These units have been mapped by Abbott (1981).

Tall open forest has Eucalyptus diversicolor (karri) as dominant and E. calophylla (marri) as subdominant. This unit is restricted to deep, red loams. The understorey vegetation may be low and sparse (often dominated by Pteridium aquilinum) or dense and tall (dominated by Albizia lophantha, Acacia urophylla or Trymalium spathulatum). These differences may reflect variation in soil depth, effective moisture, and fire history.

Open forest consists of jarrah and marri, and occurs on laterite soils and freely-draining sands. Understorey is rarely dense. The main understorey species are Bossiaea linophylla, Xanthorrhoea preissii, Hibbertia spp., Acacia leioderma, Agonis hypericifolia, A. parviceps, Myoporum tetrandrum and Leucopogon revolutus. At lower levels near the 300 m contour, where drainage is impeded, open forest becomes open-scrub, dominated by Astartea fascicularis, Kunzea recurva, Banksia littoralis, Melaleuca preissiana, Agonis hypericifolia and A. parviceps.

Lithic complex refers to the vegetation present on shallow soils associated with rock exposures. These are covered with mosses, lichens, Cheilanthes tenuifolia and Thryptomene saxicola where soils are shallow. In valleys or where soil is deeper, Eucalyptus megacarpa and E. cornuta occur with dense thickets dominated by Agonis linearifolia, Acacia heteroclita and Hakea varia.

Pasture, sown to subclover, with many other non-native plant species present, now virtually encircles the Porongurup Range.

PREVIOUS BOTANICAL STUDIES

James Drummond visited the Range in 1843 and 1848 and probably collected widely there. Unfortunately, his precise collecting localities are unknown. He recorded that:

"Soon after the rains set in. a beautiful little annual everlasting flower (Helipterum cotula)* covers the tops of the Perongarup hills, in many places giving them the appearance of being covered with snow" (1849, p.250).

"The Perongarup are clothed with mosses and Jungermannia and lichens, as rank and luxuriant as I have seen them in the moist rich valleys in the south of Ireland. These, as they grow and decay, lay the foundation of a soil which is covered with grasses and sow thistles equally rank to the tops of the hills; these, in their turn, furnish a soil which is covered with gigantic gum trees (karri), many of them 100 feet high, without a branch - by far the finest I have seen in any country" (1849, p.251).

Drummond in a letter to Hooker dated 21.2.1844, noted a species of *Villarsia* (*V. calthifolia*), one foot in breadth. Also mentioned were two new species of fern (*Asplenium*). He recorded that the granite slopes are poor in plant species in contrast to the ironstone gravels.

^{*}Brackets indicate interpolations by I. Abbott.

A description of the flora, including mosses and lichens, of granite rocks of the Porongurup Range was provided by Smith (1962) in a paper also containing habitat photographs. Some of the species recorded by Smith have not been relocated during the present study despite thorough searching. These, together with several herbarium records noted in the course of other work, are listed in Appendix 2.

BIOGEOGRAPHY

Probably the most interesting biogeographical feature of the flora of the Porongurup Range is the occurrence of karri some 50 km NE of the main tract of karri forest at Denmark. This occurrence is a relict one. Karri forest several thousand years ago covered a larger area of South-westerm Australia than at present, probably when annual rainfall was higher (Churchill 1968).

There are still no regional lists of the plant species occurring in karri forests, or between Albany and the Stirling Ranges. Consequently, this section does not pretend to be a complete treatment of the place of the Porongurup Range flora in a regional floristic context. Instead, I shall discuss the diversity of plant species in the various vegetation units in the Range, compare its endemic flora with that of the nearby Stirling Ranges, highlight interesting absences of plant species from the Porongurup Range, and list some of those species with outlying populations in the Porongurup Range.

Species richness

The number of plant species recorded in the three major vegetational units was as follows: karri forest, 85; jarrah forest, 255; granitic rocks, 119 (Appendix 1). This confirms Drummond's observation (recorded above) that fewer plant species are found on granitic rocks than in jarrah forest, though this should not be surprising given the relatively small extent of exposures of granitic rocks. The number of species found only in one of the three major vegetation types was: karri forest, 21; Jarrah forest, 163; granitic rocks, 55. The flora of granitic rocks has a greater similarity with that of jarrah forest (.19, using Sorensen's coefficient) than with karri forest (.08).

Endemic species

Only two species of vascular plants are known to be endemic to the Porongurup Range: Hibbertia bracteosa and Villarsia calthifolia. All occurrences (with one exception noted below) are above 400 m altitude, on granitic rocks. H. bracteosa has been found on Devil's Slide, King Alfred's Castle, Morgan's View and Nancy's Peak but not on Castle Rock; it might also be expected to occur also on Twin Peaks and Collier Peak which were not visited. V. calthifolia has been recorded on Devil's Slide, Morgan's View and Nancy's Peak, and in karri forest (just below the 300 m contour) in Mira Flores estate.

The percentage of plant species endemic to the Porongurup Range (0.54%) is much lower than the 5% endemic to the Stirling Ranges National Park (N.G. Marchant, pers. comm.). This difference is consistent with the

concept of several authors that species in South-western Australia seem to have evolved mainly at the drier margins of the southwest corner (see Hopper 1979).

Absences

Species occurring nearby but not in the Porongurup Range can be conveniently considered to belong to one of two categories: those that occur around the Range, and those that occur near the Range. I found the distribution maps of Churchill (1961) useful in selecting good examples of each class of species.

Species absent from the Porongurup Range, but occurring around it, include: Adenanthos obovata Labill., Banksia coccinea R.Br., B. ilicifolia R.Br., B. quercifolia R.Br., Borya nitida Labill., Casuarina decussata Benth., Eucalyptus decipiens Endl., and E. occidentalis Endl.

Species absent from the Porongurup Range, which is just outside their area of distribution, include: Acacia pentadenia Lindl., Adenanthos cuneata Labill., Agonis flexuosa (Spreng.) Schauer, A. juniperina Schauer, Anigozanthos flavidus Redoute & DC., Bossiaea aquifolia Benth., Boronia gracilipes F.Muell., Casuarina huegeliana Miq., Chorilaena quercifolia Endl., Crowea angustifolia Sm., Eucalyptus rudis Endl., E. tetragona (R.Br.) F.Muell., E. wandoo Blakely, Exocarpos sparteus R.Br., Hibbertia cuneiformis (Labill.) Sm., Lambertia inermis R.Br., Macrozamia riedlei (Fisch. ex Gaud.) C.A. Gardner, Persoonia longifolia R.Br., Podocarpus drowyniana F.Muell., and Thomasia quercifolia (Andr.) J.Gay.

Outliers

Widespread plant species with a population apparently isolated in the Porongurup Range includes: Acacia urophylla, Agonis linearifolia, Albizia lophantha, Eucalyptus diversicolor, E. megacarpa, Hovea elliptica, Mirbelia dilatata, Trymalium spathulatum and Xanthorrhoea gracilis. It is also likely that species listed solely under karri or granite in Appendix 1 will prove to have an isolated population in the Range.

FIRE

According to Iffla (1979, Chapter 24), aborigines avoided the Porongurup Range. There is some historical evidence that few aborigines lived in the main tract of karri forest near Manjimup, especially in summer (Talbot 1973). Talbot also records that dense thickets of understorey were widespread in the karri forests upon the arrival of European man. These points suggest that the Range may have been little burnt by aborigines. On the other hand, lightning stikes are frequent in summer and would probably have started occasional fires in karri forest (Underwood 1978).

It appears, then, that the role of fire in affecting the structure and floristic composition of understorey in karri forest in the Porongurup Range remains to be worked out.

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APPENDIX 1

SPECIES COLLECTED IN THE PORONGURUP RANGE DURING 1974-1980

This list comprises only species collected by me since 1974. In Appendix 2 is a supplementary list of species recorded earlier but not collected after thorough searches between 1974 and 1980. This procedure has been followed to encourage future collectors to look for them specially.

In this list, the occurrence of species in karri forest, jarrah forest or on granitic rocks is recorded as K, J or G, respectively. It is to be expected that further observations in the Range will alter the categorisation

of some species. An asterisk signifies a naturalized alien species.

Mosses and lichens and other non-vascular plants were not collected, and so have been omitted from the list.

Voucher specimens are deposited in the Western Australian Herbarium (PERTH).

ADIANTACEAE			
Adiantum aethiopicum L.	K		
Cheilanthes tenuifolia (N.L.Burman) Swa:	rtz K	J	G
AIZOACEAE			
Carpobrotus modestus S.T.Blake			G
APIACEAE			
Daucus glochidiatus (Labill.)Fisch.,			
C.A.Meyer & Ave-Lall.	K		G
?Homalosciadium homalocarpum (F.Muell.)	Hj.Eichler	?	
Hydrocotyle callicarpa Bunge		J	
H. diantha DC.			G
Platysace compressa (Labill.) Norman		J	G
Trachymene anisocarpa (Turcz.) B.L.Burt	t		G
T. pilosa Sm.		J	G
Xanthosia pusilla Bunge		J	
X. rotundifolia DC.	K	J	
ARACEAE			
*Zantedeschia aethiopica (L.)Spreng.	K	J	
ASTERACEAE			
*Arctotheca calendula (L.)Levyns		J	G
Brachycome ciliaris (Labill.)Less.			G
Chrysocoryne drummondii A.Gray		J	
*Cirsium vulgare (Savi)Ten.	K	J	
*Conyza albida Spreng.	K	J	
*C. bonariensis (L.)Cronquist	K	J	
*Gnaphalium candidissimum Lamarck		J	
*G. luteo-album L.		J	
G. sphaericum Willd.		J	
Helichrysum bracteatum (Vent.) Andr.	K	J	G
H. ramosum DC.	K		
Helipterum cotula (Benth.)DC.			G
*Hypochoeris glabra L.	K	J	G
Ixiolaena viscosa Benth.		J	
Lagenifera huegelii Benth.	K	J	
Millotia myosotidifolia (Benth.) Steetz	•		G
M. tenuifolia Cass.		J	G
Olearia paucidentata (Steetz.)Benth.			G
*Picris hieracioides L.	K	J	G
Pithocarpa corymbulosa Lindl.		J	
Quinetia urvillei Cass.			G
Rutidosis multiflora (Nees) B.L. Robins	on		G
Senecio hispidulus A.Rich.	K		G
S. ramosissimus DC.	K		
Siloxerus humifusis Labill.	K	J	
*Sonchus oleraceus L.		?	
CAMPANULACEAE			
Wahlenbergia stricta Sweet	K	J	
CARYOPHYLLACEAE			
*Cerastium glomeratum Thuill.	K	J	G

CARYOPHYLLACEAE (cont.) *Petrorhagia prolifera (L.) P.W.Ball & V.H.Heywood	K		
*Polycarpon tetraphyllum (L.)L. *Spergularia rubra (L.)J.& C.Presl	K	J	G G
*Stellaria media (L.) Vill. CASUARINACEAE		J	G
Casuarina fraserana Miq.		J	
C. humilis Otto & Dietr.		J	
CENTROLEPI DACEAE			
Aphelia cyperoides R.Br.		J	G
Brizula muelleri Hieron.		-	G
B. nutans (Hook.f. ex Benth.)C.A.Gardner Centrolepis aristata (R.Br.)Roemer & Schultes		J J	C
C. drummondii (Nees) Walp.		J	G G
C. polygyna (R.Br.) Hieron.		J	Ü
C. strigosa (R.Br.) Roemer & Schultes		J	G
CONVULVULACEAE			
Dichondra repens J.R. & G.Forester CRASSULACEAE	K	J	
Crassula colorata (Nees)Ostenf.	K	J	
C. decumbens Thunb.			G
C. pedicellosa (F.Muell.)Ostenf. CYPERACEAE			G
Carex appressa R.Br.			G
Cyathochaeta avenacea Benth.		J	
Gahnia trifida Labill.		J	
Lepidosperma angustatum R.Br.			G
L. effusum Benth.	K		G
Mesomelaena stygia (R.Br.)Nees M. tetragona (R.Br.)Benth.		J	
Schoenus sp. (annual)		J J	
S. lanatus Labill.		J	
S. minutulus F.Muell.		J	
S. nanus (Nees) Benth.			G
Scirpus brunonianus S.T.Blake		J	_
S. cernuus Vahl		J	G
S. inundatus (R.Br.)Spreng. S. nodosus Rottb.	K	J J	
Tetraria octandra (Nees) Kuekenthal	IX.	J	G
DENNSTAEDTIACEAE			
Asplenium adiantoides (L.) Lamarck			G
A. flabellifolium Cav.			G
Pteridium aquilinum (L.) Kuhn DILLENIACEAE	K	J	
Hibbertia amplexicaulis Steud.		J	
H. bracteosa Turcz.			G
H. lineata Steud. H. microphylla Steud.		J J	
H. montana Steud.		J	
H. ? pulchra Ostenf.		J	
DROSERACEAE			
Drosera ? erythrorhiza Lind1.		J	
D. glanduligera Lehm.		J	
D. menziesii R.Br.		J	
D. pallida Lindl. D. pulchella Lehm.		J J	
D. subhirtella Planch.		J	G
			U

	RIDACEAE			
	lersonia caerulea R.Br.		J	
	sprengelioides R.Br.			G
	roloma baxteri DC.		J	
	pallidum R.Br.		J	
	copogon australis R.Br.		J	
	capitellatus DC.		J	
	carinatus R.Br.		J	
	elegans Sonder			G
	propinquus R.Br.		J	_
	reflexus R.Br.		_	G
	revolutus R.Br.	K	J	
	verticillatus R.Br.	K	J	
_	inema ciliatum R.Br.		J	
	enotoma capitatum (R.Br.)Lindl. phelia tenuiflora Lindl.		J ?	
	PRETTA CENTITOTA LINGT.		ŧ	
	llanthus calycinus Labill.		т	
	eanthera microphylla Brongn.		J J	
	ANACEAE		J	
	taurium spicatum (L.)Fritsch	K	J	
	IACEAE	K	J	
	dium cicutarium (L.)L'Hérit.	K	J	
	anium molle L.	K	Ü	
	argonium australe Willd.			G
	NIACEAE			Ŭ
Dam	piera linearis R.Br.	K	J	G
Goo	denia caerulea R.Br.		J	
G.	filiformis R.Br.		J	
Lec	henaultia formosa R.Br.		J	
Sca	evola striata R.Br.	K	J	G
	leia trinervis Labill.			G
	DORACEAE			
	gozanthos bicolor Endl.		J	
	ostylis setigera R.Br.		J	
	modorum spicatum R.Br.		J	
	AGACEAE			
	ocarpus rudis (Benth.)Orchard			G
	oragis brownii (J.D.Hooker)Schindler	K		G
IRIDA			_	
	ersonia occidentalis R.Br.		J	
	ulea rosea (L.)Eckl.	17	7	G
JUNCA	sonia ? bulbillifera J.W.Mathews & L.Bolus	K	J	
	cus bufonius L.		т	
	capitatus Weig.		J	
	holoschoenus R.Br.		J J	
	pallidus R.Br.		J	
	pauciflorus R.Br.	K	J	
	ula meridionalis Nordensk	K	J	
	GINACEAE		J	
Tri	glochin centrocarpa Hooker			G
	INOSAE			J
Aca	cia browniana H.L.Wendl		?	
Α.	drummondii Lind1.		J	G
	heteroclita Meisn.			G
	leioderma Maslin		J	
Α. 1	nyrtifolia (Sm.)Willd.	K	J	

LEGUMINOSAE (cont.) Acacia pulchella R.Br. A. urophylla Benth. ex Lindl. Albizia lophantha (Willd.)Benth. Bossiaea linophylla R.Br. Brachysema subcordatum Benth. Chorizema diversifolium DC. C. ilicifolium Labill. C. rhombeum R.Br. *Cytisus proliferus L.f. Daviesia cordata Sm. D. decurrens Meisn. D. horrida Preiss ex Lehm. *Dipogon lignosus (L.)Verdc. Eutaxia densifolia Turcz. E. obovata (Labill.)C.A.Gardner Gompholobium knightianum Lindl. G. ovatum Meisn. G. polymorphum R.Br. Hardenbergia comptoniana (Andr.)Benth. Hovea chorizemifolia (Sweet)DC. H. elliptica (Sm.)DC. Kennedia coccinea Vent. K. microphylla Meisn. *Lablab purpureus (L.)Sweet *Lotus subbiflorus Lag. Mirbelia dilatata R.Br. Oxylobium lanceolatum (Vent.)Druce *Psoralea pinnata L. Sphaerolobium alatum Benth. *Trifolium compestre Schreber *T. subterraneum L. Viminaria juncea (Schrad. & Wendl.)Hoffmanns.	K K K K K K K K K K K K K K K K K K K		G G
Polypompholyx tenella (R.Br.)Lehm.			G
Agrostocrinum scabrum (R.Br.)Baill. Burchardia multiflora Lindl. Caesia parviflora R.Br. Calectasia cyanea R.Br. Chamaescilla corymbosa (R.Br.)F.Muell. ex Benth. Dasypogon bromeliifolius R.Br. Dianella revoluta R.Br. Laxmannia sessiliflora Decaisne Lomandra micrantha (Lindl.)Ewart Kingia australis R.Br.		J J J J	G G
Kingia australis R.Br. Stypandra grandiflora Lindl. Thysanotus multiflorus R.Br. Thysanotus patersonii R.Br. Tricoryne humilis Endl. Xanthorrhoea gracilis Endl. X. preissii Endl. LINDSAEACEAE]]]]	G G
Lindsaea linearis Swartz		J	
LOBELIACEAE Isotoma hypo-crateriformis (R.Br.)Druce Lobelia alata Labill. L. rhombifolia De Vriese	K	J J J	

LOGANIACEAE			
Logania serphyllifolia R.Br.		J	
Mitrasacme paradoxa R.Br.		J	G
LORANTHACEAE			
Nuytsia floribunda (Labill.)R.Br. ex Fenzl		J	
LYTHRACEAE			
Lythrum hyssopifolia L.	K		
MALVACEAE			
Sida hookeriana Miq.			G
MENYANTHACEAE			
Villarsia calthifolia F.Muell.	K		G
V. parnassifolia (Labill.)R.Br.		J	
MYOPORACEAE			
Myoporum tetrandrum (Labill.)Domin	K		
MYRTACEAE			
Agonis hypericifolia Schauer		J	
A. linearifolia (DC.) Schauer	K		G
A. parviceps Schauer		J	
Astartea fascicularis (Labill.)DC.		J	
Calothamnus sp. (either preissii Schauer or		-	
lehmannii Schauer)		J	
C. rupestris Schauer		J	C
Darwinia citriodora (Endl.) Benth.		т	G
D. oederioides (Turcz.)Benth. D. vestita (Endl.)Benth.		J J	
Eucalyptus calophylla Lindl.	K	J	
E. cornuta Labill.	IX.	J	G
E. diversicolor F.Muell.	K		G
E. marginata Donn ex Sm.	10	J	
E. megacarpa F.Muell.			G
Kunzea recurva Schauer		J	
Melaleuca blaeriifolia Turcz.			G
M. densa R.Br.		J	G
M. preissiana Schauer		J	
M. scabra R.Br.		J	
M. thymoides Labill.		J	
Thryptomene saxicola (A.Cunn. ex Hooker) Schauer			G
Verticordia densiflora Lindl.		J	
OLACACEAE			
Olax phyllanthi (Labill.)R.Br.		J	
ONAGRACEAE			
Epilobium billardierianum Ser.	K		
ORCHIDACEAE			_
Caladenia flava R.Br.		J	G
C. menziesii R.Br.			G
C. nana Endl.		J	G
C. patersonii R.Br.		J	0
C. sericea Lindl. Cryptostylis ovata R.Br.		т	G
Diurus longifolia R.Br.		J	G
Elythranthera brunonis (Endl.)George	K		G
Lyperanthus nigricans R.Br.	N	J	G
Microtis alba R.Br.	K	J	G
M. unifolia (G.Forster)H.Reichenb.	K	?J	
*Monadenia micrantha Lindl.	K	J	G
Prasophyllum brownii H.Reichenb.	1	J	J
Pterostylis barbata Lindl.		J	G
P. vittata Lindl.		J	J
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ORCHIDACEAE (cont.)			
Thelymitra fuscolutea R.Br.		J	
T. mucida Fitz.		?J	
T. nuda R.Br.	K	J	
OROBANCHACEAE Orobanche australiana F.Muell.	1.5	-	
OXALIDACEAE	K	J	
Oxalis corniculata L.	K	J	G
PHILYDRACEAE	K	J	G
Philydrella pygmaea (R.Br.)Caruel		J	
PITTOSPORACEAE			
Billardia floribunda (Putterl.) F. Muell.		J	
B. granulata (Turcz.)E.M.Bennett			G
B. variifolia DC.		J	_
Sollya heterophylla Lindl. PLANTAGINACEAE	K	J	G
*Plantago lanceolata L.	K	J	G
POACEAE	K	J	G
Agrostis avenacea Gmel.			G
*Aira cupaniana Guss.		J	G
*Avena barbata Link		J	G
*Briza maxima L.		J	G
*B. minor L.	K	J	
*Bromus diandrus Roth. *B. hordeaceus L.		-	G
Danthonia caespitosa Gaud.		J	C
Deyeuxia quadriseta Benth.		J ?	G
*Holcus lanatus L.	K	J	G
*Hordeum ? leporinum Link	**	J	U
Microlaena stipoides (Labill.)R.Br.		J	
Neurachne alopecuroides R.Br.		J	
*Poa annua L.		J	G
P. serpentum Nees		J	G
*Sporobolus africanus (Poir.)Robyns & Tournay Stipa compressa R.Br.		т.	G
S. semibarbata R.Br.		J J	G
*Vulpia bromoides (L.) S.F.Gray		J	G
*V. myuros (L.)C.C.Gmelin		J	U
POLYGALACEAE			
Comesperma calymega Labill.		J	
C. confertum Labill.		J	
POLYGONACEAE		_	
*Rumex acetosella L. PORTULACACEAE	K	J	G
Calandrinia calyptrata J.D.Hooker			C
C. neesiana Hj.Eichler			G G
PRIMULACEAE			Ü
*Anagallis arvensis L.	K	J	G
PROTEACEAE			
Banksia grandis Willd.		J	
B. littoralis R.Br.		J	
B. gardneri George B. sphaerocarpa R.Br.		J	
Dryandra armata R.Br.		J	
D. formosa R.Br. (? introduced - garden escape)		J J	
D. nivea (Labill.) R.Br.		J	
D. pteridifolia R.Br.		J	
Grevillea brownii Meisn.		J	

PROTEACEAE (cont.) Grevillea pulchella (R.Br.)Meisn. Hakea amplexicaulis R.Br. H. corymbosa R.Br. H. prostrata R.Br. H. ruscifolia Labill. H. trifurcata (Sm.)R.Br. H. undulata R.Br. H. varia R.Br. Isopogon attenuatus R.Br. I. formosus R.Br. Persoonia elliptica R.Br. Petrophile diversifolia R.Br. P. longifolia R.Br. P. serruriae R.Br. Synaphaea aff. favosa R.Br. RANUNCULACEAE]]]]]]]	G
Clematis pubescens Huegel ex Endl. Ranunculus colonorum Endl.	K	J	
RESTIONACEAE	K	J	
Anarthria gracilis R.Br.		J	
A. prolifera R.Br.		J	
Hypolaena exsulca R.Br.		J	
Lepyrodia drummondiana Steud.		J	
L. hermaphrodita R.Br. Loxocarya fasciculata (R.Br.)Benth.		-	G
L. pubescens (R.Br.)Benth.		J J	
Restio laxus R.Br.		J	
ROSACEAE		Ü	
Acaena ? echinata Nees	K	J	
*Rubus fruticosus L.agg.	K		
RUBIACEAE			
Galium sp. Opercularia hispidula Endl.	K K	J	C
0. volubis R.Br. ex Benth.	K		G G
RUTACEAE	K		G
Boronia crenulata Sm.	K	J	G
B. spathulata Lindl.		J	
SAPINDACEAE			
Dodonaea oblongifolia Link			G
*Bellardia trixago (L.)All.	17	т	C
Gratiola peruviana L.	K	J J	G
*Parentucellia latifolia (L.)Caruel		?	
*P. viscosa (L.)Caruel	K	J	G
*Prunella vulgaris L.	K		
*Verbascum virgatum L.	K		
Veronica calycina R.Br. SOLANACEAE	K	J	
*Solanum nigrum L.	K	т	C
STACKHOUSIACEAE	K	J	G
Stackhousia pubescens A.Rich. STERCULIACEAE		J	
Rulingia corylifolia R.A.Graham			C
Thomasia sp.	?		G
STYLIDIACEAE	•		
Levenhookia pusilla R.Br.		J	G
Stylidium adnatum R.Br.		J	

STYLIDIACEAE (cont.) Stylidium amoenum R.Br. S. breviscapum R.Br. S. brunonianum Benth. S. calcaratum R.Br. S. corymbosum R.Br. S. crassifolium R.Br. S. repens R.Br. THYMELAEACEAE	J J J J J	G G
Pimelea sp.		G
P. ? lehmanniana Meisn.	J	
P. sylvestris R.Br.	J	
P. rosea R.Br.	J	G
TREMANDRACEAE		
Tetratheca affinis Endl.	J	
Tremandra diffusa R.Br.	J	
T. stelligera R.Br.	J	

APPENDIX 2

SPECIES PREVIOUSLY COLLECTED IN THE PORONGURUP RANGE, BUT NOT FOUND DURING 1974-1980

All but one of the following species are supported by voucher specimens, which are indicated after each species name by the collector's name and the herbarium in which the specimen is filed: UWA = Department of Botany, University of Western Australia; PERTH = Western Australian Herbarium, Department of Agriculture, South Perth.

ADIANTACEAE

Anogramma leptophylla (L.)Link - G.G.Smith, UWA

AIZOACEAE

Carpobrotus rossii (Haw.) Schwantes - G.G. Smith, UWA

Hydrocotyle blepharocarpa F.Muell. - G.G.Smith, UWA

H. hirta R.Br. ex A.Rich. - A.S.George, PERTH

ASTERACEAE

*Cotula turbinata L. - Listed by Smith (1962) as Cenia turbinata (L.)Pers. but no herbarium specimens have been located.

Podolepis lessonii (Cass.) Benth. - G.G. Smith, UWA

CENTROLEPIDACEAE

Centrolepis glabra (F.Muell. ex Sonder)Hieron - G.G.Smith, UWA CRASSULACEAE

Crassula sieberiana (Schultes & J.H.Schultes)Druce - G.G.Smith, UWA CYPERACEAE

Scirpus marginatus Thunb. - P.G. Wilson, PERTH

*S. prolifer Rottb. - W.E.Blackall, PERTH

EPACRIDACEAE

Leucopogon oppositifolius Sonder - W.E.Blackall, PERTH EUPHORBIACEAE

Ricinocarpos glaucus Endl. - T.E.H.Aplin, PERTH GOODENIACEAE

Dampiera hederaceae R.Br. - R.D. Royce, PERTH Goodenia leptoclada Benth. - K. Newbey, PERTH

HYPOXIDACEAE

Hypoxis glabella R.Br. - G.G.Smith, UWA

H. occidentalis Benth. - G.G.Smith, UWA

LEGUMINOSAE

Pultenea obcordata (R.Br.) Benth. - K.Newbey, PERTH

*Trifolium dubium Sibth. - G.G.Smith, UWA

OPHIOGLOSSACEAE

Ophioglossum lusitanicum L. - G.G.Smith & B.Dell, UWA

ORCHI DACEAE

Corybas dilatatus (Rupp & Nicholls) Rupp & Nicholls - G.G.Smith, UWA;

A.S.George, PERTH

RUTACEAE

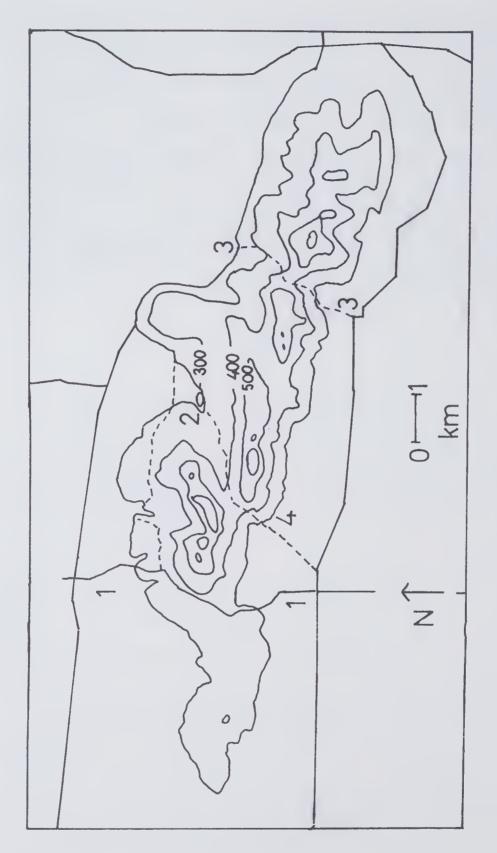
Boronia molloyae Drummond - W.A.Blackall, PERTH

STYLIDIACEAE

Levenhookia dubia Sonder - G.G.Smith, UWA; R.D.Royce, PERTH

THYMELEACEAE

Pimelea lehmanniana Meisn. - K.Newbey, PERTH



Topographical map of the Porongurup Range, showing 300-600 m contours (contour interval - 100 m). 1 = Woodlands Road, 2 = Bolganup Dam, 3 = Millinup Pass, 4 = Mira Flores estate.

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A SYSTEMATIC LIST WITH DISTRIBUTIONS OF THE LICHEN SPECIES OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA, BASED ON COLLECTIONS IN THE WESTERN AUSTRALIAN HERBARIUM

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ABSTRACT

One hundred and ninety-four lichen species are reported from Western Australia with information on their distribution. The list of species is based on provisionally determined specimens deposited in the Western Australian Herbarium. The lichen flora of the state is diverse, the most luxurient growth occurring in the south-western corner. As little is known of the lichens of the remainder of the state, particularly the north-east, much research remains to be done on their taxonomy and distribution.

INTRODUCTION

Little intensive research has been done on the lichen flora of Western Australia though collections were made at quite an early date. The earliest taxonomic publication appears to be that of Fries (1846), who described 23 species, the result of collections by L. Preiss from Rottnest Island and the south-west part of the state. The following year Taylor (1847) listed 16 lichens from Western Australia in his catalogue of the W.J. Hooker Herbarium. Mueller (1887) collated the early records and produced a list of Australian lichens, including two species from Western Australia which had not previously been recorded: Cladia aggregata and Cladonia retipora, the latter now segregated in Western Australia as Cladia ferdinandii.

In the 1890s, according to Sammy (1970), F.R.M. Wilson recorded a further 20 lichen species for Western Australia. Wilson did not collect in the state but was sent specimens by the naturalist A.J. Campbell.

The start of a new era of interest in the lichen flora of Western Australia was marked by the publication, in 1955, of an annotated list based on collections made between 1929 and 1952 and deposited in the herbarium of the University of Western Australia (Bibby and Smith 1955). Thirty-six species were recorded with a brief mention of their distribution

Smith (1962) studied the flora of the granite outcrops in the Porongurup Range, near Mount Barker, finding 12 species of which two, *Collema* sp. and *Cladonia chlorophaea**, were not included in his earlier paper (Bibby & Smith 1955). A very different habitat, the Nullarbor Plain, was examined by Johnson and Baird (1970) who recorded 12 lichen species and made brief descriptions of their habitats. Sammy and Smith (1974) studied the area of coastal limestone near Perth where they described and gave habitat preferences for 13 lichens. Recently, Sammy has been working on his extensive collections made from Western Australia, particularly the northwest of the state, but the results have yet to be published.

The purpose of the present paper is to provide a list of the Western Australian lichen species represented in the Western Australian Herbarium (PERTH). The specimens have been curated to a high standard, are available for study and should allow botanists to determine lichen specimens with greater ease. It is also hoped that the publication of this annotated list will encourage further collecting and stimulate lichenological research in Western Australia.

METHODS

The recent book by Filson and Rogers (1979) was found to be very useful for determination of the specimens collected. Provisional determinations for many crustose species were made using the following papers: Dobson (1979), Duncan (1970), Fink (1935) and Smith (1911, 1918). Other useful publications were Dahl and Krog (1973), Elix (1979) and Martin and Child (1972).

Hand sections were cut of fruiting structures and chemical spot-tests were carried out using 10% KOH, calcium hypochlorite and Steiner's stable paraphenylenediamine solution.

The names and authorities given in the list of lichens are in most cases derived from Filson and Rogers (1979). The specimens are currently curated under these names in the Western Australian Herbarium. However where the names in our list differ from the checklist of Hawksworth, James and Coppins (1980), footnotes give the revised names. The localities given for each species are from data on specimens in the Western Australian Herbarium, supplemented by records from the Herbarium of the University of Western Australia. For those unfamiliar with the geography of the state, most sites may be located with the help of Anon (1980).

Duplicates of the lichen specimens marked in the list with the symbol + have been lodged in the Herbarium, National Museum of Canada, Ottawa, Ontario, and the Herbarium of Trinity College, University of Dublin, Ireland.

DISCUSSION

Habitat descriptions are not given in this paper, since many of the species listed are also found in South Australia and their habitats described in the recent book by Filson and Rogers (1979).

* Not included in the present list as the Western Australian Herbarium holds no material.

According to Erickson et al. (1979) Western Australia may be divided into 16 plant regions; the lichen flora of some of these is discussed below.

Certain species such as Cladia aggregata, Chondropsis semiviridis, Parmelia rutidota, Parmelia tasmanica and Teloschistes chrysophthalamus, are recorded in many of the vegetation regions but others, such as Synalissa symphorea, appear to be restricted to the drier interior including the Transitional Woodland and the region of Mulga, Wattle, Scrub and Spinifex.

The Swan Coastal Plain and Darling Scarp have many crustose, foliose and fruticose representatives. The following species tend to be abundant: Cladia aggregata, Chondropsis semiviridis, Disploschistes scruposus, Heterodea muelleri, Siphula coriacea, Xanthoria parietina, several species of Parmelia and Usnea spp.

The Jarrah and Karri Forests are surprisingly poor in corticolous lichens. This may be due to periodic shedding of the *Eucalyptus* bark, inhibitory substances and frequent fires. *Lepraria candelaris* occurs infrequently on tree bases and *Thysanothecium hyalinum* is common on burnt wood.

The Albany District, by contrast, has a diverse lichen flora and this is the only area in Western Australia in which Parmeliella plumbea, Rinodina confragosa and Solenopsora vulturiensis have been found. Cladonia and Parmelia spp. are abundant and the genera Anzia, Buellia, Caloplaca, Heterodea, Lecanora, Lecidea, Lepraria, Pertusaria, Teloschistes and Xanthoria are common.

The most varied and abundant lichen growth appears to be in the Stirling Range. Lichens of particular interest include Arthonia sp. Stereocaulon aff. daetylophyllum, Umbilicaria sp. Others such as Catillaria atropurpurea, Leptogium lichenoides, Pannaria pityrea, Usnea spp. and Pseudocyphellaria spp. cover extensive areas of many of the southfacing slopes. The genera Cladonia and Parmelia are also well represented.

The Southern Sandplains and Heaths are rich in soil lichens such as Chondropsis semiviridis, Cladia aggregata, Cladia ferdinandii, Dermatocarpon lachneum, Fulgensia subbracteata, Heterodea muelleri, Lecidea crystallifera and Siphula coriacea. Yellow-green Parmelia spp., including P. callifolia, P. australasica, P. tasmanica and P. terrestris, are also abundant on soil and rocks.

Few specimens have been collected from the Barrens or the Northern Sandplains and heath regions. In contrast, lichens seem to be widespread and locally abundant, on soil and rocks, in partially shaded areas or southfacing slopes of the Wheatbelt, Transitional Woodland and in the region of Mulga, Wattle Scrub and Spinifex. Species include Chondropsis semiviridis, Heterodea beaugleholei, Heterodea muelleri, Diploschistes and Lecidea spp. Candelariella, Cladonia, Parmelia and Phycia spp. are also common.

Lichens of the Nullarbor Plain have been listed, by Johnson and Baird (1970), but no mention is made of their abundance or importance. Lecanora sphaerospora and Lecidea aff. glauca are the only species of the twelve recorded which do not appear from other sites in Western Australia.

The North-West Coastal Region and the Ranges and Tablelands in that area are not well represented in the Western Australian Herbarium collections.

The Kimberley Region is another that requires additional study: interesting records to date include Acarospora aff. flava, Bacidia microphyllina, Buellia aff. retrovertens and Rocella aff. montagnei.

SYSTEMATIC LIST OF LICHENS

The arrangement of lichenized fungi follows Hale (1974).

CLASS FUNGI IMPERFECTI

+Lepraria candelaris (L.)Fr. 1

Lepraria chlorina (Ach.)Ach.² +Lepraria incana (L.)Ach.

Leparia membranacea (Dicks.) Lett.

Collie River, Gairdner River,
Prince Regent River Reserve.
Toolbrunup
Albany, Fitzgerald River
National Park, Prince Regent
River Reserve.
Drysdale River National Park,
Hopetoun, Porongurup Range.

CLASS BASIDIOMYCETES

No lichens were found from this class.

CLASS ASCOMYCETIDAE Subclass Loculoascomycetidae

Order MYRANGIALES ARTHONIACEAE

Arthonia sp.

MYRANGIACEAE

+Dermatina quercus (Massa

+Dermatina quercus (Massal.)Zahlbr. Order PLEOSPORALES

Order HYSTERIALES ROCCELLACEAE

Roccella aff. montagnei Bel.

Order LECANORALES LICHINACEAE

+Ephebe lanata (L.) Vainio

Synalissa symphorea (Ach.)Ny1.4

Pyrenopsidium sp. Pyrenopsis sp. COLLEMATACEAE

+Collema coccophorum Tuck.

+Leptogium aff. azureum (Swartz) Mont.

Toolbrunup

Gairdner River

No lichens were found from this order of fungi.

West Kimberley.

Corrigin, Lower King,
Porongurup Range, Toolbrunup.
Kalgoorlie, Millbillillile
Station, Yeelirrie.
Houtman Abrolhos.
West River.

Houtman Abrolhos, Lake Cronin, Porongurup Range, Rottnest Island. Toolbrunup

¹ Chrysothrix candelaris (L.)Laundon

² Chrysothrix chlorina (Ach.) Laundon

³ Mycoporum quercus (Massal.) Muell. Arg.

⁴ Synalissa ramulosa (Hoffm.)Fr.

HEPPIACEAE

Peltula australiensis (Muell.Arg.)Filson +Peltula euploca (Ach.)Poelt ex Ozenda & Clauz

PANNAR1ACEAE

Pannaria elatior Stirton
Pannaria rubiginosa (Thunb. ex Ach.)Del.
Parmeliella sp.
+Parmeliella plumbea (Lightf.)Vainio

PELTIGERACEAE

Peltigera dolichoriza (Ny1.)Ny1.

CLATHR1NACEAE

+Cladia aggregata (Sw.)Nyl.

+Cladia ferdinandii (Muell.Arg.)Filson

+Cladia schizopora (Nyl.)Nyl.

Cladia sullivanii (Muell.Arg.)Martin HETERODEACEAE Heterodea beaugleholei Filson

+Heterodea muelleri (Hampe)Nyl.

ST1CTACEAE

+Pseudocyphellaria australiensis Magn.

Pseudocyphellaria crocata (L.) Vainio

GRAPHIDACEAE

Graphis scripta (L.) Ach.

Kalgoorlie.

Ravensthorpe.

South Bluff. Toolbrunup. Albany. Albany.

Lake King, Pemberton, Porongurup Range.

Albany, Bruce Rock,
Busselton, Elleker, Forrest,
Harvey, Hyden, Kendenup,
Lake King, Lake Magenta,
Lake Matilda, Lower King,
Manjimup, Mount Barker,
Mount Chudalup, Mount Ragged,
Mundaring, Nannup, Narrogin,
Northcliffe, Palgarup,
Porongurup Range, Ravensthorpe, Recherche Archipelago, Shannon River, Wongan
Hills.

Fitzgerald River National
Park, Kulin, Esperance, Lake
Carmody, Lake King, Mount
Madden, Ongerup, Pallarup
Rocks, Porongurup Range,
Sullivan Rock.

Albany, Stirling Range, Toolbrunup. Beacon.

Bald Rock, Boulder Rock,
Bullabulling, Dooklakine,
Kalgoorlie, Kambalda,
Southern Cross, Tammin.

Ajana, Armadale, Bruce Rock,
Burracoppin, Carbine,
Coolgardie, Derdibin Rock,
Fitzgerald River National
Park, Graham Rock, Jumnania
Rocks, Kulin, Lake Magenta,
Merredin, Mingenew, Moora,
Mount Barker, Mount Rupert,
Mundaring, Ongerup,
Ravensthorpe, York.

Albany, Bridgetown, Porongurup Range, Toolbrunup, West Cape Howe.

Mount Chudalup, Porongurup Range, West Cape Howe.

West Cape Howe.

THELOTREMATACEAE

Thelotrema lepadinum (Ach.) Ach.

LEC1DEACEAE

Bacidia microphyllina (Tuck.) Riddle Bacidia aff. sabuletorum (Shreb.) Lett. Catillaria atropurpurea (Schaer.) Th. Fr. Catillaria chalybeia (Borr.) Massal. Catillaria aff. lenticularis (Ach.) Th.Fr.

Lecidea contigua (Ach.) Vainio

+Lecidea crystallifera Tayl.

Lecidea aff. cyathoides (Ach.) Ach. 5 Lecidea decipiens (Hoffm.) Ach. 6

Lecidea laeta Stirton Lecidea limitata (Scop.) Gray Lecidea aff. lopadiodes (Th.Fr.) Grumn. +Lecidea aff. macrocarpa (DC.)Steud.8 +Lecidea planata Muell.Arg.

+Lecidea aff. psammophila (Muell.Arg.) Zahlbr.

Lecidea aff. templetonii T.Tayl. Lecidea aff. scalaris (Ach.) Ach. Rhizocarpon aff. alpicola (Schaer.) Rabenh.

Rhizocarpon aff. obscuratum (Ach.)

Rhizocarpon polycarpum (Hepp.) Th. Fr. Rhizocarpon tinei (Tornab.) Runemark

Toninia caeruleonigricans (Lightf.) Th.Fr.

STEREOCAULACEAE

Stereocaulon corticatulum Ny1.

+Leprocaulon microscopicum (Vill.) Gams ex Hawksworth

CLADON1 ACEAE

Cladonia amaurocraea (Flörke) Schaer.

+Cladonia balfourii Cromb. +Cladonia calycantha Del. ex Ny1. 10

5 Fuscidea cyathoides V.Wirth & Vezda

6 Psora decipiens (Hedw.)Hoffm.

Trapelia mooreana (Carrol)P.James

8 Huilia macrocarpa (DC.)Hertel

Hypocenomyce scalaris (Ach.)Choisy

Jarrahdale, Pemberton.

Drysdale River National Park. Albany. Toolbrunup.

Albany.

Kulin.

Bolgart, Lake Magenta, Wongan

Forrest, Lake King, Mount Hunt, Yeelirrie.

Corrigin.

Dorre Island, Forrest, Houtman Abrolhos, Kalgoorlie, Kambalda, Katanning, Lake Cronin, Lake Magenta, Madura, Millbillillie, Mount Rupert, Narrogin, Southern Cross, Wiluna, Wongan Hills, Yeelirrie, Yinnietharra.

S.E. Kulin.

Mount Rupert, Nannup.

Lower King. Albany.

Boddington, Elverdton, Forrest, Kalgoorlie, Kulin, Mount Hunt, Ongerup.

Fitzgerald River National Park, Kulin, Lake King.

Elverdton. Albany.

Toolbrunup.

Albany.

Toolbrunup Peak.

Kalgoorlie, Porongurup Range, Toolbrunup.

Lake King.

Toolbrunup.

Corrigin.

Ongerup, Porongurup Range, West Cape Howe.

Garden Island, Hopetoun, Kulin, Mount Barker.

10 Very similiar, if not the same as Cladonia verticillata (Hoffm.) Schaer.

Cladonia capitata (Michx.) Spreng.
+Cladonia capitellata (Hook.f. & Tayl.)
Bab.
Cladonia fimbriata (L.) Fr.
Cladonia macilenta Hoffm.
Cladonia pityrea (Flörke) Fr. 11
Cladonia pocillum (Ach.) O.-J. Rich.
Cladonia scabriuscula (Del. in Duby) Nyl.

Cladonia squamosa (Scop.)Hoffm. +Cladonia squamosula Muell.Arg. +Cladonia subfurcata (Nyl.)Arnold Cladonia aff. subsquamosa (Nyl. ex Leighton)

Cladonia aff. xanthoclada Crombie +Thysanothecium hyalinum (Tayl.)Nyl.

UMB1L1CARIACEAE
Umbilicaria aff. polyphylla
DIPLOSCH1STACEAE

Diploschistes ocellatus (Vill.) Norm.

+Diploschistes gypsaceus (Ach.)Zahlbr. Diploschistes scruposus (Schreb.)Norm.

PERTUSARIACEAE
+Pertusaria flavicans Lamy

Pertusaria leioplaca DC.

Pertusaria pertusa (Weigel) Tuck.
Pertusaria aff. pustulata (Ach.) Duby
Pertusaria wulfenii DC.¹²
ACAROSPORACEAE

Acarospora aff. flava (Bell.)Trev. Acarospora schleicheri (Ach.)Mass.

Acarospora sinopica (Wahlenb.) Körber Maronea sp.
Sarcogyne clavus (DC.) Kremp.
Sarcogyne privigna (Ach.) Massal.
Sarcogyne regularis Körber
Sarcogyne aff. simplex (Davies) Nyl. 13
LECANORACEAE
Aspicilia calcarea (L.) Mudd

Candelariella antenaria Ras.

11 Cladonia anomaea (Ach.) Ahti & P.James

12 Pertusaria hymenea (Ach.) Schaer

13 Polysporina simplex (Davies) Nyl.

Kulin. Albany, Fitzgerald River,

Porongurup Range. Toolbrunup.

Augusta.

West Cape Howe. Bluff Knoll. Albany. Albany, Toolbrum

Albany, Toolbrunup. Toolbrunup.

Albany.
Shannon River.
Albany, Bridgetown, Bunbury,
Elleker, Lower King, Mount
Cooke, Perth.

Toolbrunup.

Evanston, Jumnania, Kambalda, Wongan Hills.
Stirling Range.
Drysdale River National Park, Kalgoorlie, Kulin, Lake Magenta, Mount Rupert, Narrogin, Ongerup, Perth, Tammin.

Albany, Ravensthorpe, Wongan Hills. Elleker, Gillingarra, West Cape Howe. Gairdner River. Ravensthorpe. Byford.

Ord River
Godfreys Tank, Great Sandy
Desert, Kalgoorlie,
Kununurra, Mount Augustus,
Mount Newman, Yeelirrie.
Great Sandy Desert.
Yeelirrie.
Albany, Stirling Range.
Yeelirrie.
Kalgoorlie.
Albany, Kalgoorlie, Kambalda.

Garden Island, Nullarbor Plain, Ravensthorpe, Rottnest Island, Tagon Harbour. Kulin, Wongan Hills. Candelariella vitellina (Hoffm.) Muell.Arg.

Haematomma sp.

+Haematomma puniceum (Sm. apud Ach.) Mass.

Lecania erysibe (Ach.) Mudd Lecanora atra (Huds.) Ach.

Lecanora aff. campestris (Schaer.) Lecanora aff. chlarona (Ach.) Nyl.

+Lecanora expallens Ach.

Lecanora aff. muralis (Schreb.) Rabenh.

+Lecanora aff. pallida (Schreb.) Rabenh. Lecanora aff. rupicola (L.)Zahlbr. Ochrolechia pseudotartarea (Vainio)

Verseghy

Ochrolechia subathallina Magn. Ochrolechia subpallescens Verseghy

Solenopsora vulturiensis Massal.

PARMEL1ACEAE

Anzia wilsonii Ras.

Candelaria sp. Mass.

+Chondropsis semiviridis F.Muell. ex Nyl.

+Hypogymnia pulchrilobata (Bitt.)Elix

+Hypogymnia aff. pulverata (Nyl. apud Cromb.)

Hypogymnia subphysodes (Kremp.)Filson

+Menegazzia foraminulosa (Krempelh.) Bitter.

Menegazzia subpertusa Martin in ed.

Parmelia sp.

Parmelia australasica Galloway Parmelia callifolia Kurokawa

Parmelia caperata (L.) Ach. Parmelia cheelii Gyel.

Parmelia aff. congesta Kurokawa & Filson

Parmelia congesta Kurokawa & Filson

Parmelia convoluta Kremp.

Parmelia dissecta Nyl.

Parmelia flavescentireagens Gyel.

Parmelia furcata Muell.Arg.

Parmelia hypoclystoides (Muell.Arg.)Gyel.

Parmelia hypoprotocetrarica Kurokawa & Elix.

Narrogin, Pingelly, West River.

Mount Manning.

Boddington, Kulin, Lake King, Mount Elvire, Mount Rupert, Toodyay, West River.

West River.

Albany, Augusta, Denmark, Mount Victoria, Nannup.

Drysdale River National Park.

Mount Rupert.

Augusta.

Houtman Abrolhos.

Hopetoun, Kulin.

Albany, Toolbrunup.

Mount Elvire.

Nannup.

Gillingara, Wongan Hills.

Albany.

Albany, Capel, Namalook, Nannup, Porongurup Range.

Cocklebiddy.

Forrest, Hyden, Kalgoorlie, Kambalda, Lake King, Lake Magenta, Madura, Pinjarra, Weira.

Broomehill, Kulin, Ongerup, West River.

Elix, Augusta.

Blackwood River, Darradup, Dwellingup, Echo Bluff, Greenbushes, Nannup, Nornalup, Pemberton, Porongurup Range, Toolbrunup.

Porongurup Range.

Northcliffe.

West Cape Howe.

Albany, Mount Madden.

Carbine, Comet Vale, Evanston, Kalgoorlie, Kambalda, Lake King, Mount Hunt, Mount Madden, Mount Rupert, Paynes

Find.

Albany, Condingup.

Boddington, Mount Madden, Mount Walker.

Toolbrunup.

Lower King, Southern Cross.

Mount Mary.

Augusta, Toolbrunup.

Ravensthorpe.

Walebing.

Kalgoorlie.

Sullivan Rock.

Parmelia metaclystoides Kurokawa & Filson
Parmelia mexicana Gyel.

Parmelia pellis Filson +Parmelia perlata (Huds.)Ach.

Parmelia pertinax Kurokawa & Filson Parmelia plittii Gyel.

+Parmelia pulla Ach.

+Parmelia pruinata Muell.Arg.

+Parmelia reptans Kurokawa <u>apud</u> C.Baker et al.

+Parmelia reticulata Tayl. apud Mack.
Parmelia rimalis Kurokawa apud Kurokawa
& Filson
Parmelia rutidota Hook.f. & Tayl.

Parmelia scabrosa Tayl.

+Parmelia soredians Nyl.

Parmelia aff. spodochroa Kurokawa \S Filson

+Parmelia subalbicans Stirt.
Parmelia subdistorta Kurokawa
Parmelia subrudecta Nyl.

+Parmelia tasmanica Hook. & Tayl.

+Parmelia terrestris Kurokawa & Filson +Parmelia tinctina Maheu & Gillet

Parmelia ustulata Kurokawa & Filson Parmelia verrucella Esslinger

USNEACEAE

Ramalina calicaris (L.)Fr. +Ramalina ecklonii (Spreng.)Meyen et Flowtow.

Mount Hunt. Byford, Kalgoorlie, Katanning, West Cape Howe, West River. Byford, West Cape How. Peppermint Grove Beach, Rottnest Island. Mount Hunt. Kennedy Range, Mount Hunt, Yeelirrie. Albany, Kambalda, Lake Magenta, Lower King, Mount Hunt, Porongurup Range, Toolbrunup. Kambalda, Kulin, Mount Barker, Porongurup Range, West River. Kambalda, Lake King, Mount Hunt, West River, Wongan Hills. Albany, Condingup, Darradup.

Yeelirrie.

Baladjie Rock, Bolgart,
Broomehill, Byford, Cape
Arid National Park,
Cocklebiddy, Collie River,
Comet Vale, Corrigin, Harvey,
Hopetoun, Kalgoorlie,
Kambalda, Kendenup, Kulin,
Lake King, Mount Madden,
Mount Singleton, Ongerup,
Paynes Find, Ravensthorpe,
Rottnest Island, Wongan
Hills, Yeelirrie.
Baladjie Rock, Mount Singleton,
Yeelirrie.

Cocklebiddy, Peppermint Grove Beach.

Kambalda.
Corrigin, Wongan Hills.
Kambalda.
Hopetoun.
Cape Arid National Park,
Esperance, High Island

Esperance, High Island, Kalgoorlie, Lower King, Pinjarra, Katanning, West Cape Howe, Wongan Hills. Carbine, Lake King.

Albany, Mount Hunt, Pinjarra, Yeelirrie.

Yeelirrie.

Albany, Kalgoorlie, Mount Hunt, West River.

Kulin.
Boyup Brook, Broome, Lake
King.

+Ramalina geniculata Hook.f. & Tayl.

Ramalina inflata Hook.f. and Tayl.

+Ramalina pusilla le Prev.

+Siphula coriacea Tayl. ex Nyl.

Usnea arida Mot.
Usnea inermis Mot.
+Usnea aff. filipendula Stirt.
+Usnea aff. ramulosissima Stevens & Rogers
Usnea ramulosissima Stevens & Rogers
+Usnea aff. rubiginea (Michaux)Massal.
+Usnea scabrida Tayl.

Usnea torulosa (Muell.Arg.)Zahlbr. Usnea xanthopoga Nyl. PHYSICACEAE

+Anaptychia japonica (Sato) Kurokawa +Anaptychia obscurata Tuck. in Nyl.

Buellia alboatra (Hoffm.) Diechm. 14
Buellia canescens (Dicks.) de Not. 15
+Buellia disciformis (Fr.) Mudd

Buellia parasema (Ach.)de Not. +Buellia punctata (Hoffm.)Massal.

Buellia aff. retrovertens Tuck.

Buellia stellulata (Tayl.) Mudd.

Buellia aff. stigmaea Tuck. Buellia subalbula (Nyl.)Muell.Arg. Buellia subdisciformis (Leight.)Vainio Physcia aegialita Ach.16

Physcia aipolia (Ehrh. in Humb.)Furnr.

Physcia alba (Fee)Muell.Arg.
Physcia aff. albicans (Pers.)Thoms.
Physcia stellaris (L.)Nyl.

Physcia aff. tribacia (Ach.)Nyl.

14 Diplotomma alboatrum (Hoffm.)Flotow.

15 Diploicia canescens (Dickson) Massal.

16 Dirinaria aegialita (Ach.) Moore

Fitzgerald River National
Park, Gairdner River,
Israelite Bay, Kulin, Lake
King.
Cape Arid National Park,
Hyden, Kulin, Ongerup, Three
Springs, Winchester.
Gairdner River, Kulin.

Boyagin Rock, Cape Arid
National Park, Kulin, Latham,
Mount Madden, Northcliffe,
Ongerup, Pemberton, Perth,
Ravensthorpe, Shannon River,
Southern Cross, Sullivan
Rock, Wyalkatchem.

Darradup.

Gairdner River, Harvey, Kulin. Peppermint Grove Beach.

Peppermint Grove Beach.
Porongurup Range.
Toolbrumup.
Boddington, Bolgart, Broomehill,
Corrigin, Dwellingup,
Kendenup, Kulin, Lake Grace,
Lake King, Mount Rupert,
Ongerup, Perth, Pingelly,
Porongurup Range, Toolbrunup,
Winchester.

Sullivan Rock. Fraser Range.

Corrigin. Albany, Collie River, Lower King, Toolbrunup. Dorre Island. East Wallabi Island. Lake King, Mount Elvire. Kulin. Gillingara, West River. Drysdale River National Park. Albany, Ravensthorpe, Stirling Range, West River. Drysdale River National Park. East Wallabi Island, Yeelirrie. Augusta. Kitchener. Cocklebiddy, Kulin, Mount

Rupert, Norseman.
Kulin
Byford.
Bullfinch, Lake Moore, Ord
River.
Corrigin.

Pyxine coccifera (Fay)Ny1.
Pyxine cocoes (Swartz)Ny1.
Pyxine petricola Ny1.

TELOSCH1STACEAE

Caloplaca aurantiaca (Lightf.)Th.Fr. 17

Caloplaca cerina (Ehrh. ex Hedw.)Th.Fr. Caloplaca cinnabarinna (Ach.)Zahlbr. Caloplaca ferruginea (Huds.)Th.Fr. Caloplaca fulgens (Sw.)Elenk. Caloplaca halocarpa (Hoffm.)Wade Caloplaca aff. lactea (Massal.)Zahlbr.

Caloplaca marina (Wedd.)Zahlbr.
Blastenia sp.
Fulgensia subbracteata (Nyl.)Poelt
Teloschistes chrysophthalmus (L.)Th.Fr.

Xanthoria ectanea (Ach.) Räs. ex Filson

Xanthoria parietina (L.)Beltr.

Order SPHAERIALES VERRUCAR1ACEAE

+Dermatocarpon lachneum (Ach.)A.L.Smith 18

Prince Regent Reserve. Prince Regent Reserve. Ord River Station.

Gillingarra, Kendenup, Rottnest Island. Peppermint Grove Beach. Katanning. Kulin, Lake Grace, Ongerup. Drysdale River National Park. Houtman Abrolhos. Drysdale River National Park, East Wallabi Island. Albany, Augusta. Bullfinch, Lake King, Walebing. Houtman Abrolhos, Lake King. Ardath, Buniche, Busselton, Collie River, Corrigin, Cranbrook, Denmark, Forrest, Gairdner River, Harvey, Hithergreen, Israelite Bay, Kendenup, Kitchener, Kulin, Lake King, Lake Preston, Latham, Madura, Mondrain Island, Murchison River, Ongerup, Pinjarra, Porongurup Range, Tagon Harbour, Three Springs, Wongan Hills.

Albany, Cape Arid National
Park, Carnarvon, Cocklebiddy,
Dorre Island, East Wallabi
Island, Garden Island,
Houtman Abrolhos, Kalannie,
Lake Barlee, Lake King, Lake
Moore, Madura, Mondrain
Island, Rottnest Island,
Shark Bay, Southern Cross,
Tagon Harbour.

Albany, Bremer Bay, Busselton,
Cape Leeuwin, Carnarvon,
Elgin, Garden Island,
Kalbarri, Kendenup, Lake
King, Mandurah, Mondrain
Island, Mount Barker, Mount
Stirling, Newdegate,
Rottnest Island, Southern
Cross.

Houtman Abrolhos, Kalgoorlie, Kulin, Lake Cronin, Lake Grace, Perth, Porongurup Range, Ravensthorpe, Rottnest Island.

¹⁷ Caloplaca ferruginea (Huds.)Th.Fr.

¹⁸ Catapyrenium lachneum (Ach.) R. Sant.

Endocarpon sp.
Endocarpon victorianum Muell.Arg.
Verrucaria calciseda DC.
Order CALICIALES

Millbillillie.
Kalgoorlie.
Yeelirrie.
No lichens were found from this order of fungi.

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FLORA CONSERVATION VALUES OF VACANT CROWN LAND SOUTH OF MOUNT ADAMS, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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ABSTRACT

A 13,253 ha area of vacant Crown land located south of Mt. Adams (south east of Dongara) was found to contain 290 plant species of which members of the Proteaceae (19 per cent of the total), Myrtaceae (17 per cent) and Leguminosae (12 per cent) were dominant. The area lies in a part of the northern sandplains not represented in nature reserves or national parks. The terrain grades from undulating sandplains in the west up to dissected laterites in the centre and east. It contains the only known populations of certain undescribed species of Lasiopetalum, Micromyrtus, Stylidium and Synaphea. It also contains populations of several other rare or restricted plants, including some known to be poorly represented in conservation reserves e.g. Conostylis dielsii and Eucalyptus macrocarpa. Because of its conservation values, it is recommended that this vacant Crown land become a Class A Nature Reserve vested in the Western Australian Wildlife Authority.

1NTRODUCTION

In the Mount Adams region, situated between the Arrowsmith and Irwin Rivers, south-east of Dongara (Figure 1), there are substantial areas of vacant Crown land currently under consideration for release for Agriculture. In this paper a 13,253 ha area of vacant Crown land located immediately south of Mt. Adams (Figures 1 and 2) was surveyed to determine its flora conservation values. For brevity this vacant Crown land is hereafter referred to as the VCL.

The VCL is under pressure to be released for farming. However, mapping of the soil types (Department of Lands and Surveys, unpublished data) has revealed that the numbered blocks (Figure 2) contain an undesirably high proportion of "poor soils" in the form of deep sands (35% average per block as against 20% maximum desirable).

This survey was undertaken to provide data to assist the Environmental Protection Authority's Working Group on Land Releases to weigh up the conservation values of the VCL against other criteria for release. It summarises what is known about the flora of the VCL and discusses the values of the land for a potential nature reserve. The VCL is discussed in relation to studies in three other areas in the southern part of the Irwin Botanical District which have similar soil types. Each of these three areas includes a major existing or proposed nature reserve, viz. Burma Road Reserve (A26663), South Eneabba Reserve (C31010) and the Mt. Lesueur Reserves (Ride 1975) (Figure 1).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

a. Landform and Soils

The western part of the VCL is a broad sandy plain which rises up to a strongly dissected plateau in the centre and the east. Within the dissected plateau are broad, shallow valleys which are occasionally bordered by steep erosion slopes or breakaways. The sandy plain, dissected plateau and the deflated scarp between represent parts of three geomorphic units: the Coastal Belt, Arrowsmith Region and Gingin Scarp respectively (Baxter 1977).

Present soil types have developed on the local erosion products of an ancient lateritic soil (Churchward 1970) which was derived from underlying sandstones, siltstones and shales of the Mesozoic Yarragadee Formation (Lowry 1974). Grey sands partially cover the gravels and duricrust of the ancient plateau soils. The shallow erosion slopes are mainly yellow sands and gravels derived from the laterite profile. Leached grey and white sands are present in the centre of some valleys. Clay loams occur in winter-wet depressions and in areas where the Yarragadee Formation is exposed at the base of breakaways and on some gentle erosion slopes.

b. Vegetation

The vegetation was assessed on the basis of structure, but available time prevented any definition of the vegetation units based on floristic composition. However, a relationship between soil type and floristic composition has been recognised (see Hnatiuk and Hopkins in press), so the soil types on which the structural formations occurred were noted.

Beard (1976a) defined the vegetation of the Dongara area on physiognomic criteria and in the VCL he recognised three vegetation units in two Vegetation Systems. They are Scrubheath on deep sandy flats in the Eridoon System and Heath on laterite and Scrubheath on lateritic sandplain in the Tathra System. Scrubheath on lateritic sandplain is the most extensive unit represented in the VCL. Heath on laterite occurs on the occasional exposures of laterite in the central and eastern part. While extensive areas

of Scrubheath on deep sandy flats occur to the west of the VCL, only a very small amount actually occurs in it. Within the Tathra System, Beard (1976a) suggests there are minor occurrences of *Melaleuca* thickets scattered woodlands and mallees. This classification of Beard has not been adopted as the scale of resolution was too coarse for this study.

The major structural formations (after Muir 1977) in the VCL are:

- i) low heath, open to closed; (0.5 to 2 m tall), rich in shrub species with no discernible dominants; occasionally with scattered emergents up to 4 m tall such as Acacia scirpifolia, Banksia menziesii, Eucalyptus todtiana, Macrozamia riedlei or Nuytsia floribunda; Figures 3 and 4; occurring on grey sands, yellow sands and lateritic gravels;
- ii) low woodland of *Eucalyptus accedens* (to 10 m) over open low heath; Figure 5; occurring on clayey soils;
- iii) open to closed scrub mallee of *Eucalyptus tetragona*, *E. foecunda*, *E. falcata* and *E. jucunda* (to 2.5 m) over open low heath; mainly on yellow sands and lateritic gravels; and
- iv) open low woodland of *Eucalyptus camaldulensis* (to 5 m) over thickets of *Acacia scirpifolia* (2 to 3 m); on sandy depressions and drainage lines.

c. Flora

The VCL has a rich flora. The 290 species listed in Appendix 1 were recorded in the course of three brief visits during 1980. This number suggests that the area may prove to be as rich as that south of Eneabba in which, after detailed study and intensive collecting, Hopkins and Hnatiuk (1981) recorded 429 species.

The 290 species represent 44 families and 127 genera. Thirteen of the species are apparently undescribed and six were unidentifiable because of inadequate material. Almost half (47 per cent) were from only three families; Proteaceae (54 spp.-19 per cent), Myrtaceae (49 spp.-17 per cent) and Leguminosae (34 spp.-12 per cent). Thirteen families (30 per cent) and 72 genera (57 per cent) were each represented by only one species. Ten genera were represented by six or more taxa: Hakea 15, Eucalyptus 12, Acacia 11, Conostylis 8, Melaleuca 8, Stylidium 8, Verticordia 8, Banksia 7, Hibbertia 7 and Dryandra 6. Species from these genera represent 31 per cent of the total.

The representation of major families in the VCL is similar to that at Eneabba (Hnatiuk and Hopkins in press). Epacridaceae is the only family with proportionally fewer species present in the VCL than at Eneabba. There were few differences in the genera present but there were more Acacia and Eucalyptus and fewer Leucopogon, Drosera and Daviesia species in the VCL than at Eneabba.

The Jaccard similarity coefficient, using available species composition data (see Appendix 1 for sources) indicate that the VCL was more similar to the Eneabba area (Jaccard coefficient = 0.41) than to the Mt. Lesueur-Cockleshell Gully area (0.36) or the Burma Road Reserve (0.22). The Eneabba area was less similar to the Burma Road Reserve (0.15) than was the VCL to

the Burma Road Reserve. These values are only roughly indicative of floristic similarity. A precise assessment is not possible because each area has received different levels of study.

Hnatiuk and Hopkins (in press) indicated that about 25% of the flora of the Eneabba area was endemic to the southern part of the 1rwin Botanical District. A similar degree of endemism is probable for the VCL.

There are 17 described species which Marchant and Keighery (1979) reported as rare or restricted to a geographic range of distribution less than 160 km (Table 1). Recent collections have extended the range of some of these species; however, with recently described and undescribed species, there are still at least 16 species present which have a geographic range of less than $160 \ \rm km$.

Table 1. Rare and Geographically Restricted Species.

	Categories of Marchant and Keighery (1979)	Recent Assessment
Acacia fagonioides	_	GR
Anigozanthos pulcherrimus	Е	_
Banksia candolleana	F	_
Banksia leptophylla	F	-
Banksia scabrella	В	GR
Calothamnus longissimus	Е	_
Cassytha pomiformis	A	?
Conospermum nervosum	Е	_
Conostylis aculeata ssp. breviflora	-	GR
Conostylis dielsii	Е	GR
Conostylis sp. (SDH 170)	-	GR
Dampiera lindleyi	D	-
Darwinia speciosa	-	GR
Diplolaena ferruginea	Е	-
Dodonaea ericoides	D	-
Gastrolobium pauciflorum	F	GR
Hovea stricta	F	-
Isopogon adenanthoides	Е	GR
1sopogon linearis	F	***
Isopogon tridens	-	GR
Jacksonia foliosa	D	-
Lasiopetalum drummondii	F	-
Lasiopetalum sp. (RJH 800023)	-	VGR
Lepidosperma pubisquameum	D	-
Leucopogon strongylophyllus	D	-
Leucopogon sp. (EAG 2800, 2801)	-	GR
Macropidia fuliginosa	F	-
Micromyrtus sp. (RJH 800019)	-	VGR
Olax sp. aff. phyllanthi (RJH 771499)	-	GR
Petrophile chrysantha	F	GR
Stylidium leptocalyx	D	-
Stylidium maitlandianum	D	-
Stylidium sp. (EAG 2794)	-	VGR
Synaphea sp. (RJH 800017)	-	VGR
Verticordia grandis	F	-
Xanthorrhoea reflexa	D	wer.

Table 1 (cont.)

- 1. Categories of Marchant and Keighery (1979)
 - A No specimens
 - B Rare
 - D Poorly collected
 - E Restricted < 100 km
 - F Restricted > 100 km < 160 km
- 2. Recent Assessment of Geographic Restriction (Griffin 1981, Rye in press, this paper)
 - VGR Geographically Very Restricted < 50 km
 - GR Geographically Restricted > 50 km < 160 km
 - ? Insufficient information.

Four undescribed species, Lasiopetalum sp. (RJH 800023), Micromyrtus sp. (RJH 800019), Stylidium sp. (EAG 2794) and Synaphea sp. (RJH 800017), are known only from the VCL. Leucopogon sp. (EAG 2800, 2801) is known from only one other area south of Eneabba. Two lrwin River endemics, Banksia scabrella and Conostylis dielsii, occur in the VCL. Banksia scabrella is also known to occur in the Burma Road Reserve but Conostylis dielsii is not known from any other nature reserve. For most of the other geographically restricted species (Table 1) and for some more widespread species such as Eucalyptus falcata, E. macrocarpa and E. pyriformis, the VCL represents the northern limit of their known distribution range.

The conservation status of *Eucalyptus macrocarpa* populations has recently been assessed (Anon. 1981). The 180 plants growing on the VCL represent the largest number of a distinct Northern Sandplains race in any conservation reserve or potential reserve. The only other significant population on Crown land is at Eneabba where mining for mineral sands is currently taking place.

CONSERVATION SIGNIFICANCE

The floristic composition of the kwongan or shrubland (Beard 1976b) on lateritic uplands in this part of the northern sandplains varies along east-west and north-south gradients (E.A. Griffin, A.J.M. Hopkins and R.J. Hnatiuk, unpublished data). This regional variation is not fully represented in existing conservation reserves (Figure 2). The creation of a nature reserve of the VCL would partially overcome the deficiencies between the Arrowsmith and Irwin Rivers.

Agricultural development in the region between Geraldton and the Arrowsmith River has left little uncleared land except for the VCL and a somewhat larger adjacent area of vacant Crown land. Excluding the coastal area which is floristically dissimilar to the rest of the area, only about 1% of this region has been set aside for conservation reserves. This is far below the minimum of 5% recommended by the lUCN. With the declaration of the VCL as a nature reserve, the amount of land in conservation reserves would be substantially increased to 3%.

There are a number of species in the VCL which are at the extremities of their known geographic range, e.g. Acacia fagonioides, Calothamnus longissimus, Conospermum nervosum, Isopogon adenanthoides, I. tridens and

Petrophile chrysantha. The preservation of populations of such species would greatly contribute to the maintenance of their genetic diversity. The VCL is probably sufficiently large to maintain viable populations of geographically restricted species as well as other species not represented in other conservation reserves.

The VCL has relatively few minor disturbances in the way of small gravel pits, tracks and mining exploration lines. Invasion by naturalized alien plant species is negligible and their occurrence is restricted mainly to the boundary of the VCL adjacent to developed agricultural land.

Conservation reserves may also provide protection for geomorphic features. The VCL contains several which are representative of this area. Study of these features in an undisturbed environment would be valuable in elucidating the relationships between soils, geomorphology and the floristic composition of the vegetation.

The VCL, because of its size and habitat diversity, would probably support viable populations of many species of the fauna of the area. No faunal records were made for the VCL but numerous birds were observed including parrots nesting in trees of *Eucalyptus accedens*.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the vacant Crown land south of Mt. Adams (Victoria locations 10935 to 10939 inclusive and the unnumbered location between them and tomkins Road) be created a Class A Reserve for the purposes of Conservation of Flora and Fauna and vested in the Western Australian Wildlife Authority.

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APPEND1X 1

SPECIES LIST FOR THE VCL SOUTH OF MT. ADAMS

Voucher specimens have been lodged at PERTH for as many species as possible. In some cases, where only sterile material could be obtained, vouchers have not always been lodged. In others, the identification is consistent with voucher specimens marked "Eneabba Survey 1977" (from Hnatiuk and Hopkins, in press) or "EAG Laterite Survey 1978/79" (from E.A. Griffin, A.J.M. Hopkins and R.J. Hnatiuk, unpublished data).

Abbreviations used in the following list are - "sp." for undescribed species (followed by collectors initials and number if a voucher specimen is available); "?" for determinations which were uncertain because either the correct application of the name was in doubt, or the material was inadequate; "+" for presence of species in other areas denoted; "+L" for species found near Eneabba (E.A. Griffin, A.J.M. Hopkins and R.J. Hnatiuk, unpublished data) additional to Hopkins and Hnatiuk (1981); "+ χ " for species found at the Burma Road Reserve (E.A. Griffin, R.J. Hnatiuk, S.D. Hopper and B.R. Maslin, unpublished data).

	Eneabba area (A)	Mt. Lesueur- Cockleshell Gully area (B)	Burma Rd Nature Reserve (C)
Acacia auronitens Lindl.			
A. blakelyi Maiden	+	+	⁺ X
A. comans W.V.Fitzg.	Т	-	+ X
A. dilatata Benth.	_	_	_
A. fagonioides Benth.	+	_	_
A. jacksonioides Maslin	т	_	_
A. lasiocarpa Benth.	+	+	_
A. saligna (Labill.)H. Wendl.	+	+	⁺ X
A. scirpifolia Meisn.	'	'	_
A. stenoptera Benth.	_	+	_
A. tamminensis E.Pritzel	⁺ L		_
Acanthocarpus preissii Lehm.	<u> </u>	+	_
A. sp. (EAG 2784)	+L	-	_
Actinostrobus arenarius C.A.Gardner	_	_	+
Adenanthos cygnorum Diels	_	+	т
Amphipogon sp.	Ţ	+	_
Andersonia ? heterophylla Sonder	, _	т	_
Anigozanthos humilis Lindl.	<u>'</u>	+	_
A. pulcherrimus Hooker	'	+	т
Astroloma microdonta F.Muell. ex Benth.	+	+	_
A. serratifolium (DC.)Druce	+	+	_
Baeckea camphorosmae Endl.	+	+	_
B. grandiflora Benth.	+	+	_
Banksia attenuata R.Br.	+	+	_
B. candolleana Meisn.	+	+	,
B. leptophylla George	+	,	_
B. menziesii R.Br.	+	+	_
B. prionotes Lindl.	_	_	<u>.</u>
B. scabrella George	_	_	+ 17
B. sphaerocarpa R.Br.	+	+	+ X
Beaufortia elegans Schauer	+	+	_
Billardiera sp.	_	+	_
Boronia coerulescens F.Muell.	+	_	+v
B. ramosa (Lindl.) Benth.	+	+	+ X
Burchardia umbellata R.Br.	+	+	+
Calandrinia calyptrata J.D.Hooker	_		_
Calectasia cyanea R.Br.	+	+	+
Calothamnus blepharospermus F.Muell.	_	_	
C. homalophyllus F. Muell.	_	_	_
C. longissimus F.Muell.	+	_	
C. sanguineus Labill.	+	+	+
Calotis hispidula (F.Muell.) F.Muell.	_	· _	+X
Calytrix brachyphylla (Turcz.) Benth.	_	+	_
C. empetroides (Schauer)Benth.	+	+	_
C. flavescens A.Cunn.	+	+	+
C. fraseri A. Cunn.	_	_	_
Carpobrotus sp.	+	_	_
Cassytha filiformis L.		_	_
C. ? pomiformis Nees	+ _L	+	
Casuarina campestris Diels		_	_
data damposti is biois	+L		_

	Eneabba area	Mt. Lesueur- Cockleshell Gully area	Burma Rd Nature Reserve
Casuarina humilis Otto & Dietr.	+	+	_
C. microstachya Miq.	+	+	_
Caustis dioica R.Br.	+	+	_
Chamaescilla corymbosa (R.Br.)F.Muell.		+	
ex Benth.	_	•	+
Chorizema aciculare (DC.)C.A.Gardner	† L	-	·
Chrysocoryne pusilla (Benth.) Endl.	+	+	
Comesperma drummondii Steez	т	+	
C. volubile Labill.	-	+	_
Conospermum nervosum Meisn.	+		-
C. triplinervium R.Br.	+	+	+
Conostylis aculeata R.Br.	+	+	<u></u>
C. aculeata R.Br. ssp. breviflora			
S.D.Hopper	+	+	_
C. androstemma (Lindl.)F.Muell.	+	+	-
C. aurea Lindl.	+	+	-
C. candicans Endl.	-	on.	+
C. crassinervia J.W.Green	+	+	-
C. dielsii W.V.Fitzg.	enn	-	-
C. neocymosa S.D.Hopper	-	-	-
C. sp. (SDH 170)	-	-	-
Crassula colorata (Nees)Ostenf.	+	+	-
Cryptandra glabriflora Benth.	+	-	
C. pungens Steud.	+ L	+	+
Dampiera lavandulacea DeVriese	-	+	-
D. lindleyi Lindl.	-	+	+
D. linearis R.Br.	-	-	+
D. spicigera Benth.	+	+	AUTO-
D. trigona DeVriese	-	-	-
Darwinia speciosa (Meisn.) Benth.	+	-	-
Daviesia benthamii Meisn.	-	-	-
D. daphnoides Meisn.	+ _L	+	⁺ X
D. divaricata Benth.	+	+	
D. nudiflora Meisn.	+	+	-
D. pedunculata Benth. ex Lindl.	+	+	ann
Dianella revoluta R.Br.		+	+
Diplolaena ferruginea P.G.Wilson	+	+	+
Diplopeltis huegelii Endl.	-	+	+
Dodonaea ericoides Miq.	+ _L	+	-
Drosera erythrorhiza Lindl.	+	+	644
D. leucoblasta Benth.	+	+	-
D. macrantha Endl.	+	+	+
D. ? menziesii R.Br.	+	+	+
D. stolonifera Endl.	+	+	-
Dryandra bipinnatifida R.Br.	+	+	_
D. carlinoides Meisn,	+	+	+
D. fraseri R.Br.	+ _L	+	
D. nivea (Labill.)R.Br.	+ "	+	+
D. sessilis (Knight)Domin	+	+	+
D. shuttleworthiana Meisn.	+	+	+
Ecdeiocolea monostachya F.Muell.	+	+	⁺ X

Also found in

	F	D D 1	
	Eneabba area	Mt. Lesueur- Cockleshell Gully area	Burma Rd Nature Reserve
Elythranthera ? brunonis (Endl.)George	.	·	Reserve
Eremaea sp. aff. acutifolia F.Muell.	+	+	
E. beaufortioides Benth.	+	+	⁺ X
E. violacea F. Muell.	+	+	-
Eucalyptus accedens W.V. Fitzg.	+	+	-
E. camaldulensis Dehnh.	+	-	644
	-	-	-
E. dongarraensis Maiden et Blakely E. drummondii Benth.		_	-
E. eudesmioides F.Muell.	+	+	-
E. falcata Turcz.	*L	+	+
E. foecunda Schauer	_	-	-
	_	-	-
E. jucunda C.A.Gardner	+	-	-
E. macrocarpa Hooker	+	-	-
E. pyriformis Turcz.	+L	-	
E. tetragona (R.Br.)F.Muell.	+	-	-
E. todtiana F.Muell.	+	+	-
Gastrolobium obovatum Benth.	+	_	-
G. pauciflorum C.A.Gardner	+	+	om
G. spinosum Benth.	+ L	+	+
Geleznowia verrucosa Turcz.	+	-	+ X
Glischrocaryon ? aureum (Lindl.)Orchard	+	+	-"
Gompholobium aristatum Benth.	+	+	-
G. knightianum Lindl.	+	+	+
Goodenia berardiana (Gaud.)Carolin	-	-	-
G. careulea R.Br.	+	+	+
G. hassallii F.Muell.	фля	+	_
Grevillea ? biternata Meisn.	-	-	
G. eriostachya Lindl.	+	-	-
G. polybotrya Meisn.	+	***	+
G. uncinulata Diels	-	-	-
Guinchenotia micrantha (Steetz.) Benth.	-	-	-
G. sarotes Benth.	+	+	-
Haemodorum paniculatum Lindl.	+	+	-
Hakea auriculata Meisn. var. auriculata	+	+	+
H. auriculata Meisn. var. spathulata Benth.	+ _L	+	-
H. baxteri R.Br.		-	_
H. brachyptera Meisn.	+	-	-
H. cinerea R.Br.	+	+	_
H. ? circumalata Meisn. (EAG 2806, 2804)	+	-	+
H. costata Meisn.	+	+	_
H. incrassata R.Br.	+	+	_
H. lissocarpha R.Br.	+	+	+
H. obliqua R.Br.	+	+	_
H. prostrata R.Br.	+	+	
H. ruscifolia Labill.	+	+	_
H. smilacifolia Meisn.	+	_	+
H. stenocarpa R.Br.	+	+	+
H. trifurcata (Sm.)R.Br.	+	+	+ X
H. sp. aff. falcata R.Br. (EAG 2799)	_	_	_ ^
Halgania sp. (EAG 1714)	+,	_	_
Helipterum cotula (Benth.)DC.	* L	+	+
H. demissum (A.Gray)Druce	and the same of th	_	-
II. laeve (A.Gray) Benth.	_	_	_
H. manglesii (Lindl.)Benth.	_	_	+
Hibbertia acerosa (R.Br. ex DC.)Benth.	+	+	
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	Eneabba area	Mt. Lesueur- Cockleshell Gully area	Burma Rd Nature Reserve
Hibbertia aurea Steud.	+L	+	+
H. hypericoides (DC.)Benth.	+L	+	_
H. spicata F. Muell.	+F - F	+	_
H. subvaginata (Steud.)F.Muell.	- L	_	_
H. sp. (RJH 800015)	+ L	_	_
H. sp. aff. furfuraceae (R.Br. ex DC.)Benth			
(RJH 771310)	+	+	_
Hovea stricta Meisn.	+	+	_
Hybanthus floribundus (Walp.)F.Muell.	+	+	+
Hydrocotyle sp.	_	_	_
Hypocalymma xanthopetalum F.Muell.	+	+	, man
lsopogon adenanthoides Meisn.	+	+	+
1. divergens R.Br.		+	_
I. linearis Meisn.	+ +	+	_
1. ? tridens F.Muell.	+	<u>.</u>	+
lsotoma hypocrateriformis (R.Br.)Druce	, _	+	
lsotropis cuneifolia (Sm.)Benth. ex	_	,	
	1		
B.D.Jackson	+L	+	_
Jacksonia angulata Benth.	_	-	_
J. foliosa Turcz.	_		**
J. horrida DC.		-	
J. restioides Meisn.	+	+	+
J. ? spinosa (Labill.)R.Br.		_	_
Johnsonia pubescens Lindl.	+	-	_
Lambertia multiflora Lindl.	+	+	-
Lasiopetalum drummondii Benth.	+	+	-
L. indutum Steud.	-		_
L. sp. (RJH 800023)	_	-	_
Laxmannia grandiflora Lindl.	-	-	-
L. sessiliflora Done.	+	_	_
Lechenaultia biloba Lindl.	+	+	-
Lepidobolus chaetocephalus F.Muell.	+	+	ue+
Lepidosperma pubisquameum Steud.	+	upA4	-
L. viscidum R.Br.	-	+	-
Leptospermum erubescens Schauer	+	+	+ X
L. spinescens Endl.	+	+	-
Leucopogon strongylophyllus F.Muell.	-	-	-
L. sp. (EAG 2800, 2801)	*L	-	
L. sp.		-	-
Levenhookia dubia Sonder	+ L	+	-
Logania spermacocea F.Muell.	+	+	-
Lomandra hastilis (R.Br.)Ewart	+	+	
L. preissii (Endl.)Ewart	+	+	when
Loxocarya cinerea R.Br.	+	+	-
L. fasciculata (R.Br.)Benth.	+	+	_
Lyginia barbarta R.Br.	+	+	store
Lyperanthus nigricans R.Br.	-	+	_
Lysinema ciliatum R.Br.	+	+	+
Macropidia fuliginosa (Hook.)Druce	+	+	+
Macrozamia riedlei (Fisch. ex Gaud.)			
C.A.Gardner	+	+	+

	Eneabba area	Mt. Lesueur- Cockleshell Gully area	Burma Rd Nature Reserve
Melaleuca cardiophylla F.Muell.	-	***	_
M. ? holosericea Schauer	+ _L	e	+.,
M. radula Lindl.	, L	+	+ X +
M. scabra R.Br.	+ L	+	+
M. ? sclerophylla Diels	_	_	·
M. tricophylla Lindl.	+	+	_
M. uncinata R.Br.	+	_	
M. urceolaris F.Muell. ex Benth.	_		_
Mesomelaena stygia (R.Br.) Nees var.	_	_	_
deflexa Kükenthal	4		
	+	-	-
M. stygia (R.Br.) Nees var. preissii			
(Nees) Kükenthal	+	-	-
M. stygia (R.Br.)Nees var. pseudostygia			
Kükenthal	+	+	_
M. tetragona (R.Br.)Benth.	+	+	*X
Micromyrtus sp. (RJH 800019)	-	-	
Mirbelia floribunda Benth.	-	-	+
M. spinosa Benth.	+	+	6mh
Monotaxis grandiflora Endl.	+	+	-
Neurachne alopecuroidea R.Br.	.+	+	_
Nuytsia floribunda (Labill.)R.Br. ex Fenzl	+	+	+
Olax benthamiana Miq.	+	+	+
O. sp. aff. phyllanthi (Labill.)R.Br.			
(RJH 771499)	+L	+	-
Olearia rudis (Benth.)F.Muell.	-	-	+
Opercularia spermacocea Labill.	+L	+	-
Patersonia graminea Benth.	-	-	-
P. occidentalis R.Br.	+ 1	+	-
Petrophile chrysantha Meisn.	+ L	+	-
P. drummondii Meisn.	+	+	
P. ericifolia R.Br.	+	-	+
P. macrostachya R.Br.	+	+	+
P. media R.Br.	+	+	_
P. megalostegia F.Muell.	+ _L	_	
P. seminuda Lindl.	_ _ L	+	_
P. shuttleworthiana Meisn.	+L	+	
Pileanthus filifolius Meisn.	+	+	_
Pimelea angustifolia R.Br.	+	+	_
P. imbricata R.Br.	_	+	+
P. ? suaveolens (Endl.) Meisn.	+ _L	+	+
P. sulphurea Meisn.	+	+	_
	+	+	+
Pityrodia bartlingii (Lehm.) Benth.	+	<u>'</u>	т
P. verbascina (F. Muell.) Benth.	·	'	~~
Podolepis sp.	_	_	+
Podotheca gnaphalioides Grah.	+	_	т
P. pygmaea A. Gray	+	<u>-</u>	-
Prasophyllum cyphochilum Benth.	_	_	_
Ptilotus manglesii (Lindl.) F. Muell.	-	+	-
Quinetia urvillei Cass.	-	-	-
Restio sp.	-	-	-
Scaevola anchusifolia Benth.	-	+	+

	Eneabba area	Mt. Lesueur- Cockleshell Gully area	Burma Rd Nature Reserve
Scaevola canescens Benth.	+	.4	4
Schoenus odontocarpus F.Muell.	т	+	+
S. subflavus Kükenthal	+	+	-
Scholtzia laxiflora Benth.	+		
Spaerolobium macranthum Meisn.		+	+
Stackhousia brunonis Benth.	+	+	+
S. pubescens A.Rich.	+	+	+
•	_	+	_
Stirlingia latiflora (R.Br.)Steud.	+	+	+
S. simplex Lindl.	+	+	-
Stylidium adpressum Benth.	+	+	-
S. crossocephalum F.Muell.	+	+	+
S. divaricatum Sonder	+L	+	-
S. leptocalyx Sonder	-	+	-
S. leptophyllum DC.		-	emp
S. maitlandianum E. Pritzel	+	+	-
S. repens R.Br.	+	+	_
S. sp. (EAG 2794)	-	wAA	-
Synaphea sp. (RJH 800017)		-	-
Templetonia biloba (Benth.)Polhill	+	+	-
Tersonia brevipes Moq.	+L	, many	-
Thelymitra campanulata Lindl.	+	+	
Thomasia ? cognata Steud. (EAG 2774)	-	_	_
Thysanotus dichotomus (Labill.)R.Br.	+	-	_
T. patersonii R.Br.	+	+	_
Trachymene pilosa Sm.	+	+	_
Trymalium ledifolium Fenzl.	_	+	_
T. ? wichurae Nees	+ _L	_	_
Ursinia anthemoides (L.)Poir.	- "	+	_
Velleia trinervis Labill.	_	+	_
Verrauxia reinwardtii (DeVriese)Benth.	+	_	+
Verticordia brownii (Desf.)DC.	+ L	_	_
V. densiflora Lindl.	_ L	+	_
V. grandiflora Endl,	+	_	_
V. grandis Drumm.	+	+	+
V. monadelpha Turcz.	_		_
V. ovalifolia Meisn.	+	_	_
V. pennigera Endl.	+	+	_
V. picta Endl.	+	,	*
Viminaria juncea (Shrad. & Wendl.)Hoffmanns		_	*
Waitzia paniculata F. Muell. ex Benth.	+L +	T	_
Xanthorrhoea reflexa D.A.Herb.	+	+	+
Xylomelum angustifolium Kipp. et Meisn.	+	-	+X +

⁽A) Hopkins and Hnatiuk (1981)

⁽B) E.A. Griffin and A.J.M. Hopkins (unpublished data)

⁽C) Beard and Burns (1976)

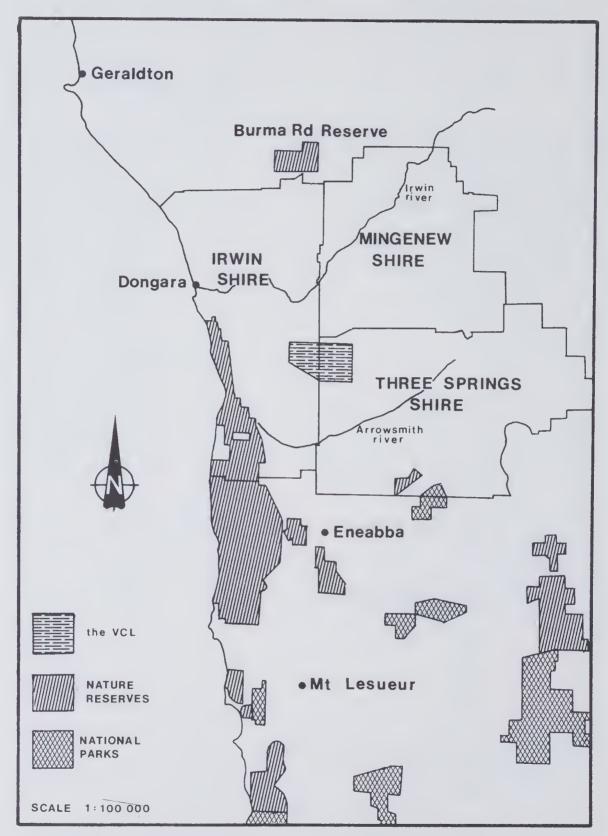


Fig. 1. Location map of the VCL with National Parks and Nature Reserves greater than 2,000 ha.

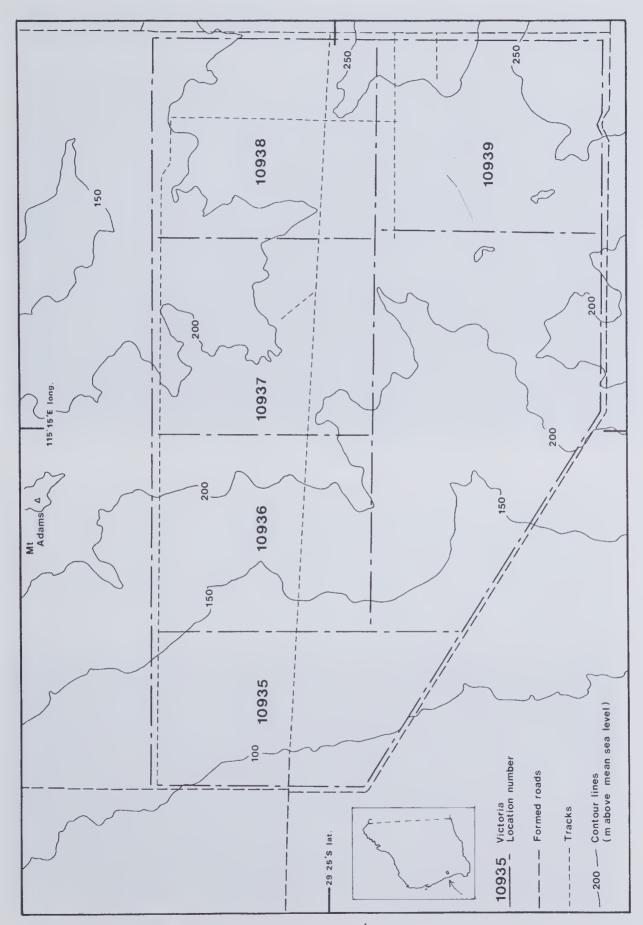


Fig. 2. Contour map of the VCL with roads and Victoria location numbers.



Fig. 3. Open low-heath with emergent Eucalyptus todtiana in foreground.



Open low-heath with Eucalyptus accedens low-woodland right hand Fig. 4. centre.



Fig. 5. Open low heath on slight lateritic breakaway.



