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CRUCIFERAE

Lepidium Smith's cress. heterophyllum Benth. 1,2,-,4A,-. 2. Common in sand pit in Derrycassan woods. N3087. 12-6-71. 4A. Occasional on disused railway line, Kinalagh near Lough Kinale. N3881. 20-6-71. 1. Frequent on roadside at Cooleenmore, Dring. N3485. 6-6-74. 2. Occasional on the side of the Granard - Cavan road near the county bridge. N3683. 30-5-84. 1. Occasional by the roadside at Mullinroe, Dring. N3487. 30-5-84. 1. R.L.P. C.C. sativum L. -,2,-,-,-. 2. Rare, a casual on a newly sown lawn at Carragh, Granard. Probably introduced in seed mixture. N3482. 12-7-86. Not previously recorded in the county. Identified by M. Scannell and D. Synnott. DBN. Coronopus Swine's cress. squamatus (Forskal) Aschers. -,-,3,4,-. 4. Very rare; only two plants found on Lough Ree shore at Cullentragh opposite Clawhinch Island. M9863. 30-9-84. 4. R.L.P. . 3.B.&V. C.C. Diplotaxis Wall mustard. muralis DC. -,-,-,4A,-. 4A.Well established on excavated ground near old railway line at Kinalagh near Lough Kinale. N3882. 1-10-83. This appears to be a first record. Brassica napus L. -,2,3,-,-. Very rare throughout the county. 3. A few plants growing on the banks of the Rhine river at Ballymacrorly near Browns cross. N3080. 29-5-84. 2. A single plant by the roadside near the old rubbish dump at Ballinacross, Granard. N3481. 11-5-85. Not previouisly recorded for Co. Longford.

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CRUCIFERAE

Brassica Wild turnip. rapa L. 1,2,3,4,5. Occasional in all districts. 2&5. R.L.P. C.C. Black mustard. nigra (L.) Koch Not seen but recorded as "casual" in C.C. Sinapis Charlock. arvensis L. 1,2,3,4,5. Common, mainly on excavated ground. C.C. White mustard. alba L. -,-,3,4,-. 3&4. R.L.P. C.C. Raphanus Wild radish. raphanistrum L. subsp. raphanistrum -,2,-,-,-. 2. Occasional on the roadside by a bog on ground used for dumping rubbish opposite a disused gravel pit between Lough Leebeem and Lough Gowna, Aughnacliffe. N2790. 7-10-84. 2. R.L.P. C.C. Lunaria Honesty. annua L. -,2,-,-,-. 2. A small number of plants apparently naturalised in front of a long disused two roomed cottage at Granardkille, Granard. N3180. 24-4-85.

Not listed in the 1987 Census Catalogue. Doubtful status as a naturalised species.

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Sundew.

RESEDACEAE

Reseda

luteola L.

Dyer's rocket.

-,-,3,4A,-.

3. Common on waste ground at the crossroads near Pakes bridge. N1457. 20-5-84.

4A. Abundant on excavated ground by the roadside at Kinelagh near Lough Kinale. N3781. 15-6-84. Growing in association with Papaver dubium. 3. Abundant on waste ground beside new cemetary near Darogue House, Ballymahon. N1357. 21-6-84.

4A. Occasional in the disused gravel pit at Fernsborough, Abbeylara. N3880. 45-6-84.

3. Common by the roadside verge about 2 km. from Carrickboy on the Edgeworthstown road. N2166. C.C.

SARRACENIACEAE

Sarracenia

purpurea L. Pitcher plant. This species has not yet been recorded in Co. Longford, there are some unconfirmed findings. It has been recorded in the neighbouring counties of Westmeath and Roscommon.

DROSERACEAE

Drosera

rotundifolia L.

1,2,3,4,5.

Very common, occuring in wet depressions on most bogs throughout the county. 2. Common on the bog near Purth cross on the Granard - Aughnacliffe road. N2885. 22-6-84.

5. R.L.P. C.C.

anglica Hudson

-,-,3,4A,5.

 Occasional on the bog in the delta between the Camlin and Shannon river near Tarmonbarry. N0678. 18-6-84.
 Occasional on Derragh bog, Abbeylara. N4079. 30-8-85. Located by John Brady of Derragh.
 R.L.P.
 and 5. H.&R.
 C.C.

intermedia Hayne

-,-,-,5.

5. H.&R. Cloondara. This is a first record.

CRASSULACEAE

Umbilicus rupestris Dandu

1,2,2B,3,4,-.

2B. Common on walls around the state forest near Ardagh. N1863. 3-6-73.
2. Occasional on an old wall between Creevy House and Ballywillin.
N3777. 1-6-84.
3. Common on old stone walls near the abbey ruins at Abbeyderg. N1465.
20-6-84.
1. Occasional by the roadside at Lough Leebeen near Aughnacliffe. N2690.
7-10-84.
3. Occasional on a "stone ditch" by the roadside at Castlerea between Ardagh and Moydow. N1568. 1-6-85.
4. Fairly common on walls around the graveyard and church ruins at Saints Island on Lough Ree. N0756. 2-6-85.
2. Common on a roadside bank on the Aughnacliffe - Ballinalee road between Molly and Aughnacliffe. N2686. 9-2-86.
2. Occasional on roadside banks north of Corn Hill. N1986. 22-2-86.
C.C.

Sedum

telephium L.

-,(2),(3),-,-.

Stonecrop.

2or3. R.L.P. Not seen recently. C.C.

reflexum L.

-,2,-,-. 2. Naturalised and abundant on rocky banks and walls in the vicinity of the motte and "Grotto" at Granard. 3281. 14-6-71. Not previously recorded for Co. Longford.

acre L.

-,2,3,4,-.

Occasional, seen around Granard and Ballymahon but not recorded. 4. R.L.P. C.C.

album L.

-,-,3,4,-. 4. Occasional on a wall at Cleraun, Newtowncashel. N0456. 20-6-84. 3. Common on the tops of stone walls near the abbey ruins at Abbeyderg. N1466. 31-7-84. C.C.

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Pennywort.

CRASSULACEAE

Sedum

anglicum Hudson

-,-,-,5. Not seen recently but probably still occuring. 5. R.L.P. C.C.

Sempervivum tectorum L.

-,-,-,4,-.

4. B.&V. Near Elfeet bay, Lough Ree. Not seen recently and not recorded in the 1987 Census Catalogue.

SAXIFRAGACEAE

Saxifraga tridactylites L.

Rue-leaved saxifrage.

-,-,3,4,-.

4. Very frequent around the limestone quarry at Cashel Lodge near Lough Ree shore. N0061. 26-5-81.
3. Abundant in a small area of roadside verge at the bog railway bridge, Derrygowna between Newtowncashel and the Ballymahon - Lanesborough road. N0563. 26-5-81.
3. and 4. R.L.P.

C.C.

Tellima

grandiflora Dougl. ex Lindl.

-,2,-,-. 2. Naturalised in roadside hedges at Cloughernal and Crevy between Granard and the Co. Cavan boundary, widespread in the area. N3683. 20-5-84. This is a first record for Co. Longford, it is obviously a garden escape from a nearby house. Found by Bartley Newman of Cloughernal and identified by Miss M. Scannell of the National Herbarium. DBN.

Chrysosplenium oppositifolium L.

Golden Saxifrage.

1,2,3,4,5.

Very common, seen in all the botanical districts growing in damp shaded places.

C.C.

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PARNASSIACEAE

Parnassia palustris L. Grass of Parnassus.

-,-,3,4,-. 4. Very rare, only one plant growing in a shallow depression in a grassy place on Lough Ree shore at Cashel Lodge. N0061. 30-9-81. Further plants found since that date but always at this station. 3&4. R.L.P.

GROSSULARIACEAE

Ribes

nigrum L.

Black currant.

-,-,3,-,-.

Occasionally seen throughout the county but usually close to houses. 3. Well established in a hedge about 100 metres from an old abandoned cottage by the roadside at Barney on the Ardagh - Edgeworthstown road. N2268. 13-5-85. C.C.

Gooseberry.

uva-crispa L.

-,-,3,-,-.

Occasionally seen in hedges usually near houses. 3. One plant naturalised in the mixed forest by the Inny river opposite Newcastle House, Ballymahon. N1857. 21-6-84. This appears to be a first record.

Spiraea salicifolia L. -,2,-,4A,-. Occasionally seen, well established in hedges. 2. Growing in a hedge near a house by the roadside about 1.5km north-west of Bunlahy crossroads, frequent. N2584. 13-6-84. 2. Abundant in a roadside hedge near a house at Dring on the Granard-Gowna road. N3185. 16-8-86. 4A. Occasional in hedges at Derragh, Abbeylara. N3979. 21-8-85. This species has not been previously recorded in Co.Longford. Filipendula Meadowsweet. ulmaria L. 1,2,3,4,5. Very common in wet fields and on roadside verges. Rubus Stone bramble. saxatilis L. -,-,-,4,-. Not seen recently. 4. B.&V. 4. R.L.P. DBN. C.C. Wild raspberry. idaeus L. 1,2,3,4,5. 2. Very frequent in Derrycassan wood. N3087. 12-6-71. 4A. Abundant at the state forest at Derragh, Abbeylara. N3880. 1-7-84. Frequently seen in other districts but not documented.

fruticosus agg.

C.*C*.

Blackberry.

1,2,3,4,5. Widely distributed throughout the county. No attempt has been made to identify the various segregates in Co. Longford. *C*.*C*.

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Rosa arvensis Hudson Rose. -,-,3,4,5. 3. Occasional in the hedge by the roadside between Ballymahon and Newcastle House about 2km. from Ballymahon, N1758. 21-6-84. 4&5. R.L.P. C.C. pimpinellifolia L. Burnet rose. -,-,-,4,-. This species is confined to the shores of Lough Ree. 4. Fairly common at Saints island. N0756. 23-9-84. 4. Common by the lakeshore at Cullentragh. M9862. 30-9-84. Seen also at Barley Harbour and Cashel Lodge. C.C. canina L. Dog rose. -,2,3,4,5. 3. Occasional in a hedge by the roadside opposite Darogue House near Ballymahon. N1356. 21-6-84. Seen in some of the other botanical districts but not documented. C.C. tomentosa Sm. -,2,-,-,-. 2. Occasional in Derrycassan wood, Dring. N3186. 19-6-71. This species has not been observed in other districts but it probably occurs. C.C. mollis Sm. -,-,-,4,-. 4. Occasional on Lough Ree shore near Barley Harbour. N0358. 16-10-83. Not previously recorded in the county. rubiginosa L. Sweet briar. 1,-,-,-. 1. A single plant, probably a garden escape, growing in a roadside hedge on the side of the road from Kilcogy to Gowna. N3389. 1-7-71. Not previously recorded in Co. Longford. The genus Rosa is worthy of a lot of further study in the county.

Page 39. ROSACEAE Agrimonia eupatoria L. Agrimony. -,2,3,4,5. 2. Common on the roadside verge at Purth crossroads, Dring. N2885. 29-7-71. 3. Frequent by the roadside near Coolamber bog. N3173. 30-7-71. Frequently seen but not documented in many places in south Longford, very common on the banks of the Royal canal. 3. H.&R. C.C. Sanguisorba minor Scop. Salad burnet. -,-,-,4,-. Not seen recently. 4. R.L.P. C.C. Geum rivale L. Water avens. -,2,3,4,-. 2. Fairly frequent in a small area near the river Rhine which flows into Killeen Lough. N2882. 8-5-84. 4. Occasional by the edge of a small wood near Lough Ree shore at Cashel Lodge growing near Geum rivale x urbanum. N0160. 26-5-85. 3. and 4. R.L.P. *C.C.* rivale x urbanum (G.x intermedium) -,-,-,4,-. 4. Very common in the small wood behind the bungalow on the left at the end of the road leading to Lough Ree shore at Cashel Lodge. N0160. 26-5-85. Recorded for Co. Longford by Praeger. "Botanist in Ireland." 1934. C.C. urbanum L. Wood avens. 1,2,3,4,5. Common in all districts in woods, hedges and shady banks. *C*.*C*. Potentilla palustris L. Marsh cinquefoil. 1,2,-,4,4A,5. 2. Frequent at the edge of the bog at Purth, Dring. N2985. 29-7-71. 1. Common on the shore of Lough Fearglass near Ballinamuck and by the river flowing into the lake. N1792. 29-7-71. 4A. Very common in the marshy area near Lough Derragh and by the river between Lough Kinale and Lough Derragh, Abbeylara. N3980. 24-6-84. Seen, but not documented in the marshy areas around the rivers Shannon and Camlin and the Royal canal at Cloondara. Also seen on Lough Ree shore. C.C.

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ROSACEAE

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Potentilla anserina L. 1,2,3,4,5. Abundant in all areas on waste ground and rocky lakeshores.

C.C.

erecta (L.) Rauscel.

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1,2,3,4,5. 2. Very common on Corn Hill. N1984. 14-10-83. 1. Abundant in wet fields near the shore of Lough Cornacullew near Ballinamuck. N1893. 29-4-84. Common although not documented in the other botanical districts. C.C.

anglica Laichard.

1,2,3,4,5. 2. Common on Corn Hill. N1984. 28-6-71. 4A. Very common in fields near the shores of Lough Kinale, Abbeylara. N3881. 1-10-83. It occurs frequently in all the districts. lor2. R.L.P. DBN. C.C.

reptans L.

1,2,3,4,5.

Common everywhere. C.C.

sterilis (L.) Garcke

Barren strawberry.

Creeping cinquefoil.

1,2,3,4,5. Seen in all the botanical districts, occasional.

Fragaria vesca L.

1,2,3,4,5.

Wild strawberry

Common on shady banks in all districts but sometimes confused with Potentilla sterilis.

Silverweed.

Tormentil.

Alchemilla xanthochlora Rothm. Lady's mantle 1,2,3,4,4A,-. 1. Common in a grassy place on the shore of Lough Gowna. N3391. 8-5-71. 2. Occasional in a sand pit near Creevy, Granard. N3783. 30-6-71. 4. Fairly common in a field at Derrynagalliagh near Lough Ree shore. N1056. 20-5-84. 4A. Occasional in the gravel pit at Fernsborough, Abbeylara, N3880. 14-5-85. 4. Occasional on Lough Ree shore at Cashel Lodge, Newtowncashel. N0160. 26-5-85. 2&3. R.L.P. DBN. C.C. filicaulis Buser subsp. vestita (Buser) M.E. Bradshaw 1,2,3,4,4A,5. 1. Rare, growing on Lough Gowna shore in a grassy place. N3391. 8-5-71. 4A. Occasional in a field near Derragh Lough. N3380. 12-5-84. 4. Occasional in lakeshore pastures on Lough Ree at Derrynagalliagh. N1056. 20-5-84. 1. Growing by the shore of Lough Sallagh near Ballinamuck in rocky pastures, not very common. N1791. Date omitted, probably June 1984. 4A. Common in the old sand and gravel pit at Fernsborough, Abbeylara. N3880. 24-6-84. 4. Frequent by Lough Ree shore at Cashel Lodge, Newtowncashel. N0161. 26-5-85. 4. Occasional on Lough Ree shore in grassy places on the east side of Saints island. N0756. 1-6-85. 3. Occasional by the N55 road on a grassy verge at Ramogue near Granard. N3280, 3-6-85, 2,4&5. R.L.P. DBN. C.C.

glabra Neygenf.

-,-,-,4,-. 4. Rare, in a grassy place on Lough Ree shore at Cashel Lodge. N0061. 30-9-84. A first record but needs confirmation.

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Page 42. ROSACEAE Aphanes Parsley piert. arvensis L. -,2,3,4,-. 2. Very frequent on a stone bank by the Cavan road at Carragh, Granard. N3481. 25-5-85. 4. Common in parts of the limestone quarry near Lough Ree shore at Cashel Lodge, Newtowncashel. N0061. 26-5-85. 3. Seen but not documented in an old quarry near the C. of I. church at Killoe. 3. R.L.P. *C.C.* microcarpa Rothm. -,2,3,-,-. 2. Growing on sandy paths in Derrycassan wood, frequent. N3186. 19-6-74. 3. H.&R. C.C. Malus Crab apple sylvestris Miller 1,2,3,4,5. Fairly common growing in hedges in all botanical districts. 4. H.&R. C.C. Sorbus Mountain ash. aucuparia L. 1,2B,3,4,5. Rare in north Longford, fairly common in the south of the county. 3. Common on the edges of the bog and in the woods at Coolamber, Lisryan. N3275. 7-7-84. 2B. Very common in the woods at Druming near Ardagh. N1868. 30-9-84. 5. Occasional on the roadside hedge at Cloonart near Lough Forbes. N0783. 15-8-84. 5. Common in field hedges and by the roadside at Cloonbony near Lanesborough. N0171. 6-8-84. 4. Very common growing on Lough Ree shore at Elfeet bay (N0258.) Cashel Lodge (N0160.) and Cullentragh (M9862.). 30-9-84. 1. The only record in north Longford is a single tree growing by the side of a small stream at Glenmore near Aughnacliffe. N2487. 17-5-85. *C.C.* aria agg. -,-,-,4,-. 4. R.L.P. C.C.

Sorbus hibernica E.F.Warburg Irish whitebeam. -,-,4,-. 4. Very rare, two small trees growing by the roadside in a wooded area near Rathcline House, Lanesborough. M9967. 16-8-84. 4. H.&R. 4. R.L.P. DBN. C.C. Cotoneaster simonsii Baker -,2B,-,4,-. 2B. A small number of shrubs growing near a ruined house close to the state forest at Ardagh "mountain". N1868. 13-6-73. and 19-5-84. Obviously survivors of garden cultivation. 4. Fully naturalised and quite common on the shore of Lough Ree at Saint's Island. N0756. 19-5-84. Not previously found in Co. Longford. microphyllus Wallich ex Lindley -,2,-,4,-. Fairly common throughout the county but usually near houses or ruins. 2. Abundant around the "grotto" near the motte at Granard. N3381. 16-6-78. It was planted at this station but has become well established. 4. Naturalised on Lough Ree shore far away from habitation at Saint's Island. N0756. 19-5-84. 4. Very common, naturalised on Lough Ree shore at Cashel Lodge north of Elfeet bay. N0061. 23-9-84. This appears to be a first record. Crataegus Hawthorn. monogyna Jacq. 1,2,3,4,5. Abundant in hedges and as single small trees in fields throughout the county. 2. A thornless form was observed in the disused rubbish dump at Ballinacross, Granard. N3482. 15-7-86. C.C. Prunus Blackthorn. spinosa L. 1,2,3,4,5. Frequent throughout the county but scarcer than the above. Very well established along the Royal canal banks. C.C.

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Prunus spinosa L. var. macrocarpa Wallr. -,2,-,-,-. 2. Plants with few thorns and fruit larger than P.spinosa but smaller than P. domestica are abundant in one location near Lough Gowna in a hedge by the side of the Granard-Aughnacliffe road. N2786. 7-10-84. There is no record of this variety in the 1987 Census Catalogue. domestica L. Wild plum -,2,3,4,-. "Damson" 2&3. Well established in hedges by roadsides in the Killeen area of Granard at Ardolagh, N2982 and Ballinamona, N2981. 25-9-84. 4. Rare in this district, a single tree growing close to Lough Ree shore opposite the island of Clawhinch at Cullentragh. M9862. 30-9-84. Not previously recorded in Co. Longford. cerasus L. Dwarf cherry. -,-,3,-,-. 3. A single tree growing in a roadside hedge near Glen Lough, between Rathowen and Edgeworthstown. N2768. 17-5-84. Not seen in other districts but it probably occurs. C.C. Bird cherry. padus L. -,-,-,4,-. 4. Occasional in shrubbery near the car-park at Barley harbour on Lough Ree and also growing on the lakeshore north of the harbour. N0358. 16-40-83. 4. Very common on Lough Ree shore at Cashel Lodge north of Elfeet bay. N0061. 23-9-84. This plant was first recorded in Co. Longford on Lough Ree shore by J. Klein. (An Irish Landscape 1975). LEGUMINOSAE Cytisus scoparius (L.) Link Broom. 1,2,3,-,-. Fairly common in north Longford, occasional in the southern half of the county. 2. Common on roadside embankments on the Longford-Cavan road at Creevy about 2.5 km. from Granard. N3584. 9-3-84. 3. Very frequent along the banks of the Camlin river on dredged rocky places at Killoe near Ballinalee. N2078. 7-8-84. 1. Occasional in rocky places around lough Leebeen, Aughnacliffe. N2690. 7-10-84. 1. Common on the Granard-Gowna road between Scrabby bridge and Cloonagh. N3289. 7-10-84. C.C.

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