

OUTING TO GLEN MUICK

3rd June 1978

OS 1-inch map no 41 (Braemar): from carpark at Spittle of Glen Muick (309 851) to Allt-na-giubhsach (299 857) over dry and wet areas of peaty ground; along the loch side to Glas-allt Shiel (276 824) and on over upland moorland to the summit of Lochnagar, Cac Càrn Beag (244 861) before returning to the carpark.

Species recorded from Glen Muick (below about 2,000 ft altitude), but not necessarily restricted to the lower ground :- (f= flowering/fertile; o= finished f.)

RANUNCULACEAE

- Marsh Marigold - *Caltha palustris* f.
 Wood Anemone - *Anemone nemorosa* f.
 Meadow Buttercup - *Ranunculus acris* f.
 Creeping Buttercup - *R. repens* f.
 Lesser Celandine - *R. ficaria*

CRUCIFERAE

- Cuckoo Flower - *Cardamine pratensis* f.
 Hairy Bitter-cress - *C. hirsuta* f.

VIOLACEAE

- Common Violet - *Viola riviniana* f.
 Marsh Violet - *V. palustris* f.
 Mountain Pansy - *V. lutea* f.

POLYGALACEAE

- Thyme-leaved Milkwort - *Polygala serpyllifolia* f.

CARYOPHYLLACEAE

- Greater Stitchwort - *Stellaria holostea* f.
 Procumbent Pearlwort - *Sagina procumbens* f.

LINACEAE

- Purging Flax - *Linum catharticum* f.

OXALIDACEAE

- Wood Sorrel - *Oxalis acetosella*

PAPILIONACEAE

- Petty Whin - *Genista anglica* f.
 Broom - *Sarothamnus scoparius* f.
 White Clover - *Trifolium repens*
 Bird's-foot Trefoil - *Lotus corniculatus* f.
 Bitter Vetch - *Lathyrus montana* f.

ROSACEAE

- Meadow-sweet - *Filipendula ulmaria*
 Bramble - *Rubus fruticosus* agg.
 Tormentil - *Potentilla erecta* f.
 Water Avens - *Geum rivale* f.

ROSACEAE - continued

- Lady's Mantle - *Alchemilla glabra*
 Burnet Rose - *Rosa pimpinellifolia*
 Dog Rose - *R. canina* agg.
 Rowan, Mountain Ash - *Sorbus aucuparia* f.

SAXIFRAGACEAE

- Starry Saxifrage - *Saxifraga stellaris* f.
 Yellow Mountain Saxifrage - *S. aizoides*
 Opposite-leaved Golden Saxifrage -
Chrysosplenium oppositifolium

DROSERACEAE

- Sundew - *Drosera rotundifolia*

UMBELLIFERAE

- Wild Angelica - *Angelica sylvestris*
 Hogweed - *Heracleum sphondylium*

POLYGONACEAE

- Sheep's Sorrel - *Rumex acetosella* agg.
 Sorrel - *R. acetosa*
 Broad-leaved Dock - *R. obtusifolius*

URTICACEAE

- Stinging Nettle - *Urtica dioica*

MYRICACEAE

- Bog Myrtle, Sweet Gale - *Myrica gale*

BETULACEAE

- Silver Birch - *Betula pendula*
 Birch - *B. pubescens*

FAGACEAE

- Sessile Oak - *Quercus petraea*

SALICACEAE

- Common Sallow - *Salix cinerea*

ERICACEAE

- Rhododendron - *Rhododendron ponticum* (intro) f.
 Heather, Ling - *Calluna vulgaris*
 Cross-leaved Heath - *Erica tetralix*

ERICACEAE -- continued

Cowberry - *Vaccinium vitis-idaea* f.

Blaeberry - *V. myrtillus*

EMPETRACEAE

Crowberry - *Empetrum nigrum*

PRIMULACEAE

Primrose - *Primula vulgaris* fo.

Yellow Pimpernel - *Lysimachia nemorum* f.

Chickweed Wintergreen - *Trientalis europaea* f.

SCROPHULARIACEAE

Foxglove - *Digitalis purpurea*

Germander Speedwell - *Veronica chamaedrys* f.

Lousewort - *Pedicularis sylvatica*

Common Cow-wheat - *Melampyrum pratense* f.

Eyebright - *Euphrasia officinalis* agg.

LENTIBULARIACEAE

Common Butterwort - *Pinguicula vulgaris* f.

PLANTAGINACEAE

Common Plantain - *Plantago major*

Ribwort Plantain - *P. lanceolata* f.

CAMPANULACEAE

Harebell - *Campanula rotundifolia*

RUBIACEAE

Heath Bedstraw - *Galium saxatile*

DIPSACACEAE

Devil's-bit Scabious - *Succissa pratensis*

COMPOSITAE

Ragwort - *Senecio jacobaea*

Colt'sfoot - *Tussilago farfara*

Daisy - *Bellis perennis* f.

Yarrow - *Achillea millefolium*

Arctium minus - Lesser Burdock

Spear Thistle - *Cirsium vulgare*

Marsh Thistle - *C. palustre*

Hawkweeds - *Hieracium* spp.

Common Dandelion - *Taraxacum officinale* agg. fo.

POTAMOGETONACEAE

Bog Pondweed - *Potamogeton polygonifolius*

LILIACEAE

Bog Asphodel - *Narthecium ossifragum*

JUNACEAE

Heath Rush - *Juncus squarrosus*

Common Rush - *J. conglomeratus* f.

Field Woodrush - *Luzula campestris* f.

CYPERACEAE

Common Cotton-grass - *Eriophorum angustifolium*

Hare's-tail - *E. vaginatum*

Deer-grass - *Trichophorum caespitosum* f.

Pill-headed Sedge - *Carex pilulifera* f.

Common Sedge - *C. nigra* f.

GRAMINEAE

Purple Moor-grass - *Molinia caerulea*

Heath Grass - *Sieglingia decumbens*

Red Fescue - *Festuca rubra* f.

Sheep's Fescue - *F. ovina* agg. f.

Annual Meadow-grass - *Poa annua* f.

Cock's-foot - *Dactylis glomerata* f.

Tufted Hair-grass - *Deschampsia caespitosa*

Brown Bent-grass - *Agrostis canina*

Sweet Vernal-grass - *Anthoxanthum odoratum* f.

Moor Mat-grass - *Nardus stricta* f.

GYMNOSPERMS (CONIFERS)

Scot's Pine - *Pinus sylvestris* f.

PTERIDOPHYTES (FERNS AND THEIR ALLIES)

LYCOPODIACEAE

Fir Clubmoss - *Lycopodium selago*

Stag's-horn Clubmoss - *L. clavatum*

EQUISETACEAE

Common Horsetail - *Equisetum arvense*

POLYPODIACEAE

Bracken - *Pteridium aquilinum*

Hard-fern - *Blechnum spicant*

Beech Fern - *Thelypteris phegopteris*

Oak Fern - *T. dryopteris*

pecies more typical of higher moorland
(above about 1,500 to 2,000 ft) that
were recorded :-

CARYOPHYLLACEAE

Alpine Mouse-ear Chickweed - *Cerastium*
alpinum

ROSACEAE

Cloudberry - *Rubus chamaemorus* f.
Alpine Lady's Mantle - *Alchemilla alpina*

POLYGONACEAE

Mountain Sorrel - *Oxyria digyna*

CORNACEAE

Dwarf Cornel - *Chamaepericlymenum*
suecicum f.

SALICACEAE

Least Willow - *Salix herbacea*

ERICACEAE

Bearberry - *Arctostaphylos uva-ursi*
Mountain Azalea - *Loiseluria procumbens* f.

COMPOSITAE

Dwarf Cudweed - *Gnaphalium supinum*
Mountain Everlasting - *Antennaria dioica* f.

CYPERACEAE

Stiff Sedge - *Carex bigelowii* f.

GRAMINEAE

Viviparous Fescue - *Festuca vivipara* f.

PTERIDOPHYTES (FERNS AND THEIR RELATIVES)

LYCOPODIACEAE

Alpine Clubmoss - *Lycopodium alpinum*

Birds recorded in Glen Muick:-

Swift
Starling
Partridge
Carrion Crow
Lapwing
Skylark
Rook
Blackheaded Gull
Oystercatcher
Curlew
Kestrel
Common Buzzard
Red Grouse
Meadow Pipit
Common Gull
Pied Wagtail
Cuckoo
Heron
Dipper
Common Snipe
Wood Pigeon
House Martin
Herring Gull
Feral Pigeon
Blackbird
Jackdaw
Swallow
Mistle Thrush
Wheatear
Greylag Goose
Chaffinch
Common Sandpiper
Sparrowhawk
Willow Warbler
Mallard
Wren
Peregrine Falcon
Pheasant
Magpie
House Sparrow