Triad Flora Report November–December 2018

Here is the latest Triad Flora report. To contribute, send me an email (lisalgould@gmail.com) or text (336-837-9833) your observations, including common name, scientific name (if possible), place observed (locale, town, county), date observed, stage (e.g., in bloom, in fruit, leaves only, etc.), and observer's name. Please report only for the following counties: Alamance, Caswell, Davidson, Davie, Forsyth, Guilford, Montgomery, Randolph, Rockingham, Stokes, Surry, and Yadkin.

Please include only plants that are in the wild (native or naturalized)—no garden plants. Species with an asterisk (*) are not native to our area but have naturalized here.

Nomenclature is from *Flora of the Southern and Mid-Atlantic States*, Working Draft of 29 May 2015, by Alan S. Weakley, UNC Herbarium, Chapel Hill NC. Available as a free download (a searchable pdf) from: http://www.herbarium.unc.edu/FloraArchives/WeakleyFlora_2015-05-29.pdf

Invasive species status [marked with an exclamation point and a number] is from the NC Native Plant Society's *Invasive Exotic Plants in NC – 2010*, which is available at http://www.ncwildflower.org/invasives/list.htm. The Society ranks invasive plants by the threat level: Rank 1 [!1] = Severe Threat, Rank 2 [!2] = Significant Threat, Rank 3 [!3] = Lesser Threat, Watch List A [!4] = naturalizing and may become a problem, Watch List B [!5] = known threat in other states but not yet a problem here. This list is a work-in-progress—if you have comments, go to the web link for information on how to provide feedback.

The Triad Flora Report is sent via email to members of the <u>Audubon Society of Forsyth County</u>, the Triad Chapter of the <u>Carolina Butterfly Society</u>, and the Triad Chapter of the <u>NC Native Plant Society</u>. If you want to receive the reports, please join one (or all!) of these great groups.

The attached photo of Common Blue Violet (*Viola sororia*) is by Barbara Cullen; the photos of Common Dog-fennel (*Eupatorium capillifolium*) and goldenrod (*Solidago* sp.) are by Ann Walter-Fromson.

FORSYTH COUNTY

*Hoary Bittercress, Cardamine hirsuta (rosettes emerged). Lawns + edges, 11/11/18 (Lisa Gould).

*Prickly Lettuce, Lactuca serriola [= Lactuca scariola] (in bloom + fruit). Edges, 11/20/18 (Lisa Gould).

*Henbit, *Lamium amplexicaule* (in bloom). Lawn, 11/20/18 (Lisa Gould).

*[!1] Japanese Honeysuckle, *Lonicera japonica* (in bloom). Edge, 11/26/18 (Lisa Gould).

*[!2] Longbristle Smartweed, *Persicaria longiseta* [= *Polygonum caespitosum* var. *longisetum*] (in bloom). Lawns & edges, 11/27/18 (Lisa Gould).

*Lady's-thumb/Heart's-ease, *Persicaria maculosa* (in bloom). Lawn, 11/8/18 (Lisa Gould).

*Indian-strawberry, *Potentilla indica* [= *Duchesne indica*] (in bloom). Lawns & edges, throughout both months (Lisa Gould).

Frost Aster, Symphyotrichum pilosum [= Aster pilosus] (in bloom). Edge, 12/3/18 (Lisa Gould).

*Common Dandelion, *Taraxacum officinale* (in bloom + fruit). Yards and edges, throughout both months (Lisa Gould).

*White Clover, Trifolium repens (in bloom). Lawns & edges, throughout both months (Lisa Gould).

Common Blue Violet, *Viola sororia* (in bloom + fruit). Woodland edge, 12/3/18 (Barbara Cullen).

Lawns, throughout both months (Lisa Gould).

GUILFORD COUNTY

[!3] Groundsel-tree, *Baccharis halimifolia* (in fruit). Roadsides, 12/27/18 (Lisa Gould).

Tickseed Beggar-ticks, *Bidens aristosa* (in bloom). Highwoods Trail, 11/16/18 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Common Dog-fennel, *Eupatorium capillifolium* (in fruit). Highwoods Trail, 11/16/18 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Goldenrod, *Solidago* sp. (in bloom). Highwoods Trail, 11/16/18 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Asters, *Symphyotrichum* spp. (in bloom). Highwoods Trail, 11/16/18 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Skunk Cabbage, *Symplocarpus foetidus* (in bloom). Bog Garden, 12/27/18 (Ann Walter-Fromson). Planted at this site ~8 years ago but this is the first time it was observed blooming here.

*Common Dandelion, *Taraxacum officinale* (in bloom). Lawn, 12/31/18 (Ann Walter-Fromson).

Common Dog Fennel



Goldenrod



Common Blue Violet

