

the pinnule lobe. "E for edge for 'England'; N for notch for 'New Zealand'. We applied this formula and found that the species was A. aethiopicum. On the Lookout side-track off Nikau Grove Track, we found a Paratrophis microphylla with its distinguishing fiddle-shaped juvenile leaves; Sophora microphylla var fulvida - the Waitakeres own special variety of kowhai, identifiable by its dense tomentum; and Clematis forsteri growing all over low shrubs at the lookout.

A pleasant walk through the beautiful nikau grove for which the track is named concluded a most rewarding excursion.

#### MOSESSES RECORDED AT UNIVERSITY RESERVE, KELLY'S ROAD

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The following mosses were recorded on the Botanical Society Trip, to the University Reserve, Kelly's Road, Waitakeres Ranges on 19 September, 1981.

Bryum billardieri	Hypnodendron sp.
Calomnion laetum	Hypnum cupressiforme
Camptochaete arbuscula	Hypopterygium rotulatum
Campylopus torquatus	Leucobryum candidum
Cyatophorum bulbosum	Lopidium concinnum
Dicnemon calycinum	Macromitrium sp.
Dicranoloma billardieri	Ptychomnion aciculare
D. menziesii	Racopilum strumiferum
Fissidens pallidus	Rhizogonium novae-hollandiae
F. tenellus	Sematophyllum aemounum
Hypnodendron colensoi	Thuidium furfurosum
H. menziesii	Wijkia extenuata
Pterygophyllum quadrifarium	(reported by Blanche Wormald)

#### OUT-OF-PLACE ORCHID

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Imagine my surprise while walking up Wellesley Street East in early December at seeing several flowering spikes of what appeared to be an orchid poking out of a Gazania patch in one of the Auckland City Council's tubbed street trees! Sure enough, it was Microtis unifolia in full flower, and looking twice as healthy as the numerous plants I've seen growing in its normal habitats (open bank, grassy areas, low scrub) over the past few weeks. Perhaps a forgotten trick of a Council gardener, but it just goes to show that there's Botany to be done twenty seconds from Queen Street!