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MOSSES OF THE RIVERHEAD STATE FOREST BIOLOGICAL RESERVE

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The small reserve of native bush within the exotic Riverhead State Forest is a remnant of what must have been a much more extensive forest in pre-European times. Some large puriri, with kauri and podocarps remain. Areas of tea-tree and tree-ferns occur in more disturbed parts. During the Botanical Society's visit to the Reserve in November 1982 the following moss species were noted in the forest.

*Calomnion laetum* H.f. & W.  
*Campochaete arbuscula* (Sm.) Reichdt.  
*Campylopus pallidus* H.f. & W. (= *torquatus* of the Handbook)  
*Catagonium politum* (H.f. & W.) Dus.  
*Dicranoloma menziesii* (Tayl.) Par.  
*Distichophyllum pulchellum* (Hampe) Mitt.  
*Ditrichum difficile* (Dub.) Fleisch. (= *flexifolium* of the Handbook)  
*Fissidens pallidus* H.f. & W.  
*F. tenellus* H.f. & W.  
*Funaria glabra* Tayl.  
*Homalia falcifolia* (H.f. & W.) H.f. & W.  
*Hymenodon pilifer* H.f. & W.  
*Hypnodendron arcuatum* (Hedw.) Lindb. ex Mitt.  
*Hypnum chrysogaster* C. Muell.  
*Hypopterygium rotulatum* (Hedw.) Brid.  
*Leucobryum candidum* (P. Beauv.) Wils.  
*Lopidium concinnum* (Hook.) Wils.  
*Mniodendron comosum* (La Bill.) Lindb. e Broth.  
*Orthorrhynchium elegans* (H.f. & W.) Reichdt.  
*Porotrichum oblongifolium* (H.f. & W.) Broth.  
*Pterygophyllum dentatum* (H.f. & W.) Dix.  
*Ptychomnion aciculare* (Brid.) Mitt.  
*Rhacopilum convolutaceum* (C. Muell.) Reichdt. (= *strumiferum* of the Handbook)  
*Rhizogonium bifarium* (Hook.) Schimp.  
*Sematophyllum amoenum* (Hedw.) Mitt.  
*Thuidium furfurosum* (H.f. & W.) Reichdt.  
*T. laeviusculum* (Mitt.) Jaeg.  
*Weymouthia cochlearifolia* (Schwaegr.) Dix.  
*Wijkia extenuata* (Brid.) Crum. (= *Acanthocladium* of the Handbook)

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