

Pink flowers are quite common with P. capsularis but this is the only pink P. heterophylla I have seen.

I would be interested in any other pink flowering plant of P. heterophylla.

Pink hybrids occur where P. heterophylla and pink forms of P. capsularis grow together.

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FERNS OF THE CHRISTCHURCH PORT HILLS

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During this season one further fern species was found growing on the Port Hills to add to the list set out in Journal 13.

One small patch of Hypolepis millefolium can be seen in the bush in the valley west of Kennedy's Bush. This brings the total fern species on the Port Hills to 51 species.

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THE HUNTERS HILL, 1980

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The Society's 1980 Summer camp was held at Camp Lindisfarne in the upper Pareora Gorge amid the lower slopes of the Hunters Hills, South Canterbury. The duration of the camp was to have been from the 4th to the 10th of January, but because of flooding just a day or two beforehand the start was delayed by one day.

The main field trips undertaken were to the Pareora River Scenic Reserve, Mt. Nimrod Scenic Reserve and the Matata Scenic Reserve. However, one or two members also investigated the limestone areas of the Pareora Scenic Reserve and the summit of Mt. Nimrod. On the last day of the camp members were entertained at Bluecliffs, by Miss Paulette Woodhouse and her mother, where they were shown the treasures of that fine old homestead and also inspected the Woodhouse herbarium. The Woodhouse herbarium contains specimens of the plants to be found on the Bluecliffs property.

The Hunters Hills lie athwart the downlands of South Canterbury and they are the most prominent outlying range of the Southern Alps in that region. From State Highway 1 or the Pareora to Cave Road they appear to be nothing more than gently rounded hills after the style of those of Banks Peninsula. However, they are surprisingly rugged. The interior valleys and gullies are mostly very steep and rugged, while the rivers emerge through deep rugged gorges