

# **RUBUS IN SURREY (v.c.17)**

compiled by

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A list of the species considered reliably on record compiled 1997-2003 from the published literature, field records and searches of the relevant herbaria

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## ABBREVIATIONS

### HERBARIA

ABD	University of Aberdeen, Dept of Plant and Soil Science
BM	Natural History Museum, London
CGE	University of Cambridge, Dept of Plant Science
K	Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew
LIV	Liverpool Museum
NMW	National Museum of Wales
OXF	University of Oxford, Dept of Plant Science
SLBI	South London Botanical Institute

### MISCELLANEOUS

BEC	Reports of the Botanical Society & Exchange Club
C	Common (In place names)
K & L	Kent & Lousley: 'A Hand List of the Plants of the London Area', <i>London Naturalist</i> , Supplements to vols 30 - 36 (1951- 57)
Leslie	<i>Flora of Surrey: Supplement and Checklist</i> (1987)
LN	<i>London Naturalist</i>
SFC	Surrey Flora Committee
*	horticultural species only
[ ]	enclosing a species entry indicates an erroneous identification
{ }	enclosing a species entry indicates that the species is considered to be extinct in Surrey

DATES are 20th-century ones if elided ('74, etc.); others are written in full.

**INITIALS OF RUBUS SPECIALISTS** responsible for the determination of herbarium specimens:

A	= D.E.Allen	P	= K.W.Page
E	= E.S. Edees	R	= W. Moyle Rogers
HJR	= H.J.Riddelsdell	RR	= R.D.Randall
M	= RA.Miles	W	= W.C.R.Watson
N	= A.Newton		

(These initials follow the short form of the herbarium in question in those cases where the determination has been subsequent to the deposit of the specimen; this has occurred in the great majority of instances)

### COLLECTORS' INITIALS

SABJ	AB Jackson	JES	J.E.Spencer
ABMB	A.Brewis	JEW	J.E.Woodhead
ACL	A.C.Leslie	JFL	J.F.Leslie
AHWD	A.H.Wolley-Dod	JOB	J.G.Baker
AL	A.Ley	JMcN	J.McNeil
AN	A.Newton	JMM	J.M.Montgomery
BAM	B.A.Miles	JR	J.Roffey
BMCM	R.M.C.Morgan	JRIW	J.R.IronsideWood
CA	C.Avery.	KWP	K.W.Page
CEB	C.E.Britton	NDS	N.D.Simpson
DEA	D.E.Allen	NWL	N.W.Legon
DS	D.Skinner	RCP	R.C.Palmer
ECW	E.C.Wallace	RJP	R.J.Pankhurst
EFL	E.F. Linton	RPM	R.P.Murray
EGG	E.G..Gilbert	RWR	R.W.Robbins
EMD	E.M.Day	WCB	W.C.Barton
EN	Mrs E.Norman	WCRW	W.C.R.Watson
ESE	E.S.Edees	WHB	W.H.Beeby
ESM	E.S.Marshall	WHM	W.H.Mills
ESS	E.S.Salmon	WMR	W.Moyle Rogers
FT	F.Townsend	WOF	W.O.Focke
GN	G.Nicholson	WRL	W.R.Linton
HJR	H.J.Riddelsdell	YHH	Y.Heslop-Harrison
HWP	H.W..Pugsley		

## Genus **RUBUS**

### Subgenus **ANOPLOBATUS**

***R. odoratus***. L. (Purple-flowered Raspberry)

Eastern N. American species known for many years since World War Two as a relic of cultivation on an overgrown estate at Shottermill, Haslemere. Also naturalized on verge of Crabtree Road, Westhumble (JES '84)

***R. parviflorus*** Nutt. (Thimbleberry)

Western N. American species dominant for c.90m (100yd) along railway embankment just north of R.Wey crossing on Guildford side of Shalford station (RJP '78: BM; RCP '90: SLBI). Also naturalized in woodland, Sutton Place (SFC mtg, '79)

### Subgenus **IDAEOBATUS**

***R. idaeus*** L. (Raspberry)

Local(?) in open woods, perhaps native in some, but more widespread as a naturalized escape.

***R. cockburnianus*** Hemsley (White-stemmed Bramble)

Chinese species well established on a verge at Ripley TQ037 546 (JMM '95 det. P).

***R. phoenicolasius*** Maxim. (Japanese Wineberry)

N.E.Asian species increasingly naturalized: chalky scrub on slope above R.Mole, Norbury Park, Mickleham (BMCM '51; 'WHS' , 53; NWL '74: BM); Box Hill (JMcN: '63 LIV); chalk downs nr Mickleham - perhaps same as one of foregoing sites (DS '96: BM); wall-top, Brook (ACL & JFL '74), since gone.

***R. spectabilis*** Pursh (Salmonberry)

Western N. American species extensively naturalized round Haste Hill, Haslemere (DPY '57: BM, SLBI) and in hedges elsewhere round that town (ACL).

***R. loganobaccus*** L. (Loganberry)

Cultivar of Californian origin naturalized occasionally (five records since '38).

### Subgenus **DALIBARDASTRUM**

***R. tricolor*** Focke (Chinese Bramble)

Chinese species grown for groundcover forming an extensive colony along roadside ditch, Hascombe TQ000 382 (EN & KWP '94); also on a verge at Ripley (JMM & KWP '95).

### Subgenus **RUBUS**

Section **RUBUS** - subsection Rubus (formerly the Suberecti)

***R. allegheniensis*** Porter ('Common Blackberry' in USA)

N. American species naturalized on heaths: Littleworth C (CA '46: SLBI; JEW '47, '53: CGE); Wimbledon C edge (JEW '52: CGE).

[***R. arrheniiformis*** Wats.

Heath species thinly scattered across England, Wales and the Low Countries. Royal C, Elstead (R 1890-91: NMW det.RR). Awaits confirmation.]

***R. bertramii*** G.Braun

Numerous records from the Witley area and one or two elsewhere on the southwestern heaths.

***R. canadensis*** L. (Thornless Blackberry) (*R. pergratus* Blanchard)

N. American species widely bird-dispersed outside RHS Garden, Wisley (ACL '80 conf.N: BM) and naturalized on oakwood margin behind Merrist Wood College, Worplesdon SU963 535 (ACL & JFL '79 det.N; RJP '81: BM).

***R. divaricatus*** P.J. Mueller

Locally abundant on the western heaths and commons, rare elsewhere (Banstead Heath, HJR '23: BM; Limpsfield C, HJR '25: BM).

***R. glanduliger*** Wats.

Endemic almost to W. Sussex and Hampshire district W. of Haslemere. Sole record: roadside on W. edge of Thursley C SU898 408 (M '62: CGE).

***R. integrifolia*** Mueller ex Boulay

Widespread Continental species with English headquarters in W. half of Surrey, especially Walton - Weybridge area. An anomalous old record from Tooting C (R 1897).

***R. nessensis*** Hall

Damp woods. Twenty widely-scattered localities.

***R. nitidifolia*** Sudre

Widespread on heaths in N.W. Europe and especially in and immediately around London. This includes all seven Surrey localities except for Headley Heath (WCRW in K&L; YHH '47: K det.N; ABMB '73: BM).

***R. nobilissimus*** (Wats.) Pearsall

A rarish trans-Channel heath species of extreme S. England and S.W. Ireland. Apparently restricted to the commons of the Esher-Cobham-Oxshott triangle, growing in abundance on Arbrook C. An outlying record at Walton C, by the turning to Weybridge (AHW '03: BM, CGE det. N). Some records may belong to the so-called '*R. ammobius*'.

***R. plicatus*** Weihe & Nees

Frequent on the heaths and commons (but surprisingly unrecorded from Wimbledon C and Putney Heath).

***R. scissus*** Wats.

A N. European moor and heath species that becomes scarce this far south. Border of Frensham C on Churt-Tilford road (WMR '12: BM); High Churt, N.W. of Kent Hatch at c.185m (600ft) (WCRW in LN for '27, p.12).

***R. sulcatus*** Vest

A rare species thinly dotted across Europe. Woods adjoining Weybridge C (FT 1879: SLBI). Extinct?

***R. vigorosus*** Mueller & Wirtgen

A widespread N.W. European species of damp heaths, much rarer in England than formerly. Many times collected on Wimbledon C, but records from elsewhere are all pre-war at best: Barnes C (WMR, 1899, '02: BM, NMW; WCRW in K & L); Tooting C (WMR 1897); Weybridge C (WCRW in K & L); Mare Hill, Witley (RPM 1890: CGE; ESM, 1890 - 1: BM, CGE, OXF); Haslemere (WMR ?date).

Section **RUBUS** - subsection *Hiemales*

Series *Sylvatici*

***R. adpersus*** Weihe ex H.E. Weber

A widespread N.W. European species of damp heaths, primarily in the eastern counties in Britain. Known only from Royal C, Elstead, where it has often been collected (under various names) since its distribution thence in 1891-3 as no.28 in the historic 'Set of British Rubi'.

[***R. albionis*** Wats.

This western species is listed for v.c.17 in Watson's monograph, but no record has been traced. It approaches quite close to Surrey on the Hants./Berks. border.]

***R. averyanus*** Wats.

Endemic to central Surrey except for one or more places around Tunbridge Wells. Described only in '52 but collected as far back as '14 on Broadmoor C, or Abinger (EMD: BM del. A, N). That and the type locality, Walton Heath (several spots around the S. end of golf course TQ238 526-7), have been the main source of specimens since; but Watson found it plentiful at c.150-240m (500-800ft) on Holmbury Hill ('53: K) and Avery collected it near Leith Hill (LN for '52, Supplement p.98), which suggests that the area S.W. of Dorking is the headquarters. There have been outlying finds at Brook - roadside at Park Copse (ESE '57: NWM det. A) - and Sandhills C, Witley (RJP '78: BM det. A; SFC 2001). Avery and Woodhead confused this species with '*R. orbifolius*' (see p.19).

***R. calvatus*** Lees ex Bloxam

A mainly W. England endemic of heath margins and woodland borders. Many records from W. and especially S.W. Surrey, few elsewhere: Reigate Heath (WRL 1883: BM, CGE del. HJR, M; ESS 1896 BM, CGE, SLBI; CA '49: SLBI); Brick Kiln Lane, Shirley (WMR '93: K); Wimbledon C (CA '39: SLBI); extinct on Putney Heath (WCRW in K&L); Selsdon (WCRW in BEC for '27, p.507).

***R. canterburiensis*** Eedes

Listed for square TQ45 (the Limpsfield area) by Newton in Leslie (1987). Described only in 1983, this rare endemic is abundant in woods near Canterbury but otherwise known only from three scattered localities in the (non-Surrey) London area.

***R. chloophyllus*** Sudre

A trans-Channel species of open woods and heaths, mainly in E. Sussex and distinguished with difficulty from the next species. Sole record: Ashted Forest (WCRW '38: NMW conf. E).

***R. confertiflorus*** Wats.

Frequent on the heaths and commons, rising to local abundance in S.W.Surrey.

[***R. crespignyanus*** Wats.

A rare endemic of the S.E. England heaths and commons recorded from Wimbledon C, south side (WCRW & ESE '49); the specimen in NMW, however, is poor and probably *R. oxyanchus* (det. A)]

***R. crudelis*** Wats.

Endemic to heaths of N. Hants., W. Sussex and (mainly) Surrey, where it is locally abundant on those of the far west of the county, reappearing in quantity on Wimbledon C, Putney Heath and Barnes C.

{***R. errabundus*** Wats.

A mainly N. British endemic. Formerly on Tooting Bec C (CEB '03-'04:BM, SLBI; CA '33 and WCRW '37: SLBI) but extinguished in World War Two. }

***R. gratus*** Focke

A widely scattered species of heaths in N.W. Europe. Though unknown from Hants. or Berks., on several of the S. London commons and widely dotted across the rest of the county.

***R. imbricatus*** Hort

A western trans-Channel species of heathy areas unexpectedly widespread in Surrey in the Haslemere-Godalming-Dunsfold triangle (as against a solitary clump in the whole of Hants.).

***R. laciniatus*** Hayne & Willd.

Widely naturalized though largely replaced in gardens now by *R. armeniacus*. Characteristic of inter-war picnic sites.

***R. lindleianus*** Lees

Locally common on acid soils.

***R. macrophyllus*** Weihe & Nees

Frequent: recorded from four London commons and seven other localities mostly in the far west of the county (including the Berks. border).

***R. mollissimus*** Rogers

Endemic to strongly acid heathland in southernmost England, with its headquarters in Hants. and W. Surrey (nine localities). Unrecorded east of Woking or in Kent.

***R. oxyanchus*** Sudre

A trans-Channel species of heaths and wood borders, mostly around Bournemouth but with an unexpected secondary centre in W. Surrey. Of eight localities four are around Woking (frequent on Horsell C), but it is well known also on Wimbledon C and Putney Heath - though unknown anywhere north of the Thames or in Kent.

***R. platyacanthus*** Mueller & Lef.

Frequent in heathy areas and abundant on some of the S. London commons.

***R. pyramidalis*** Kalt.

Occasional (28 localities) but apparently nowhere plentiful. Particularly fine in Brookwood Cemetery.

***R. sciocharis*** (Sudre) Wats.

Thinly dotted across N.W. Europe and England on wood borders and hedgebanks. Sole record: Crystal Palace grounds (JEW '49: CGE).

***R. silvaticus*** Weihe & Nees

A widespread species of N.W. Europe very local in England and Wales. A trickle of localities all along the Hants./Berks. border continues eastwards to beyond Woking: Chobham Ridges (CEB, ? date); Dawney's Hill, Pirbright (CA & WCRW '47: NMW, SLBI; BAM '64: CGE); canal towpath nr Brookwood (CA '76-7: SLBI); roadside nr Byfleet (AHWD '04: BM).

Series *Rhamnifolii*

***R. bakerianus*** Barton & Riddelsd.

Endemic almost exclusively to Surrey. Recorded from most of the commons and especially abundant on some of the London ones.

***R. cardiophyllus*** Lef. & Mueller

Common.

***R. cissburiensis*** Barton & Riddelsd.

Common.

***R. incurvatus*** Bab.

Like *R. imbricatus*, a western species unexpected so far east as Surrey. On the North Downs woods and heaths between Guildford and Dorking: Leith Hill (EMD '17: BM); Holmbury Hill (JEW '53: CGE; et al.); Netley Heath and downs to east (NOS '33: BM; et al.); woodland nr Abinger TQ132 458 (BAM '63: CGE); heathy field N. of Broadmoor TQ132 460 (DEA).

***R. londinensis*** (Rogers) Wats.

A S.E. England endemic of heaths and wood margins with its HQ in Surrey. Recorded from virtually every common (38 localities), especially those towards and in London, on some of which it is locally abundant.

***R. milfordensis*** Edees

The counterpart of the above, with a similar but more limited and rather more westerly English range. In Surrey on most of the western and central commons, sometimes plentifully, but unrecorded east of Epsom. *R. rhombifolius* var. *megastachys* W-Dod, widely collected from the central commons from 1904 onwards, is now regarded as synonymous.

***R. nemoralis*** P.J. Mueller

Common.

***R. pervalidus*** Edees & Newton

A rare woodland species endemic to Surrey and S. Essex. Recorded from three S. London commons (Sheen C, Wimbledon C, Putney Heath) and two localities elsewhere in the county: Epsom C (CEB '10: SLBI det. W); wood between Weybridge and Walton-on-Thames (WCRW in K & L as '*R. atrocaulis*').

***R. polyanthemus*** Lindeb.

Frequent and locally common in heathy areas.

***R. prolongatus*** Boulay & Letendre

A trans-Channel western species almost at its eastern limit in its two recorded Surrey localities, both by the Kent border: Limpsfield (EGG '02: K, conf. N); east part of Littleheath Wood, Selsdon (WCRW '38: CGE).

***R. rhombifolius*** Weihe & Boenn.

A widespread species of N.W. Europe frequent on heaths and commons over much of the county.

***R. rubritinctus*** Wats.

A trans-Channel western species almost at its eastern limit in Surrey. Recorded from six localities S. and S.W. of Godalming and from Wimbledon Common.

***R. subinermoides*** Druce

Common in woods and on heath margins.

Series *Sprengeliani*

***R. brevistaminosus*** Edees & Newton

A mainly Tunbridge Wells area endemic recently recognized among material in BM collected in S. W. Surrey as supposed hybrids: Haslemere Road, Witley (WMR 1894: BM conf. N); railway bank between Grayswood and Haslemere (ESM, WMR & WOF 1894: BM conf. N).



***R. permundus*** Wats.

A narrow Surrey endemic abundant on Netley Heath on the downs above Gomshall, both under bracken and in the open, described in 1938. Watson recorded it also from Mare Hill, Witley .

***R. sprengelii*** Weihe

Widespread and locally abundant on heaths in many parts, but strikingly absent from the S. London commons, recorded no nearer than Banstead Downs.

Series *Discolores*

***R. anglocandicans*** Newton

A mainly Midlands species otherwise absent from S.E.England. Sole record: corner of Queen's Cottage Grounds, Kew Gardens, nr Isleworth Ferry Gate (GN 1878: ABD det. A, conf AN). Possibly an accidental introduction and probably long extinct.

***R. armeniacus*** Focke cv. 'Himalayan Giant'

Aggressive escape already common and increasing rapidly. Almost indifferent to soil or habitat.

***R. armipotens*** Barton ex Newton

Common, locally abundant.

***R. hylophilus*** Ripart ex Genev.

A trans-Channel species of heaths and wood margins widespread in S.E. England. On most Surrey commons, on some locally plentiful.

***R. neomalacus*** Sudre

Restricted on the Continent to the region round the mouth of the Loire but in Britain, curiously, virtually exclusive to Surrey, where it has been recorded from heaths and wood margins in 21 localities in the western two-thirds plus Walton Heath (EMD '14: BMdet. A).

***R. ulmilolius*** Schott

Very common.

***R. winteri*** Mueller ex Focke

A widespread W. European species of hedges and thickets on calcareous soils locally common in south-central England and recently detected among Surrey material in herbaria: Chertsey (JGB 1867: K); Reigate (1GB 1869: K); Witley (WHB 1885: K; et al.); Wimbledon House grounds (ABJ & HWP '08: BM): roadside, Chipstead (CA '58: SLBI). A specimen from North Camp (WHB 1885: SLBI) is probably also this.

Series *Vestiti*

***R. adscitus*** Genev.

A widespread western species of shady places astonishingly abundant in Queen's Cottage grounds, Kew Gardens (ABJ '08: K; et al.), perhaps due to the proximity of the Thames. The only two other localities known are: colony bordering The Forest nr Horsley station TQ0955 (CA '40: SLBI; WCRW '59: COE; SFC 2002); Reigate (WCRW in LN for '28 and in K & L).

***R. andegavensis*** Bouvet

Apart from the vicinity of Angers (whence its name) in France, where it is locally common, so far known for certain as British only from two solitary finds in Kent and Surrey - the latter in a roadside hedge at Newlands Corner, Guildford TQ043 493 (BAM '62: CGE; SFC 2002). A further possible find on Winterfold Heath (SFC 2002) awaits confirmation.

***R. bartonii*** Newton

This strongly western British Isles endemic is distributed horticulturally under the cultivar name 'Ashton Cross'. A dispersal from a nearby garden presumably explains its occurrence on Barnes C (AN '91).

***R. boreaeus*** Genev.

A trans-Channel species locally common in parts of S. and B. England. Sole record: The Chart quarry, Limpsfield (WCRW '35: NMW).

***R. conspersus*** Wats.

A S.E. England endemic of woods, hedges and heaths recorded from 10 localities in the far west of the county as well as Arbrook C (CEB '03: K), Bookham C (ACL et al. in LN for '84, p.125) and Streatham C (CN '35, '46: SLBI).

***R. criniger*** (E.F. Linton) Rogers

Endemic mainly to E. Anglia and N. W. England on hedgebanks and wood borders, this has an isolated population in the Farnborough area which has spilled across into Surrey on Chobham Ridges (CA '58: SLBI~ ESE '69: NMW).

***R. infestisepalus*** Eedes & Newton

A S.B. England endemic of wood borders and hedgebanks locally frequent by the Kent border: Addington Hills (WHB 1885: SLBI det. M~ ECW '27: BM, NMW, SLBI; CA '37: SLBI det. RR); S.W part of Springpark Wood (BAM '62: CGE); Limpsfield C, among gorse in West Heath sandpit (RWR '38: SLBI).

***R. leucostachys*** Srn.

A near-endemic of woods and heaths in S.E. England recorded from 14 widely scattered Surrey localities, most of them in the east of the county and on London commons.

***R. surrejanus*** Barton & Riddelsd.

A widespread endemic of S.E. England heaths and wood borders perhaps at its most abundant in Surrey - hence the appropriateness of its name.

***R. vestitus*** Weihe

Locally abundant in woods on basic soils.

Series *Mucronati*

***R. egregius*** Focke

A N.W. European species of heaths and open woodland in scattered localities across to E. Anglia and south-central England. Apart from a probably long-extinct occurrence on Tooting Common in London (JR '10: BM det. RR) known for certain only from the far west of the county: Chobham Ridges (ESE '69: NMW); Milford (WCRW '30: NMW det. RR). No specimen has been found to support a record from Littleheath Wood, Selsdon (WCRW in K & L).

Series *Micantes*

***R. decussatus*** Barton ex Newton

A S.E. England endemic of wood margins and heaths, mainly in the Sussex Weald, from which it has spilled into Surrey at Felbridge TQ351 402 (RJP '82: BM det. N). Other Surrey localities are: Wimbledon C (WCB & fUR'21-2: BM, NMW, SLBI det. N) and Putney Heath (RJP & JRIW '74: BM det. A); Banstead Heath (HJR '23: NMW det. RR); Court Wood, Selsdon (WCRW '32: NMW det. RR); lane above Farthing Downs, Coulsdon (CA '43: SLBI).

***R. diversus*** Wats.

A widespread southern English near-endemic of ancient woodland. Sole record: shady hedgebank nr Bowl Head Green, Thursley (RWR '25: SLBI conf. N and chosen as the lectotype). Several other records are errors or probably so.

***R. erythrops*** Edees & Newton

A S.E. England endemic of woods and heaths probably more widespread and locally plentiful in Surrey than anywhere else. Especially abundant round Witley.

***R. glareosus*** Rogers

Widespread and locally abundant in woods on acid soils.

[***R. hastiformis*** Wats.

Moor above Shottennill, Haslemere, 'Sussex' (JGB 1869:K det. A). This strongly western trans-Channel species, known from surprisingly numerous localities in Hants. and Sussex, could well occur in Surrey, though the Haslemere site, only just outside, has presumably long been built over.]

***R. leightonii*** Lees ex Leighton

A trans-Channel species plentiful within a narrow belt up the centre of England. The only Surrey records are from five of the London commons, where WMR pronounced it 'fairly abundant in a few places' in '03.

***R. melanodermis*** Focke ex Rogers

Another trans-Channel western species of heaths and wood margins that surprisingly extends to Surrey. 'In fair quantity over Putney Heath and Wimbledon C' (WCRW in LN for '32). It has been collected by many from the latter since 1885. Apart from a patch on Merrow Downs, Guildford TQ041 494 (SFC 2000 det. A: BM) the other

records are all from the far east of the county: stony ground bordering Frith Wood, Addington (CBB '00: BM del. A)~ Tilburstow Hill C; Champions and the Chart quarry, nr. Limpsfield (all WCRW in K & L).

***R. micans*** Godron

A widespread N.W. European species of shady habitats but mainly with a rather south-westerly British Isles range and mainly adventive in Hampshire. Only known for certain in Surrey from Wimbledon C (in deep semi-shade on both sides of the Beverly Brook S. of Kingston Vale TQ215 713), where it has been known since '33 and often collected (BM, CGE, SLBI). Four other records are doubtful or errors.

***R. moylei*** Barton & Riddled.

Frequent and widely distributed, attaining local abundance in the west of the county.

***R. radulooides*** (Rogers) Sudre

A widespread species of N.W. Europe of shady habitats on less acid soils. Sole certain record: Colley Hill, Walton Heath (ECW '27: K det. N). Other determinations and locality records seem questionable.

***R. trichodes*** Wats.

A trans-Channel species of woodland in S.E. England. The type locality is Wareham Hill, nr Brook (WCRW & NOS '34: BM, StBI) but the only other records are from much further east: nr Dorking (EMD '17: BM del. A); Petersham C (CA '33: SLBI del. RR). A '38 specimen from Banstead Heath in K, though collected by Watson himself, looks unconvincing. Common in ancient woodland on the N.W. fringe of London, this species, long poorly understood, may have been overlooked.

***R. wedgwoodiae*** Barton & Riddled.

Endemic almost exclusively to the heathy areas of S.W. Surrey and recorded from many localities there, especially round Witley, the type locality.

Series *Anisacanthi*

***R. adamsii*** Sudre

A near-endemic of woods and heaths in C. and S.E. England. Four records from the W. half of the county: roadside nr Byfleet Station (AHWD '03: BM conf. N); Newlands Corner, Guildford (CA, JEW & WCRW '50: CGE conf N; SFC 2000 del. A); one bush nr Obelisk Pond, Windsor Great Park (SFC '98: BM det. A).

***R. ahenifolius*** Wats.

Endemic almost exclusively to Surrey heaths. Recorded from 23 localities, with marked concentrations round Woking and between Guildford and Dorking, but extending to Wimbledon C/Putney Heath. Very variable.

***R. anglofuscus*** Edees

A rare near-endemic of heaths and wood borders mainly in the Midlands. Sole records: The High Chart, Limpsfield (WCRW '44-45: NMW det. E~ SLBI det. A); Limpsfield C (RWR '39: SLBI det. A).

***R. anisacanthos*** G. Braun

A much-collected bramble, mainly northern in the British Isles, abundant on Merrow Downs, Guildford but so far unknown elsewhere in Surrey.

***R. avaloniensis*** Newton & Randall

An endemic long known in Somerset and Devon but described only in 2003. As noted by BAM, it is surprisingly identical with a bramble he collected at c.165m (550ft) on Tilburstow Hill TQ347 501 in 1962 (CGE).

***R. campaniensis*** Winkel ex Beek

A common Low Countries species recently detected in scattered S.E. England localities. Sole record: Tilburstowhill C TQ353 505 (BAM '62: CGE det. A).

***R. cinerosus*** Rogers

A mainly S.E. England endemic of wood borders and heaths. Recorded from five Surrey localities, all in or near London, but only two seem supported by specimens: Streatham C, where it was at least formerly abundant at the east end and has been many times collected since 1897; Honor Oak Park, nr Dulwich (AL 1894: BM conf A).

{***R. dentatifolius*** (Briggs) Wats.

A bush of this western species appeared fleetingly c.1930 on Tooting Bec C (CA '33: SLBI). }

***R. formidabilis*** Lef & Mueller

A trans-Channel species almost exclusive in Britain to the Surrey heaths. Except for Wimbledon C/Putney Heath most of the numerous recorded localities fall within the Weybridge-Surbiton-Ashstead-Cobham quadrilateral, in which its local abundance suggests it was once continuous.

***R. infestus*** Weihe ex Boenn.

A northern species of heaths. Sole record: Wimbledon C (CEB '12: SLBI conf. M). Much confused in the past with *R. infestior*.

***R. leyanus*** Rogers

A western near-endemic of woods and heath margins virtually at its eastern limit in Surrey. London area only: Putney Heath at TQ233 738 (BAM '61, '63: CGE, SLBI) Queen's Cottage grounds, Kew Gardens, one recent-looking patch, with the equally western *R. adscitus* as an abundant companion (DEA 2000: BM, K).

Series ***Radula***

***R. bloxamii*** (Bab.) Lees

A trans-Channel species abundant up the centre of England but scarce outside that corridor. Sole locality: roadside N. W. of Shackleford church SU940 449 (ESM, WMR & WOF '94: BM, etc.; SFC 2001).

***R. cantianus*** (Wats.) Edees & Newton

A rarish near-endemic of heaths and wood margins in S.E. England, preferring clay. Sole record: Croham Hurst, Croydon, one patch at TQ343 629 (DEA '97: BM).

***R. echinatoides*** (Rogers) Dallman

A mainly northern endemic of heath and wood borders. The 17 localities are mostly in the S.W. and on the London commons and fringes.

***R. echinatus*** Lindley

Common.

***R. euryanthemus*** Wats.

Locally abundant in woodland on acid soil. The 15 localities are mostly London area ones; rare elsewhere.

***R. flexuosus*** Mueller & Lef.

Apparently local: 19 widely scattered localities. Absent from many commons, yet plentiful in Windsor Great Park.

***R. insectifolius*** Lef. & Mueller

Heaths and wood borders. Fifteen localities, mostly commons in the Cobham-Epsom area; rare in the west and almost absent from the east except for Wimbledon C / Putney Heath.

***R. iodnephes*** Wats.

Endemic to the S. W. London suburbs: Sheen C (JGB 1867: K det. A; JR '11: BM det. A; et al.); Bames C (CA '36, '48: SLBI; et al.); Palewell C at TQ207 745 (WCRW, undated; RIP '77: BM conr. A); Queen's Cottage grounds, Kew Gardens, three bushes (DEA 2000: BM, K).

***R. largificus*** Wats.

A rather local endemic of heaths and wood borders mainly in S.E. England. Fourteen localities from Walton and Banstead Heaths E. and N.E. to the Kent border.

***R. longithyriger*** Lees ex Focke

A western species of damp woods with an outlying population on Shooter's Hill in N.W. Kent. The sole record, Tilburstowhill C (WCRW in K & L), is seemingly unsupported by a specimen, but is geographically likely.

***R. putneiensis*** Wats.

Endemic to Putney Heath and (CA '39: NMW conf. E) Wimbledon C. The many specimens from the former date from 1943, when Watson knew it 'in an angle of the heath S. of a large block of flats'; from 1961 others have found it in a marshy spot S. of the Telegraph Arms inn TQ233 735. Probably now extinct.

***R. radula*** Weihe ex Boenn.

Frequent. The deceptive genetic dwarf, var. *microphyllus* Lindeb., has been collected from eight scattered localities.

***R. rudis*** Weihe

Locally common in open woods. The 15 localities represented by specimens are all in the east half of the county except for Fairmile C (ESE '57: NMW). Abundant in Queen's Cottage grounds, Kew Gardens.

***R. rufescens*** Lef. & Mueller

Frequent and locally abundant in woodland on acid soils.

***R. sectiramus*** Wats.

Endemic to woods and heaths in far S. England from Dorset eastwards. The 13 Surrey localities are all in, or on, the fringes of S. London.

Series *Hystrices*

***R. asperidens*** (Sudre ex Bouvet) Bouvet (***R. milesii*** Newton)

Frequent. Most records from the far west of the county, with a secondary concentration in the London suburbs.

***R. atrebatum*** Newton

Endemic very largely to the heaths of W. Surrey and the counties just to the west. Especially profuse round Witley. Rare E. of Dorking: Addington (HJR '29: NMW det. N); Mitcham C (CA '33: SLBI).

***R. babingtonii*** Salter

Endemic of woods mainly on the Welsh borders but with outliers in Wilts., Hants. and Middlesex. Sole record: near Barwell Court, Chessington (H.C.Watson 1854: CGE det. M).

***R. bercheriensis*** (Druce ex Rogers) Rogers

Widely distributed; locally abundant round Witley.

***R. dasyphyllus*** (Rogers) Marshall

Common.

***R. infestior*** Eedes

Endemic mainly to the W. Surrey heaths (30 localities), on some of which it is frequent, in places locally abundant.

***R. marshallii*** Focke & Rogers

Endemic to wood and heath borders in S.E. England, with its headquarters in S.W. Surrey. Abundant round Haslemere and frequent round Witley, thinning out E. of Guildford and rare E. of Dorking: Reigate Park Hill (EMD '17: BM det. A); hedge, Limpsfield Chart (RWR '35: SLBI). Unrecorded from the northern third of the county.

***R. murrayi*** Sudre

Near-endemic of woods and heaths thinly scattered in S. & C. England. Very local: S. London commons (formerly abundant on those of Streatham and Tooting); Banstead Heath (WCB & HJR '23: BM & K); Walton Heath (WCB '31: BM~ BAM '62: COE); Weybridge C, nr rly station (WCRW & NDS '36: BM); Hurt Wood (WCRW in LN for '34) and Winterfold Heath (ESE '57: NMW); Hambledon area (ESM & RPM 1891: BM, CGE, LIV, SLBI); Chobham Ridges (CEB '10: SLBI).

***R. naldrettii*** (J. W. White) Wats.

A mainly W. Sussex species collected at Haslemere by JOB in 1869 (K del. A) and still known today in that vicinity across the Hants. border. Listed for Surrey by Watson in his monograph, under the name *R. squalidus*, but the basis of the record is unknown.

***R. newbridgensis*** Barton & Riddelsd. (*'R. pygmaeopsis'* sensu Wats.)

Endemic to shady places in S.E. England, with headquarters in the High Weald. Several records by the Kent border at Limpsfield (COE) and in the Addington-Selsdon woods (BM, SLBI). Specimens from Stoke Wood, nr Oxshott (ECW '27: BM, SLBI) and Nutfield Marsh, Redhill (HJR '22: BM) await confirmation, as does Watson's outlying record of his *'pygmaeopsis'* from Haslemere (LN for '34, p.62).

***R. phaeocarpus*** Wats.

A near-endemic locally abundant on heath and wood borders in S.E. England. The abundance of N. Hants. continues into W. Surrey, but recorded elsewhere only from the Weybridge-Esher-Oxshott triangle, several S. London commons and Holmwood, Dorking (EMD '14: BM).

***R. proiectus*** Beek (*R. anglohirtus* Edees)

A near-endemic of woods in the eastern counties in profusion in an isolated Middlesex locality, Horsenden Hill, Wembley, and with a further hill-top one on Telegraph Hill, Claygate (CA '38: SLBI~ SFC 2002: BM, NMW).

***R. tardus*** Wats.

Endemic to Surrey, Sussex and Kent. On six of the S. London commons and in the Selsdon / Addington woods. Not certainly known elsewhere in the county.

Series *Glandulosi*

***R. hylonomus*** Lef & Mueller

A trans-Channel species of woods and heaths mainly in S.E. England. Sole record: Hindhead, eastern slope (WMR '00: BM, COE, NMW).

***R. praetextus*** Sudre

A rare species of hedges and heaths mainly confined to Kent in Britain. Two records: Winterfold Heath, bracken edge at TQ059 428 (ESE '57: NMW det. RR; BAM '64: CGE; JRIW '73: BM; SFC 2002); abundant in a hedge about a mile S. of Haslemere (JGB 1869: CGE det.M). The second may have been in Sussex.

***R. scaber*** Weihe

Locally abundant in woods in C. & S.B. England and W. Ireland. Much rarer in Surrey than in Hants.: Park Copse, Wareham Hill, nr Witley (ESM, WMR & WOF 1894: BM; NDS '34: BM; BAM '63: CGE); open coppice on Sansom's Farm nr Ewhurst (JWW 1889-91: NMW, SLBI - stem pieces only, det. A, RR); and four localities on the S. London fringe: Croham Hurst, one patch at TQ335 635 (DEA '97: BM); Streatham C (CA '34 etc.: SLBI; et al.); top of Sydenham Hill (WCRN in K & L); Honor Oak Hill (AL 1894: NMW).



## Section *Corylifolii*

### ***R. adenoleucus*** Chaboiss.

Widespread on heaths and chalk downs in S. England and S. Wales. Abundant, Newlands Corner/Merrow Downs, Guildford (WCRW '33: BM; SFC 2000; et al.); West End C, Esher (AHWD '03: BM det. A; WCRW in K & L); Fairmile C, in lane east of main road (CCT 1950s: K); The Chart quarry (WHM '55: CGE det. A) and Watts Hill, Limpsfield (WCRW in K & L); Netley Heath (WCRW in BEC for '33); Greensand Way S. of Wotton TQ135 464 (DEA).

### ***R. britannicus*** Wats.

The plant strictly so called is plentiful at Munstead (WMR '90: BM, CGE; et al.). What may be a different bramble also bearing that name, widespread in S. England, seems to occur in Surrey mostly in the London area. It is especially plentiful on Bookham C and in Queen's Cottage grounds, Kew Gardens.

### ***R. conjungens*** (Bab.) Rogers

Frequent.

### ***R. halsteadensis*** Wats. agg.

This name strictly belongs (paradoxically) to a plant of S. Wales and some of the counties to the east. Watson wrongly considered it synonymous with a bramble of the London area originally collected by Rogers at Halstead in Kent. This latter is known from four London commons plus Frith Wood, Farleigh (CEB '00: SLBI); The Chart quarry, Limpsfield (WHM '58: CGE); Oxshott (HJR '29: BM det. A); Milford Heath (NDS '34: BM, conf A); and Godstone (WCB '31: BM det. A).

### ***R. hindii*** Bull

A recently-described endemic proving to be widespread in the British Isles. Sole record as yet: Witley (EFL 1890: BM det. Bull).

### ***R. nemorosus*** Hayne & Willd.

Frequent in damp shady places.

### ***R. pruinosis*** Arrh.

Frequent on downs and heaths.

### ***R. transmarinus*** Allen

Another recently-described species proving to be widespread in England (and Normandy). Specimens so far seen from six Surrey localities.

### ***R. tuberculatus*** Bab.

Apparently widely scattered, on roadsides and waste ground. Specimens seen from nine localities.

### ***R. warrenii*** Sudre

Endemic to woods and hedges mainly in N. England but increasingly being detected in the South. Sole record: Weybridge C (WCRW '36: CGE - but CA '35, '37: SLBI det. W is not this). A poor specimen from Winterfold Heath (ESE '57: NMW) may also be correctly so determined.

Section *Caesii*

*R. caesius* L. (Dewberry)

Common in scrub, hedges and open woods, mostly on chalk and clay.

*R. caesius x idaeus* (*R. x pseudoidaeus* (Weihe) Lej.)

One plant in division M, Bookham C (KWP det. ACL in LN for '84, p.125).

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**A NOTE ABOUT SPECIES DESCRIPTIONS**

Of the species listed the following have been added to the British List since the publication of the monograph by E.S.Eedes and A.Newton, *Brambles of the British Isles* (Ray Society, 1988):

*R. campaniensis* - see Watsonia, 1999, **22**: 429 for a reference to the description in a Dutch journal (1998).

*R. transmarinus* - described in Watsonia, 1994, **20**: 143

*R. hindii* - described in Watsonia, 1998, **22**: 102

*R. avaloniensis* - described in Watsonia, 2003, **24**: 444

## APPENDIX

As matters stand at present, 138 of the species currently on the British List are thus accepted as reliably recorded for Surrey, though two are evidently extinct. Of these, 12 are naturalized escapes. The Surrey total compares not unfavourably with the 151 recorded for the considerably larger county of Hampshire next door, which has the added advantage of lying sufficiently further west to receive more species from that quarter. Dorset, a better comparison in terms of size, and Wiltshire, a larger county but poor in ground suitable for brambles, have totals of 101 and 102 respectively.

The Surrey total, however, is abnormally inflated slightly as a result of Watson having bestowed names on three brambles that are apparently peculiar to the county (*R. permundus*, *R. iodnephes*, *R. putneiensis*) and, like *R. crespignyanus* (shared with Kent), too restricted in range to qualify for description according to present-day criteria. For there are such an unmanageably large number of distinct entities in Europe that potentially could receive names that the convention has been adopted by *Rubus* specialists of describing only ones with a 'regional' distribution as opposed to a merely 'local' one. British batologists tend to follow Edees' interpretation of 'regional' as occurrence in a minimum of four 10km squares or at least two vice-counties.

This code of restraint still leaves it desirable to append to county lists some mention of the more widespread species that either fail to qualify for a name (at any rate on present knowledge) or, if they do qualify - as in the case of at least the first two below - have yet to receive one:

'*R. lapeyrousianus*' sensu Wats. - a very distinct woodland bramble abundant in one district in N. Hampshire and known from several places in N.W. Surrey and (CEB '03: SLBI del. A) Tooting Common in S. London. In five vice-counties altogether.

'*R. orbifolius*' sensu Wats. - a widespread Sussex Weald bramble known from five Surrey localities: Ashtead Forest, several bushes (WCRW '38: NWM); Effingham C (CA '40: CGE); top of Holmbury Hill at TQ104 430 (JEW '53: CGE del. M; BAM '62: CGE); Chobham Ridges (CA & JEW '58: CGE, SLBI; SFC '97: BM); Bookham C, one clump (ABMB '73: BM del. A; SFC '93, '94).

'Hants. and Surrey *monensis*' - roadside, Fox Hill, Chobham C TQ958 648 (BAM '64: CGE del. A); Redroad Hill, Chobham Ridges (BAM '63: CGE; ESE '69: NMW del. A; SFC '97: BM). Locally plentiful in the N.E. New Forest with an outlier close to Surrey at Fleet Pond.

'False *crespignyanus*' (*R. sanguineosepalus* Miles MS) - locally abundant in a once continuous belt of woodland fringing London in the N.E. of the county. Discovered by E.C. de Crespigny in 1872 at Croham Hurst and intended by Watson to be named after him (but he inadvertently collected as the holotype a specimen of the different bramble that accordingly has to be known as *R. crespignyanus* instead).

'*R. perplexus*' sensu Wats. - locally plentiful at Ranmore C, Dorking, much collected since its discovery by Avery in 1947.

'*R. fuscoater*' sensu Wats., p.p. - a showy plant with reddish floral organs recalling *R. adamsii* collected from the golf course edges near Colley Hill at TQ236 526 (CA '33: COE; et at.) and recorded also from nearby Banstead Heath as well as by the Basingstoke Canal nr Brookwood (both CGE).

'*R. billotii*' sensu Wats. - in woods around Selsdon and Farleigh (abundant in Frith Wood). Apparently also by Guildford at Newlands Corner (WCRW '38: CGE, K) and on the crest of the downs above Albury (CA & WCRW '50: CGE).

'*R. pseudobellardii*' sensu Wats. - in some quantity in Coombe Wood, Kingston (WCRW '34: BM etc.), reappearing on adjoining Wimbledon C between the Beverley Brook and the Kingston bypass (CA '39, '53: SLBI). Watson identified this with a bramble he knew at Buckhurst Park in E. Sussex, whence he suggested it had been brought.

'False *consobrinus*' - an 'infrequent' plant of the Tunbridge Wells area and elsewhere in Kent that spills into Surrey in The Chart, Limpsfield, nr the church at TQ427 518 (JEW '47: CGE; BAM '63: CGE).

'*R. vulgaris*' sensu Wats.' p.p. - a bramble on Littleworth C at TQ148 652 (BAM '61: CGE) is the same as one collected from several localities in N. Kent. The name was mostly misapplied by Watson to forms of *R. milfordensis*.

(Descriptions of most of these plants can be found in Watson's 1958 monograph: Handbook of the *Rubi* of Great Britain and Ireland)