November Flowers, NWT Thorpe Marshes

On the guided walk on 9 November 2013, we made a note of all the flowers we found in flower. This list of 32 species has a bias towards plants of disturbed ground rather than marshland species. It is grouped in botanical families and doesn't include leaves, seedheads etc – all had petals, or at least flowers for plants without obvious petals, such as annual nettle and ivy.

Annual nettle

Redshank

Fat hen

Pink family

Common chickweed

Water chickweed

Meadow buttercup

<u>Crucifers</u>

Hedge mustard

Shepherd's purse

Rose family

Meadowsweet

Bramble

Small-flowered cranesbill

Annual mercury

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Umbellifers

Cow parsley

Upright hedge parsley

Angelica

Hogweed

Giant hogweed



An alien giant hogweed, previously destroyed by NWT staff, now re-growing from its roots.

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White dead-nettle

Red dead-nettle

Water mint (some doubt if this was actually flowering)

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Black nightshade



<u>Daisy family –</u> composites

Canadian fleabane

Perennial daisy

Yarrow

Ragwort Groundsel

Spear thistle

Smooth sow-thistle

Prickly sow-thistle

Dandelion

Common catsear



Meadowsweet, in full, glorious flower – attracting a late bumblebee.