

# Red guide posts are being installed by vegetation managers along roadsides throughout the Riverina Why? • To identify known locations of noxious weeds • To alert machinery operators of the site • To encourage liaison with local council weed officers on each site's requirements • To prevent further spread of noxious weeds What can you do? Avoid driving through infestations Inspect and clean clothing and equipment Report suspicious plants Remember! Under Section 30(1) of the Noxious Weeds Act 1993 "a person must not scatter or cause to be scattered on any land or water any notifiable weed material or other noxious weed material prescribed by the regulations, knowing it be such weed material." Further Information • Contact your local council weed officer • Visit www.riverinaweeds.org.au • Grab a copy of Weeds of the Riverina - ID & Control Guide

### Look out for invasive herbaceous weeds!

Herbaceous weeds are invasive plants that:

- compete with desirable pastures and native vegetation
- can have an extensive root system
- can be toxic to humans and animals
- are quick to invade new areas
- are sometimes very attractive plants
- may have been desirable in our gardens, but since jumping the fence are proving to be destructive!

### How are herbaceous weeds introduced?

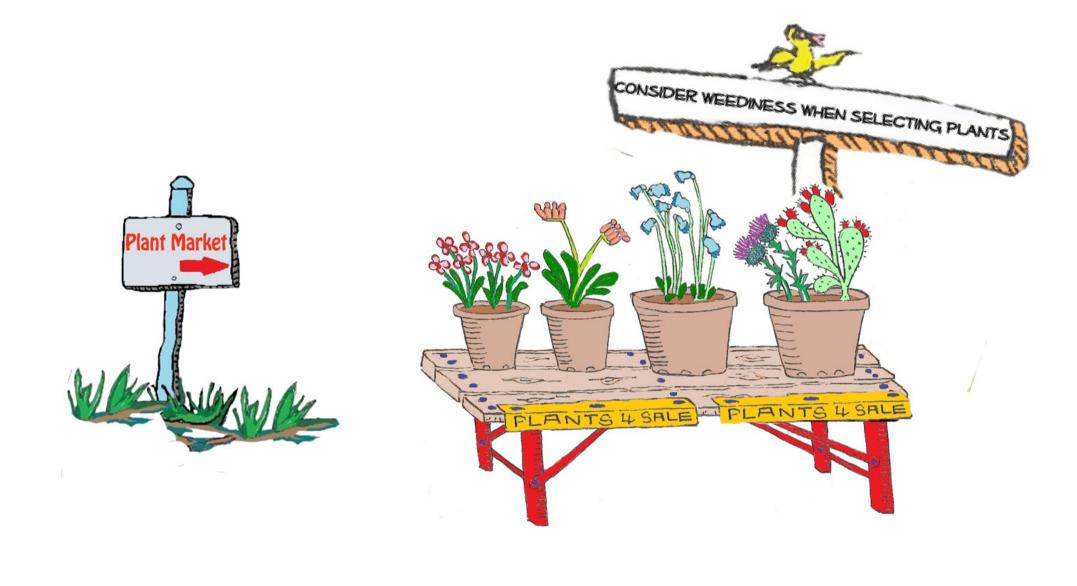
Of the more than 28,000 plant species introduced into Australia from all over the world, approximately 2,700 have formed self supporting populations in the natural environment. Of the ten new weeds recorded in Australia each year two thirds are graden escapes.

Parthenium was introduced in a shipment of grass seeds; Bridal creeper as an ornamental that was used in floral arrangements; Fireweed through shipping; Hawkweed and Ox eye daisy as ornamentals; Galenia as a ground cover.

## How can you help?

Be aware and follow these simple steps to prevent the spread of herbaceous weeds:

- early detection become familiar with these plants
- rapid response have suspicious plants identified by your local council weeds officer
- dispose of garden waste appropriately not over the back fence or in bushland
- always cover trailers when transporting plant material
- consider weediness when selecting plants to grow in your area
- monitor your garden or property to ensure plants aren't jumping the fence





### Known locations in the Riverina

HERBACEOUS WEEDS

**Bridal creeper** - isolated infestations can be found across Riverina on roadsides, private property and orchards

Fireweed - Albury; Greater Hume; Gundagai; Tumut; Wagga Wagga

**Galenia** - Central Murray County Council along roadsides amongst native vegetation and along channel banks

Hawkweed - Kosciuszko National Park

Ox-eye daisy - Kosciuszko National Park

**Parthenium weed** - roadside infestations only in Balranald; Carrathool; Central Murray County Council; Hay; Jerilderie; Narrandera; Urana; Wakool







Did you know many weeds that invade our bush and farms start out as garden plants? Make sure you pick plants that won't spread and take over.

prevent

# detect

# identify

## contain

## Contro

## eradicate

## Look out for these herbaceous weeds on or near your property



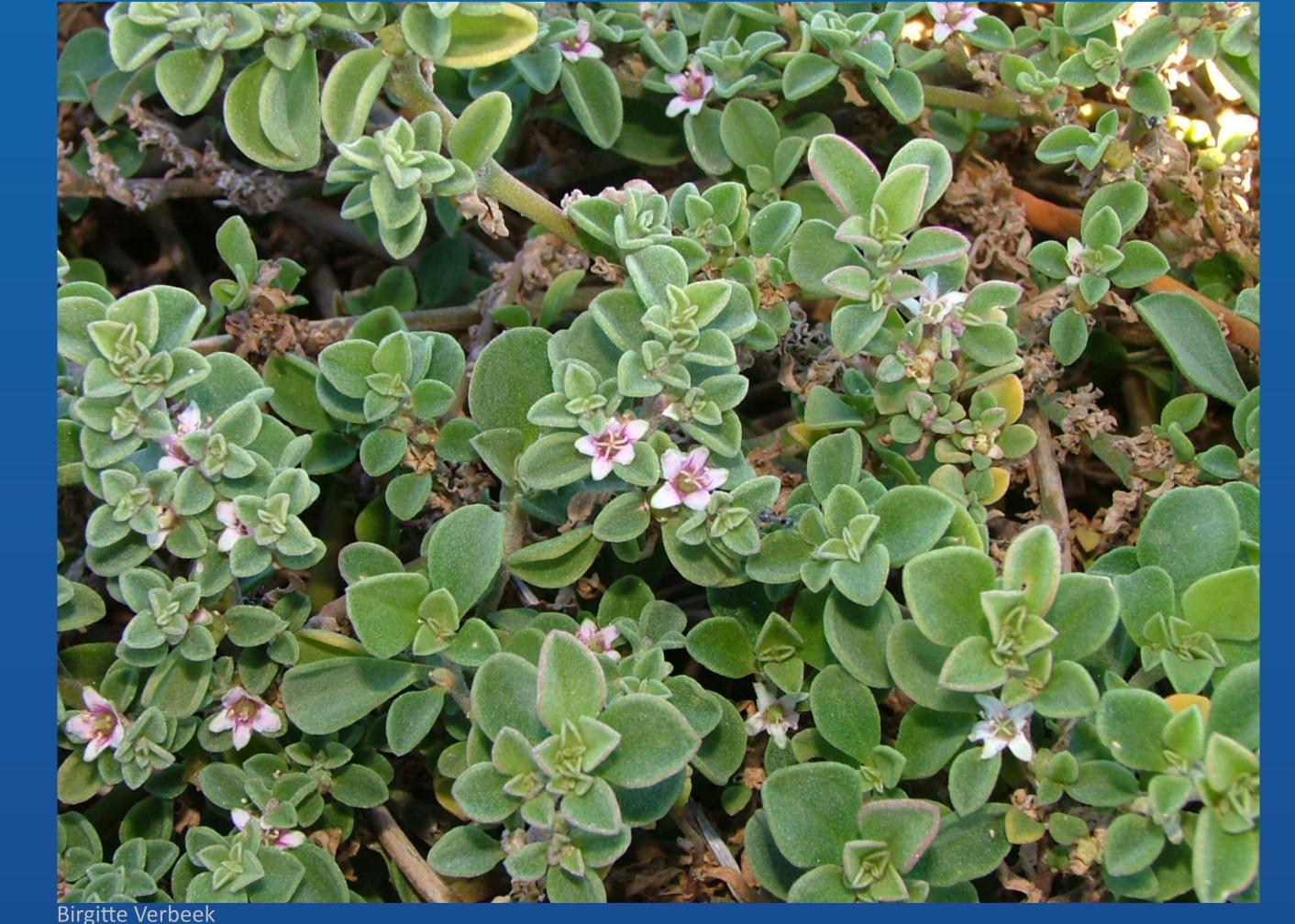
Bridal creeper

Asparagus asparagoides

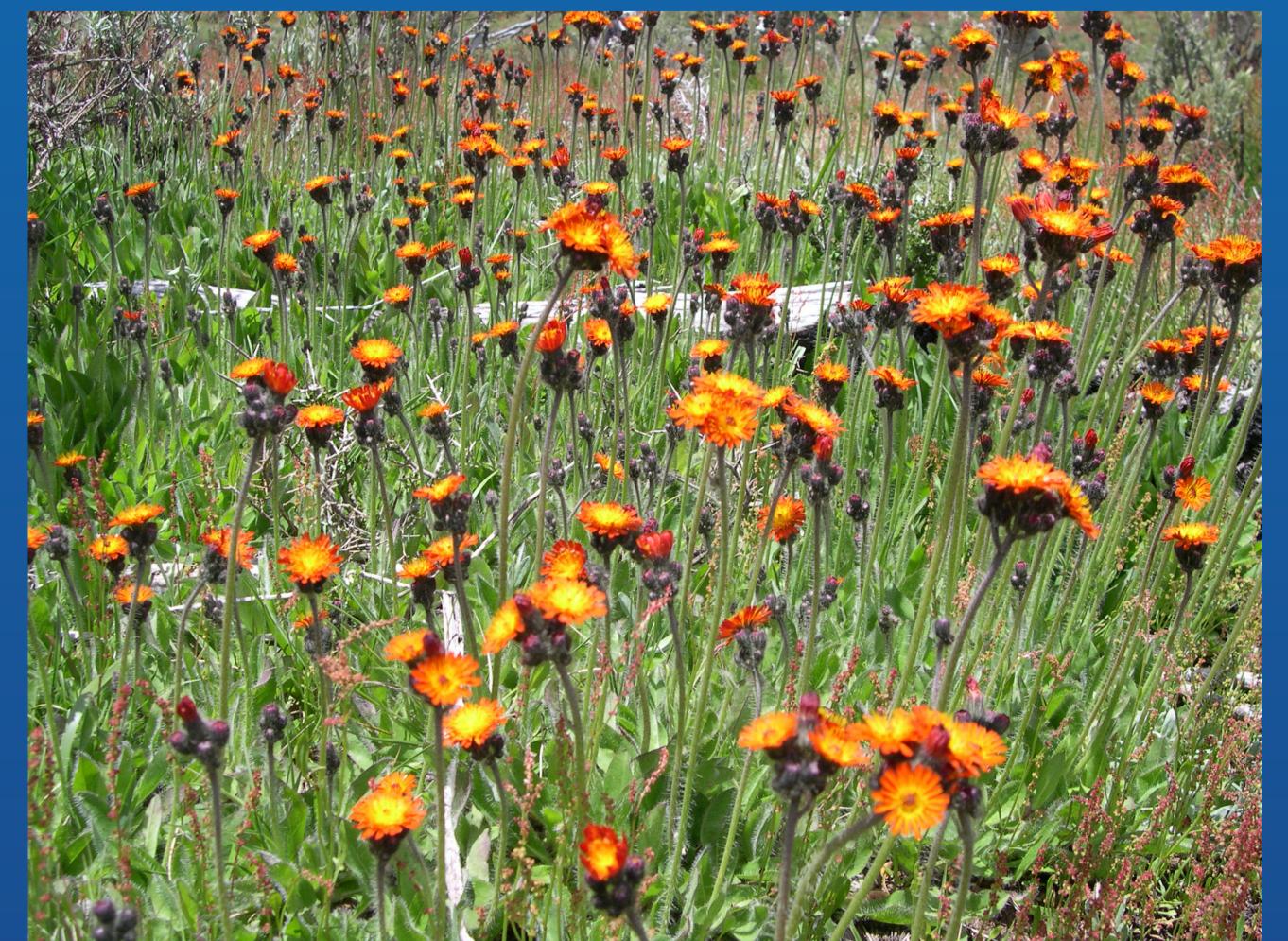


Fireweed

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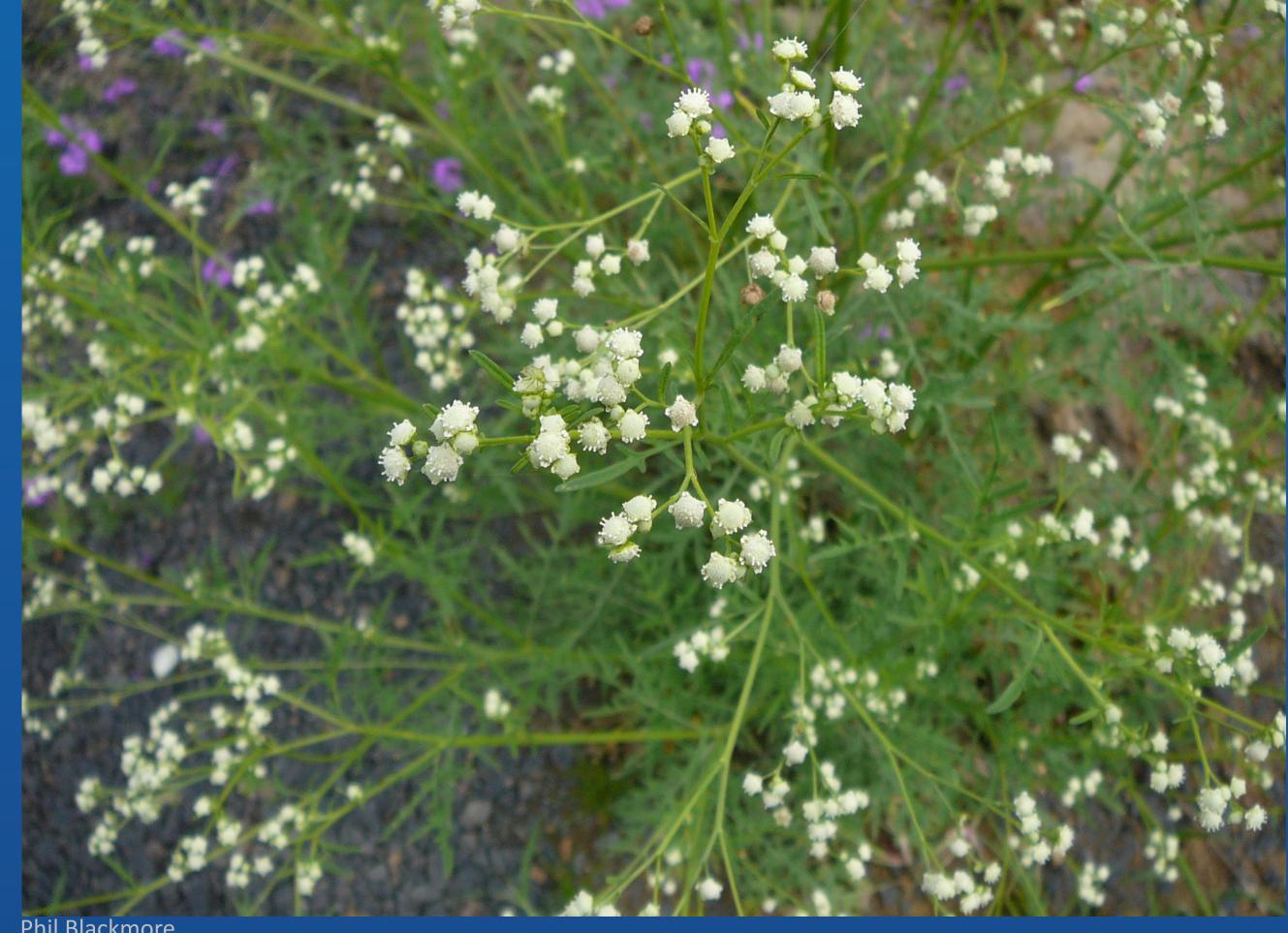
Galenia pubescens



Hieracium spp.



Ox eye daisy
Leucanthemum vulgare



Parthenium hysterophorus