A surprise find, noted with the above species in one site. Not very common, several plants seen in very dark holes near the Cyathea cunninghamii colony.

Hymenophyllum atrovirens (Specimen sent to WELT)

A very small patch was located in a small overhanging bank near the small stream in the main ravine on the eastern side of the peak. Plants correspond to the H. australe form collected sparingly elsewhwere in the North Island (noted on nearby Pirongia in January 1986 by the author, the Gudex Pirongia specimen in WAI is H. sanguinolentum). This fern is very local in the western Waikato, with the frond form of H. flexuosum but lacking the flexuous, wavy, crisped wing characteristic of that species. The typical, narrow atovirens frond form common at Wairere Falls S. R. has yet to be found in the western Waikato.

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Gnaphalium delicatum Esler 27.12.84, Smythe Ridge track, AK 170743,-4.

Hydrocotyle pterocarpa Esler 30.12.83, Cornwallis, AK 170724.

Ranunculus urvilleanus Ball 4.1885, AKU 2937, no other Waitakere Range collections at AK, AKU.

Juncus pallidus two AK collections, the older dating from 1966.

Nertera setulosa is reported by Mark Bellingham for Matuku Reserve and Eleocharis neozelandica for Whatipu by Alan Esler (Proc. N.Z. Ecol. Soc. 21:75 1974); I have not seen specimens.

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