

A PROVISIONAL BIBLIOGRAPHY OF THE THORNE MOORS FLORA

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INTRODUCTION

This bibliography, compiled from published references (and one thesis), has been gleaned from a range of relevant sources, but does not claim to approach completeness. It is simply a garner of information located, intended as a contribution to the preparation of fuller accounts of aspects of the flora of Thorne Moors. Despite the number of items presented, there will undoubtedly be many more concealed in books and journals not examined, and possibly in old newspapers and other localised periodicals.

Additionally, further known details are available in unpublished notes and scripts. For example, the botanical textbooks owned by Dr. J. M. Taylor (see Desmond 1977), a Thorne physician from c.1912 until his death in 1947, contain many annotations which, *inter alia*, include his numerous records from Thorne Moors. The details from these books are excluded from this bibliography, which only contains Taylor's published work. Similarly, as a further example, the archives of the Doncaster Naturalists' Society contain useful references arising from visits to the moorland made by the society since 1904, but they too are not included.

Surviving herbaria provide a further source of records, but details are again, by definition, omitted here. Kent and Allen (1984) is a useful source of information on these collections, but there will also be further leads to follow and exploit.

However, having urged circumspection in using this compilation as something more than a contribution to botanical study at Thorne, it does have a twofold purpose. First, it is an introduction to the existing literature, and second it provides an underlying context for planned or extant work. Further, it is an indication of the botanical and more general literature yet to be surveyed for the records undoubtedly contained therein.

All plants, including Thallophytes, are included, though perhaps inevitably, the greatest emphasis, in almost two and a half centuries of endeavour, has been on the Angiosperms. Allusion is made only to work on living species; studies of sub-fossil material are excluded. The references are listed alphabetically under author(s), and they extend from 1805 to the present.

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