

# Victoria Glades Conservation Area

September 2, 2024

	<b>BOTANICAL NAME</b> (with <a href="#">etymology</a> & genus pronunciation)	<b>FAMILY</b> [CC] = <a href="#">Coefficient of Conservatism</a>	<b>COMMON NAME</b>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Amorpha canescens</a> (a-MOR-fuh)	Fabaceae (Faboideae subfamily) [CC8]	Leadplant
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Andropogon gerardi</a> (an-dro-PO-gon)	Poaceae (Panicoideae subfamily) [CC5]	Big Bluestem / Turkeyfoot
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Bouteloua curtipendula</a> (boo-tuh-LOO-uh)	Poaceae (Chloridoideae subfamily) [CC7]	Sideoats Grama
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Centaurea stoebe</a> (senn-TAWR-ree-uh)	Asteraceae (Cardueae tribe) [intro]	Spotted Knapweed
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Clematis fremontii</a> (kleh-MATT-iss)	Ranunculaceae [CC10]	Fremont's Leatherflower
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Crataegus</a> spp. (kruh-TEE-juss)	Rosaceae []	Hawthorn
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Croton capitatus</a> (KROE-ton)	Euphorbiaceae [CC0]	Woolly Croton
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Desmanthus illinoensis</a> (dez-MAN-thus)	Fabaceae (Caesalpinioideae subfam) [CC3]	Illinois Bundleflower
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Eupatorium altissimum</a> (yoo-puh-TOR-ee-um)	Asteraceae (Eupatorieae tribe) [CC3]	Tall Boneset
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Euphorbia corollata</a> (yoo-FOR-bee-uh)	Euphorbiaceae [CC3]	Flowering Spurge
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Frangula caroliniana</a> (FRANG-goo-luh)	Rhamnaceae [CC6]	Carolina Buckthorn / Indian Cherry
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Helianthus pauciflorus</a> (hee-lee-ANN-thus)	Asteraceae (Heliantheae tribe) [intro or CC5]	Stiff Sunflower
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Heliotropium tenellum</a> () (hee-lee-o-TRO-pee-um)	Boraginaceae [CC8]	Pasture Heliotrope
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Hypericum sphaerocarpum</a> (hy-PAYR-i-kum)	Hypericaceae [CC5]	Round-Fruited St. John's Wort
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Leucospora multifida</a> () (loo-koe-SPOR-uh)	Plantaginaceae / Lamiales [CC]	Obi-Wan Conobea / Cut-Leaved Conobea
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Liatris aspera</a> (ly-AY-triss)	Asteraceae (Eupatorieae tribe) [CC6]	Rough Blazing Star
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Liatris cylindracea</a> (ly-AY-triss)	Asteraceae (Eupatorieae tribe) [CC7]	Cylindric or Dwarf Blazing Star
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Pediomelum tenuiflorum</a> () (ped-ee-o-MEE-lum)	Fabaceae [CC8]	Scurfy Pea
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Pycnanthemum tenuifolium</a> (pik-NANN-thuh-mum)	Lamiaceae (Nepetoideae subfamily) [CC4]	Narrowleaf Mountainmint
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Rudbeckia missouriensis</a> (rood-BECK-ee-uh)	Asteraceae (Heliantheae tribe) [CC6]	Missouri Coneflower
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Ruellia humilis</a> (roo-ELL-ee-uh)	Acanthaceae [CC3]	Hairy Wild Petunia
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Schizachyrium scoparium</a> (shih-ZACK-ree-um)	Poaceae (Panicoideae subfamily) [CC5]	Little Bluestem
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Sideroxylon lanuginosum</a> (SY-dr-o-ZY-lun)	Sapotaceae [CC5]	Gum Bumelia
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Silphium integrifolium</a> (SILL-fee-um)	Asteraceae (Heliantheae tribe) [CC4]	Rosinweed
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Silphium terebinthinaceum</a> (SILL-fee-um)	Asteraceae (Heliantheae tribe) [CC5]	Prairie Dock
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Smilax bona-nox</a> (SMY-lax)	Smilacaceae [CC3]	Saw Greenbriar
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Solidago gattingeri</a> (so-lid-DAY-go)	Asteraceae (Astereae tribe) [CC10]	Gattinger's Goldenrod
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Solidago radula</a> (so-lid-DAY-go)	Asteraceae (Astereae tribe) [CC6]	Rough Goldenrod
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#">Solidago rigida</a> (so-lid-DAY-go)	Asteraceae (Astereae tribe) [CC5]	Stiff Goldenrod

<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#"><u><i>Sorghastrum nutans</i></u></a> (sor-GAS-strum)	Poaceae (Panicoideae subfamily) [CC4]	Indian Grass
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#"><u><i>Spiranthes ovalis</i></u></a> (spy-RAN-theez)	Orchidaceae [CC8]	Oval Ladies' Tresses
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#"><u><i>Sporobolus heterolepis</i></u></a> (spor-O-bo-lus)	Poaceae (Chloridoideae subfamily) [CC6]	Prairie Dropseed
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#"><u><i>Stenaria nigricans</i></u></a> (sten-AYR-ee-uh)	Rubiaceae [CC5]	Diamondflowers
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#"><u><i>Symphotrichum ericoides</i></u></a> (SIMM-fee-o-TRY-kum)	Asteraceae (Astereae tribe) [CC5]	White Heath Aster
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#"><u><i>Symphotrichum patens</i></u></a> (SIMM-fee-o-TRY-kum)	Asteraceae (Astereae tribe) [CC5]	Spreading Aster or Late Purple Aster
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#"><u><i>Symphotrichum turbinellum</i></u></a> (SIMM-fee-o-TRY-kum)	Asteraceae (Astereae tribe) [CC6]	Turbinate Aster / Prairie Aster
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#"><u><i>Tephrosia virginiana</i></u></a> (teff-RO-see-uh)	Fabaceae (Faboideae subfamily) [CC5]	Goat's Rue
<input type="checkbox"/>	<a href="#"><u><i>Trichostema brachiatum</i></u></a> (try-ko-STEE-muh)	Lamiaceae [CC4]	Fluxweed / False Pennyroyal

## NOTES

### WHERE WE WALKED:

We more or less wandered all around – especially near clumps of trees where there are sometimes surprising plants to be found. Although it looks like there are many trails on the glade, there aren't. There's just one. All the others are just exposed rock shelves where the soil is too thin to support plant life. Those imposter trails all eventually dead-end when the soil becomes deeper, leaving those following the trail standing in the middle of the glade scratching their heads.

### SOLIDAGO GATTINGERI:

All plants are equal, but some are more equal. John mentioned that there are people who would drive across the country just to see a C10 plant like *Solidago gattingeri*. Yet here it's growing all over the place! (Same for our C10 "Fremont Leatherflower" – *Clematis fremontii*).

### DISAPPEARING JOKE:

As we walked across the glade, John stopped us to introduce a small, inconspicuous plant that were about to step on. It was "Narrowleaf Paleseed". It looks quite a bit like a young Ragweed (*Ambrosia artemisiifolia*). John explained that in the first "Star Wars" movie (1977) there was a wise old man called "Obi-Wan Kenobi" played by Sir Alec Guinness. This plant we were looking at once had the botanical name "*Conobea multifida*" so people jokingly called it "Obi-Wan Conobea". But as the decades passed the joke lost its funniness because fewer botanists had seen the movie. (If you're one of those who are unfamiliar with the movie, a short clip [4:35] can be found [HERE](#).) To make the joke even more of a dud, the botanical name has since been changed to "*Leucospora multifida*". So now almost nobody even cracks a smile when they hear "Obi-Wan Conobea".

### PARTICIPANTS:

There were 11 of us botanists on this Labor Day, who are (in alphabetical order):

Kathy Bildner, Wayne Clark, Rick Gray, June Jeffries, Michael Laschober, Burt Noll, John Oliver, Mark Peters, David Steinmeyer, Gwyn Wahlmann, and Laura Yates