Prasophyllum sp. 'Brookton Highway'

Name and Authority

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Common Name

Rare Leek Orchid

Complex Name

Prasophyllum parvifolium (Hunched Leek Orchids)

Originally Described by

Undescribed

Distribution and Habitat

East of Karragullen to west of Brookton, growing in sandy-clay and clay soils in seasonally wet flats. The <u>species</u> does not require a summer fire to flower.



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Description

A rare <u>species</u> 200–300 mm high with a smooth tubular leaf 100–180 mm long by 1.5–3 mm wide and up to 10 green, white and reddish-pink, self-pollinating flowers 4–5 mm across.

Distinguishing Features

It is often confused with Autumn Leek Orchid (Prasophyllum parvifolium). However, it has a much later flowering period with plants in flower and bud in early September when P. parvifolium is finished. It is also confined to seasonally wet flats whereas P. parvifolium prefers better drained soils in forests, woodlands and shrublands.

WA Conservation Code (Threatened Status)

Not Listed

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