

Alopecurus aequalis* Sobol.*Orange Foxtail
1848-2015****National Status: Not Scarce, Native****S Hants: Rare**

Native

First reported at Grange Moors, Gosport (approx. SU5800) and at Tipner (SU60G) and Baffins Moor (SU60Q), Portsea, in the period 1846-1848. The last site may be the same as the Great Salterns locality, where it was destroyed by the infilling of the ditch where it occurred. It is likely to be native at its recorded sites.

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| Great Salterns | SU6701 | 1908 | | |
| Cadnam Common | SU2914 | 1991 | | |
| Cadnam Common, nr Cadnam Green | SU296147 | 02-Aug-91 | GHF | |

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Apart from the site at Longstock Nursery this is a native in North Hampshire, but it now seems lost from Wilk's Water and Tundry Pond. It survives at Fleet Pond where it has been known for many years. There is a specimen at BM labelled "Margin of Fleet Pond, 1921" that cannot even be attributed with certainty to a tetrad as the pond has parts in two tetrads. There are also several poorly localised records for "Near Bramshill Common" or for "Near Heckfield" over the period 1910 to 1967 that could even refer to the same site.

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| Longstock Nursery | SU3638 | 2005-2007 | | |
| Longstock Nursery | SU367388 | 17-Jul-07 | PAB | Still present in a few pots. |
| Longstock Nursery | SU368387 | 25-Jul-06 | MR & BGo | Weed in pots of aquatic plants. |
| Wilk's Water | SU7552 | 1961-1962 | | |
| Tundry Pond | SU7752, SU7753 | 1976-1982 | | |
| Fleet Pond | SU8155, SU8255 | 1941-2015 | | |
| Fleet Pond | SU818554 | 21-Jun-41 | ECW | Specimen Bi 1998.11.219 in Hb.PMH held at HCMS, recorded as ' <i>Alopecurus fulvus</i> , drained bed of Fleet Pond'. Wallace drew a detailed sketch map of the drained pond showing the precise locations of the <i>Alopecurus fulvus</i> , <i>Pilularia</i> and <i>Ranunculus lenormandii</i> , and from this it can be seen that the <i>Alopecurus</i> was in three places on the north edge of the pond beside Cove Road at SU8178 5546, SU8184 5545 and SU8189 5543. [Note that Fleet Pond was drained in WW2 to confuse enemy pilots - ARGM]. |
| Fleet Pond | SU821552 | 25-Jul-15 | ARGM & HFG | Voucher specimen in Hb ARGM at HCMS. One plant at SU82116 55246. Specimen scanned and confirmed under microscope with its tiny awns (unlike the common <i>A. geniculatus</i>). |
| Fleet Pond | SU822551 | 16-Aug-07 | CRH | On east side of pond at SU8227 5516 where disturbed during winter scrub clearance, a patch in flower 1.5m x 1m. |
| Fleet Pond | SU822552 | 21-Jun-00 | CRH | c.SU822552, north-east marshes. CRH notebook states, "Patch about a metre long and some plants nearby, where sward kept open." |
| Fleet Pond | SU824550 | 07-Jun-98 | CRH | On silt disturbed by digging of a dragonfly pool in June 1997, specimen collected by CRH in Hb.AB det. Francis Rose. [This site checked by CRH on 13 Jun 2000, but overgrown with perennials]. |