Austroblechnum banksii

COMMON NAME
Shore hard fern

SYNONYMS
Blechnum banksii (Hook. f.) Diels; Spicanta banksii (Hook.f.) Kuntze;
Lomaria banksii Hook.f.; Lomaria blechnoides Bory in Duperrey, Blechnum
blechnoides (Bory) Keyserl.

FAMILY
Blechnaceae

AUTHORITY
Austroblechnum banksii (Hook.f.) Gasper et V.A.O.Dittrich

FLORA CATEGORY
Vascular – Native

ENDEMIC TAXON
No

ENDEMIC GENUS
No

ENDEMIC FAMILY
No

STRUCTURAL CLASS
Ferns

NVS CODE
BLEBLE

CHROMOSOME NUMBER
2n = 66

CURRENT CONSERVATION STATUS
2012 | Not Threatened

PREVIOUS CONSERVATION STATUS
2009 | Not Threatened
2004 | Not Threatened

FLOWER COLOURS
No flowers

LIFE CYCLE
Minute spores are wind dispersed (Thorsen et al., 2009).

THREATS
Not Threatened but often patchy in its distribution and quite uncommon north of Auckland

ETYMOLOGY
banksii: Named after Sir Joseph Banks, 1st Baronet, GCB, PRS (24 February 1743 - 19 June 1820) was an English
naturalist, botanist and patron of the natural sciences.
TAXONOMIC INFORMATION

Perrie et al. (2014) advocated for a broadened circumscription of Blechnaceae whereby a number of genera traditionally recognized as distinct from Blechnum were merged within it. However, this view has not met with universal acceptance (see Gasper et al. 2016) and does not seem to be followed worldwide (PPG 2016). From a New Zealand perspective the decision to merge Doodia in Blechnum, and rejection of Diploblechnum has not been universally accepted either e.g., Wilcox & Warden (2017), and as such it is considered appropriate to follow world opinion and accept the taxonomy of Gasper et al. (2016) and recommendations of the PPG (2016). See also the comments by Pyner (2017).

ATTRIBUTION


REFERENCES AND FURTHER READING

https://ebps.org.uk/new-classification-blechnum/

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