

## New Worcestershire hybrids in *Rosa* L. sects. *Synstylae* & *Caninae*.

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The recent taxonomic and nomenclatural changes in *Rosa* (Maskew, 2017) has included the splitting of *R. canina* into three species (*R. canina* s.s., *R. corymbifera*, *R. squarrosa*), each being widespread and locally common in the county.

During the last two years I have found hybrids involving each of the three species, all of which are new for the county. The following is a list of the first records.

*Rosa arvensis* x *R. squarrosa* – trackside scrub, S. of Knighton, SP034561, and Rough Hill, SP027528, both 25-7-2017

*R. stylosa* x *R. squarrosa* – scrub, Castlemorton Common, SO788394, 1-7-2017

*R. canina* x *R. corymbifera* (*R. x semiglabra*) – hedge, Longdon Marsh NR, SO825353, 17-10-2017. Probably widespread and locally frequent.

*R. canina* x *R. squarrosa* (*R. x insignis*) – scrub, Castlemorton Common, SO779391/789394, 20-7-2018. Probably widespread and locally frequent.

\**R. canina* x *R. vosagiaca* (*R. x subcanina*) – plantation ride, Trench Wood, SO926589, and wood margin, Upper Kites Wood, SO976577, both 13-7-2017

\**R. squarrosa* x *R. vosagiaca* (*R. x dumalis*) – scrub, Castlemorton Common, SO777395, 1-8-2017

*R. squarrosa* x *R. tomentosa* – roadside scrub, Wichenford, SO784609, 24-8-2017

\* Previously all records for the two hybrids were included in *R. x dumalis*. They are the two most widespread and common hybrids in the county.

### Reference

Maskew, R. (2017). Recent taxonomic and nomenclatural changes in *Rosa* L. *BSBI News* 135:46