

## APPENDIX III

## Description of Dibbler vegetation near Cheyne Beach

The Dibbler has been collected three times near Cheyne Beach at the same location (34 53' 00" S lat., 118 23' 50" long.E). The area is about 100 m SE of the caravan park entrance at Cheyne Beach. The Dibbler was collected in Hakea lasiantha Heath A (according to the classification of Muir (1977)). The nearby Banksia baxteri Thicket and Agonis linearifolia Low Shrub A are also described. Vegetation data was recorded 19 May 1984.

The H. lasiantha Heath A covers 3-4 ha on the mid-slope of a small hill. At the base of the hill is a colluvial flat of pale grey siliceous sand derived from the hill. A. linearifolia covers ca 2-3 ha with the dominant species confined to a minor drainage line that only a flows following extemely heavy falls of rain. Close to the drainage line is single patch of Banksia baxteri Thicket covering less than I ha and appears to be infected with "Die-back" on the north-western side.



## Hakea lasiantha Heath A

VEGETATION MUIR: SAc.SBi.SCi.SDi.VLc Stratum 1: Shrubs 1.6-1.8 m, CC = 45.5, clumping slight

Hakea lasiantha (40), H. cucullataa (5), Banksia baxteri (0.5).

Stratum 2: Shrubs 1.1-1.5 m, CC = 20, clumping slight Hakea lasiantha (20).

Stratum 3: Shrubs 0.6-1.0 m, CC = 18, clumping slight
Dryandra mucronulata (5), Beaufortia anisandra (3), Petrophile
divaricata (3), Agonis hypericifolia (2), A. spathulata (2),
Lysinema ciliatum (2), Isopogon cuneatus (1), Adenathos
cuneatus (+).

Stratum 4a: Shrubs 0.0-0.5 m, CC = 12.7, clumping slight
Adenanthos apiculatus (6), Melaleuca striata (2),
Allocasuarina humilis (1), Daviesia alternifolia (1), Banksia
sphaerocarpa var. sphaerocarpa (0.5), B. repens (0.5), Boronia
spathulata (0.5), Astroloma tectum (0.1), A. drummondii
(+), Conospermum petiolare (+), Daviesia incrassata (+),
Leucopogon striatus (+), Stylidium caespitosum (+), S.
imbricatum (+).

Stratum 4b: Misc. plants, CC = 63.2, clumping slight
Annuals: Drosera macrophylla (+), D. microphylla (+).
Parasitic Climbers: Cassytha glabella (+).
Sedges: Mesomelaena stygia (25), Lepyrodia sp. (KRN 10181)
(20), M. tetragona (15), Schoenus sublaxus (2), Anarthria scabra (1), Loxocarya fasciculata (0.1), Caustis dioica (+),
Cyathochaeta clandestina (+), Tetraria octandra (+).

No. of TAXA: 38 LAST BURNT: 40-50 years

MODIFICATION: None evident

LANDFORM

BEDROCK: Granite

ELEMENT: Mid-slope (7-10) of rounded hill 40 m high.

SOIL

GROUP: Duplex

MAIN ORIGIN: In situ weathering DRAINAGE: Good

PROFILE ATTRIBUTE: Shallow SURFACE: Hardsetting

ROCK: Nil

STONE: 5-10% cover of massive laterite, patchy.

PAVEMENT: 5-10% cover of subround ironstone gravel 5-20 mm across.

LITTER: Leaves broad, deposits 3-5 cm thick; leaves narrow, deposits 3-5 cm thick; both intermixed and forming a 50% patchy cover with up

to 2.6 m between patches.

SOIL PROFILE

A 0-12 cm Pale brown loamy sand; friable; inclusions 5-10% of subrounded gravel 1-3 cm across; no obvious weathering zone.

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Banksia baxteri Thicket MUIR: Sc.SAc.SBr.VTr.VLr

Stratum 1: Shrubs 2.1-4 m, CC = 31, clumping moderate
Banksia baxteri (20), Agonis linearifolia (10), B. attenuata
(1).

Stratum 2: Shrubs 1.6-2.0 m, CC = 61, clumping slight
Banksia baxteri (60), Agonis hypericifolia (1).

Stratum 3: Shrubs 1.1-1.5 m, CC = 5.1, clumping moderate
Melaleuca striata (5), Beaufortia empetrifolia (+), Oxylobium
coriaceum (+).

Stratum 4: Shrubs 0.6-1.0 m, CC = 1, clumping slight Calothamnus gracilis (1).

Stratum 5a: Shrubs 0.0-0.5 m, CC = +, clumping none
Dasypogon bromeliifolius (+), Stylidium scandens (+).

Stratum 5b: Misc. plants, CC = 13, clumping moderate

Sedges: Hypolaena exsulca (3), Lyginia barbata (3), Anarthria
scabra (2), Schoenus brevisetis (2), S. subflavus (2),
Caustis dioica (1), Lepidosperma squamatum (+).

No of TAXA: 17 LAST BURNT: >50 years

MODIFICATION: "Die-back" infection

LANDFORM

BEDROCK: Granite

ELEMENT: Colluvial flat

SOIL

GROUP: Deep Sands

MAIN ORIGIN: Colluvial DRAINAGE: Good PROFILE ATTRIBUTE: Deep sand SURFACE: Loose ROCK: Nil STONE: Nil PAVEMENT: Nil LITTER: Leaves broad, deposits 5-8 cm thick, continuous.

SOIL PROFILE

A 0-100 cm Pale grey loamy sand; loose; pH 6.5

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## Agonis linearifolia Low Scrub A

VEGETATION MUIR: SAi.SBi.SCi.SDr.VLc

Shrubs 1.6-1.9 m, CC = 11, clumping strong Stratum 1:

Agonis linearifolia (10), Banksia attenuata (1), Hakea

cucullata (+).

Stratum 2: Shrubs 1.1-1.5 m, CC = 12, clumping slight

Agonis hypericifolia (5), Melaleuca thymoides (5), Burtonia

scabra (2), Hakea ruscifolia (+).

Shrubs 0.6-1.0 m, CC = 27, clumping slight Stratum 3:

Agonis hypericifolia (10), Melaleuca thymoides (5), Beaufortia empetrifolia (3), Jacksonia sericea (3), Adenanthos cuneatus (2), Allocasuarina humilis (1), Calothamnus gracilis (1),

Dillwynia divaricata (1), Petrophile rigida (1).

Stratum 4a: Shrubs 0.0-0.5 m, CC = 12, clumping slight

Beaufortia empetrifolia (2), Conospermum petiolare (2), Dasypogon bromeliifolius (2), Hypocalymma strictum (2),

Leucopogon striatus (2), Astroloma pallidum (1), Calothamnus

gracilis (1).

Stratum 4b: Misc. plants, CC = 45, clumping slight

Parasitic Climbers: Cassytha glabella (+).

Sedges: Anarthria scabra (10), Schoenus brevisetis (10), Hypolaena exsulca (6), Lyginia barbata (6), Cyathochaeta clandestina (5), Caustis dioica (3), Mesomelaena stygia (2),

S. subflavus (2), Lepisosperma squamatum (1).

Sedge-like: Patersonia occidentalis (0.5).

No of TAXA: 29 LAST BURNT: >50 years

MODIFICATION: None known or evident

LANDFORM

BEDROCK: Granite

ELEMENT: Colluvial flat

SOIL

GROUP: Deep Sands

MAIN ORIGIN: Colluvial DRAINAGE: Good PROFILE ATTRIBUTE: Deep sand SURFACE: Loose

ROCK: Nil STONE: Nil PAVEMENT: Nil

LITTER: Leaves broad, deposits 5-8 cm thick under Banksia attenuata; leaves narrow, deposits 1-2 cm thick under Agonis linearifolia.

SOIL PROFILE

0-100 cm Pale grey loamy sand; loose; pH 6.5.

COMMENTS: Agonis linearifolia was restricted to the minor drainage line on colluvial flat.



