Carex preissii

Commonly: No common name

Vascular Plant Family: Cyperaceae

Flowers winter and spring

Carex preissii is a tufted, perennial annual sedge up to 60cm tall with a short rhizome. The stems are compressed up to 1mm wide, rough to the touch in the upper part. The flat leaves are up to 600mm long, and 4mm wide.



The inflorescence is of several green spikes, distant along the stem. Each spike is up to 2.5cm long the upper are female and the lower male. The leaf-like bract supporting the inflorescence is longer than the inflorescence.



The lower spikes in the inflorescence are typically stalked and the upper 2 spikes are usually without a stalk and close together.



The spikelets are greenish-brown, the style is 3-branched. The fruit is up to 4mm long with a short beak



Female flower
3 styles obvious

Young fruit