

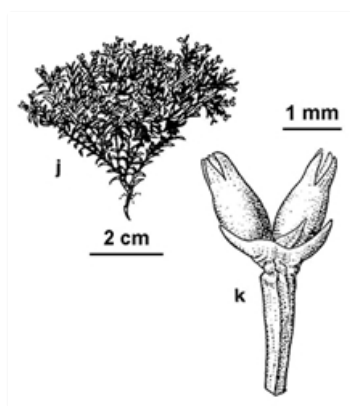
# Plants of South Eastern New South Wales



Flowering plant. Photographer Richar Hartland, Mt Buffalo, Vic



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## Common name

Knawel, Cushion-bush, Two-flowered Knawel

## Family

Caryophyllaceae

## Where found

Dry **forest**, **woodland**, grassy areas, **herbfields**, roadsides, and damp sites. Widespread. Rarely coastal.

## Notes

**Perennial** herb, **prostrate**, forming dense compact mats or cushions to 0.1 m high. Leaves opposite each other, crowded on the upper parts of the stems, 0.2–1.2 cm long, 0.3–2 mm wide, hairless; lower surface **keeled** or not keeled, margins very narrow and membranous, with minute teeth to wavy, tips pointed. Flowers 1–2 mm long, small, green, tubular, with 4 **sepals** and 0 **petals**. **Stamen** 1, about the same length as or longer than the sepals, persisting in the seeding stage. Flowers paired. Each pair of flowers **subtended** by a pair of **bracts** which persist at the seeding stage. Flowering: spring–summer.

All native plants on unleased land in the ACT are protected.

PlantNET description: <http://plantnet.rbgsyd.nsw.gov.au/cgi-bin/NSWfl.pl?page=nswfl&lvl=sp&name=Scleranthus-biflorus> (accessed 6 February, 2021)

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