**Genus-species:** Juncus filicaulis

**Authority:** Buchenau, 1904

**Subordinate taxa:** -

**Synonyms and authority:** -

**Common name:** -

**Section:** Juncotypus

**Threat status (2012):** Naturalised

**NZ distribution:** Mostly Canterbury from Banks Peninsula to Hurunui, also Wellington, Marlborough and Otago.

**Habitat:** Dry hill country grasslands.

**Identification features:** Very slender leafless rush up to 55 cm tall, with 0.5-1.2 mm diameter stems, grey- or blue-green, hard with obvious ridges. **Pith:** when stem is split length ways, pith has distinct holes. **Leaves:** absent, reduced to basal sheaths which are yellow brown, slightly glossy at base. **Flower heads:** tightly clustered spherical head (rarely with up to 3 lateral clusters). **Capsules:** 2-2.5 cm long, red brown. **Tepals:** similar or just longer in length than capsules.

**Similar species:** Smaller with hard, very slender stems compared to most other leafless rushes.