Genus-species: *Juncus subsecundus*

Authority: N.A.Wakef., 1957

Subordinate taxa: -

Synonyms and authority: -

Common name: -

Section: Juncotypus

Threat status (2012): Naturalised

NZ distribution: One site in Auckland City

Habitat: Heavy dryish soils.

**Identification features:** Very slender leafless rush up to 90 cm tall. Stems thin (0.5-1.5 mm), grey green with distinct ridges. **Pith:** when stem is split length ways, pith has distinct holes. **Leaves:** absent, reduced to basal sheaths that are yellow to golden-brown, glossy at the very base. **Flower heads:** open, fan shaped, with branchlets of differing lengths, flowers either evenly distributed along branchlets or clustered. Capsule 2.2-2.8 cm long, golden brown. **Tepals:** similar (±) to length of capsules.

**Similar species:** Can be distinguished from most other leafless rushes by the yellow to golden-brown basal sheaths. *J. ochrocoleus* also has this character but has yellow green unridged stems and a clustered (not fan-shaped) flower head. Also could be confused with *J. usitatus* which differs by bright green to blue-green stems and capsules less than or equal to 2 mm long.