## Ottochloa gracillima

(Poaceae)

Common name:

No common name.

Localities:

Widespread in the district,

where conditions are suitable.

Growth form:

A delicate, trailing, perennial

grass, with stems rooting at the nodes.

Foliage:

Leaf blades are short and narrow, usually less than 3.5 cm long and

4-5 mm broad.

Flowers and fruit:

The inflorescence is a short panicle 3-5 cm long, with 2-4 branches bearing tiny

spikelets.

Habitat:

Common as a ground-cover plant in

moist, shaded situations.

Propagation and Management:

Most readily propagated from lengths of stolon, although propagating from

seed is also a possibility. It

requires little attention other than some shade and some moisture. It may be removed without difficulty, if desired.

General:

With mowing, it will form a fine but

rather open lawn, but other grasses such

as carpet grass invade if light levels

are adequate.

