## \*Galium aparine

## **Commonly: Goosegrass** Vascular Plant Family: Rubiaceae

Flowers winter and spring

\*Galium aparine is a straggling climber, growing up to 3 m long, with slender 4-angled stems. This introduced plant (weed) is a native of Europe. North America, Europe and some parts of Asia.

The flowers are tiny, white, 4-petalled tubes, developing into small round fruits, often borne in clusters of two or three. No flowering plant was observed.



Typically 2 fruits occur together.



arranged in groups (whorls) of 6-8 around the

Its narrow leaves can reach 3 cm long and are stem.







The whole plant is covered in minute hooked hairs.



\*Indicates it is a weed