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NOMENCLATURAL NOTE

In my paper (Aust. J. Bot. 24:281–295. 1976) describing the Australian genus of Restionaceae *Alexgeorgea*, a taxon described as *A. arenicola* S. Carlquist was compared to *Restio nitens* Nees on account of vegetative similarity. *Alexgeorgea arenicola* was held to differ from *R. nitens* because Nees and other authors had claimed aboveground dehiscent fruits for the latter species. However, Dr. L. A. S. Johnson of the National Herbarium, Sydney, has reviewed this question and determined that the alleged fruits of specimens known as *R. nitens* are, in fact, some kind of malformation, perhaps the result of a smut. Consequently, these two taxa may now be regarded as identical, and the earlier species name is proposed as a recombination for the plant described as *Alexgeorgea arenicola*:

***Alexgeorgea nitens*** (Nees) S. Carlquist, comb. nov. (*Restio nitens* Nees, in Lehm., *Plantae Preissianae* 2:59. 1847).

The kindness of Dr. L. A. S. Johnson in calling this situation to my attention is gratefully acknowledged.—Sherwin Carlquist, Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden, Claremont, California 91711.