



Irish Timber Growers Association

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in association with

The Society of Irish Foresters

Field day to Colebrooke Park, Co. Fermanagh

And Favour Royal, Co. Tyrone

Friday, 14th May 2010 - Meet at 10.30am

Meeting Point: Colebrooke Park is situated in County Fermanagh, just off the A4 between Fivemiletown and Brookeborough. **From Dublin** Drive North West on N3 through Navan to Cavan, Follow signs to Clones, Follow signs off this road to the left for Newtownbutler, Drive on through Lisnaskea and in Maguiresbridge turn right on to the A4 – Enniskillen to Belfast road, Drive past the village of Brookeborough, About 2.5 miles later turn left at the sign to Colebrooke (if you cross a bridge over the Colebrooke River you have gone 200 mtrs too far, turn round and take the first right.), Drive 200 mtrs to crossroads and turn right, Drive 200 mtrs and turn left though large gates. For more directions, please see www.colebrooke.info Please meet at 10.30am at the car parking area at the front of the House. Coffee will be provided on arrival, with the compliments of Lord Brookeborough.

Colebrooke Park

Set in a lush 400ha estate, Colebrooke Park has approximately 180ha of mixed woodland and is managed for, amongst other things commercial deer stalking. Issues relating to the conflicts between these apparently incompatible management objectives will be discussed during the morning. **Leaders: Kate Crane & John Hetherington.**

Lunch at 12.30pm - Please bring a Picnic Lunch

Favour Royal

At the forest stop at St Patrick's Chair and Well, we will discuss Forest Service recreational strategy. The site is located in a very steep valley and visitor safety will be discussed. The final stop will review a nearby ancient woodland site. Plantations on Ancient Woodland Sites (PAWS) are an important element in forestry today. We will examine the indicator species that remain on this site and discuss the reasons why it was deemed important to retain the site.

Leaders: Noel Melanaphy and Colin Reilly, Forest Service Northern Ireland

Field-Day ends at 4.30pm approx.

The kind assistance of Lord Brookeborough and the Forest Service Northern Ireland in organising and hosting this event is greatly appreciated