

Society Activities

OUTDOOR MEETINGS SUMMER 1972

Date	Location	Leader and Topic
21 May	Devil's Glen, Co. Wicklow	Mr. P. F. O'Kelly: Management of middle aged crops; amenity area and usage.
4 June	de Vesci Estate, Abbeyleix	Mr. J. Pfeifer: Oak area regeneration and management; arboretum specimens.
9 July	Knockrath, Co. Wicklow	Dr. P. M. Joyce: Regeneration by stool in sessile oak.
9 July	Glenveigh, Co. Donegal	Mr. Paul Hand: Sessile oak regeneration and red deer habitat.
27 Aug.	Killure, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway	Mr. E. O. P. McGuinness: Plantations on reclaimed peatland.
10 Sept.	Killyon, Dunfierth, Enfield, Co. Meath	Messrs O. V. Mooney and J. J. Maher: Plantings on cutover and on high midland peat.

The Annual Study Tour, 12—16 June, based on Bantry, Co. Cork was reported in *Irish Forestry* Vol. 29, No. 2.

INDOOR MEETINGS

Professor Kenneth P. Davis, of Yale University, U.S.A., addressed the Society 19th September 1972, in Dublin. His subject was the Principles of Land Use.

On 1st December 1972 Mr. T. McEvoy, Inspector General, Forest and Wildlife Service, gave an illustrated account of his visit to the Argentine in October 1972. Accompanying the Minister for Lands and the Secretary of the Department to the World Forestry Congress, Mr. McEvoy had the opportunity of seeing a cross section of the country in an organised itinerary. Keen camera work and a forester's eye added a great deal to a story of a forestry programme which was really only at the first faltering stages of implementation. Mr. McEvoy dealt ably with many and enthusiastic questions and the meeting concluded with a warm vote of thanks.

Mr. Wm. E. Matthews, Managing Director of Southern Tree Surgeons Ltd., gave an illustrated talk on Tree Surgery and Maintenance on 23rd February 1973. Showing a great number of slides to illustrate various problems and situations where damage had been done, the desirability of skillful management and expert treatment was clearly underlined. Mr. Matthews showed that intervention at an early stage often saved severe

treatment later. With a greater awareness of trees as elements contributing so much to an environment, Mr. Matthews's talk emphasised the increasing need for skilful arboriculture in its own right.

J. F. DURAND

New Members

Technical:— Messrs R. Browne (Castlebar), S. Carney (Castlebar), T. P. Comer (Tuam), M. P. Davoren (Camolin), M. Donnelly (Boyle), T. Duggan (Mountrath), D. Egan (Kerry), T. McCarthy (Kenmare), S. O'Canainn (Castlebar), J. J. O'Shea (Cork), T. Prendergast (Fermoy), P. Wilson (Longford).

Associate:— Miss C. Hall-Dare (Bunclody), Messrs A. W. Ennis (Cavan), G. Kidney (Enniskillen), J. Kral (Dublin), G. H. Pickles (Creeslough), B. Rogers (Dublin).