Society News

NEW LOGO FOR SOCIETY

The Council of the Society has approved a new logotype which is timely as the Society will celebrate its 50th Anniversary in 1992.

The logo will have a broad application including letterheads, brochures, journal, exhibition stands, membership application forms, educational certificates, etc.

The design uses a silvicultural theme incorporated in the acorn symbol to reflect the Society's main aim – to advance and spread the knowledge of forestry in all its aspects. While the Society continues to evolve and influence change in Irish forestry development, its educational role has remained consistent. In the process it has been able to attract a wide audience from the specialist to the general interest groups.

The designer of the logo is Society P.R.O. Donal Magner. His previous designs for the Society include Foresters/



Educational Award Certificate, exhibition magazines and logos for Wood Ireland and Forestry '88 shows.

A former forester in Laragh he is now Communications Co-ordinator with Coillte.

Sincerest thanks are due to Donal for the time and effort he spent on the design and we must highly compliment him on the outcome.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Minutes of the 48th Annual General Meeting Thursday 5th April, 1990 Agricultural Building, University College Dublin

The President, Mr. W. Wright in the chair.

Attendance

J. McLoughlin, F. Mulloy, E. P. Farrell, L. Furlong, A. J. van der Wel, A. Pfeifer, J. Fennessy, D. Magner, P. Breathnach, J. Durand, M. O'Brien, P. Doolan, G. Gallagher, N. O Carroll and E. Hendrick.

Apologies

K. Collins and R. Whelan.

Secretary's Business

The minutes of the Forty Seventh AGM were read. The sentence under Any Other Business: 'F. Mulloy stressed the need to issue Certificates to Coillte's Foresters before the EC reciprocal recognition of qualification in 1992' was amended to read: 'F. Mulloy stressed the need to seek to have Certificates issued to Coillte's Foresters before the EC recognition of qualifications in 1992'. The minutes were then signed.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

The President stated that the suggestion from the previous AGM that An Post should be approached to issue a stamp to commemorate the fiftieth anniversary of the Society was being pursued.

Following a suggestion at the previous AGM the Society has become affiliated to the Tree Council of Ireland. Alistair Pfeifer has been appointed the Society's representative on the Council.

The Foresters Certificates mentioned at the last AGM have been printed and were to be presented at the symposium.

Preliminary work has been done on the proposed Society Tour to North America and a number of organisations have been approached for sponsorship.

Council Report 1989

The report having been circulated to members was taken as read. F. Mulloy and N. O Carroll congratulated the council on organising the successful Wood Ireland Exhibition at Belfield in October and proposed and seconded the report.

Abstract Accounts

The Hon. Treasurer presented the Society's audited accounts for 1989. He informed the meeting that currently the accounts were in a healthy state, mainly as a result of the increased subscription rate from the beginning of 1990. Adoption of the accounts was proposed by J. Durand and seconded by G. Gallagher. At this point the President paid thanks to the outgoing council for their work during the year.

Confirmation of Elections

The meeting confirmed the 1989 Council Elections as follows: President, W. J. Wright; Vice-President, E. P. Farrell; Hon. Secretary, K. Collins; Hon. Treasurer, K. Hutchinson; Editor, A. Pfeifer; Business Editor, J. Gilliland; Public Relations Officer, D. Magner; Hon. Auditor, W. H. Jack; Technical Councillors, P. Breathnach, P. Doolan, J. Neilan; Associate Councillor, L. Furlong.

Motion

That the annual subscription rate for retired members, over the age of 65, be set at 50% of the rate for working members. The new retired members' rate being optional and to come into effect from 1st January 1991.

Proposed by C. Kilpatrick.

Seconded by M. O'Brien.

Following discussion an amended motion was put to the meeting: That the annual subscription rate for members over the age of 65 be set at half the current rate. The rate being optional and to come into effect from the 1st January 1991. The amended motion was passed unanimously.

Any Other Business

N. O Carroll suggested that the directions to authors in *Irish Forestry* should include the stipulation that material which has been published elsewhere should not be submitted for consideration by the editor of *Irish Forestry*.

E. Hendrick stated that the Society had made a submission to the Cutaway Bog Committee established by the Minister for Energy.

A new Society logotype, designed by Donal Magner, will appear on all Society material. The President paid thanks to D. Magner for his work.

The Editor, Alistair Pfeifer appealed to Society members for articles for *Irish Forestry*. He pointed out that these need not be of a research nature and articles on any topic will be considered.

There was discussion on the need for the Society to develop a voice in professional forestry matters. The President pointed out that a Constitution Committee had been convened under the previous council and it was anticipated that its work would be continued by the incoming council.

> E. Hendrick (for K. Collins, Hon. Secretary).