

AGENDA

THINNING AND HARVESTING YOUR WOODLANDS

Thursday 9th March 10:30 – 15:15 approx
Meadows farm, Cornhill, Banff, AB45 2DB

Time	Speaker	Topics
10:30	Simon Jacyna SAC Forestry Consultant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction & Welcome - House-keeping - Why thinning is important
10:40	Ivan & Louise Owen Owner and forest managers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Introduction - Why we planted the farm - Why we thinned it - On-farm firewood production
10:50	Mike Davis Woodland owner and farm forester.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Forwarder demo (static); converting your tractor for forestry use; grants for capital equipment.
11.00 – 13.00	Woodland Walk	
	Maida Ballerini Forestry Commission (FSC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Water crossing points, diffuse pollution
	Simon Jacyna SAC Forestry Consultant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What is thinning? How to organise a sale. - VP sitka - Loading and access requirements - Planning permission - Bellmouth design, Infrastructure grants
	Cameron Gillies Euroforest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Economics of thinning - Markets – where does your tree go? - What the timber merchant is looking for. - Practical considerations, thinning pattern, internal access ; ground protection; types of machinery - Mark your own thinning practical exercise, for second thinning. - Powerline – hazards & constraints
	Paul Chapman SAC Conservation Consultant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wildlife considerations – protected species, timing of work - Opportunities for bio-diversity
	Ian Cowe Forestry Commission (FCS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Felling licenses & regulation
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch	Forbes Arms, Rothiemay, AB54 7LT
14.00 – 15.00	Ian Cowe Forestry Commission (FCS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Woodland Creation
	Paul Chapman SAC Conservation Consultant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AECS - Conservation opportunities
	Simon Jacyna	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Silviculture & Budgets for woodland creation
15:00 – 15.15		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fill in evaluation Forms - Handouts given - Close of day