

**The Society of Irish Foresters**  
*in association with*  
**Forest Service (NI) Retired Staff**

**Northern Field Day**

**Tynan Abbey, Tynan, Co Armagh**

**Friday, 19 May 2017 at 10.30am**

**Directions:** Tynan Abbey is beside the village of Tynan and will be signposted from the village

**Meeting Point:** We will meet in the courtyard of Tynan Abbey, where tea/coffee will be provided on arrival.

**Participants are advised to bring suitable clothing and footwear**

Our visit will begin with an introduction to Tynan Abbey and its woodland by Mr Peter Mant. The woodland at Tynan Abbey is 400ha in extent and home to several of Ireland's 'Champion Trees' including ash, beech, coast redwood, western red cedar and yew species. Aubrey Fennell, Tree Register of Ireland, will guide us through the 'champions'. Topics for discussion during the course of the morning will include the restoration of the broadleaved woodland and the value of diverse species in woodland.

**13.00 Lunch: Please bring packed lunch, tea/coffee will be provided**

14.00 Our afternoon visit will be with the Forest Service at Derrycourtney property situated 2.5 miles from Caledon on the Aughnacloy road where our host will be Kenny Acheson, Forest Service. The theme of the visit will be the Forest Services' recently published practice guide *Tree Safety Management* which explains how it has zoned forests and how it has subsequently managed these different zones.

**16.00** – Field day ends.

*The assistance of Kate Kingan, Tynan Abbey and the Forest Service (NI) in facilitating and organising this event is greatly appreciated.*

*This event is worth 30 CPD points to those registered on the Society of Irish Foresters' CPD Programme*