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NEWSLETTER

JULY 1982

1) Annual Dinner - Friday 6th August.

The Annual Dinner will be held at the Lake Karrinyup Country Club on Friday 6th August.

Although the ravages of inflation have forced us to raise our prices since the last dinner we felt that you would accept this in the knowledge that it will remain a quality evening.

The price per head includes pre-dinner drinks, a 4 course meal with choice of dishes plus music during and after the dinner.

Details

Pre-dinner drinks - 7.15pm

Dinner commences - 7.45pm

Cost - \$20/head. Includes pre-dinner drinks.

Wines and other beverages can be purchased from the club bar.

Dress - Lounge or dinner suit.

R.S.V.P. - July 27th.

Please complete the attached slip and forward with cheques (payable to I.F.A. (W.A.)) to:

The Secretary,  
I.F.A.  
C/- Forests Department,  
P.O. Box 733,  
BUNBURY. W.A. 6230

2) Meetings - The next meeting will be held at the Bunbury Regional Office on 29th July at 7.30pm. This meeting will be in the form of a panel discussion on how others see the forestry profession. Panel speakers will be:

Dr. H. Schapper - Faculty of Agriculture U.W.A.  
Dr. D. Bennett - Div. of Land Resource Management C.S.I.R.O.  
Miss P. Hussey - Mercedes College, Perth.

Please make an effort to attend and make this meeting a success.

3) Previous Panel Discussions

The meetings at Bunbury and Como were reasonably well attended and stimulated some useful comments. We will be endeavouring to summarize these for inclusion in the Newsletter.

4) Information on the I.F.A.

The recent panel discussions highlighted a need to inform new members on what the Institute aims are. Included with this Newsletter is an extract from the Newsletter of the International Union of Foresters (to which the I.F.A. now belongs) which gives a brief outline of the development of the I.F.A. What is needed is an induction booklet to be given to all members as they join. Are there any members who can write an induction book final draft?

5) Extension Courses

Unfortunately due to insufficient enrolments the U.W.A. course did not proceed. A series in Spring 1983 is being looked at. The Bunbury courses are now underway with 25 people attending. We thank those members who have agreed to act as lecturers.

6) New Land Release in W.A.

Eric Hopkins has been interacting with the Institute of Agricultural Science on this issue. A meeting has been held with the Minister for Lands and a report may be available at the meeting on July 29th.

7) Membership

The current membership in the W.A. Division is 136. We welcome recent members Gary Brennan, Tammie Reid, Kevin Salway, Steve Grasso and Tony Brandis (Associate).

Members will have received 1982/83 membership dues notices, these should be paid directly to Canberra not via the divisional branch secretary.

8) Budget 1982/83

IFA Council has requested we submit proposals for our 1982/83 petty cash demands. If any member has requirements for petty cash or intends to undertake any institute activities requiring finance in 1982/83 they should notify the Secretary by 25/7/82.

9) Members Contributions

I welcome the first contribution to the Newsletter by Chris Done and hope its a sign of things to come. Additional contributions or comments for inclusion in the August Newsletter should be forwarded to Ian Kealley by the end of the month.

Arbor Day in the East Kimberley - By C.C. Done

On Friday the 11th of June, Arbor Day was celebrated here in both the most northerly town in the state and the most easterly District High School in the state.

Although there are more northerly schools than those at Wyndham (for example at Kalumburu Mission) Wyndham enjoys the distinction of being the state's top town and although Eucla is closer (at 12 km) to the border I doubt if it boasts a District High School as Kununurra does, just 30km west of the 129° line of longitude.

In Wyndham an enthusiastic group of Aboriginal students at St. Joseph's Convent planted "class" trees under the watchful eye and under the direction of Forester Ian Scott, who provided not only the trees but the commemorative name plates to record the event, and the trickle irrigation system to keep the trees going until the onset of the "wet" in about 6 months time.

At Kununurra I briefly addressed the assembled school on the significance of Arbor Day and the Year of the Tree. The address had to be brief since the assembly was held out of doors in 35°C heat. Immediately after my talk "class" trees were distributed and seed carrying balloons were launched by the excited children. This provided a colourful spectacle which will long be remembered by not only the children but also the teachers, parents and visitors.

Following this the primary school children planted class groups of trees identified by commemorative plaques. A large number of Kimberley native, other Australian and exotic trees and shrubs were brought along for planting by the children, in addition to those provided by myself. Some fruit trees such as mango, lime and cashew were included and these should be appreciated by future generations of school children.

*Ian Kealley*

IAN KEALLEY  
Hon. Secretary.

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I/WE will be attending the I.F.A. Dinner on Friday 6th August.

NAME(s) .....

REMITTANCE.....

SIGNED.....

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AUGUST 1981

**THE INSTITUTE OF FORESTERS OF AUSTRALIA INC.**

The first two objects of the Institute are:

- to advance and protect the cause of forestry, and
- to create and maintain a high standard of qualification in persons engaged in the practice of forestry

The Institute was founded in 1935 by a group of Australian Foresters led by Dr. Max Jacobs and Mr W. D. Muir, who drew up articles of association under the Commonwealth of Australia Companies Ordinance 1931-1935, from which the present Constitution is derived. The first issue of Australian Forestry was published in 1936, originally half yearly then quarterly from 1964. The Institute News letter was inaugurated in 1951, again originally half yearly but increasing after 33 issues to quarterly from 1963.

The constitution was revised in 1967 under the chairmanship of Mr N. W. Lewis, South Australia, and the Institute incorporated as an Association under the provisions of the Associations Incorporation Act 1956-1965 South Australia. The membership provisions of the constitution were amended in 1979, mainly to admit diplomates of the Victorian School of Forestry as full members but also to allow of some discretion to Council in recognition of appropriate educational qualifications for full membership, in view of the trend to diversification of available educational institutions and courses.

The management of the Institute and the control of its funds and property under the Constitution is vested in Council, which comprises the elected Chairmen of the several Divisions one of whom is elected by them as President, for each biennium. Terms of office are restricted to a maximum of two consecutive periods. Each State of the Commonwealth of Australia; and the Australian Capital Territory together with the Northern Territory, New Guinea and other overseas members; constitutes a Division, making a total of seven (7) Divisions and members of Council.

Each Division is organised into up to three (3) geographical Branches, each with an elected Branch Chairman and Committee. The Branch Chairmen are ex-officio members of the elected Divisional Committee. Divisional and Branch Secretaries are appointed by the Chairman.

Council has an honorary secretary and an honorary business manager, both appointed by Council. The business of Council is carried out by a Proxy Council made up of the President and proxy members from his Division nominated by the other full Council members, normally meeting monthly with annual meetings of full Council.

Council is assisted by an Honours Committee, an Education Committee, an Editorial Committee including the Editor of Australian Forestry, and a Newsletter editor, while the President and two members of Proxy Council constitute a Finance Committee.

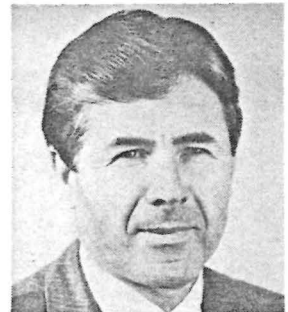
Almost 2,000 members of various classifications have been admitted since formation of the Institute, and current membership is 1,270. Membership includes full Members, Student Members, Associates, Fellows and Honorary Members. The N.W. Jolly Medal may be awarded annually for outstanding contribution to forestry in Australia. Various prizes and awards are given both to recognise individual achievement and further forestry education and experience.

Nine National Conferences have been held in 1954 and 1958 (Canberra), 1962 (Melbourne), 1965 (Hobart), 1968 (Perth), 1971 (Thredbo N.S.W.), 1974 (Caloundra Qld.), 1977 (Adelaide) and 1980 (combined with N.Z. Institute of Foresters in Rotorua, N.Z.). The next Conference will be held in Victoria in 1983, and it is planned that thereafter Conferences will be held biennially with the first in Tasmania in 1985.

A National Forest Policy statement was produced in 1970, other policy

statements have since been developed on Wood Chip Production, Conifer Planting, Gene Resources and Wilderness, and further statements including policies on Rainforests, and National Parks, are actively being developed to meet the need for an Institute stance on important policy matters in Australian Forestry.

Divisions are active in developing and publicising matters of Institute concern, including recent publication of an Institute statement on Bauxite mining in the W.A. Jarrah forests, and on the Decline of Trees in the Rural landscape in Victoria associated with a National Focus on Farm Trees Conference organised recently in Melbourne by the Victorian Division.



Mr R. FREE  
President of the Australian Institute

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