For they are jolly good Lane Poole Fellows

FOUR CALM staff members have been elected as Fellows of the C E Lane Poole Memorial Trust.

Recipients of the Fellowships, who had won annual study awards for the past three years, were: Kelmscott forest management staff members Merve Smith and Derek Winters, Kelmscott District landscape planning officer Alan Hordacre and Manjimup Research Centre technical officer Mike Cully.

The 1992 awardees Merv Smith and Derek Winters used their study awards to jointly study computerised forest planning systems in the Australian Capital Territory, Victoria and Tasmania.

The 1993 awardee Alan Hordacre studied landscape management and timber harvesting in Tasmania and Victoria.

The 1994 awardee Mike Cully, (see p.5 June-July CALM NEWS) will visit by Greg Heberle

New Zealand, Tasmania, South Australia, Victoria and Queensland to study aspects of tree breeding, mainly relating to radiata pine and bluegum.

A function was held at Crawley to celebrate the occasion and present commemorative certificates to the winners of the Fellowships.

Chairman of the Trustees Dr Syd Shea opened proceedings and outlined the history of the Trust and the man after whom it is named.

The awards were established in 1983 to provide opportunities for foresters to study in the eastern states, and to perpetuate the memory of Charles Edward Lane Poole, first Conservator of Forests (1917-1922) in Western Australia.

Lane Poole was appointed in 1916 to Head the Woods and Forests Department, set up some twenty years earlier as part of the Lands Department.

In 1918 he drafted the Forests Act which came into force in January 1919, and he was responsible for the initial dedications of State forest and for formulating forest regulations.

He was also closely involved in the start of research into pulp and paper manufacture in Western Australia, initially at the Perth Technical School.

Fellowship award certificates were presented by Denis Cullity the Chairman of Westralian Forest Industries Limited (WESFI), which has been the chief financial contributor to the study award scheme since it was set up in 1983.

Mr Cullity then gave a potted history of the award and WESFI's involvement.

When his father, the late Thomas Cullity, graduated from the University of Western Australia as a Civil Engineer in 1918, Lane Poole promptly offered him a newly created position of utilisation officer in the Forests Department.

After a year with the Forests Department, he resigned, but he maintained an interest in forestry and timber for the rest of his life, was founder of Cullity Timbers in 1928 and Westralian Plywoods in 1943; WESFI was formed from these companies.

Since 1983, there have been nine other CALM field staff who have won awards. They were:

- 1983 Paul Marsh, Ray Fremlin
- 1984 Graeme Hutchinson
- 1986 Gerard Van Didden, Tony Brandis
- 1987 Peter Keppel
- 1989 Greg Voigt
- 1990 Andre Rynasewyez
- 1991 Greg Mair.



A forest of fine Fellows



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From left to right, they are: Derek Winters, principal health and safety officer Tom Wood, Mervyn Smith, Alan Hordacre, Michael Cully and CALM's Executive Director

Dr Syd Shea. See story page 3. Photo by Greg Wood