

TREE HEALTH DAY

Date:

Thursday 19 September 2013

Time:

0930-1600 hrs

Location:

Duns Golf Club
Hardens Road, Duns
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There will be no charge for this event.

Tea, coffee and a light lunch will be provided.

Forest Research New tree Pests and Diseases

Current outbreaks February 2013

Phytophthora austrocedrae
Acute Oak Decline
Chalara dieback of ash
Oak Processionary Moth
Asian longhorn beetle
Sweet chestnut blight
Phytophthora ramorum in larch
Phytophthora lateralis
Pine-tree Lappet Moth

Widespread throughout Britain

Dothistroma needle blight
Horse Chestnut bleeding canker and leaf miner
Great spruce bark beetle

Web link to Chalara dieback information: <http://ymls.be/24PQewz0k>
Phytophthora video - "Stop the spread" 18:37 mins: <http://ymls.be/24PQewz0k>
Phytophthora page on Forestry Commission website: www.forestry.gov.uk/phytophthora

www.forestry.gov.uk/pestsanddiseases

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This seminar will provide the opportunity for you to hear the latest information on the new (and sometimes old) pests and diseases threatening our trees and forests. Speakers will explain the current situation in Scotland, ongoing monitoring work, biosecurity requirements, and there will be a site visit to view pest and disease issues (including Chalara dieback of ash) in the field.

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0930 – Registration, tea/coffee

1000 - Welcome and introduction – Steve Penny, Forest Research

1010 - Overview and Scottish context – Hugh Clayden, Forestry Commission Scotland

1030 – Current pathology threats to tree species in Scotland – Including Chalara Dieback of Ash, Phytophthora (affecting larch and other species) and DNB in pine - Dr Steven Hendry, Forest Research

– **Tree health monitoring** – The basics of what to look for as indicators of when things may be going wrong as a result of pests or disease; how to monitor these; how to report them and to whom - Dr Steven Hendry, Forest Research

1130 – Comfort break (Tea/Coffee)

1145 – Insect pests of trees in Scotland: the auld and the new – including Great spruce bark beetle, Green spruce aphid & Oak processionary moth - Dr Roger Moore, Forest Research

1230 – GB overview and biosecurity measures – what does it mean for you – Nick Mainprize, FC Plant Health

1300 – Lunch and prepare for field visit

1345 – Site visit – practical biosecurity measures (Paddy Robertson, FCS Tree Health) and visit to local site to view pest and disease issues in the field including Chalara infected ash – Dr Steven Hendry & Dr Roger Moore, Forest Research

1600 – Finish

Clothing for site visit: Attendees should bring suitable outdoor clothing for the site visit in the afternoon. To assist with **biosecurity** measures, it would be helpful if attendees ensure that their footwear is clean before arrival (no attached mud etc). Wellington boots are most suitable. All footwear will be subject to appropriate cleaning/disinfection procedures prior to and after the site visit. Visits may be to operational work sites therefore delegates are asked to bring high viz waistcoat/jacket and hard hat. Thank you for your help.