

2022 Forestry Events

The year of hybrid events – outdoors and webinars

While there is still an air of uncertainty about the Covid-19 pandemic at the time of writing, the mood is much more optimistic about organising field days and other outdoor events for 2022. ITGA led the way in 2021 by holding the first field day in Clonad Wood on July 23. The Association is combining outdoor events with webinars in 2022.

The four free webinars in November 2021 were a huge success and these will be followed up with six more webinars in 2022, thanks to the support of the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine and *Irish Farmers Journal*. In addition we are holding six field days so this combination of events provides members and wider stakeholders – who are welcome to join the webinars – with a broad range of topics. Those who wish to attend should Google FORESTRY.IE or click on www.forestry.ie/insights to register. Webinars begin at 10.00am and conclude at 11.30am with time allowed for questions.

We haven't been able to finalise details on a number of events at the time of writing but full details will be made available to members well in advance of all events.



ITGA field days in 2021: Justin Good with his Kunekune pigs in Derryhoo forest (top left); Swinford forest (top right) with Western Forestry Co-op and Lagan wood led by Paddy O'Reilly (above).

Date	Event	Location	Contact
Postponed	Trees as a carbon repository.	ITGA webinar	FORESTRY.IE
Feb 10	Forest fires – prevention and control.	ITGA webinar	FORESTRY.IE
Feb 24	Encouraging biodiversity in your forest.	ITGA webinar	FORESTRY.IE
Mar 3	Society of Irish Foresters, Augustine Henry Lecture.	National Botanic Gardens, Dublin.	www.societyofirishforesters.ie
Mar 10	Forest valuation	ITGA webinar	FORESTRY.IE
Mar 21-27	National Tree Week	Nationwide	www.treecouncilofireland.ie
Apr 8	ITGA field day on timber processing.	Murray Timber Group, Ballygar, Co. Galway	www.itga.ie
Apr 22	Society of Irish Foresters AGM and field day.	Mullingar	www.societyofirishforesters.ie
May 6	Proposed ITGA/Devenish field day.	Devenish, Dowth Hall, Co. Meath.	www.itga.ie
May 9-14	PEFC members' meeting on how the forest products sector can help mitigate climate change and contribute to achieving the UN SDGs (May 12) followed by a two day field trip to Wicklow and the Slieve Blooms.	the Royal Marine Hotel, Dun Laoghaire and forests in Wicklow and the Slieve Blooms.	pefcireland@protonmail.com www.pefc.ie
May 24-28	Society of Irish Foresters annual study tour.	Northern Italy	www.societyofirishforesters.ie
June 10	Society of Irish Foresters field day	Co. Waterford	www.societyofirishforesters.ie
June 17	ITGA/IForUT field day. Forest Management and Certification day, incorporating ITGA AGM in Bridge House Hotel, Tullamore.	Clonad Wood, Tullamore, Co. Offaly	www.itga.ie
Sep 20-22	Forestry Village, National Ploughing Championships.	Ratheniska, Co. Laois.	www.npa.ie
Sep 24	ITGA/IForUT field day on forest food and wild food foraging.	Clonad Wood, Tullamore, Co. Offaly	www.societyofirishforesters.ie
Sep 29	Society of Irish Foresters national forestry conference.	Johnstown Estate Hotel, Enfield.	www.societyofirishforesters.ie
Oct 6	National Tree Day	Nationwide	www.treecouncilofireland.ie
Oct 6	Society of Irish Foresters, Sean McBride Lecture.	University College Dublin.	www.societyofirishforesters.ie
Oct 7	ITGA field day	Brookfield Farm, Coolbawn, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary.	www.itga.ie
Oct 21	Joint ITGA/Western Forestry Co-op field day in northwest.	Venue to be decided	www.itga.ie
Nov 3	Timber sales systems for private forest owners.	ITGA webinar	FORESTRY.IE
Nov 17	Continuous cover forestry management.	ITGA webinar	FORESTRY.IE