

## **Demonstration Day - 20 November 2015**

at The Simpson Institute, 47 Main Street, Upper Largo, Fife KY8 6EN and later at Wester Balcormo KY8 5QF and Downfield KY15 7TG

10.00 – 10.30	Coffee and networking
10.30 – 10.40	Introduction and welcome – <i>Jonathan Whitehead,</i> Dick Playfair
10.40 – 10.55	The deer farming enterprise at Wester Balcormo – Nick Gilmour
11.00 – 11.25	Feeding farmed deer for profitable production – Alan Sneddon, Venison Advisory Service Ltd
11.30 – 11.45	The Downfield deer enterprise and abattoir - Bob Prentice
11.50 – 12.15	The year at Culquoich (demonstration deer farm 2014), breeding for stock and breeding for venison – <i>Ali Loder</i>
12.20 – 12.40	Questions
12.45 – 13.30	Lunch, then transfer to Wester Balcormo
13.30 – 15.45	Visit to Wester Balcormo

- Visit to Downfield

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## Important information for those attending

## **Parking**

Please park considerately at The Simpson Institute and as directed at Wester Balcormo and Downfield.

#### Lunch

A light lunch is provided. Those with special dietary requirements/ food allergies etc are asked to bring their own lunch as special requirements cannot be catered for.

## Numbers, registration, booking ahead

Please ensure that <u>everyone attending</u> signs the registration sheet on the day to ensure that the Project organisers can contact you about future relevant activities and open days and also for reporting purposes.

## Safety

Wester Balcormo and Downfield are working farms – please observe all safety notices and instructions during the visits.

# Clothing, footwear etc

Please bring suitable outdoor clothing and footwear for the afternoon session. Foot dips and brushes will be available and must be used for bio-security. Please also ensure that vehicles have been cleaned.

## On-farm hygiene

All are asked to comply with simple on farm hygiene instructions.

### Event notes and papers

We do not provide accompanying notes for the project days. Powerpoint, presentations will be available on the project website following each event.

There is a *Feedback Form* for completion following the morning session. Comments on the afternoon session can be given online.

### **Contact and more information:**

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