

## FORESTRY COMMISSION

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Dear James

I enjoyed the productive and friendly meeting we had over the new planting proposals at the west end of the Bennachie range and thank you for your co-operation.

Thanks also for your note on the errors in the Bennachie leaflet. I suppose this is the penalty of plagiarism, but the information I got all came from other sources. I think the Leopard supplied the number of neighbouring estates but, believe it or not, the information about George Esson dying in 1938 came from your goodself! The illustration of the Thieves Mark was a little artistic licence by the artist who felt it needed a little tarting up! I am grateful to you for pointing out the errors and they could all have been avoided had I asked you to check the text. Sadly it didn't occur to me at the time.

We have another little pamphlet coming out shortly entitled "Tree Recognition from the Donview Centre" but I don't think there should be anything the least bit controversial in it. I'll send you a copy when it arrives from the printers.

Hope to see you at some of the Bailies meetings one of these fine days.

Yours sincerely

R J R Marnie District Officer