

HONORARY MEMBER: DUNCAN MACINTYRE

The Institute does not lightly confer Honorary Membership on those whom it considers worthy of such recognition. Many people, by virtue of their official position, are effective in "furthering the profession of forestry".

However, some strive beyond the immediate demands of their particular role to enhance the position of forestry and foresters, both within New Zealand and abroad. Such a man is Duncan MacIntyre. As a farm forester, local body official, Minister of Forests and Minister for the Environment, he has shown empathy and enthusiasm for forestry principles, both at the local land use level and in international forums.

During a period when interest in all aspects of environmental planning and natural resource use received an unprecedented amount of attention from the public, he represented the Government wisely and well. Through frequent excursions into the field, he was able to keep in contact with what foresters, land managers and the public were thinking or supporting. Translating these wishes into legislation, or representing New Zealand's case at national or world forums, was undertaken both skilfully and with lasting results.

Many Institute members benefited from the ease with which the Minister could be approached at the meetings and functions which he always appeared to enjoy attending. Election to the role of Honorary Member will, it is hoped, ensure that such contacts continue for many years to come.