



“I enjoy the broad and the radical approach to woodland issues. RS makes woodland issues accessible to a wide range of people, and gets them interested in woodland activities.”

“[As a member of RS I am] part of an organisation devoted to a natural, sustainable Scotland, - and it has more than met my expectations. I continue to be an RS member in order to support further progress.”

“RS does what matters and I like the people involved.”

“Free, forward thinking and challenges the status quo.”

quotes from members' survey in March 2007

# Reforestation Scotland

**Annual Report 2006-2007**

with approved annual accounts



# Introduction

## Our vision

“A reforested Scotland with a diverse and sustainable forest culture and economy”

## Our mission

Reforestation Scotland supports the restoration of Scotland’s deforested land to ecologically healthy and productive forestry, bringing benefits to communities directly through the creation of local job opportunities and the improvements of their surroundings, to the Scottish community by producing more woodland products and attracting visitors, and to the health of the natural environment itself.



Staff and Directors on retreat at The Great Escape, Aberfeldy. March 2007

# Director's Review

For any organisation “Relevance” is the key concern. If a body loses touch with what is relevant and important - it will lose purpose, membership and impact. This last year has provided ample evidence that Reforesting Scotland, and the work that it does, is of profound relevance to Scotland and the wider environment.

When we met at The Gathering in 2006, the focus of attention was on the changes needed in society to meet the challenges of our time: peak oil; global warming; and how to generate a true sense of stewardship for the planet we live on through the way we lead our lives.

Although some justifiable anger and frustration was felt as we considered the state of the world today, Reforesting Scotland does so much more than wring its hands and stamp its feet. We explore and show others some possible solutions

During the year we have watched with joy at the progress being made by David Blair and his colleagues in developing the idea of sustainable living in “forest villages” in Argyll. Through “Woods for All” we have learned how reconnecting with the wild wood can bring real benefits in health and confidence for all parts of the community. The Blarbuie hospital project continues to be an inspiration for other parts of the health and forestry sectors. In our “Rural Alternatives” project we have seen how local woodlands can contribute to a local and sustainable economy. The Journal remains at the forefront of journalism exploring sustainable living.

During the year we also explored through a questionnaire how RS’s membership contributes to a better understanding of “what can be done”. We are excited by the probability that amongst us we have many examples of simple actions, and bold steps, that individually many of us have already made that may show a much wider public what is possible - and how such changes in lifestyle are not only necessarily kinder to the world on which we depend; but are also kinder to us and increase our own well being and sense of purpose.

During the year there has been a welcome increase in interest in RS’s local days. Sharing experience and entering into dialogue with each other is as important as more practical demonstrations of sustainable living. The support we give each other - and the challenge that the ideas and thoughts of others can bring to our own thinking - is critical to our personal growth and capacity for having continuing impact on the society in which we live.

..which brings me back to reflections on The Gathering. These events have become valuable for a range of reasons: for meeting and development of “community”; for learning and developing understanding; for relaxation and re-charging of energy levels. But, there are times when the event transcends these levels of discourse. We find ourselves genuinely as part of a “movement”. We sense direction and change. It flows through us.

Perhaps most of all, we feel ourselves to be part of the change we know is essential for Scotland today. Gandhi famously and wonderfully said “you must be the change you wish to see in the world”. That is where much of Reforesting Scotland’s authority comes from.

And it remains true that we can change the world with what we do. The biggest mistake any of us can make - individually or collectively - is to do nothing from fear of doing too little.

*Roddy Fairley, Chair of Reforesting Scotland*

September 2007

# Activities

## 1.1 Members' activities

The very successful 2006 Annual Gathering was held in the village of Falkland in Fife from 6-8 October. This year's theme was 'Low Energy Living and Stewardship of the Land', tying in with both the latest issue of Reforesting Scotland (Issue 35 'Rethinking Energy') and the work of the Falkland Centre for Stewardship. The weekend included a tour of ecological buildings in the Fife area, a fascinating presentation of green mapping (charts of cultural and environmental features of a local area by the people who live there) and workshops on local land use and Scotland's pulp and paper industry. Members also explored the role that Reforesting Scotland has in addressing the fundamental challenges of our time: those of peak oil and climate change, through a workshop facilitated by Journal editor Mandy Meikle and Journal designer Karen Grant.

Apple market outside Falkland Palace (above); Eco-renovation at Freuchie: one of this year's buildings of the forest



Next year's annual gathering will be themed 'Tree planting in a changing climate' and aims to raise awareness of the many important roles that planting trees has for the environment, the economy, communities and for our long-term climate. The Gathering will be held in Ullapool, where Reforesting Scotland started in 1991, from 28 – 30 September.

Members' local days are organised by members for members and other interested people to network and to visit interesting woodland, community and eco-building projects in a members' 'local area'. A 'local day' will take place in April and will include visits to the Chippendale International School of Furniture, the Pishwanton Project, an earthship at Blinkbonny Wood, Amisfield Walled Garden, the new timber HQ of the Scottish Ornithological Club at Aberlady, and Treewrights, a project which aims to utilise home-grown Scottish hardwoods and softwoods in the production of traditionally crafted buildings and structures. More local days are being organised, including an event in Glasgow in August and in the Clyde Valley in Spring 2008.



## 1.2 Policy work

In 2007, Reforesting Scotland was a member of several policy forums including Scottish Environment LINK, the Forestry Commission working group considering the implementation of the climate change targets within the Scottish Forestry Strategy, and the new Forest Policy Group which it helped to establish. The Forest Policy Group (FPG), which comprises independent experts and grass-roots forestry and community-based organisations, held its inaugural meeting in February 2007. The FPG aims to take an independent and pro-active role in ensuring forestry policy continues to represent the interests of local environments, communities and economies – filling a gap left by the closure of the Forestry for People Panel. In December 2006, Reforesting Scotland withdrew from Scottish Environment LINK due to LINK's steep pricing policy that discriminates against smaller specialist environmental organisations. This is an issue that Reforesting Scotland and other groups have contested over several years. The Directors of Reforesting Scotland agreed that the Forestry Policy Group will be better placed to represent Reforesting Scotland's interests on more equitable terms.

Reforesting Scotland has also been keenly involved in the development and consultation of the new Scottish Forestry Strategy and the Scottish Forestry Grant Scheme, the Government enquiry into biomass, and

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contributing to an important debate on the role of the Scottish Forest Estate. We ensured that the formal LINK response insisted that the State has an important role in demonstrating best practice, in social and environmental terms, for all its activities, also its economic activities. We are continuing to work to ensure that forestry supports sustainable communities, and contributes towards wider Scottish Executive goals such as climate change, energy efficiency and health and well-being. Details of our policy positions can be viewed and downloaded from the 'policy' section of our website ([www.reforestingscotland.org/policy/index.php](http://www.reforestingscotland.org/policy/index.php)).

## 1.3 Raising our profile

In the last year an increasing emphasis has been placed on raising awareness of all the work that Reforesting Scotland is doing.

A new colour leaflet and new display material was produced in June 2006. The leaflets have been widely distributed through RS members, events and the Community Woodland Association. The display material has been used at events including the Edinburgh International Festival, where it is the featured environmental organisation at the Edinburgh Quaker meeting house.

Reforesting Scotland has also produced a stunning new exhibition that celebrates a selection of its major achievements over the past 16 years, and looks forward to the future as it engages in diverse contemporary issues, from sustainable living and affordable rural housing to climate change. The exhibition consists of twelve attractive and informative panels and is available now for loan to suitable venues, including local museums, libraries, community centres and other public spaces. With preliminary outings at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Edinburgh and the Community Woodland Conference in Ardnamurchan, it will be formally launched at the Touchwood Festival in June 2007, and will begin its national tour in August 2007. This will include Angus (as part of the European Environmental and Arts Festival), Argyll (as part of the Year of Highland Culture), the Cairngorms (coinciding with the International Interpretation Congress and National Biodiversity Conference, Aviemore) and the Borders (at Harestanes in Jedburgh), jointly with Borders Forest Trust.

We also hosted three excellent seminars about non-timber forest products (or 'forest harvest') during the year. These included a talk by acclaimed ethnobotanist Professor Nancy Turner in April, the 2-day Wild Harvests seminar in May (see projects for more information), and a talk about traditional and current



Three of our beautiful new exhibition boards at the Royal Botanic Gardens, Edinburgh. Twelve boards, designed by Karen Grant, are now on tour.

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knowledge of NTFPs on North Vancouver Island by Keith Williams in August. The Rural Alternatives project was presented by project staff at several local events in Ardnamurchan, Inverness and Assynt, and at the international ELAV (Enhancing Local Activity and Values from forest land) conference in Orkney in September.

Reforestation Scotland also participated in and organised a series of events including: an NTFP-focused display at Edinburgh Treefest in June and sustainable building workshops and displays in collaboration with SEDA and ASHS at the Big Tent (Scotland's Festival of Stewardship) in July. We also held our annual fundraising ceilidh in Edinburgh in February and provided support for the widely acclaimed 'Man who Planted Trees' puppet show. There have also been a large number of local events organised as part of our Rural Alternatives and Woods for All projects (see 'Projects' section).

## 1.4 Networking and communications

The Reforestation Scotland website ([www.reforestingscotland.org](http://www.reforestingscotland.org)) continues to be regularly updated with news, policy documents, project information, relevant reports, and the Radical Rowan

Wild Harvest seminars: Sheila Bates demonstrates dyeing with lichens (above); Highland Natural Products demonstrate their mobile distillation unit (below).



newsletter. Several new pages and sections have been added including a new consultancy page, a past projects section, and an "about us" section.



More than half of our members continue to receive regular updates on news, events and networking opportunities through the 6-weekly e-bulletin. 7 bulletins have been issued in the last year and have resulted in new volunteers joining us, and plans to organise several members' local days.

We continue to meet quarterly with the Community Woodlands Association and Scottish Native Woods to exchange news and explore opportunities for working together. The RS exhibition will be launched in the Community Woodlands tent at the Touchwood Festival as a result.

## 1.5 Publications and reports

Several publications have been produced during 2006-2007 including issues 35 and 36 of the RS journal and issues 32 and 33 of the Radical Rowan newsletter. RS35 entitled 'Re-thinking Energy' focused on energy and climate change and RS36 entitled 'Reclaiming our Food Supply' focused on sustainable food production in relation to forests and sustainable communities.

Several project publications have also been produced including the 2nd Blarbluie Woodland project report and an innovative monitoring report, which records the impact that the Blarbluie project has had on the health of people involved. We have also produced a report for Forestry Commission Scotland and the Scottish Executive about the status of the non-timber forest product sector in Scotland, and a workshop report of the 'Wild Harvests' seminar. Finally, work is ongoing to deliver a 2nd edition of the Scottish Woodfuel Newsletter in the next year.



# Projects

## 2.1 Woods for All

### Blarbuie Woodland Project

The Blarbuie Woodland Project, launched in August 2005, aims to restore the Blarbuie Woodlands for the benefit of people who use health and social services in mid-Argyll and beyond, and for all people, young and old, living in and visiting the area. It is an innovative collaboration between Reforesting Scotland, Argyll Green Woodworkers Association, NHS Argyll and Clyde, Scottish Association for Mental Health, and Lochgilphead Community Council.

Over the last year project participants and contractors have undertaken a large amount of woodland management work to remove invasive rhododendrons, overhanging branches and dangerous trees, make benches and a picnic site, plant trees, lay hedges, construct an all-abilities path, design interpretation panels, create a tree nursery of birch, elm, cherry, rowan and whitebeam from collecting local seeds and fruit, and grow plants for the garden project. All woodland activities have been associated with environmental education and project participants have made many discoveries of wildlife, plants and fungi. With the support of funding from BBC Breathing Places, a series of forest education workshops about non-timber forest products will be held up to May 2008. In October 2006 the project organised an Open Day, inviting the local community into the woodland and selling wood and products that had been made in the woodland. The day raised important funds (£1300) for the project and was an important networking event.



Hugh working with a participant at Blarbuie

A monitoring report has demonstrated that involvement in the project has had a very positive impact on patients. The qualitative report gave direct positive feedback and indicates that people have experienced less depression and self-harm following their involvement in the Blarbuie Project.

The grand opening of Blarbuie woodland on 28th August will take place during Reforesting Scotland's Highland 2007 events programme in mid-Argyll.

### ADAPT

The Aberdeenshire Disability Active Path Trails project aims to provide assisted forest walks for disabled young adults. Since it was launched in September 2006, a series of successful planning reccies and forest walks have been undertaken. The project will continue until August 2008.

## 2.2 Rural Alternatives

Rural Alternatives projects focus on promoting alternative livelihood opportunities from sustainable use of local woodland resources.

### Wood fuel

Reforesting Scotland's wood fuel project promotes the use of sustainable and local wood fuel as a renewable heat source, and provides practical advice to households and small-scale schemes about installing wood fuel heating systems. The second edition of the Scottish Woodfuel Newsletter is being produced in collaboration with Highland Birchwoods and Forestry Commission Scotland.



Music & singing also form an important part of the Blarbuie Project

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A Rural Alternative: a woodchip dryer used by a local woodfuel business in Ardnamurchan

## Forest Harvest website

The Forest Harvest website ([www.forestharvest.org.uk](http://www.forestharvest.org.uk)) is the only public source of information about 'non-timber forest products' in Scotland. It was developed in collaboration with the Royal Botanic Gardens Edinburgh and launched in April 2004. The website provides information on the history of forest product use in Scotland, a map of woodlands, lists, descriptions and benefits of useful species, information about publications and events, a directory of Scottish NTFP businesses and information on sustainable harvesting. It continues to be developed; this year the species directory was expanded using new data from the Wild Harvests report, and relaunched as a fully fledged online database.

## Wild Harvests seminar

A seminar entitled 'The Future of Wild Harvests in Scotland' was organised by Reforesting Scotland and other partners in Beaulieu in May 2006. The seminar brought together more than 70 land managers, conservationists and gatherers to discuss wild gathering and the future of the NTFP sector in Scotland. Collective recommendations included the need to develop appropriate industry guidelines (including sustainable harvesting practice and health and safety), consistent legislation (including clarifying access rights and commercial practice) and for business development (including product development and marketing). Reforesting Scotland is working to implement many of the recommendations of the Wild Harvests seminar through our Forest Harvest project.

## Rural Alternatives Project

The Rural Alternatives project aims to explore the tradition and future potential of non-timber forest products (NTFPs) in local woodlands, to understand how they can be harvested sustainably, and to work towards restoring local culture and/or developing local enterprise based on using these 'alternative' forest resources. The project started in October 2005 and is being carried out in 4 different communities in Scotland: with the Tinnebeag Workers Co-operative at Doon of May near Newton Stewart, with Kirkhill and Bunchrew Community Trust near Beaulieu, with Culag Community Woodland Trust near Lochinver and with local groups on the Ardnamurchan peninsula. Each of the community groups identified different areas of focus according to local woodland resources, and people's needs and interests. This community-led approach has ensured that local people are engaged with the project and that the project outcomes will provide real benefit to the communities involved. For example the project focus at Ardnamurchan on natural dyes and charcoal was influenced by the important oak wood habitat and the strong interest of the local dyers, weavers and spinners guild in the project.

A participatory methodology for surveying NTFPs has been developed by the project and NTFP transects have been carried out in a range of habitats at each of the 4 sites. These have provided an opportunity for local people to work with an expert to learn about the NTFPs that are present in a range of local habitats, and to learn from each other about traditional and existing uses for the NTFPs. A visual map of each transect was



In search of Rural Alternatives: a local woodland survey in Ardnamurchan

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provided to the community, together with recordings of NTFP anecdotes and photos. At Kirkhill and Bunchrew this methodology has been further elaborated with the community group and will form the basis for their case study.

Local awareness of local wild gathering traditions and opportunities has been raised amongst at least 3,000 people across Scotland through awareness raising events at the beginning of the project, a presence at national environment fairs, articles in the media, training workshops and seminars. An important project output will be the development of 6 case studies that will be disseminated widely to other community groups and to the wider public.

More than 100 people have received training through a series of targeted (demand-led) workshops in the last year. Project participants have acquired new skills in identifying plants and fungi, participatory surveys, inventory and sustainable harvesting, bee-keeping, natural dyes, making wines and preserves, wild food cookery, paper-making, traditional remedies, wild foods, nettles, gorse flowers, local provenance tree seed collection, willow sculpture, fruit tree cultivation and green woodworking for woodland instruments.

The project is also exploring opportunities for small-scale enterprise development and long-term employment in several project areas. For example the Culag Community Woodland Trust are exploring feasibility for sustainable production and marketing of birch sap syrup, rowan berries and use of bracken as a fertiliser and fuel source.

The Rural Alternatives project team held a mid-term review and 'blue skies' meeting in February 2007 to review progress, share experiences across sites, and discuss plans for the future – including the content of the 6 case studies.

## Support to the NTFP sector

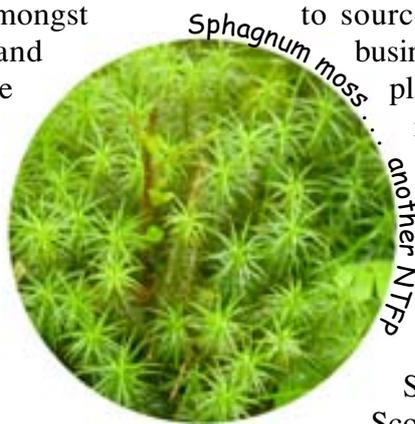
In January 2007 Reforesting Scotland undertook a 3-month project to develop the Forest Harvest business database and carry out a survey into the potential growth and support needs of Scotland's NTFP sector. The survey showed that the sector (currently worth

between £7 - £20 million per year) has experienced growth of between 19 – 38% over 5 years and product demand is increasing. It also confirmed that businesses require support in monitoring and business development to ensure that resource use is sustainable and that businesses provide viable employment opportunities. Reforesting Scotland has been working to source funding to provide support to the business sector to ensure it develops without placing too much unregulated pressure on important forest resources.

Reforesting Scotland has also been working together with the Scottish Furniture Makers Association and the Association of Scottish Hardwood Sawmillers to develop and launch the Scottish Working Woods label. The Scottish Working Woods label guarantees that woodland products are made in Scotland, by businesses based in Scotland, and from materials harvested from Scottish trees and woodlands – with benefits to local communities and the environment. Reforesting Scotland has been representing the NTFP sector and is working to ensure representation of the sector on the SWW Steering Group.

## 2.3 Low Impact Living

The Low Impact Living project focuses Reforesting Scotland's work towards tackling climate change, the greatest challenge affecting our planet and the lives that we live. Many of the lifestyle changes that we are being recommended to make to reduce our carbon footprints reflect values that have been promoted by Reforesting Scotland since it began. These values include restoring



Kenny Grieve carving with kids at the Big Tent

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building, community-owned energy, permaculture and eco-footprints – and was distributed to more than 1000 individuals and organizations.

Our 2006 Annual Gathering was themed ‘Low Energy Living and Stewardship of the Land’ and included a seminar on ‘peak oil’ and climate change, followed by a workshop to involve members in defining how RS can best contribute to tackling climate change.

## Low Impact Building

Low impact living and building using sustainably sourced natural resources were the themes of our presence and practical demonstrations, in collaboration with the Scottish Ecological Design Association (SEDA) and the Association of Scottish Hardwood Sawmillers (ASHS) at the Big Tent. In 2006 demonstrations and workshops in straw-bale building were held, and building in timber will be a focus for our presence in 2007.

Scotland’s forests, using renewable energy and local resources, and developing sustainable locally-based economies. This new project aims to raise awareness about the role that trees and forests play in climate change and in enabling people to make the most out of the opportunities that Scotland’s forest resources provide. Whilst fundraising for the project is ongoing, several activities have been carried out:

## Education

RS journal 35 themed ‘Re-thinking Energy’ included 15 articles on the potential of wood fuel, sustainable



Big Tent 2006 in Falkland: SEDA members taking a well-earned break at RS stand (above); Straw bale building demonstration (below).

# Project Development

## 3.1 Woods for All

### 2007 Year of Culture

In August 2007 Reforesting Scotland will host people of all abilities and ages, from across Scotland in a series of festivities, woodcraft workshops, walks, orienteering, story-telling and music in and around Lochgilphead, as part of the Highland Year of Culture. The events will coincide with the grand opening of Blarbuie woodland at the close of the 2-year project.

### Woodlands and Mental Health

This project builds on the experiences and successes of the Blarbuie Woodland project. It focuses on enabling hospitals to integrate woodland activity and building of relationships with local nature directly into health services, providing benefits to physical and mental health. It will achieve this through raising awareness of existing woodland and mental health initiatives, identifying barriers that are preventing health providers making use of local woodland resources (particularly woods owned by providers of health services), assessing opportunities, and stimulating action-oriented debate that is both participatory and academic. The project will also help hospitals to establish a monitoring programme that will monitor the impact of the health and woodlands initiatives towards informing wider NHS and public health policy in the future.



Participant finds a fallen bird's nest at Blarbuie Woodland

### NTFP education

We are currently exploring the possibility of bringing together our Forest Harvest and Woods for All projects through enabling community groups with different abilities to discover their local woodland through wild gathering and forest school activities.

## 3.3 Low Impact Living

The Low Impact Living project aims to carry out research into 'low carbon' lifestyles in Scotland and to identify barriers and opportunities to pursuing low carbon lifestyles through forests and trees. It will result in the production of accessible resource materials for our members and for the wider public.

Next years annual gathering will also focus on climate change. It will be themed 'Tree planting in a changing climate' and will raise awareness of the many important roles that planting trees has for the environment, the economy, communities and for our long-term climate. We also intend to carry out a 'climate change' survey to establish how RS members are living or adapting their lifestyles to reduce their impact on climate change and to work with SEDA and ASHS to demonstrate a sustainable timber build at next year's Big Tent. Finally, the RS exhibition includes education panels on environmental stewardship, community involvement and energy.

## 3.2 Rural Alternatives

### Sustainable Forest Harvest

This project will bring together NTFP gatherers and species specialists to develop participatory monitoring and management guidelines for the sustainable harvest of key non-timber forest product species in Scotland. The project is being developed as a result of strong recommendations from gatherers, land owners and species experts at the Wild Harvests seminar in May 2006.

## 3.4 Community Forestry

In early May Reforesting Scotland will host a 5-day study tour of Scottish Forestry for a group of 3 senior Indian foresters on behalf of the Overseas Development Group at the University of East Anglia. The tour will explore land and forest management in Scotland and will include visits to a national park, woodland businesses, community woodlands, Reforesting Scotland projects and Forestry Commission Scotland managed woodland.

# People

## 4.1 Members

Over the last year membership has continued to increase from 695 (May 2006) to 745 (May 2007). New members have learned about the organisation through the website, friends, events, projects and promotional material.

Isabel Isherwood (Rural Alternatives Local Co-ordinator)  
Jeff Colhoun (Rural Alternatives Local Co-ordinator)  
Hilary MacDonald (Rural Alternatives Local Co-ordinator)  
Nick Marshall (Editor, Scottish Woodfuel News)

## 4.2 Directors

This year has seen a full board of Directors who help to take RS forward. In March 2007 the Directors are: Rachel Avery, David Blair, Ian Edwards, Penny Edwards, Roddy Fairley, Dan Gates, Simon Lockwood, Donald McPhillimy and Piers Voysey.

### Community Forestry

Piers Voysey (Co-ordinator, Indian Foresters Study Tour)  
Guy Milligan (Host, Indian Foresters Study Tour)

Robin Naumann at Bespoke Organic Events organised another fantastic fund-raising ceilidh for Reforesting Scotland, at the Steiner School in Edinburgh.

## 4.3 Staff

In March 2007 core staff and consultants are:

Robert Chalmers (IT Support)  
Emma Chapman (Website Manager)  
Jude Dunn (Breathing Places Fund-raiser)  
Karen Grant (Journal Design, RS Exhibition Design)  
Wendy Hebard (Finance and Administration)  
Mandy Meikle (Journal Editor and Membership Secretary)  
Kristin Olsen (Development Officer)  
Heather Stacey (Journal Proof-reader)

Norman Downie and Kerr Ltd continue to provide accounting and auditing services for us.

RS continues to remain non-hierarchical. Day-to-day management decisions are made jointly by the staff in discussion with Directors as necessary. Long-term and strategic decisions are made at Directors meetings or at special strategic meetings. The Management Sub-Committee, involving Directors and Staff, helps to manage and co-ordinate RS activities and projects. Each member of staff has his or her own link Director. Projects are developed and implemented by small groups of staff, Directors and members.

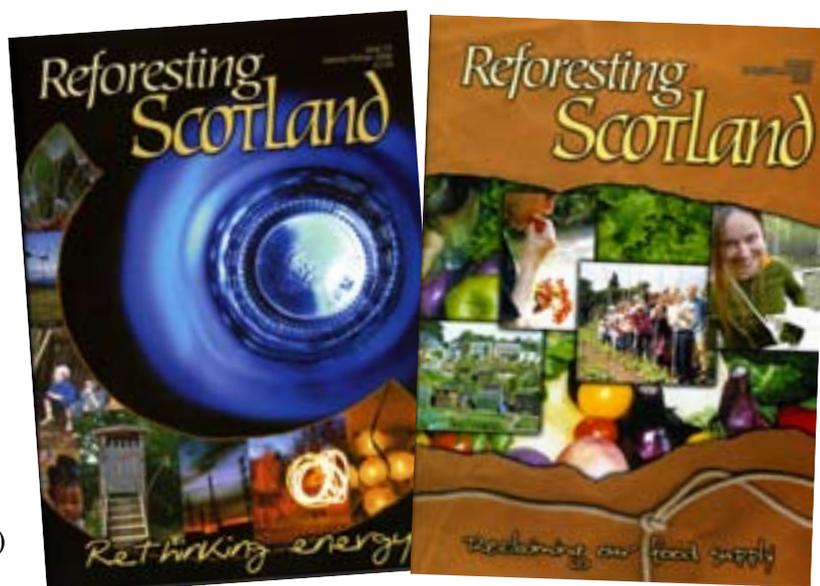
Project staff and consultants include:

### Woods for All

Hugh Fife (Woods for All Co-ordinator)  
Crispin W. Hayes (Publications)

### Forest Harvest

Emma Chapman (Forest Harvest Website, NTFP Sector Survey)  
Jake Paul (Project Manager Rural Alternatives, NTFP Sector Survey)  
Les Bates (Rural Alternatives Local Co-ordinator)



# People

## 4.4 Volunteers

We are enormously grateful to all of the volunteers who make our work possible. The voluntary time put in by members, staff and Directors enables the organisation to achieve far more than would otherwise be possible.

This year we would specifically like to thank:

Theodora Bayly, Sally Curtis and Sam Murray for support to the office throughout the year; Karen Grant for helping to develop the Low Impact Living project;

Emma Chapman for representing the non-timber forest product sector in the development of the Scottish Working Woods label; Sam Staddon for compiling the text and images for the RS exhibition and Dave Sutton and Benjamin Hayes for taking and providing images for the exhibition; Liza Evans for compiling the e-bulletin; Ian Hardie for helping to organise the East Lothian local day; Sally Curtis and Alan Gilchrist for helping with Reforesting Scotland stands at events; and Benjamin Hayes for helping to compile Reforesting Scotland's ever-growing photo library.



Construction of a ramp leading to viewing platform at Blarbuie Woodland Project

# Finances

## A summary of the accounts for the 2006 – 2007 financial year

### Approved Accounts:

#### Income and Expenditure for the year ended 31 March 2007

	2006/07 £	2005/06 £
<b>Incoming resources:</b>		
Project grants	124,648	89,542
Core grants & general donations	29,198	32,446
Members' subscriptions & donations	17,020	16,484
Advertising & sponsorship	3,713	3,604
Annual gathering	3,516	3,673
Consultancy & other income	3,769	6,751
Publications & seminars	1,261	1,917
Interest receivable	743	1,280
Recharges for office facilities	442	717
<b>Total income</b>	<u>184,310</u>	<u>156,414</u>
<b>Resources expended:</b>		
<i>Charitable expenditure:</i>		
<i>Project costs:</i>		
Rural Alternatives	54,678	18,719
Woods for All	56,712	45,868
Development & marketing	24,509	22,481
Other consultancy costs	-	1,247
<i>Membership &amp; management costs:</i>		
Annual gathering	4,146	3,615
Publications & membership costs	27,350	29,199
Fundraising costs	10,752	4,993
Governance costs	4,478	4,921
<b>Total expenditure</b>	<u>182,625</u>	<u>131,043</u>
<b>Net income for year</b>	1,685	25,371
<b>Funds brought forward from previous year</b>	<u>61,407</u>	<u>36,036</u>
<b>Funds carried forward at year end</b>	<u><u>63,092</u></u>	<u><u>61,407</u></u>

# Finances

## Approved Accounts:

### Balance Sheet at 31 March 2007

	2006/07 £	2005/06 £
<b>Fixed Assets:</b>		
Tangible Assets	<u>3,305</u>	<u>6,735</u>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Debtors	45,908	29,668
Cash at bank and in hand	<u>35,698</u>	<u>31,445</u>
	<b>81,606</b>	<b>61,113</b>
<b>Creditors</b>		
Amounts falling due within one year	<u>21,819</u>	<u>6,441</u>
<b>Net Current Assets</b>	<u>59,787</u>	<u>54,672</u>
<b>Total Net Assets</b>	<u><u>63,092</u></u>	<u><u>61,407</u></u>
<b>Funds:</b>		
<i>Unrestricted funds:</i>		
Fixed asset fund	3,305	6,735
General fund	21,413	29,636
<i>Restricted funds:</i>		
Woods for All / (Deficiency)	(3,368)	(9,429)
CAF - Consultancy	1,000	1,000
Rural Alternatives	<u>40,742</u>	<u>33,465</u>
<b>Total Funds</b>	<u><u>63,092</u></u>	<u><u>61,407</u></u>

The accounts set out are a summary of information extracted from the full financial statements.

These summarised accounts may not contain sufficient information to allow for a full understanding of the financial affairs of the company. For further information the full financial statements with the Accountants' report and the report of the Directors should be consulted. These are available from the registered office of the company.

### Reforestation Scotland thanks all our funders

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