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The Newsletter of the Cairngorm Club

First Day Meet of 2022

January again, so it must be Lochnagar again, and, sure enough, the coach discharges its load – socially spaced and masked – at the Spital, to a cloudless blue sky and a snow-white landscape. The Allt na Guibhsaich burn had to be crossed “underwater” to avoid the icy stepping stones. As usual, a crisp breeze at the Meikle Pap col, and then up the Ladder, and the final slope to the plateau (see picture below).



Great views down on the cliffs below, though cloud shrouded the main Cairngorms. The summit got a bit crowded with Club members and others, but a good place for a lunchtime rest out of the wind. From the summit, six headed out towards the White Mounth, to

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descend by the Creag an Ghlas-uillt ridge, while the others went down the Glas Allt glen path, or reversed the ascent route.

No sign of ptarmigan or hares – too white, secretive or scarce? – but some tracks, renewed sunshine and a dropping wind were pleasant afternoon surprises. The well-trodden path down past the Falls proved tricky – definitely the most dangerous part of the day! A short stop at the bothy (not too much Storm Arwen damage in the wood above), with a great view across Loch Muick, and then the usual forced march back along the track to the coach. Others had ascended the Meikle Pap, circumnavigated Loch Muick, or sought out the Sheiling of Mark beyond the oddly named Burn of Mohamed. Down the glen to Ballater in the gloaming, and thence to the Boat Inn in Aboyne, for a fine “high tea”.

Ken Thomson

Club Dinner 2021

The Annual Dinner was held on the night of Storm Arwen. Members enjoyed an evening of fine dining at the Royal Northern and University Club. Steve Goodwin spoke under the title “Nepal: Everest to the Crystal Mountain (or ‘from the ridiculous to the sublime’)” Members attending virtually donated £115 to the charity chosen by the speaker, Community Action Nepal. The committee has agreed to refund members unable to attend. Those wishing to claim should contact the Treasurer asap.

Reminiscence

Letter in the *Aberdeen Press and Journal*, 30 April 1987, from R. E. Repper in response to an article about Nell “Bynack” (real name Helen Macdonald) who was born at Bynack, and later lived at the Linn of Dee, in Inverey and in Braemar.

“... Long since abandoned, [Bynack Lodge] was my favourite bothy, more favoured than Altanour, Auchelie, Corndavon, Auchtavan, or even Muir Cottage which stood empty in those days, before it became an official venue for the Cairngorm Club. Deserted though it was, one could sense that people had been happy there once. The place was always kept tidy with an improvised heather broom and I had a quiet respect for the old house. Alas, a lot of water has come down the Bynack Burn since those golden days. As Nell Bynack undoubtedly knows, the great hills are now overrun with conservationists, clubs and committees, at least some of whom wallow in their own hypocrisy, valuing their beaurocracy [sic] more than their bens”.

Repper was a frequent *P&J* letter-writer, e.g. on “*Climbers, Skiers and Feminists*” (perhaps a sub-editor’s heading?) on 14 June 1989.

General Meetings 2021

In November, the Club “met” both at the RNUC on Albyn Place and by Zoom, for a joint SGM and AGM, which both went pretty smoothly considering the event’s “hybrid” nature, which tested Eilidh Scobbie’s Zoom arrangements, and kept the President on his toes as Chair. I won’t bore you (again) with the Constitutional changes, which all went through: the shiny new version is now available via the Club website, under “Club Membership”. The back page of this Newsletter shows you the “new” post-AGM Committee, with welcome additions in the form of Robbie Middleton as Hon. President, Ivan Hiscox as a Vice-President, Helen Russell as Weekend Meets Secretary, and Craig Thomson, Mike Culley and Kolbjorn Akselvoll as “ordinary” Committee members. Apart from the odd question on the accounts, the main discussion of the Meeting focussed on possible “projects” that the Club might pursue with some of its financial reserves. An informal poll suggested some preference for support for hillwalking experience for youth and/or refugee groups: how this could be done – probably via another organisation – has yet to be explored. The draft minutes are on the Forum, under “Club News”.

And, not to be outdone, Mountaineering Scotland (MS) also had a joint AGM/EGM session 10 days later, when various Directors presented reports, notably:

- Some loss of MS membership, but mainly due to Covid affecting University and youth groups
- MS subs to remain the same for 2022, but maybe different rates in future depending on whether you want to receive the hard-copy magazine or not
- Yet more focus on youth/children climbing, and on ski touring, e.g. competitions.

Ken Thomson

GPS Training Software

Shepherds Walks Ltd have put together some free-to-use Ordnance Survey route planning software and training videos: see gpstraining.co.uk/pages/ordnance-survey-route-planner.

Club Forum

If you are not already a member, why not register for the Club Forum? You can register at - <https://www.tapatalk.com/groups/cairngormclub/index.php>.

A Presentation!

The last Midweek Walk of 2021 took place on a cold but sunny December day. A group of 15 enjoyed a walk through Dunecht Estate, and from there to Barmekin Hill. It turned out to be a rather special occasion as both Mr and Mrs K Thomson were presented with engraved wine glasses from the club to commemorate the Completion of their Corbetts.



Ken and Lydia would like to thank all those who contributed towards the cost of these very fine glasses.

Storm Arwen

Several members missed their Annual Dinner thanks to Storm Arwen, and some missed a good deal more before power was restored at their homes in early December. And the Night Navigation training course planned by the President in Kirkhill Forest had to be cancelled. However, by the Grace of God, Muir and its immediate surroundings avoided physical damage, although a considerable number of trees were blown down nearby, e.g. around Victoria Bridge (which is still under repair), and around Braemar Castle. A biking group that had booked in at Muir for the weekend had an exciting and/or frustrating time, firstly in reaching Inverey by road, and then in surviving the loss of electricity: power was down for about 200 hours. Glen Ey was closed until a powerline was dealt with, and of course many other woods in the North-East still remain closed until the foresters and their machines can deal with the complicated and often dangerous work of clearing up windthrow (which continues as exposed trees feel the breeze).

OATS

The 2020-21 Annual Report from Outdoor Access Trust for Scotland highlights (despite Covid-19):

- New (and income-generating) car parks below Beinn a'Ghlo and Stac Pollaidh
- Formal opening of the £824,000 car park and toilets for the Fairy Pools in Glen Brittle
- Final evaluation report on 2015-2021 The Mountains and The People project: £5.6m of funding (43% from Heritage Lottery), 121km of path built or rebuilt in the National Parks (43% in Cairngorms, including on and around Lochnagar and Mount Keen); 1500 volunteer work-days; 45 paths "adopted" by volunteers; 41 trainee SVQs awarded
- At planning stages: pathwork and parking space for An Teallach, and a new long-distance John o'Groats Way
- Retirement of OATS Chair Ian Moffett; Dougie Baird continues as CEO

Indoor Meets

With cases of the Omicron variant rising rapidly at the turn of the year, our Indoor Meets are reverting to "Zoom only" for the rest of this winter. Our first Indoor Meet in January - the Members' Night, repackaged as "What did you do coming out of Lockdown" - produced photos on diverse topics from 18 members, covering a wide range of activities, and was enjoyed by some 35 members.

The talk at the second Indoor Meet of the year will be delivered on 2nd February by Dr Jos Milner of the East Cairngorms Moorland Partnership. Her talk is entitled: "Seeking sustainable moorland management in the East Cairngorms".

The third indoor Meet on 2nd March will be given by Club member Rhona Fraser, who will talk about one of her trips to Antarctica: "From Hobart to Perth via (Far East) Antarctica"

Eilidh will email out the Zoom link for these talks on the Cairngorm Club Members Google Group a few days in advance of the talk. Anyone who is not on that group but who would like to attend should email Eilidh on social@cairngormclub.org.uk. Members are welcome to invite friends to attend these Zoom presentations, but Eilidh must be told of their "Zoom name" in advance.

Payments to the Club

The Club's bank details are: Name "Cairngorm Club" Sort Code 83-15-31; A/C 19165508.

Please use the purpose of the payment as the reference e.g., "Traverse" or "Membership". Your name is provided by the bank.

The reference field may be limited to 18 characters, including blanks.

Muir Cottage

There have been a steady stream of visitors, and most weekends has been booked up. The updated booking status is now on the Club website. Storm Arwen did not cause any damage to the cottage and trees but the power was off for 207 hours. Recently the electrical wiring system has been brought up to the latest standard, and remedial work which was identified after the electrical survey done earlier last year is in progress. Also the smoke and heat alarm system will be replaced and extended to the bedrooms as per latest Scottish Government guidelines.

Kees Witte, Muir Custodian

Membership News

The Club is sorry to hear of the death of the following member:

Norman Shepherd	Westhill	Ordinary since 1971
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The following new members have been admitted since the last Newsletter:

Robert Fargo	Aberdeen	Associate
Kevin Adam	Cults	Associate
Caitlin Richmond	Aberdeen	Associate
Colin Champion	Inchmarlo	Associate
Andrew Miles	Aberdeen	Associate
Katharine Broadbent	Aberdeen	Associate
Alastair Govan	Peterculter	Ordinary
Andrew Brown	Aberdeen	Associate
Ian Hamilton	Midmar	Associate
Bruce Russell	Aberdeen	Associate

Club Subscriptions

Subscriptions for the year October 2021 to September 2022 were due on 1 October. Final reminders are included in this mailing for members who have not yet renewed. Outstanding payment should be received by March 2022 so that Mountaineering Scotland affiliation can be renewed.

Donald Thomas, Treasurer

First Aid Training

It will soon be 3 years since the last Club-organized First Aid course, so it is timely that the next course will take place over the weekend 12-13 February at Muir. The format and instructor (Phil Glennie – formerly Braemar MR team) will be as previously.

To book or register your interest, please contact Garry Wardrope by email at day@cairngormclub.org.uk (full contact details on the back page).

Club Member Achievements

On the Club website there is a page that lists Club member achievements - <http://www.cairngormclub.org.uk/miscellaneous/achievements/achievements.htm>. If you have completed your Munros, Corbetts etc, your name, and a picture if you have one, can be added to the list. Please forward any relevant information to newsletter@cairngormclub.org.uk.

Droppers

The wooden slats funded by the Club to discourage the less intelligent/observant birds from crashing into the newish fencing at Altanour and at "new" Piper's Wood were finally erected by the estate in summer 2021. For those interested, a Forestry Commission Note lists no fewer than 8 types of markings (e.g. plastic netting, reflective metal plates, wooden or bamboo droppers) and 6 types of fixings (e.g. cable tie, metal clip), to be used according to location (e.g. exposed ridge or sheltered dip) and bird species (e.g. capercaillie or grouse).

Mountaineering Scotland (MS) "Clubs Meeting"

These Zoom meetings are held every few months to update Club representatives with the latest MS news and to allow Club concerns to be raised. From the one on 17 January:

- MS Covid guidance was updated on 12 January; if necessary, the Cairngorm Club guidance (linked to the homepage) will be revised accordingly.
- The well-known Safety Adviser Helen Morning is to leave MS in mid-February, to take up a post at Glenmore Lodge.
- Arranging winter access to Glen Strathfarrar has been "not easy", but a quick resolution is hoped for.
- ClimbScotland: all climbing walls and most youth climbing clubs have managed to survive Covid-19, at least so far, though training volunteers are still sought.
- MS have drafted non-mandatory guidance on how to deal with complaints made to clubs; but there are a number of points of concern to be resolved.

Munroist List Clerk

To register a completion of a round of the Munros, of the Tops, Furths, Corbetts, Grahams or Donalds, members should contact Alison Coull who is the "Clerk of the List" for the SMC.

Please contact her at -
munroclerk@smc.org.uk

Alison Coull
258/1 Ferry Road
Edinburgh

Club Communications - Google Group

The Club uses Google Groups to distribute official communications from the Club and for general communications by members. All members of the list can post to all other members. Typical member use of the list is to organize ad-hoc meets and social meetings, selling/buying gear etc.

You can subscribe/unsubscribe to/from the lists simply by emailing the list owner at comms@cairngormclub.org.uk from the email account you wish to use, to subscribe, or the one that is registered, to unsubscribe.

Once subscribed, members can post messages by emailing cairngorm-club@googlegroups.com.

Also contact comms@cairngormclub.org.uk if you have any questions about the list.

Note the list owner cannot change the email address under which you have subscribed, only delete it and add the new one.

Lunch & Danders

The next Lunch and Dander will be on Friday 25 March, meeting at Stonehaven Harbour Car Park at 10:30am, with lunch at the Ship Inn, Stonehaven at 12:30pm. Please advise Ruth Payne, by Wednesday 23 March, if you would like to join the lunch gathering.

Another two Lunch & Danders have been arranged, the first on Tue 10 May, meeting at the Haddo Estate Car Park at 10:30am, with lunch at the Aberdeen Arms in Tarves at 12:30pm. The second is on Friday 15 July, meeting at the Scolty Car Park at 10:30am, with lunch at Milton of Crathes at 12:30pm.

As above, please advise Ruth by Sunday 8 May, and/or Wednesday 13 July if you would like to join the lunch gatherings.

Physiotherapy Services

For treatment of injuries or conditions which have arisen during sporting activities or affect participation in them, other than chronic degenerative conditions.

Cost £39 (a discount of £5) on proof of Club membership (e.g. card); priority appointments for Club members; next-day appointments if booked before 12 noon.

Aberdeen Physiotherapy - 01224 626266

Day Meets

Further to the meets mentioned elsewhere in the Newsletter here are the rest of the Day meets for 2022.

Jun 25 (Sat)	Overnighter - Mamores	Minibus	Ivan Hiscox
Jul 16 (Sat)	An Sgarsoch & Carn an Fhithleir	Car	Izy Kirkaldy
Aug 6 (Sun)	Beinn a' Ghlo	Car	Guy Bromby
Sep 11 (Sun)	Cairngorm Traverse	Coach	Garry Wardrope
Oct 8 (Sat)	Schiehallion	Minibus	Ivan Hiscox
Nov 6 (Sun)	Ben Rinnes Traverse	Minibus	Colin Brown
Dec 11 (Sun)	Bennachie Traverse	Minibus	Craig Thomson

Weekend Meets

As above here are the rest of the Weekend meets for 2022.

Jul 8 (2 nights)	Naismith Hut	Helen Russell
Aug 12 (2 nights)	Shieldaig Campsite	Sue Chalmers
Sep 23 (2 nights)	Rum Bunkhouse	Mark Peel
Oct 14 (2 nights)	Riasg Hut, Roy Bridge	Izy Kirkaldy
Nov 11 (2 nights)	Inverardran, Crianlarich	Jill Stephens
Dec 2 (2 nights)	Corran Bunkhouse	Esperanza Martin

Midweek Walks

As above here are rest of the Midweek Walks for 2022

Jun 30	Sgor Buidhe Circuit	Fiona Lyall
July 28	The Correen Hills	Joyce Ritchie
Aug 25	A-B route using a bus TBC	Eilidh Scobbie
Sept 29	Baudy Meg and the Haunted Stag	Brian Purves
Oct 27	The Seven Bridges of Ballater	Kees Witte
Nov 24	The Sands of Forvie	Marj Ewan
Dec 15	Drumoak Circular	Lydia Thomson

Kendal Mountain Festival

The Barn just outside Banchory is offering "an evening of film and talks celebrating adventure from some of the most spectacular places on earth, brought to you by the team behind Kendal Mountain Festival", at 7:30pm on Saturday 14 May: for tickets, see <https://thebarnarts.ticketsolve.com/shows>.

Scottish Bumps

For those who have forgotten, a list of hill categories is as follows: P = minimum topographical prominence, or “drop”; H = minimum height: N = number in Scotland. Several categories extend elsewhere, e.g. England and Wales, and/or Ireland

Majors (or P600): P = 600m: N = 82

Munros: H = 3000ft: N = 282; plus Munro Tops, N = 227

Real Munros (P = 150m) N = 202

Corbetts: H = 2500-3000ft and P = 500ft: N = 222

Grahams: H = 2000-2500ft and P = 150m: N = 219

Marilyns (N = 1219): P = 150m: N = 1219

Donalds: H = 2000ft and P = 100ft (Hills) or P = 20ft (Tops) in Lowlands:
N = 89 (Hills) and N = 51 (Tops)

HuMPs (Hundred Metre Prominence)*: P = 100m: N = 2167

Simms: H = 600m and P = 30m: N = 2190

TuMPs: P = 30m

Dodds: H = 600m

Deweys: H = 500m

Yeamans: P = 100m or over 5km from others (historic: see HuMPs)

Hardys: highest point of hill range etc. N = 107

Murdos: H = 3000ft and P = 30m: N = 442

Hughs: hills under 2000ft with “prominence, position, panorama”; N = 100 (mainland)

Considerably more data and information are at <http://www.hills-database.co.uk/index.html>.

NTS Cards

As a member of the National Trust for Scotland, the Club holds 15 NTS cards which allow free access and parking to NTS properties (and NT ones in England and Wales) for Club members and their guests.

To borrow for a week or two, please contact the Secretary (see back page).

Climbing

Weekly meets at Transition Extreme have been continuing as usual, with Facebook coordination. A proposal for a Club donation towards a bolt fund was discussed at a recent Committee meeting, but they await further information about the potential recipient before a decision will be made.

The summer outdoor sessions will start at the beginning of April. A programme is currently being worked on to give a varied season’s climbing. All that will then be required will be decent weather to get you climbers out there!

Bothy Update

From the MBA Newsletter, Autumn 2021:

- Red House or Ruighe Ealasaid, Geldie: in 2021, the toilets became operational in late summer, after which the stonemason got to work, after which the main internal work can get ahead.
- Ryvoan: some graffiti painted over, and some roofing repairs
- Hutchison, Etchachan: a new stove is to be installed
- Allt Scheicheachan, Faindouran, Gelder Shiel, Charr: minor repairs at each
- Culra: A new-build is to replace the current asbestos-riddled structure, whose removal by licensed contractors will cost around £25000; the total project cost is put at around £70,000.

Peatland

The Scottish Government (SG) is spending about £22 million within a ten-year package to “restore” some 20,000 hectares (ha) of peatlands, which cover about 20% of the country and store about 1600 million tonnes (Mt) of carbon (C). However, it is the rate of flux (accumulation or emission of greenhouse gases, GHGs) rather than the store of C that is important for current global warming, and knowledge of peatland “balances” is still scanty and uncertain. The current SG programme aims to reduce GHG emissions of up to 0.8 million tonnes a year by 2032. It has been estimated that current accumulation rates (including on a Lochnagar site) are now lower than over the previous 150 years, perhaps because of changing surface vegetation. Restoration involves ending moorland burning and drainage, blocking drains (“grips”), and covering bare patches; costs vary between £300 and £3000 per ha. The Cairngorms National Park Authority’s Peatland ACTION team is managing a three-year programme with a £9.92 million budget, with the aim of delivering over 2,750 hectares of restored peatlands in the Park. Covid-delayed peat restoration work in the Cairngorms started last June at sites including Glenfeshie, Abernethy and Balmoral.

There have been some failures, e.g. of turf bunding in erosion gullies, and sphagnum-rich mulch on bare peat, but use of a very low ground pressure Softrak machine has proved successful, and over 230 stone dams were created in a large area of eroded peat at Abernethy. NTS is conducting experimental work on Cairn Geldie, the hill beyond White Bridge, using a variety of materials (e.g. wool, mulch) below open-mesh netting.

Meet Suggestions

The Weekend and Day Meet Secretaries are always on the lookout for suggestions of walks that could be incorporated into the Meets Calendar (for 2023 now). If you have an idea for a meet, just contact them (see back page).

Please note: bookings are not confirmed until payment is made to the Club.

Also note that the meets detailed below will only take place if the Covid regulations in place at the time allow.

Please continue to book for meets to avoid disappointment.



February 25 & 26, Waters Cottage, Kinlochleven (2 nights)

This hut is a new location for the Club which sees a return to this always popular area. With the Glen Coe hills and Mamore Munros and on the doorstep, what's not to like! Winter skills course available (see page 13). To book, contact Susan Jensen at meetorganiser22@cairnngormclub.org.uk.

March 11 & 12, Inbhirfhaolain, Glen Etive (2 nights)

The Grampian Club hut is ideally placed to give access to the Glencoe and Glen Etive hills. Within 10km are the 1000m+ summits of Bidean nam Bian, Buachaille Etive Mor, Meall a'Bhuiridh, Ben Starav and Stob Coir an Albannaich. The Trilleachan Slabs are at nearby Loch Etive. To book, contact Guy Bromby at meetorganiser18@cairnngormclub.org.uk.

April 8 & 9, Strawberry Cottage, Glen Affric (2 nights)

Strawberry Cottage in Glen Affric is maintained by the An Teallach Mountaineering Club. It is a unique location with access to many of the fantastic ridges that are not easily accessible for a day tripper. To book, contact Helen Russell at weekend@cairnngormclub.org.uk.

May 13 - 15, Coruisk Hut, Skye (3 nights)

The hut is located in one of Scotland's most dramatic settings at the head of Loch Scavaig with access on foot or by boat. The hut is ideally situated for excursions to Sgurr na Stri, Druim nan Ramh, the Dubhs, Gars-bheinn and the more demanding traverse of the Cuillin Ridge. To book, contact Mark Peel at meetorganiser38@cairnngormclub.org.uk.

June 3 - 5, CIC Hut (Ben Nevis) (3 nights)

Arguably the only alpine-style mountain hut in the UK, the C.I.C. provides unparalleled access to climbing on the North Face of Ben Nevis and for walkers wishing to explore the area. To book, contact Rod Campbell at meetorganiser15@cairnngormclub.org.uk.

Day Meets (departure time; map sheet(s); grid reference(s) of drop-off and pick-up points; walking time; cost; means of transport; organiser contact details)

Mid-Week Walks (organiser contact details)

Weekend Meets (organiser; contact details)

Climbing (Summer) (low or high water time, organiser; contact details)

Day Meets take place once a month and can be by coach, mini-bus or car, or service bus. Meets are generally on Sundays but occasionally on Saturdays. Members should contact the Meet organiser to book a place, and the organiser or Day Meets Secretary can be contacted should any additional information be sought.

Meets generally leave Aberdeen at 7am (sharp!); departure times and cost are listed in the centrefold of this Newsletter. On all Meets, an organised "President's Party" walk will be available for those new to the Club or for members who simply want a day out without the challenge of route finding or navigation. The following Day Excursions are offered for Spring 2022.

February 5, Mayar & Driesh (Saturday)

The minibus will depart from St. Margaret's at 7am for this high level traverse from Glen Prosen to Glen Clova (conditions permitting) with many low-level options also available. We will stop for refreshments at the Clova Hotel before returning to Aberdeen. To book, contact Garry Wardrope at day@cairnngormclub.org.uk.

March 19/20, Snowholing (Saturday & Sunday)

On this regular winter meet we plan to overnight somewhere high in the Cairngorm Mountains (possibly on or near the White Mounth) though where will depend on the snow if any. This is a car meet with departure time and location agreed by those attending. To book, contact Mike Duguid at cte7@cairnngormclub.org.uk.

April 24, Ben Lawers (Sunday)

Departing from St. Margaret's at 7am, the minibus will discharge its passengers at the Lawers Nature Reserve car park at 1400 feet. From there, a well-engineered path leads over the Munro Beinn Ghlas and then along a fine ridge to Ben Lawers itself, at 1214m or 3983 feet. Strong walkers can continue over An Stuc, Meall Garbh and Meall Greigh; others can descend into the Lawers Burn corrie for a descent to Lawers on the North Tayside road. The Tarmachan ridge (in the opposite direction from the car park) offers a shorter alternative for the day. To book, contact Ken Thomson at secretary@cairnngormclub.org.uk.

May 22, Broad Cairn and Cairn Bannoch (Sunday)

The minibus will depart from St Margaret's at 7am and head for the Spittal of Glen Muick. The main group will ascend the two Munros and return, probably, by the Dubh Loch. Plenty of other high- and low-level options available in the time allowed. To book, please contact Craig Thomson at cte11@cairnngormclub.org.uk.

More details at -
www.cairnngormclub.org.uk/clubactivities/clubactivities.htm

January 2022			
27	Thur	MWW	Blue Hill from Bridge of Dee (Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)
27	Thur	Climbing	Indoor Climbing, 6 – 8pm at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
February			
2	Wed	Indoor	(By Zoom) "East Cairngorms Moorland Partnership" by Dr Jos Milner (Eilidh Scobbie; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
3	Thur	Climbing	Indoor Climbing, 6 – 8pm at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
5	Sat	Day	Mayar & Driesch (7am; 44; 290679 - 283671; 7hrs; £12.50; minibus; Garry Wardrope; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)
10	Thur	Climbing	Indoor Climbing, 6 – 8pm at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
17	Thur	Climbing	Indoor Climbing, 6 – 8pm at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
24	Thur	MWW	Glen Girnock Circular (Richard Frimston)
24	Thur	Climbing	Indoor Climbing, 6 – 8pm at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
25	Fri	Weekend	Waters Cottage, Kinlochleven (Incorporates Winter Skills Training) (Susan Jensen; ctte10@cairngormclub.org.uk)
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2	Wed	Indoor	(By Zoom) "From Hobart to Perth via (Far East) Antarctica" by Rhona Fraser (Eilidh Scobbie; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
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10	Thur	Climbing	Indoor Climbing, 6 – 8pm at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
11	Fri	Weekend	Inbhirfhaolain, Glen Etive (Guy Bromby; meetorganiser18@cairngormclub.org.uk)
17	Thur	Climbing	Indoor Climbing, 6 – 8pm at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
19	Sat	Day	Snowholing (Mike Duguid; ctte7@cairngormclub.org.uk)
24	Thur	Climbing	Indoor Climbing, 6 – 8pm at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
25	Fri	Lunch &	Meet at Stonehaven Harbour Car Park at 10:30am with lunch in the Ship Inn at 12:30pm (Ruth Payne)
31	Thur	MWW	Coastal Walk—Portlethen to Newtonhill (Judy Middleton; meetorganiser19@cairngormclub.org.uk)
31	Thur	Climbing	Indoor Climbing, 6 – 8pm at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
April			
5	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing Season begins (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
8	Fri	Weekend	Strawberry Cottage, Glen Affric (Helen Russell; weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
12	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
19	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
24	Sun	Day	Ben Lawers (7am; 51; 604384 – 720445; £12.50; minibus; Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
28	Thur	MWW	Carn Mor from Corgarff (Malcolm Lamont; meetorganiser33@cairngormclub.org.uk)
May			
3	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
10	Tue	Lunch & Dander	Meet at Haddo Estate Car Park at 10:30am with lunch in the Aberdeen Arms, Tarves at 12:30pm (Ruth Payne)
10	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
13	Fri	Weekend	Coruisk Hut, Skye (Kolbjorn Akselvoll; ctte3@cairngormclub.org.uk)
17	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
22	Sun	Day	Broad Cairn and Cairn Bannoch (7am; 44; 311852; 7hrs; £12.50; minibus; Craig Thomson; ctte11@cairngormclub.org.uk)
24	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26	Thur	MWW	TBC - White Bridge to Carn Fiaclach Beag (Jean Robinson; journal@cairngormclub.org.uk)
31	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
June			
3	Fri	Weekend	CIC Hut, Ben Nevis (Mark Peel; meetorganiser38@cairngormclub.org.uk)
7	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
14	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
21	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
25	Sat	Day	Overnighter - Mamores (Ivan Hiscox; vp@cairngormclub.org.uk)