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The Newsletter of the Cairngorm Club

Jim Bryce 1943-2018

Jim Bryce stepped in as Club Weekend Meets Secretary to help out temporarily in 2014 and carried out the role with care and expertise until his sudden death in April 2018. His thorough knowledge of the Scottish hills meant the weekend meets calendar remained interesting and varied. He organised highly successful meets to Harris, Rum, Wales and the Lake District alongside long-standing favourite Scottish mainland destinations. Always keen to involve as many members as possible, Jim would ask keen Munro baggers where they wanted to go and make sure that the programme included their objectives.

Jim attended almost all weekend meets, the exception being the January Burns Supper meet when he was usually skiing in the Alps. He had had an exceptionally good season in winter 2017/18, whilst still keeping tabs on meet organisation from abroad. He signed himself off from one such email with the words "Skiing has been great - lots of snow, clear blue skies and sunshine. Jim Bryce well knackered each day."

On most occasions, however, Jim would be there to greet members arriving at a hostel or hut on a Friday night, his presence always a cheering one after a long drive in the dark at the end of the week. He was a fount of knowledge about hills, routes up them, bothies and all things related to them. Many of us have benefited from his friendly advice.

Having completed the Munros and Corbetts, Jim was well on the way through his Grahams with which he appeared to have a love-hate relationship; they were all apparently either "cracking hills" or right "b*****s"...

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Jim was quick to remind us that Grahams and Corbetts could be even more challenging than Munros, as he returned from his latest Graham after a long day on the hill. He nevertheless managed to arrange to do shorter ones on days when an important rugby match was being screened. Jim arriving off the hill, opening a tin of beer, having a scoof and a sigh of satisfaction is a picture we can all conjure up.

The thoughtfulness and experience which Jim brought to the weekend meets means that this aspect of the Cairngorm Club is in excellent shape. Most meets are fully booked with new members frequently trying us out and returning for more. The many offers recently received of help with weekend meets are a mark of the affection and respect which club members had for Jim. Whilst the immediate gaps may have been filled, there will nevertheless be many future occasions when we shall quite simply miss his humour, his passion for the hills and his excellent company.

In the future at meets there will be many stories told and memories shared. We will still be able to imagine his chuckle which we heard when he was amused. Goodnight Jim.

Marj Ewan & Sue Chalmers



Jim on Stuchd an Lochain (Aug 2017)

Clachnaben

A cost estimate of about £10,000 for repairs to the main path up this well-known hill has been received from OATS (the Outdoor Access Trust for Scotland, successor to COAT and UDAT). At its March meeting, the Committee decided to ask Club member Donald Thomas, who was involved in the original path establishment in the 1990s, to oversee this project, with a Club financial commitment of up to £10,000 although it is hoped that other sources will be found for at least 50% of the total cost.

Path Work up the Quoich

In mid-May, work was ongoing at two locations: (i) on the path leaving the glen track towards Clais Fhearnaig; and (ii) in the Am Beithachan woods along the middle section of the Quoich, under Ben a'Bhuird.

Day Meets

Further to the Day Meets detailed on pages 7, 8 and 9, listed below are other meets organised for Summer/Autumn 2018

28 Oct (Sun)	Invercauld	Minibus	Derek Beverley
25 Nov (Sun)	Glen Muick – Clova	Minibus	Ivan Hiscox
16 Dec (Sun)	Strathbogie	Minibus	Ken Thomson

Weekend Meets

Further to the Weekend Meets detailed on pages 8, 9 and 10, listed below are the other meets organised for Summer/Autumn 2018

12-13 Oct (2 nights)	SMC Naismith Hut, Elphin	Colin Brown
9 - 10 Nov (2 nights)	Glenfinnan Station Bunkhouse	Mark Peel
7 - 8 Dec (2 nights)	Alex MacIntyre Hut, Onich	Marj Ewan

MWWs' Autumn Holiday

Building on the success of the trip to Ullapool last year, it is proposed to meet in Aviemore from 11 to 14 September 2018. Please make your own arrangements for B&B accommodation.

Walks suggested so far include Meall a'Buchaille for views and Glen Feshie to review land management.

On the first evening, these and other options will be reviewed at a venue to be decided once menus have been scrutinised. Please notify your interest ASAP to meetorganiser1@cairngormclub.org.uk.

Marion White

MBA Update

Work, which has been planned for some time, is soon to take place at Corrou, to try to reduce the number of trips to service the toilets, in this very popular bothy. The toilet is used by climbers, bothiers, trekkers passing by and DoE groups camping nearby.

At present various members have to do Corrou's "toilet duties" every 4-5 weeks in the summer. It is planned to increase the number of toilet bags there from the present two up to four. This will cut down the amount of visits required to change the bags and will be done within the existing building. The work will be started towards the end of June when a helicopter will be on hand to bring in some new materials and to remove some of the internal fittings. The internal reorganisation will be completed soon after.

The same weekend the helicopter will carry everything needed for an intensive work-party for the renovation of the Garbh Choire Refuge. Some of the gang will already be there to start to strip the rocks which now cover the Refuge. All the work will be done that weekend, finishing with the gang carrying out all the old materials and tools to Derry Lodge.

The MBA are at pains to emphasise that despite improvements, this will still be a refuge and not a bothy.

On the back burner is the Red House, owing to Historic Scotland finding evidence of an earlier lower cruck-framed roof which they would like us to retain. How to do this is being negotiated. However this is done it will not now to be until next year, but we are very keen to get this brought into operation to relieve some of the pressure on Corrou.

Contrary to rumour, Ruigh Aiteachain is still NOT open, although we believe the actual work is complete. See MBA website for up-to-date information.

RSPB have expressed concerns that some people are, rather foolishly (as it doesn't burn at all well), cutting live wood to use as fuel at Ryvoan This is an area of native forest regeneration and live wood should not be cut under any circumstance.

Further afield, plenty of work has been going on. I can tell you that The Schoolhouse is in excellent condition and that at Glendhu we have been doing skylight repairs, a few slate repairs, some chimney pointing, blocking up a fireplace, rebuilding another, altering some guttering, digging out a ditch, mending a floor and a lot of painting and enjoying ourselves!

Peter Aikman

Mid-Week Walks

Who are the Midweek Walkers, and how do they plan their programme?

If interested, do come along to the next planning meeting on Wednesday 15 August at 7.30pm in the Aberdeen Grammar School FP Club Centre, 86 Queen's Road, Aberdeen. There we shall consider any suggestions for routes involving 4 -5 hours walking and which can be accomplished as day outings leaving Aberdeen at 9am on the last Thursday of every month.

Once the twelve routes are chosen and the individual Walk organisers identified, the programme is e-mailed to those Club members who have requested it. The plans will be outlined in the Newsletter and listed in the Calendar. The detail of each walk can be obtained from Marion White by email at meetorganiser1@cairngormclub.org.uk

Each month there are 2 options: Either meet at 9am at one of the four locations below to optimise car-sharing, or at the walk start-point, where parking space is more limited.

<u>Code</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Grid Ref</u>
C	Craibstone Park & Ride	879108
K	Kingswells Park & Ride (lower level)	868063
R	Riverside Drive (near Brig o'Dee)	928036
P	Persley Gardens, Woodside	910093

At Kingswells and Craibstone there are toilets and a waiting room.

<https://www.firstgroup.com/aberdeen>

<https://www.stagecoachbus.com/about/north-scotland>

<https://www.aberdeenairport.com/transport-and-directions/buses-and-coaches>

GDPR

As most people will be aware, the Data Protection rules are being changed by the introduction of the GDPR regulations from the EU. The new regulations make it easier for people to access and control the personal data that organisations hold about them. In order to comply with the new regulations the Club has produced a Privacy Notice and has added Data Protection clauses to a number of its documents.

The new Privacy Notice is enclosed with this newsletter. Members are encouraged to read the notice and if they have any questions to contact the Membership Secretary.

The Club is affiliated to Mountaineering Scotland and passes member details to that organisation. We have therefore also enclosed their Privacy Notice as well.

Derek Pinches

Mountaineering Journals and Guides for Disposal

The Secretary has the following items, mostly from the collection of the late Anne Cordiner, available for disposal into appreciative hands; otherwise, it's the tip!

The Mountain World (published by the Swiss Foundation for Alpine Research): 1953, 1958/59, 1960/61, 1962/63, 1964/65, 1966/67, 1968/69

The Himalayan Journal, Vol. XXXI, 1971

The Alpine Journal, 1969 (Vol. 74, no. 318) and 1973 (Vol. 78., no. 322)

Mountaineering (the official journal of the British Mountaineering Council), Vol. IV nos. 7-10 (Spring 1965 to Autumn 1966) and Vol. V, nos. 6 and 8 (Winters 1969 and 1970)

Scottish Mountaineering Club Journal, Vol. XXXI no. 170 (1979), Vol. XXXII nos. 171 (1980), 173 (1982) and 175 (1984), and 177-180 (1986-1989)

Mountain Bothies Association Journal, 1989, Dec. 1990 and Dec. 1991

Also the following SMC guides: Northern Highlands (1932), Island of Skye (1948), Western Highlands (1947) and Southern Highlands (1949)

All except a couple of the guides are in reasonably good condition.

Quoich Road Bridge

In March 2018, the National Trust for Scotland submitted a planning application* for a replacement road bridge over the Quoich, beyond the public road-end, where the 2015 floods shifted the river east of the current bridge. The proposal is to take a hardcore track about 150m north up the west bank of the river, across the water on concrete, and in front of the "disused cottages" on the "green", to link east to the track to Allanaquoich.

*<https://upa.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=documents&keyVal=P61YILCAIHD00>

Stop Press: it is understood that the above application has been withdrawn, due to archaeological queries.

Payments to the Club

The Club bank details are: Sort Code 831531; Account no. 00129748.

So that the payment can be allocated to the right place, please use a reference containing your name and what the payment is for,

e.g. 'LSmith Traverse' or 'DPinches M'ship' or 'JBloggs W'end 25/4'.

Note that the reference field is limited to 18 characters including blanks.

Muir Cottage

In March, Ken Thomson and Jean Robinson had another go at establishing Scots pine at Muir, in mini-plantations intended to replace – in time – some of the old trees now in the grounds (three of which were felled in 2015). The youngsters were (and still are) a foot or so high, and seemed healthy, but we'll see. Meanwhile, visitors to Muir are entreated to water them during the long hot summer which we all expect.

Another Muir excitement at March was a drains blockage which turned out to be located at the septic tank out in the woods. An hour or two of work with a pressure hose did the needful, and cleared an impressive amount of "material" from the system.

At an inspection of the outside woodwork it was found that the south wooden fascia of the roof needed replacing. In April this replacement was done by a contractor.

Meantime, Muir has this year seen a steady stream of visitors from all over the UK.

All booking information is on the web <http://www.cairngormclub.org.uk/muircottage/muircottage.htm> or contact David Kirk at muir-booking@cairngormclub.org.uk

Kees Witte

Targets: Boulders and Bridges

According to V. A. Firsoff's well-known book, *The Cairngorms on Foot and Ski* (1949), page 93, the large perched block Clach Bharraig near the ski road on Cairngorm was used during the Second World War as a mountain artillery target. Two direct hits "*disclosed its pink inside but barely chipped the main mass of the stone*". In 1943, two unexploded ten-pounder shells were found in scree above Loch Einich.

In the book, Firsoff describes many walks in all parts of the Cairngorms, including of course the two Lairigs. In Rothiemurchus, one comes across "*an iron-and-cement contraption erected in 1912 by the Cairngorm Club*" (how rude!), but "*few if any walkers cross this bridge, as there is in close vicinity another timber bridge more conveniently situated*".

Vladimir Axel Firsoff (1910-1981; born in the Ukraine though of Swedish descent, and grew up in Poland; lived in Lochearnhead and Glastonbury) was an interesting man: a civil service patents examiner, a European idealist, a linguist, an athlete (official instructor for the British Olympics ski team in the 1950s), an astronomer (Patrick Moore wrote an obituary; a crater on Mars is named after him) and popular science writer (e.g. *Our Neighbour Worlds*, 1953; *Life Beyond the Earth*, 1964).

Munroist List Clerk

To register a completion of a full round of Munros or Corbetts, members should write to David J. Broadhead who is the "Clerk of the List" for the SMC. Please enclose a SAE for your certificate.

David J Broadhead
17 Drumdyre Road
Dingwall
IV15 9RW

DISCOUNTS

Cotswold - Blacks
Craigdon Sports
Nevisport
Hilltrek - Aboyne
Climbing - Ballater

All the above shops offer discounts to Club members on production of a current membership card

TISO discount nights
6.30 to 8.30 pm, quarterly.

Save Bennachie Alliance

To keep up to date with the work of the Alliance, and to read its newsletters, log on to their website at www.savebennachie.com.

Club Journals

A copy of the *Cairngorm Club Journal*, Vol. 22, no. 112, edited by Jean Robinson, should accompany this Newsletter. Our thanks to Jean for a lot of hard work getting this issue together and into print.

Digitisation of all past CCJ issues is expected to be completed by summer 2018; members with email addresses registered with the Club will be notified.

The Secretary receives occasional requests for copies of old *CCJ* issues, particularly nos. 100, 105 and 111, which seem scarce; if anyone has a copy of any of these to spare, he would be glad to hear from them. On the other hand, the Club holds spares (not always in mint condition) of some past issues, and will be glad to dispose of these to suitably good homes.

Lunch & Danders

The next Lunch and Dander will be on Fri 15th June, meeting at Old Kinord Car Park at 10:30, with lunch at the Loch Kinord Hotel at 12:30. Please advise Ruth Payne by Wed 13th June if you would like to join the lunch gathering.

There are also another two Lunch and Danders planned.

The first is on Tue 7th August, meeting at Stonehaven Harbour at 10:30, with lunch at the Ship Inn, Shorehead, Stonehaven at 12:30. Please advise Ruth by Sun 5th August if you would like to join the lunch gathering.

The second is on Fri 5th October, meeting at the Waterside Car Park Newburgh at 10:30, with lunch at the Newburgh Inn at 12:30. Please advise Ruth by Wed 3rd October if you would like to join the lunch gathering.

Mapping Core Paths

Ordnance Survey has been reluctant to put core paths on their maps due to the "lack of a business case" and some technical issues. However, SNH has launched an interactive map website showing core paths in blue, and with links to Council and National Park maps: see www.nature.scot/enjoying-outdoors/places-visit/routes-explore/local-path-networks.

Hillgoers

At the February Indoor Meet, Garry Cormack gave an interesting talk on the development of his Deeside guide business. More information can be found at his website - www.hillgoers.com.

Red Squirrels

The results of a 2017 survey, based on monitoring tetrads (2km x 2km squares), show that red squirrel populations in Scotland had remained stable since around 2012. The most positive results were found in North East Scotland, where red squirrels have significantly increased their range, particularly around Aberdeen. This correlates with a recent flurry of red squirrel sightings reported increasingly close to the city centre. Grey squirrel control began in Aberdeenshire in 2007. For the full report, see the scottishsquirrels.org.uk website.

Library Accession

A copy of the following book (now updated and reprinted) has been placed in the Club's collection in the University of Aberdeen Library:

Reflections of a Tank Trooper (retd), by Eric Johnston, 2018,
ISBN 978-0-9927780-2-6.

It can be purchased from RDG tel. 642036, www.rdgmuseum.org.uk or hhq@rdgmuseum.co.uk: £12 hardback or £7.99 softback (plus £5 P&P). Though not about mountaineering or the Cairngorms, the author is one of the Club's most distinguished members, and this little book gives a fascinating and personal account of what it was like to be a young soldier from Aberdeen during and just after the Second World War.

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 £35 (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

Furths

Have you climbed the Furths, i.e. 3000 foot mountains of England, Wales and Ireland? If so, you may be interested in Simon Glover's website <http://furthsummits.blogspot.co.uk/> which has information about these mountains contains a list (incomplete as yet) of those who have climbed them. If you have completed the Furths and would like your name added to this list, contact Simon at email - moelfamau555@gmail.com.

Summer Social Meet, evening Wednesday 13 June

By kind permission of Club Past-President Adrian Scott, this year's event will take place from 6pm to perhaps 9pm at Touckswood, about two miles WSW of Stonehaven, at GR 835 845 (opposite Bardspark on the OS 1:50000 map). A BBQ will take place at Adrian's "bothy" in Toucks Wood. A pleasant – if occasionally a little muddy - walk of about an hour ENE through Berry Brae woods, overlooking Fetteresso Castle can be done at any time, with perhaps group starts every half-hour. The BBQ will be on a "Bring Your Own Food and Drink" basis, though the Club will provide paper plates, cutlery, tumblers, etc., and perhaps some "tasties". Children welcome, as long as they don't annoy the pigs! To get to Toucks Wood from Aberdeen, take the A90 exit signed "Kirkton Garden Centre", well around Stonehaven. At the garden centre, turn left (S), wiggle under the railway line, emerge up at Toucks Farm, and turn right (W) for about a mile. Park in one of the forest loading bays, or as signposted. Numbers are not limited, but it will help if intending participants can tell the Secretary (see back page) approximate numbers and arrival time.

CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions for the year 2018/19 become due on 1st October 2018. For those paying by Direct Debit this was collected automatically on 1st October. Others should send their subscriptions to Derek Pinches, the Club Treasurer.

Cairngorm Club Subscription rates for 2018/19 are as follows:

	Club	MCofS	Total
Full Rate	£13.00	£16.25	£29.25
Reduced Rate	£6.50	£16.25	£22.75

The reduced rate above is available for members who, on 1st October, are aged 65 or over, or under 21; or under 25 and still in full-time education; or who are normally resident and working more than 80km from Aberdeen.

First subscriptions are only part of a full year's subscription, based on when admission occurred within the Club year.

Training

First Aid

The Club has booked Phil Glennie to deliver first aid training. For those of you that don't know Phil, he is a member of the Braemar MRT and has delivered several well received courses for the Club in the past. Training, covering the National Governing Body requirements (SML, WML, SCU, RYA etc.) of 16 hours duration will be delivered over the weekend 31 June / 1 July at Muir. An optional evening session (2hrs) on Friday 29 June is available if the Full First Aid at Work certificate is required.

The cost to Club members is £55 which includes 2 nights' accommodation at Muir (bring your own food/drink etc.).

Navigation

Navigation training is held from time to time. Interest can be intimated to Garry Wardrope (contact details below) at any time and when he has sufficient numbers he will arrange a suitable date and time with the trainees.

To register your interest in any of the above activities, please contact: Garry Wardrope on email day@cairngormclub.org.uk.

The Club also supports other training such as Mountain Leader and Rock Climbing by providing grants to members. Applications should be made to the Treasurer.

Membership News

The Club is sorry to hear of the death of the following members.

Mr Robin Morris of Edinburgh, an Associate Member since 1985

Mr James Bryce of Dingwall, an Ordinary Member since 1999 (Weekend Meet Secretary 2013 - 2018)

The following new member have been admitted since the last newsletter

Miss Morven Logan	Aberdeen	Associate
Ms Joanna Pickworth	Aboyne	Associate
Mr Lee Duguid	Aberdeen	Associate
Mr Oliver Coles	Penrith	Associate
Mr Jamie Vince	Aberdeen	Associate
Mrs Kate Brockman	Durriss	Associate
Miss Diane Swallow	Aberdeen	Associate
Mr Mike McKelvey	Aberdeen	Associate

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>

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



8 - 9 Jun, SMC Ling Hut, Torridon (Fri & Sat nights)

This weekend gives a fantastic chance to experience the Torridon area. With all of the Torridon Munros and Corbetts on the front doorstep and the north Achnashellach hills a short dander from the back door, you will be spoilt for choice. To book, contact Mark Peel at meetorganiser38@cairnngormclub.org.uk

13 - 14 July, Strawberry Cottage, Glen Affric (Fri & Sat nights)

The remote An Teallach Mountaineering Club hut has been booked for the Club once again. Come and savour the remoteness of the mountains of Glen Affric, 5 miles from a tarred road. Munros, Corbetts and low-level walking from the door. To book, contact Marj Ewan on email ccpresident@cairnngormclub.org.uk

17 - 18 August Lagangarbh, Glencoe (Fri & Sat nights)

Situated just off the A82, lying north of Buachaille Etive Mor, Lagangarbh is an excellent location for climbers and walkers offering a range of hills within easy striking distance. We have reserved 14 beds. There is electric heating, cooking facilities and lighting. The hut has a drying room, toilets and shower. To book, contact Joyce Ritchie on email ctte17@cairnngormclub.org.uk

21 - 23 Sept, Glenbrittle BMC Memorial Hut, Skye (Fri - Sun nights)

This meet offers as much walking and climbing as you can possibly pack into a weekend. Walk or climb on the Black Cuillin, the Red Cuillin or the sea cliffs. Take your pick, there's so much to choose from. Set in Glen Brittle the BMC Hut is in an ideal location, and you can set off for many of the Black Cuillin summits from paths leading almost from the door. To book, contact Sue Chalmers on email vp@cairnngormclub.org.uk

12 - 13 Oct, Naismith Hut, Elphin (Fri & Sat nights)

The Club have the sole use of the excellent Hut in Elphin in North West Scotland for this Meet. There are a multitude of Munros and Corbetts in the vicinity, and for the climbers there is great climbing at Sheigra, Laxford Bridge, Storr, Sandwood Bay, Reiff and many more. Mountain routes on Stac Pollaidh and Foinaven are also nearby. To book, contact Colin Brown on email newsletter@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 (departure time; map sheet; departure point; organisers contact details)

Weekend Meets (organiser; telephone number; email contact)

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

Day Meets take place once a month and can be by coach, mini-bus or car, or by bus share 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. For service bus meets the first bus out of Aberdeen for Deeside is the one we need. It leaves Union Square around 7:45am. 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 Summer 2018.

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

June 21 - 24 (Thursday - Sunday) Overnighter Weekend, Knoydart

This year's Overnighter is to be a 3 day adventure. Attendees will gather in Fort William on Thursday. The through walk will start on Friday morning from Glenfinnan and proceed to Inverie in Knoydart on Sunday. You can spend either 1 or 2 nights out in the wide-open spaces, wild camping, bivvying or bothying or the 2nd night could be spent in an Inverie hostel. To book, or for more information, contact Ivan Hiscox on email ctte3@cairnngormclub.org.uk

July 29 (Sunday) Ben Lawers

Car meet to Ben Lawers. With long hours of daylight a full traverse of the five Munros on the main ridge would be possible but other options would include the Tarmachan Ridge and the two Munros to the north. To book, contact Garry Wardrope on email day@cairnngormclub.org.uk.

Sept 2 (Sunday) Cairngorm Traverse

The coach will depart from St Margaret's School for Glenmore at 7am. Various options include Ben Macdhu and Beinn Mheadhoin or a visit to Loch Avon and the Shelter Stone. Return to coach at Linn of Dee by 6.30pm. To book, contact David Brown on email ctte11@cairnngormclub.org.uk.

Sept 30 (Sunday) Gairnside

The minibus will leave at 7am for this trip up Gairnside. Most prominent hills are Morven to the east of the road or Geallaig to the west. The exact location of the main route will be communicated by email and the Forum nearer the time. To book, contact Sue Chalmers on email vp@cairnngormclub.org.uk

Oct 28 (Sunday) Invercauld

This meet is by minibus and has a 7am departure from Aberdeen. The President's Party will traverse from Invercauld Bridge to Auchallater over Carn an t-Sagairt Mor. Afterwards it is hoped to visit the Braemar Golf Club for food and drinks. Other options are available with prior arrangement with the minibus driver. To book, contact Derek Beverley on email meetorganiser16@cairnngormclub.org.uk.

June 2018

5	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - Meikle Partans (High Tide 7:06pm) (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
8	Fri	Weekend	SMC Ling Hut, Torridon (Mark Peel; meetorganiser38@cairngormclub.org.uk)
12	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - Floors Craig (Low Tide 7:09pm) (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
13	Wed	Social	Summer Social - BBQ at Toucks Wood, Stonehaven (Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)
15	Fri	Lunch & Dander	Meet at Old Kinord Car Park at 10:30am with lunch at Loch Kinord Hotel at 12:30. (Ruth Payne)
19	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - Clachnaben (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
23	Thu - Sun	Overnighter	Knoydart - Meet in Fort William on Thursday evening and return by ferry from Inverie and train to Fort William on Sun. (Ivan Hiscox; cte3@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - Clashrodne, Pink Slab & Causeway (Low Tide 7:18pm) (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
28	Thur	MWWalk	Ailnack Gorge (9am; 36; K; Malcolm Lamont)
29	Fri	First Aid	First Aid Course based at Muir Cottage - £55 for weekend. (Garry Wardrope; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)

July

3	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - Pass of Ballater (Central Buttress) (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
10	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - The Humpback (Low Tide 5:54pm) (James Hirst; 0climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
13	Fri	Weekend	Strawberry Cottage, Glen Affric (Marj Ewan; ccpresident@cairngormclub.org.uk)
17	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - Craig Corn Arn (High Tide 5:49pm) (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
24	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - The Graip (Low Tide 6:16pm) (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26	Thur	MWWalk	Monelpie Moss and Loch Muick (9am; 44; K; Malcolm Lamont)
28	Sat	Day Meet	Ben Lawers (7am; 51; 603388; 7hrs; TBC; car; Garry Wardrope; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)
30	Mon	Foreign	Vernal Alps, Austria (Derek Beverley; meetorganiser16@cairngormclub.org.uk)
31	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing—Clashrodne North (Rocky Crag) (Low Tide 10:25pm) (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)

August

7	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - Fulmar Wall (Low Tide 4:27pm) (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
7	Tue	Lunch & Dander	Meet at Stonehaven Harbour at 10:30am with lunch at the Ship Inn at 12:30. (Ruth Payne)
14	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - North Glash (Sports) (High Tide 4:35pm) (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
17	Fri	Weekend	Lagangarbh Glencoe (Joyce Ritchie; ctel17@cairngormclub.org.uk)
21	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - Souter Head (Low Tide 5pm) (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
28	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - Deceptive Wall (High Tide 9:27pm) (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
30	Thur	MWWalk	Corrie Fee & Mayar (9am; 44 ; R; Lydia Thomson)

September

2	Sun	Day Meet	Cairngorm Traverse (7am; 36, 43; 989063; 8hrs; £15; coach; David Brown; ctel11@cairngormclub.org.uk)
4	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - Boltsheugh (High Tide 9:09pm):(James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
11	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - arrangements via email or Facebook (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
18	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - arrangements via email or Facebook (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
21	Fri	Weekend	Glenbrittle BMC Memorial Hut, Skye (Sue Chalmers; vp@cairngormclub.org.uk)
25	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing - arrangements via email or Facebook (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
27	Thur	MWWalk	Craig Leek & Glen Feardar (9am; 43 K; Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)
30	Sun	Day Meet	Gairnside (7am, 36 & 37; TBC; 6hrs; £12.50; minibus; Sue Chalmers; vp@cairngormclub.org.uk)

October

2	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing Season Begins (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
5	Fri	Lunch & Dander	Meet at Waterside Car Park, Newburgh at 10:30am with lunch at the Newburgh Inn at 12:30. (Ruth Payne)
9	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
12	Fri	Weekend	Naismith Hut, Elphin (Colin Brown; newsletter@cairngormclub.org.uk)
16	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing (James Hirst; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
23	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing (James Hirst; limb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
25	Thur	MWWalk	Correen Hills (9am; 37; K; Bert Swinborn)
28	Sun	Day Meet	Invercauld to Auchallater Traverse (7am; 43; 185911 - 156883; 7hrs; £12.50; minibus; Derek Beverley; meetorganiser16@cairngormclub.org.uk)