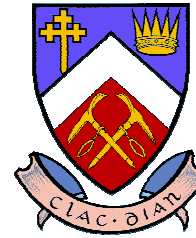


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The Newsletter of the Cairngorm Club

34 Wintry Munros

Continuing from the February Newsletter

After a much longer than expected lockdown and 13 'Wintry' Munros still to complete, I wondered how much snow I'd see to complete my '34 for Owain' Challenge. Turns out that booking the first week of May was THE week to book for plenty of the white stuff.

Armed with an over-enthusiastic plan to join up An Teallach, the Fisherfields and the Western Fannichs as a week-long camping trip, I set off keen as mustard. Setting up camp at Loch Coire Chaorachain I spent Monday waiting for the winds to drop. On Tuesday conditions were perfect, a wee dusting on An Teallach and a few snowstorms blowing through, but nothing too tricky for my meagre abilities.

Wednesday I moved to the Fisherfields. I'd originally hoped to try the round of 6. With powder building on the tops however, and a realisation that 4 months of lockdown hadn't done my hill fitness any favours, I settled for Sgurr Ban and Mullach Coire Mhic Fhearchair instead, the second of the two being a beautiful ascent, with snowy peaks as far as the eye could see. Ploughing knee-deep through the snow between boulders gave a magical alpine feel. Rather a less magical night in the tent at Loch an Nid afterwards however. With wind and hail battering down (was not supposed to be that windy!) and the roof flattened an inch above my nose it was a somewhat sleepless night wondering if the poles would hold.

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Feeling pretty bedraggled the next day it was a cold, wet tramp to the Western Fannichs. I'd hoped to get the remaining 9 via a few days of summit camping. With a poor weekend forecast and brain/body saying no to both dragging the big pack over any form of Munro, or any more camping (!), morale was at a bit of a low.

There was only one thing for it... to head for the pub! How fortuitous that I'd left the car next to the Fannichs!

Feeling like a new person after a shower and a warm bed at the Aultguish I headed for four in the Eastern Fannichs on Friday. It was sunny, windless with the kind of snow you could walk through forever. Crunchy enough for the uphill but soft enough for massive loping strides on the downhill.

Saturday was an attempt and retreat in gales from A'Chailleach and Sgurr Breac which is just as well as it turns out I'd already done those!

Sunday was another four in thawing snow on Beinn Dearg with views out to the Summer Isles and Assynt.

Which left Owain's 282nd Munro Meall a' Chrasgaidh on the Monday. A good place to finish and feel grateful to have the chance to make memories like these. Even ones that involve horizontal soggy tents. I don't think he would have minded that I went to the pub.

Thanks to all that sponsored and offered to join me. It's meant a lot! The pages are open a while longer for anyone else that would like to chip in.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/34munrosforowain>

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rnli-owain>

Izy Kirkaldy

Journal No 113

The Club Journal Editor would be interested to know if many members have experienced pages in their copies of no. 113 becoming loose through use. If you have experienced the problem, please email Jean Robinson at journal@cairnngormclub.org.uk, and she will take up the matter with the printers for the next issue.

CC Journals for Sale

Cairngorm Club Journals nos. 1 to 75 complete, unbound, in good condition, brown spotting on outer aspect edges, covers in good condition for age. Price to be agreed, with proceeds split between the Club and a Scottish MR Team of the seller's choice.

Please contact jane.wordie@btinternet.com for more information.

Peatwork and Woodwork in the Cairngorms National Park

Contractors have been working to complete peatland restoration management on the Balmoral, Glenfeshie and Lynaberack Estates. The last, owned by Anders Holch Povlsen, is in Glen Tromie, and included some dreadful hill-track scars a few years ago. One technique is to spread a sphagnum-rich mulch over the surface, to help to stabilise the surface, and mosses then grow on top. Lime and fertiliser are added to encourage plant growth.

The Park is 75% of the way through the 2017-22 reporting period but has reached 95% of the woodland expansion target of 5,000ha. In the last year, 1400ha of new woodland by natural regeneration were approved, and about a dozen Park estates are hoping to plant predominantly native woodlands between 100ha and 1000ha in size.

A video showing how to raise the water table by blocking drains is at - www.nature.scot/climate-change/nature-based-solutions/peatland-action-project. And another on recreating a peat bog is at - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dRJhpHeHB6I&feature=emb_rel_end

Planting at Loch Avon

As part of the Cairngorms Connect project, RSPB Abernethy propose to plant downy willow, *Salix lapponum*, in the Loch Avon basin (see page 11). The first seedlings of these rare willows?? have been successfully grown as part of a conservation project by the National Trust for Scotland on its Mar Lodge Estate. Mountaineering Scotland has been consulted, and has responded with advice on the routes used by climbers and walkers, and queries as to transport methods, plant protection and information notices.

Re-Wilding for Biodiversity?

Research over nearly 20 years in Glen Finglas (west of Ben Ledi and Callander) has investigated the effects of different grazing regimes on upland grassland. Plant species diversity was higher on grazed areas, with more grazing benefitting sweet vernal, mat and deer grasses, while lack of grazing benefitted bog asphodel, bracken and blueberry, particularly on more productive acid grassland communities compared to mires. Beetle numbers (but not their species diversity) was lower in ungrazed areas. Meadow pipits benefitted very quickly from increased grazing and the introduction of cattle, which made their invertebrate food more accessible, but they nested at low densities in ungrazed vegetation. In contrast, general bird diversity increased without grazing, primarily because of scrub development. Grazing removal led to the highest rates of carbon accumulation.

Midweek Walks Update

At last the Midweek Walking programme is up and running again.

At the end of April, Club members from the City and Shire were able to meet for a “socially distanced“ walk, around Aboyne. Even the sharp showers didn’t dampen our spirits!

If you would like to join the Midweek walkers on a walk look out for details which are circulated via Google Groups, normally two or three weeks in advance of the walk.

Due to Covid you now need to book a place directly with the Meet Organiser and you must provide a phone number for the purpose of Test & Protect.

Further to the walks detailed on pages 8 & 9, listed below are the meets organised for the rest of 2021:

28 October	Invercauld Circuit	Roger Houghton
25 November	Glen Gironck Circular	Richard Frimston
16 December	Barmekin Hill	Joyce Ritchie

If you have not yet joined Google Groups and are not receiving information about the Midweek walks, please contact me at vp@cairnngormclub.org.uk for details.

Joyce Ritchie

Membership News

The following new members have been admitted since the last Newsletter:

Caitlin Hayes	Edinburgh	Associate
Petra Kmetikova	Inverness	Associate

Did You Know ...?

... that the dates of the potholes on tors such as those on Ben Avon can be estimated by the density of radionuclides such as ^{10}Be ? These are produced by cosmic rays – a bit like skin-tanning. The deepest potholes occur on unmodified tor summits, where ^{10}Be exposure ages indicate that surfaces have been exposed to weathering for up to 300,000 years, much longer than the period since the last Ice Age.

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.

Cairngorm Club Subscriptions (1 Oct 2021 – 30 Sept 2022)

At the Club AGM in November 2020, the subscription rate for the above year was maintained at £13.00 (reduced rate £6.50) plus the Mountaineering Scotland affiliation fee.

The MS affiliation fee (including the Civil Liability Insurance premium) for the year 1st April 2021 to 31st March 2022 remains unchanged at £17.55 (in accordance with the statement made at their 2019 AGM).

Cairngorm Club subscription rates for 2021/22 are therefore:

	Club	MS	Total
Full Rate	£13.00	£17.55	£30.55
Reduced Rate £ 6.50		£17.55	£24.05

Direct Debits will be collected on 1st October 2021.

The reduced rate applies to Club members who have informed the Treasurer that on 1st October 2021 they will be 65 or over, or under 21, or under 25 and still in full-time education, or are normally resident and working more than 80 km from Aberdeen. Members wishing to pay at the reduced rate should tell the Treasurer of the reason. Members who do not participate in any Club-organised outside activity and do not use Muir Cottage may, if they desire, withdraw from paying the MS Affiliation Fee. Please discuss this with the Treasurer.

Members of multiple clubs (or Individual Members of MS) wishing to pay the MS affiliation fee not through the Cairngorm Club should tell the Treasurer which club it will be paid through or their MS membership number, as appropriate.

All members are encouraged to pay their subscription by Direct Debit and, where appropriate, to make a Gift Aid Declaration. Forms for each are available from the Treasurer.

A membership card for the year 2022 will be enclosed with the October 2021 Newsletter.

Donald Thomas, Treasurer May 2021
treasurer@cairnngormclub.org.uk

More Scottish Mountaineering Club Journals Online

The SMC Journals from the Club’s foundation in 1889 until 1929 were already on the SMC website, and the newly uploaded ones cover the period from 1930 to 2008. The final batch from 2008 onwards is in the process of being scanned and will be uploaded in due course. The Journals can be found at <http://www.smc.org.uk/journal/downloads>.

Journals from No.135 onward are particularly large files (200mb plus) so a high-speed connection is helpful.

Payments to the Club - New Bank Account

The Club bank details have changed and now are: Sort Code 83-15-31; A/C 19165508; Name “Cairngorm Club”.

So that the payment can be allocated to the right place, please use what the payment is for as the reference e.g., “Traverse” or “Membership”. There is no need to include your name.

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

Muir Cottage

As last year, we have no work weekend, but a group of volunteer members have taken on tasks such as painting the outside of the cottage, painting the wood shed roof, cleaning the well, cleaning inside, servicing the bikes, etc., etc. During May, the work tops in the kitchen will be changed to stainless steel: this will be a big hygienic improvement, and a lot easier to clean. This work will hopefully be finished by the end of May. In order to discourage anti-social parking, there is now a lock on the gate (same number as the keysafe at the main door). When Muir opens again, it will be bookable only by Club members for the time being (probably most of 2021). The sheets and pillow cases have been removed, and guests should take their own hand sanitiser etc. The latest Covid regulations are posted at Muir, and we will follow the government’s latest rules.

Kees Witte
Muir Custodian

Climbing Update

Climbing meets resumed on the 30th March with separate City and Shire meets: Pass of Ballater, Long Slough, Burn o’Vat, Souter Head, North Glash Quarry and half a dozen more. Lots of weather watching required for these meets with the wet, cold and at times snowy spring this year. Plenty of photos of the meets have been shared on the 'Cairngorm Club Climbers' Facebook page - those interested can ask to join this FB group. Weekly (Tuesday) meets have returned to one meet for all as of 11th May based on MS guidance.

Monthly climbing meets on a Saturday or Sunday started with a trip to Glen Clova Red Craigs in April. A list of these meets is on the Club calendar on the website. Locations are subject to interest and local weather conditions.

Weekend overnight meets currently in planning include: camping trip on weekend 4th June, a replacement for the Roaches trip which was postponed to next year, location to be confirmed on the week leading up; Latheron Wheel, camping, weekend of 31st July.

Stuart Message
Climbing Secretary

‘Indoor’ Meets

The Virtual Indoor Meets on Zoom continue until the end of June, and will then start again in October.

Wednesday 9th June - Neil Cromar “Mountain Sunrises and Sunsets“

Wednesday 23rd June – Rhona Fraser on “From Hobart to Perth via (Far East) Antarctica”

Wednesday 13th October – “Risk and Reward in Mountaineering” by Paul Fatti, former President of the Mountain Club of S.A.(1986 to 1995), Leader of four mountaineering expeditions to the Patagonian Andes, and one each to Peru, Baffin Island, the Canadian Rockies and the Himalayas.

Wednesday 27th October – more bothies with Peter Aikman – this time, his topic is “My involvement with the Mountain Bothies Association”

Wednesday 24th November – Richard Shirreffs, Robbie Middleton and Kees Witte “The Club Hut: Muir”

The Virtual Coffee Mornings will continue fortnightly over the summer, but we may experiment with some evening gatherings – perhaps renamed “The Night-cap Hour”.

Eilidh Scobbie

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.

Bothy Closure News

For the latest information from the MBA re current closure of bothies, please visit their website at <https://www.mountainbothies.org.uk/>

Red House Bothy Update

The project to convert the 4 walls and a roof in Glen Geldie was held up by a cold snap interfering with concrete-pouring for the toilet block, and then by Covid, but is now underway again, with masonry work to follow a bat survey scheduled for May 2021.

Centennial Book

The Club occasionally gets asked about spare copies of the above (*The Cairngorm Club 1887-1987*, by Sheila Murray, 1987), but these are now rather scarce, and not generally available. So if you have a copy, and would like it to go to a good home, please let Ken Thomson know (see back page).

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

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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.

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 25th June, meeting at Dunecht House car park at 10:30am, with lunch at Jaffs at 12.30pm. Please advise Ruth Payne, by Wednesday 23rd June, if you would like to join the lunch gathering.

Another Lunch & Dander has been arranged for Tuesday 31st August, meeting at Forvie Sands car park at 10:30am, with lunch at the Newburgh Inn at 12:30pm.

As above please advise Ruth by Sunday 29th August if you would like to join the lunch gathering.

Future Weekend and Day Meets

Further to the Day and Weekend Meets detailed on pages 8, 9 and 10, listed below are the meets organised for the rest of 2021:

Weekend Meets

15 - 16 October (2 nights) - Glen Brittle Hut, Skye

12 - 13 November (2 nights) - Corran Bunkhouse

3 - 4 December (2 nights) - Raeburn Hut, Laggan

Day Meets

We have been able to start day meets again, with the use of the Westhill minibus. However places are restricted to 10 due to social distancing.

Saturday 9 October (Minibus) - Carn Bhac

Sunday 7 November (Minibus) - Morven Traverse

Sunday 19 December (Minibus) - Bennachie

Cairngorm Club Dinner 2021

A date for your diary – the 2021 Annual Club Dinner is scheduled for Friday 26th November when our speaker is Steve Goodwin talking on "Nepal: Everest to the Crystal Mountain (or 'from the ridiculous to the sublime')". With the permanent closure of the two venues where we have recently held our dinner, I am looking for a new venue.

I am expecting to run this year's Dinner as a hybrid event, with it being relayed on Zoom, so that any members who are unable to attend because of Covid issues can still enjoy the event.

Eilidh Scobbie
Social Secretary

Snow Patches after Winter 2019/20

According to the latest update*, twelve patches of snow survived in Scotland until winter 2020/2021: six on Ben Nevis or the Aonachs, and three each on Ben Macdui and Braeriach. This is the largest total since 2015, though modest by historical standards. The well-known patch at Cairn Gorm's Ciste Mhearad was only about 7m long on 21 September, just large enough to last into October. On 25 October, the Feith Buidhe slabs held a 12 × 40 × 3m wreath, and the adjacent Garbh Uisge Beag a larger one of 12 × 70 × 3m: lasting snow did not arrive at these locations until 21 November, by which time the wreaths had shrunk considerably and split. On 17 October, Braeriach's Garbh Choire Mòr held three patches (Sphinx, Pinnacles and Michaelmas Fayre), though none longer than 25m: all three were well buried by the heavy and lasting snow falls of 28 October.

* Cameron I., Fyffe B. and Kish, A. (2021). *Weather*. doi: 10.1002/wea.3958.

Weekend Meets Update

With most club huts currently not available for external lets, the June, July and August meets have been postponed to 2022. We hope that the Sept-Dec meets may be able to take place as planned, but we shall have to wait and see. Contact weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk if you would like to express a provisional interest in any of these weekends.

Meantime, Club members who would like to attend an informal camping meet are invited to book pitches at one, or both, of the following campsites:

9/10 July Port a Bhaigh campsite, Achiltibuie <http://www.portabhaigh.co.uk/>

13/14 August By the Way campsite, Tyndrum (two-man tents only please)
<http://tyndrumbytheway.com/>

Early booking is advisable as campsites are filling up fast. Please mention the Cairngorm Club when booking.

Please also post on the forum or email weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk so that we know whom to expect!

Sue Chalmers
Weekend Meets Secretary

The Club's Social Events

When I took on the role of Social Secretary, I little anticipated the amount of virtual socialising we would be doing! With things opening up now, I am planning some real gatherings – starting with a BBQ. Given the Covid restrictions, it will take a different form to the usual Club BBQs, remembered for DIY catering, and happy mingling. My current plan is that the BBQ will happen on the evening of Wednesday 16th June at Kippie Lodge Sports and Country Club, off the North Deeside Road just west of the AWPR. The BBQ will start at 6.30, with the option of a short walk in the area beforehand. Kippie offer an open-sided marquee, where we will be covered should it rain. I am arranging a two-course meal and tea or coffee, with a choice of barbecued food. Further details (booking arrangements and costs) will be emailed out on the Club Google Group, and put up on the Club website and Forum nearer the time. The current Covid restrictions applying to this event will be emailed to those who have booked a few days before the BBQ.

Eilidh Scobbie

Volunteers Wanted

Aberdeenshire Clubsport SCIO, a Council-sponsored umbrella group, are looking for volunteers willing and able to spend 2-3 hours per month liaising with local sports clubs and regional/national organisations. If interested, please contact clubsport.secretary@aberdeenshire.gov.uk.

Rescuing the last remaining downy willow in the Cairngorms

Downy willow is a low-growing, shrubby species found in the mountains of Scotland, Norway and beyond. It used to be widespread across the higher parts of the Cairngorms, but has suffered from decades of over-browsing. Today there are only a few remaining plants confined to isolated crags and the species is likely to die out if nothing is done. This June will see RSPB Scotland planting 3,000 downy willow seedlings on the slopes above Loch Avon, within Abernethy National Nature Reserve. The aim is to augment remnant clusters of these montane willows in the area, and increase connectivity between them in an effort to start restoring the remnant Cairngorm population to sustainable levels.

All the seedlings used in this project are of local provenance, and will be planted by specialist planters with an ecologist on hand to ensure other rare alpine flora and fauna are protected in the process. In order to preserve the wild character of the site, no fences or tree guards will be used, and trees will be walked in to the site to avoid creating new vehicle tracks. The planting is part of the Cairngorms Connect project – a partnership of neighbouring landowners to enhance habitats, species and ecological processes within the Cairngorms. It has been funded by the Arcadia fund through the Endangered Landscapes Programme, and received support from the Cairngorms National Park Authority. Anyone interested in finding out more about the planting should contact abernethy@rspb.org.uk.



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.

July 9 & 10, Achiltibuie (2 nights)

Club members who would like to attend an informal camping meet are invited to book pitches at the following - Port a Bhaigh campsite, Achiltibuie <http://www.portabhaigh.co.uk/>. Please mention the Cairngorm Club when booking. Also let Sue Chalmers know if you have booked, on email at weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk.

August 13 & 14, Tyndrum (2 nights)

Club members who would like to attend an informal camping meet are invited to book pitches at the following - By the Way campsite, Tyndrum (two-man tents only please) <http://tyndrumbytheway.com/>. Please mention the Cairngorm Club when booking. Also let Sue Chalmers know if you have booked, on email at weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk.

September 24 - 26, Inverie Bunkhouse, Knoydart (3 nights)

Convenient for 3 Munros and 3 Corbetts with a further 2 Corbetts which could all be completed over the weekend by very strong walkers. Inverie is home to the famous Old Forge, mainland Britain's remotest pub which serves excellent meals. Boats between Mallaig and Inverie, or save the fare and walk from Kinloch Hourn or Loch Arkaig (allow at least 8 hours). To book, please contact Sue Chalmers on email at weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk.

October 15 & 16, Glenbrittle Memorial Hut, Skye (2 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, there's so much to choose from. Set in Glen Brittle the BMC Hut is in an ideal location, and you can set off the Black Cuillin summits from paths leading almost from the door. To book, please contact Sue Chalmers on email at weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk.

Day Meets (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 Summer & Autumn 2021.

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

June 19/20, Mamores Overnighter (Saturday/Sunday)

The minibus will depart Aberdeen, St Megs at 8am, with a break for refreshments en route. The drop-off will be by 2pm in Glen Nevis by the lower falls. Pickup will be in Kinlochleven, at 2pm on Sunday. With COVID-19 restrictions in place we are restricted to 10 places. To book, contact Ken Thomson on email at secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk.

July 24, Keiloch/Faindouran with Overnight(s) Option (1, 2 or 3 nights)

The ambition for this meet is a several-day, high-level, walk/camp, tenting, bivvying or bothying trip, Lots of opportunity to update your camping and navigation skills and visit mountains and glens from less known approaches, stopping and overnighing where it is convenient, giving a short "staycation" at minimal cost, convenient from Aberdeen.

Please contact Guy Bromby at meetorganiser18@cairngormclub.org.uk to book. More information, as plans evolve, will be posted on the Club Forum.

August 21, Angel's Peak (Saturday)

By Car - Loch Einich and Angel's Peak with overnight option. Starting from Coylumbridge the intention is to ascend Angel's Peak from Loch Einich either camping by the loch or near the summit if the weather is fine, with a return via Braeriach. Lots of variations available, so all suggestions welcome. To book, please contact Izy Kirkaldy on email at vp2@cairngormclub.org.uk.

September 5, Cairngorm Traverse (Sunday)

Subject to COVID-19 restrictions we intend to book a coach for our annual traverse of the Cairngorms. The Coach will depart St Meg's for Aviemore at the usual time of 7am and pick-up at the Linn of Dee. If numbers are insufficient to justify a coach then this meet may have to be cancelled. To book, contact Garry Wardrope on email at day@cairngormclub.org.uk.

June 2021

1	Tue	Climbing	Location TBC (High Tide 7.30pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
4	Fri	Climbing	Weekend camping climbing meet to a Scottish venue (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
8	Tue	Climbing	Clashrodne North/Sickle Row, South Aberdeen (Low Tide 7pm, Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
9	Wed	Indoor	Neil Cromar "Mountain Sunrises and Sunsets" - by Zoom (Eilidh Scobbie; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
15	Tue	Climbing	Boltsheugh, South Aberdeen (High Tide 6pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
19	Sat	Day	Overnighter - Mamores (Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)
22	Tue	Climbing	The Graip, North Aberdeen (Low Tide 6pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
23	Wed	Indoor	Rhona Fraser on "From Hobart to Perth via (Far East) Antarctica" - by Zoom (Eilidh Scobbie; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
24	Thur	MWW	Geallaig Hill (Fiona Walmsley & Eilidh Scobbie)
25	Fri	Lunch & Dander	Meet at Dunecht House car park at 10:30am, with lunch at Jaffs at 12.30pm. (Ruth Payne)
29	Tue	Climbing	Cambus o'May Quarry (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)

July

6	Tue	Climbing	Clachnaben (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
9	Fri	Weekend	Camping at Port a Bhaigh campsite, Achiltibuie (Sue Chalmers: weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
13	Tue	Climbing	The Glash, North Aberdeen (High Tide 5pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
20	Tue	Climbing	Black Rock Gulch and Bass Inlet, South Aberdeen (Low Tide 5pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
24	Sat	Day	Keiloch/Faindouran with overnight option (Guy Bromby; meetorganiser18@cairngormclub.org.uk)
27	Tue	Climbing	Location TBC (High Tide 5pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
29	Thur	MWW	Ben Rinnes (Jean Robinson; journal@cairngormclub.org.uk)
31	Sat	Climbing	Latheron Wheel weekend (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)

August

3	Tue	Climbing	Cairnrobin Point, by Clashrodne, South Aberdeen (Low Tide 4.30pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
10	Tue	Climbing	Location TBC (High Tide 3.30pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
13	Fri	Weekend	Camping at By the Way campsite, Tyndrum (two-man tents only please) (Sue Chalmers: weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
17	Tue	Climbing	Hidden Inlet, South Aberdeen (Low Tide 3.30pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
21	Sat	Day	Angel's Peak from Sugarbowl or Loch Einich (Izy Kirkaldy; vp2@cairngormclub.org.uk)
24	Tue	Climbing	Location TBC (Low Tide 4pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26	Thur	MWW	Clais Fhearnaig (Malcolm Lamont)
31	Tue	Lunch & Dander	Meet at Forvie Sands car park at 10:30am, with lunch at the Newburgh Inn at 12:30pm. (Ruth Payne)
31	Tue	Climbing	Black Dyke area/Bridge of One Hair, South Aberdeen (Low Tide 2.30pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)

September

5	Sun	Day	Cairngorm Traverse (Garry Wardrope; ccpresident@cairngormclub.org.uk)
7	Tue	Climbing	Fulmar Wall, North Aberdeen (High Tide 3pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
14	Tue	Climbing	Long Slough. South Aberdeen (Low Tide 1.30pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
21	Tue	Climbing	Location TBC (High Tide 3pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
24	Fri	Weekend	Sanachan Bunkhouse, Kishorn (Sue Chalmers: weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
28	Tue	Climbing	Location TBC (High Tide 6.30pm; Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
30	Thur	MWW	Millstone Hill from Don View (Donald Thomas; treasurer@cairngormclub.org.uk)

October

5	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
9	Sat	Day	Carn Bhac (Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)
12	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
13	Wed	Indoor	"Risk and Reward in Mountaineering" by Paul Fatti- by Zoom (Eilidh Scobbie; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
15	Fri	Weekend	Glenbrittle Memorial Hut (Sue Chalmers: weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
19	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)