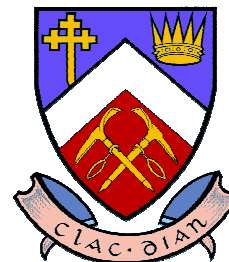


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The Newsletter of the Cairngorm Club

125 Celebrations

As dawn broke on Sunday 24 June, Muir was looking at its best, having been spruced up by a small but dedicated group on the Work Weekend and the Aberdeen Mountain Rescue marquee having been erected on the Friday evening. This was the day of the barbecue at Muir Cottage to celebrate the 125th Anniversary of the Club.

The weather overnight hadn't been very good, the forecast wasn't great, and the thoughts of us cosily ensconced at Muir or nearby Blackburn Cottage (the old Youth Hostel) turned to the group overnighting at the Shelter Stone.

As the morning wore on, there were mutterings: "Where are the caterers, shouldn't they be here by now?" Tables and chairs were arranged, the bar was organised and there didn't seem anything else we could do despite that feeling that we should be doing something! The caterers from Glenshee Ski Centre did turn up in plenty of time, of course, and went about their business very efficiently.

Now all we needed was the people: 93 had said they would come. As the planned time for the barbecue got closer just about everyone was there including those who had braved the conditions and stayed at the Shelter Stone overnight or, in one case, on the top of Macdui! Two members had even started off in Speyside the day before and walked through to join

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the others for the celebrations at the Shelter Stone and (continued from page 1) were welcomed when they got to Muir. It was good to see all the damp and weary walkers arrive safely.

The weather was mixed with sun and showers, but we were fortunate in that there was more sun than showers. Once the President had made her speech and proposed the toast, the cake was cut. Ruth Payne had offered to bake a cake as part of the celebrations. As the numbers for the barbecue increased daily, I was concerned that the cake might not be big enough, I knew that Ruth had baked it early on and had been 'dosing' it regularly with alcohol and I didn't want anyone to miss out. I need not have worried. Ruth produced a magnificent cake which catered easily for the assembled throng, and there was even some left over which at the time of writing is still being enjoyed by the President! A healthy-sized chunk was also delivered to Sheila Murray who was unable to come because of illness. Sheila was the first lady president and the author of "The Cairngorm Club 1887 - 1987". Sheila's book had been referred to more than once during the celebrations. The cake was cut by the longest standing member present - Anne Cordiner. Coincidentally Ruth had made a cake to celebrate the Club's Centenary and Anne, being President at that time, also cut that cake.

The wine flowed, the food was served, eaten and appreciated, and we all had a lovely time. It was good to see so many members and guests at Muir. Lots of photos were taken including one of 8 past presidents with the current presidential group.

Many people made things easier for the organiser. Jane Torrance, who worked at Mar Lodge at the time, arranged for the chairs and tables we hired from Braemar village hall to be delivered and then returned. Aberdeen Mountain Rescue Team lent us their marquee and anyone who watched it being put up on Friday evening or taken down on Sunday afternoon marvelled at the teamwork. We felt that if we ever needed the team's help then we could feel confident and safe in their hands.

The bar was manned very effectively, and thanks to Derek who had kept an eye on the deals around at the time a good selection of wine was available. Thank you to all of those who attended and helped in any way; I suspect that I wasn't even aware of some of the things that people were doing to make the occasion go more smoothly.

The biggest thanks of all must, of course, go to Messrs Anderson, Copland, Hawes, Lippe, McConnachie and McDonald for deciding to form the Cairngorm Club in 1887: they could never have guessed what they started!

Anne Pinches (President)

Radio Scotland Outdoor Weather Forecasts

These are broadcast at 19.04 on Monday-Friday, 07.04 and 22.04 on Saturday, and 07.04 and 20.04 on Sunday. These and other forecasts can be accessed direct via Club website from the 'Links' page - <http://www.cairngormclub.org.uk/links/links.htm>

Aberdeenshire Landscape

The Club has submitted some comments on Aberdeenshire Council's proposed guidance on planning advice for small-scale developments; the draft contained some contestable statements such as "*hill walking ... contributes to human impact and erosion of the landscape*", and did not make much other reference to outdoor public access (which in the past has been blocked by such development).

Changes at Popular Visitor Centre

Glen Tanar Visitor Centre is set to provide a much improved and dynamic experience for the thousands of people who visit the popular Deeside Glen every year following the completion of a £150,000 refurbishment. The new look centre, which is more sustainable and accessible as a result of the renovation work, was unveiled at an official opening in August.

The centre has been completely transformed, with fascinating visual and audio-visual displays about Glen Tanar, its geography, wildlife and people. It is also the permanent base for the Glen Tanar Ranger Service. Glen Tanar Charitable Trust, which owns and operates the centre, determined to put more of an educational and social focus on its activities, and believes that the improvements will help people gain a greater understanding and enjoyment of the Glen. The refurbishment has been made possible as a result of funding from the Trust, Cairngorms Outdoor Access Trust, Scottish Natural Heritage, Cairngorms National Park Authority and finance from the Scottish Government and the European Community Cairngorms Local Action Group LEADER 2007-2013 Programme.

The interior of the centre has been completely overhauled, with a bright and fresh open plan appearance which is much more suited to working with groups in a more sociable setting. For more information on the Glen Tanar Ranger Service, visit the ranger blog, email or call 013398 86072.

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 £28 (a discount of £10) 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

Mar Lodge Estate Draft Management Plan:

In June, Club representatives attended a meeting at Mar Lodge to discuss the Trust's Draft Management Plan 2012-16 for the Estate. Other participants included representatives from the Cairngorms Campaign (Drennan Watson), Ramblers Scotland (Dave Morris), the John Muir Trust, RSPB Scotland, the MCofS (Ron Payne), and the NTS HQ and local staff. Much initial discussion focussed on the proposed fence stretching NW from the Linn of Dee, and aimed at keeping deer for shoots on the moorland to the west (not at keeping them out of the woodland regeneration zone, where a zero tolerance regime is becoming effective). Later stages of the meeting briefly covered paths, bothies and bridges. Points of particular Club interest included: a "preferred option" for Derry Lodge to be announced (possibly with reinstatement of the bridge over to Luibeg Cottage); current Trust opinion in favour of removal of the Garbh Choire shelter, and against a bridge over the Geldie; riparian woodland blocks up the Geldie to improve water quality for fish; NTS consultation processes to be improved.

Subsequently, the Plan was put out for formal consultation earlier this year. The Club's response covered some of the above points (but not the deer fencing, which is hotly contested by the Cairngorms Campaign).

NEMT Winter Lecture Series

Oct 16th Greg Boswell "Mixed Ambitions"

Nov 8th Eric Pirie "Wilderness Medicine"

Dec 12th Drennan Watson "North East Mountain Trust - Birth, Battles and Baloney"

Jan 15th Heather Morning "Mountain Safety"

Feb 20th Simon Blackett "The Challenges of Running a Highland Estate"

Mar 13th David "Heavy" Walley "A Heavy Affair with the Mountains"

All lectures will be held in the Sportsman's Club starting at 7.30 pm.

Entry costs £4.00, with Concessions £2.00

Track Shift in Upper Glen Gairn

Subject to conditions related to otters, salmon, public access, etc., the Cairngorms National Park Authority has recommended the granting of planning permission to Invercauld Estate to shift about 400m of landrover track away from the river (where wheel ruts have developed, and the bank may collapse in time) to a drier stretch at about GR 188018, and to revegetate the existing track. Details can be read at <http://cairngorms.co.uk/resource/docs/boardpapers/20072012/CNPA.Paper.5149.Planning%20Committee.Paper.5.-.Inve.pdf>

Cairngorm Club Footbridge

On Friday 3 August a work party consisting of eight members from the Cairngorm Club did some restoration work on the Cairngorm Club Footbridge near Aviemore. The bridge spans the Allt na Beinne in Rothiemurchus Forest and allows walkers in the famous Lairig Ghru mountain pass to keep their feet dry!

It had been opened exactly 100 years earlier, funded by Club members and friends at a total cost of £94 4s 6d. Adorning the bridge are two plaques, one noting who erected the bridge and the other giving details of distances and timings of routes from the bridge between Aviemore and Braemar. The plaques were badly in need of repainting, and have been re-enamelled by Aberdeen Fabrications Ltd at no cost to the Club. On Friday the plaques were replaced and the bridge was repainted. by Shona Lindsay, Anne Pinches, Kees Witte, Peter Aikman, Derek Pinches, Sandy McIntosh, Brian Davey and Richard Shirreffs, while Ken Thomson was involved in removing the plaques for the repainting.

Re-Topping

On 20 June 2012, Peter Bellarby completed the Munro Tops for the second time, on a "pure" basis, i.e. repeating all the Tops since his first completion in 1987. He had completed all the Munros for the second time in 2008. The last Top was Sgurr Creag an Eich of Sgurr Fiona (An Tellach), done with Rhona Fraser and Robin Howie. Congratulations are due to a busy man! – see <http://www.peterbellarby.mycouncillor.org.uk>

Path Order for Speyside Way Extension

After many years of negotiation over this Long Distance Route, the Minister for the Environment has confirmed a Path Order (the first in Scotland) which will ensure the line of an extension from Aviemore to Newtonmore.

Club Centenary Book

A copy in good condition of the *The Cairngorm Club 1887-1987* (now out of print) by Sheila Murray has become available, for a suitable donation to Club funds. Anyone interested should contact the Club Secretary.

Hill Tracks

The Club has submitted a response to the Scottish Government's consultation over the General Permitted Development Order, which specifies where vehicular tracks may be established.

Dinner

The Dinner this year will be held on Friday 23 November, one week later than on your pictorial calendar. The venue will once again be the Old Mill Inn at Maryculter at 7 pm for 7.30 pm.

This year's speaker is Mike Brian, one of our members. Mike returned from Antarctica earlier this year, having spent 18 months with the British Antarctic Survey. He has kindly agreed to share his experiences with us, so do join us for what will be a fascinating presentation, followed by an excellent dinner.

Please reply by sending the enclosed booking form to Anne Pinches, by Friday 16 November along with remittance of £21.00 for each person attending. Further details are with the AGM notice included with this newsletter. The dinner retains some elements of formality but is a relaxed evening - dress up or dress down as you wish, the important thing is that you are there!!

Club Training

Want to improve your mountain skills ?

Or maybe want to take the first steps on an outdoor career ?

Or want to pass your skills on to others but lack the qualification ?

The Club offers assistance by way of partial funding for suitable Club members wishing to further their own knowledge and skills, and hopefully maintaining the hill craft and safety of the whole Club. Current suggestions are: First Aid, Navigation, Single Pitch Award, or even something more ambitious, such as Mountain Leader or MIC.



DIRECT DEBIT COLLECTION OCTOBER 2012

Due to problems with the Royal Mail, the computer file for the collection of Direct Debits on 1st October 2012 was only partially updated. This has meant that the money collected was increased to account for the new MCofS Affiliation fees but that any other changes (e.g. change to reduced subs, changes to bank details etc.) were not processed.

I will be contacting members whose DD failed to be collected in the near future. If you think that too much money was deducted from your account for your subscription please contact me to discuss and to obtain a refund. I apologise for the inconvenience caused.

Derek Pinches (Treasurer)

Climbing Plans 2012/13

Club member Chris Wilson, who is hoping to take over the Climbing Secretary's duties at the AGM, has put together a draft Climbing programme for 2012/2013.

During the winter, Tuesday night Indoor Climbing sessions have started again in October and there will also be meets to Sports Climbing venues on Saturdays. These will be organised on Tuesdays and via Yahoo, the Forum and the Climbers' Facebook page. Most Club weekend meets in 2013 are to good climbing areas. However, you should be aware that these meets are popular so booking early is advised.

Chris intends to get more weekends organised especially for climbers, at Reiff, in Northumbria and one to the Peak District, which could be for a week. North Wales is another possibility. Again these trips will be organised using the avenues mentioned above.

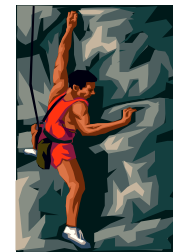
After a successful trip to Spain last year Chris would like to repeat this experience with one, or possibly two, foreign trips, the first one to the Costa Blanca in February, 2nd - 9th Feb 2013. Chris has more detailed plans for this trip so contact him on email - meetorganiser30@cairnngormclub.org.uk as he needs people to commit by the end of October.

Once 'summer', and the word is used advisedly after this year, arrives, the usual outdoor weekly Tuesday programme will kick in with venues chosen to suit all of the wide range of abilities we have in the Club. Volunteers are being sought to organise these evenings; contact Chris if you are able to help. Other Climbing venues and meet ideas are always welcome but as Chris says "Be warned though, if you suggest it I may ask you to take the lead in organising it!"

Weekend Meets 2013

As well as Meets detailed in the Calendar and page 10 the following weekends are booked up to September 2013 (from Friday date given).

Mar 1st	(2nights)	Blackwater Hostel, Kinlochleven
Apr 5th	(2 nights)	Blackrock Cottage, Glencoe
May 3rd	(3 nights)	Gairloch Carn Dearg Youth Hostel
May 31st	(3 nights)	Coruisk Memorial Hut, Skye
Jul 5th	(2 nights)	Cairndow Community Hall, Trossachs
Aug 9th	(2 nights)	CIC Hut, Ben Nevis
Sept 20th	(3 nights)	Newlands Valley, Lake District



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
Cul Mor
Drynie Park North
Muir of Ord
Ross-shire
IV6 7RP

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.

MCOFS

For the latest news from the MCOFS see their website at -

<http://www.mcofs.org.uk/home.asp>

Adventure Licensing

In spring 2012, the Club submitted its views to a Scottish Government public consultation on what should replace the UK-wide Adventure Activities Licensing Authority when it is abolished.

In June, an analysis of responses was published (<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/0039/00396133.pdf>).

The Club, along with some other mountaineering organisations, had argued for a non-statutory accreditation scheme, the MCOFS for a voluntary code of practice, and the Ramblers for a statutory scheme. The Minister has announced that a statutory scheme will be maintained in Scotland, largely due to local authority and education wishes to provide parental reassurance. This will affect mountain schools, guides, etc., but sports clubs will continue to be exempted. Meanwhile, the English authority (the HSE) has announced that it is "pausing" the abolition proposal!

Indoor Meets 2012/13

Indoor meets for the winter session 2012/13 will be held in the AGS FP Club Centre, 80 Queen's Road, Aberdeen (tel - 01224 316827) The dates of the meets up to and including February are in the centre page Calendar. The March Meet, not included there, will be on the 6th March and is entitled "18 years of Mountain Rescue in Wester Ross" and will be presented by Steve Chadwick.

Wind Farm Consultations

The Club has lodged objections to the erection of 17 135m-high turbines above Glen Lethnot (between Glens Clova and Prosen), and to three turbines at Burnside, east of Pressendye Hill.



Cairngorm Club Journal

Our new Editor, Alister Macdonald, is now looking for material for the next issue of the CC Journal which he hopes to produce early next year. This next edition will focus mainly but not exclusively on the 125th Anniversary celebrations.

If you would like to contribute something for the Journal in the form of poetry or prose with or without accompanying photos, then please contact Alister on journal@cairngormclub.org.uk

Don't be shy, if there is something you feel you could write for the Journal, have a go!

September 2012 Club Meet in the Pyrenees

Six Club members, Frances, Fiona, Lydia, Hazel, Ken and Kees, and Han a guest from Holland, recently returned from another successful walking week in France.

This year they were based in Cauterets, a small village in the Pyrenees, south of Lourdes and just north of the Spanish border. Among the walks completed were Lac de Gaube and Refuge Oulettes, the Marcadau valley up to Refuge Wallon, Lac D'ilheou from the Cretes du Lys and La Fruitiere.

They also visited the observatory and museum on the Pic du Midi (2872m) by cable car from the Col de Tourmalet, and scrambled up to the Breche de Roland (2800m) from Puerto de Bujaruelo (2200m) and back via a rather challenging route from refuge Roland (2500m) to the bottom of the Cirque de Gavarnie (1580m).

All in all a very pleasant week in good company, great food/wine and almost perfect walking weather.

If you have any ideas for next year's foreign meet, please contact Kees Witte by email at cttel1@cairngormclub.org.uk.

Lunch & Dander

The next Lunch and Dander will be on Tuesday 6th November, meeting at the north end of Park Bridge at 10:30am, with lunch at Drumoak Garden Centre at 12:30pm.

Please advise Ruth Payne by 4th November if you would like to join the lunch gathering.



Mid-Week Walks

Arthur Dickie (ctte3@cairngormclub.org.uk) coordinates this popular series, which takes place on the last Thursday of every month, with a different organiser each time. Walks take about 4-5 hours, with possible recourse to a local tea-room afterwards. The usual Aberdeen car-share meeting points are given below, with the start time of 9.00 am for the 2012 walks. Please contact the organiser beforehand to check on arrangements or to make queries, and especially if you intend to meet up at the walk starting point. Similarly, please ensure that your mobile phone number (if any) is known to someone - and that your mobile is switched on during the walk!

Code	Location	Grid ref.
K	Kingswells Park and Ride*	868063
P	Persley Gardens (Woodside)	910093
R	Riverside Drive (near Brig o' Dee)	928036

* By the recycling bins in the lower half. Buses 11 (NEW), 41 (NEW), X17 and others stop at the P&R toilets and waiting room, or at the Kingswells roundabout.

Boot Repairs in Aberdeen

A Club member recently had his hillwalking boots resoled at Beechgrove Shoe Repair located at 3a Beechgrove Terrace in Aberdeen. They did a good and quick job and he is very happy with the result.

CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions for the year 2012/13 became due on 1st October 2012.

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 2012/13 are as follows:

	Club	MCoFS	Total
Full Rate	£13.00	£14.25	£27.25
Reduced Rate	£6.50	£14.25	£20.75

The reduced rate above is available for members who, on 1st October, were 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.

Muir

This year's work weekend (26-27 May) went well, with excellent weather and a smallish, but hard-working, party. As well as those jobs that need attention once a year, we concentrated on seeing that Muir and its grounds would be spick and span for the 125 Anniversary Event a few weeks later.

Usage during the summer was reasonably good, though with little midweek use and a number of weeks in July not used at all. Members should feel free to think ahead to next year and get their bookings in.

Between now and New Year there are a few weekends when Muir is available, and as usual Muir is also reserved for use by members at New Year. There also some slots in early January available,

Badges

As part of the 125 celebrations the Club had some badges made.

The badges are 7 cm x 10 cm with the club crest on a black background, above the crest are the dates '1887 - 2012' while below are the words 'The Cairngorm Club' (see right)

These cost £2.50 each and are available from Anne Pinches by email at social@cairngormclub.org.uk.

They will also be available at Indoor Meets and the Dinner.



Membership News

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

Mr Jack Doig, Elgin Ordinary member since 1967
Mr Peter Monro, Chiswick, London Associate member since 1976

The following new members have been admitted since the last newsletter.

Miss Christine Brown	Aberdeen	Associate
Mr Steve Cameron	Glenbuchat, Aberdeenshire	Associate
Mr Michael Tonge	Aberdeen	Associate
Miss Liz Woodhouse	Methlick, Aberdeenshire	Associate



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

Great Glen Hostel, South Laggan, 12-14 October (Fri & Sat nights)

With plenty of walking, high & low level, cycling and even canoeing nearby a great location giving many options. Indeed the Hostel claims 59 Munros are within a 20 mile radius!! To book, contact Jim Bryce by email meetorganiser13@cairngormclub.org.uk

Inverardan Cottage, Crianlarich, 9-11 November (Fri & Sat nights)

A visit to the Ochill Mountaineering Cottage at Crianlarich from where there are many options in a fine mountainous area with 20 Munros and nearly as many Corbetts, or if you fancy a weekend away with some low level walking there is the West Highland Way which passes close by. To book, contact Marj Ewan by email weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk

7-9 December (Fri & Sat nights)

No accommodation has been booked for a December weekend meet but might be nearer the time depending on weather conditions and interest. Contact with members will be made via the Website, Forum and by Yahoo! Email. For information, contact Marj Ewan by email weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk

Muir Cottage, Burns Supper Weekend, 25-27 January 2013 (Fri & Sat nights)

Celebrate Burns night with some traditional Scottish food, drink and possibly music. Over the weekend you could also tackle some Munros, Corbetts or skiing as well as your haggis. To book, contact Eilidh Scobbie by email meetorganiser20@cairngormclub.org.uk

Highland Hostel, Newtonmore, 15-17 February (Fri & Sat nights)

With plenty of fine hill areas close by this meet not only gives the opportunity to bag a few Munros or Corbetts but also gives the opportunity to take part in the Winter Skills Course which will run as well from this location.

To book, for accommodation only, contact Marj Ewan by email weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk or for information or bookings for the Winter Skills component, contact Adrian Scott by email training@cairngormclub.org.uk

Blackwater Hostel, Kinlochleven 1-3 March (Fri & Sat nights)

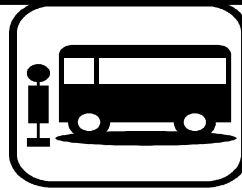
More information in next Newsletter. To book, contact Marj Ewan by email weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk

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 (organiser; contact details)



Day Meets take place once a month and can be by coach, mini-bus, car and (since 2010) 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 around 7am (sharp!) in the morning; departure times and the Day Meet 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 around 07:45am. On all Meets, an organised 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 Winter 2012/13.

November 4, 2012. Glas Tulaichean

The President's Party target for the day will be Glas Tulaichean from Spittal of Glenshee. Other drop-off and pick-up points can be arranged before or on the day en route. With many Munros and Corbetts in the general area there is no end of options. To book, contact Garry Wardrope by email ctte17@cairngormclub.org.uk

December 2, 2012. Moray Coastal Walk

Here is an opportunity to enjoy the dramatic cliffs and sandy beaches of the Moray coast, with the added bonus that you will be met by bus at end of the walk without having to retrace your steps. A 7.30 am departure from St Margaret's will allow the group to reach Findlater Castle as the sun is rising. From there, follow the coastal path west along the cliffs through Cullen, with its impressive viaduct, on through the fishing villages of Portknockie and Findochty (where the pub serves a good Cullen skink) and past the Bow Fiddle Rock. The finishing point will depend upon the speed of the party and to what extent we take advantage of the refreshment opportunities en route, but may well be at Spey Bay. To book, contact Sue Chalmers by email meetorganiser29@cairngormclub.org.uk

January 13, 2013. Lochnagar

The ascent of Lochnagar will be the aim for the President's Party but many other options are available. The bus will leave St Margaret's School at 7am. It is hoped that everyone will want to enjoy a traditional Scottish High Tea but you can make your own arrangements for food. To book, contact Anne Pinches by email social@cairngormclub.org.uk

February 3, 2013. Northern Cairngorms

The exact details of this car meet will be organised nearer the time via email and the Forum but it will be to the Northern Cairngorms. To book, contact David Brown by email on meetorganiser25@cairngormclub.org.uk

March 17, 2013. Ben Chonzie

This minibus meet is to the Perthshire Munro, Ben Chonzie. Other options for drop-off and pick-up may be available by arrangement with the organiser. To book, contact Sue Chalmers by email meetorganiser29@cairngormclub.org.uk

October 2012

12	Fri	W/E Meet	Great Glen Hostel, South Laggan (Jim Bryce; meetorganiser13@cairngormclub.org.uk)
16	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
23	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
25	Thur	M/W Walk	Kildrummy (9am; 37; K; Lydia Thomson; librarian@cairngormclub.org.uk)
30	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)

November

4	Sun	Day Meet	Glas Tulaichean (7am; 43; 111699; 7hrs; £12.50; minibus; Garry Wardrope; meetorganiser16@cairngormclub.org.uk)
6	Tue	Lunch & Dander	Meet at north end of Park Bridge at 10:30am with lunch in the Drumoak Garden Centre at 12:30pm (Ruth Payne)
6	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
7	Wed	AGM	AGM - Aberdeen Grammar School FP Club Centre (Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)
9	Fri	W/E Meet	Inverardran Cottage, Criarlairich (Marj Ewan; weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
13	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
20	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
23	Fri	Dinner	Annual Dinner at Mill Inn Maryculter (Anne Pinches; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
27	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
29	Thur	M/W Walk	Kerloch (9am; 45; R; Evelyn Massie and Hella Alexander)

December

2	Sun	Day Meet	Moray Coastal Walk (7:30am; 28 & 29; 541666 - 348655; 7hrs; £12.50; minibus; Sue Chalmers; meetorganiser29@cairngormclub.org.uk)
4	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
5	Wed	Indoor Meet	Highland Estates, not all Tweeds and 'Monarch', Annie McKee (Anne Pinches; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
7	Fri	W/E Meet	To be arranged via email & Club Forum (Marj Ewan; weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
11	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
18	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
25	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
27	Thur	M/W Walk	7 Bridges, near Ballater (9am; 44; K; Arthur Dickie; cte3@cairngormclub.org.uk)

January 2013

8	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
9	Wed	Indoor Meet	Members' Night (bring along your own slides) (Anne Pinches; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
13	Sun	Day Meet	Lochnagar (7am; 44; 311852; 7hrs; £28 inc High Tea; Coach; Anne Pinches; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
15	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
22	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
25	Fri	W/E Meet	Burns Supper Weekend, Muir Cottage (Eilidh Scobbie; meetorganiser20@cairngormclub.org.uk)
29	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
31	Thur	M/W Walk	Craibstone/Tyrebagger (9am; 38; Craibstone; Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)

February

3	Sun	Day Meet	Northern Cairngorms (6am; 36; 990062; 7hrs; TBC; car; David Brown; N/A; meetorganiser25@cairngormclub.org.uk)
5	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
6	Wed	Indoor Meet	Kilimanjaro Adventure, Viktor Musial (Anne Pinches; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
12	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
15	Fri	W/E Meet	Highland Hostel, Newtonmore (inc. Winter Skills Course) (Marj Ewan; weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk & Adrian Scott; training@cairngormclub.org.uk)
19	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Chris Wilson; meetorganiser30@cairngormclub.org.uk)
28	Thur	M/W Walk	Kincorth/Tulloch Hills (9am; 38; R; Jack Connell)