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Editor Colin Brown



## A Midweek Walk with a Difference

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August saw some 22 Club members and their guests on a bus heading up Cairn o' Mount to enable us to walk from Glen Dye car park to Clattering Brig. It was a little like a Sunday school picnic that most of us would have attended in our childhood, with much chatter on the way out and the way back – but no streamers or balloons. We were blest with a lovely autumn day, warm, but not baking hot, and with the hills turned purple by the blooming heather.

The reason for my choosing to lead this walk was the publicity that had been given to the purchase of much of Glen Dye estate by Aviva as part of their eco mandate. Press reports were to the effect that the glen would soon be covered by forestry, and this seemed a good opportunity to walk the glen in its entirety, before that happened. The week before the event, I spotted a press report that Scottish Woodland Ltd (the forestry management company with the contract) were running community consultations, including a presence in Glen Dye to speak to hill users on the 25<sup>th</sup>. A couple of emails later, I had organised that Megan Parker, a senior Forest Planner with Scottish Woodlands, would give us a presentation at the Charr Bothy (our lunch stop) on their plans for reforestation (largely native trees and with limited commercial woodlands),

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peat restoration, and new paths. Megan took questions from us too – so it was quite stimulating to hear of the plans on site (more information on page 14).

For anyone planning a night at the Charr Bothy, I can confirm that it will remain open under the care of the MBA. Our day, of course, ended with a cuppa and scone at the Clatterin Brig Restaurant before taking the bus back to Aberdeen.

I guess this is what happens when it is the Social Secretary who is organising a Mid Week Walk – she can't miss the chance of having an expert talk to the Club, and follow it with a cuppa!

Eilidh Scobbie



## NTS Cards

After a good deal of email toing and froing, the Club's allocation of 15 cards for 2022/23 finally arrived in May. These allow free entry to NTS (and NT, In England) properties and car parks. To borrow, please contact Ken Thomson (see back page).

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might be made available after construction), and uphill beside the Landerberry Burn onto the summit ridge track. The windfarm would be visible over a wide stretch of Aberdeenshire, from Aberdeen City to Tarland, and from higher ground near Inverurie and Finzean. The report, with visibility maps etc., is available at [www.hilloffare-windfarm.co.uk](http://www.hilloffare-windfarm.co.uk). Consultee responses should be made to the Energy Consents Unit, which will issue a Scoping Opinion before the next stages, e.g. an Environmental Impact Assessment, Ministerial consideration and probably a Public Inquiry.

## Climbing Update

The dry summer was ideal for climbing, when it wasn't too hot! Tuesday meets were well attended, typically half a dozen up to a full baker's on some occasions. A number of crags new to the normal schedule were added. A particular highlight was Yellow Crag by Newtonhill. This recently developed sport climbing venue boasts a rare south facing wall, shelter from winds and 25m long routes (triple the height of some local 'crags').

The Club has donated £1000 to the North East Bolt Fund. The fund is topped up by clubs and individuals in order to provide a source of funding new sport climbing development. Our donation was well timed as the fun was hit by a large outlay for the replacement of a tired and abused hammer drill. £1000 would be enough to equip 10 medium length routes with the required permanent hardware. Yellow Crag mentioned above was only possible due to the bolt fund.

This winter will see Tuesday meets replaced with Wednesday meets at Transition Extreme (TX are no longer open on Tuesdays). Starting November, the first meet of the month will be at RGU on a Tuesday.

I have been in contact with Aberdeen Mountaineering Club who are looking to petition TX to re-open on a Tuesday evening. A joint approach has been proposed in order to improve leverage. If successful, this would allow both clubs to continue operating their Tuesday meets over winter.

Stuart Message, Climbing Secretary

## Anindya Mukherjee ("Raja") Book

During lockdown, two of our Wednesday evening talks came to us "live" from Kolkata, when the talk by mountaineer Raja gave us a different dimension on life. Raja has now published a book in English - "Sahara Soliloquies". As the title suggests, it is more a travelog about his cycle trip across the Sahara than a mountaineering blog but it takes us to a part of a world where few of us will go. The book is easy to buy online through Amazon.

## Glen Dye Moor Project

This project, on behalf of the pension fund Aviva, covers about 6,300 hectares (ha) of forestry and degraded peatland around Clachnaben. From north to south, it extends from the Water of Avon around the hill of Meikle Strathvella, across and including the summit of Clachnaben to Charr Bothy in Glen Dye, and then south-east to the Cairn o' Mount road summit. East-west, it goes from the Spital Burn car park on the Cairn o' Mount road to Mount Battock. This excludes the area around Glendye Lodge, along with the current Quarry car park, and the flats and trees west of Glen Dye Lodge. Thus only the final and steeper section of the "tourist route" up Clachnaben falls inside the area of the Project, which involves:

- Peatland restoration on around 1,800 ha, including the main Clachnaben – Mount Battock ridge with its "peat canyons", to involve drain blocking, reprofiling, and revegetation.
- Woodland creation (both productive conifer planting and native woodland) of about 3,000 ha, to involve ground preparation (but no ploughing), a single fence around the whole area (with gates and stiles), natural regeneration, and planting.
- "Community/People" ideas involving multi-use track/path maintenance and perhaps construction; Charr Bothy (with extended MBA lease); car park improvements (e.g. at the Spital Burn), and waymarking west of Clachnaben towards Mount Battock on one or more routes back to Spital Bridge.

More details and updates are at [glendyemoor.com/the-project](http://glendyemoor.com/the-project).

## Hill of Fare Windfarm Proposal

A "scoping report" has been submitted for a proposal to erect 17 turbines at the western end of the summit plateau of the Hill of Fare, roughly around and south-east of Tornamean (458m), the highest point of the Hill. The turbine height – 250m from ground to blade tip – would require aviation lighting on some of the masts. (Equivalent numbers for existing and planned\* windfarms are: Meikle Carew near Netherley 12 and 70m; Mid Hill I and II west of Stonehaven 33 and 125m; Fetteresso\* ditto 10 and 200m; and Glen Dye\* 26 and 150m.) The Hill of Fare development would also involve turbine foundations, crane pads, upgraded and new access tracks, underground cables, an anemometry mast, a control building and substation, a storage/battery compound up to ~100m x 150m in area, temporary borrow pits and construction/storage compounds, and drainage and signage. Access would be from the east, where parking on the B977 currently takes place for walkers and bikers (and where off-road parking

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## Indoor Meets

The Indoor Meets commenced 'in person' on 5 October in the Garden Room of the RNUC in Albyn Place, with Hazel Meehan's talk "A coast to coast hike from Stonehaven to Kintail". Starting as an idea during lockdown, Hazel told the story and shared photographs of a 12-day 315km hike across Scotland from her home in Stonehaven to the west coast at Kintail during the summer of 2020.

For those who were not able to attend the RNUC on the 5<sup>th</sup>, I plan to show a recording of the talk using Zoom at a later date.

One of the attractions of the RNUC is that it is possible to eat there with other Cairngorm Club members ahead of the talks. Aim to be there about 6.00pm, and you should find some of us chatting in the bar and choosing our meals!

Details of future Indoor Meets (and the Zoom presentations) will be available on the Club website and will be sent out to members on the Club's Google Group.

Eilidh Scobbie, Social Secretary

## Fourth Cairngorms National Park Partnership Plan, 2022-2027

This Plan involves three "themes", each with "outcome(s)" and "priorities" for achieving these:

- *Nature*: a carbon-negative and biodiversity-rich Park with ecosystems functioning better, better connected and more resilient, via: achieving a net-zero Park; at least 50% managed principally for ecological restoration by 2045; increasing peatland restoration by 38,000ha and woodland by 35,000ha by 2045; and restoring river systems and ecological networks.
- *People*: a wellbeing economy that works for all the people of the Cairngorms, via: at least 200 volunteer rangers by 2030; increased physical activity levels of the 25% least active Park residents by 2030; the highest proportion of Living Wage employers in rural Scotland by 2030; and more apprenticeships within the Park.
- *Place*: a Park that people want to live in, work in and visit, via: 75% of new housing built for social rental and / or mid-market rental, and directly linked to local employment by 2030; a maximum of 15% of all housing stock to be second homes, or vacant or short-term lets by 2040; 50% of visitor and resident journeys within the Park not taking place by car by 2030; and 25% of visitors getting to the Park by public transport by 2045.

More under "Working Together" at [cairngorms.co.uk](http://cairngorms.co.uk). A new "Cairngorms Community Led Vision Fund" is now open for applications.

## Payments to the Club

The Club's bank details are:

Name "Cairngorm Club" Sort Code 83-15-31; A/C 19165508.

Please use the purpose of the payment as the reference e.g., "Traverse" or "Membership". Your name is provided by the bank. The reference field may be limited to 18 characters, including blanks.

## Club Subscriptions (1 Oct 2022 – 30 Sept 2023)

At the Club AGM in November 2021, 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 1 April 2022 to 31 March 2023 remains unchanged at £17.55 (in accordance with the statement made at their 2019 AGM). Cairngorm Club subscription rates for 2022/23 are therefore:

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

Direct Debits were collected on 3 October 2022. Members not paying by direct debit should arrange payment during October. A membership card for the year 2023 is enclosed with this Newsletter.

The reduced rate applies to Club members who have informed the Treasurer that on 1 October 2022 they will be 65 or over, 21 or under, or in full-time education, or are normally resident and working more than 80km 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 other than 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.

Donald Thomas, Treasurer  
[treasurer@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@cairngormclub.org.uk)

## Training

### Navigation Training

Dates have still to be finalised, but there will be an evening of night navigation organised late November/early December (Storms permitting) somewhere relatively close by. This will be suitable for anyone, irrespective of experience. It is also hoped to organise further practical session early in the new year watch the club mailing list for more information on this.

### Winter Skills

This Winter's training will coincide with the weekend meet to Rothiemurchus on 3/4 February. Topics covered will depend on the wishes of the group but will likely cover such things as moving on snow and ice, ice axe arrest and avalanche awareness. Likely cost for two days training is £45 (subsidised by the Club), a bargain for what is on offer. Suitable for complete winter novices or more experienced members looking to brush up on their skills.

### First Aid Training

A one-day first aid course covering the outdoor essentials has been suggested, aimed at those who for whatever reason couldn't attend the weekend course. If there is sufficient numbers this will be organised for next year.

If you're at all interested in any of these, then please email Garry Wardrope at [ccpresident@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:ccpresident@cairngormclub.org.uk). No commitment is required at this time.

## Mesolithics at White Bridge

A series of tweets and photographs on the 2022 excavation of a Mesolithic flint scatter on Sgor an Eoin in Glen Dee. These can be viewed at: <https://twitter.com/GraemeMWarren/status/1571094572926914560>.

Sunshine, midges and rainbows were also encountered!

## 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 compleated 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](mailto:newsletter@cairngormclub.org.uk).

Amazon.

## Trophy Hunting

The Scottish Government has had discussions as regards "promoting a responsible and respectful approach to field sports", including wild goat shooting trips (Scottish Parliamentary Question S6W-09709, August 2022).

The Weekend and Day Meet Secretaries are always on the lookout for walks that could be incorporated into the Meets Calendar (for 2023 and/or 2024). If you have an idea for a meet, just contact them (see back page).



## Charitable Donations and Training Grants

The Club's purpose (as stated in our constitution) is "the advancement of public participation in the sport of mountaineering", including "promoting competence, safety, knowledge". To this end the Club makes regular annual donations to Mountain Rescue Teams. In recent years, we have donated £300 each to the local teams, Aberdeen MRT and Braemar MRT and £150 to Scottish Mountain Rescue. We also donate to another Scottish team in rotation. In 2022, Lochaber MRT received £300, after a previous donation in 2004.

The Club has also made grants to assist members to gain appropriate training. Members wishing to be considered should contact the treasurer in advance of the course or assessment.

## Snowpatches

In late July Club member Alex Barbour made a visit to Ciste Mhearad and found that the snowpatch had survived the 40 degree summer heatwave. Below is a photo (taken by Alex) of the 'patch' which was reported, to be around 3m deep in places.



(Update from Ken Thomson)

On 1 September 2022, only the Sphinx and the Pinnacles snow patches remained in the Cairngorms, and 1 each on Ben Nevis and Aonach Beag. A week earlier, the Sphinx patch had measured 12m x 13m x 2.5m. At time of writing (4 October) it seems likely to survive, just, until winter.

## Muir Cottage

Thanks to all those who have kept Muir looking spruce over the summer, starting with the successful Work Weekend in May, and the occasional grass-cut, bike repair, peanut supply, etc. since then. On a recent visit, the Hut Custodian won yet another battle with our ageing Midgeater, removing 13,741,233 corpses in the bag, and another 7,812,597 from the innards, which needed intensive treatment with the cycle pump! More professional attention has been paid to the bunk lights (now fitted to all 22 bunks), the septic tank, water quality, etc. Kees is currently investigating (a) Council waste bin collection (for free), and (b) electric car charging (physical and monetary). Most weekends until the end of the year have at least some bookings, but Muir is often empty in mid-week – so use it! Availability can now be viewed online (see Muir page on Club website), and Forbes McPherson (see back page) only awaits your email.

## Scottish Multi-Day Trips

Over the last couple of years some 'Day' meets (as well as the midsummer Overnighter) have included one or more nights out camping/bivvyng. These trips have had the following characteristics -

- Linking familiar mountain ranges by unusual routes and camping high as a lower-cost, lightweight and staycation expedition.
- Usually, up to 4 days, striding a weekend, with car/public transport before/after.
- With up to 6 people, utilising small camping areas.

It is intended to trial some more trips next year and formally insert them into the Meets Calendar.

Tentative 2023 dates and locations are –

- 9th to 12th June. Northern Highlands, between the Club's Rum and Durness weekends.
- 11th to 14th August. Eastern Highlands, with the opportunity of a before/after stay at Muir if a commitment is made early.

More information on these will be available in the February Newsletter.

For expressions of interest, your ambitions and views on dates, or to join the planning and team, please contact Guy Bromby at [meetorganiser18@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:meetorganiser18@cairngormclub.org.uk) or Mike Duguid at [ctte7@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:ctte7@cairngormclub.org.uk).

## Ben Nevis Access, Winter 2022-23

Forestry and Land Scotland work in Leanachan Forest, around Allt na Cailleach (NN155754), will mean disruption and potential delays on forest tracks between the North Face car park and the Nevis Range car park, although foot and bike access to Ben Nevis or Carn Mor Dearg is still available. For more details, see <https://www.forestryandland.gov.scot/visit/leanachan>.

**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.

**November 11 & 12, Inverardran Cottage, Crianlarich (2 nights)**

Stay in the comfortable Ochils Club hut and take your pick from literally dozens of walks on Munros, Corbetts and Grahams around Crianlarich. We'll walk to the pub on Friday night and there will be a communal meal in the hut on Saturday. To book a place, contact Gill Stephens at [meetorganiser23@cairnngormclub.org.uk](mailto:meetorganiser23@cairnngormclub.org.uk).

**December 2 & 3, Corran Bunkhouse (2 nights)**

This bunkhouse is a firm favourite of the Club with excellent facilities and access to numerous hills in the area including the Ardgour peninsula, Glencoe and the Mamores where there is great winter walking and climbing. To book, please contact Esperanza Martin at [meetorganiser11@cairnngormclub.org.uk](mailto:meetorganiser11@cairnngormclub.org.uk)

**January 20 & 21, Muir Cottage, Burns Supper Weekend (2 nights)**

Celebrate Scotland's Bard Robert Burns with some traditional Scottish food, drink and possibly some traditional music. Over the weekend you could also tackle some of the Munros, Corbetts, skiing or ski touring, and low level walks as well as your haggis, neeps and tatties. To book, contact Sue Miller at [meetorganiser24@cairnngormclub.org.uk](mailto:meetorganiser24@cairnngormclub.org.uk)

**February 3 & 4, Rothiemurchus Lodge (2 nights)**

This stunning location is perfect for winter walking in the Northern Cairngorms with most of the plateau reachable on a good weather day. Also on this meet you can brush up on your winter skills as training will be organized for both days (see page 13). To book a bed, please contact Vicky Herbert at [meetorganiser25@cairnngormclub.org.uk](mailto:meetorganiser25@cairnngormclub.org.uk) To book the winter skills course, contact Garry Wardrope at [ccpresident@cairnngormclub.org.uk](mailto:ccpresident@cairnngormclub.org.uk)

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

**Mid-Week Walks** (organiser contact details)

**Weekend Meets** (organiser; contact details)

**Climbing (Summer)** (organiser; contact details)

Day Meets take place once a month and can be by coach, mini-bus, car, or service bus. Meets are generally on Sundays but occasionally on Saturdays. Members should contact the Meet Organiser to book a place, the organiser or Day Meets Secretary can be contacted if any additional information is sought. Meets generally leave Aberdeen at St. Margaret's School, Albyn Place, at 7am, with pick-ups possible on the route out (which may vary with meet location). Actual 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 Winter 2022/2023.

**November 6, Ben Rinnes Traverse (Sunday)**

The minibus will depart from St. Margaret's at 8am for this traverse which will start from the Dufftown to Glenlivet/Tomintoul road. The party will ascend Ben Rinnes with a pick-up either at the Ben Rinnes Distillery or the 'normal' Ben Rinnes car park. To book, contact Colin Brown at [newsletter@cairnngormclub.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@cairnngormclub.org.uk).

**December 11, Bennachie (Sunday)**

The minibus will depart from St. Margaret's at 8am for this traverse, starting at the midway point of the West Gordon Way, on the B992 Keig to Auchleven road, and finishing at the Bennachie Centre. There will be stop-off in Inverurie for refreshments after the walk, with a return to Aberdeen at approximately 5pm. To book, please contact Craig Thomson at [meetorganiser4@cairnngormclub.org.uk](mailto:meetorganiser4@cairnngormclub.org.uk).

**January 8, Lochnagar (Sunday)**

The minibus will depart from St. Margaret's at 7am. As is traditional, the President's Party will ascend Lochnagar but there are many alternatives including the other Glen Muick Munros and Corbetts, walking back to Ballater, or simply a walk around the loch itself. Afterwards we will stop for High Tea; details will be announced nearer the time. To book, please contact Garry Wardrope at [day@cairnngormclub.org.uk](mailto:day@cairnngormclub.org.uk).

**February 18, Glas Tulaichean (Saturday)**

The minibus will depart from St. Margaret's at 7am and travel to the Spittal of Glenshee. The President's Party will ascend Glas Tulaichean from the Dalmunzie Castle Hotel and on return may partake of its facilities. Also available, is the Corbett Ben Gulabin, or a low level out-and-back walk on the CATERAN Trail. To book, please contact Craig Thomson at [meetorganiser4@cairnngormclub.org.uk](mailto:meetorganiser4@cairnngormclub.org.uk).

More details at -

[www.cairnngormclub.org.uk/clubactivities/clubactivities.htm](http://www.cairnngormclub.org.uk/clubactivities/clubactivities.htm)

**October 2022**

19	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
27	Thur	MWW	The Seven Bridges of Ballater (Kees Witte; huts@cairngormclub.org.uk)

**November**

1	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
2	Wed	AGM/ Social	AGM followed by - Ben Gibson, Mountain Safety Advisor with Mountaineering Scotland "Mountain Safety in the Winter" (Eilidh Scobbie; social @cairngormclub.org.uk)
6	Sun	Day	Ben Rinnes Traverse (8am; 28 & 37; 251321; £12.50; minibus; Colin Brown; 07826 845487; newsletter@cairngormclub.org.uk)
9	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
11	Fri	Weekend	Inverardran Cottage, Crianlarich (Gill Stephens; meetorganiser23@cairngormclub.org.uk)
16	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
23	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
24	Thur	MWW	The Sands of Forvie (Marjory Ewan; meetorganiser13@cairngormclub.org.uk)
25	Fri	Dinner	Club Dinner to be held at the RNUC, 9 Albyn Place Aberdeen AB10 1YE. (Eilidh Scobbie; social @cairngormclub.org.uk)
30	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)

**December**

2	Fri	Weekend	Corran Bunkhouse (Esperanza Martin; meetorganiser11@cairngormclub.org.uk)
6	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
7	Wed	Social	Donald Lamont on the "The Discovery of Shackleton's Endurance" (Eilidh Scobbie; social @cairngormclub.org.uk)
11	Sun	Day	Bennachie (8am; 37 & 38; 611217 - 698216; 6hrs; £12.50; minibus; Craig Thomson; meetorganiser4@cairngormclub.org.uk)
14	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
15	Thur	MWW	Drumoak Circular (Lydia Thomson)
21	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
28	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)

**January 2023**

3	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
4	Wed	Social	Linda Smith - On her mountaineering, ski mountaineering and cycling activities in 2022 (Eilidh Scobbie; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
8	Sun	Day	Lochnagar (7am; 44; 311852; 7hrs; £15; coach; Garry Wardrope; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)
11	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
18	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
20	Fri	Weekend	Muir Cottage, Burns Supper Weekend (Sue Miller; meetorganiser24@cairngormclub.org.uk)
25	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26	Thur	MWW	Kemnay- Fetternear Estate (Shakkin' Briggie Circuit) (Brian Davey)

**February**

1	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
1	Wed	Social	Dr Daniel Rhodes, NTS Archaeologist. "Stills in the Hills" (Eilidh Scobbie; social @cairngormclub.org.uk)
3	Fri	Weekend	Rothiemurchus Lodge, incorporating Winter Skills (Vicky Herbert; meetorganiser25@cairngormclub.org.uk)
7	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at RGU (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
15	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
18	Sat	Day	Glas Tulaichean (7am; 43; 091713; 6hrs; £12.50; minibus; Craig Thomson; meetorganiser4@cairngormclub.org.uk)
22	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
23	Thur	MWW	Kincorth and the Gramps Circuit (Judy Middleton; meetorganise19@cairngormclub.org.uk)

**March**

1	Wed	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition Extreme (Stuart Message; 07858 890479; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
1	Wed	Social	Members Night (Eilidh Scobbie; social @cairngormclub.org.uk)
3	Fri	Weekend	Inverardran Cottage, Crianlarich (Organiser TBC, see website and Forum for latest information)