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The Newsletter of the Cairngorm Club

Summer Meet in the Tatras - Poland and Slovakia

Some adventurous sorts are keen to get hands and feet on some foreign rock. With this in mind, a two-week walking/mountaineering trip to both Poland and Slovakia is proposed.

We will fly Ryanair from Prestwick to Krakow on Thu 2nd Aug returning Thu 16th Aug. Our ultimate destination is the High Tatras of Poland, the highest and most northerly part of the grand Carpathian Mountains. The highest peak is Gerlachovský štít at 2654m and there are nearly 100 summits over 2000m, though only a handful have "tourist routes" all the way to the top. Way-marked and colour-coded paths exist, serviced by chata (huts), the outcome being long or short days of your own design or, if it's rest and relaxation your looking for, Slovakia is definitely the ticket. Time would be split roughly one third in Poland - the walking base being Zakopane - and 8 days on the sunnier Slovakian side at Horný Smokovec. Two nights could also be spent in Kraków - either at the beginning of the trip, or at the end, or one either side - giving time to explore this ancient and beautiful city.

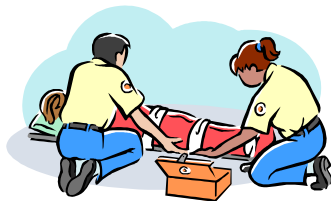
Food, travel and accommodation in both countries are VERY reasonable by UK standards and ALL IN (flights, transfers, B&B accommodation - two sharing) is working out at around £450.00 (based on at least ten of us going).

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Club Training

First Aid

The Club is running a First Aid course on the 5, 12, 19, 26 March and 2 April. The course is fully accredited to the HSE and will provide participants, upon successful completion, with a First Aid Certificate valid for NGB courses such as ML or SPA for three years. Current holders of such awards should also be in possession of a valid First Aid Certificate. The Club can only run the course if there is sufficient interest. Contact Neil Gauld (cttel@cairngormclub.org.uk) to book your place.



Navigation



The Club is intending to run a navigation training course. An indoor theory night will be held on Wednesday 11 April followed by a practical hill day on Saturday 15 April in and around Braemar. The course is being run internally and will be aimed at novice/intermediate level. Spaces will be limited so members are advised to book early. Contact Neil to book.

Annual General Meeting 2006

The Club's 2006 AGM took place on 15 November, with 32 souls in attendance. It followed the usual agenda of Office-Bearers' reports plus discussion of Club activities from the floor. As outgoing President, Ian Bryce gave a substantial presentation of his activities over the year, with thanks to all who had kept the Club running over that period, and his views on the MCofS issue. The outcome of the (uncontested) elections to the Committee is on the back page of this Newsletter, and congratulations/comiserations are due to all. Derek Pinches took us through the finances with his usual aplomb, and for once did not ask for higher subscription rates for next year (2007/08).

In view of the impending MCofS SGM (see elsewhere in this Newsletter), Richard Shirreffs initiated a debate on MCofS incorporation (Newsletters, *passim*). This provoked various statements of principle and practicality, e.g. on the need for an "alternative business plan", the Club being "foisted" with new commitments, etc., although, with no finalised MCofS drafts to hand, a vote was not thought appropriate.

E-Mailing List

There is a Club mailing list hosted by Yahoo. This can be used by members to arrange informal meets or to sell gear as well as for official Club announcements. There is the facility to receive only official Club email. To subscribe, send an email to:

cairngorm_club_members-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

See the Club website for more details.



John Muir Trust Aberdeenshire

The Club is a member of the John Muir Trust. Work parties are organised locally for conservation work in Glen Tanar and growing native trees at Drum Castle. See the Trust's website at www.jmt.org for more information.

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 £22; priority appointments for Club members; next day appointments if booked before 12 noon.

Aberdeen
Physiotherapy
01224 626266

The Glencalvie Challenge, Sat. 12 May 2007

To raise funds for the Dundonnell MRT and two medical charities, the Inverness Culloden Rotary Club is organising a 18.5km sponsored event across remote country (roughly, Loch Glascarnoch north-east to Strath Carron) for bikers, runners and walkers: for details, see www.glencalviechallenge.co.uk or contact Ken Thomson.

Membership

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

Mrs Alison Paterson	Ordinary
Mr Gordon Hull	Ordinary
Mr Mark A Blair	Associate
Mr Asle B Braatalien	Associate
Mr Martin Forster	Associate
Miss Ela Krol	Associate
Mr Cristian Masini	Associate
Mr Kes Smith	Associate

NTS

As a member of the National Trust for Scotland, the Club has 5 cards allowing free access to NTS properties for Club members or their guests. These cards can be borrowed from the Secretary, Ken Thomson (see back page for contact details).

Aberdeen & St. John Mountain Rescue Association



This year, Aberdeen Mountain Rescue Team is organising its usual summer fund-raising walk on Saturday 2 June, with two circular routes starting from the Keiloch car park at Invercauld. A bus from and back to Aberdeen will be available, and this year the Club is hoping to assist in marshalling duties. Anyone interested should contact Gill Shirreffs.

Report your Experiences of Ticks

The Club has been contacted by Marianne James who is doing a PhD at Aberdeen University on the transmission cycle of Lyme disease in Scotland. She'd like to hear from anyone who remembers particular areas they visited last year in Scotland as being particularly 'ticky' - to try and identify hot spots for fieldwork this coming summer. She would like a grid reference and habitat description (e.g. forest/grassland/garden). Moreover, she would like to hear from anyone who has been unlucky enough to have acquired Lyme disease in Scotland and is willing to give information via a small questionnaire. Please contact Marianne with details, either to Room 216, Zoology Building, Tillydrone Avenue, Aberdeen, AB11 6FG, or by email at marianne.james@abdn.ac.uk.

Weather



Met Office	09068 500 442 (East)
Mountain Call	09068 500 441 (West)
AA Roadwatch	09003 444 900
Wetterzentrale	www.wetterzentrale.de/topkarten/fsavneur.html
Radio Scotland	19:12 Mon. - Fri. 06:58 & 18:58 Sat. and 06:58 & 19:58 Sun.
BBC 1	'Heather the Weather' at 18:58 (approx)
SAIS	www.sais.gov.uk (avalanche forecast)
MWIS	www.mwis.org.uk/forecasts.php
Midges	www.midgeforecast.co.uk

If you are AT ALL interested in this trip, please contact Derek Beverley (ctte14@cairngormclub.org.uk) as hotels fill and flight prices go up. If there is a call for slightly different dates, please let Derek know - the same trip in September works also.

Derek has had two visits to this area in the past three and a half years but limited high-level exploration, and is keen to return.

The Cairngorm Club Journal: Impending, Wanted and For Sale

Volume 21, number 108 (2007) is in press, and will be posted to Members shortly.

The following numbers are wanted to complete a set: nos. 1, 2, 18-21, 23-29, 44.

The following numbers (some rather battered, but all readable) are available for sale, with proceeds to Club funds: nos. 85, 87-89, 92-96, 101 and 106 (2001).

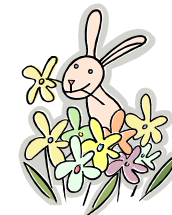


Website Re-Design

A sub-Committee is considering the current structure, appearance and utility of the Club website. Anyone with comments or ideas should send them to Garry Wardrope or Ken Thomson.

Pre-Easter Meet, Inchnadamph, 23-26 March 2007

The main base for this meet will be the self-catering Inchnadamph Lodge (see www.inch-lodge.co.uk) where 20 hostel beds have been booked for the Club at a cost of £14 pppn. Local caterers will provide a communal Saturday evening meal (with veg option) in the Lodge, at a price of about £10 pp excluding drinks. Near the Lodge, the Inchnadamph Hotel costs £35 per person per night for B&B, or £50 per person per night for DB&B; bar meals are also available there. To book Lodge bunkhouse places and/or the Saturday meal, contact Tim Walmsley weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk. For hotel places, contact 01571 822202 or info@inchnadamphhotel.co.uk



Barbecue

This year's barbecue will be held at Templars Park on Wednesday 20 June from 8 pm. The cost will be £8.00 and 'tickets' should be booked by Friday 15 June so that the appropriate number of burgers, kippers and so on can be purchased. Cheques payable to The Cairngorm Club should be sent to Anne Pinches. Please mention if you require vegetarian or gluten-free food when booking. If you are willing to put together a salad, that would be most welcome; please speak with Anne about this.



BBC Radio: LSCC/Blackrock and (near) Ben MacDhui

If you missed the 30-minute BBC Radio Scotland programme broadcast on 20 December (repeated on New Year's Day or thereabouts) on the Ladies Scottish Climbing Club and Blackrock Cottage, Ken Thomson has a CD of the programme, courtesy of the LSCC, and will be glad to lend it to anyone interested to hear it. Should we see if the BBC would like to do something similar on Muir?!

Ken also has a MP3 file copy of the 30-minute BBC Radio 4 programme Open Country, broadcast on 13 and 18 January, and said to feature Ben Macdhui – although the “exploration” reporter never sets foot on the mountain! Those wishing to hear it nevertheless should contact Ken.

NEMT Winter Lectures

The final lecture of the season; “Ellice Milton—Donside Seasons” takes place on Thursday 22nd March in the Belmont Club.



Indoor Meets

The final Indoor Meet of the season will be held at 7.30 pm on 7 March at Aberdeenshire Cricket Club. Donald Hawksworth, a long-standing (and long-walking!) member, has kindly agreed to put together a selection of his wonderful mountain slides from various parts of the world. Come along and join us and be transported out of Aberdeen for the evening. £3.00 gives you the opportunity to meet up with some folks you may not have seen for a while, relax and enjoy the views and have tea and biscuits! The bar is also available for stronger refreshments.

More Births

To Neil and Gillian Gauld, a son, Callum, on 12 January 2007.



Climbing Round-up

I don't know about you but I quite like this time of year as the new climbing season is looming and I'm raring to go. The gloom of realising that I never got round to doing half the climbs and hill walks (as well as kayak trips and horse riding holidays) that I planned to do in 2006 before real life events such as cutting the grass got in the way has subsided and been replaced by the optimism of the new year. The guidebooks and diary are out, and my updated wish list is growing! For all those of similar mind, you'll find the 2007 meets list in this newsletter. Thanks must go to Dave and Tim who – on our behalf – forced themselves to meet up in a pub and prepare this year's climbing schedule. There are a couple of new venues: Earnsheugh (not one for the faint-hearted) and Balmashanner Quarry (one of three bolted venues this year – or is that four, Adrian?) which now has a load of easier routes that are not in the current guide, so should have something to offer everyone.

This year we also get to grips with Yorkshire Grit. Although the weekend's itinerary is not yet finalised; we'll probably end up visiting both Brimham Rocks (a bit of a geological curiosity with very weird rock formations once thought to be the work of druids) and Almscliffe (the most famous Yorkshire gritstone crag). So get practising your hand jamming, as unseasoned hands will struggle to survive the two days of climbing.

As per Dave's email in January, the Tuesday night sessions at RGU have never really taken off because it is so busy (so busy that a visit to the beach leisure centre wall has even become appealing). Thankfully the Transition Centre is still on target for completion in March so maybe the Club will get down there for a few sessions prior to the start of outdoor evening climbing meets. A work colleague who's been inside the new Centre assures me that construction of the climbing area is now underway; with the walls approximately 50% higher than RGU. For the latest news on the project progress, go to www.transition-extreme.com/update/index.htm.

Well, that's it from me for now. Hope to see you all at one of the Aberdeen walls soon. In the meantime, if you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Dave Ogden, Tim Walker or me. And remember the grass is always greener if you dig it up and replace it with astroturf!



DISCOUNTS*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,

Mondays 5 March, 2

April and 7 May 2007

Glen Feshie Hostel

Anne-Marie Phimister has recently taken over ownership of the Glen Feshie hostel from Jean Hamilton. It has an entry in the blue hostel guide (www.hostel-scotland.co.uk).

**MCofS**

Mountaineering Council of Scotland

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After much deliberation by a sub-committee and otherwise over the last nine months or so, the Club Committee decided at its meeting on 24 January to vote in favour of the two motions to be put to a MCofS Special General Meeting in Perth on 17 February. These motions, if passed, will finally permit the conversion of the Council into a company limited by guarantee. It was felt that the current company drafts, while by no means perfect, had been modified to meet most of the Club's major objections to the June 2006 versions, in maintaining the Club's block vote, allowing Club members to "opt out" of MCofS membership, permitting some Club flexibility, e.g. over a child protection policy, and improving procedures over notices of general meetings and MCofS policy adoption. Importantly, third-party liability insurance, arranged through the MCofS and BMC, should continue. The Club will keep a watchful eye on the activities of the new body, whose first AGM is expected in June.

**Beaully-Denny Power Line**

The National Trust for Scotland, the John Muir Trust, the Mountaineering Council of Scotland and others have set up a consortium to fund legal advice to oppose this line, which, as well as scarring the landscape north and south of Dalwhinnie, will encourage wind and hydro developments in many wild places in the Highlands. The Club has made a substantial donation to the consortium.

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Club Library

We have approximately 1000 books held in the Special Collections library in Aberdeen University. This is open to Club members on production of a membership card. An alphabetical listing of books is given on the Club website www.cairngormclub.org.uk/library.

UDAT

The Upper Deeside Access Trust has now completed its substantial programme of works under the Eastern Cairngorms Access Project, and is now undertaking or planning smaller tasks, e.g. a Quoich-Slugain link-up, a circular route in Glen Callater, and a 200-metre further stretch on Lochnagar. The major outstanding problem in the area is the path up Mount Keen from Glentannar, but this will have to await consultation with the estate, and substantial further funding. A review of access priorities will be undertaken (some 5 years after the original exercise), and the Club hopes to be involved in this.

Cairngorms National Park Extension Bill

John Swinney MSP is proposing a Bill which would restore to the Cairngorms National Park that part of Perthshire (including Spital of Glen Shee, Ben a' Ghlo, Blair Atholl, Ben Vorlich, and Beinn Udlamain) which the Scottish Executive removed from the SNH-recommended area for the Park when it was designated. The Club has written a letter of support to the Scottish Parliament Committee which is considering the Bill.

CNPA CPP

The Cairngorms National Park Plan, on which the Club commented in some detail last year, has now been submitted to Scottish Ministers for approval.

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**Aberdeenshire Outdoor Access Forum (ALOAF)**

The Forum advises on non-motorised access (rights of way, core paths, etc.) outside the Cairngorms National Park area, and is holding its second Annual Gathering at the Thainstone Centre near Inverurie at 6.30 for 7.00 on Monday 5 March. There will be a few short presentations and an Any Questions? session, and opportunities to quiz Council and other agency officials face-to-face. All will be welcome, but for catering purposes those interested are invited to contact Ken Thomson (the Forum Chair) or the Outdoor Access Officer at Gordon House, Inverurie (ga.planapps@aberdeenshire.gov.uk).



Muir

Muir Cottage remains in heavy demand, though predominantly by members of other clubs. The committee would be delighted to see greater use by members, and there could of course be times when a party of members might use Muir midweek without clashing with weekend bookings from other clubs. There is accommodation for up to 4 members in the small common room, even when the 18 bunk places are fully committed. And there will again be a members' families week this year, beginning on the evening of Friday 29 June.

Bookings and enquiries should be made to Alex Barbour, preferably by e-mail to: muir-booking@cairngormclub.co.uk.

The committee decided at the end of 2006 to apply increased charges in 2007. The rate per member per night is now £4 (non-members £8). The nights booked for must be paid for before keys are sent out.

This year's work weekend will be over the weekend 21-22 April. All volunteers are welcome, even those who can manage only one day or a part-day; and will of course be exempted from overnight charges.

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Training

The Committee wish to encourage the ongoing acquisition of hill walking and mountaineering skills, particularly where they relate to helping novices or leading others in the hills. Assistance with funding for such courses may be available from the Club; members wishing to avail themselves of this should apply through the Club Secretary (Ken Thomson) with details of the course and its cost in advance of the training being undertaken.



Club-Organised Training

The Club organises courses in First Aid, Navigation, Winter Skills and Climbing. Details are published in the Newsletter and on the website (see also page 2).

Glenmore Lodge

Glenmore Lodge is the **sportscotland** National Centre for mountaineering, mountain training, rock climbing and ski mountaineering, amongst other things. Members may obtain a discount on many of these courses by virtue of their membership through the Club of the MCofS. The Lodge prospectus can be obtained by calling 01479 861256 or can be accessed online at: www.glenmorelodge.org.uk.



CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions for the year 2006/2007 became due on 1st October 2006. Any person who has not paid should send their subscriptions to the Treasurer: Derek Pinches, Broombank, Kinellar, Aberdeen AB21 0TL.

	2006/2007		
	Club	MCofS + Insurance	Total
full	£13.00	£7.47+ £3.13	£23.60
reduced	£6.50	£7.47+ £3.13	£17.10

Reduced rate is available for members who:
live and work over 80km from Aberdeen; or
are aged over 65 or under 21; or
are in full-time education.



CLUBwear

T-shirts £8

Contact:

Anne Pinches

social@cairngormclub.org.uk



Day Meets - updated formats

Overnight Meet South Cluanie Ridge --- June 30th and July 1st

The overnight meet used to be a major annual event some time around mid-summer. There was a small beginning to its resurrection last year and there is a proposal to continue its rehabilitation this year with a traverse of the South Cluanie Ridge. Travel probably by minibus. Contact Alec Macmillan (bus@cairngormclub.org.uk) for details.

Cairngorm Traverse --- September 8th and 9th

The proposal is that the annual Cairngorm Traverse will follow a different format this year, involving Muir Cottage as a Saturday night rendezvous. To this end, the Club has reserved Muir for its own use on the weekend of 8th and 9th September. Long and epic traverses and bivouacs in the mountains will be possible. Full details in the next Newsletter.

Weekend Meets



Easter Meet - Inchnadamph — 24/26 March

Bunks and a small number of twin rooms have been booked in the Inchnadamph Lodge. In the heart of Assynt, there are mountains, rivers, lochs and caves all close by. Come and sample the spectacularly wild scenery at its best. Rooms are also available in the Inchnadamph Hotel. To book contact Tim Walmsley (weekend@cairnngormclub.org.uk)

Torridon Youth Hostel — 28/29 April

Land of the big three - Beinn Alligan, Beinn Eighe and Liathach., long epic days possible (ask Fred) and the pub within easy reach of the hostel. If you've never gazed upon the Triple Buttress of Coire Mhic Fhearchair then the walk round from the road is a short toil well worth the effort. Contact Alex Barbour (muir-booking@cairnngormclub.org.uk)

Durness - Lazy Crofter Bunkhouse — 26/27 May

Another of these venues that is often overlooked but with a wealth of things to do! You may have ticked Ben Hope, but what about the Corbett Fionaven? Less than a meter short of Munro status, who can say what could happen in the future! There are also several mountain crags offering routes of character as well as the nearby sea cliffs at Sheigra. If all this is too much, the beach is one of the most idyllic in Scotland, even with the surfers! To book, contact Jim Bryce

Ballachulish - Alex Macintyre Memorial Hut — 23/24 June

A popular Club meet with climbing in Glencoe or the Ben, weather permitting. The hills, rivers and crags make this a venue not to be missed. Make sure you book early with Eilidh Scobbie

Lochinver - Clachtoll Campsite — 21/22 July

Sure to be popular with the climbers, especially the ones still to tick "the Old Man" (and that isn't a Club member I'm referring to). The legendary hills of Glencanisp Forest are all nearby, offering a spectacular summer trip to make this a weekend you won't forget in a hurry. Contact Dave Ogden (climb@cairnngormclub.org.uk)

Indoor Meets

The venue for Indoor Meets is the Aberdeenshire Cricket Club (Morningside Road, off Great Western Road). Start time 7:30 pm, the price of £3.00 includes tea or coffee and biscuits. With ample parking and a large room for the presentations, this is an excellent venue. Members are welcome to use the bar facilities in the comfortable lounge area before and after the talk.

Mid-week (Thursday) walks (details on previous page)

Please arrive promptly at the meeting points. On some occasions the arrangements may change, so please contact one of the organisers if in doubt or if further information is required. If you intend to drive straight to the starting point of the walk, please let one of the organisers know. If you carry a mobile phone on a walk, please let others know the number before starting out.

Code	Location	Grid ref.
K	Kingswells 'park and ride'	868063
P	Persley	910093

For latest details, see the Club website at:

<http://www.cairnngormclub.org.uk/meets.htm>

The Cairngorm Club

Details of Meets, issued February 2007

Day Meets

Bookings for **Day Meets** (previously known as Bus Meets and Car Meets) should be made with the organiser for that meet (see names etc. below).



Where shown, prices include a meal. If you don't want the meal, please contact the organiser for the price of the bus only. You are also welcome to join the party for the meal only - let the organiser know in advance. Those requiring a vegetarian meal should let the organiser know when booking.

The descriptions below are not exhaustive, and members may take any route they desire, with other drop-off / pick-up points possible. However, members are reminded that they are responsible for their own and their guests' safety, for ensuring that they and their guests are properly equipped for whatever they undertake, and for checking that what they plan can be accomplished in the time available having regard to the conditions.

Minibus Glen Clova - Sunday 11th March

Recent attempts on Glen Clova (including 2006) have been thwarted by snow conditions, so the proposal is to have another go this year, this time by minibus so as to retain flexibility depending on conditions on the day. Dreish and Mayar would be prime destinations, but there are many other options including low-level routes in the forests and glens. There should be time for a meal and refreshments. Bookings should be made with Alec Macmillan (bus@cairnngormclub.org.uk)

Minibus Beinn Dearg (Atholl) - Sunday 15 April

Beinn Dearg (OS Sheet 43; 853778). This highly desirable Munro in the middle of the Atholl deer forest is beyond the scope of a conventional bus meet. It is 14 km each way through well tracked territory, so those who want a challenge will have earned their refreshments by the end of the day. Bookings should be made with Alec Macmillan (bus@cairnngormclub.org.uk)

Linn of Quoich to Linn of Dee - Sunday 13th May

There is such a variety of possibilities on this meet that the scope is limited only by the imagination of the participants and the length of the day. But there will probably be an ascent of Beinn Bhreac and there should be time for refreshments and a meal on the way back. To book, contact Alex Barbour (muir-booking@cairnngormclub.org.uk)

Glen Feshie to Linn of Dee - Sunday 10th June

Whether over the tops or through one of the finest glens in the Cairngorms, this should be a good day. There should be time for refreshments at the Braemar end. To book, contact Colin Brown (cte11@cairnngormclub.org.uk)

Climbing Meets

Prospective members, and those members that require Club equipment, should contact the co-ordinator before the meet.

Day Meets (departure time; map sheet(s); grid reference(s) of drop-off and pick-up points; walking time; meal location; cost; organiser)

Mid-Week Walks (departure time; map sheet; departure point; organisers; contact details)

Climbing (meeting time; high water; meeting place; co-ordinator; contact details)

MARCH

- 7 **Wed Indoor** Donald Hawksworth "Mountain Slides" (7.30 pm; £3.00)
 11 **Sun Day Meet** MINIBUS MEET Glen Clova (7.00 am; 44; 283761; 7.5 hrs; no meal; £11.00; Alec Macmillan; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 24 **Sat W/E Meet** Pre - Easter - Inchmadamph Lodge and Hotel (Tim Walmsley; weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 29 **Thu MW Walk** Glencat (9.15 am; 44; K; Lydia & Ken Thomson;)

APRIL

- 15 **Sun Day Meet** MINIBUS MEET Beinn Dearnag (Atholl) (7.00 am; 43; 866666; 9 hrs; no meal; £12.00; Alec Macmillan; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 17 **Tue Climbing** Deceptive Wall (6.00 pm; HW 13:18; Doonies Farm; Dave Ogden; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 21 **Sat Muir Work** Muir Work - (Richard Shirreffs; huts@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 21 **Sat Climbing** Weekend of Yorkshire Grit (James Hirst;)
 24 **Tue Climbing** Long Slough (6.00 pm; HW 19:24; Doonies Farm; Tim Walker; cte9@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 26 **Thu MW Walk** Craig nam Ban - Glen Girmock (9.15 am; 44; K; Ian Bryce;
 28 **Sat W/E Meet** Torridon - Youth Hostel (Alex Barbour; muir-booking@cairngormclub.org.uk)

MAY

- 1 **Tue Climbing** The Graip (6.00 pm; HW 12:42; Colliston Car Park; Euan Docherty;)
 8 **Tue Climbing** Diving Board / Hidden Inlet (6.00 pm; HW 17:18; Doonies Farm; Amanda Lyons;)
 13 **Sun Day Meet** Linn of Quoich to Linn of Dee (7.00 am; 43; 118910 to 062897; 8 hrs; no meal; £14.00; Alex Barbour; muir-booking@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 15 **Tue Climbing** Clashrodney (6.00 pm; HW 12:06; Burnbanks Village (car share to limited parking); Graham Callander;
 22 **Tue Climbing** Earnsheugh (6.00 pm; HW 17:48; Burnbanks Village (car share to limited parking); Dave Ogden; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 26 **Sat W/E Meet** Durness - Lazy Crofter Bunkhouse (Jim Bryce;)
 29 **Tue Climbing** Alans cliff (6.00 pm; HW 11:30; Burnbanks village; Adrian Scott;)
 31 **Thu MW Walk** Cruden Bay - Longhaven (9.15 am; 30; P; Ruth Payne;)

JUNE

- 2 **Sat Climbing** Climbing - day trip to Cummingston (James Hirst)
 5 **Tue Climbing** Fulmar Wall (6.00 pm; HW 16:24; Slains castle car park;
 10 **Sun Day Meet** Glen Feshie to Linn of Dee (7.00 am; 43; 852975 to 062897; 8 hrs; no meal; £15.00; Colin Brown; cte11@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 12 **Tue Climbing** Arbroath (6.00 pm; HW 23:24; Asda Portlethen (car share); James Hirst;)
 16 **Sat W/E Meet** Glenmore - Glenmore Lodge MCofS AGM (Eilidh Scobbie;)
 19 **Tue Climbing** Clach na Beinn (6.30 pm; HW 16:36; Clach na Beinn car park;

JULY

- 20 **Wed BBQ** Templar's Park Maryculter (8.00pm; Anne Pinches; social@cairngormclub.org.uk; £8.00)
 23 **Sat W/E Meet** Ballachulish - Alex Macintyre Memorial Hut - Onich (Eilidh Scobbie;)
 26 **Tue Climbing** Pass of Ballater (6.30 pm; HW 22:42; Car Park; Ian Diack;
 28 **Thu MW Walk** Linn of Dee - Sgor Dubh - Sgor Mor (8.30 am; 43; K; James Friend;)
 29 **Fri Families** Muir Families Week - (Alex Barbour; ; muir-booking@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 30 **Sat Overnighter** South Clunie Ridge (Alec Macmillan; ; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 3 **Tue Climbing** Humpback (6.00 pm; HW 15:30; Burnbanks village; Adrian Scott;)
 7 **Sat Climbing** Climbing - day trip to Dunkeld, Polney (Dave Ogden; ; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 10 **Tue Climbing** Tiptoe Slab / Harpers Wall (6.00 pm; HW 22:00; Slains castle car park; James Richardson;
 17 **Tue Climbing** Clashrodney (6.00 pm; HW 15:30; Burnbanks Village (car share to limited parking); Dave Ogden; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 21 **Sat W/E Meet** Lochmiver - Clachtroll Campsite (Dave Ogden; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
 24 **Tue Climbing** Balmashanner Quarry (there is now a topo with new easier routes!) (6.00 pm; HW 20:48; Asda Portlethen; James Hirst;
 26 **Thu MW Walk** Aberarder - Glen Feardar - Auchtavann (9.15 am; 43,44; K; Evelyn Massie & Hella Alexander;)
 31 **Tue Climbing** Graymare Slabs (6.00 pm; HW 14:30; Slains castle car park; Tim Walker; cte9@cairngormclub.org.uk)

AUGUST

- 4 **Sat Climbing** Day trip to Glen Clova (Dave Ogden)
 7 **Tue Climbing** Alligator Ridge / Longhaven
 11 **Sat Day Meet** Ben Vorlich/Stuc a'Chroin - Car Meet
 14 **Tue Climbing** Floors Craig
 21 **Tue Climbing** Meikle Partans
 25 **Sat W/E Meet** Strontian (tba)
 28 **Tue Climbing** Black Rock Gulch
 30 **Thu MW Walk** Glen Buchat (Arthur Dickie & Mike Forsyth)
 SEPTEMBER
 4 **Tue Climbing** Boltshuegh
 5 **Wed Indoor** Members' Night
 9 **Sun Day Meet** Cairngorm Traverse - Weekend Format
 11 **Tue Climbing** Souter Head
 22 **Sat W/E Meet** Arran - Loch Ranza YH (tba)
 27 **Thu MW Walk** Millstone Hill - Oxen Craig (Jack Connell)

OCTOBER

- 3 **Wed Indoor** TBA
 7 **Sun Day Meet** Dorback Lodge to Tomintoul - via Geal Charn
 20 **Sat W/E Meet** Crianlarich - Inverdran Cottage (tba)
 25 **Thu MW Walk** Lochnagar Cross Path (J Turner & KThomson)
 NOVEMBER
 14 **Wed AGM** TBA
 16 **Fri Dinner** Old Mill Inn, Maryculter
 18 **Sun Day Meet** Morven - Traverse (tbc)
 24 **Sat W/E Meet** TBA
 29 **Thu MW Walk** Burn o'Vat - Loch Kinord (Judy Middleton)
 DECEMBER
 2 **Sun Day Meet** Glen Callater (tbc)
 5 **Wed Indoor** TBA
 8 **Sat W/E Meet** Glen Clova - Bunkhouse (tba)
 27 **Thu MW Walk** Scolty (Lydia Thomson)