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### We're on the Web!

www.cairngormclub.org.uk

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# February 2008



### The Cairngorm Club Established 1887





# **Future Club Project(s)**

The last major Club project was the refurbishment of Muir, carried out in 2004-05 under Robbie Middleton at a cost of some £90,000 (a mix of grants, reserve funds and membership contributions), of which some £9000 remains. With Muir now resuming its cash flow (of perhaps £5000 net per year), and Club's General Funds at some £27,000, the Committee considered in January whether the time has perhaps come to consider a further project.

Muir is the Club's main asset, and expensive work on its roof(s), walls, etc. may be expected over the years. One approach – which the Committee is exploring – is to seek professional advice on this, either in terms of specific works looming up, or perhaps a "sinking fund" (£50,000 or more?) which would be expected to bear costs as and when. Another is to deal with major problems as they arise (relatively minor ones can be funded from income, or the Muir Fund above).

Other types of Club projects have been mentioned from time to time, e.g. "repair" or extension to Piper's Wood (the existing Wood Fund of some £4,000 might be enough to deal with this), new or restored mountain indicators, paths or bridges, or "sports development". "Extra" money might be sought from grants or the membership, and/or donated to other appeals. Naturally, the "objects" of the Club (see constitution,

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# **Club Training**

**Winter Skills:** This essential course for anyone who feels inclined to wander the Scottish hills in winter is once again being organised by the Club. Winter skills training will take place on 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> February at Muir Cottage, where two instructors



available. The course content will be: the basics of ice axe arrest, crampon skills, axe skills, snowpack evaluation and navigation.

There will be further options to cover snow and ice belays, advanced movement skills, and further navigation on day two.

There will be a communal meal on the Saturday night (lamb curry) and a vegetarian option will be available.

After the meal there will be a 'lecture' on Winter Mountain Hazards / Weather or /and Avalanche forecast and evaluation delivered with the aid of a laptop computer.

The course is subsidised by the Clu;, however participants are asked to contribute £12 per day, £24 per day non members.

Accommodation at Muir is available at £4 per night, £8 per night for non members.

I need to know numbers, so please email Adrian Scott as soon as possible *training@cairngormclub.org.uk* to reserve a place. Indicate if you require vegetarian meal.

A cheque made out to the Cairngorm Club for £32 / £64 confirms your booking (2 nights at Muir and 2 days training).

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# Discounts in (some) Overseas Mountaineering Huts

Through its MCofS membership, Club members can obtain a "reciprocal rights card", valid for one calendar year, and costing £32.50: see <a href="https://www.thebmc.co.uk/world/alps/recip.htm">www.thebmc.co.uk/world/alps/recip.htm</a>.

### JMCS Hut, Coruisk:

This is available to (between 3 and 9) Club members at £7.50 per night. Details including access and availability at <a href="https://www.glasgowjmcs.org.uk">www.glasgowjmcs.org.uk</a>.

# February 2008 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 feature article on page 11.

### 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 <a href="https://www.jmt.org">www.jmt.org</a> 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 £26; priority appointments for Club members; next day appointments if booked before 12 noon.

Aberdeen Physiotherapy 01224 626266

### **NEMT Winter Lectures**

Details of the NEMT winter lectures are given below. They are held at the Belmont Club, 218 Hardgate, Aberdeen, and start at 7.30 pm. Entrance is £2.00 for Club members. Further details can be obtained from their web site at: www.nemt.org.uk

19th Feb 08 - Guy Robertson - Torquing Adventure

13th Mar 08 - Roger Owen - Walking the Roof of Scotland

# Membership

The Club is sorry to hear of the death of the following members. Dr Brodie Lewis, Bieldside, Aberdeen. Ordinary Member since 1973.

Dr Lumsden Walker, Westbury on Trym, Bristol, Ordinary Member since 1940.

The following new members have been admitted since last newsletter.

Mr Guy Hustinx	Aberdeen	Associate
Mr Neil Thomson	Aberdeen	Ordinary
Mrs Morag Hayes	Edinburgh	Associate
Miss Alexandra Clark	Aberdeen	Associate
Ms Tegwen Northam	Aberdeen	Associate

### **BBQ**

The barbecue will be held at Templars' Park, Maryculter on Wednesday 18 June 2008 from 8 pm. The cost will be £8.00 and in order to facilitate catering, tickets should be booked in advance. Please send cheques payable to The Cairngorm Club to Anne Pinches by Friday 13 June. Please mention if you require vegetarian or gluten-free food when booking. The barbecue will take place regardless of the weather as there is an indoor area available in the case of a deluge! More info email <code>social@cairngormclub.org.uk</code>

### **Post-Easter Meet**

This will be held at Bridge of Orchy on the week-end 29-30 March 2008. All 15 places at the West Highland Way Sleeper at Bridge of Orchy Station (*see http://www.westhighlandwaysleeper.co.uk/* for details) have been booked by the Club for the Friday and Saturday nights, and beds for those nights should be booked with Ken Thomson (see below; NOT direct with the Sleeper), on a "first-come/paid, first served" basis, at £13.50 pppn. Others may select the Bridge of Orchy Hotel which should be booked direct, at Bridge of Orchy, Argyll PA36 4AD, Tel. 01838 400208; email - *info@bridgeoforchy.co.uk*; website - *www.bridgeoforchy.co.uk*. Hotel room prices are given as B&B from £60 (single) or £95 (double). It is hoped to organise a communal evening meal at the hotel for around 7.30 pm on Saturday 29 March, at a price of approx £20:00 each (food only); those wishing to participate in this should notify Ken before mid-March, along with any preferences, e.g. vegetarian.

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

### February 2008 AGM 2007

The Club's Annual General Meeting last November was attended by 31 people. In brief:

- · Office-bearers reported much the same as usual for meets etc.
- Following its refurbishment (and low recent expenditure), Muir turned in a healthy surplus of £10K
- · Club funds stood at around £27,500, and subs (for about 450 members) were left unchanged for 2008/09
- · Ian Bryce complained about the non-payment of an additional £500 to the Beauly-Denny appeal; after considerable discussion, a vote resulted in 11 for payment, and 9 against.
- Alec Macmillan and Ian Bryce were elected as our new Vice-President and Week-end Secretary respectively, and Dave Kirk, Marj Ewan, Andy Lawson and Jay Turner are our new Committee members
- AOCB included the new MCofS situation (membership and insurance), and Muir bookings.

For more detail, see the website, and/or come along next November to approve the draft minutes!

# Core Path Plans in Aberdeen City & Aberdeenshire

The plans are moving forward, with schedules as follows:

- Aberdeen City: an "informal" consultation period has just finished; formal consultation on the finalised Draft CPP will take place later this spring.
- Aberdeenshire: the "informal" consultation period is scheduled for late March to early May, with formal step probably in early autumn

# Core Paths in the Cairngorms

The Club submitted some comments on the Interim Draft Core Paths Plan for the Cairngorms National Park area, including acceptance of the exclusion of high-level routes as CPs (for fear of over-"improvement"), and suggestions or comments on specific paths, mostly on the Aberdeen side of the hills. The CNP Authority has recently summarised all such responses (see <a href="https://www.cairngorms.co.uk/access/corepaths/index.php">www.cairngorms.co.uk/access/corepaths/index.php</a>, and look under "Have Your Say"). The next public stage appears to be the Consultative Draft in mid-2008.

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now on the website), and its charitable status, have to be borne in mind. The Committee is keen that members generally should express their views on all this before any firm decisions are made to go ahead. Or not, at least for a time: the year 2012 will be the Club's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary (and the centenary of the "CCJ" bridge in Rothiemurchus): should we wait for then, or press ahead with something sooner? Please contact the Secretary

secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk with your views.

### **Brodie Lewis**

The Club is saddened to learn of the death of Dr Brodie Lewis, a renowned traveller (Australia, Himalayas, the Sahara, the Arctic), and one -time regional director of the Blood Transfusion Service. Joining the Club in 1973, he served on its Committee between 1974 and 1977, and was a regular attender at Indoor Meets until very recently. A short article in the Club journal (*CCJ* Vol. 20 (no. 104), 1996, p. 179) recalled part of a canoe journey made as a student from Loch Eil to Skye, about seventy years ago.

### Indoor Meet - Wed 5th March, 2008

The final Indoor Meet of the season will take place on Wednesday 5 March at 7.30 pm. Local photographer Ellice Milton will be speaking on Photography out of doors such as wild flowers and landscapes and showing some of his own photos to inspire us for the forthcoming spring and summer. The venue is the Seafield Club, 12 Seafield Road, Aberdeen and the cost inclusive of tea/coffee and biscuits is £3.00. In case you haven't been to the new venue yet, directions are as follows: 150m west of Anderson Drive/Cromwell Road roundabout, the Seafield Club is on the third road on the right from the Anderson Drive end. The first and second roads are very close together. The third road takes you up the side of a big new house (usually floodlit in blue!) and tucked behind the new house is the old house which is the Seafield Club; park by the Medical Centre. More info email <code>social@cairngormclub.org.uk</code>

# **UDAT (Upper Deeside Access Trust)**

A new Tarland walks booklet is available, at £2. See UDAT website at <a href="https://www.visitdeeside.org.uk/">www.visitdeeside.org.uk/</a>

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# **Climbing Round-up**

There is a full programme of 21 climbing nights on the calendar for 2008. There should be enough variety in it to please everyone. New climbers are always welcome; please contact Dave Ogden





### The New Club Wedsite (http://www.cairngormclub.org.uk)

During the past few months, a new Club website has been designed and developed by Andy Lawson; thanks to all who have contributed both suggestions and content. The new site includes:

- new brighter and consistent look and feel
- new fixed menu for easy access to key content from anywhere on site
- content from previous website, e.g. on Muir, links, membership
- colour-coded calendar of forthcoming events for 2008
- several new meet reports, with photos
- latest Newsletters available on-line
- numerous updated photographs
- improved contact info, meet information, membership details, etc.
- Club Achievements page (including Munroists, Corbetteers, etc.)
- the Club constitution, and AGM/Committee meeting minutes as available.

It is hoped that the new site will remain up to date with new and interesting content, including at least one new meet report per month.

If you have compleated all your Munros, Corbetts or Grahams, and would like your name to appear on the new Achievements page, please contact Andy with details via <a href="webmaster@cairngormclub.org.uk">webmaster@cairngormclub.org.uk</a>. It is hoped that over time this page will develop into an accurate list of Club Compleaters, perhaps for inclusion in a future Club Journal?

Meet Venues - Suggestions Wanted - Anyone wanting to suggest venues for day meets should advise Alec Macmillan, our day meets secretary; anyone wanting to suggest venues for weekend meets should advise Ian Bryce, our weekend meets secretary; and those wanting to suggest speakers for indoor meets should advise Anne Pinches, indoor meets secretary, or any Committee member. The contact details for all these are given on the back page.

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# Munroist List \*\*New Clerk\*\*

To register a completion of a full round of Munros or Corbetts, members should write to David J. Broadhead who is the new "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

### **MCofS**

Mountaineering Council of Scotland



### MCofS Club Safety & Liability

The Council has drafted a lengthy document on this topic, intended as a guide to the responsibilities of clubs in organising their activities: the current version can be viewed at <a href="https://www.mountaineering-scotland.org.uk/safety/clubsafety\_consultation.html">https://www.mountaineering-scotland.org.uk/safety/clubsafety\_consultation.html</a>. Ken Thomson has suggested considerable revisions, mainly in terms of length and clarity. Points of contention include whether club constitutions should incorporate a UIAA "statement", and whether the term "leader" should be used for groups such as the President's Party.

### **Forthcoming Attractions**

In case you like to plan ahead the Ceilidh will take place on Saturday 11 September 2008 and the Club Dinner on Friday 14 November 2008.

# **Muir Improvements**

Richard Shirreffs has been busy with planning and undertaking yet further improvements, including new bunks, new bedroom flooring, and the purchase of a midge-eater.



### **Lunch and Dauner**

The next lunch and dauner will on Tuesday 13th May meeting at the square in Tarland for the dauner at 1030 and with lunch at the Osprey Deck at Aboyne at 1230. Please advise Ruth Payne if you wish to join us for lunch.

# 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
Regular Tiso discount
nights for members.

# February 2008 Club Library

The Cairngorm Club library is housed in the Aberdeen University Special Collections Library and consists of over 1000 books & journals most of which are listed on our club web site <a href="www.cairngormclub.org.uk/library">www.cairngormclub.org.uk/library</a>. The library can be accessed by club members on presentation of a valid membership card. A selection can be viewed at the Indoor meets and any requests can be sent to the club librarian at <a href="librarian@cairngormclub.org.uk">librarian@cairngormclub.org.uk</a>

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# **Job Opportunities!**

As always the Club is most grateful to all those – on and off the Committee – who ensure that its activities and functions actually take place. At time of writing, people are sought for the following "vacancies":

Librarian: bringing a selection of books to Indoor Meets (or arranging for someone else to do this); monitoring the

Club's holdings, e.g. recent journals; liaison with the University Library; selecting and buying new books etc. for the Library (read them first if you like!); advertising the Library amongst Club members.

Climbing Activities Secretary: Though he is willing to continue as Climbing Activities Secretary for the current year, Dave Ogden is seeking to spread the work of organising this section, e.g. acting as contact for Tuesday meets during the summer and a replacement for next year.

Piper's Wood: helping James Friend to keep an eye on this Club "heritage asset"; only the occasional visit or meeting needed. (See frontpage of this newsletter).

Anyone interested, please contact:

Eilidh Scobbie president@cairngormclub.org.uk, Ken Thomson secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk

or the present incumbent(s).

### The Donalds

A new pocket-sized guidebook, written by Elizabeth Layhe and published by Entire Productions, is available at £7.99 from bookshops or direct from the publishers. <code>entireprod@hotmail.co.uk</code>

There are 87 Donalds, spread between the Ochils, the Cheviots and the Galloway hills.

**Muir Keys** - Anyone with a (new) key to Muir, and not certain that David Kirk and/or Richard Shirreffs is aware of this, should notify their possession of said key to Dave, via *muir-booking@cairngormclub.org.uk* 



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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. Cards can be borrowed from the Secretary, Ken Thomson (see back page)

# **Training**

Want to improve your mountain skills?

Or maybe want to take the first steps on a 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. We are also keen that individual members contact the training co-ordinator with requests for training, current suggestions are: first aid , navigation, single pitch award, or even something more ambitious like Mountain Leader or MIC ?

Suggestions are invited;, contact the Training co-ordinator (see back page).

### **CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Subscriptions for the year 2007/2008 were due on 1st October 2007. For those paying by Direct Debit this were collected automatically. Anyone who has still to pay should send their subscriptions to the Treasurer: Derek Pinches, Broombank, Kinellar, Aberdeen AB21 0TL.

		2007/2008	
	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.

For latest details on Meets etc, see the Club website at: <a href="http://www.cairngormclub.org.uk">http://www.cairngormclub.org.uk</a>

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# John Muir Trust

Contact: George Cruickshank

Tel: 01224 877159;

Email:

george.g.cruickshank @btinternet.com

Further details are available at: www.imt.org



### **New Year at Muir**

In recent years the use of Muir at New Year has declined. There have been expressions of interest from outside the club for its use this year.

If you wish to book it for New Year 2009, please contact Dave Kirk (see back page) by the end of February 2008.

# E-Mail for Dummies (e.g. the author of this note)

The Club has an e-mail system hosted by Yahoo!, the well known web provider. To use it, you need to join the membership-wide group by sending an email to: <a href="mailto:cairngorm\_club\_member-subscribe@yahoogroups.com">cairngorm\_club\_member-subscribe@yahoogroups.com</a> - no subject or message content is necessary, but enter something innocuous if you (or your e-mail system) insist.

Once subscribed, you can e-mail to all other subscribed members by sending your message to <a href="mailto:cairngorm\_club\_members@yahoogroups.com">cairngorm\_club\_members@yahoogroups.com</a>. You will receive all messages sent by others, unless you ask to receive only the Newsletter and any other official Club communications: see fuller details under "Mailing Lists" on the Contact Info page of the Club website.

When using the system, usual email practice should be followed, e.g. material should not be defamatory; remember that "everyone" can read it, and it will likely remain visible for some time. Wishing to encourage member-to-member contact, the Club Committee has not discussed further guidelines, but obviously messages should relate to Club interests, not purely personal matters.

If in any doubt about content, please contact the Secretary, Ken Thomson (see back page)

### **Indoor Meets**

All the Indoor Meets take place at the new venue, The Seafield Club, 12 Seafield Road. Coming from Anderson Drive the entrance is on the right hand side. Enter at the right hand side of a large new house opposite the green space in Seafield Road. There is plenty of parking in the adjacent Medical Centre's car park. The meets start at 7.30 pm and cost of £3.00 inclusive of tea/coffee and very nice biscuits! There is also a bar available.

Feb 6th - Alison Todd, Search and Rescue Dog Association

Mar 5th - Ellice Morrison, Photographing Wild Flowers and Landscapes

### **Weekend Meets**



### Glen Feshie Hostel, Balachroick, Kincraig — 22nd/23rd February

Well placed for skiing, ski-touring on the Monadhliath hills. 14 bunk-beds booked. Cost to be £12.50 pppn. Free porridge! All bedding provided. Contact Colin Brown email *ctte11@cairngormclub.org.uk* to book or for further details.

### Post Easter Meet — Bridge of Orchy Bunkhouse — 28th/29th March

Located in the original station buildings. Great location for Munroists. 15 beds booked. Cost will be £13.50 pppn. Bridge of Orchy Hotel close by if people wish to book there.

<u>www.westhighlandwaysleeper.co.uk/</u> - website for details of bunkhouse. Contact Ken Thomson email <u>secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk</u> to book or for further details.

### Glen Affric Backpackers Hostel, Cannich— 18th/19th April

A good base for the Munros near Glen Affric, Loch Mullardoch and the Strathfarrar Hills - check out the hostel at <a href="www.glenaffric.info/affric\_backpackers.html">www.glenaffric.info/affric\_backpackers.html</a>

To book, contact Claire Marris email librarian@cairngormclub.org.uk

### Croft Bunkhouse, Portnalong, Skye—2nd - 4th May

A meet designed for both climbers and walkers. Skye original independent hostel on 12 acre croft with views over sea and mountains. On west coast of Skye it is ideally located for all outdoor activities. The Cuillins at Glen Brittle and Sligachan are a half hour drive. Contact Marjory Ewan email <a href="mailto:cte16@cairngormclub.org.uk">cte16@cairngormclub.org.uk</a>

### Alex McIntyre Hut, Onich—13th/14th June

A popular location for access to Glencoe, Glen Roy and Ben Nevis. To book or for more information, please call Ian Bryce email <a href="weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk">weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk</a>

### Muir Cottage—18th/19th July

This weekend at Muir Cottage Inverey has plenty daylight for a good traverse over several Munros from Spittal of Glenshee including Carn an Righ or other remote Munros, and/or for using bikes e.g. for Ben Bhrotain. Contact Ian Bryce email weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk

### 'By The Way' Bunkhouse at Tyndrum—22nd/23rd August

This location allows days climbing at either Arrochar or Glen Coe as well as loads of Munros and Corbetts or walking, parts of the west Highland Way, cycling or canoeing. Contact Garry Wardrope email *comms@cairngormclub.org.uk* 

### 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
R	Riverside Drive	928036

### **Climbing Meets**

Prospective members, and those members that require Club equipment, should contact the coordinator before the meet.

# The Cairngorm Club

### **Details of Day Meets, issued February 2008**

# **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).

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.

### Loch Lyon Area - Car Meet - Sunday 17 February

With the weather so fickle at this time of year it was decided to organise a car meet rather than book (and be tied to) a bus. For further details contact Ken Thomson email secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk.

### Glenshee - Minibus Meet - Sunday 9th March

The choice of hill will be made on the day by those on the bus, a number of traverses are possible, perhaps Glas Tulaichean or if the snow is good a day on the piste! To book contact Eilidh Scobbie email <code>president@cairngormclub.org.uk</code>.

### Linn of Dee to Blair Atholl via Glen Tilt - Minibus meet - Sunday 13th April

Doing it in this direction means we can get boots on the ground sooner. The very fit might also manage the easy Munro Carn a' Chlamain. The minibus should remain at Linn of Dee long enough for the party to decide if they can cross the Geldie. If not they should have a Plan B. To book contact Alec Macmillan email <code>bus@cairngormclub.org.uk</code>

### Glen Mark to Ballater (or Bridge of Muick) via Mount Keen - Sunday 11th May

A picturesque and interesting approach to Mount Keen. The advantage of the Ballater finish is that the facilities of the town are at hand for early finishers. To book, contact Eilidh Scobbie email *president@cairngormclub.org.uk*.

### Cockbridge to Invercauld via Ben Avon - Sunday 8th June

A rerun of the very successful Ben Avon traverse of 2006. Last time it was a close run thing in terms of timing, but without the restriction of a sit down meal the time pressure is less. For those with time, refreshments and hopefully a bar meal at the Inver. To book, contact Adrian Scott email *vp@cairngormclub.org.uk* 

### Overnighter - North Clunie Ridge or Glen Affric/Kintail - Sat/Sun 21st/22nd June

After the successful re-introduction of the overnighter in 2007 a return to the Glen Shiel area is planned for midsummer weekend. Many options available in this area for through walks/traverses. To book contact Alec Macmillan email <a href="mailto:bus@cairngormclub.org.uk">bus@cairngormclub.org.uk</a>

August 9th - Car Meet to the Loch Laggan area.

September 7th - Cairngorm Traverse

October 5th - Auchallater to Glen Muick

Up to date details of all meets can be found at www.cairngormclub.org.uk

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

Feb 6	February 6 WedIn	ruary WedIndoor	Alison Todd, Search and Rescue Dog Association. (7.30 pm; £3.00)
∞	H.	Winter Skills	Fri Winter Skills Winter Skills - Muir (Adrian Scott; vp@cairngormclub.org.uk)
17	Sun	Sun Day Meet	Loch Lyon area - Car Meet (7.00 am; 51; Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)
22	Æ	Fri W/E Meet	Glen Feshie - Glen Feshie Hostel (Colin Brown; ctte11@cairngormclub.org.uk)
28	Thu	Thu MW Walk	Barmekin of Echt (9.15 am; 38; K; Fiona Cameron & Lydia Thomson; )
<b>Ma</b> 5	<b>March</b> 5 Wed	rch WedIndoor	Ellice Milton, Photographing wild flowers and landscapes. (7.30 pm; £3.00)
6	Sun	Sun Day Meet	Glenshee - Minibus Meet (7.00 am; 43; 141781; ; 8hrs; £12.00; Eilidh Scobbie; president@cairngormclub.org.uk)
27	Thu	Thu MW Walk	Glentanar circular (9.15 am; 44; K; Monica Gray & Eva Foubister; )
28	Æ :	Fri Post Easter	Bridge of Orchy - West Highland Way Sleeper (Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)
April 13 Su	Sun	'II Sun Day Meet	Linn of Dee to Blair Atholl Minibus Meet (7.00am; 43; 064898, 875654; 8.5hrs; £13:00; Alec Macmillan; bus@cairngormclub.org.uk:)
15	Tue	Tue Climbing	Souterhead (6pm; HW 22:42; Burnbanks Village; Mike Brian; meetorganiser4@cairngormclub.org.uk;)
18	歪	W/E Meet	Glen Affric Backpackers Hostel, Cannich (Claire Marris; librarian@cairngormclub.org.uk)
	Tue	Tue Climbing	Deceptive Wall (6pm; HW 14:24; Doonies Farm; Edward Alaszewski; meetorganiser5@cairngormclub.org.uk;)
24	Thu	Thu MW Walk Tue Climbing	Cairn William (9:15am; 37 & 38; K; Mike Forsyth & Arthur Dickie; ) Meikle Partans (6pm; HW 20:24; Slains Castle CP; Neil Thomson; meetorganiser6@cairngormclub.org.uk;)
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2 F	Fri	Fri W/E Meet	Croft Bunkhouse, Portnalong, Skye, (Marjory Ewan; ctte16@cairngormclub.org.uk; )
9	Tue	Tue Climbing	Black Dyke (6pm; HW 14:00; Doonies Farm; Keith Milne; meetorganiser7@cairngormclub.org.uk;)
11	Sun	Sun Day Meet	Mount Keen from Glen Mark to Ballater (7.00am; 44; 448805, 367948; 7.5hrs; £15:00; Eilidh Scobbie; . president@cairngormclub.org.uk)
13	Tue	Tue Dauner	Lunch & Dauner - Meet - Tarland Square at 10:30. Lunch - Osprey Deck, Aboyne at 12:30. Call Ruth Payne.
13 g	Tue	13 g Tue Climbing	Long Slough (6pm; HW 21:00; Doonies Farm; Dave Kirk; muir-bookings@cairngormவூனேடியது)
	Tue	Tue Climbing	Collieston, the Graip (6pm; HW 13:24; Collieston Car Park; Adrian Scott; vp@cairngormclub.org.uk;)
27	Tue	Tue Climbing	Herring Cove (6pm; HW 18:36; TBC; Keith Milne;; meetorganiser7@cairngormclub.org.uk;)
29	Thu	Thu MW Walk	Morven Lodge - Glenfenzie (9:15am; 37; K; Ruth Payne; )
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∞	Sun	Sun Day Meet	Cockbridge to Invercauld via Ben Avon (7.00am; 36,37,43; 257090, 188915; 8.5hrs; £15:00; Adrian Scott; vp@cairngormclub.org.uk)
10	Tue		Earnsheugh (6pm; HW 19:06; Burnbanks Village then car share; Dave Ogden; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
13	Œ :	W/E Meet	Alex McIntyre Hut, Onich (Ian Bryce; weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
I.)	Tue	Tue Climbing	Fulmar Wall (6pm; HW 12:24; Slains Castle Car Park; Mike Brian; meetorganiser4@cairngormclub.org.uk;)
18	Wec	Wed <b>BBQ</b>	Templars Park, Maryculter. (8pm; £8:00; Anne Pinches; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
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56	Thu	Thu MW Walk	The Socach (9:15am; 37; K; Evelyn Massie & Hella Alexander; )
July	<b>&gt;</b>		
5	Sat	Sat Family Week Muir	Muir Cottage (book through Dave Kirk, muir-booking@cairngormclub.org.uk)
∞	Tue	Tue Climbing	Pass of Ballater BBQ (6:30pm; HW 17:30; Crag Car Park; Dave Ogden; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
15	Tue	-	Humpback (6pm; HW 23:42; Burnbanks Village; Simon Brown; meetorganiser9@cairngormclub.org.uk;)
18	EE E	Fri W/E Meet	Muir Cottage (Ian Bryce; weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
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29	Tue	Climbing	Greymare Slabs (6pm; HW 23:06; Slains Castle Car Park; Simon Brown; meetorganiser9@caimgormclub.org.uk;)
31	Thu	Thu MW Walk	Glen Callater—Creag nan Gabhar (8:30am; 43; K; Lesley Piper & Margaret Brooker; )
Aug 5	August 5 Tue	t Climbing	Tintoe Slab/Hamers Wall (6nm: HW 16:06: Slains Castle Car Park: Adrian Scott: vn@cairnsormcluh.org.uk:)
	Sat		Car Meet to Loch Laggan area. Contact TBC
12	Tue	Tue Climbing	Floors Craig (6pm; HW 22:24; Burnbanks Village then car share; Dave Ogden; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)