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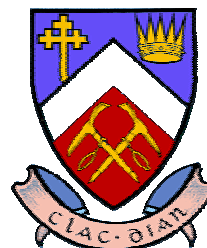


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[www.cairngormclub.org.uk](http://www.cairngormclub.org.uk)

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*The Cairngorm Club*  
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The Newsletter of the Cairngorm Club

## The MCofS Inc AGM: Crisis Averted – or Delayed?

As avid readers of *The Scottish Mountaineer* will know, the Executive Committee (Exec) of the Mountaineering Council of Scotland (to which most Club members belong, and through which we obtain insurance at advantageous rates) planned to get final authorisation to turn the Council into a company (“incorporation”) at its AGM on 17 June. However, an April draft of the proposed “Memorandum and Articles” (the first we had seen) so appalled a Club Working Party set up by the President that we sent in a long and detailed set of objections and concerns, while not opposed to incorporation in principle. Some of these points were addressed in revised versions on 27 May, but the Club Committee on 31 May felt that these did not go far enough, and decided to exercise our vote (of 40) against the crucial AGM motion. As the AGM approached, a blizzard of e-mails round Scotland made it clear that several other leading clubs shared our concerns. In the event, the Exec withdrew its motion, agreeing instead that a Working Group (on which Richard Shirreffs will represent the Club) will try to reach a more acceptable version before the end of the year.

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Editor Garry Wardrope (01224 695831; newsletter@cairnformclub.org.uk)

In brief, our main concerns were (and are):

- the need to “declare” that all Club members “give an undertaking” to observe “Bye-Laws, policies and codes of conduct” adopted without membership approval
- a move from proxy voting to individual voting by post (or in person) at AGMs etc.; which would reduce the Club to a little more than a fee collection agency for MCofS
- a two-tier structure with a formally powerful but infrequently convened Board
- various wordings, e.g. to “promote” climbing competitions, and several uncertainties.

Immediately following the AGM, several of these points were (for the first time) addressed by a representative from **sportscotland**, whose grants are important to the Council. The Executive Committee stressed the roles of MCofS, e.g. to represent (but not govern!) mountaineering amidst a host of “threats” to the hills, to provide a “free” magazine (*SM*), and to facilitate cheapish insurance.

The MCofS Meeting was not all thunder and lightning: our own Fred Belcher bowed out gracefully as a Vice-President after 5 years, and the Chairman of the Cairngorms National Park, Andrew Thin, gave an interesting if non-committal talk. Some of us even managed a bit of exercise: Glenmore Lodge has excellent facilities, and there are rumoured to be some mountains nearby!

Anyone wanting more information about the MCofS is invited to contact the Secretary.

## 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 Tim Walmsley, our weekend meets secretary; and those wanting to suggest speakers for indoor meets should advise Ken Thomson, the secretary - or talk to any Committee member. The contact details for these office bearers are given on the back page.

The Committee is keen that members wishing to organise additional meets to smaller venues should use the Club e-mail mailing list. This can be used for meets to remote bothies or for wild camping meets where perhaps for practical reasons numbers should be restricted.



## 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@yahoo.com](mailto:cairngorm_club_members-subscribe@yahoo.com)

See the Club website for more details.

## GPS

In June Alex Barbour and Ian Bryce ran an evening course at Brimmond Hill on how to use a GPS. They have had requests to run another. If you are interested in attending, please notify either Alex or Ian (contact details on the back page). It is hoped to organise this further course later in the summer.



## 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

## Membership

The Club is sorry to learn of the death of **Tibbie Fraser**, an ordinary member since 1965. She and her husband Ken were regulars on bus meets and recommended keeping completion of your Munros till you retire. They took a great interest in the hills and Muir and as very welcoming couple were responsible (or was it irresponsible?) for proposing the membership to the Club of your President.

We are also sorry to have learned of the death of Alison Wolstencroft, a member since 2000.

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

Mr James Richardson	Ordinary
Dr Geoff Hadley	Associate
Mr Stuart Reynolds	Associate
Mr Kenny M J Webster	Associate



## Calling All Authors - Club Journal

Time to get your thinking caps out and use the long winter evenings writing up your exploits for the next Journal, which is due out in December this year.

I would like copy by September, or earlier please! I'm looking for a range of articles, e.g. adventures, reminiscences, natural history, local history, poems, and even fiction – anything that you think would be interesting for your fellow Cairngorm Club members. It would be particularly good to have some articles from the climbers!

I shall be contacting Meet Co-ordinators and other Office Bearers for their input to the Proceedings of the Club for the period from the last Journal, i.e. from 2004.

If you want to discuss a possible contribution, or would like guidance on length, style or whatever, please contact me, Lydia Thomson, on:

[journal@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:journal@cairngormclub.org.uk)

## New Dee Bridge at Braemar?

Braemar Community Ltd is proposing to construct a new footbridge over the River Dee at Map Reference 14645 92240, west of the junction with the Clunie, replacing the ancient ferries and fords which connected the old rights of way. As well as varying shortish walks etc. in the Braemar area, it would provide access to long-distance footpaths connecting Deeside, Blair Atholl and Speyside without having to use public roads. Before funding can be applied for, it is necessary to demonstrate that there is public support for the project. Those interested and willing should write to Bill Marshall of BCL, at Mountain Cottage, Chapel Brae, Braemar AB35 5YT, email [bill\\_marshall@beeb.net](mailto:bill_marshall@beeb.net).

### Weather



Met Office	09068 500 442 (East)
Mountain Call	09068 500 441 (West)
AA Roadwatch	09003 444 900
Wetterzentrale	<a href="http://www.wetterzentrale.de/topkarten/fsavneur.html">www.wetterzentrale.de/topkarten/fsavneur.html</a>
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	<a href="http://www.sais.gov.uk">www.sais.gov.uk</a> (avalanche forecast)
MWIS	<a href="http://www.mwis.org.uk/forecasts.php">www.mwis.org.uk/forecasts.php</a>
Midges	<a href="http://www.midgeforecast.co.uk">www.midgeforecast.co.uk</a>

## Ceilidh Dance

This year's annual Ceilidh Dance will be held at The Forum as usual on Friday the 6<sup>th</sup> October, and will feature the well known band



Halleyrocket. Please let Claire Marris (details on back page) know if you are coming, along with the numbers in your party, by the end of September. There will be stovies at half time and if a vegetarian option is required, please say when booking. There will also be a raffle with proceeds to a charity; any donations of prizes are gratefully received. The cost is £10 per person, payable at the door (open at 8pm).

## Cairngorms National Park Access Forum

The President was invited to attend the Cairngorms National Park (CNP) Authority's Local Outdoor Access Forum at the Lonach Hall, Strathdon. Although during the Muir work weekend, our huts custodian Richard allowed him away to attend for the afternoon. He raised concerns about maintenance of footpaths, bridges and bothies, and was advised that the CNPA has limited budgets for these. He also asked about policies for paths through the various Larigs. Sandra Middleton, Outdoor Access Officer, spoke well on how the public can get involved in commenting on how the CNP may determine what paths will be core paths. In preparing the plan for core paths, the CNP will first consult landowners, then local communities and finally recreational users. Whilst any type of path may become a core path, the Scottish Executive's guidance indicates that there should be particular emphasis on the urban fringe providing links to the wider countryside. Thus it appears that the likes of the Larig Ghru will probably not be considered as a core path. The CNP is contributing £60,000 per annum for the management of the Speyside Way and its extension to Newtonmore. The CNP are also contributing £140,000 towards the development of the Auld Deeside Way Line Route from Aboyne to Ballater. Over the next few years there will be several further opportunities to discuss access strategy and consultation on the Core Paths Plan. Anyone may submit comments to the CNP. For further information refer to [www.cairngorms.co.uk](http://www.cairngorms.co.uk).

## CLUBwear

T-shirts £8

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## Coyles of Muick

After parking near Mill of Stern, the group passed the entrance to Birkhall in bright sunshine and said hello to the London bobby. Then by easy forest tracks we reached an enormous cairn at grid reference 333934 near Carn a' Bhealaidh. Ten minutes through the trees led us to a sunny spot where Hazel demanded to have her coffee. Had we gone on to Meall Dubh, in full view of a snowy Lochnagar we would have been exposed to the north wind, but with extensive views of Glen Girnock, Ben Avon and Lochnagar. We walked along the ridge passing the howff - a four-star BB by appointment to HRH Prince Charles? and then to the top of the Coyles of Muick. Again the wind was strong, so Margaret Brooker led us into the lee of the hill for lunch in the sun. The return was by tracks towards Loch Muick, through the woods, then past the waterfall with its fish ladder. This was a varied and rewarding trip for some 4 hours of effort.



## Weekend Meets

Following a recent spell of members booking places on weekend meets and then cancelling at short notice without paying, thus depriving another member of the opportunity of attending the meet and costing the Club money, it has been decided to adopt a policy that only prior payment of the full accommodation cost will secure a place on a weekend meet.

No monies will be returned if cancellation occurs within the week before the meet is due to take place unless another member wishes to take the available space.

Tim Walmsley  
Weekend Meets Secretary

## 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* - Regular discount nights

## Next Year's meets



If you want to know what weekend meets are being planned for next year, then hopefully you'll have better luck than the Committee in deciphering Tim's note (above) produced at the BBQ as proof that he's been "on the case". Perhaps we'll wait for the typed version!

## Duke of Edinburgh's Award - Can you help?

The Grampian/Cairngorm Wild Country Expedition Panel is looking for more members to assess young people on their expedition for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. Groups come from various parts of the UK to the Grampian/Cairngorm area to participate in the expedition at one of the three levels, Bronze, Silver or Gold. Last year, 430 separate groups totalling 2508 young people were taking part in this area; hence the need for a number of people to be assessors. You do not need any special leadership qualifications as the young people are supervised by their own leaders who are responsible for their safety. A working knowledge of the area is all that is required.

Prospective members of the panel would, however, require to undertake a weekend training course and also undergo checks by the Scottish Criminal Record Office for Disclosure Scotland. If you are interested in assisting young people gain their Duke of Edinburgh's Award in this way, then please contact the Secretary of the Panel - Sheila Robertson, telephone 01339 881937.

## The Buck

The President wrote, on behalf of the Club, objecting to proposals to erect wind turbines on the top of the Buck at Snowy Slack. It is understood that there had been well over two hundred letters of objection. Aberdeenshire Council subsequently confirmed that the application has been withdrawn.

It now appears that amended proposals will be submitted over the summer holiday period. All previous objections will not be considered, and anyone who feels strongly about the new proposals should write a short letter to Aberdeenshire Council once these are published.

## Heather Hopper

From 3 July, this new bus service (501) will connect Ballater and Grantown-on-Spey, calling into Strathdon, the Lecht and Tomintoul. The 502 service will run from Aberdeen along the A944/A93 to Ballater, Braemar, Glenshee, Pitlochry, Dunkeld and Perth. Some services will feature a cycle rack and also continue direct up to Inverness.

The Cairngorms National Park now publishes a booklet entitled the Cairngorms Explorer detailing bus and train times to and around the Park. It could be useful in planning A to B walks or overnight expeditions.



## Harvey's Maps

Specialist maps, on waterproof paper:



**Walker (1:40000)**

**£2.50**

Cairn Gorm

Ben Nevis

Glencoe

**Super Walker (1:25000)**

**£3.50**

Cairn Gorm

Torrison

Lochnagar

**(P&P extra if required)**

Contact

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## Planning in the Cairngorms National Park

The Club submitted a 4-page letter to the Cairngorms National Park about the Draft Local Plan. In the letter, amongst other things, concerns were expressed about difficulties reinstating peat and heather following excavation, problems with upland vehicle tracks, access rights etc. The CNP acknowledged the letter and said that our comments will be considered when they finalise the plan.

## Upper Deeside Access Trust (UDAT)

As an Affiliate Member, the Club gets informed about the activities of the Upper Deeside Access Trust. Recently, these have included: *Glen Tanar*, *Mount Keen*: footbridge work scheduled to be completed by August; *The Fungle*: approach from the Forest of Birse at Balloch Farm to be upgraded; *Lochnagar*: Glas Allt path extension and corrie rim paths (the latter bypassing the Ladder, which is being consolidated) both now started.

## Midges!!

Now there's a website providing a forecast of the likely midge situation across Scotland. Check it out at: [www.midgeforecast.co.uk](http://www.midgeforecast.co.uk).

## The Annual Dinner

This year the Dinner will take on a new format; it will be on Friday 10 November, at the Old Mill Inn at Maryculter, with more informal (and less expensive) arrangements. The well known local climber Andy Nisbet has agreed to give a short talk. More details in October Newsletter.

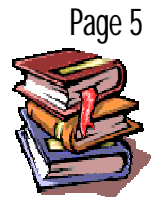


## NTS

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).

## 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](http://www.cairngormclub.org.uk/library). I am currently doing a stock take of all our books; at present several are missing, some for a number of years, please check your shelves, and return any either direct to the library or to me.



Claire Marris  
Librarian

## Mar Lodge Estate Management Plan 2006-2011

The NTS Mar Lodge estate has consulted the Club about new paths at the Linn o'Dee and around its car park; we saw no objections. However, the recent tragedy at the Linn o'Quoich may delay some of the work.

## 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](http://www.jmt.org) for more information.

## Lunch and Dauner - Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August

Is this how you spell dauner? Well it is, at least according to the Concise Scots Dictionary published by Aberdeen University Press, but Ken says it is a spelling only fit for southerners.

After the walk at the Coyles (see elsewhere in this Newsletter) it has been decided to arrange a lunch at the Osprey Deck, Loch of Aboyne. Those wanting to go for the lunch only should turn up at 1215 and those who want to go for a dauner beforehand should turn up at 10. Should some want coffee instead of a dauner, please feel free to turn up at or after 10 o'clock. If it is thought to be a good idea, it is hoped those members interested will organise further events. Other venues talked about were Muir Cottage (4-star cuisine if you can do it), Crathes NTS and Garlogie.

In order to forewarn the Deck of the numbers for lunch, please advise Ian Bryce. Those seeking a lift or willing to provide a lift should let Ian know.

## Muir

Muir Cottage is in as much demand as ever, but it remains the case that use by members is small in comparison with use by outsiders. Members with family should remember that the first week of July is regarded as a Family Week, and more generally members may not all be aware that there is accommodation for up to 4 members in the small common room, even at times when the 18 bunk places are fully allotted to other users.

There has been some discussion recently of what is best in terms of comfy seating around the stove. The low sofa-type units, which seem to disagree with rather many backs, are to be disposed of. But members noticing a reduced number of seats and thinking that something of theirs no longer wanted but too good to throw out would fit the bill should please not install anything further without reference to the Huts Custodian.

If you're wondering what to do this New Year, note that Muir, as usual, is reserved for the Club over this period; places should be booked in advance.

### Bookings

The preferred way to make a booking is to contact Alex Barbour, Muir Bookings Secretary, by email to: [muir-booking@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:muir-booking@cairngormclub.org.uk) (full details on back page). Please note that deposits must be paid before any keys are dispatched.



## 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 to 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 First Aid Training, Navigation, Winter Skills and Climbing courses. Details are published in the Newsletter and on the Website.

### Glenmore Lodge

Glenmore Lodge is the sportsotland 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](http://www.glenmorelodge.org.uk).

## Aberdeen & St. John Mountain Rescue Association



The sponsored walk was held at the beginning of June. Gill Shirreffs and Julie Bruce both did the walk, Gill a week before because she was (wo)manning the refreshments tent. It was a very successful day, and everyone seemed to enjoy the route from Easter Balmoral to the Spital of Muick via Glas Allt. Most importantly, the weather was good with no rain this year. Many thanks to those members who sponsored us.

The next event is the Ceilidh to be held on Saturday 30 September at Westhill Community Centre. The band will be Halleyracket and there will be stovies served in the interval. Lots of good raffle prizes too.

Funds are regularly required to help with the replacement of equipment and the purchasing of new technical equipment such as avalanche transceivers and other items. Although there is some funding now available through the Scottish Executive, regular top-up donations are still required to help meet ongoing expenses.

## CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions for the year 2006/2007 will become due on 1st October 2006. For those paying by direct debit, this will be collected automatically. Others should send their subscriptions to the Treasurer: Derek Pinches, Broombank, Kinellar, Aberdeen AB21 0TL.

	2005/2006			2006/2007		
	Club	MCofS + Insurance	Total	Club	MCofS + Insurance	Total
<b>full</b>	£12.50	£6.90 + £3.65	£23.05	£13.00	£7.47+ £3.13	£23.60
<b>reduced</b>	£6.25	£6.90 + £3.65	£16.80	£6.50	£7.47+ £3.13	£17.10

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



## Weekend Meets



### Glen Etive - Inbhirfhaolain Cottage — 22/23 July

Make sure you pack your second skin for this weekend, a few skidmarks are bound to appear on the slabs. The Etive Munros and Glencoe are next door so if you do want to keep your skin there's plenty of alternatives. Book with Dave Ogden ([climb@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:climb@cairngormclub.org.uk))

### An Teallach - The Old Smiddy — 19/20 August

This is a popular climbing hut at the foot of the magnificent An Teallach. It is located in Dundonnell near Ullapool and provides a great base for walking & climbing in the area. The hut has been recently renovated with a new fitted kitchen and sleeps 10 people. If interested, please contact Julie Bruce ([ctte12@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:ctte12@cairngormclub.org.uk))

### Lake District - Bowderstone Cottage — 22/25 September

Three days right in the heart of the beautiful lake district at Bowderstone cottage in Borrowdale. There are 20 places available, alpine bunks, sleeping bags required. The cost is £5.00 a night. Booking though Claire Marris ([ctte3@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:ctte3@cairngormclub.org.uk)), payment required a week before or your place can't be guaranteed. Any one wanting to share transport let me know well in advance.

### Kinlochleven - Blackwater hostel — 21/22 October

There is so much to do in this area that this meet always fills up fast. Climb Glencoe in the Autumn sun, bag a few more Munros, perhaps paddle the Etive or take your mountain bike for a spin along the many tracks, If this sounds a bit too energetic then you can always hang around the Ice Factor with a cappuccino (or local beer from the Atlas brewery) and watch the antics on the indoor ice wall. To book contact Marjory Ewan

### Dunkeld - Wester Caputh — 25/26 November

A new venue for the Club giving easy access to the central belt and A9 hills. For further details contact Andy Lawson

## 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
R	Riverside Drive	928036
P	Persley	910093

For latest details, see the Club website at:

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

## The Cairngorm Club

### Details of Meets, issued July 2006

## Day Meets Please note the change of booking arrangements.



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). Anyone wishing to go on a Day Meet should contact the organiser who will provide details of where payment should be sent.

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. Other drop-off / pick-up points are possible - ask the organiser. 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.

### Beinn a Ghlo - Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August Ken Thomson (note change of date)

Depending on interest, this will either be a car or mini-bus meet. If you can't get out on Sundays, then why not take advantage of this Saturday meet to tick off some of the Blair Athol Hills (plenty of Munros and Corbetts) and to have a chat with friends? To register your interest, contact Ken Thomson ([secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk))

### Cairngorm Traverse - Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> September Alec Macmillan

One of the most popular meets of the year, don't be disappointed and book early to take one of many routes possible across the Cairngorms. The presidents party is yet to be decided but will probably be via the shelter stone. To book, contact Alec Macmillan ([day@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:day@cairngormclub.org.uk))

### Schiehallion - Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October Alex Barbour

The Fairy Hill of the Caledonians, one of Scotlands most loved mountains. There are also a couple of Corbetts for which a drop of would be possible. To book, contact Alex Barbour ([ctte10@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:ctte10@cairngormclub.org.uk))

### Ochil Hills - Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November Garry Wardrope

Perhaps not the highest hills in Scotland but an excellent day out through some spectacular scenery, hopefully below any mist that might just be about at this time of year. If time permits we may try and locate the Dollar mine! To book, contact Garry Wardrope ([newsletter@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@cairngormclub.org.uk))

## Please note the new booking arrangements!

## Climbing Meets

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

## JULY

4	Tue	<b>Climbing</b>	Pass of Ballater (6.30 pm; Car Park; James Richardson; )
8	Sat	<b>Muir</b>	Muir Climbers weekend (Dave Ogden; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
11	Tue	<b>Climbing</b>	The Humpback (6.00 pm; HW 13:42; Burnbanks Village; Tim Walmsley; weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
18	Tue	<b>Climbing</b>	Clashrodney (Bareside Point) (6.00 pm; HW 19:36; by Railway Level Crossing on way to crag; Tim Walker; cte9@cairngormclub.org.uk)
22	Sat	<b>W/E Meet</b>	Glen Etive - Inbhirfhaolain Cottage (Dave Ogden; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
25	Tue	<b>Climbing</b>	Alans Cliff (6.00 pm; HW 13:42; Burnbanks Village; Fred Belcher)
27	Thu	<b>MW Walk</b>	Glen Esk - Burnt Hill (9.15 am; 44; R )

## AUGUST

1	Tue	<b>Climbing</b>	Meikle Partans (6.00 pm; HW 17:48; Slains Castle Car Park; Graham Callander)
5	Sat	<b>Day Meet</b>	Beinn a Ghlo - Car or mini bus (7.00 am; 43; 907672; as agreed; as agreed; £10 if minibus; Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)
8		<b>Climbing</b>	Deceptive Wall (6.00 pm; HW 12:43; Burnbanks Village; Dave Ogden; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
15	Tue	<b>Climbing</b>	Aligator Ridge (6.00 pm; HW 17:54; Longhaven Scottish Wildlife Trust Car Park; Adrian Scott)
19	Sat	<b>W/E Meet</b>	An Teallach - The Smiddy (Julie Bruce; cte12@cairngormclub.org.uk)
22	Tue	<b>Climbing</b>	Fulmar Wall (6.00 pm; HW 12:48; Slains Castle Car Park; Tim Walmsley; weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
29	Tue	<b>Climbing</b>	South Cove / Bruin Cove (6.00 pm; HW 16:24; Burnbanks Village (then car share); Graham Callander;)

## SEPTEMBER

5	Tue	<b>Climbing</b>	Diving Board / Hidden Inlet (6.00 pm; HW 23:48; Doonies Car Park; Dave Ogden; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
10	Sun	<b>Day Meet</b>	Cairngorm Traverse - Cairngorm Car Park to Linn of Dee (7.00 am; 36.43; 989061 to 062897; 9 hrs; no meal; £15.00; Alec Macmillan; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)
12		<b>Climbing</b>	Boltsheugh (6.00 pm; HW 16:36; Scatteraw Car Park; Tim Walker; cte9@cairngormclub.org.uk)
23	Sat	<b>W/E Meet</b>	Lake District - Bowderstone Cottage (Claire Marris; cte3@cairngormclub.org.uk)
28	Thu	<b>MW Walk</b>	Birse - Gannoch (9.15 am; 44; K)

## OCTOBER

4	Wed	<b>Indoor</b>	Indoor - Members' Night
6	Fri	<b>Ceilidh</b>	Ceilidh Dance with Hallyrackit (8.00 pm; Claire Marris; cte3@cairngormclub.org.uk; £10.00)
8	Sun	<b>Day Meet</b>	Schiehallion (7.00 am; 42; 753557; 6.5 hrs; no meal; £15.00; Alex Barbour; cte10@cairngormclub.org.uk)
21	Sat	<b>W/E Meet</b>	Kimlochleven - Blackwater Hostel (Marjory Ewan;)
26	Thu	<b>MW Walk</b>	Clachnaben - Charr (9.15 am; 45; K)

## NOVEMBER

1	Wed	<b>Indoor</b>	Indoor - tba
10	Fri	<b>Dinner</b>	Dinner - Old Mill Inn, Maryculter. Talk by Andy Nisbet.
12	Sun	<b>Day Meet</b>	Ochils (7.00 am; 58; 883970 to 964979; 7 hrs; no meal; £15.50; Garry Wardrope)
15	Wed	<b>AGM</b>	AGM - Aberdeenshire Cricket Club; 7:30pm
25	Sat	<b>W/E Meet</b>	Dunkeld - Wester Caputh (Andy Lawson)
30	Thu	<b>MW Walk</b>	Brimmond - Elrick (9.15 am; 38; K; Lydia & Ken Thomson)

## DECEMBER

3	Sun	<b>Day Meet</b>	Glenshee to Braemar (7.00 am; 43; 139781 to 147914; 6.5 hrs; Braemar Golf Club; £18.50; Eilidh Scobbie; vp@cairngormclub.org.uk)
6	Wed	<b>Indoor</b>	Indoor - tba
9	Sat	<b>W/E Meet</b>	Glencoe - Blackrock Cottage (Joyce Ritchie; )
28	Thu	<b>MW Walk</b>	Riverside Drive - Deeside rail track (9.15 am; 38; R; Ian Bryce; president@cairngormclub.org.uk)

**Key to calendar:****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)