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Please note there will be a change of Office Bearers and Committee Members at the Club AGM in November.

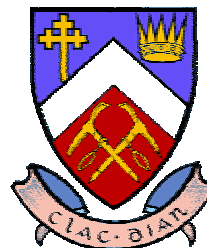


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The Cairngorm Club
Established 1887

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The Newsletter of the Cairngorm Club

Transition Extreme Sports Centre

After my article in the last Newsletter, it appears that we Aberdonians are gradually getting closer to having our own climbing wall to rival anything else in the UK. Transition Extreme Sports Chief Executive Neil Stevenson has done a fantastic job of securing funds for the £2.7M facility and has recently secured significant pledges of £200k and £100k from the Robertson Trust and Shell respectively.

In addition, the Cairngorm Club has also made an extremely generous donation of £1000 which helps demonstrate just how much the local mountaineering community are behind the project.

This kind of enthusiasm is crucial in helping to secure the remaining vital major contribution of around £200k, from either Sports Scotland or Scottish Enterprise (or fingers crossed, both!)

In addition to the cash pledges that have been confirmed and are still required, the budget for the facility includes a further £80k of 'members fundraising' which is to be raised by the local climbing, BMX and skating communities.

On 4th October, an evening in the Blue Lamp was co-hosted by the Etchachan and Cairngorm Clubs to drum up enthusiasm for locals to become involved with the required fundraising. There was fantastic turn out to this evening with around 70 interested climbers

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Editor Garry Wardrope (newsletter@cairnformclub.org.uk)

Proposed 400KV Pylon Lines in the Scottish Mountains

Your committee asks you to write and object to proposals to erect massive 67-metre (200ft) high electricity transmission pylons, each the size of the Statue of Liberty, through the newly created Cairngorms National Park. A concerted effort is needed to oppose the environmental impact on our mountains of the current proposals. The pylons would be built from Beauly to Denny near Stirling, and in future from Ardmair Bay by Ullapool to Beauly.

If put into effect, these plans would disfigure the western side of the UK's biggest National Park. The pylons will end up dominating gateways to the National Park, at Drumochter Pass, Kinlochlaggan and the Corrieairack Pass.

They will cut through the location of the BBC TV series Monarch of the Glen, watched by 85 million people worldwide. Building such pylons will spoil Scotland's image abroad and have a potentially devastating knock-on effect for the fragile Highland economy which largely depends on tourism for its survival.

Please find enclosed a letter to send to the Scottish Executive. Before posting, all you need to do is insert your address, date and sign it. Please encourage individual letters from partners, parents, sons, daughters and friends, as numbers count; the more letters that are sent the better. If you can spare a few minutes please, draft a short letter in your own words and send it to the Scottish Executive and also send it to your MSP and Jack McConnell. You may also wish to go and speak to your MSP. Remember that Scotland's mountains will not be the same if these proposals go ahead.

Letters can be sent to MSPs by name at
The Scottish Parliament
Edinburgh
EH99 1SP



UDAT News

The Upper Deeside Access Trust is responsible for many of the path improvements that have been made in its area, both in the hills and around Ballater, Tarland, etc. Mountain path repairs in 2004/05 included Glen Callater to Carn an t-Sagairt Mor, Jock's Road along Loch Callater, Glen Slugain and Upper Glen Quoich, and the Ladder on Lochnagar. If you remember only bog and stone on these routes, go again and be pleasantly surprised! Further work on these and other routes is planned, e.g. a new bridge across the Water of Tanar below Mount Keen, more above Glas Allt on Lochnagar, a ring route round Loch Kinord.

The Trust is nearing the end of its 3-year "big spend" of Lottery and EU funds: smaller sums come more regularly from Aberdeenshire Council and SNH, and a handy £30,000 per year from the Glen Muick car park. It is now reviewing its strategy and procedures. To this end, and to strengthen links with its "affiliates" (which include the Club since its inception in the late 1990s), two affiliate representatives were elected to its Management Group at a recent meeting in Ballater – Ken Thomson is one of these, and Alistair Lawson (a ScotWays rep) is the other. Our Hut Custodian Robbie Middleton has been on the UDAT Board for several years, so the Club is well placed to influence, and learn about, UDAT work.

Views on what, where and how to spend (and fund!) more access work will be welcomed. Issues include: new or old paths; restoration or maintenance; boots, bikes, wheelchairs, etc; "soft" information and interpretation or "hard" physical improvements. Speak up!

Membership

The Club is sorry to learn of the death of John L. MacLachlan, an Associate Member since 1963.

The following new member has been admitted since the last Newsletter:

Mr Niall Harris

Associate

Climbing Round-up

After last year of seemingly eternal wetness, this year has turned out not bad at all.

The Club's Climbing Section has been as active as usual, kicking things off as has become customary with the first Tuesday evening climbing session at Souter Head, which contrary to my initial statement was rained off! These days, however, we don't have an excuse to just go to the pub on a wet Tuesday, as we are now fortunate or unfortunate enough to have an alternative distraction in the form of the new climbing wall at RGU. After a bit of a damp start, the evenings gradually improved with excursions to the usual and ever popular destinations of Meikle Partens, Fulmar Wall and the Pass of Ballater, among others. The highlight of the Tuesday evenings however had to be the mid-summer's night jaunt up Clachnaben, complete with BBQs, burgers and beers as well as managing to fit in a route or two.

'Official' weekend meets were also held at Muir Cottage, and of course, the fantastic Reiff. Reiff in particular turned out to be a great weekend with around 25 people in attendance and included ascents of several of the coastlines classic routes from Diff to E3, including a spot of 'shallow water soloing' by a certain member who has asked to remain nameless. As well as these weekend meets, several unofficial trips were arranged to areas such as Torridon and Glencoe, with members making use of the group e-mail system.

Anyway, the summer season is now drawing to a close, and what better way to round it up than an End Of Season Bash where everyone can brag about their achievements, show a few slides and have and beer and a chat with some mates'. This will be held as usual at Cellar 35 on Rosemount on 28th October and starts at 8 pm.

There will then be a bit of a break leading up until Christmas, following which indoor climbing will commence at the RGU wall. The day and time for this has still to be confirmed, so watch the e-mails or contact me for more information.

In the meantime, enjoy what's left of the seasons climbing, and I'll see you all at Cellar 35.

Dave Ogden

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October 2005

ALOAF and UDAT:

The first of these creatures is the Aberdeenshire Local Outdoor Access Forum, which has been set up by the Council to help with putting together a Core Path Plan for 2008, and otherwise promoting "responsible access" under the new legislation. The Club Secretary, Ken Thomson, was elected by "user representatives" last November, and in June was elected by the Forum itself to be its Chair: await further news! In the hills, however, the Cairngorms National Park has its own Forum.

The Upper Deeside Access Trust (UDAT) was set up almost ten years ago to improve things its area, and our Huts Custodian Robbie Middleton has been on its Board for some time, with Richard Shirreffs and then Ken Thomson as the Club's "Affiliate Representative". With some concern over user communications, two ARs were recently elected to sit on UDAT's Management Group. Ken is one of these, with Alistair Lawson of ScotWays the other. See elsewhere for more on UDAT's activities.



Well Done

Congratulations to Stan Urbaniak who completed the Munros at the Torridon weekend meet this September.

Annual Dinner

The Annual Dinner will be held on Saturday 19 November at the Treetops Hotel. The speaker will be Ken Crocket whose talk will be "**The Path to Minus One - Tales of the Grippid**". This will be an extended version of a talk given recently in Fort William and will mainly be based on Ken's own experiences of winter climbing but will also cover the current winter climbing situation on the Ben. Ken has been President of the SMC and editor of the SMC Journal. He has written climbing guides to the Western Outcrops and Glen Coe. The latter, published in 1980, was the first SMC guide to use E grades, photography and metric lengths.



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CLUBwear

Zip Fleeeces(L,XL) £20
V-Neck Fleeeces(M,L) £12
T-shirts £10
Badges (felt) £5
Centenary posters £2

Contact:

Marjory Ewan



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making the effort to turn up.

The proposed fundraiser is to be a sponsored 'Climb Everest' team event to be held at the RGU wall on 20th November. Seven teams of six people from various local groups will each climb the height of Ben Nevis, thus achieving over the height of Everest collectively.

The Cairngorm Club are of course entering a team, so please all do dip deep, and sponsor one or more of your team members.

Just so you know who to look out for with your wallet open, the Club team will consist of Jon Yearsley, Julia Harker, Dave Kirk, Diane Giulianotti Marj Ewen and myself.

The fundraiser will be an all-day event, and it is intended to provide 'other' attractions to make the day into a real day out, so please come along, support your team, and show just how much enthusiasm there is for this new facility and the sport of climbing in the Aberdeen area.

For any further information on Transition Extreme Sports or this fundraiser, please go to www.transition-extreme.com or contact myself

Dave Ogden



Subscriptions are now due!

If you do not pay by direct debit and have not already paid, please send your subscription to the Treasurer. Details on page 6.

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

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
- Torridon
- Lochnagar

(P&P extra if required)

Contact
Anne Cassidy

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 £2.50. Further details can be obtained from their web site at: www.nemt.org.uk



10 Nov 05	Roy Dennis	The Re-Introduction of Mammals & Birds to Scotland
13 Dec 05	Simon Richardson	Scottish Winter Climbing - A Personal Perspective on Modern Developments
12 Jan 06	Jill Matthews	National Nature Reserves in the 21st Century .
14 Feb 06	Alistair Lawson	Peru - History & Heights

First Aid Training

The Club will once again be running another First Aid course over the following dates: Tuesdays 14th, 21st, 28th March and 4th April. Numbers are limited so people are advised to book early – please contact Neil Gauld



cttel@cairngormclub.org.uk) to register your interest. The course is fully accredited to the HSE and will provide participants, upon successful completion, with a First Aid for NGB Courses such as SPA or ML valid for three years. Current holders of such awards should also be holding a current First Aid certificate.

Navigation Course



Plans are afoot to run a navigation course for members and already several people have booked a place. The course will cover all aspects of navigation and general hill skills both in theory and out on the hill.

Should any members be interested in attending but have not yet registered an interest please contact Neil (see above).



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

Jobs, Jobs, Jobs!!!

Robbie Middleton has decided to (semi-)retire from his work as Piper’s Wood supervisor, and Neil Gauld has agreed to take over this role of coordinating bio-monitoring, fencing, vermin discouragement, etc. Similarly, Gordon Stalker has been replaced by Claire Marris as Club Librarian (librarian@cairngormcluborg.uk). Both would appreciate advice and appropriate help.



There are nearly always a few jobs to be done for the Club. These vary greatly in their demands on time, skills and interest, but include offices and ‘ordinary’ Committee membership (see AGM notice), organisation of single meets (week-end, day, climbing), President’s Party leadership and seconding, mini-bus driving, sub-committee membership (helping office-bearers), and consultation and representation on behalf of the Club. If you would be interested in any of these, please contact one of the Committee (see back page), or have a word at the AGM or Dinner.



LSCC Dinner:

The Ladies Scottish Climbing Club has issued its usual kind invitation for a Club representative to attend its Dinner, which is being held near Biggar in the Borders area on 19 November. This, of course, is the same date as our own Dinner, but if anyone is unable to make our own event due to being in Edinburgh, Glasgow, the Borders or the North of England at that time, and is interested in going to the LSCC event, please contact the Secretary Ken Thomson as soon as possible for more details.

	Weather	Mountain Call 0906 850 0442 (East)
		0906 850 0441 (West)
		Climb Line 09001 654 669
		Mountainline 09001 200 807 (same as above)
		Met Office 09003 444 900
		Wetterzentrale www.wetterzentrale.de/topkarten/fsavneur.html
		Radio Scotland 18:58 Mon. - Fri. 06:58 & 18:58 Sat. and 06:58 & 19:58 Sun.
	BBC 1 ‘Heather the Weather’ at 18:55 (approx)	
	SAIS www.sais.gov.uk (avalanche forecast)	

Mar Lodge Estate Review

The National Trust for Scotland is carrying out a five-year review of its Management Plan for the Estate, covering land and building use, access, etc., and issued a consultation exercise in August/September. Since this is an area of major interest to the Club (which, like many individuals, is a NTS member), the Committee felt that a substantial response was called for. This was drafted by Ken Thomson with useful inputs from several others, including attendees at a public meeting in Braemar. The full Club response and a reply letter from Alister Clunas (the Mar Lodge Property Manager) are or will be available on the Club website and in the bus folder.

The Club’s main point was that the feeling of remoteness in the core mountain area of the Estate should be maintained at all costs, including, if necessary, caution over bothy “management” and path “improvement”. Thus, renovating the Garbh Choire shelter is probably not justified (Corrour is a different case); on the other hand, the Club would like to see multiple use of Derry Lodge. Club opinion over the use of bikes on paths beyond Derry Lodge (and White Bridge) seems divided. Some members are unhappy with the principle of maintaining field sports on the Estate.

The NTS will be coming back to consultees in late October, and the Club will communicate again with Members thereafter.



New Allt na Guibhsaich Hut?

The MCofS is consulting (see their website) on a proposal from Balmoral Estates that the unused stable block at the start of the Lochnagar path be converted and operated by MCofS as a mountain hut. This would presumably operate alongside the Aberdeen University hut in a nearby Allt na G. cottage, and of course alongside Muir and other upper Deeside accommodation. The Club has responded, saying that we support the proposal if a viable financial case can be made



Walking in New Zealand

PureTrails New Zealand “specialises in South Island guided walking and hiking adventure tours for the senior active traveller”. See: www.puretrailsnewzealand.co.nz for further details.

Winter Skills 2006

The Club is holding a Winter Skills/Winter Mountaineering Training Course at Muir Cottage over the weekend of 4/5 Feb 06. Di Gilbert will once again be running the course. This is usually a very popular course and places are limited so get your names in early. There will be a small fee for attending, in line with previous years. The equipment you will need to get the best from this course are crampons, ice axe and helmet. The Club have helmets available for use so please state at time of booking if you wish to borrow one. If you would like to attend this course but do not have crampons/axe, please ask about this at the time of booking. To book, contact Bill Stephenson (ctte8@cairnformclub.org.uk)



Muir

Please note there will be a change in Muir booking secretary however you can continue to e-mail bookings to: muir-booking@cairnformclub.org.uk

Muir is again available over the New Year for members and the now regular Families week is scheduled for July.



CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions for the year 2005/2006 became due on 1st October 2004. For those paying by direct debit, this will have been collected. Others should send their subscriptions to the Treasurer: Derek Pinches, Broombank, Kinellar, Aberdeen AB21 0TL.

	2005/2006		
	Club	MCofS + Insurance	Total
full	£12.50	£6.90 + £3.65	£23.05
reduced	£6.25	£6.90 + £3.65	£18.80

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.

MCofS

Mountaineering Council of Scotland



Currently we have a “consultant” looking at all aspects of the MCofS. This review is being paid for by “sportsotland” and hopefully some, if not all, of the findings will be

extremely useful in ensuring that the MCofS delivers a service that it’s members want at a price that they are prepared to pay for. So far; we are only half way through this process and already some of the “time-efficient measures” are already being implemented.

One of the most annoying things when trying to contact the MCofS is that often you wait a long time before the telephone is answered, if at all. This was one of the first things identified, and I am pleased to say that a new telephone system has been ordered that will help to give our members a more efficient service.

We are striving to be more efficient and give you the services that you feel that you want, as well as taking up the “cudgels” on your behalf to protect issues that you feel strongly about. So that we know where to concentrate our energies, we need to hear from all of you what it is that YOU think that we should be doing. www.mountaineering-scotland.org.uk is the website where you can express your viewpoints.

To take the MCofS into the next phase of its existence, it was decided at the last AGM that we would investigate becoming an incorporated company limited by guarantee. I am pleased to say that most of the required work has now been completed and only a couple of small issues remain to be resolved. I must stress that this change is in the best interests of the membership and any future members that are elected to serve as directors on the board of the new company. (This “board” of course will replace the existing Executive Committee). The other piece of good news on this subject is that it is not costing the MCofS or its members any money; it is being paid for by “sportsotland” It is just part of the work being done on “Modern Sports Governance” in Scotland.

Any comments on anything relating to the MCofS please contact me.

Fred Belcher
Vice President

Mountaineering Council of Scotland

Weekend Meets

Glen Feshie - Mill Cottage — 26/27 November

Let's hope we get the good winter snow which has come at this time in the last few years. The meet at Glen Feshie is based at the Mountaineering Council of Scotland's Mill Cottage 0.25 miles to the north west of Feshiebridge. Several Munros and Corbetts are nearby, and the area is good for cycling with nearby Ruthven Barracks, the River Spey with a nature reserve which is good for bird watching. There is an above average chance of seeing red squirrels around Kingussie. Book with Ian Bryce (president@cairngormclub.org.uk).



Weem – Adventurer's Escape — 10/11 December

This old building was converted to a 4* bunkhouse last year. Over 30 Munros & 10 Corbetts within easy reach. White water canoeing, mountain & road biking and climbing on Weem rock immediately behind bunkhouse. Contact Jim Bryce.

Muir Cottage - Burns Supper — 21/22 January

Our annual and very popular Burns Supper. To book contact Eilidh Scobbie (vp@cairngormclub.org.uk).

Roy Bridge - Grey Corries Hostel — 25/26 February

When highlighted in by the winter sun the Grey Corries ridge is one of the most picturesque in Scotland. This location is ideally situated for climbing the Ben or Creag Meagdaidh or the Corbetts Beinn Iaruinn and Carn Dearg (both of them). A ski trip to Aonach Mor is another possibility. To book contact Tim Walmsley (weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)

Easter Meet—Laggan - Potteries Bunkhouse — 1/2 April

The Potteries has a lounge which overlooks the hills, a woodstove and an outside hot-tub on the decking. You will find the Bunkhouse a great base for exploring Creag Meagdaidh, the Cairngorms National Park or Monarch of the Glen Country. One of Scotland's many Geal Charns is nearby, as are several other Munros and Corbetts. Lets hope for a ceilidh in nearby Laggan. There are also hotels nearby. Book with Adrian Scott.

Indoor Meets

The venue for Indoor Meets is the Mannofield Cricket Club (Morningside Road, off Great Western Road). 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, in all cases at 0915, 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 October 2005

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 send payment to the organiser at the address given 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. Other drop-off / pick-up points are possible - ask on the bus. 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.

Speyside Way - Sunday 13th November 2005 Ken Thomson

This will be by minibus, which will allow some flexibility of timings etc. in the light of prevailing weather and opinion. Those who wish can do the low-level Speyside Way from Nethy Bridge to Aviemore, as advertised, but a hill alternative will be offered, either the rather fine-looking ridge north of Loch Morlich, from Meall a' Buchaille to Craiggowrie, which should give good views into the northern Cairngorm corries (can anyone advise on walking access from the north or west?), or Geal-charn Mor (a Corbett) and its outliers west of Aviemore. To book, contact Ken Thomson (secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk; Hillhead of Derbeth, Kingswells, Aberdeen AB15 8SJ)

Ben Rinnes - Sunday 4th December 2005 Eilidh Scobbie

This meet offers a leisurely start - 8.00am - the possibility of an ascent of a Corbett - Ben Rinnes or Corryhabbie Hill - or a lower level walk on Speyside, and a convivial high tea, all for the sum of £19. Bookings to Eilidh M Scobbie (vp@cairngormclub.org.uk)

Lochnagar - Sunday 8th January 2006 Ruth Payne

The most popular meet of the year, our annual foray to Lochnagar. If conditions permit a classic ascent of the Black Spout may be made but there are many other options possible from the Glen Muick car park. Bookings to Ruth Payne

Aultgush—Am Faochagach - Sunday 12th February 2006 Alec Macmillan

As in past years this will be a mini bus meet giving us the flexibility to select our objective depending on the weather. No meal is booked but it is usual to stop at a mutually agreed location so that we can refuel and reflect on the days achievements. Booking should be made with Alec Macmillan (ctte2@cairngormclub.org.uk)

Glen Clova - Sunday 12th March 2006 Derek Beverley

Mayar and Driesh are the high level options for this walk but there are plenty of low level routes possible in the forrests and glens. There will be a meal but this has not yet been booked, it is likely to be at either Dykehaed or Edzell. To book contact Derek Beverley;

Please note the new booking arrangements!

OCTOBER	
22-24 Sat	W/E Meet Onich - Alex McIntyre Hut (Marjory Ewan)
27 Thu	MW Walk Burn o'Vat circular (9.15am; 38; K)
28 Fri	Indoor Climbers end of season get together - Cellar 35 Rosemount Viaduct
NOVEMBER	
3 Thu	Indoor Jo Lee "Walking rhythm and walking culture: research in the anthropology of walking" (7.30 pm; £3.00)
13 Sun	Bus Meet Speyside Way - Nethy Bridge to Aviemore (via Boat of Garten) (7.00 am; 36; 000204 to 896124; 7.5 hrs; no meal; £13.50; Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)
16 Sat	AGM Mannofield Cricket Club (7.30 pm)
19 Sat	Dinner Hilton Aberdeen Treetops Hotel - Ken Crocket (6:30pm for 7:00; Peter Bellarby; social@cairngormclub.org.uk; £27.00)
24 Thu	MW Walk Ythsie (9.15 am; 30,38; P; Aileen & Alistair Flett & Madeline Brown)
26-27 Sat	W/E Meet Glen Feshie - Mill Cottage (Ian Bryce; president@cairngormclub.org.uk)
DECEMBER	
4 Sun	Bus Meet Ben Rinnes or Corriehabbie Hill (8.00 am; 28,37; 289356; 6.5 hrs; Aberlour; £19.00; Eilidh Scobbie; vp@cairngormclub.org.uk)
7 Wed	Indoor Wilson Moir "Climbing in the Cairngorms and Beyond" (7.30 pm; £3.00)
10-11 Sat	W/E Meet Weem - Adventurer's Escape Bunkhouse (Jim Bryce)
29 Thu	MW Walk Tarland environs (9.15 am; 38; K; Judy Middleton;)
JANUARY	
8 Sun	Day Meet Lochnagar (7.00 am; 44; 310851; 7.5 hrs; Dinner; £20.00; Ruth Payne)
11 Wed	Indoor TBA (7.30 pm; £3.00)
21-22 Sat	W/E Meet Muir Cottage - Burns Supper (Eilidh Scobbie; vp@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26 Thu	MW Walk Loorston Country Park (9.15 am; 38; R;)
FEBRUARY	
4	Training Winter Skills - Muir (Bill Stephenson;; ctte8@cairngormclub.org.uk)
8 Wed	Indoor Blyth Wright "Avalanches" (7.30 pm; £3.00)
12 Sun	Day Meet MINIBUS MEET Aultguish - Am Faochagach (7.00 am; 20; 277741; 7 hrs; No meal; £11.00; Alec Macmillan; ctte2@cairngormclub.org.uk)
23 Thu	MW Walk round Aboyne (9.15 am; 44; K; Evelyn Massie & Hella Alexander)
25-26 Sat	W/E Meet Roybridge - Grey Corries Lodge (Tim Walmsley; weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
MARCH	
12 Sun	Day Meet Mayor &/or Driesh (7.00 am; 44; 283761; 7.5 hrs; TBD; £19.50; Derek Beverley)
30 Thu	MW Walk Glen Tanar (9.15 am; 44; K; Judy Middleton & Hazel Witte)

APRIL	
1-2 Sat	Easter Potteries Bunkhouse Laggan (Adrian Scott)
8 Sat	Indoor Robin Howie "Walking and the Scotsman"
22 Sat	Muir Muir Work Weekend
27 Thu	MW Walk Coyles of Muick
29-30 Sat	W/E Meet Skye - Coruisk Hut (Garry Wardrope)
MAY	
14 Sun	Day Meet TBA
25 Thu	MW Walk Loch Phadruiig
27-28 Sat	W/E Meet Crainlarich - Inverardran Cottage (Fiona Walmsley)
JUNE	
11 Sun	Day Meet TBA
17-18 Sat	W/E Meet Fisherfield - camping (Tim Walmsley)
21 Wed	BBQ Templar's Park Marycouter
24-25 Sat	W/E Meet Glenmore Lodge MCoFS AGM (Ian Bryce)
29 Thu	MW Walk Forvie - Collieston
30 Fri	Families Families Week 30 June—7 July
JULY	
8 Sat	Climbers Climbers Muir
22-23 Sat	W/E Meet Glen Etive - Inbhirfhoalain Cottage (Tim
27 Thu	MW Walk Glen Esk - Burnt Hill

AUGUST	
12 Sat	Day Meet Car Meet
19-20 Sat	W/E Meet An Teallach - The Smiddy (Tim Walmsley)
31 Thu	MW Walk Geallaig - Glen Gairn
SEPTEMBER	
10 Sun	Day Meet Cairngorm Traverse
23-24 Sat	W/E Meet Lake District (Claire Marris)
28 Thu	MW Walk Birse - Gannoch
OCTOBER	
6 Fri	Ceilidh
8 Sun	Day Meet TBA
21-22 Sat	W/E Meet Kinlochleven - Blackwater Hostel (Marjory Ewan)
26 Thu	MW Walk Clachnaben - Charr
NOVEMBER	
12 Sun	Day Meet TBA
15 Wed	AGM
18 Sat	Dinner Note date may change.
25-26 Sat	W/E Meet Dunkeld - Wester Caputh (Andy Lawson)
30 Thu	MW Walk Brimmond - Eirick
DECEMBER	
3 Sun	Day Meet TBA
9-10 Sat	W/E Meet Glencoe - Blackrock Cottage (Tim Walmsley)
28 Thu	MW Walk Riverside Drive - Deeside rail track.

Key to calendar:

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

Indoor Meets (start time; organiser; cost)

Weekend Meets (organiser; contact details) Further details on next page.

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