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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





#### The Tatras Again

Seven seasoned Club members set off from Golden Square at the unusual hour of midnight, and ended up a day or two later at Zakopane, the principal mountain resort of the Polish Tatras. Since the Club's previous visit some 17 years ago, there has been an explosion of restaurants, shops, and ice cream outlets, but the hills are still alive with crowds of friendly Poles, climbing to the top of their 2,000m peaks, dressed in T-shirts, wearing sandals, and carrying an umbrella in anticipation of the daily 13.00 hour thunderstorm. Three days of walking in the National Park started with a steep climb from the valley floor up through the trees and eventually to the summits. Paths are well laid, but the limestone in places is as polished as marble, and with the heavy rain, and mud, made for interesting descents!

Then it was over the border via a beautiful wooded mountain pass for eight days in Slovakia, where, although in a family-orientated holiday area, people seem to take equipment rather more seriously. Lower views are more open (much forest having been felled by a hurricane a few years ago), and the rock is granite – good and grippy, compared with the "marble" of the Polish side. During the week, we collectively did one *via ferrata* and managed to explore most of the main walking routes. We didn't climb the highest mountain

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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. The course is significantly subsidised by the Club and takes place at Muir Cottage on the weekend of



9 - 10 February. Please contact Neil Gauld for further information.

**Navigation:** The Club is intending to run this winter a hill navigation training course, involving an indoor theory night and a practical hill day, around Braemar or elsewhere suitable and convenient. The course will be run internally, and will be aimed at novice/intermediate level. It should be of interest to anyone planning on taking a small party to the mountains. Please contact Neil Gauld for further information.

#### David Kirk, Man of Talents

Having been Clerk of the List of Munroists for 6 years, David Kirk (a Club member) has passed that task on to David Broadhead, Cul Mor, Drynie Park North, Muir of Ord, Ross-shire IV6 7RP. Those wishing to record a Munro Round, or to amend an entry after compleating the Furths, Corbetts, Tops, or further Rounds, should get in touch by letter with the new Clerk (see elsewhere in this Newsletter).

Discontented with nothing to do, David has generously offered to take over as the Club's Muir Bookings Secretary. See back page for contact details.

#### 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 (entireprod@hotmail.co.uk).

There are 87 Donalds, spread between the Ochils, the Cheviots and the Galloway hills. muir-booking@cairngormclub.org.uk

**JMCS Hut, Coruisk:** This is available to (between 3 and 9) Club members at £7.50 per night. Details including access and availability at www.glasgowimcs.org.uk.

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#### 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 memberssubscribe@yahoogroups.com

#### John Muir Trust Aberdeenshire

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

#### **Physiotherapy Services**

for treatment of injuries or conditions which have arisen during sporting activities or affect participation in them, other than chronic degenerative conditions.

Cost £26; priority appointments for Club members: next day appointments if booked before 12 noon.

Aberdeen Physiotherapy 01224 626266

#### Lecture

**Doug Scott** is to give an illustrated lecture "A Crawl Down the Ogre" on Wednesday 7 November in the Douglas Hotel, Market Street Aberdeen. He will describe the first ascent of the Ogre (23,900 ft), one of the hardest peaks in the world to climb, achieved with Chris Bonington in 1977. During this climb, Doug survived the breaking of two legs near the summit, and the lecture will feature details of their epic 8-day descent to base camp.

Tickets £12 (£10 concession) from Tiso, tel. 634934.

#### **Membership**

The Club is sorry to hear of the death of the following member.

Jack McIndoe, Ordinary Member since 1955.

The following new member has been admitted since the date of the last newsletter.

Graeme Sedgwick, Ordinary.

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).

#### **Annual Dinner**

Following last year's successful dinner at the Old Mill Inn, Maryculter, on the South Deeside Road, we are arranging this year's dinner at the same venue: it will be held on Friday 16 November. Those who attended last November enjoyed the less formal atmosphere, felt that the staff were very attentive and found the food good.

A booking form and further details are enclosed with this newsletter. It may be possible to arrange transport from the various points around Aberdeen to the dinner: details are in the enclosure.

#### **Report your Experiences of Ticks**

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

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

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in Slovakia, but did climb the highest one in Poland (but from the easier Slovakian side). The Presidential Awards go to Derek for the most chatas – mountain lodges – visited, to Willie, our up-and-coming expert on "strong Vodka", to Tim for his first aid skills, to Garry for the most peaks climbed, and jointly to Alec and Gordon for proving that it is a myth that Scotsmen are mean. Most of all, our thanks go to Derek B. for his excellent organisation and making it all happen, despite the odd bankrupt hotel!

Eilidh Scobbie



#### Website Re-Design

A sub-Committee is still considering the current structure, appearance and utility of the Club website. Anyone with comments or ideas or would like to help should contact Garry Wardrope (webmaster@cairngormclub.org.uk) or Ken Thomson (secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)

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 www.thebmc.co.uk/world/alps/recip.htm.

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 www.cairngorms.co.uk/access/corepaths/index.php, and look under "Have Your Say"). The next public stage appears to be the Consultative Draft in mid-2008.

#### Windfarm Proposal at Clashnarae Hill, Kildrummy

This proposal – for 8 turbines, each 93m in height – was opposed by the Club since it would have been built on good walking country and would have affected views from inside the Cairngorms National Park. It was turned down by the Marr Area Planning Committee on 25 September.

#### A New Kind of Traverse

Over 20 people ventured on the "new" Cairngorms Traverse on 9 September, with a bus start from Muir on Saturday morning, and returning there in their own good time. With various add-ons according to taste and time, the greatest number, in several teams, climbed Braeriach from the ski road. Others did the traditional route up over Cairngorm-Macdhui plateau, or penetrated the Lairig Ghru. Weather-wise, both the Pessimists and the Optimists proved right; dense cloud pressing in from the north-west made plateau walking a chilly navigational exercise, while to the south-east sunshine revealed the lower Munros. Back at Muir, the Macmillan family laid on a splendid lamb barbecue despite the pestilential midges, and by 11 pm the Presidential Return marked the end of an excellent day except for a couple of brave overnighters.

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**Shelter Stone Visitor Book:** While searching for an item in the volume for the late 1950s (now well preserved in the Club Library), a variety of concerns and experiences were noted, most notably:

Various forms of wildlife – e.g. mice, rats, sheep, haggis, scouts, midges, cheese (if moving)

ITV – obviously all the rage at the time

Rubbish – half the entries complain about it, the other half complain about the first set of complainers doing nothing about it

Food – or lack of it; again, some plea for spare food to be left, others say it attracts vermin

"No rain today!"

"Did not arrive until 9am; got here last night, could not find the Stone, lay down to sleep, and woke up with it in front of us!"

**UDAT (Upper Deeside Access Trust)**: At its 9<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting in Tarland on 6 September, the work of the year 2006/2007 was reviewed, and the future discussed. The former included upland path work on Lochnagar (e.g. the Corrie Rim path replacing the Ladder, the upper Glas Allt, the Quoich-Slugain link), and the ending of the Eastern Cairngorms Access Project, while the latter included arrangements for maintenance of newly restored paths, and the prospect of a Park-wide trust for the whole Cairngorms. A new Tarland walks booklet is available, at £2. See UDAT website at *www.visitdeeside.org.uk/* 

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#### **Climbing Round-up**

Now that the nights are drawing in there have been a number of folk enquiring about meets at the Transition Indoor wall. It is planned to meet there on Tuesday night at about 6pm, further details will be distributed by email.



**Piper's Wood:** James Friend has agreed to take over supervision of this centennial Club investment in Glen Ey near Muir. He is looking for a few interested folk - preferably also a little knowledgeable and/or skilled, in appropriate ways - to assist him in this. So, if you can spot an adder or Trollius europeaus at ten paces, or can cope occasionally with a spade or bit of netting, please contact James.

**Cairngorm Club Journal for Sale and Wanted:** The following early issues of the *Cairngorm Club Journal* are <u>wanted</u> by Ken Thomson (see back cover) to complete a collection: 19 (1902), 20, 21, 23, 26 and 27 (1907). The following issues are <u>available</u> from him for (cheapish) sale:

84 (1944-45), 85, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95 and 96 (1975). PS: more recent copies of recent *CCJ*s are obtainable from Derek Pinches (see back cover).

#### **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 Anne Pinches, indoor meets secretary, 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.

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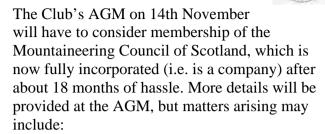
## Munroist List \*\*New Clerk\*\*

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



Voting rights, which are currently as in the past but may change

Civil Liabilities Insurance, which has been under constant review and change over the last year MCofS Policies (and how these are arrived at), some of which may affect the Club Value for money, and general Council-Club relations.

Ken Thomson

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#### Lunch and Daunder, 16 January 2008

The next of these events will be a wander along the Dee from Duthie Park. Meet at Riverside Drive (937043) at 10:30am. Lunch will be at the Mariner, Great Western Road, at 12.30pm. Please advise Ruth Payne by Monday 14 January if you would like 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
Tiso discount nights
6.30pm to 8.30 pm,
1st Monday each month

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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 www.cairngormclub.org.uk/library. 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 librarian@cairngormclub.org.uk



**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 meantime, Dave Ogden is seeking to spread the work of organising this section, e.g. acting as contact for Tuesday meets during the summer.

Piper's Wood: helping James Friend to keep an eye on this Club "heritage asset", and advising on how it should be managed; only the occasional visit or meeting needed. (See elsewhere in this newsletter)

Committee 2007/08: learning what everyone does!

Anyone interested, please contact Eilidh Scobbie, Ken Thomson or the present incumbent(s).

**Club Possessions:** The Secretary, Ken Thomson, is seeking to compile a definitive list of the Club's possessions which may have strayed into, or been kept for safe-keeping, in hands other than (mainly) his own or at Muir. These might include books, etc. (e.g. Muir or Shelter Stone logbooks, diaries), pictures, photographs or slides, legal documents, equipment (old or new), membership lists, etc. Please report any such items to Ken

**Aquaventure:** This is a small walking and adventure company running walking trips (guided or self-guided) in the mountains of the Costa Blanca, Sierra Baja, Spain, as well as sea-kayaking, mountain-biking, etc. See <a href="http://aqua-ventura.com/index.html">http://aqua-ventura.com/index.html</a>.

**Muir Keys:** Anyone with a (new) key to Muir, and is 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* 



**Ceilidh:** This year, the Club has helped to organise a joint ceilidh with

the Aberdeen Mountain Rescue Team, at Ashdale Hall in Westhill. At time of writing, all tickets had been sold, and at the time of reading, everyone should have enjoyed themselves, eaten stovies, won a raffle prize, etc. Proceeds are going to AMRT.

Many thanks to Claire Marris and Gill Shirreffs for selling the tickets.

**25<sup>th</sup> Dundee Mountain Film Festival** is being held on 21-24 November 2007, with speakers inc. Stephen Venables (Everest), Will Gadd (Canadian Icebergs), Marko Prezelj (Slovenian Alpinist), Andy Cave (Cool Climber), Børge Ousland (Dark Journey to the North



Pole) and also Films include "Cresta" (a classic winter epic on Ben Nevis), "Duet and Death on St Kilda", "Patagonia - A Travel to the End of the World", "Mountains without Barriers" (two blind men and a man with no legs tackle a 1,000 ft rock tower in Italy), and "First Ascent - Didier Versus the Cobra". Details at www.dundeemountainfilm.org.uk.

#### **CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Subscriptions for the year 2007/2008 became due on 1st October 2007. 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.

	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.

#### Clubwear

\*\* Final Reductions \*\*

T-shirts now only £5

Contact: Anne Pinches

 $\underline{social@cairngormclub.org.uk}$ 



#### Tunini

\*\*Harvey's Maps\*\*



waterproof paper:

Walker (1:40000)

&

Super Walker (1:25000)
All £1.00 each, last chance as all must go.
(P&P extra if required)

Contact

Derek Pinches

treasurer@cairngormclub. org.uk

#### **Training**

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

#### **Club-Organised Training**

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

#### **Glenmore Lodge**

Glenmore Lodge is the **sport**scotland National Centre for mountaincraft, 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.



#### Winter Approaches

Alex Barbour had a look around the Garbh Choire in late September: two patches of snow, about 20/30m long/wide had survived the summer, and new snow was already starting to accumulate. Other snow patches are reported in the Nevis/Aonach area. See <a href="https://www.winterhighland.info">www.winterhighland.info</a> for current pictures.

#### **Weekend Meets**



#### Achnasheen — Inver Croft House — 17th/18th November

Plenty of big days available nearby although the length of the days may dictate otherwise. Plenty locally to keep all occupied with many Munros and Corbetts awaiting your boots.

#### Glen Clova — Bunkhouse — 8th/9th December

The bunkhouse is a wonderful purpose designed conversion giving access to local hills, and for longer days into the Glenshee and Lochnagar Munros.

Contact Ben Mellor ctte15@cairngormclub.org.uk)

#### Muir Cottage — 25th /26th January

Traditional Burns Supper weekend. Great food, a drink or two, music and plenty of 'craick'. Contact Tim Walmsley; for further details.

#### 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 advised but should be around £11 pppn. Free porridge! All bedding provided. Contact Tim Walmsley; for further details.

#### Post Easter Meet — Bridge of Orchy Bunkhouse — Mar 29th/30th

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.

www.westhighlandwaysleeper.co.uk/ - website for details of bunkhouse. More details in next Newsletter.

#### Indoor Meets \*\*\*New Venue\*\*\*

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.

The AGM on Wed 14th Nov is the next Indoor meet followed by Wed 5th December — Dave MacKinnon, 'Wildlife Crime Investigation'. See calendar on Pages 8/9 for a full listing.

#### 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

For latest details, see the Club website at:

#### http://www.cairngormclub.org.uk/meets.htm

#### The Cairngorm Club

#### **Details of Meets, issued October 2007**

#### **Day Meets**



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

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

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

#### Morven - Sunday 18 November

This is a shorter meet suitable for a November day. The route is up the east shoulder and ridge of Morven. Hence southwards to pick up the path skirting the east side of Crannach Hill, emerging on the A93 150 metres east of Bridge of Tullich. There should be plenty of time for a meal and refreshments in Ballater. Bookings should be made with Eilidh Scobbie.

#### Glen Callater - Sunday 2 December

This is the last day meet of the year. Bus leaves Golden Square an hour later at 8:00 am. We shall end the year in style at the Braemar Golf Club with a meal and probably some dancing. Bookings should be made with Garry Wardrope

#### Lochnagar - Sunday 6 January

The first meet of the New Year has a menu of fine options in all directions from Loch Muick as well as the traditional ascent of Lochnagar. This will be followed by a meal at the Loch Kinord Hotel in Dinnet. Bookings should be made with Alec Macmillan email bus@cairngormclub.org.uk

#### Loch Lvon Area - Car Meet - Sundays 17 February

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

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

The choice of hill will be made on the day by those on the bus, perhaps Glas Tulaichaen or if the snow is good a day on the piste! To book contact Eilidh Scobbie

**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)

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The Cairngorm Club Calendar of Events		Seafield Club, Seafield Road (7.30 pm)
Clac Dian	NOVEMBER	14 Wed AGM

Dinner - Old Mill Inn Maryculter (7:00 for 7:30; £19.00)	Meet Morven - Traverse (7.00 am; 44; 422073, 369957; 6.5 hrs; no meal; £14.00; Eilidh Scobbie)
16 Fri <b>Dinner</b>	18 Sun Day Meet
Ξ.	Sun
16	18

Burn o'Vat - Loch Kinord (9.15 am; 37; K; Ian Bryce) Thu MW Walk 59

Achnasheen - Inver Croft House (Marjory Ewan)

Sat W/E Meet

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# DECEMBER

Glen Callater (8.00 am; 43; 156882,150903; 6.5 hrs; Braemar Golf Club; £18.50inc. meal; Garry Wardrope) Sun Day Meet

Glen Clova - Bunkhouse (Ben Mellor; ctte15@cairngormclub.org.uk) Dave MacKinnon, Wildlife Crime Investigation (7.30 pm; £3.00) Wed Indoor

Scolty (9.15 am; 38; K; Lydia Thomson) Thu MW Walk

Sat W/E Meet

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Lochnagar (7.00 am; 44; 310851; 7.5 hrs; Dinnet; £20.00 inc. meal; Alec Macmillan; bus@cairngormclub.org.uk) Sun Day Meet

Fiona Banks, Social and Cultural History of Bennachie. (7.30 pm; £3.00) Wed Indoor

Muir Cottage - Burns Supper (Tim Walmsley;) Fri W/E Meet

Kirkhill Forrest (9.15 am; 38; F; Jack Connell) Thu MW Walk 31

# **FEBRUARY**

Alison Todd, Search and Rescue Dog Association. (7.30 pm; £3.00) Wed Indoor 9

Fri Winter Skills Winter Skills - Muir (Neil Gauld;)  $\infty$  Loch Lyon area - Car Meet (7.00 am; ; ; ; ; £0.00; Ken Thomson; secretary @cairngormclub.org.uk) 17 Sun Day Meet

Glen Feshie - Glen Feshie Hostel (Tim Walmsley) Fri W/E Meet

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## MARCH

Ellice Milton, Photographing wild flowers and landscapes. (7.30 pm; £3.00) Wed Indoor

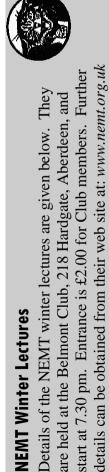
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Glenshee - Minibus Meet (7.00 am;;;;;;£0.00; Eilidh Scobbie) Sun Day Meet

Glentanar circular (9.15 am; 44; K; Monica Gray & Eva Foubister) Thu MW Walk 27

Bridge of Orchy - Bridge of Orchy Bunkhouse (Tim Walmsley) Post Easter 28 Fri

**NEMT Winter Lectures** 



# John Muir Trust

Contact: George

Cruickshank

Further details are available at: www.jmt.org

> Wildlife Detective - 40 Years Investigating Scotlands Mountains—Why are they Walking The Roof of Scotland Forquing Adventure Wildlife Crime there? **Guy Robertson** 11 Dec 07 Alan Stewart 13 Mar 08 Roger Owen Peter Craig 19 Feb 08 22 Jan 08



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