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The Newsletter of the Cairngorm Club

Flooding and Damage on Deeside etc.

Unless you have been on the Space Station with Tim Peake, you will not have failed to notice on the news, and indeed on the ground, the terrible end of 2015 and start of 2016 on Royal Deeside. There was also flooding at Aboyne, Inverurie and Ellon, and even Aberdeen was practically cut off for a time with both rail lines closed, and a hole appearing in the airport runway!

When a dyke along the golf course gave way on 30th December, Ballater was hit by a deluge of water which caused serious flooding in the centre of the village, and on the outskirts there was the sight of caravans from the local site floating down the river heading for Aberdeen. Clearing up is now the order of the day (or weeks, probably).

A section of the road to Braemar from Ballater was washed away, and until a replacement is in place the only way to get further west is via the B974 South Deeside Road. Allied to this, there is damage to Invercauld Bridge which has meant no vehicular traffic can go beyond it. This, and loss of power which meant cooking on the wood-fuel stove, caused issues for those staying at Muir at New Year, and the journey home meant a trip via Perth. When the A93 Glenshee road was later closed by flooding, then by snow, Braemar became unreachable by road.

Thankfully, Muir Cottage itself was unaffected by the high water levels but there will be a loss of income from those who were, and are, booked to stay at Muir in the

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future. There has been to date little information coming in about possible damage to bridges and footpaths in the mountains themselves, but this will become clearer as the weather improves and it becomes possible to journey into the Cairngorms. Surprisingly, it seems that most of the usual huts and bridges (e.g. at Derry Lodge) have escaped damage; perhaps snow higher uphill limited the flow of water.

One piece of news has come from the Lochnagar Day meet in January. There was no option of a walk around Loch Muick (without a wade) as the bridges at the west end of the loch have been washed away. Also opposite Glas-Allt Shiel a landslip has covered part of the south side footpath. More information on these and any other problems in the hills, when available, will be posted on the Club Forum.

For up-to-date information see the Club Forum and also - <https://cairngormwanderer.wordpress.com/>

For Sale (i.e. donation to Club funds!)

One pair 12-point Salewa crampons with straps and rubber point guards, almost unused.

One Paddy Hopkirk CM03 Dartmoor low-mounted 3 cycle carrier - as left at Muir, still in cardboard box!

One pair Fisher Europa 99 Crown skis (200cm) with Rottefella telemark toe clips and ski poles

One pair Meindl cross-country/telemark leather ski boots (size 42)

One pair of Concord Lake Placid skis (203 cm) with Rottefella toe clips

One pair of Alfa cross country leather ski boots (size 47)

Please contact Kees at huts@cairngormclub.org.uk or the Secretary (see back page).

NTS Cards

As a member of the National Trust for Scotland, the Club has 5 cards allowing free access to NTS properties for Club members and guests.

Club Slides from the Past

Peter Howgate (Muir Custodian 1959-67 and 1970-72, and President 1979-82) has sent us some slides from as far back as the 1950s, e.g. of the Canadian Bridge at Muir.

Sandy McIntosh is kindly digitising these, and it is hoped to show them at a Club event, as was done with a few at the Members' Night Indoor Meet in January.

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 £30 (a discount of £10) on proof of Club membership (e.g. card);
priority appointments for Club members; next-day appointments
if booked before 12 noon.

Aberdeen Physiotherapy - 01224 626266

COAT/CAPS

It is proposed to hold a meeting for actual and potential path monitors in the Cairngorms Adopt-a-Path Scheme in February or March at the AGS FP Club Centre on Queen's Road. Anyone interested should contact the Secretary (see back page).

Macdhui Indicator

As advised in the previous Newsletter, and after comments at the AGM, the Committee has considered the suggestion of repairing or renewing this indicator. It decided that, since the damage is not yet severe, the matter could be deferred, probably until nearer its centenary in 2025.

CCJs for sale (JMT donation)

Back numbers (1905-1952) of the Club Journal are available as follows: issue nos. 24, 31, 38, 39 (cover + two first pages missing), 41, 47, 52, 54, 58, 59, 61, 62, 65, 66, 67, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 87, 88 and 92, plus Indexes for Vols. XII, XV and XVI. A cost of between £50 and £75 for the lot is suggested, as a donation to the John Muir Trust. To be collected from the Inverness area or posted at cost.

Contact odonovan_jane@hotmail.com.

Fathomeering

Ivor Howitt, a 'Cairngorm Club Junior Member Long, Long Ago, and I treasure still my bronze member's badge', has donated to the Club two more copies of his book *Fathomeering*, which chronicles how Ivor and other Junior Members pioneered sport diving in the UK with home-made equipment, tested both from the sea cliffs at Cove and in the Dee and Lui. Although the book moves (with Ivor) to Australia, there are accounts of early escapades in the Cairngorms. If interested in the remaining copy, please contact the Librarian (Contact details on the back page)

Overseas Meet(s?) 2016

Several members have been asking about these, and three suggestions have come in so far:

- A guided trip to Morocco (Marrakech and Toubkal), either in June/July or in September/October, at £375 plus flights. The guide (Chris Golby) is well known to Benn Hitchen, and a 5-page description is available from Benn or the Secretary (see back page).
- Another visit to the Dolomites: research in December indicated that flights 31 August and 7 September 2016 would cost about £230, plus a group taxi to and from Cortina, where a 3-star central hotel comes in at £263 pppw incl. breakfast. (for more information see page 11)
- A week at/from Zermatt or Saas Fee or ???, to take in some of the higher Alps: no pricing, organiser, etc. so far.

It would be very helpful if anyone interested in any of the above would get in touch with the Secretary (see back page) soon, with their preferences as to location(s) and date(s).

Day and Weekend Meets - Help Always Required

Much of the work involved in arranging meets fall to the Meet Secretaries which can be quite time-consuming. If you can help as organiser for a Weekend or Day Meet, or as a President's Party leader on a Day Meet, please contact the appropriate Meet Secretary (see back page for all of the

Club Facebook Page

The Club has, for initially a trial period, now got a presence on the popular social networking outlet 'Facebook'.

This has been set up by Committee member Mark Wynne after discussion at Committee, and it is hoped that it will encourage younger people to take an interest in our Club.

To view the page go to - <https://www.facebook.com/thecairngormclub>

Braemar Mountain Rescue - 50 Year Anniversary Book

This book celebrates the team's achievements and many characters with assorted misremembered tales of derring-do, wild haverings and the dotted recollections of by-gone days when storms were stormier, snow was snowier, and tweeds, tackity- beets and a muckle Thermos kept the elements at bay (so says their website!).

Available for purchase for £10 or £12 inc. postage from BMR and many shops/bookshops on Deeside and beyond. For more information visit - <http://www.braemarmountainrescue.org.uk/book.html>

Journal Question Answer

The answer to the question about the photo on page 253 of the last issue of the Journal is the Ey Burn, near the Colonel's Bed.

The Newsletter Editor apologises for this not appearing in the October Newsletter as indicated in the Journal.

Wanted - CCJs 1930s - 1940s

The National Library of Scotland appears to be missing the following issues of the Club Journal: Vol. 12 no. 6 (1931) to Vol. 16 no. 86 (1949)

If anyone can supply these issues, please let the Secretary (see back page) know. For lack of space, the NLS is not interested in duplicates, so that issues before and/or after the ones above would have to be disposed of otherwise, e.g. to a Club member.

Club AGM November 2015

This took place in the Sportsman's Club for a change, under the President's benign chairmanship. The draft minutes (and, for keen types, the approved AGM 2014 minutes) are on the Forum, under "Club News & Discussion". Apart from some financial but non-contentious discussion over "Club contributions" to Day and Weekend meets, and the election of some new, and old, Office-Bearers and "ordinary" Committee members (see back page of this Newsletter), the main AOCB-type items concerned:

- Facebook to become another Club communications medium? - Mark Wynne to explore (see page 14)
- a second Club hut? - no immediate prospect
- restoration of the Ben Macdhui and Lochnagar summit indicators? - wait until their centenaries in 1925/26

BMC Insurance

In July 2015, Club Member Ian Baxter reported difficulties in getting Fogg Travel Insurance Services (acting for BMC underwriters ProSight) to reimburse irrecoverable expenses for a trip to Nepal cancelled on FCO advice. After two refusals of his claim for "*reasons that were entirely incomprehensible to me as I suspect they were designed to be*", he had to threaten referral to the Financial Ombudsman Service before payment was made. Ian wrote to BMC suggesting that they (and not Fogg TIS) should contact all those who might have been put off by the claims procedure.

Badges

As part of its 125 celebrations, the Club has had some cloth badges made. They are 7 cm x 10 cm with the Club crest on a black background. Above the crest are the dates '1887 - 2012' while below are the words 'The Cairngorm Club' (see right).

These cost £2.50 each and are still available from Anne Pinches. They will also be available to buy at Indoor Meets.

Night Hike

The weather has been dreich so far this year...to say the least. Perhaps most noticeably it has been dark, even at midday. Well, for the walk I'm leading in February, darkness is what I seek.

My next moonlight night hike is on Monday 22nd February, 7.30pm, up Millstone Hill. Although you must take a torch, once you're out of the woods, with a full moon you may be surprised by how much and how far you can see. The views from the summit of Millstone can be very impressive, especially of the hill's northern neighbour. If there is a light dusting of snow and a clear night, it could be like daylight!

The walk will be about 2hrs long so we should be back at the cars for 10pm at the latest. This will be a car meet, so charge. We will meet at the Donview Car Park (NJ 671190). If interested please get in touch with Benn Hitchen at social@cairngormclub.org.uk.

Lunch & Danders

The next Lunch and Dander will be on Thursday 3rd March, meeting at Dunecht House gates at 10:30am, with lunch at the Jaff's, Dunecht at 12:30pm. Please advise Ruth Payne by Tuesday 1st March, if you would like to join the lunch gathering.



There will be another Lunch and Dander on Tuesday 31st May, meeting at the east car park, Brimmond Hill at 10:30am, with lunch at Brimmond Bistro at 12:30pm. Again, as above, please advise Ruth by Sunday 29th May if you would like to join the lunch gathering.

Indoor Meets

The Indoor Meets are now held at a new venue for us, The Sportsman's Club 11 Queen's Road, Aberdeen AB15 4YL. The Club is opposite the Youth Hostel and has a large monkey puzzle tree in the front garden! Car parking is available at the rear of the building in the evening. The cost is £3.00 which includes tea/coffee and biscuits. All meetings start at 7.30 pm.

Library

The Club has a large but little-used collection of books, journals and papers stored in the Special Collections of the University Library at Kings College. Recent acquisitions have included the 2015 issues of the *Scottish Mountaineering Club Journal* and the *Alpine Journal*, and the book *The Cairngorms: a Secret History*, by Patrick Baker. Access to the collection is not as easy as might be wished, but items can be searched for, password-free, at <https://aulib.abdn.ac.uk/F>, and the Secretary (see back page) will be pleased to borrow them on behalf of members.

It turns out that the Club has approximately three series of *Scottish Mountaineering Club Journals* in its Library collection, though none are complete. It is proposed to reduce these to one complete set, and to dispose of the rest of the issues. This is probably best done via the SMC Librarian (with whom we have a reciprocal arrangement to exchange current issues), but if any member is particularly interested, he or she should get in touch with the Librarian (see back page).

Payments to the Club

The Club bank details are: Sort Code 831531; Account no. 00129748.

So that the payment can be allocated to the right place, please use a reference containing your name and what the payment is for, e.g. 'LSmith Traverse' or 'DPinches M'ship' or 'JBloggs W'end 25/4'.

Membership News

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

Joan Johnson Associate Member since 1974

The following members have changed their membership type.

Ivan Hiscox Transfer to Ordinary
Rod Campbell Transfer to Ordinary

The following new members have been admitted since the last newsletter.

Sandra Morrison Edinburgh Associate

Graham Ewen Book

Jane and Innes Ewen (Graham's widow and younger brother, respectively) have compiled a number of Graham's articles from the *Cairngorm Club Journal* into a well-produced book, with several additional photographs.

Munroist List Clerk

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

DISCOUNTS

*Cotswold - Blacks
Craigdon Sports
Nevisport*

*Hilltrek - Aboyne
Climbing - Ballater*

All the above shops offer discounts to Club members on production of a current membership card

TISO discount nights
6.30 to 8.30 pm, quarterly.

Skye B&B - Discount for Club Members

The standard price for the B&B run in Skye by Club members Greg and Sue Walters is now £35 and not £30 pppn as in the February Newsletter. HOWEVER, the discount price for Club members remains at £25 – at least for the time being!

Drop them a line at Achtalean B&B, 5 Stenscholl, Staffin, Isle of Skye. IV51 9JS or call them on either 01470562723 or 07748533377

You can also check them out at their website - <http://www.achtalean.co.uk/>

Radio Scotland Outdoor Weather Forecasts

These are broadcast at 19.04 on Monday-Friday, 07.04 and 22.04 on Saturday, and 07.04 and 20.04 on Sunday. These and other forecasts can be accessed direct via Club website from the 'Links' page - <http://www.cairngormclub.org.uk/links/links.htm>

Forestry Commission Meeting

Prior to the Newtonmore Weekend Meet in February, Ken Thomson plans to go across to Grantown-on-Spey on the Friday morning, for a meeting with the Forestry Commission Speyside Recreation Manager, to talk about "hutting", the CC footbridge at Rothiemurchus, paths in general, and anything else that seems relevant. Anyone wishing to accompany him to the meeting, or with views or queries on relevant issues, should get in touch with him at secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk

Kees Witte

Kees, the Club's Hut Custodian, has had a new hip fitted at Stracathro Hospital in early January. He was up, if not about, soon afterwards and is we hear making good progress. We all wish him a speedy recovery – in more senses than one! See you on the hill soon Kees.

Muir Cottage

Muir has escaped the 2015 Hogmanay floods, the water stayed behind our fence.

The three Scots Pine behind the shed were taken down by Tilia Tree Care in October 2015, and as suspected there was quite a bit of core rot present. Thanks to club members and visiting groups, the two log sheds are now full and also some log 'beehives' were created. One of the stumps was transformed into a seat and also a slightly rocking two-seater log was created. Hopefully part of some of the leftover logs will be made into some seats in the future.

A third mountain bike has arrived and all three are well used by visitors.

As decided at a 2015 Committee meeting, the non-member charge for Muir has been raised from £10 to £12, but the member charge remains at £5.

All booking information is on the web <http://www.cairngormclub.org.uk/muircottage/muircottage.htm> or contact David Kirk at muir-booking@cairngormclub.org.uk

Day Meets

Further to the Day Meets detailed on pages 7, 8 & 9, listed below are other meets organised up to the end of 2016.

16 Jul	To be arranged	Car	Garry Wardrope
7 Aug	Ben Lawers	Minibus	Garry Wardrope
4 Sept	Cairngorm Traverse	Coach	Garry Wardrope
1 Oct	Tomintoul Area	Minibus	Garry Wardrope
6 Nov	Glen Clova	Minibus	Garry Wardrope
11 Dec	Glenshee Area	Minibus	Ken Thomson

Weekend Meets

Further to the Weekend Meets detailed on pages 8, 9 & 10, listed below are the other meets currently organised for summer 2016.

8 Jul	Sail Mhor Croft, Dundonnel	Jim Bryce
19 Aug	Corran Bunkhouse	Sue Chalmers
23 Sept	Causeway Foot, Keswick	Jim Bryce

Details of any of these meets can be sought from the organiser at any time. So don't wait until they appear in a Newsletter or on a Yahoo email, as they may already be booked up by that time.

Mid-Week Walks

Arthur Dickie (meetorganiser35@cairngormclub.org.uk) coordinates this popular series, which takes place on the last Thursday of every month, with a different organiser each time. Walks take about 4-5 hours, with possible recourse to a local tea-room afterwards. The usual Aberdeen car-share meeting points are given below, with the start time usually 9.00 am. Please contact the organiser beforehand to check on arrangements or to make queries, and especially if you intend to meet up at the walk starting point. Similarly, please ensure that your mobile phone number (if any) is known to someone - and that your mobile is switched on during the walk!

Code	Location	Grid ref.
K	Kingswells Park and Ride*	868063
P	Persley Gardens (Woodside)	910093
R	Riverside Drive (near Brig o' Dee)	928036

* Bus service 40 (about 08:15 from Union Street and via the ARI) stops at the P&R toilets and waiting room, and service X17 (08:10 and 08:30 from Union Square stops) just west of the Kingswells roundabout. Service 11 no longer operates to Kingswells during the day.

Website and Forum

If you haven't visited recently, please check out the Club Website and Forum for up-to-date news of Day, Weekend and other meets.

CLUB SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions for the year 2015/16 became due on 1st October 2015.

For those paying by Direct Debit this was collected automatically on 1st October.

Others should send their subscriptions to Derek Pinches, the Club Treasurer.

Cairngorm Club Subscription rates for 2015/16 are as follows:

	Club	MCofS	Total
Full Rate	£13.00	£14.25	£27.25
Reduced Rate	£6.50	£14.25	£20.75

The reduced rate above is available for members who, on 1st October, were aged 65 or over, or under 21; or under 25 and still in full-time education; or who are normally resident and working more than 80km from Aberdeen.

First subscriptions are only part of a full year's subscription, based on when admission occurred within the Club year.

Club Training

Want to improve your mountain skills ? Or maybe want to take the first steps on an 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. Current suggestions are: First Aid, Navigation, Single Pitch Award, or even something more

Winter Skills and Navigation Training

It is hoped to organise an Instructor to provide winter skills training to coincide with the Newtonmore weekend meet on the 13th February. Topics covered will depend on the wishes of the group but will likely cover such things as moving on snow and ice, ice axe arrest and avalanche awareness. Whether the course runs will depend on numbers and if there are insufficient to make it practical it may be possible to organise something closer to home on another weekend

It is still intended to go ahead with some Navigation Training sessions (indoor and outside) over the winter months. These can cover theory indoors and we can take to some of the local hills for some practical exercises

If you're at all interested in either (or both) of these please email Garry Wardrope at day@cairngormclub.org.uk.

Proposed Cortina Meet 2016

Rod Campbell has suggested a meet to Cortina from Wednesday 31 August to Wednesday 7 September. Flights to Venice by KLM via Schiphol would be about £196 plus £28 baggage, then taxi to Cortina.

A 3-star hotel in central Cortina near a bus stop is coming in at £263 pppw including breakfast. An alternative, or addition, is a guided trek led by Chris Golby in the High Atlas mountains of Morocco. In October, Benn Hitchen showed slides of such a trip (including Jebel Toubkal, 4167m).

“Mountains and Rivers”

This softcover book of poems by Brian Lawrie follows the river Dee from its source on the Cairngorm plateau to the estuary at Aberdeen, with many side trips into the wild places met on the way. It includes poems for both climber and walker, and photographs by Mick McKie. The price is £9.50. If anyone fancies a copy, Brian's email is lawriebrian3@gmail.com. He will post them cost-free or hand-deliver.

The book is also on sale in Waterstones and in Books and Beans in Aberdeen as well as in most Deeside bookshops, e.g. Yeadons in Banchory.

Please note: bookings are not confirmed until payment is made to the Club.



13 - 14 February, Newtonmore Bunkhouse (Fri & Sat nights)

This meet gives the opportunity to bag a few Munros or Corbetts, in either the Cairngorms or the Monadhliaths, or further west along Loch Laggan. Depending on the weather, there may also be the chance to brush up on winter walking skills and navigation in snowy conditions, see Training item on page 11. We have exclusive use of the bunkhouse: see <http://www.highlandhostel.co.uk>. To book, contact Ken Thomson on email at secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk.

11 - 12 March, Inver Croft Achnasheen (Fri & Sat nights)

A chance to stay at the 'Jacobites' Club hut with 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. To book, contact Jim Bryce on email at weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk

1 - 2 April, Loch Ossian Youth Hostel (Fri & Sat nights)

Always a popular meet on the calendar is a trip to this wonderful location which has a selection of Munros and Corbetts nearby. A train or a long walk (or cycle) is required to get to the hostel but it's well worth it. To book, contact Sue Chalmers on email at ctte11@cairngormclub.org.uk

29 April - 1 May, Croft Bunkhouse, Pornalong, Skye (Fri - Sun nights)

Another chance to stay at what we found last time to be a first-class bunkhouse. With the black and red Cuillin nearby this meet gives you the opportunity to climb Munros, Corbetts and Grahams. With 3 nights and potentially 4 days in Skye you will not be stuck for something to do. To book, contact Jim Bryce on email at weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk

10 - 11 June, Lazy Crofter Bunkhouse, Durness (Fri & Sat nights)

Set amongst powerful mountains and coastal scenery commanding spectacular views over the North Atlantic Ocean, the bunkhouse has all the makings of a great base. Magnificent mountains, stunning seascapes, beautiful beaches and friendly people should guarantee a great weekend. To book, contact Mark Peel by email at meetorganiser38@cairngormclub.org.uk

Day Meets (departure time; map sheet(s); grid reference(s) of drop-off and pick-up points; walking time; cost; means of transport; organiser contact details)

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

Weekend Meets (organiser; telephone number; email contact)

Climbing (time, low or high water, organiser; contact details)

Day Meets take place once a month and can be by coach, mini-bus or car, or by bus share or service bus. Meets are generally on Sundays but occasionally on Saturdays.

Members should contact the Meet Organiser to book a place, and the organiser or Day Meets Secretary can be contacted should any additional information be sought.

Meets generally leave Aberdeen around 7am (sharp!); departure times and cost are listed in the centrefold of this Newsletter. For service bus meets the first bus out of Aberdeen for Deeside is the one we need. It leaves Union Square around 7:45am. On all Meets, an organised "President's Party" walk will be available for those new to the Club or for members who simply want a day out without the challenge of route finding or navigation. The following Day Excursions are offered for Spring 2016.

31 January, Mayar and Dreish

These hills will be approached from Glen Prosen with either a finish back in that Glen or in Glen Clova. In this area there are numerous other options including the 'Minister's Path' and many low-level options are also available. To book, contact Garry Wardrope on email at day@cairngormclub.org.uk

February 28, Tomintoul to Cockbridge Traverse

A short trip up Donside where the group will traverse from Tomintoul to the Allargue Arms just above Cockbridge. Other options available with several Corbetts and Grahams in the area. To book, contact Alex Barbour on email at meetorganiser17@cairngormclub.org.uk

March 26, Snow Holing in the Cairngorms

It is envisaged that an early afternoon departure from the roadside will enable a large enough hole or holes to be dug before darkness falls and a meal can be cooked in perfect comfort. This is not a training meet, but no doubt those familiar with the technique will help or supervise newcomers. If interested, contact Garry Wardrope on email at atday@cairngormclub.org.uk.

April 17, Linn o'Dee Circular

A day spent in the southern Cairngorms with the minibus taking the group to Linn o'Dee where a circular walk will see everyone back at the minibus by 5pm. A meal at Braemar Golf Club may be organised. More details on this on the Forum and by Yahoo email. To book, contact Derek Beverley on email at meetorganiser16@cairngormclub.org.uk

May 15, Drumguish to Auchlean

A trip to the north side of the Cairngorms this minibus meet takes you to Drumguish just off the A9 from where the group will travel to Auchlean in Glen Feshie. Other drop-offs can be accommodated on the way to Drumguish but it will be Auchlean where the pick-ups will be from (or on the road to Aviemore). To book, contact Benn Hitchen on email at social@cairngormclub.org.uk

June 18, Overnighter, Ben Alder

Spend a night in the Ben Alder area just before midsummer. More details on the Forum, by Yahoo email and in the June Newsletter. To book, contact Garry Wardrope on email at day@cairngormclub.org.uk

January 2016			
26	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing - Transition (Chris Wilson; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
28	Thur	M/W Walk	Migvie (9am; 37; K; Douglas Harper)
31	Sun	Day Meet	Dreish & Mayar from the South (7am; 44; 292680; 7hrs; £12.50; minibus; Garry Wardrope; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)
February			
2	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing - Transition (Chris Wilson; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
3	Wed	Indoor	Alistair Beeley, Climbing Mount Elbrus (Benn Hitchen; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
9	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing - Transition (Chris Wilson; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
12	Fri	W/E Meet	Newtonmore Bunkhouse (Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)
16	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing - Transition (Chris Wilson; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
22	Mon	Night Hike	Millstone Hill (Meet at Donview Car Park at 7:30pm; Benn Hitchen; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
23	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing - Transition (Chris Wilson; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
25	Thur	M/W Walk	Loch Kinord (9am; 37; K; Lydia Thomson)
28	Sun	Day Meet	Carn Ealasaid (8am; 36; 167177 - 255093; 6.5hrs; £12.50; minibus; Alex Barbour; meetorganiser17@cairngormclub.org.uk)
March			
1	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing - Transition (Chris Wilson; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
2	Wed	Indoor	Paula Williams, Mapping Scotland's Landscapes (Benn Hitchen; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
3	Thur	Lunch & Dander	Meet at Dunecht House gate at 10:30am with lunch at the Jaff's, Dunecht at 12:30. (Ruth Payne)
8	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing - Transition (Chris Wilson; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
11	Fri	W/E Meet	Jacobite Hut, Achnasheen (Jim Bryce; weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
15	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing - Transition (Chris Wilson; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
22	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing - Transition (Chris Wilson; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26	Sat	Day Meet	Snow Holing Overnight in the Cairngorms (Garry Wardrope; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)
29	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing Season Starts (climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
31	Thur	M/W Walk	Tarfside Circular (9am; 44; R; Ian Bryce)
April			
1	Fri	W/E Meet	Loch Ossian Youth Hostel (Sue Chalmers; vp@cairngormclub.org.uk)
5	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
12	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
17	Sun	Day Meet	Circular from Linn o' Dee (7am; 43; 064898; 7hrs; £12.50; minibus; Derek Beverley; meetorganiser16@cairngormclub.org.uk)
19	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
28	Thur	M/W Walk	Coastal Walk, St Cyrus (9am; 45; R; Judy Middleton; meetorganiser19@cairngormclub.org.uk)
29	Fri	W/E Meet	Portnalong Bunkhouse, Skye (Jim Bryce; weekend@cairngormclub)
May			
3	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
10	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
15	Sun	Day Meet	Drumguish to Auchlean (6.30am; 35; 790997 - 850984; 6hrs; £12.50; minibus; Benn Hitchen; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
17	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
24	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26	Thur	M/W Walk	Sergeant Davies Grave (9am; 43; K; Bert Swinborn)
31	Tue	Lunch & Dander	Meet at East Car Park, Brimmond Hill at 10:30am with lunch at the Brimmond Bistro at 12:30. (Ruth Payne)
31	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
June			
7	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
10	Fri	W/E Meet	Lazy Crofter Bunkhouse, Durness (Mark Peel; meetorganiser38@cairngormclub.org.uk)
14	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
18	Sat	Overnighter	Ben Alder (Garry Wardrope; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)
21	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)