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The Newsletter of the Cairngorm Club

### Felling, Planting, Stacking and Carving

In October 2015, after several arboricultural experts had raised concerns about rot, fungi, etc. in the three large trees immediately behind the bike shed at Muir Cottage, their felling began. The weather was damp and midgy, but the gang (4 in all) of professionals got on with it, closely watched by Kees Witte and Adrian Scott who was hoping to pick up some tips to take back for his wood near Stonehaven.

Once the felling was complete, and a large proportion of the wood chopped up for firewood, there were several large pieces left. Two were made into a seat and a bench by Tomas Kyncl, the felling contractor, and others were removed from site by Adrian who had an idea that he wanted to work on.

During November, some of the firewood was moved into the woodsheds, and the rest used to start a number of firewood 'hives', following Kees's instructions. By mid-December five hives had been built; their contents will be moved into the woodsheds as space permits.

During the January Burns Weekend, a new mini-plantation was established at the side of Muir, between (but not too near!) the BBQ platform and the pit, using Ben Reid seedlings (Scots pine, hazel and birch). In February, Jean Robinson and Ken Thomson got the remainder of the seedlings into the ground, and some fencing established. This area now complements the one established by the roadside dyke, and should provide some shelter when (as is inevitable) the other "old" trees have to go.

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[NB. When the Club purchased Muir in 1969, the price included a separate item of £74 for the eight trees recorded within the boundary: that is (or was) worth about £1160 today!]

Meanwhile, Adrian was busy in his Stonehaven workshop, and in April he and chainsaw specialist Dave Roberts, of Dervish Carving, created a magnificent garden seat (bench? shaded settle?) from sections of the pine trees taken away after the felling (see picture). Hours of design, planning and skill has resulted in something really unique and über-special for Muir: very well done, lads, and thanks!

### *Ice Axe and Boot Seat*



### **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. Cards can be borrowed from the Club Secretary.

### **Club Communications - Yahoo Email & Club Forum**

The Club has a Yahoo Group where members subscribe to receive emails about Club events etc. To subscribe to the group, email - [cairngorm\\_club\\_members-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:cairngorm_club_members-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)

To register for the Club Forum, follow this link - <http://cairngormclub.freeforums.org/ucp.php?mode=register>

### **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**

### **Quoich Footbridge Funding**

In February, the Committee decided to respond to the NTS Mar Lodge Estate flood appeal by offering £25,000 for the repair or replacement of the wooden footbridge over the Quoich at the famous Punchbowl. This bridge was inspected soon after the floods, and found to have badly rotting timbers. The shoochy handrails had probably never been securely attached, and in some cases were being held on by a single nail! Moreover, the whole bridge was found to be out of alignment by some 80mm, possibly due to a timber strike during the 2014 floods.

All this necessitated immediate closure of the footbridge, and with the nearby road bridge now spanning dry land, and the footbridge a mile or so upstream having disappeared, there is no “official” crossing of the Quoich on the popular circular route from Braemar via Invercauld and the Linn o’Dee. David Frew, the Mar Lodge Estate Property Manager, is keen to go ahead, but there appears to be a decision-making blockage at NTS HQ in Edinburgh. The Club has been in touch with both places to urge action. More news over the summer, we hope!

### **New Deeside Deer Management Group**

A public meeting was held at Aboyne in March to inaugurate the South Deeside & North Angus Deer Management Group, a newly formed sub group of the larger East Grampian Deer Management Group (EGDMG) which was established in 1979. It covers about 70,000 hectares, in 11 major ownerships/ ‘deer management units’, i.e. (in order of area) Balmoral and (leased) Abergeldie, Invermark, Glen Callater (within Invercauld), Glen Tanar, Glenmuick, Rottal, North Clova and Forestry Commission Scotland (mainly Glen Doll). The DMG has 14 ‘Public Interest Objectives’, which include habitat condition, woodland expansion, public health and safety, carbon (but not yet water!) storage, and the local economy. It pursues zero tolerance to sika deer (which interbreed with red), reduced impacts on forestry, agriculture and designated habitats, and tackling deer vehicle collisions.

## Hillwalking for the Disabled

Mr David Jones has contacted the Club about providing hill-walking opportunities in Scotland for disabled people and their carers. He is a Munroist with an ML award and a background in disability support, and has experience of leading disabled people (specifically sight-impaired and mobility-impaired walkers) in many hills, including a number of Munros in NE Scotland. David would like to assess the likely level of local demand for this sort of service, and is looking for volunteers (preferably with Lower Hill or Mountain Leader awards) or helpers. He has support from the Stroke Association and from DeafBlind Scotland, both of whom have offered to help set this up as a charity. Moreover, he has had early discussions with the MCofS about their aim to ensure the hills are accessible to all. Anyone with ideas or interest should contact David via [walks4all@hotmail.com](mailto:walks4all@hotmail.com) or 07814 564 801.

## 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 over the year though not for each meet. 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 appropriate contact details).

## 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>

## Cortina, Dolomites September 2016

This Meet will take place between 2 and 12 September (but dates flexible), and 7 people have signed up so far, including organiser Rod Campbell and Ken and Lydia Thomson. Rod and his group have booked Aberdeen-Venice flights on the above dates, and accommodation in the very central B&B Hotel Meuble Royal, [www.hotelroyalcortina.it/en/](http://www.hotelroyalcortina.it/en/). Cortina is a wonderful centre with walks (and buses, and cafés!) in all directions. For those with steeper aspirations, there are plenty of via ferrata of all grades. Intending participants should book their own flights and accommodation; there is plenty of choice beyond Rod's hotel. For more details and/or advice, please contact Rod on email at [climb@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:climb@cairngormclub.org.uk) and/or see the Forum.

## Aberdeen Mountain Rescue Team Sponsored Walk 2016

This annual event will take place on Saturday 4 June, from Spittal of Glenmuick via Geldershiel and Ballochbuie to Keiloch – an interesting A-to-B route. Free buses from Aberdeen and Deeside to the starting point, and back from Invercauld afterwards. Minimum sponsorship requested £40 per participant. For details and registration, email [walk@amrt.org.uk](mailto:walk@amrt.org.uk) or see <http://www.amrt.org.uk>.

## 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.

## 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 or the Secretary (see back page).

## Old Cars and the Dee

As visitors to Muir will have noted, a number (31, apparently) of old cars, along with tons of concrete boulders, railway sleepers and other items, were removed from the north bank of the Dee just below the confluence of the Quoich. This material was used in 1984 to fill a gap in an old dyke which was built to protect deer calving grounds but was breached in 1937. Erosion was creating a risk of damaging the river through release of waste down-river. The new and lower bank, built of natural materials, will allow occasional flooding of the area behind it, and thus benefit natural floodplain habitats.

## 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 Benn Hitchen, email [social@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:social@cairngormclub.org.uk)

## Eric Johnston

Eric - perhaps our most distinguished living Honorary Member - has been awarded the rank of *Chevalier* in the *Ordre national de la Légion d'honneur*, in recognition of his “*acknowledged military engagement and ... steadfast involvement in the Liberation of France during the Second World War*”.

## Lunch & Danders

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



There are another two Lunch and Danders, the first on Thursday 7th July, meeting at the harbour at Gourdon at 10:30am, with lunch at the Hornblower restaurant, Gourdon Harbour at 12:30pm. Please advise Ruth by Tuesday 5th July, if you would like to join the lunch gathering.

The final Lunch and Dander organised at present will be on Tuesday 16th August, meeting at Glentanar Car Park at 10:30am, with lunch at the Lady on the Loch at 12:30pm. Please advise Ruth by Sunday 14th August if you would like to join the lunch gathering. At this venue a menu will be available for advance ordering of the meal, which they prefer.

## Scottish Hills & Walkhighlands Websites

The Club Forum holds a good selection of walk reports undertaken by members; these reports are often both informative and entertaining. However if you are heading for the hills and want to see the sort of terrain that you will encounter and can't find a report on the Forum, why not try one of these two online resources.

Walkhighlands – <http://www.walkhighlands.co.uk/Forum/>  
 Scottish Hills – <http://www.scottishhills.com/html/modules.php?>

## 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.

Frances Hill	Ordinary Member since 1946
Joan Johnston	Associate Member since 1974
Angus Nicholas	Associate Member since 1980
Judith Thrower	Associate Member since 1990

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

Kolbjorn Akselvoll	Banchory	Associate
Esperanza Martin Gil	Edinburgh	Associate
Ann Kerr	Lochwinnoch	Associate
Andrew McIntosh	Edinburgh	Associate
David Strang	Aberdeen	Ordinary

## Dinner 2016

The Club Dinner 2016. will be held on Friday 18th November, at a location yet to be determined. More information, when available, will be on the Club Forum, distributed by Yahoo email, and in the October Newsletter.

## 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  
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## 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>

## MWIS

On a trial basis, this website (see Links page on Club website) now offers video forecasts for the week ahead, using weather maps.

## Mountaineering Council of Scotland

The MCofS is holding its AGM at Perth at 16:00 on Saturday 24 September (during an Aberdeen Public Holiday weekend, and a Club meet to the Lake District). This can be an interesting event, with various items outside the formal business, and Club members will be welcome.

## Night Hikes

Following on from the three previous night hikes to Bennachie, Clachnaben and Millstone Hill, Benn Hitchen is to organise another for Tuesday 15th November 2016. This will be a walk up Brimmond Hill. More details will follow in the October Newsletter, the Forum and the Club Website.

## Muir Cottage

By the time you receive this newsletter, the work weekend will have taken place.

Muir has been very busy so far this year. The old coin meters in the bedrooms started to fail and are being replaced by 2 hour timers. Also, chairs were acquired to replace old ones.

The mountain bikes are well being well used by visitors but it takes a lot of effort to keep them in good order. In the instructions it's stated that if the bikes breaks down it's up to the user to get it fixed and this is not happening.

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

6 November	Glen Clova	Minibus	Garry Wardrope
11 December	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 Autumn/Winter 2016.

11 November	Blackrock Cottage, Glencoe	Sue Chalmers
2 December	Riasg, Roy Bridge	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.

## 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>

## Mid-Week Walks

Arthur Dickie ([meetorganiser35@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto: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.

A 2017 Planning Meeting will be held in Aberdeen in late August; details by email, MWW word of mouth etc.

## 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 1<sup>st</sup> October 2015.

For those paying by Direct Debit this was collected automatically on 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

## Training

Want to develop new skills or improve/renew existing ones? The Club supports relevant training for members by running courses and by providing grants for external courses. Club-organised courses depend on demand and are usually organised when enough members are interested. Names are currently being collected for:

- Emergency First Aid (to HSE standards)
- Navigation (training and practice at all levels)

The dates and times of training are arranged to suit the majority of the group, and can take the form of several evenings or a weekend. Other training that has been supported in the past includes Mountain Leadership and Rock Climbing. To register an interest in the above Club courses (no commitment needed at this stage), contact Garry Wardrope on email at [day@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:day@cairngormclub.org.uk)

## 349 Views of Scotland

This softback book, by David Squires, is "a comprehensive description of Scotland's 349 view indicators" and updates a series of articles appearing in the Glasgow *Evening Times* in 1938, and written by the famous mountaineer Ben Humble. Aberdeenshire is recorded as having 21 indicators, including of course those erected by the Club on Ben Macdhui (with a mistake!?) and on Lochnagar, and Kincardineshire has 5 more. ISBN 978-184995-171-5, 208pp. Price £18.99 plus p&p from Whittles Publishing, Dunbeath, Caithness. [www.whittlespublishing.com](http://www.whittlespublishing.com).

## Summer Social Meet 2016, Wednesday 15 June

As a change from past practice, the Meet this year will consist of a gentle walk up Scolty, followed by an evening meal at the Douglas Arms on the High Street in Banchory. For the former, meet at 4:30pm in the usual Scolty Woods car park (GR 685948); for the latter, meet at the hotel at 7:00pm. Please let Benn Hitchen know by 7 June that you plan to attend the walk and/or the meal, on email at [social@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:social@cairngormclub.org.uk) or use the enclosed slip. The menu is available at [www.douglasarms.co.uk/dinnermenu.pdf](http://www.douglasarms.co.uk/dinnermenu.pdf); main-course items include beef and ale pie (£10.50), haddock and chips (£11.50) and Caesar salad (£7.50). Children will be welcome, and a pick-up at the Banchory bus stop (services 201 or 203) around 4:00pm can be arranged.



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



### 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](mailto:meetorganiser38@cairngormclub.org.uk)

### 8 - 9 July. Sail Mhor Croft Hostel, Dundonnell (Fri & Sat nights)

Sail Mhor Croft, Dundonnell: Club has sole use of this 14 bedded bunkhouse. Excellent centre for An Teallach, the Beinn Dearg group of Munros, the Fannichs and Fisherfield. Many good crags for climbing in the area. To book, contact Jim Bryce on email at [weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)

### 19 - 20 August, Corran Bunkhouse (Fri & Sat nights)

This self-contained 12 bed bunkhouse is in an excellent location with Glencoe, Ardnamurchan, the Mamores, Glen Nevis etc. all within easy reach. Climbing is also available on Ben Nevis and in Glencoe. Plenty of cycling and low level walking also in the area. To book, contact Sue Chalmers on email at [cte11@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:cte11@cairngormclub.org.uk)

### 23 - 25 September, Causeway Foot, nr Keswick (Fri & Sat nights)

The Club has sole use of this 16 bedded Camping Barn which is about 6 miles south of Keswick. Excellent rock climbing in the area as well as first class hillwalking. To book, contact Jim Bryce on email at [weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)

### 7 - 8 October, Naismith SMC Hut, Elphin (Fri & Sat nights)

The Club have the sole use of the excellent Hut in Elphin in North West Scotland for this Meet. There are a multitude of Munros and Corbetts in the vicinity, and for the climbers there is great climbing at Sheigra, Laxford Bridge, Storr, Sandwood Bay, Reiff and many more. Mountain routes on Stac Pollaidh and Foinaven are also nearby. To book, contact Colin Brown on email at [newsletter@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@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 Summer 2016.

### June 18/19, Overnighter, Ben Alder

Departing St Margaret's in the minibus at 10am, we will head for the Ben Alder Area. Plans are flexible, with the following outline: drop-offs at the north end of Loch Erich if there is demand, before the bus heads to Kinloch Rannoch. The bus will depart from Rannoch railway station at 13:00 on Sunday (Corrou train expected at 12:30), with pickups available on the road out. Cost is £20. For further information, or to book, contact Garry Wardrope on email at [day@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:day@cairngormclub.org.uk)

### July 16/17, Cairngorms Adventure

Another Overnighter starting at Linn o'Dee carpark and aiming to traverse the main Munros surrounding the Lairig Ghru with an overnight bivvy. Being a car meet, other options are possible for those wanting to only do part of the trip, e.g. Saturday only. Further details are on the website and on the Forum. To book, contact Mark Wynne at [cte12@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:cte12@cairngormclub.org.uk)

### August 7, Ben Lawers

A second car meet of the summer, heading south to the Ben Lawers range. Ample options for Munros and Corbetts hereabouts. To register your interest, contact Benn Hitchen at [social@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:social@cairngormclub.org.uk)

### September 4, Cairngorms Traverse

The coach will depart from St Margaret's School for Glenmore at 7am for our annual trek across the Cairngorms. Various options include Ben Macdui and Beinn Mheadhoin, or a visit to the Shelter Stone. Return to the coach at Linn of Dee by 6.30pm. Cost is £15. To book, contact Garry Wardrope on email at [day@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:day@cairngormclub.org.uk)

### October 1, Ben Rinnes

A Saturday meet for those that would like to have Sunday to recover. The minibus meet will depart St Megs at 7am. Dropping off on the East side of the mountain and picking up on the West allows for several possible routes. The day will finish with a tea at a local inn for food and refreshments. Cost is £12.50. To book, contact Garry Wardrope on email at [day@cairngormclub.org.uk](mailto:day@cairngormclub.org.uk)

**May 2016**

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 (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)

**June**

7	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
10	Fri	W/E Meet	Lazy Crofter Bunkhouse, Durness (Mark Peel; meetorganiser38@cairngormclub.org.uk)
14	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
18	Sat	Overnighter	Ben Alder (Garry Wardrope; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)
21	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
28	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
30	Thur	M/W Walk	Geallaig Hill (9am; 37; K; Arthur Dickie; meetorganiser35@cairngormclub.org.uk)

**July**

5	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
7	Thur	Lunch & Dander	Meet at Gourdon Harbour at 10:30am with lunch at Hornblowers Restaurant, Gourdon Harbour at 12:30. (Ruth Payne)
8	Fri	W/E Meet	Sail Mhor Croft Hostel, Dundonnell (Jim Bryce; weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
12	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
16	Sat	Day Meet	Cairngorm Overnighter (Mark Wynne; cte12@cairngormclub.org.uk)
19	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
26	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
28	Thur	M/W Walk	Falls of Damph (9am; 44; R; Norris Rennie)

**August**

2	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
7	Sun	Day Meet	Ben Lawers (7am; 51; 603381; 7hrs; TBC; car; Benn Hitchen; social@cairngormclub.org.uk)
9	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
16	Tue	Lunch & Dander	Meet at Glentanar Car Park at 10:30am with lunch at the Lady on the Loch, Aboyne at 12:30. (Ruth Payne)
16	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
19	Fri	Weekend	Corran Bunkhouse (Sue Chalmers; cte11@cairngormclub.org.uk)
23	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
25	Thur	M/W Walk	An Socach or Alternative (9am; 43; K; Martin Duguid)
30	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)

**September**

4	Sun	Day Meet	Cairngorm Traverse (7am; 36, 43; 989063; 8hrs; £15; coach; Garry Wardrope; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)
6	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
13	Tue	Climbing	Outdoor Climbing (Rod Campbell; climb@cairngormclub.org.uk)
20	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing Season Begins at Transition
23	Fri	Weekend	Causey Foot Camping Barn, Keswick (Jim Bryce; weekend@cairngormclub.org.uk)
27	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition
29	Thur	M/W Walk	Clachnaben (9am; 45; K; Mike Forsyth)

**October**

1	Sat	Day Meet	Ben Rinnes (7am; 28; 283360 - TBC; 8hrs; £12.50; minibus; Garry Wardrope; day@cairngormclub.org.uk)
4	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition
7	Fri	Weekend	Naismith SMC Hut, Elphin (Colin Brown; newsletter@cairngormclub.org.uk)
11	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition
18	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition
25	Tue	Climbing	Indoor Climbing at Transition
27	Thur	M/W Walk	Morven (9am; 37; K; Ken Thomson; secretary@cairngormclub.org.uk)