

CULTER HILLWALKING CLUB

MONDAY WALKS 2018 PROGRAMME

- Mon 15 Jan Hill of Foudland (467m) NJ603332 OS29 Banff & Huntly**
11km, 310m ascent. A short circular route from Morgan McVeigh's (Inverness road) descending thru the slate quarries. If road conditions poor, this walk will change.
- Mon 12 Feb Water of Aven & Airy Muir (466m) NO603877 OS44 & 45**
14km, 350m ascent. A route largely on track exploring the more remote reaches of the Water of Aven. Steep offpath descent included.
- Mon 19 Mar Black Hill (695m) NO458752 OS44 Ballater**
21km, 650m ascent. Circular from Invermark, part track, maybe path, part offpath, circling high around Glen Effock. Options for Burnt Hill...
- Mon 23 Apr Carn Mor (Ladder Hills) (804m) NJ265183 OS37 Strathdon & 36**
18km, 600m ascent. An A-B from the Lecht and including (by special request) a visit to Scalán. Lots of offpath but shouldn't be too challenging.
- Mon 21 May Catterline- St Cyrus (coastal) NO868782 start OS38 Aberdeen**
24km, some up and down. Some of this is new to me, I will attempt to minimise both tarmac and cliffhangers. Easy stretch Inverbervie-Johnshaven.
- Mon 18 Jun Carn Bhac (946m) NO050832 OS43 Braemar**
24km, 750m. A straightforward circuit up Glen Ey and returning over the famous Carn Liath (famed for its view of the Cairngorms).
- Mon 9 Jul Lochnagar (1155m) via Sandy Loch NO243861 OS44 Ballater**
18km, 900m ascent. A circular route from Keiloch, this will take in Meall Coire na Saobhaide too, and will have a fair amount of rough offpath and some boulders.
- Mon 20 Aug Creag Leacach (947m) NO154745 OS43 Braemar**
19km, 1000m ascent. An A-B above Glen Shee, beginning with ascent of Creag Leacach and continuing over numerous summits before descending to the Cateran Way to finish at the Spittal.
- Mon 24 Sep Cooks Cairn (755m) & Scout Hill (606m) NJ3022878 mainly OS37**
23km, 570m ascent. Track walking up Glen Fiddoch separated by offpath up and down hill. Once remote, visit now to see major windfarm being built....
- Mon 22 Oct The Socach (719m) NJ279146 OS37 Strathdon**
18km, 500m ascent. From Bellabeg to The Socach via Green Hill, descending either thru Glen Ernan or via Carn Mor. Lots of emptiness. Mainly track but some rough path.
- Mon 19 Nov Peter's Hill (568m) & Crannach Hill (600m) NJ362008 OS44 Ballater**
16km, 460m ascent. A circular from the Pass of Ballater past Peter's Hill with interesting offpath section (ie could be tricky) over Crannach Hill.
- Mon 10 Dec Craiglich (476m) NJ533054 OS37 Strathdon**
11km, 180m ascent. Start from Queens View and walk south over Craiglich, finishing on the Tarland Way. Half day walk followed by Xmas lunch in Aboyne.

Note, as always, that the routes are often unrecceid, the grid refs and distances etc are approximate only, the winter walks may change because of road conditions, autumn walks may change because of shooting, and any route may change when I have second thoughts....

Note also the early July date this year.