

Culter Hillwalking Club

NEXT WALKS – SUNDAY 3rd June 2018

Long Walk: Beinn a'Chaorainn and Beinn Bhreac

Distance 30 km (including 12 km cycling), 9.0 hours, OS Map 36

This walk starts from the Linn of Dee car park either on foot or by bike, (walkers start 1 hr earlier) where we follow a good track for 6 km to Derry Lodge. Walkers and cyclists then meet at Derry Lodge, and head north through the forest to ascend our first Munro, Beinn Bhreac. We cross to the West top, then continue northwards towards Beinn a'Chaorainn Bheag. From this Munro top, we then turn west, to reach the top of our second Munro Beinn a' Chaorainn. Leaving on a southwest bearing, there is a steep descent into Lairig an Laoigh to pick up a good footpath back to Derry Lodge. We then return to the Linn of Dee by foot or by bike.

Note: This walk is a long one, with some steep ascents and descents. Requires a good level of fitness

**Cycle/Walk – Departure from Peterculter Heritage Centre 8am (walkers 1 hr earlier)
Contact Graham Metcalf to book (Tel 078 7241 3793)**

Closing date Thursday 31st May

Short Walk: Creag Bhalg (668m)

Distance 13 km, vertical asc' 300m, 5.5 hours, OS Map 43 Braemar

This is a fairly easy walk from Linn of Dee carpark. We follow the familiar track towards Derry Lodge, then turn off to walk through the Clais Fhearnaig, an ancient meltwater channel that separates Meall Luindain from Creag Bhalg. This drops us into Glen Quoich, where we then turn southwest up a track, visit the summit of Creag Bhalg, and then descend to the road back to the carpark. Track, path, offpath & 1.5km on road.

Depart St Peter's heritage centre, Peterculter, 8.30am. Transport by shared car, contributions to driver please.

If you'd like to come, and if you're happy to drive, **email Catherine Lacy on catherine.lacyroberts@btinternet.com, call on 01224 733710 if any questions.**

Walkers must wear walking boots (gaiters also recommended), carry WARM and waterproof clothing, hat and gloves and take plenty of food and liquids. THESE ARE ESSENTIAL. Be prepared for possible wintry conditions on the top, whatever the forecast.

Culter hillwalking club has no members who are qualified leaders or instructors. Therefore anyone volunteering to assist the club on a walk cannot be held responsible for other members' welfare. Members must be aware they are solely responsible for themselves at all times. Hillwalking and mountaineering are activities with a danger of personal injury and death. Those participating in these activities should be aware of the risks and accept the responsibility for their own actions and involvement. No responsibility can be accepted by Culter Hillwalking club committee, members, guests or co-ordinators of walks for any mishap, which may occur, during a walk. Dog owners must ensure that their dogs are on a short lead at all times.