

# CULTER HILLWALKING CLUB

## MONDAY WALKS 2025 PROGRAMME

Mon 20th Jan	<b>Hermit Seat (478m)</b> 13km, 417m ascent. Easy-going start to 2025, a figure of eight from Keig visiting the western Bennachie summits of Hermit Seat and Black Hill; tracks & paths and a little bit of road. Plus a stone circle, and a natural burial site you may want to check out...	NJ645228 OS37 Strathdon
Mon 10th Feb	<b>Ben Tirran (The Goet) (896m)</b> 15km, 874m ascent. From the Glen Clova road, a circuit of Ben Tirran via Loch Wharral and extending to Muckle Cairn to locate the aircraft wreckage - apparently a recommended site...	NO373746 OS44 Ballater
Mon 17th Mar	<b>Peter's Hill (568m) &amp; The Crannoch (600m)</b> 19km, 770m ascent. From the Pass of Ballater, a loop up Peter's Hill, returning via The Crannoch, - descent tends to offpath, and care needed on one short but interesting section...	NJ362008 OS37 Strathdon
Mon 21st Apr	<b>Meall an t-Slugain (849m)</b> 16km, 820m ascent. A circular from Auchallater, it's that fun walk up the Loch Callater track, then uphill to Creag an Loch. From here, we cross Meall an t-Slugain, Creag Leachda and finally Millstone Cairn. Other than the initial track, it's offpath but not too difficult unless in cloud.	NO184863 OS43 Braemar
Mon 12th May	<b>Portgordon - Cullen (coastal)</b> 17km, 244m ascent in gentle ups and downs. A-B, quite a bit on pavement, but it's time I took a look at this westerly section of the Shire coastal trail. It improves as we move east to admire the Bow Fiddle Rock and hopefully find some wonderful Cullen ice cream...	NJ396643 OS28 Elgin/29 Banff
Mon 9th Jun	<b>Beinn Bhreac (931m) &amp; Creag Bhalg (668m)</b> 22km, 850m ascent. An easy ascent of Beinn Bhreac from Linn of Dee, then a stretch of offpath tricky descent via stunning Poll Bhat, and returning via Creag Bhalg (ascent of which is optional).	NO058971 OS43 Braemar
Mon 21st Jul	<b>Carn Ealasaid (792m)</b> 18km, 750m ascent. An A-B tackling the hill from the north, largely roaming moorland, partly on track, but also some offpath heather to keep us fit...	NJ227118 OS36 Grantown
Mon 18th Aug	<b>Glas Maol (1068m) &amp; Creag Leacach (987m)</b> 18km, 750m ascent. An A-B between Glenshee ski centre and Spittal of Glenshee, 2 easy Munros and a lovely descent over a variety of bumps south, to land on the Cateran Way and so to the Spittal. Path on the whole, but no difficult ground.	NO166765 OS43 Braemar
Mon 15th Sep	<b>Geal Charn (878m) via Glen Tilt</b> 24km, 670m ascent. From Linn of Dee, via White Bridge south down Glen Tilt, then climbing steeply offpath to Geal Charn. Straightforward descent to Inverey. Burn crossings may be a challenge. Visit newly restored Red House bothy.	NO032833 OS43 Braemar
Mon 20th Oct	<b>Mount Blair (744m)</b> 21km, 650m ascent. From Kirkton of Glenisla, via the Cateran Way, a pleasant round, skirting Auchintaple Loch before taking the (quiet) road to Mt Blair. Ascent on path, then down some offpath to cross to the moors and that Cateran Way on path again to the start.	NO167630 OS43 & 44
Mon 10th Nov	<b>Carn a Bhacain (745m)</b> 14km, 670m ascent. DG's favourite Nov walk, starting near Gairnshiel Lodge, we climb on track and offpath to the summit before visiting Camock Hill and descending to return along the River Gairn. Track, path, offpath.	NJ291043 OS37 Strathdon
Mon 15th Dec	<b>Lamahip (404m)</b> 10.5km, 360m ascent. From end of public road, Forest of Birse, an easy circuit mainly on track, some path, a lovely little hill with pines & views, Xmas lunch after at the Finzean tearoom.	NO554926 OS44 Ballater

*Note, as always, that the routes are often unrecieved, 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, dates may change if I book any holidays, and any route may change when I have second thoughts....*