

Culter Hillwalking Club

NEXT WALK – SUNDAY 7th July 2019

Long Bike + Walk – Stob an t-Sluichd 1107m

Distance 16km bike, 30km walk. Walk only ascent/time 1400m/11hrs

This is a long bike ride + walk involving river crossings. Stob an t-Sluichd is hidden beyond Beinn a Bhuid to the north, A good-weather circular walk is planned starting on bikes at the Linn of Quoich end-of-road Car Park (NO117910) and following the track up the western side of Glen Quoich. After 8km a river crossing is necessary. We turn east along track/path up Glen Quoich then join a mainly well-maintained path northward to The Sneck, west to Cnap a' Chleirich and finally north to Stob an t-Sluichd – 8km bike, 15km walking to this summit. Return route is over Beinn a Bhuid North Top 1197m, South Top 1179m then off-track south to join the OS marked path skirting Carn Fiaclach to our outward route in at the river Quoich Water and back to the bikes (river crossing).

Note: This bike + walk involves some off-path walking and requires a good level of fitness. Walkers should be prepared for at least two crossings of a river which may involve getting wet feet.

Long Walkers. Contact James james@brownhill.us if you plan to join the day. As bikes are required please arrange your own transport/car sharing to **MEET AT THE LINN OF QUOICH CAR PARK (NO117910)** at 8.45am, with end of walk return expected 8.00pm.

Short Walk – Monamenach 807m

Dist 15 km. Ascent 450 metres. Time 6 hrs (inc breaks). OS Map 43.

We park at Auchavan just beyond the end of the public road up Glen Isla (NO192696) . We follow the track which ascends to the summit of Monamenach (Corbett 807m). We then follow the boundary fence to the summit of Craigenloch Hill before descending off path with views down over Loch Beanie. (There is the possibility of an extension to ascend Duchray Hill if the group so wishes). We then pick up the path through Glen Beanie and join the road near Dalvanie. Depending on the wishes of the group, we can either walk south along the road for about 1km, cross the bridge and pick up the path on the east side of the river to return to Auchavan, or walk north up the road for about 2km before crossing a bridge and joining the path. The latter is a shorter route but involves more walking on tarmac.

Short Walkers. Contact Jackie and Andy Moat 01224 732944. Please indicate if you would be willing to drive. Meet Culter Heritage Centre 8:30am. Transport by shared cars. (The quickest route to the start of the walk from Culter is via the A90 and Kirriemuir, but those driving from Banchory may wish to take an alternative route via Braemar and Glenshee).

Sunday Saunter

Sunday Saunterers. A circular walk of Loch Kinord, 10km, minimal ascent. Contact Della 07738 239687

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.

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