



SPINDRIFT

PERTH HILLWALKING CLUB NEWSLETTER

Issue 133 November 2010

Chairman's Message

Dear Friends and Fellow Members,

Summer has gone and we did not always have the best of weather on our walks, and some walks this summer have been in quite unseasonable rain.

I thank all of our regular walkers for supporting us no matter how wet. Now the colder weather approaches, it's time to be looking out the winter gear again, especially those planning to come on the Challenging walks.

A discount evening has been arranged at Tiso's new store in Perth, and a chance to make some savings when replacing any ageing gear. More details on the back page.

Hopefully we will have some reasonable winter weather over the next 3 months or so, and I look forward to seeing you on our monthly walks and the February weekend.

Finally, as Xmas approaches fast, myself and the committee would like to wish you all compliments of the season.

Ian

September Weekend Report

This was held at the Glencoe hostel, and we had 9 members attend on the Friday evening, and 11 on the Saturday. The weather was very poor all weekend, and members walked a section of the West Highland Way on Saturday and Sunday, but 2 climbed Tyndrum Corbetts on Sunday. A very disappointing turnout for a good hostel !

Calendar 2010 – 2011

Date	Event
7th November	Monthly Walk
12th November	Buffet & Slides Night
5th December	Monthly Walk
9th January 2011	Monthly Walk
6th February	Monthly Walk
18th, 19th February	Weekend Meet Kinlochleven
6th March	Monthly Walk
11th March	Club AGM
3rd April	Monthly Walk
1st May	Monthly Walk
6th, 7th, 8th May	Weekend Meet Ullapool

Monthly Walks

Please send the booking fee (**£12**) and form at least 10 days in advance and only book for 1 walk at a time to:

Elsie Wilke

18 Fairhill Crescent, Perth PH1 1RR

Tel. 01738 631811

Weekend Meets

Bookings for all weekend meets should be sent to:-

Ian Swan

35 Dunsinane Drive, Perth PH1 2DU

Tel. 01738 634441

ALL CHEQUES PAYABLE TO PERTH AND DISTRICT HILLWALKING CLUB

Thanks from Kirsten

Kirsten Paterson would like to thank everyone for their good wishes and gifts, on her last Munro on Saturday 30th October, and hopes all who came enjoyed the day as much as she did !

Walk Programme December 2010, January & February 2011

Challenging Plus, Challenging, Less Challenging

	Time of Departure	O.S. Map	Starting Point	Finishing Point	Description of walk	Height m/feet	Distance Km/miles
5 th Dec Challenging Plus	0700hrs	50/56	351220	370240	Derrydaroch – Track Over Br – SE – Stob Glas – SE, E, NE – An Caisteal (M) – S, SE – Bealach – Beinn a Chroin (M) – 940m Top – N, NW – Coire Earb – Track to Main Road & Lay-by	1110m/3642ft	13km/8.1ml
5 th Dec Challenging	0700hrs	50/56	351220	370240	As Chall. Plus	1110m/3642ft	13km/8.1ml
5 th Dec Less Challenging	0700hrs	50/56	351220	370240	As Chall. Plus to An Caisteal (M) – N – Twistin Hill – Sron Gharbh – Track to Main Road & Lay-by	925m/3035ft	9.5km/5.9ml
9 th January 2011 Chall. Plus	0700hrs	58	990044	915971	Burnfoot – Innerdownie – Whitewisp Hill – Tarmangie Hill – Skythorn Hill – Andrew Gannel Hill – Ben Cleuch – Mill Glen - Tillicoultry	850m/2790ft	19km/11.9ml
9 th January 2011 Challenging	0700hrs	58	963980	915971	Dollar – Dollar Glen – Bank Hill – Kings Seat – Andrew Gannel Hill – Ben Cleuch – Mill Glen - Tillicoultry	800m/2625ft	16.5km/10.3ml
9 th January 2011 Less Chall.	0700hrs	58	915971	915971	Tillicoultry – Andrew Gannel Hill – Ben Cleuch – The Law – Mill Glen - Tillicoultry	800m/2625ft	12km/7.5ml
6 th Feb Challenging Plus	0700hrs	57	586091	535066	Coireachrombie car park – Track west to south ridge of Ben Ledi – Ben Ledi (C) – Stuc Dhubh – Ben Vane (C) – Creag na h-Airighe – Brig o’ Turk	1000m/3280ft	20km/12.5ml
6 th Feb Challenging	0700hrs	57	586091	535066	As Chall. Plus	1000m/3280ft	20km/12.5ml
6 th Feb Less Challenging	0700hrs	57	586091	535066	Coireachrombie car park – Track west to south ridge of Ben Ledi – Ben Ledi (C) – Stuc Dhubh – SSW to pickup track in Gleann Casaig – Brig o’ Turk	755m/2477ft	19km/11.9ml

NB. Bus Fare is now £12.00 for all members

Walk Programme December 2010, January & February 2011

Moderate, Moderate/Easy, Easy

	Time of Departure	O.S. Map	Starting Point	Finishing Point	Description of walk	Height m/feet	Distance Km/miles
5 th Dec Moderate	0800hrs	52	755438	855490	Acharn – Track SSE, ENE – X Remony Burn – Path NNE – Balmacnaughton – Track NE – Road E – Tombuie Cott. – SE – Lochan at 801432 – Track NE – Urlar Burn – Path at 852473 – Birks of Aberfeldy - Aberfeldy	502m/1647ft	16.2km/10.1ml
5 th Dec Moderate/Easy	0800hrs	52	755438	855490	As Mod. To Tombuie Cott. – Track N, NE – Tullichuil – Track & Path ENE, SE – The Birks & Finish as Mod.	220m/722ft	14.5km/9.1ml
5 th Dec Easy	0800hrs	52	855490	855490	Walks around Aberfeldy		
9 th January 2011 Moderate	0800hrs	57	486889	520010	Blarnavaid (A811) – WH Way Track N, NW – 480906 – NE (Rob Roy Way) – 505936 (Drymen Rd. Cott.) – NW, N – 485969 – NE – 496979 (Clashmore) – N – 496983 – NE – Balleich - Aberfoyle	120m/394ft	16km/10ml
9 th January 2011 Moderate/Easy	0800hrs	57	553927	520010	Douchlage – Track W – Hoish – W, NW – Drymen Rd. Cott. – As Mod. To Finish	40m/131ft	13km/8.1ml
9 th January 2011 Easy	0800hrs	57	520010	520010	Walks around Aberfoyle		
6 th February Moderate	0800hrs	44/45	559650	602686	Minor Rd. Tigerton – Edzell (NW of Edzell) – NW, NNW Between Caterthuns – Bridgend – W, N – East Wirren – ESE – Little Tullo – 592715 – SSE - Edzell	700m/2297ft	20.4km/12.7ml
6 th February Moderate/Easy	0800hrs	44/45	650734	602686	Fettercairn – W – (Via Distillery) Cauldcots Farm – WSW, SW - Burn Farm – The Neuk – W, SSE – Gannochy – Beside River - Edzell	108m/354ft	10.7km/6.7ml
6 th February Easy	0800hrs	44/45	602686	602686	Walks around Edzell		

**NB. Bus Fare is now £12.00 for all members
Later start time from November !**

Members Slides and Buffet Evening

Just a reminder that this will be held on Friday **12th November**, at the **Craigie Hill Golf Club Clubhouse, at 07.30 pm.**

A Message from Tony Chisholm

A big thank you to everyone who walked with me on my last Munro, a dry and midge free day with considerable wind, which was almost too strong for the flags; thanks very much Steve for them ! It was an honour to have so many of you joining me, 32 in all, including the younger walkers. The champagne flowed freely, which eased us back to the cars and our meal. Great company in the evening completed the day.

I couldn't believe such generosity you showed, with all the cards and gifts I received. Thank you all so much for such a memorable day. Tony.

Introductory Winter Skills Courses

Weekend courses are available again this year at Glenmore Lodge, (Aviemore) and 1 day courses by the Ancrum Centre (Dundee)

Glenmore Lodge (01479 861256 & Website)

8th Jan, 15th Jan, 22nd Jan, 5th Feb, 12th Feb, 5th Mar, 12th Mar, 19th Mar (Cost:- £225)

Ancrum Centre (01382 435911 & Website)

8th Jan, 29th Jan, 5th Mar (Cost:- £50)

Winter Hill Safety Talks by Mick Tighe

Details from the MCofS website, and typically Dundee University on Tue 16th Nov at 7.00pm.

Fiona Stewart's Last Munro

An early note, to confirm that this will be Beinn Dorain on Saturday 14th May 2011.

February 2011 Weekend – Kinlochleven

The February weekend on the **18th & 19th** will be at the Blackwater Hostel. The cost will be **£15** per night, and the closing date for bookings is the 31st January.

Bookings to Ian Swan as soon as possible please.

Tiso's – Perth – Club Discount Evening This will be on Wednesday 17th November from 06.30 – 08.30pm. There will be 15% off clothing, footwear & accessories. Also 20% off mountaineering & climbing hardware, and 10% on a range of other items. Please bring your membership card.

Craigdon – Perth – Talk and Slideshow

This will be on Tuesday 9th November at 06.00pm, by the climber Leo Holding, on Mt Asgard. (Baffin Island – Canada) A discount of 20% will be available on clothing and footwear, only after the lecture has finished. Please bring your membership card.

Spindrift

This is your newsletter so please use it !

If you have any articles that you would like to submit to be included in it, or have any comments about the presentation, please send them to:-

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Please note that the current Spindrift is always posted on the club website, along with information on the current programme of events.

Website

www.perthhillwalkingclub.co.uk

Anyone who has photos that they would like to show on the website please send on a disc to Ken Ward.

Monthly Walks Coach Pickup Point

Just a reminder for any new members and guests of the club, that the pickup point is always the **South Inch Car Park** in Perth.

Surplus Equipment for Sale

1 pair of Meindl 4 season boots, size 9 - £15. Tony Chisholm 01796 473318

RSGS Talks at Perth Concert Hall

(Royal Scottish Geographical Society)

A range of talks are planned at 07.30pm, on the following Tuesdays:- (Cost:- £8)

9th November, 7th December, 11th January, 8th February, 8th March.