

Perth & District Hillwalking Club
Monthly Bulletin September 2016

October Monthly Walks Reminder – Combined Coach on Sunday 2nd

We are going to Moffat next month. The Challenging walks will do a Corbett traverse from Devil's Beef Tub, and a ridge traverse over Bodesbeck and Herman Law. Both walks finishing at the Grey Mare's Tail centre. The Moderate walks will do traverses from Devil's Beef Tub to Moffat.

Bookings to Elsie Wilke by Thursday 22nd September please.

Remember we park at Broxden P&R car park now!

September Weekend Meet at Ullapool SYHA Hostel (16th, 17th, 18th)

Anyone wanting to attend, needs to book directly with the hostel or SYHA.

(www.syha.org.uk Tel: 08452937373 or with the hostel. Tel: 01854 612254.

(ullapool@syha.org.uk) Please let the SYHA or the hostel know you are with the Perth Hillwalking Club group, and also let Margaret Band know.

Ancrum Centre Mountain Leader Training Course on 17th October (6 Days)

A Bulletin was mailed out to you this week, and for further details please contact the Ancrum Centre, (01382 435911) or dave.slade@leisureandculturedundee.com

Annual Slides and Buffet Evening at Craigie Hill on Friday 18th November

As usual, we're looking for presenters to show up to around **50 photos**, with the theme; "**Hills and Mountains Anywhere**". Please let George know if you would like to show some photos. Also, we will be selling tickets soon now. They will be available on the coach from next month, or by an SAE and cheque to Elsie Wilke. The ticket price will be the same as last year, at **£12**.

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Combined Coach Report: Sunday 4th September 2016 – Braemar & Ballater

We had a booking total of 26 for this outing, and yet another very poor month for coach bookings. With 1 member cancelling, we had 25 on the coach. This was the first outing from Broxden, and we wouldn't expect any time difference compared to going to Braemar from the South Inch. However, the driver's time, from and to Auchterarder was reduced by around 15 minutes.

The weather forecast was mainly dry with sunny intervals, with the chance of a shower. This is how it was, but with some light rain at the end of the day, when we were all off the hill. Unusually, we had no bookings for the Moderate/Easy or the Challenging walks, so we had 3 walks and 3 groups.

We had 9 in the Challenging Plus and Less Challenging groups, and 7 in the Moderate group. The Challenging groups were dropped off at Auchallater, just south of Braemar, before the coach went to Ballater where the Moderate group was based. (They were a little late starting, having had difficulty locating the correct coach parking area. They left the coach around 09.20)

The Challenging groups completed their walks in good time, with both groups arriving at Invercauld Bridge at 16.30. The Moderate group, after a late start, had a few delays along the way. They were picked up by the coach at around 17.00, on the outskirts of Ballater, instead of returning to the car park. However, all groups enjoyed their walk, with great views for most of the day. Refreshments were taken in the Invercauld Arms and other venues in Braemar.

George Smart 5th September 2016

NB Please note a “Midge Net” (Highlander Micro Headnet) was left in the upper luggage rack, at the front of the coach, on the right hand side (behind the driver).

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