

Sunday 7th January 2024

Long Walk - Ferryden - Inverkeilor coastal

The walk starts at the carpark NO720567 at the end of the road east in Ferryden. From here we walk out past the end of the TGO Challenge cairn , past the Scurdie Ness lighthouse and on south past the Elephant Rock to the 18th c Boddam lime kilns. Turning inland on road, we continue to Braehead of Lunan, where we turn down Buckie Den to the beautiful beach of Lunan Bay. Sadly the café is currently closed awaiting repairs, so we march on up the road to cross the Lunan water, then up again to view the remains of the 15th c Red Castle. Thence back to the beach and on south to Corbie Knowe and an easy stroll to Inverkeillor. OS54 Dundee; lots of track and road, also some grass path and a little field margin.

Total distance 17 km, Ascent 200m, Approx. 6 hrs. Reasonable fitness required.

Meet at St Peters Heritage Peterculter 7.45am.

Book, indicating driving/lift/meeting point preference through Long Walk Coordinator **Catherine Lacy** by end of **Friday 5th January.**

Sunday Saunter - Mortlich NJ536018

This walk will start from the easy parking on the slip road just off Golf Road, Aboyne NO533989. The walk takes us through the wood and on to the B9094 at NO520992; the road is crossed and the footpath that runs parallel to the road is followed until it leads back down to the B9094, the road is crossed and the path towards Coull House is easy going. Forestry tracks are followed taking us closer to the hill and footpaths, not on the map, link up with tracks that reach close to Mortlich's summit with easy access to the cairn. The descent, steep in places, through the trees takes us down to the golf course and back to the cars.

Total distance 12km, Ascent 250m, Approx 4 hours. Meet at car parking NO533989 at 10:30am

Booking by Fri Jan 5th

Walkers must wear walking boots (gaiters essential), carry WARM and waterproof clothing, hat and gloves and take plenty of food and liquids.

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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