

## Walks - Sunday October 10th 2021

Closing date Wednesday October 6th

## Walk 1 – Conachcraig (865m)

Walk up the road to Easter Balmoral, bearing southwest and following the track over Gelder Shiel. Continue on to Little Conachcraig and on to Conachcraig. Head to Caisteal na Caillich then descend north east across rough terrain to pick up a track back to Lochnagar distillery and finally the car park.

Total distance 24km, ascent 840m, 8 hrs, OS maps 44 Ballater. Good level of fitness required.

Meet 9.00am Crathie Pay and Display carpark £3 (NO 262 949).

Book through Walk Coordinator Graham Metcalf: grahammetcalf@yahoo.co.uk

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## Walk 2 – Mayar (928m) and Driesh (947m)

Usual straightforward route from Glen Doll car park, through Corrie Fee and climbing up Mayar first, strolling over to the top of the Shank of Drumfollow, where walkers can choose to continue up Driesh, or, if had enough To descend the Shank and return to the start. All on path or track.

Total distance 14.5km, ascent 830m, 6 hrs (both hills), OS44 Ballater. Reasonable level of fitness required Meet 9.30am, Glen Doll car park £3? at end of public road in Glen Clova (NO283761)

Book through Walk Coordinator Catherine Lacy: Catherine.lacyroberts@btinternet.com

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## Walk 3 – Clachan Yell 626m NO446912, Black Craig 640m NO431905 and Red Craig 599m NO423906.

From the Glen Tanar Visitor Centre Car Park NO480967 cross the bridge NO480966 and take the track past the church turning right at the junction of the tracks. Follow the track upstream to the bridge NO461942, cross the river and proceed to the junction NO465939 and turn right. This will take us onto the east shoulder of Clachan Yell at 400m giving us 226m to the summit. From here the high ground should be followed to link up the tops of Black Craig and Red Craig. The main Glen Tanar track should be gained to take us back to the car park.

Total distance 20km, ascent 500m, 6.0 hrs, OS 44 Ballater. Moderate fitness required Meet 10.00am Glen Tanar Visitors Centre Car Park £3

Book through Walk Coordinator Malcom Smith: malcolm susie@btinternet.com

There has been NO RECENT RECONNAISANCE on any of these routes, but all are on routes previously walked. Please carry your own hand sanitizer and face covering, the latter for use in situations where relevant ongoing COVID restrictions apply. For latest guidance regarding travelling with others in private vehicles in Scotland check:

Advice on how to travel safely (transport.gov.scot)

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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