

Year of Natural Scotland and 10th Anniversary Programme of Events 2013

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION	COMMENTS	CONTACT
22 March	Opening of the Blair Atholl visitor hub and 10 th anniversary celebration	Blair Atholl	John Swinney to mark the Park's 10 th anniversary – feature to be placed in Scotland on Sunday Magazine 24 th March	Pete Crane
April	School visits by Board members to promote Year of Natural Scotland and the 10 th Anniversary of the Park	Local Schools (to be agreed)	Board members to give presentations on the Park using the DVDs and other materials provided	Elspeth Grant
May (tbc)	AoCC celebrates Year of Natural Scotland and the Park's 10 th Anniversary	The Lecht	AoCC to invite community groups to share successes – Derek Mackay to be invited and articles in local media	Claire Ross
18 May	Celebrating Cairngorms Nature	Aviemore	Richard Lochhead to launch 'Cairngorms Nature' plus FCS, SNH, RSPB and ranger services leading on stands and activities on the day. CNPA providing support materials – feature articles in NTS, SNH and RSPB magazines	Andy Ford
25 May	Osprey Festival - 'Wild about Boat' celebrating the natural history of the area	Boat of Garten	Official opening of the 'shovel ready' refurbishment project of 'Station Square' – Fergus Ewing to be invited	Pete Crane
25-26 May	Atholl Gathering – to promote Year of Natural Scotland and Cairngorms Nature	Blair Atholl	A mini exhibition stand on 'Celebrating Cairngorms Nature'	Stephanie Bungay
20-23 June	Royal Highland Show – SEARs tent promoting Year of Natural Scotland and Scotland's National Parks	Edinburgh	Richard Lochhead and Paul Wheelhouse to attend plus SEARs partners (led by SNH and further details tbc)	Stephanie Bungay
25 June	Holyrood Evening Reception to celebrate CNP's 10 th Anniversary	Holyrood	Dave Thompson MSP is hosting an event which will promote the collective achievements of the Park – possible feature in Holyrood Magazine (tbc)	Francoise van Buuren
29 July – 4 August	National Parks Week – ANPA partners, CBP, VisitScotland and both National Parks promoting Year of Natural Scotland and 'Activities' you can do in CNP and LL&TT	Launch event and media campaign	Fergus Ewing to be invited to launch/promote National Parks Week and a special supplement about Scotland's National Parks to be placed in The Herald	Stephanie Bungay and Bob Grant
8 August	Grantown Show – to promote Year of Natural Scotland and Cairngorms Nature	Grantown	A mini exhibition stand on 'Celebrating Cairngorms Nature'	Will Boyd Wallis
7 September	Braemar Gathering – to promote Year of Natural Scotland and Cairngorms Nature	Braemar	A mini exhibition stand on 'Celebrating Cairngorms Nature'	Pete Crane
September	'2020' Vision Event – to promote Year of Natural Scotland and Cairngorms Nature	Blair Castle	Pete Cairns to present his '2020 Vision' project and inspire people about natural Scotland and CNP	Stephanie Bungay
September	Cultural Heritage Event (subject to successful funding bids)	Various in the Park	Events around the Park promoting Gaelic and traditional music as part of Year of Natural Scotland	Stephanie Bungay