



## **Cairngorms National Park Ranger Services Countryside Events – July 2011**

Rangers welcome visitors to the countryside and help people discover and appreciate what's around them. Rangers run a variety of countryside events that encourage people to learn about the National Park.

### **Daily (weather dependant) 10.20: 11.00: 14.00 WALK @ THE TOP**

A 90 minute guided walk with a Ranger leaving from Top Station for a circular walk to the summit of Cairn Gorm and back again.

**Booking recommended. Book online at [www.cairngormmountain.co.uk/book](http://www.cairngormmountain.co.uk/book), or in person at the Ticket Office**  
**Meet at the CairnGorm Mountain Ranger Base.**

Cost: Adult £14.00, Junior (6-16years) £10.00, Senior (65+) £12.50. £6.00 if you decide to walk and already have a funicular ticket.

Bring waterproof clothing, good walking boots, hat and gloves. Registered assistance dogs only. Once you have collected your ticket you will meet the Ranger in the Ranger Base, 15 minutes before the departure time.

CairnGorm Mountain Ranger Service.

### **July 1<sup>st</sup> 10.00am – 11.30am HEALTH WALK**

Very easy ranger-led health walk in the beautiful surroundings of the Glen Tanar Estate.

**Booking Essential** Call or email for more details **013398 86072**  
[ranger@glentandar.co.uk](mailto:ranger@glentandar.co.uk)

**Meet at Braeloine Visitor Centre Car Park, Glen Tanar**

Free

Glen Tanar Charitable Trust Ranger Service

### **July 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:30am – 3:30pm MAGICAL MOORLANDS**

Off-roading adventure to visit the Whitley bomber air-crash site!

**Booking essential – 013397 55059.**

**Meet at Spittal of Glen Muick visitor centre.**

Cost: £5

Distance: 14kms (9 Miles) ascent 524m. Mountain walk. Bring lunch.

Balmoral Ranger Service

**July 3<sup>rd</sup> 12 noon – 4.00pm MUIR OF DINNET OPEN DAY**

Drop in at any time to join in activities for all the family. Under 16's with an adult.  
**Meet at Burn o' Vat Visitor Centre, near Dinnet.** More Information 013398 81667

Cost: Free

Scottish Natural Heritage & Aberdeenshire Council Ranger Service

**July 4<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm – 4.00 pm THE MAGICAL MARSHES**

Have fun discovering the wildlife of Insh Marshes. Play nature games, look for minibeasts and make crafty creatures.

**Booking not required.** More details 01540 661518

**Meet at RSPB Insh Marshes NNR.** Car park 2 miles along B970 from Kingussie, ½ mile past Ruthven Barracks

Cost: Free

For families with primary-school-age children.

RSPB

**July 5<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm – 3.30pm EXPLORE GLEN FENDER MEADOW I**

A glorious meadow with wild flowers, butterflies and bumblebees. Come and see what we can find today. May be rough and wet underfoot.

**Meet at - Follow signs from opposite Tilt Hotel**

Cost: £2

Atholl Estates Ranger Service 01796 481355

**July 5<sup>th</sup> 10.30am – 12noon SUPERSENSES**

Listen, look, feel and smell your way around the woods. Games and activities exploring how animals communicate.

**Booking: Just turn up!** (More information if required from Killiecrankie visitor centre 0844 4932194 or Dunkeld area office 0844 4932192)

**Meet at the National Trust for Scotland Killiecrankie Visitor Centre**

Cost: Children £2; accompanying adults £1

Suitable for families with 5 to 12 year olds

**July 6<sup>th</sup> 10.30am-15.30pm GUIDED NORTHERN CORRIES WALK**

Enjoy a guided walk in the Northern Corries of Cairn Gorm every Wednesday morning.

**Booking recommended by telephone on 01479 861341 or online at [www.cairngormmountain.co.uk/book](http://www.cairngormmountain.co.uk/book)**

**Meet at the CairnGorm Mountain Ranger Base.**

Cost: Adult £12.00, Junior (6-16) £6.00, Senior (65+) £8.00, Friends of CairnGorm £8.00

Bring waterproof clothing, good walking boots, hat and gloves. Dogs are welcome but must be kept on a leash.

CairnGorm Mountain Ranger Service.

**July 6<sup>th</sup>            2:00pm – 4:00pm            BALMORAL WOODLAND WALK**

Discover the grounds and woods around Balmoral Castle. Learn about the estates history and wildlife. Distance 4Kms, ascent 130m.

**Meet at Balmoral Carriage Exhibition, Balmoral Castle. 013397 55059.**

Cost: Free once entry fee into grounds has been paid.

Balmoral Ranger Service.

**July 7<sup>th</sup>            10.30am – 12.00pm            TREE-MENDOUS**

Kids' event. Get up close and personal to our tree giants.

**Meet at Glen Tilt Car Park, by Blair Atholl.** 1 mile north of Blair Atholl on road to Old Blair.

Cost: Children £1.00.

Atholl Estates Ranger Service. All children must be accompanied by an adult. 01796 481355

**July 8<sup>th</sup>            10.00am – 11.30am            HEALTH WALK**

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**Meet at Braeloine Visitor Centre Car Park, Glen Tanar**

Cost: Free

Glen Tanar Charitable Trust Ranger Service

**July 9<sup>th</sup>            2.00 – 5.00 pm            WALK IN GLEN ESK**

Guided walk to Rowan Tower in Glen Esk.

**Numbers Limited. Booking Essential 01356 648070**

**Meet at the Retreat. Grid Ref: NO509789**

Cost: £7.00 per person includes refreshments and tour of the museum at the Retreat after the walk.

Angus Glens Ranger Service.

**July 11<sup>th</sup>            2.00pm – 4.00 pm            THE MAGICAL MARSHES**

Have fun discovering the wildlife of Insh Marshes. Play nature games, look for minibeasts and make crafty creatures.

**Booking not required.** More details 01540 661518

**Meet at RSPB Insh Marshes NNR.** Car park 2 miles along B970 from Kingussie, ½ mile past Ruthven Barracks

Cost: Free

For families with primary-school-age children.

RSPB

**July 12<sup>th</sup>                      2.00pm – 4.00pm                      DEER DETECTIVES**

Find out more about Scotland's wild deer. For adults and children.

**Meet at Glen Tilt Car Park, by Blair Atholl.** 1 mile north of Blair Atholl on road to Old Blair. 01796 481355

Cost: Adults: £2, Children £1

All children must be accompanied by an adult.

Atholl Estates Ranger Service.

**July 13<sup>th</sup>      10.30am-15.30pm      GUIDED NORTHERN CORRIES WALK**

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Balmoral Ranger Service.

**July 13<sup>th</sup>                      2:00pm – 3.30pm                      BATTLE OF KILLIECRANKIE**

Get to grips with the gory details of this gruesome battle. Interactive battle talk (1hr) in woods above Soldier's Leap; followed by children's craft activities and a display of weapons outside the visitor centre.

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**Meet at the National Trust for Scotland Killiecrankie Visitor Centre**

Cost: Adults £3; Children £2

Suitable for all ages

National Trust for Scotland Ranger Service

**July 14<sup>th</sup>                      10.30am – 12.00pm                      WET AND WILD**

Kids' event. Discover the weird, watery world around the river.

**Meet at Atholl Estates Information Centre, Blair Atholl**

Cost: Children £1.00.

All children must be accompanied by an adult. 01796 481355

Atholl Estates Ranger Service.

**July 14<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm – 4:00pm IN THE NIGHT GARDEN, CARR-BRIDGE**

Oh no! The pontipine children are lost! Join them on an adventure through the Night Garden meeting friends along the way. This event is most suitable for families with children under the age of 8.

**Meet at the main carpark in Ellan Wood, Carr-Bridge. 01479 873 914**

Cost: Adults free, children £3

All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Flatish ground, path suitable for prams and buggies with big wheels only.

Highland Council Countryside Rangers

**July 15<sup>th</sup> 10.00am – 11.30am HEALTH WALK**

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**Meet at Braeloine Visitor Centre Car Park, Glen Tanar**

Cost: Free

Glen Tanar Charitable Trust Ranger Service

**July 17<sup>th</sup> 11.00 am – 4.00 pm HIDDEN JEWELS**

Spend the day in Corrie Fee National Nature Reserve and discover the importance of its fauna and flora.

**Booking Essential Telephone 01575 550233**

**Meet at Glen Doll Ranger Base Grid Ref: NO282759**

Cost: Free

Stout shoes and packed lunch required. Bring binoculars if you can.

Angus Glens Ranger Service.

**July 18<sup>th</sup> 2.00pm – 4.00 pm THE MAGICAL MARSHES**

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**Booking not required.** More details 01540 661518

**Meet at RSPB Insh Marshes NNR.** Car park 2 miles along B970 from Kingussie, ½ mile past Ruthven Barracks

Cost: Free

For families with primary-school-age children.

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**July 19<sup>th</sup> 10.30am – 12noon WOODLAND SAFARI**

Discover a secret Killiecrankie woodland. This walk will take you off the path, down slopes, over branches and under logs.

**Booking: Just turn up!** (More information 0844 4932194 or 0844 4932192)

**Meet at the National Trust for Scotland Killiecrankie Visitor Centre**

Cost: Children £2; accompanying adults £1

Suitable for families with 5 to 12 year olds; appropriate footwear required.

National Trust for Scotland Ranger Service

**July 19<sup>th</sup> 2.00 – 4.00pm FEEDERS AND HOMES**

Help your local wildlife this winter. Drop in anytime.

**Meet at Atholl Estates Information Centre, Blair Atholl**

Cost: Donations.

Atholl Estates Ranger Service. All children must be accompanied by an adult.

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**July 20<sup>th</sup> 10.30am-15.30pm GUIDED NORTHERN CORRIES WALK**

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**Meet at the CairnGorm Mountain Ranger Base.**

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Balmoral Ranger Service.

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Suitable for all ages

National Trust for Scotland Ranger Service

**July 21<sup>st</sup> 10.30am – 12.00 noon NASTY NATURE**

Kids' event. Get closer to some of the bad guys in nature. They may not be who you think!

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Cost: Children £1.00.

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Atholl Estates Ranger Service.

**July 22<sup>nd</sup>                      10.00am – 11.30am                      HEALTH WALK**  
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Glen Tanar Charitable Trust Ranger Service

**July 22<sup>nd</sup>                      1.30pm – 3pm                      WHERE THE WILD THINGS ARE  
NEWTONMORE**

Who is the wildest of all wild things? An adventure for young children based on Maurice Sendack's beautiful book.

**Booking essential. 01540 673 907**

All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Path suitable for prams and buggies with big wheels only

Adults free, children £3

Highland Council Countryside Rangers, flatish ground

**July 25<sup>th</sup>                      2.00pm – 4.00 pm                      THE MAGICAL MARSHES**

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**Booking not required.** More details 01540 661518

**Meet at RSPB Insh Marshes NNR.** Car park 2 miles along B970 from Kingussie, ½ mile past Ruthven Barracks

Cost: Free

For families with primary-school-age children.

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**July 26<sup>th</sup>                      1.30 – 4.30pm                      THE REAL TOP OF THE HILL TRAIL**

Join the rangers for a walk away from the track for some great views and hopefully wildlife too.

**Meet at Logierait Woods Car Park,** 1/2 mile north of Logierait on Dunfallandy road.

Cost: £2

Atholl Estates Ranger Service 01796 481355

**July 26<sup>th</sup>                      10.00 – 1.00 pm                      SEASONAL WALK**

Join reserve staff to learn about the wildlife of this special place with an emphasis on butterflies and moths.

Booking not required. More details 01540 661518

**Meet at RSPB Insh Marshes NNR.** Car park 2 miles along B970 from Kingussie, ½ mile past Ruthven Barracks

Cost: £2 Adults (RSPB members), £5 Adults (non-members), Children under 16 free.

Be prepared for wet/cold weather. Stout footwear recommended. If the weather is good we may extend the walk into the afternoon so bring a packed lunch.

RSPB.

**July 27<sup>th</sup> 10.30am-15.30pm GUIDED NORTHERN CORRIES WALK**

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Balmoral Ranger Service.

**July 27<sup>th</sup> 10.00 am – 12:00 noon MOTHS IN THE MORNING**

Discover the marvellous moths caught in the live traps set up overnight on the Muir of Dinnet National Nature Reserve. Under 16's with an adult.

**Booking Essential - 013398 81667**

**Meet at Burn o' Vat Visitor Centre, near Dinnet**

Cost: Free

Scottish Natural Heritage & Aberdeenshire Council Ranger Service

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Suitable for all ages

National Trust for Scotland Ranger Service

**July 28<sup>th</sup> 10.30am – 12.00pm TOOTH AND CLAW**

Kids' event. We find out more about nature's predators.

**Meet at Atholl Estates Information Centre, Blair Atholl**

Cost: Children £1.00.

All children must be accompanied by an adult. 01796 481355

Atholl Estates Ranger Service.



**July 29<sup>th</sup>                      10.00am – 11.30am                      HEALTH WALK**

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Cost: Free

Glen Tanar Charitable Trust Ranger Service

**July 31<sup>st</sup>                      12pm – 4pm                      TOP DOGS DAY OUT!**

It's back for its 6<sup>th</sup> year! Agility course, displays, quizzes and all sorts of doggy craziness! Register your dog on your dog on the day – first come first served – or simply come and watch the fun!

**Meet at the Hayfield, Glenmore. 01479 873 914**

Cost: Minimum donation.

Bring refreshments.

Highland Council Countryside Rangers and Forestry Commission Scotland

**July 31<sup>st</sup>                      2.00- 5.00 pm                      INSH MARSHES FAMILY FUN DAY**

Wildlife related activities, games, arts and crafts.....and more! **Booking not required.** More details 01540 661518

**Meet at RSPB Insh Marshes NNR.** Car park 2 miles along B970 from Kingussie, ½ mile past Ruthven Barracks

Cost: Children £2.50, Adults free

For children of all ages. Refreshments available.

RSPB.