### Tread Lightly in the Park

# Cairngorms NATIONAL PARK

**July 2014** 

## Cairngorms National Park Ranger Services Countryside Events

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July 2nd GUIDED HILL WALK

0.30 am

Join a Cairngorm Ranger for a pleasant walk in the Northern Corries. Weather permitting we may reach the plateau for the spectacular views and environments up there.

Participants must be equipped for hill walking, including boots and suitable water/wind proof

Bring lunch.
Return about 15.30.
Suit age 10+.
Dogs only on leads.

Booking: Recommended Contact: 01479 861341

**Meet:** Ranger Base overlooking main car park at Cairngorm

Cost: £12 per person

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July 3rd 10.30 am - 12 midday CLOUDS AND WEATHER

Discover more about the weather and make some of our own!

Children must be accompanied by an adult **Booking**: Not Required

Contact: 01796481355 or pf@atholl-estates.

co.uk

Meet: Blair Atholl Information Centre

Cost: Children £2

Atholl Estates Ranger Service

July 3rd 7 pm - 8.30 pm MAR LODGE EVENING STROLL

Join us for an evening stroll in the grounds around the Lodge, with an opportunity to view the interior of the Stag Ballroom.

Easy walk.
Tea and shortbread included.
Sorry, no dogs.

Booking: Essential

Contact: 013397 20164
Meet: Mar Lodge Estate, AB35 5YJ
Cost: £3 adult, children U-16 free
the National Trust for Scotland Ranger Service

July 4th 6pm - 9.30 pm ORCHIDS GALORE, NEWTONMORE A gentle stroll around part of the Wildcat Trail in search of orchids and other wildflowers as well as some of the lore associated with them.

Booking:

Contact: Duncan Macdonald on 01479

873706 or duncan.macdonald@highland.

Meet: Newtonmore station car park.. Grid ref: NN 715984. Grade A. Adults

Cost: £5.00, conc. £3.00, family £12.00. Highland Council Ranger Service

July 5th 10.30 am GUIDED HILL WALK

Join a Cairngorm Ranger for a pleasant walk in the Northern Corries. Weather permitting we may reach the plateau for the spectacular views and environments up there.

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Suit age 10+.
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# When you are enjoying the outdoors the key things to remember are:

- Take responsibility for your own actions
- Respect the interests of other people
- · Care for the environment
- Contact the Cairngorms
   National Park Authority
   www.cairngorms.co.uk
   for more information





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1.30 pm - 4.30 pm PLANTS OF THE PINEWOODS

loin us as we explore the beautiful Caledonian pinewoods-home to a unique and diverse variety of flowers, mosses and lichens. Sorry, no dogs.

**Booking**: Essential Contact: 013397 20164 Meet: Mar Lodge Estate, AB35 5YJ

Cost: £10 adult, £5 child U-16 The National Trust for Scotland Ranger Service

July 7th MAGICAL MARSHES FAMILY EVENT

Have fun discovering the amazing wildlife of Insh Marshes. In the meadows and bird hide we'll play nature games, look for minibeasts and other wildlife, and make crafty creatures.

For families with primary-school-age children. Booking: Not Required

Contact: 01540 661518 or insh@rspb.co.uk or visit our website http://www.rspb.org.uk/ reserves/guide/i/inshmarshes/events.aspx Meet: RSPB reserve car park two miles along the B970 from Kingussie and 1/2 mile beyond Ruthven Barracks.

Cost: FREE Insh Marshes National Nature Reserve

July 8th 2 pm - 3.30 pm MINIBEAST HUNT AND HOUSE

We go on a minibeast hunt and then you can make a bug house to take home. children must be accompanied by an adult.

**Booking:** Not Required Contact: 01796481355 or email pf@atholl-

estates coluk Meet: Blair Atholl Information Centre Cost: Children £1 and £2 per box Atholl Estates Ranger Service

July 9th 10.30 am **GUIDED HILL WALK** 

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Meet: Ranger Base overlooking main car park

at Cairngorm Cost: £12 per person

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July 10th 10.30 pm - 12 midday SOIL AND WORMS

We get muddy and investigate the wriggly life beneath our feet children must be accompanied by an adult

Booking: Not Required

Contact: 01796481355 or email pf@athollestates.co.uk

Meet: Glen Tilt Car Park, by Blair Atholl Cost: Children £2 Atholl Estates Ranger Service

July 10th 7 - 8.30 pm MAR LODGE EVENING STROLL

Join us for an evening stroll in the grounds around the Lodge, with an opportunity to view the interior of the Stag Ballroom. Easy walk.

Tea and shortbread included. Sorry, no dogs.

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Dogs only on leads. **Booking:** Recommended Contact: 01479 861341

Meet: Ranger Base overlooking main car park at Cairngorm

Cost: £12 per person

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Meet: RSPB reserve car park two miles along the B970 from Kingussie and 1/2 mile beyond Ruthven Barracks.

Cost: FRFF

Insh Marshes National Nature Reserve

July 15th 2 pm - 3.30 pm WILDLIFEWHODUNNIT

Follow the clues to find out who has committed this wildlife murder mystery

children must be accompanied by an adult Booking: Not Required

Contact: 01796481355 or email pf@athollestates.co.uk

Meet: Glen Tilt Car Park, by Blair Atholl Cost: Children £2 Atholl Estates Ranger Service

July 16th 10.30 am **GUIDED HILL WALK** 

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July 17th WÉT AND WILD

Discover the watery world around the river children must be accompanied by an adult

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estates.co.uk Meet: Blair Atholl Information Centre Cost: Children £2 Atholl Estates Ranger Service

July 17th 2 pm - 4 pm NATURE EXPLORERS - CHILDREN'S **EVENT** 

Join the Balmoral Rangers, for exciting nature activities, storytelling and games. Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

**Booking**: Essential Contact: 013397 55059

Meet: Spittal of Glen Muick Visitor Centre Cost: FREE

Balmoral Ranger Service

July 17th 7 pm - 8.30 pm MAR LODGE EVENING STROLL

Join us for an evening stroll in the grounds around the Lodge, with an opportunity to view the interior of the Stag Ballroom.

Easy walk. Tea and shortbread included.

Sorry, no dogs. **Booking**: Essential

Contact: 013397 20164 Meet: Mar Lodge Estate, AB35 5YJ Cost: £3 adult, children U-16 free The National Trust for Scotland Ranger Service

July 19th **GUIDED HILL WALK** 

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Bring lunch. Return about 15.30. Suit age 10+. Dogs only on leads.

Booking: Recommended

Contact: 01479 861341

Meet: Ranger Base overlooking main car park at Cairngorm

Cost: £12 per person

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July 21st MÁGICAL MARSHES FAMILY EVENT

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Booking: Not Required

Contact: 01540 661518 or insh@rspb.co.uk or visit our website http://www.rspb.org.uk/ reserves/guide/i/inshmarshes/events.aspx Meet: RSPB reserve car park two miles along

the B970 from Kingussie and 1/2 mile beyond Ruthven Barracks. Cost: FREE

Insh Marshes National Nature Reserve

July 22nd 2 pm - 3.30 pm ROCKY TREASURE HUNT

A family event searching for rocks and treasure children must be accompanied by an adult Booking: Not Required

Contact: 01796481355 or email pf@athollestates.co.uk

Meet: Blair Atholl Information Centre Cost: Children £2

Atholl Estates Ranger Service

July 23rd 10.30 am GUIDED HILL WALK

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Bring lunch. Return about 15.30. Suit age 10+.

Dogs only on leads.

Booking: Recommended Contact: 01479 861341

Meet: Ranger Base overlooking main car park

at Cairngorm Cost: £12 per person

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**July 24th** 10.30 pm - 12 midday SOIL AND WORMS

We get muddy and investigate the wriggly life beneath our feet

children must be accompanied by an adult Booking: Not Required

Contact: 01796481355 or email pf@athollestates.co.uk

Meet: Glen Tilt Car Park, by Blair Atholl Cost: Children £2

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Meet: Spittal of Glen Muick Visitor Centre Cost: FREE

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Meet: Mar Lodge Estate, AB35 5Y| Cost: £3 adult, children U-16 free

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July 25th 2 pm - 4 pm **NATURE DETECTIVES** 

Family fun for all ages. Explore and discover the hidden delights of a picturesque piece of river and woodland of Glen Quoich. What animals might we find here?

Wellies useful! Sorry, no dogs.

Booking: Essential Contact: 013397 20164

Meet: Mar Lodge Estate, AB35 5YJ

Cost: Family Ticket £10; unaccompanied

children over 21, £5! the National Trust for Scotland Ranger Service



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July 26th MOTH MANIA

10 am start

Join the reserve warden and local experts to look through moth traps run the night before. The target species is the extremely rare Dark Bordered Beauty moth.

Stay as long as you like and bring a packed lunch if you want to stay into the afternoon.

Booking: Not Required

Contact: 01540 661518 or insh@rspb.co.uk or visit our website http://www.rspb.org.uk/reserves/guide/i/inshmarshes/events.aspx

Meet: RSPB reserve car park two miles along the B970 from Kingussie and ½ mile beyond Ruthven Barracks. Cost: FREE

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July 28th 10 am - 3 pm CALEDONIAN PINE WOODLAND CELEBRATION WALK

A full day's walk through some of the most magnificent woodlands in Scotland. Learn about the wildlife and management of this iconic habitat. The event is organised as part of the Cairngorms Caledonian Forest Celebration Week. The walk takes place mainly on good vehicle tracks but some uneven and wet ground may be encountered. Keiloch to Crathie, with transport provided back to start point. Distance: 12Kms.

No ascent.

Booking: Essential Contact: 013397 55059 Meet: Keiloch car park. Cost: FREE

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July 28th 2 pm - 4 pm A IS FOR ASPEN FAMILY EVENT

Have fun discovering the amazing wildlife of Insh Marshes. In the meadows and bird hide we'll play nature games, look for minibeasts and other wildlife, and make crafty creatures.

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Meet: RSPB reserve car park two miles along the B970 from Kingussie and ½ mile beyond Ruthven Barracks.

Cost: FREE

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July 29th 10am - 3pm (if good weather) WOODLAND GUIDED WALK

Join the reserve warden to explore this very special site, focussing on the aspen woodland. This is an area of high conservation and biodiversity importance.

Be prepared for wet/cold weather and bring a packed lunch

**Booking**: Not Required

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Meet: RSPB reserve car park two miles along the B970 from Kingussie and ½ mile beyond Ruthven Barracks.

Cost: £3 adults (RSPB members) £5 adults (non-members) Children free (under 16) Insh Marshes National Nature Reserve

July 30th 10 am -12 midday MOTHS IN THE MORNING

Discover the amazing variety of moths livetrapped overnight in the Muir of Dinnet National Nature Reserve woods, followed by a search for day-flying moths and butterflies as time allows. Under 1 6's must be accompanied. Cairingorms TreeFest event in association with

Butterfly Conservation.

Booking: Essential

Contact: 013398 81667

Meet: Burn o'Vat Visitor Centre, near Dinnet Cost: FREE

Aberdeenshire Council Ranger Service & SNH

July 30th 10.30 an THE PINES ARE CREEPING UP THE HILL Cairngorm contribution to the Cairngorms Tree-fest is an exploration of the rising tree-line scrub. We will do some measuring and discussing, but the walking will not be too demanding.

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Bring lunch. Return about 15.30. Suit age 10+.

Dogs only on leads.

Booking: Recommended

Contact: 01479 86134, Cairngorm Mountain Ranger Service 01479 861327 for more details. Meet: Ranger Base overlooking main car park at Cairngorm.

Cost: FREE

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July 31st 10 am - 12 midday SOUIRREL SCAMPERS

Find out more about our treetop friends children must be accompanied by an adult

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