Tread Lightly in the Park

April 2014

Cairngorms National Park Ranger Services Countryside Events

Every Friday in April 10am -11.30am HEALTH WALK

A short, sociable walk for all abilities, to help you recover or maintain well-being. Booking: Not Required Contact: 01339 886072 or ranger@glentanar.co.uk for more details Meet: Glen Tanar Visitor Centre Car Park. Cost: FREE

Glen Tanar Charitable Trust Ranger Service

April 6th I I am - 3pm PEREGRINE WATCH PART I

Guided walk in Glen Doll to view the world's fastest bird as they set up their territory. Stout shoes, appropriate clothing and packed lunch required. Please bring binoculars if you have them. Contact: 01575 550233 Meet: at Glen Doll Ranger Bas (Grid Ref: NO282759) Cost: FREE

Angus Glens Ranger Service

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. A list of events can also be found on www.cairngorms.co.uk or ask at your accommodation, local Visitor Information Centre or Ranger base.

April 9th GO FLY A KITE

A chance to make kites out of bits and bobs and weather permitting, fly them. Grade: A **Booking:** Essential Contact: 01479 873706 or email duncan.macdonald@highland.gov.uk for more

details Meet: Ardvonie Car Park, Kingussie. Grid ref: NH 755006 Cost: Adults £3, Conc £2, Family £8 Highland Council Ranger Service

April | | th LORDS OF THE DANCE

An opportunity to witness the spectacle of a Black Grouse lek and other wildlife in spectacular surroundings. Tea and Coffee available. Grade: A Booking: Essential Contact: 01479 873706 or duncan.macdonald@highland.gov.uk for more

details Meet: Place given out on booking Cost: Adults £5, Conc £3, Family £12 Highland Council Ranger Service

April 13th 2 - 3.30pm SPRING TREASURE HUNT

A family event searching for clues and treasure, children must be accompanied by an adult. Booking: Not Required Contact: 01796481355 or email pf@athollesates.co.uk Meet: Glen Tilt Car Park Cost: Children £2 Atholl Estates Ranger Service

April 15th RAPTOR TRACK (I)

The Cairngorms National Park is home to a variety of birds of prey. We will walk to look for a range of these enigmatic birds whilst learning about their ecology and id tips.

10am - 2pm

Grade: B

Booking: Essential Contact: 01479 873706 or email duncan. macdonald@highland.gov.uk for more details Meet: Shepherds Bride at the end of Glen Road, Newtonmore. Grid ref: NN 693998 Cost: Adults £5, Conc £3, Family £12 Highland Council Ranger Service

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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April 16th 3pm - 4.30pm **DEER. PONIES, LAMBS & CALVES**

A walk on the farm to see spring new-borns and get a look at our red deer and Atholl ponies too. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Booking: Not Required Contact: 01796 481355 or email pf@athollestates.co.uk Meet: Glen Tilt Car Park

Cost: Adults £2, Children £1 Atholl Estates Ranger Service

April 18th LORDS OF THE DANCE

An opportunity to witness the spectacle if a Black Grouse lek and other wildlife in spectacular surrounds. Tea & coffee available. Grade A

Booking: Essential

Contact: 01479 873706 or email duncan. macdonald@highland.gov.uk for more details Meet: Place given out on booking Cost: Adult £5, Conc £3, Family £12 Highland Council Ranger Service

April 19th 2 - 3pm SCOTLAND'S NOMINATED NA-TIONAL BIRD

An illustrated talk on Scotland's most iconic bird the Golden Eagle, giving an insight into the life cycle of this magnificent bird. Booking: Required Contact: 01575 550233 Meet: at Glen Doll Ranger Base (Grid Ref: NO282759) Cost: FREÉ Angus Glens Ranger Service

April 19th EGG OLYMPICS

Some eggy activities for families. Please bring a (well trained) hard-boiled egg with you. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Booking: Not Required Contact: 01796 481355 or email pf@athollestates.co.uk Meet: Blair Atholl Information Centre Cost: Children 72 Atholl Estates Ranger Services

MAR LODGE OPEN DAY An opportunity to view the public rooms of the Lodge, and the magnificent Ballroom containing almost 2500 stage heads. Various activities and displays, plus teas/coffees

available

Booking: Not Required Meet: Mar Lodge, AB35 5YJ Cost: Adults: £3, Children Free, NTS members Free

The National Trust for Scotland

April 20th EASTER EGG TRAIL

5 - 7am

2 - 3.30pm

April 20th

Follow the nature trail, collect the clues, solve the puzzle and then enjoy your hard-earned Cadbury reward Booking: Not Required

Meet: Mar Lodge, AB35 5YJ Cost: £2 per Trail Sheet The National Trust for Scotland Ranger Service

April 22nd 10am - Ipm SEASONAL GUIDED WALK

Join the reserve warden to explore this very special site, focusing on Aspen woodland and the wildlife that is at its most impressive at the time of the walk. Be prepared for wet/cold weather 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: £3 Adults (RSPB members) £5 Adults (non-members) Children Free Inch Marshes National Nature Reserve

April 24th 5am start! BLACK GROUSE 'DAWNWATCH'

Don't miss this opportunity to view the breeding display of these magnificent birds as seen on BBC Winterwatch 2014, followed by a hearty traditional breakfast in the Mar Lodge dining room. Sorry, no dogs. Bring binoculars if you have them

Booking: Essential - places limited Contact: 01339 720164 Meet: Mar Lodge Estate, AB35 5YJ Cost: £25 Adult/Child, including breakfast The National Trust for Scotland Ranger Service

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April 26th 5am start! BLACK GROUSE 'DAWNWATCH'

Don't miss this opportunity to view the breeding display of these magnificent birds as seen on BBC Winterwatch 2014, followed by a hearty traditional breakfast in the Mar Lodge dining room. Sorry, no dogs. Bring binoculars if you have them. Booking: Essential - places limited Contact: 01339 720164

Meet: Mar Lodge Estate, AB35 5YJ Cost: £25 Adult/Child, including breakfast The National Trust for Scotland Ranger Service

April 26th 10am - 4nm HANDS ON CONSERVATION

A day of 'putting something back' for nature. In partnership with N.E. group of John Muir Trust. All welcome, adults or accompanied children. **Booking:** Essential

Contact: 01339 886072 or email ranger@ glentanar.co.uk for more details Meet: Glen Tanar Visitor Centre, Glen Tanar

Cost: FREE

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April 26th 12.30 - 4pm PITLOCHRY SUPERDOG

A fun afternoon for dogs with competitions, displays and doggy games. Children must be accompanied by an adult Booking: Not Required Contact: 01796481355 or e-mail pf@athollestates.co.uk Meet: Pitlochry Recreation Ground Cost · FRFF Atholl Estates Ranger Service

April 27th THE GREEN GYM

Take part in a practical conservation task with the Balmoral Rangers to help safeguard the wildlife of the Cairngorms National Park. **Booking**: Essential

10am - 3pm

Contact: 0|3397 55059 Meet: Spittal of Glen Muick Visitor Centre Cost: FREE Balmoral Ranger Service



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