

# Cairngorms National Park Ranger Services Countryside Events – June 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. A sample of this month's events is listed below. A full list of events can be found on <a href="https://www.cairngorms.co.uk">www.cairngorms.co.uk</a> or ask at your accommodation, local Tourist Information Centre or Ranger base.

# 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 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

### I June 10.30am – 3.30pm GUIDED NORTHERN CORRIES WALK

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#### I June 2pm – 4pm

#### **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

### 3 June 10am – 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@glentanar.co.uk

Meet at Braeloine Visitor Centre Car Park, Glen Tanar.

Cost: Free

Glen Tanar Charitable Trust Ranger Service

#### 2 - 5 June

#### ANGUS GLENS WALKING FESTIVAL

This award winning four-day Festival, has walks to suit all ages and abilities and also special events that capture the essence of Scotland. See website below for full details.

Booking Essential www.angusahead.com/walkingfestival 01382 527527 Cost: Charges apply.

Angus Council Ranger Service

### 4 June 10.30am - 3pm

#### **LIFE ON CRAIG LEEK**

Explore the rich biodiversity around this Deeside hill, plus archaeological remains that tell the story of people who lived there. Under 16's with an adult.

### Booking Essential 013398 80868

# Meet at Keiloch car park, between Crathie & Braemar

Cost: Free

Moderate Walk, bring stout footwear, waterproofs and lunch.

Aberdeenshire Council Ranger Service & Invercauld Estate

### 8 June 9:30am - 5:00pm

### **LOCHNAGAR ASCENT**

Enjoy a full day on one of Scotland's highest peak, looking at the natural history and management of 'Dark Lochnagar'. A full mountain day. Hill-walking gear and a good level of fitness required.

Booking essential 013397 55059.

Meet at Spittal of Glen Muick visitor centre.

Cost: £10 per person.

Distance: 19Kms (12 miles), ascent 1050m.

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### 18 June 10am – 4pm A SECTION OF THE SPEYSIDE WAY, PART 2

Explore an 11m mile section of the Speyside Way with your local ranger – Nethy Bridge to Aviemore. A minibus will be provided to get us back to our cars!

## Booking essential 01479 873914

Cost: Adults £10, concessions £5

Flatish, rough ground, but a LONG walk. Bring lunch.

Highland Council Countryside Rangers

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#### **ORCHIDS AND GOLDEN RINGS**

Walk up Glen Tilt to look at the wild flowers and wildlife.

#### **BOOKING ESSENTIAL – 01796 481355.**

### Meet at Blair Atholl

Cost: £5

10 mile walk, bring lunch.

Atholl Estates Ranger Service

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### 25 June 10.30 am – 4pm

### **SECRETS OF STRATHDON**

Discover the natural and cultural heritage of this scenic area, including its forests, Ben Newe's holy well, plus the River Don. Suitable for adults.

Booking Essential - 013398 80868

Meet at Bellabeg car park, Strathdon

Cost: Free

Moderate Walk, bring stout footwear, waterproofs and lunch.

Aberdeenshire Council Ranger Service

### 26 June I lam - 3pm

#### **RAPTOR WATCH**

Join the Ranger in the search for golden eagle and other birds of prey that inhabit upper Glen Clova.

Booking Essential - 01575 550233

Meet at Glen Doll Ranger Base Grid Ref: NO282759

Cost: Free

Stout shoes and packed lunch required. Telescope available but bring binoculars if you can.

Angus Glens Ranger Service

### 28 June | 10am - 1pm

#### **SEASONAL WALK**

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

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. RSPB

### 28 June 9.30am – 7pm

#### MAR LODGE TO FOREST LODGE

A walk through wild country from Braemar to Glen Tilt.

**Booking Essential - 01796 481355.** 

Meet at Blair Atholl. Drive to start at Braemar included.

Cost: £30

15 miles with a river crossing.

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### 29 June 6pm – 9.30pm

**ORCHIDS GALORE!** 

A gentle stroll around the Wildcat Trail in search of orchids and other wildflowers by the River Spey.

Meet at the Railway Station car park, Newtonmore. 01540 673907.

Cost: Adults £5, concessions and children £3.

Walk is on flatish, rough ground.

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