

Welcome to Newtonmore

Located close to the centre of Scotland, Newtonmore sits at the mouth of Glen Banchor surrounded by high mountains and commanding fantastic views up and down Badenoch. A true Highland village in every sense of the word, Newtonmore is famous for shinty, the Clan Macpherson and is a great place to enjoy the outdoors. It is also home to the Wildcat Trail, one of the Park's best walks. Newtonmore is the perfect stop for long distance route walkers.



For information on local events, facilities and accommodation visit:
www.newtonmore.com
and look out for information on local notice boards

Other useful web sites:
www.visitcairngorms.com
www.cairngorms.co.uk

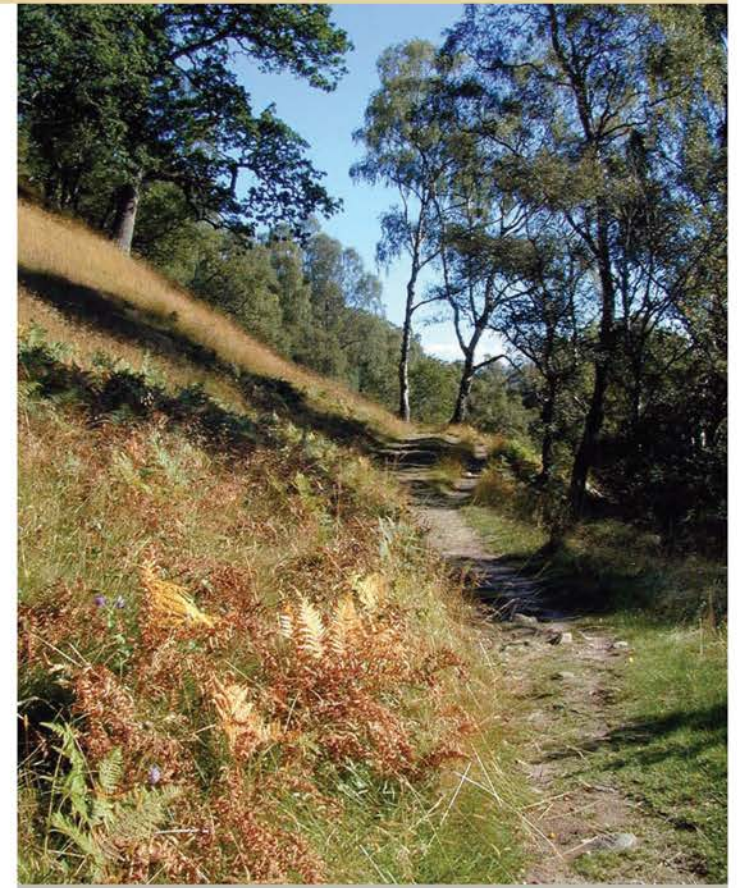


If you enjoyed using the 'Newtonmore Paths leaflet' look out for other community paths leaflets to help you explore more of the Park.

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Newtonmore Paths

Newtonmore Village Walks



Outdoor Activities



Newtonmore is a great place for outdoor activities including walking, climbing, cycling, golf, fishing, canoeing, bowls, tennis, and more. Newtonmore Highland Games take place on the first Saturday in August.

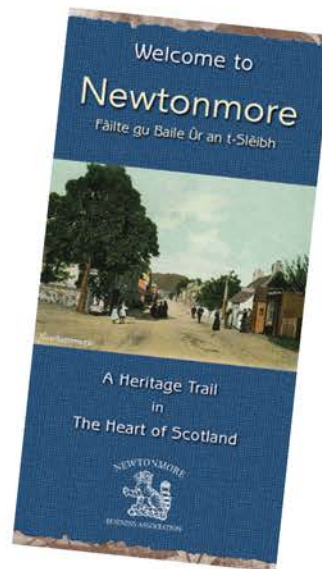


On most Saturdays from March until September you can watch the traditional Highland game of shinty on the Eilan, which is the home of the most successful club in the game.

Rich Heritage & Inspiring Views

For a stroll in the village pick up the Newtonmore Heritage Trail leaflet.

Enjoy panoramic views in all directions, while walking in and around the village.



Feature Walk The Wildcat Trail

(see inner map for route)

An iconic orbital village path through a fantastic variety of woodland, gorge, river and moorland with wonderful views.

Distance: 6.2 miles / 10 km

Approximate time: 3 hours

Terrain: A mixture of paths, some uneven and one short steep section. A number of gates and stiles. Sections can occasionally be muddy after heavy rain. Not suitable for all abilities.



You can buy a Wildcat Trail booklet giving further details of the walk and a variety of other interesting walks from 20 minutes to 8 hours.

Other things to do

A visit to the Highland Folk Museum (April to October, free admission) takes about 3 hours and gives an insight into the traditional way of life in the Highlands.

The Clan Macpherson Museum (April to October, free admission) will give you a great variety of information on famous Macphersons, as well as local history.

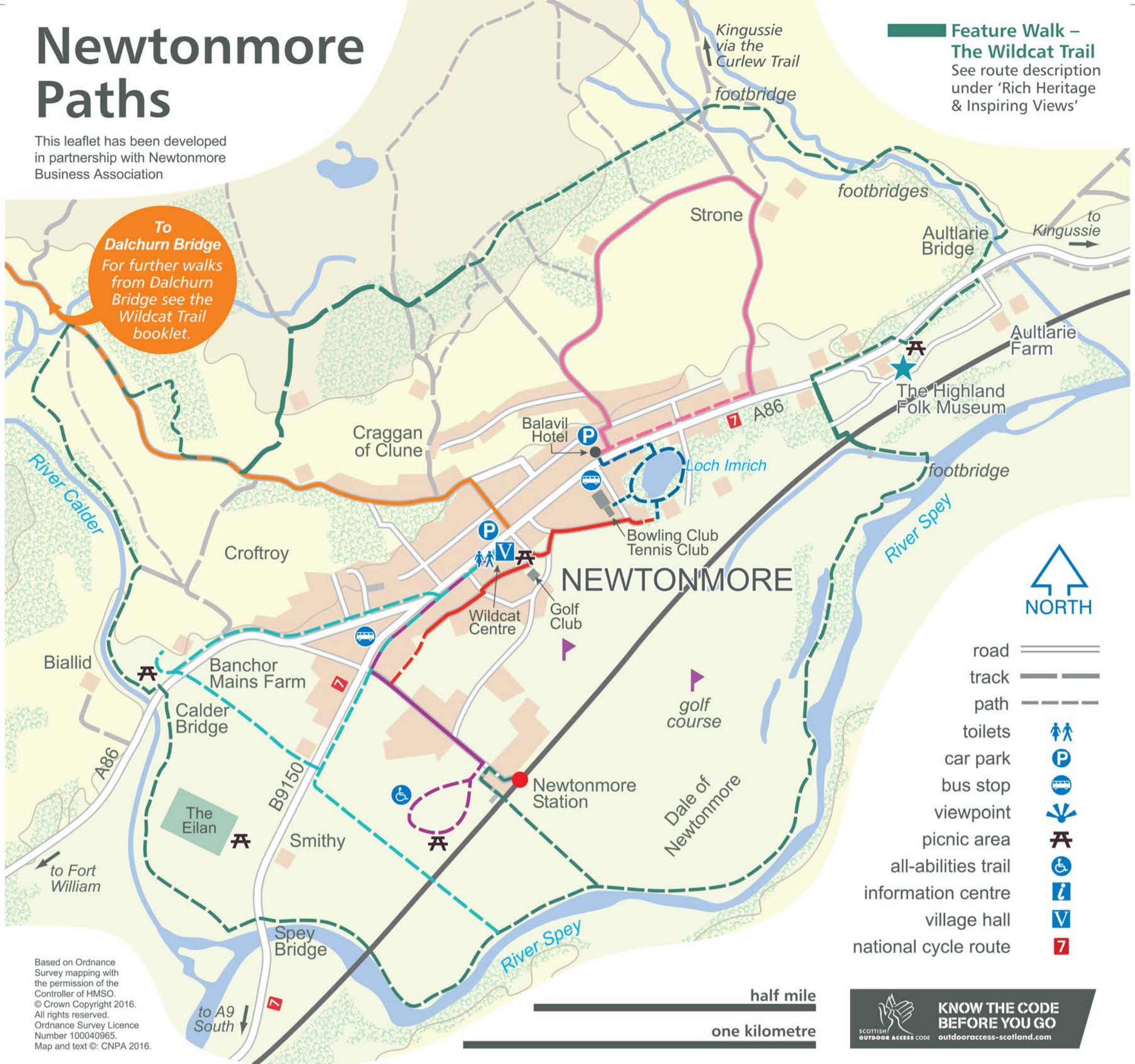
A great activity for children and adults alike is the Wildcat Experience. Buy a pack and see how many replicas of this rare cat you can spot on your walks round the village.



Newtonmore Paths

This leaflet has been developed in partnership with Newtonmore Business Association

Feature Walk – The Wildcat Trail
See route description under 'Rich Heritage & Inspiring Views'



To Dalchurn Bridge
For further walks from Dalchurn Bridge see the Wildcat Trail booklet.

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Dalchurn Bridge (Shepherd's Bridge)

Popular with locals and dog walkers. You climb quickly from the village into beautiful Glen Banchor. This glen was inhabited by almost 300 people in the early 19th century, but they were gradually cleared to the "New Town on the Moor" to make way for sheep.
Distance: 3.5 miles / 5.6 km
Approximate time: 1 hour 20 minutes
Start: Village Hall
Terrain: From the centre of the village this walk follows the road all the way. There are 3 cattle grids and some uphill sections. Suitable for all abilities.

Strone Road

A great circular walk giving some of the best views of the Feshie Hills and south to the Drumochter Pass.
Distance: 1.5 miles / 2.4 km
Approximate time: 50 minutes
Start: Balavil Hotel
Terrain: A mixture of road and pavement. Two cattle grids with gates. Suitable for all abilities.

Coffin Road

This was the route taken by funerals which crossed the river Spey to reach the cemetery. The Coffin Road itself is a right of way and has information panels.
Distance: 1.5 – 2.5 miles / 2.1 – 3.5km
Approximate time: 40 mins – 1 hour 20mins
Start: Village Hall
Terrain: From the village centre the walk is on pavement, but the Coffin Road itself is a rough track with access gates. Suitable for all abilities up to Coffin Road access.

Jack Richmond Memorial Park

A pleasant stroll along the Main Street and down Station Road takes you to this lovely woodland park with wheelchair friendly picnic tables.
Distance: 2 miles / 2.75 km
Approximate time: 1 hour 15 minutes
Start: Village Hall
Terrain: On the pavement to Station Road then on the road down to the park which has smooth paths. Suitable for all abilities.

Loch Imrich

Situated 100 yards away from the Balavil Hotel, this kettle hole is a great place for wildlife and a perfect pre or post dinner stroll. *Information panels tell you more.*
Distance: 0.3 miles / 0.45 km
Approximate time: 20 minutes
Start: Balavil Hotel
Terrain: Mostly smooth paths which can get muddy after rain. Entry gates at three points. Suitable for all abilities using alternative route from Bowling Club.

Milk Cow

A short walk along the golf course to Station Road which is an alternative route to the Jack Richmond Park. You can spot model wildcats others may have missed. For a circular walk come back along the main street.
Distance: 0.5 miles / 0.9 km
Approximate time: 15 minutes
Start: Loch Imrich
Terrain: A fairly level path which can get muddy in sections. Not suitable for all abilities.

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