

GLENROTHES HILLWALKERS CLUB

WALKS PROGRAMME JAN-JUNE 2026

BUS & TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS

The bus departs from the car park at Glenrothes Town Centre behind Boots the chemist at 7.30am prompt. To guarantee a seat on the bus, it must be booked by the Wednesday & paid for(if possible) preceding the Sunday walk.

Please note that booking a seat results in an obligation to pay irrespective of whether the individual cancels. Refunds can only be given under special circumstances or if you arrange for someone to take your place.

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NOTES ON CLUB WALKS

Safety & Good Practice

Members are responsible for their own safety & should contribute to a safe completion of the walk, within the estimated time. In the event of members being unable to complete the walk, then at least 2 others, or the whole group, should accompany them off the hill.

You'll be out all day on most walks. Check that you have:

- Waterproof jacket & trousers, walking boots

- Spare clothing in your rucksack/bus

- Extra food & drink for unexpected delays/emergencies

- A map & compass

Further advice & help can be found in our Information Pack or by talking to members of the committee

Description of Levels of Walks

A) Means a challenging route for people with hillwalking experience & knowledge of how to navigate. Summits & ridges up to 1000mts in height "Munros". Winter will sometimes require ice axe & crampons

B) Means a high level route similar to an "A" walk but at a slower pace, you should also know how to navigate & ice axe & crampons may be needed in winter

C) A lower level walk mainly on paths/tracks but may also cover open countryside. The route could be steep in parts. In winter icy paths could be encountered but should not require an ice axe

Time estimator factors in this set of walks

Walk	Ave pace km/hr	Ascent factor
A	5.0	1hr per 450mts
B	4.5	1hr per 400mts
C	4.0	1hr per 350mts

In addition to this there will be approx. 40mins of stoppage time for every 6hrs

This has been added on to the walk times

Sun 11th Jan

Pentlands

Walk A&B Carlops-West Linton via East Cairn Hill GR122596, Wether Law GR137584 etc OS65

Start at the road just S of Carlops on the A702 GR161558 following the road NW to Fairlope farm then track to North Esk Res(55mins), the track now swings NW again between Wether Law & Cock Rig to the Bore Stane GR143599(45mins).

Now take the path SW to spot height .567 then NW to East Cairn Hill(1hr)

Return to spot height .567 & now follow the high tops initially SE to Wether Law, The Mount(1hr 10mins), Grain Heads, Mount Maw, & Faw Mount GR135545(1hr)

Now drop down SW to pick up the Cross Borders Drove road & follow it all the way to W Linton & the pick up at the pub.(1hr)

18km & 700mts climbing Time approx 6.5hrs

This is timed at B pace

Walk C Carlops-West Linton via East Cairn Hill GR122596 & Thieves Road GR118588 OS65

Start the walk same as the A&B groups as far as East Cairn Hill, North Esk Res(1hr 10mins) Bore Stane(50mins) East Cairn Hill(1hr 10mins)

Return to the fence line & drop down to the Cauldstane Slap(30mins) & turn S on the Thieves Rd/Cross Border Rd & follow this all the way to Baddinsgill Res(1hr) then W Linton & the pick up at the pub(1hr 10mins)

18km & 500mts climbing Time approx 6.5hrs

Drop off altogether

Pick up altogether at the pub

Sun 8th Feb

Crieff & Sma Glen

Walk A & B

Meall Tarsuinn GR 878298 & The Scurran GR895296

OS52

Start at rough layby on the A822 at GR890263

Go Back down the road a short distance then turn R up a track & past the Falls of Monzie to a T junction. GR873275 (1hr)

Go R crossing 2 bridges as the track turns S. At the track junction go L & follow to its highest point, before going E over rough ground to Beinn Tarsuinn. (1hr 50mins)

Go N down rough ground until the angle eases, then bear R to the col & an obvious track (**do not attempt a direct E descent to the col, there's cliffs here**)

Follow the track SE over the stile, then follow the track to junction GR891291 & climb the track NE to The Scurran (1hr)

Follow the track down to join the main track & reach the A822, turn R & walk back down the road to the start. (1hr)

A decision can be made on the day if you don't want to do The Scurran.

14km & 580mts climbing Time approx 5.5hrs

This is timed at B pace

Walk C

The Knock GR869230, Lady Mary's Walk & Laggan Hill GR843224

OS52

Start from the junction of Turretbank Rd & the A85 GR856228, take care crossing the A85 & go L up a track, through a gate then turn R to the Hosh & R again down the road to Glenturret distillery, there's a bridge across the Turret Burn at the 2nd car park (30mins)

Cross the bridge on to a path & at a T junction go L following a rising track that becomes a tarmac road.

As it levels look for a signpost on the L for The Knock GR864227 & follow up through the trees to the open Viewpoint. (1hr)

Continue on the path down, then up & down again, to a track.

Turn R & after a short distance look for a narrow path to the R going up.

Follow to a T junction, turn L to the 279mt spot height. Retrace your steps to the viewpoint (35mins) & take the path opposite through the woods bearing R to reach a poor tarmac road/track. Go L & after passing a house on L look for a faint path on R, follow that to a wider track down, taking first R on unmade road then tarmac road to the A85.

Take care crossing the A85 & in to MacRostey Park

Past the swings go L down steps, over a bridge to reach the Turret Burn. Go L & follow the burn, crossing a bridge to reach the road.

Cross & continue following the burn on the W side (Lady Mary's Walk) to its junction with the River Earn. (1hr)

Continue until the path bears R & comes to a T junction, go R & shortly after L up a sign for Laggan Hill.

At path junction go R over Laggan Hill (45mins), dropping down on a good path until you come to another track (Laggan Road) GR836219

Look for the signpost for Crieff & Lady Mary's Walk & follow this all the way in to Crieff, crossing the bridge at GR856222 & walk up to James Square & the pick up. (1hr 30mins)

15km & 450mts climbing Time approx 5.5hrs

Drop off A&B first, then C

Pick up A&B first then C

Sun 8th March

Edzell/Glen Esk

OS44

Walk A

East Wirren GR538732 & Hill of Wirren GR523739

Start from the car park in Edzell & walk up the B966 as far as the junction with the minor road at GR599708
Follow this NW towards Dalbog but at GR 590715(45mins) turn W heading for LittleTullo Farm & continue on the path/track to Hill of Corathro GR558723(1hr 30mins)
Keep walking NW on the track towards East Wirren then Hill of Wirren(1hr 30mins)
Return to Hill of Corathro(1hr) then turn NE to the Crannel & follow the track as it swings SE to the track at GR585730(50mins)
Now walk S past Dalbog & back to the B966 & in to Edzell, pick up at the Edzell Hotel(1hr)

24km & 800mts climbing Time approx 8hrs

Walk B

East Wirren GR538732

OS44

Same route as A but miss out Hill of Wirren
Car park to GR590715(50mins) to Hill of Corathro(1hr 30mins) to East Wirren(1hr 10mins)
Return to Hill of Corathro(35mins) to GR585730(50mins) to Edzell(1hr 10mins)
Pick up at the Edzell Hotel

20km & 700mts climbing Time approx 7hrs

Walk C

Circular walk around Edzell

OS 44

Start from the car park in Edzell & walk up the minor road signposted for Edzell Castle
At GR 590690 Mains of Edzell take the track heading NW to Hill of Edzell(1hr 10mins)
Return to minor road & turn R & after a short distance is the entrance to Edzell Castle, worth a visit if allowed.
Follow the minor road as far as the entrance to Margie farm GR568701(1hr 30mins)
Take the track behind Margie farm as it goes N & NE to Meikle Tullo, turn R & follow the track to Dalbog (1hr 30mins)
Follow the minor road down to the B966 & follow the road back to Edzell & the pick up at the Hotel(1hr 20mins)

17km & 400mts climbing Time approx 6hrs
There is approx 8km of roadwalking

Drop off altogether
Pick up altogether

There should be time for a wee refreshment in the Edzell Hotel

Sun 12th April

Callander/Lochearnhead

Walk A

Creag MacRanaich GR546256 & Meall an T-Seallaidh GR543234

OS51

2 Corbetts

Start from the minor road on the A84 GR589233 & follow the twisting road up towards Craggan where it meets the old Glen Ogle Railway Line.

Turn L & follow this for about 1km, where you take the track on your R which climbs steadily up Glen Kendrum, the 2 Corbetts now come in to view.

You cross the Kendrum burn(1hr 40mins) where the track zig zags & following the track to it's highest point.

Leave the track & climb the steep grassy slopes which eventually eases off before walking over some knobbly tops to reach the top(1hr 40mins) Hopefully fantastic views of Ben Vorlich, Stuc a' Chroin & Loch Earn.

Retrace your steps back to the track & go straight across then cross some boggy ground before climbing the grassy slope & up to the bealach W of Cam Chreag, you can either climb over this or bypass it on the S side, then continue along the ridge to your 2nd top & trig point(1hr 10mins)

Continue along the ridge until clear of the crags before dropping down NE over rough ground, to reach the track above the zig zag & back down to the old railway line(1hr 10mins)

Now follow the railway line back to Craggan where you pick up the Rob Roy Way & follow it S to the old Balquhider Station then on to the Mhor 84 Motel GR564204 & your pick up(1hr 10mins)

22km & 1100mts climbing Time approx 7.5hrs

Because of the terrain these can be 2 tough hills

A decision can be made on the day if you want to just do the one Corbett

Walk B

Creag Mac Rannaich(GR546256

OS51

Same route as the A group except missing out the 2nd Corbett.

Start-crossing the burn(1hr 50mins) crossing the burn-top (1hr 50mins)

From the top-railway line (1hr 20 mins) from the railway line-Motel (1hr 20mins)

20km & 800mts climbing Time approx 7.5hrs

Walk C

Rob Roy Way Callander-Balquhider

OS51

Start from the car park in Callander next to the Dreadnought Hotel, cross the main road & pick up the RRW on the old railway line that heads N towards The Falls of Lenny, Loch Lubnaig & Strathyre.

Cross the A821 near Kilmahog & follow the RRW on the W side of Loch Lubnaig & all the way to Strathyre.

Start to bridge at GR586093(1hr 30mins) to Laggan Cottage(2hrs) to Strathyre(1hr)

Cross to the E side at Strathyre & you have a choice of following the cycle track or going in to the forest & following the RRW all the way towards old Balquhider Railway Station, however your pick up is at the Mhor 84 Motel at GR564204(1hr) If you decide to follow the RRW in to the forest this will add 50mins to your walking.

18km & 350mts climbing Time approx 6.5hrs(this is going by the cycle track)

Drop off C first then A&B

Pick up altogether

There should be time for a refreshment in the Mhor 84 Motel

Sun 10th May

Moffat

Walk A

Hart Fell(Corbett)GR114136 & Swatte Fell GR118114

OS78

Start from the layby on the A701 GR057126 & take the forest path then the ridge path N to Annandale Hill overlooking the Devil's beef Tub.

Now follow the route E over Chalk Ridge Edge, Spout Craig(1hr 20mins), Whitehope Heights, Whitehope Knowe, where the route now swings SE before dropping steeply down & then a steep pull up the NW slopes of Hart Fell(2hrs) Continue SE to Hartfell Craig then the .724 spot height before turning S & SW to Swatte fell(50mins)

Descend SW over Blue Cairn & Greygill Head before dropping SE down the edge of the forest to the track.

Turn R & follow the track to Blaebeck(1hr 10 mins) before picking up the minor road & the 2km walk in to Moffat & the pick up at the car park(35mins)

20km & 8000mts climbing Time approx 6.5hrs

Walk B

Hart Fell(Corbett) GR114136

OS78

Same route as the A as far as Hart Fell...start-Spout Craig(1hr 30mins)-Hart Fell(2hrs 15mins)

From Hart Fell descend S & SW to Arthur's Seat, keeping to the R of a feature known as Hart Fell Spa, joining a path that leads SW to a minor road & the Annandale Way(1hr 20 mins)

Follow the minor road towards Moffat but after approx 3.5km(50mins) leave the road at GR078070 & follow the Annandale Way beside the River Annan for the short walk in to Moffat & the pick up at the car park(35mins)

18km & 700mts climbing Time approx 6.5hrs

Walk C

Devil's Beef Tub & Annandale Way to Moffat

OS78

Same starting point as A&B & walking as far as Spout Craig GR084138(1hr 40mins) but now leave the path here & turn S descending towards Ericstane GR072110(1hr)

Now walk on the minor road towards Moffat but after approx 4.5km just past Reddings & at GR078070(1hr 10mins) leave the minor road, turn R & follow the Annandale Way beside the River Annan for the short walk in to Moffat & the pick up at the car park(40mins)

14km & 350mts climbing Time approx 5.5hrs

There's loads of time on the C walk to have a wander around Moffat or go just outside the town for a walk around Gallow Hill

Time for a wee refreshment also

Start altogether

Pick up altogether

Sun 7th June

Linn O' Dee

Walk A

Carn a' Mhaim GR994952

OS43

Start at Linn O' Dee car park & take the path heading N through the woods till it meets the track that heads NW to Derry Lodge GR041935(1hr 10mins)

Cross the river at the bridge & turn L to join the path that leads to Luibeg Bridge GR014943(50mins)

If the river is low you can cross the river before you reach the bridge.

Continue along the track W for approx 0.5km before turning NW on to a track & the long steady climb to the summit of Carn a' Mhaim(1hr 40mins)

Return by the outward route

Carn a' Mhaim-Luibeg Bridge(40mins)-Derry Lodge(40mins)-Car park(1hr 10mins)

21km & 750mts climbing Time approx 7hrs

Walk B

Bein Bhreac GR058971

OS43

Same route as A to Derry Lodge(1hr 20mins)

Do not cross the bridge but continue on the path on the E side of the river up Glen Derry for approx 2km, where the path reaches a high point before dropping slightly to a small cairn, about 40mts after a small burn.

Turn right up through the trees following a narrow but clear path towards the bealach between Meall Lunndain & Beinn Bhreac(1hr 30mins) the ground could be very boggy as it heads up & out of the trees.

You now head up the S slopes to the E summit(1hr)

To return to Glen Derry head across the plateau to spot height .865 Craig Derry then turn S down the nose of Coire An Fhir Bhogha to the track(1hr)

Turn L & return to Derry Lodge(35mins) & the long walk back to Linn O' Dee car park(1hr 20mins)

22km & 650mts climbing Time approx 7.5hrs

Walk C

Circular walk Linn O'Dee & Linn O' Quoich

OS43

Same start as A&B as far as the path NE to Clais Fhearnaig GR058924(50mins)

There's 2 lovely lochans here & an excellent place for a T break.

Follow the path as it reaches the track in Glen Quoich(1hr)

Turn R & follow the track on the E side of the Quoich Water & all the way to the Linn O' Quoich(1hr 25mins)

A visit to the "Punch Bowl" is a must.

From the Linn O' Quoich follow the tarmac road SW for approx 1km before taking a track on your L that leads to Victoria Bridge(45mins)

Return to the road via Mar Lodge, turn L & back to the Linn O' Dee car park(1hr 20 mins)

18km & 350mts climbing Time approx 6.5hrs

Drop off altogether

Pick up altogether

This is a great area for self led walks

It's members own responsibility when booked on a club walk to continually check the weather forecast, club website, e-mails, txts for any changes/cancellations to the planned walk, the club will try & offer an alternative walk if possible.

They should also check the route/map that they intend doing, a more detailed description of some of the walks may be found on the Walks Highlands web page

They should also make themselves aware of the drop off & pick up points of the bus

If in any doubt then you can contact the following

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If any member would like to suggest a particular walk they would like to do then just get in touch