



Glasgow Glenmore Club **Newsletter Spring 2008**

Editorial

Easter is early this year (earliest since 1931?), winter weather quite late. It has, however, been an active and productive time both for the members of GGC and especially for the committee.

With the website fully active again as well as being in the process of a new look, you should be up to speed with everything and the photography has never been better! The Easter weekend should produce some of the best.

Some of the April information went out separately but I will include it again. Some of the May information will also have to be sent out separately. ASAP.

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Programme for 2007-2008

**The full year's programme of outdoor and indoor meets is at the back of this newsletter.
Bookings start immediately.**

April Coordinator **Isobel Freeman**

Thursday 3 April 2008 **Taking Better Pictures** **Alex Pirie**

Alex is a Technical Sales Adviser with a major supplier of high-end photographic equipment, ranging from cameras to studio lighting. He is a photographer himself, his main interests being travel, architecture and landscape photography.

His talk will cover hints and tips on improving your photography and how to get the best from your camera. Without the technical jargon!

Sunday 13 April **Glen Lyon** **NN 742470**

Meet at 9.30 am at the Fortingail Hotel to make arrangements for the day. The plan would be to meet back there at the end of the day for a meal and or drink.

Thursday, 17 April **Planning and Suggestion Meet** **Hyndland Bowling Club**

There is a question mark over this indoor meet because it is now so close to the weekend. It is, however, quite possible for a few people to meet for a drink at the Bowling Club if anyone feels like it. And a discussion of the original topic for the night is entirely possible as is a discussion of the foreign holiday. Let me know and listen to announcements on the third of April.

Friday 18-Sunday 19 April **Mull** **NM 550482**

Arle Lodge is on the right, halfway between Salen and Tobermory. Accommodation is available in twin bedded rooms (some of which are en suite and will be allocated on a first come first served basis) and in shared rooms. The cost for a twin room is £25 per person per night and for a bed in a shared room £18 per person per night. **Please let Isobel know asap if you wish a place.**

On the Saturday it will be Dave Broadfoot's last Munro. A barbeque/party at the lodge, which has a barbeque grill in the garden, is planned for the Saturday night. Please bring something for yourself to barbeque and something to drink. Anyone wishing to be appointed as a barbeque monitor, let Isobel know. Any salad dishes for sharing will be welcome.

Can people, please, make their own arrangements for ferries, sharing cars where possible. Anyone wanting or offering a lift, also let Isobel know.

I believe there are no donkeys to get you up the hill, but it is a very nice one, one which I think is well accustomed to celebrations on its summit.

Mountain Bothies Association (MB)

MBA Winter 2007 Newsletter

As well as all the latest updates on bothy conditions and renovations, other MBA news included a proposal to publicise Grid References of bothies on MBA's Website, the closure of Alladale bothy (due to the proposed introduction of no-longer-native wild animals to the area!), the latest news from the Trustees and early notification of the next MBA AGM at St. Boswells in October,2008

Other interesting articles included:-

- **The full story of the extensive renovation of Corrou Bothy in the Lairig Ghru, now complete with toilet, after 2 years of work for 46 different people.**

- "A Daft Weekend" - a "nae bother" walk in the Cairngorms, which turned into an epic, due to massive amounts of snow.

_ Three separate pieces about recent renovations at Luibchonnal bothy in the upper reaches of Glen Roy (an excellent location and bothy - H.T.)

- The possible dangers of parking overnight in remote locations for bothy access, without keeping people informed.

Scottish Rights of Way and Access Society (ScotWays).

Annual Report,2007

This included, as normal, reports by various Office Bearers, including Access Officer, Directors, Accountants and Treasurer. It also included a Review for the year which detailed projects and fieldwork carried out and still pending, mostly by about 200 volunteers. A list of all Corporate Members of ScotWays was also included

There were articles on "Access for Disabled", "Dog Walking", and Reports on ScotWays Official Walks.

One of ScotWays' projects was work on Heritage Paths Project, funded by SNH and Heritage Lottery Fund, which involves identifying, researching, surveying and compiling notes on long-existing paths such as the so-called "Herring Road" from Dunbar to Lauder, 24 miles of track walked regularly by fishwives selling their wares up until early 20th century.

This Annual Report came with a leaflet giving details of many books, maps and guides available from ScotWays' Bookshop, all related to walking all over Scotland.

All the above publications are available on loan from the Club Librarian, Connie Thomson

Miscellaneous

Tiso Glasgow Outdoor Experience Club Discount Night Tuesday 29th April 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Bufs

These made their first appearance at the Burns Supper and have undoubtedly been seen on the hill by now. I don't think they are sold out yet and can be purchased from Gordon. Price £12.

50th Anniversary Books: The last few of these are now being sold off at £5 each!!! Please buy your copy at the indoor meet or order directly from Caroline or via myself. More details on the website.

Trek across Iceland. Marie Curie Cancer is currently trying to raise £16million to build a new hospice in Glasgow. One of the fundraising activities is a trek across Iceland from 21 – 26 August 2008. “ The trip, through a striking mix of volcanoes and mountains will be tough and exhilarating and is suitable for anyone with a bit of grit, determination and a sense of humour. It combines the challenge of both fundraising and trekking and could be the experience of a lifetime!”

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Summary of Programme

April	(Isobel)		
13	Glen Lyon	3	Photography
18-19	Mull (a final Munro) *	17	Planning and Suggestion Meet
May	(Douglas)		
2-5	Jura	8	AGM
23-26	Torridon (Gordon) ***		
June			
13-15	Ballater. Camping		
July	Foreign Meet		
September			
14			
26-29	Skye. Portnalong	18	

* Change of date ** Multi Sport ***Meet details not yet finalize