

STONEHAVEN RAMBLERS PROGRAMME JAN-JUNE 2012

All walks start by meeting at Stonehaven Leisure Centre Car park - other end from the swimming pools unless indicated otherwise

Please note that start times may vary according to variables e.g. driving distance / length of walk /available daylight in winter months.

Programme may be subject to change prior to and on walk at leader's discretion due to unforeseen circumstances e.g. weather

Please contact leader for information on a specific walk.

Sun Jan 8th Raedykes and Campstone Hill and Auquhollie OS Map 45

10 Km (6 miles) easy/SC

Walk takes in the remains of Roman Camp on Garrison Hill, stone circle on Campstone Hill and the Auquhollie standing stone. Fine views, quiet roads and tracks but rough ground in places

Meet 9.30 Stonehaven Leisure Centre car park. Car contribution £1

Leader Bill Craigen 01569 763478

Sat Jan 21st Tangleha' to Inverbervie OS 45

13km (8 miles) easy/SC

Drive to Inverbervie. Service bus to Tangleha' at 10.04 (TBC) Coastal walk to Inverbervie via Johnshaven and Gourdon.

Meet 9am Stonehaven Leisure Centre car park. Car contribution £1.50

Leader Jackie Kerr 01569 765911

Sun Jan 29th GRAMPIAN AREA AGM Walk 10.30 am meeting 2.30pm Inverurie

Sun Feb 5th Forvie Sands to Collieston circular. 12Km (7.5miles) easy/SC OS 38

Starting at river Ythan , and over the sand dunes to the sea. Follow the route north on the coastal path to Collieston. Circular route back to the start via the visitor centre.

Meet at 9am Stonehaven Leisure Centre car park. Car contribution £3

Leader Geoff Styles 01224 739822

Sat Feb 18th Cairn mon Earn OS 45

15km (9miles) easy/moderate SC+

Park near top of Slug Road at 780909 and take a circular route round Durris Forest taking in the top of Cairn mon Earn 378m

Meet at 9.30am Stonehaven Leisure Centre car park. Car contribution £1.50

Leader Stuart Radley 01561 320754

Sun March 4th 2 Rambles round Logie Coldstone OS 37

As there are 2 walks today please call your chosen leader in advance of the walk.

HARDER WALK 16Km (10miles) easy/moderate/ SB

Starting at Bridgend and ascending to the foothills of Morven we make our way along woodland tracks, through Logie Coldstone and back to our starting point.

Leader Robbie Murdoch 01569 763410

EASIER WALK 10.50Km (6.5 miles) easy/ SC OS 37

Starting at Bridgend and taking a circular route clockwise through Logie Coldstone, Blelack Farm and Redburn back to the start. Lovely woodland tracks.

Leader Bill Craigen 01569 763478

Meet at 9am Stonehaven Leisure Centre car park. Car contribution £4

Sat March 17th Culblean and Muir of Dinnet. OS 37

As there are 2 walks today please call your chosen leader in advance of the walk.

HARDER WALK 12 Km (7.5miles) 160 m of ascent. easy/moderate SC+

A walk over east Culblean, an old droving road and then into the Muir of Dinnet nature reserve and back

Leader Sandra Davison 01561 378967

EASIER WALK 8Km (5 miles) easy/ SC OS 37

Starting at Dinnet, take the path round Loch Kinnord. See the Crannog, old Pictish Cross and picnic at the Visitor Centre

Leader Sue Galloway 01569 750565

Meet at 9am Stonehaven Leisure Centre car park. Car contribution £4

Sun April 1st Clachnaben and Charr bothy OS 45

As there are 2 walks today please call your chosen leader in advance of the walk.

HARDER WALK 17.5 Km (11 miles) 370 m ascent. Moderate/ SB

Starting point near Spittal Cottage just off the Old Military Rd (B944) 647844

Take the path to Charr Bothy. Climb up the well graded path to the top of Hill of Edendocher, across the ridge to Clachnaben and back to the start via Glen Dye Lodge and Millers Bog.

Leader Stuart Radley 01561

EASIER WALK 10 Km (6 miles) easy/ SC

Start as above. Following the Dye Water through Glen Dye passing over the Burn of Waterhead to Charr Bothy. Return route is closer to the river and contours round the slopes of Netty Hill to return to the cars.

Leader Joyce Grahame 01569 766427

Meet at 9am the Stonehaven Leisure Centre Car park. Car contribution £3

Sat April 14th Glen Bardy and the Seven Bridges OS 37/44

As there are 2 walks today please call your chosen leader in advance of the walk.

HARDER WALK 15Km (9.5miles) 457m ascent moderate / SB OS 37

Glen Bardy and Peters Hill

Start at car park (near church) in Ballater. Walk through woods to Bridge of Gairn. Walk along tarmac road by Prony farm and ascend into Glen Bardy going up track round Peter's Hill down past Tullich mast and back to Ballater via the Cinder Path.

Leader Sandra Horrocks 01569 762288

EASIER WALK 10 Km (6 miles)easy/ SC OS 44
Seven Brigs walk

A pleasant walk mostly on quiet roads which take in seven bridges around Ballater.

Leader Sandra Mc Intosh 01569765327

Meet at 9am the Stonehaven Leisure Centre Car park. Car contribution £5

Sun April 29th Morrone and the Birkwoods Circular OS 43

As there are 2 walks today please call your chosen leader in advance of the walk

HARDER WALK Morrone 10 km (6 miles) mod/strenuous / SB+ OS43

Leave Braemar by Chapel Brae, make our way through open woodland of birch and juniper. A steady climb of 2km takes us to the summit 859m. We descend to Auchallater and back to Braemar on the old road on the west side of the Clunie. Leader Fiona Hill 01569 763836

EASIER WALK Birkwoods Circular 9 Km (5miles) easy/ SC OS 43

Starting opposite the Invercauld Arms follow Clunie Water till it meets the Dee. Cross the road to the duck pond and take a track to the viewpoint beyond Woodhill. Circle the Birkwoods and return to the village by Chapel Brae.

Leader Mary Milne 01569 760987

Meet at 9am the Stonehaven Leisure Centre Car park. Car contribution £7

Sat May 12th Glen Nocht OS 37

As there are 2 walks today please call your chosen leader in advance of the walk.

HARDER WALK 17.5Km (11 miles) 600m ascent moderate/strenuous / SB+ OS 37

Turn off main road at Bellabeg towards Lost Gallery. Park at 336159

Follow track to Duffdefiance and ascend Finlate Hill. Turn south at 287185 and follow track along the Allt na Caillich and back to Glen Nocht and car park.

Leader Fiona Hill 01569 763836

EASIER WALK TBA later RM

Meet at 9am the Stonehaven Leisure Centre Car park. Car contribution £6

Sun May 27th Hill of Wirren from Glen Lethnot and Hill of Edzell OS 44

As there are 2 walks today please call your chosen leader in advance of the walk.

HARDER WALK Hill of Wirren 17.4Km(11 miles) 640m ascent moderate/strenuousSB+ OS 44

Start at Dalbog Proceed westerly following the road and track to East Wirren. From there follow the ridge west and then NNW up the shoulder to Hill of Wirren. From the Hill top keep high over Craigangower and then ascend towards Cornescornand back to Dalbog via the track to the car.

Leader Iain Forbes 01569 766553

EASIER WALK Edzell Hill easy/ SC 10 Km (6miles) OS 44/45

Start at Edzell PO, along river to Gannochy Bridge the Wood of Dalbog Farm. Ascend Edzell Hill and return to start either via Mains of Edzell Farm or Edzell Castle.

Leader Sue Galloway 01569 750565

Meet at 9am the Stonehaven Leisure Centre Car park. Car contribution £3

Sat June 9th Mt Keen and Tarfside Circular OS 44

As there are 2 walks today please call your chosen leader in advance of the walk.

HARDER WALK Mt Keen 19km (12miles) 680 m ascent strenuous/ SB+ OS44

Starting at Invermark we walk to Queens Well and ascend on a good path to the summit of Mt Keen 939m. Return same way.

Leader Sandra Davison 01561 378967

EASIER WALK Tarfside Circular 6.5 miles 150 m ascent easy/ SC+ Park at Tarfside . A short ramble in the hills to the north of Tarfside village via Burnfoot and Baillies. Good views as we rise gently to the bealach near Cairn Robbie and back to the village.

Leader Sandra Horrocks 01569 762288

Meet at 9am the Stonehaven Leisure Centre Car park. Car contribution £6

Sun 24th June Broad Cairn and the Circuit of Loch Muick

HARDER WALK Broad Cairn 19 Km (12 miles) Strenuous/ SB+ OS44

**Walk along side of Loch Muick to the Black Burn and ascend to plateau.
Ascend uphill to the summit of Broad Cairn 998m. Return via the Streak of
Lightning path.**

Leader Sandra Davison 01561 378967

**EASIER WALK Circuit of Loch Muick 12.5 km(8 miles) easy/SC+ OS44 Car park £3.
Leave car park and cross over to boathouse. Walk past the Glas allt Shiel, round
the end of the loch and return to car park via the Black Burn.**

Leader Sandra McIntosh 01569 765327

Meet at 9am the Stonehaven Leisure Centre Car park. Car contribution £6

**All sport and leisure activities have associated hazards, rambling being no
exception. In spite of member safety being of paramount importance, accidents
can happen. It is therefore important that members appreciate that they have a
responsibility to identify associated hazards and take responsible steps to
eliminate or minimise potential for accidents to occur.**

Suggestions for in your pack:

Sack/pack liner/ binbag

Good waterproof breathable anorak

Waterproof trousers

Fleece

Survival bag

Whistle

Personal first aid kit incl Rx medicine and blister repair

Gloves and hat

Spare hat and socks

Sit mat

Water and food + spare food (high energy bar?)

Mobile phone (999 or 112 for emergency)

Head torch

Note: walks grades can be found on the National RA website or the Aberdeen RA website.