



# SCOTTISH CLUBS' HUTS

A Directory of Scottish Mountaineering Huts

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It is necessary to update the information in this directory from time to time. The current version will always be available from the website. If the version number (below) on your electronic or hard copy differs from that currently on the website then you need to download (.pdf) the updated version.

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## SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS

Hut name: **INVERARDRAN COTTAGE**  
Club: Ochils MC  
Situation: Crianlarich  
Map: 50 Glen Orchy  
Grid ref. 392251  
Access: Just off A85 E of Crianlarich, adjacent to Ben More Restaurant & Bar  
Accommodation: 8 places in the 'Ben More' bunkroom at the rear of the cottage, on two-tiered single and double bunks. 10 places in 'The Auld Kitchen' at the front of the building on a two-tiered alpine-style sleeping platform. Sleeping area in the attic reserved for OMC members. All bunks are fitted with mattresses, but sleeping bags are required  
Facilities: Electric lighting and heating; conventional gas cooker which has double oven and grill, plus 8 separate gas rings; microwave oven; fridge; all utensils, crockery and cutlery provided; h&c running water; m&f showers; m&f WCs; drying room & boot room; sitting room with solid fuel fire (bring own fuel)  
Charges: £8.50/person/night. Booking deposits required: £50/night for 'Ben More' or 'The Auld Kitchen' or £100/night for both. Cheques to be made out to 'Ochils MC', please  
Keys: From hut custodian  
Custodian: Ms Christina Murray, 30 Cleuch Drive, Alva, Clackmannanshire, FK12 5NY. (01259) 760734. E-mail contact form on website [www.ochils.com](http://www.ochils.com)

## CENTRAL HIGHLANDS

Hut name: **ALEX MACINTYRE MEMORIAL (AMMH)**  
Owner: Held in trust for the BMC and MCoFS  
Situation: Adjacent to Creag Mhor Lodge, North Ballachulish, 1 mile N of Ballachulish bridge  
Map: 41 Ben Nevis  
Grid Ref: 044612  
Access: From A82  
Accommodation: 16 places - mattresses. Please see note on website regarding people under the age of 18  
Facilities: Mains electricity and water; electric cookers and oven; microwave oven; 2 fridges; all utensils; electric heater in lounge; electric heating in dormitories (£1 coin meter); hot water and showers; drying room; WCs  
Charges: £7/person/night - 50% in advance, balance payable one month prior to date of booking  
Keys: Access now by digital lock; the code will be notified not less than a week before arrival  
Custodian: Mr Arthur Howarth, 63 Cleveland Road, New Malden, Surrey, KT3 3QJ. (020 8241) 4442 - urgent queries only; bookings via e-mail or post, please.  
E-mail [aghowarth@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:aghowarth@blueyonder.co.uk) Web [www.mcofs.org.uk/huts-macintyre.asp](http://www.mcofs.org.uk/huts-macintyre.asp) (link to availability chart on that page)  
Notes: (1) Bookings accepted only from member clubs or individual members of the MCoFS and BMC. (2) With the exception of assistance dogs, no dogs or other pets are allowed within the building

Hut name: **BLACKROCK COTTAGE**  
Club: The Ladies' Scottish Climbing Club  
Situation: At foot of Meall a' Bhuid, about ½ mile S of the main road (A82); about 1½ miles SE of the Kingshouse Hotel  
Map: 41 Ben Nevis  
Grid Ref: 267530  
Access: Off A82 on access road to White Corries chairlift  
Accommodation: Two rooms up steep stairs with 4 beds each; one room downstairs with bunk bed; 10 beds in all; mattresses and pillows provided - please bring sleeping bag  
Facilities: Electric lighting & cooking; microwave; utensils provided; solid fuel fires in sitting room & kitchen; no piped water (available from burn); WC in shed; bike and ski storage  
Charges: £6.00/person/night; £4.00 for clubs with reciprocal rights. A booking deposit is required  
Keys: From custodian  
Custodian: Ms Maris Buchanan, Carnlia, Salen, Acharacle, Argyll, PH36 4JN.  
E-mail [blackrock@ladiesscottishclimbingclub.org](mailto:blackrock@ladiesscottishclimbingclub.org)  
Web [www.ladiesscottishclimbingclub.org/htm/huts.htm](http://www.ladiesscottishclimbingclub.org/htm/huts.htm)  
Notes: (1) Bookings accepted only from recognised clubs. (2) No camping. (3) With the exception of assistance dogs, no dogs are allowed within the hut

**Hut name:** **CIC (Charles Inglis Clark Memorial)**  
**Club:** The Scottish Mountaineering Club  
**Situation:** On W bank of Allt a'Mhuillin at the foot of the cliffs of Ben Nevis, altitude 670m (2,400')  
**Map:** 41 Ben Nevis  
**Grid Ref:** 168722  
**Access:** 1. From the Allt a'Mhuillin car park at grid ref. 144763. Turn off the A82 at Torlundy, cross the railway bridge then turn immediately R on to the forestry road. Follow this road for about half a mile. The car park is on the L and is just after the L-hand bend in the road. A path leading to the hut leaves the car park  
2. From Achintee by the Ben Nevis path (the 'Tourist Path') to Lochan Meall an t'Suidhe. Skirt the base of the Carn Dearg cliffs to reach the Allt a'Mhuillin leading to the hut  
**Accommodation:** 20 maximum; 8 only per club in winter and 12 in summer; minimum booking 2. Alpine-style sleeping platforms with mattresses  
**Facilities:** Cooking and heating by propane gas; lighting by both electric and propane gas; crockery and utensils provided; drying room; composting toilets (ready during 2009)  
**Charges:** £10.00/person/night  
**Keys:** From hut custodian (by post)  
**Custodian:** Mr Robin Clothier, 35 Broompark Drive, Newton Mearns, Glasgow, G77 5DZ. No telephone bookings. E-mail [cic@smc.org.uk](mailto:cic@smc.org.uk) Web [www.smc.org.uk](http://www.smc.org.uk)  
**Notes:** (1) Bookings accepted only from member clubs or individual members of the MCofS and BMC. (2) Bookings may be made no more than 1 year in advance, e.g. in Jan. 2010 for Jan. 2011. (3) Bookings are based as follows: Weekends = Friday & Saturday nights, Weekdays = Sunday - Thursday. (4) All bookings in winter (January - April) must be paid for in full with no refund. At all other times a 25% deposit is required. (5) No camping or fires allowed in the vicinity of the hut

**Hut name:** **CLASHGOUR**  
**Club:** Glasgow University MC  
**Situation:** At foot of Stob Ghabhar, 1 mile W of Forest Lodge, Loch Tulla  
**Map:** 50 Bridge of Orchy  
**Grid Ref:** 256424  
**Access:** By road (A8005) from Bridge of Orchy to Victoria Bridge (no vehicles beyond bridge) then walk 1 mile W along track  
**Accommodation:** Up to 12 in cramped conditions  
**Facilities:** Gas lighting and cooking; wood burning stove  
**Charges:** £2.50/person/night  
**Keys:** From hut custodian  
**Custodian:** Clashgour Hut Custodian, GUMC, c/o Stevenson Building, 77 Oakfield Avenue, Glasgow, G12 8LT. E-mail address of the present custodian can be found on [www.gumclub.co.uk/view/committee](http://www.gumclub.co.uk/view/committee)

**Hut name:** **INBHIRFHAOLAIN**  
**Club:** The Grampian Club  
**Situation:** 7 miles from junction of Glen Etive road with Tyndrum/Glencoe road (A82) and 5 miles from Loch Etive Pier  
**Map:** 41 Ben Nevis  
**Grid Ref:** 158508  
**Access:** From Glen Etive road; parking adjacent to hut  
**Accommodation:** 13 places with mattresses in hut. Ample space for camping  
**Facilities:** Electric lighting, heating & cooking; all utensils provided; multifuel stove; water from nearby burn (100 m); Clivus composting toilet  
**Charges:** £5.00/person/night; camping £2/person/night; £1 coin electricity meter. £20.00 deposit required  
**Keys:** From hut custodian  
**Custodian:** Mr Sandy Spalding, Ashintully, Auchterhouse, Dundee, DD3 0QS. (01382) 320296. E-mail [alexander.spalding@zen.co.uk](mailto:alexander.spalding@zen.co.uk) Web [www.grampianclub.org](http://www.grampianclub.org)  
**Notes:** (1) Visitors are requested to take refuse away with them. (2) No fires outside

Hut name: **LAGANGARBH**  
Club: The Scottish Mountaineering Club  
Situation: At the foot of the Buachaille Etive Mor, ¼ mile S of Altnafeadh Cottage at E end of Glencoe  
Map: 41 Ben Nevis  
Grid Ref: 221561  
Access: Via path from Altnafeadh  
Accommodation: 14 plus 6 additional places reserved for SMC members. Alpine-style sleeping platforms with mattresses  
Facilities: Electric lighting & cooking; microwave oven; fridge; all utensils provided; heating by electricity & propane gas; drying room; shower; WC  
Charges: £8.00/person/night  
Keys: From hut custodian  
Custodian: Mr Benny Swan, 16 Knowes View, Faifley, Clydebank, G81 5AT. (01389) 875505 or (01389) 800478 (ans. m/c). E-mail [lagangarbh@smc.org.uk](mailto:lagangarbh@smc.org.uk) Web [www.smc.org.uk](http://www.smc.org.uk)  
Notes: (1) Bookings accepted only from member clubs or individual members of the MCoFS and BMC. (2) No camping or fires allowed in the vicinity of the hut

Hut name: **MANSE BARN, ONICH**  
Club: Lomond MC  
Situation: Adjacent to Onich Hotel  
Map: 41 Ben Nevis  
Grid Ref: 031613  
Access: On the A82 adjacent to the Onich Hotel. It is the white building on the S side of the road, adjacent to the hotel car park  
Accommodation: 10 on alpine-style sleeping platform  
Facilities: Electric lighting and heating; electric cooker; £1 coin meter for electricity; all kitchen utensils provided; mains water; WC  
Charges: £4.00/person/night. Bookings accepted from small parties (2-3 persons)  
Keys: From hut custodian  
Custodian: Mr Julian Hearne, 1/3 147 Glasgow Road, Dumbarton, G82 1RQ. (01389) 733899, (07717) 378387 (mobile). E-mail [thecommittee@lomondmc.com](mailto:thecommittee@lomondmc.com) Web [www.lomondmc.com](http://www.lomondmc.com)

Hut name: **RIASG**  
Club: The Climbers' Club  
Map: 41 Ben Nevis  
Grid Ref: 272812  
Access: Coming from Fort William to Spean Bridge, take A86 towards Newtonmore. Immediately past the Roy Bridge Hotel, turn sharp R, then take the second turn on the L (first L is the entrance to a bungalow). Riasg is the first bungalow on the R, it is signed as a CC property. There is a large amount of parking space adjacent to the hut  
Accommodation: 21 maximum. No less than 4 and a maximum of 6 places available, as a group but not as individuals, to members of MCoFS member clubs when there is no official CC meet at the hut (see under charges below); remaining places are reserved for members of the CC and guests. Non-CC groups should confine themselves to one room where possible. Individual bunk beds  
Facilities: Mains electricity, water & drainage; oil-fired central heating; electric cooking; microwave oven; fridge; hot water; M&F showers; WCs; carpeted throughout so no boots beyond front door!  
Charges: £9.00/person/night. Deposit: First night's fees in full (non-refundable) plus £50 key deposit and s.a.e. required. **N.B.** Due to heavy demand from Climbers' Club members during the winter/spring period bookings will be accepted for parties of 4 to 6 non-CC members from June 2<sup>nd</sup> to December 14<sup>th</sup> only  
Keys: From bookings secretary only  
Bookings secretary: Mr John Trythall, Seaview, Covesea, Duffus, Elgin, Morayshire, IV30 5QS. E-mail [trythallj@hotmail.com](mailto:trythallj@hotmail.com) Web [www.climbers-club.co.uk](http://www.climbers-club.co.uk)  
Notes: (1) Initial booking enquiries by e-mail only, please. (2) Signing in Hut Book on arrival is obligatory, plus display of booking permission on notice board so that CC members or custodian can see/inspect it

**Hut name:** THE SMIDDY, GLEN ETIVE  
**Owner:** Forventure (see note below)  
**Situation:** Near head of Loch Etive; within walking distance of Etive Slabs  
**Map:** 50 Glen Orchy  
**Grid Ref:** 116455  
**Access:** Adjacent to public road. Please use 'official' car park on same side of road as hut, a few yards to W  
**Accommodation:** 14 bunks with mattresses; some blankets  
**Facilities:** Lighting; heating and cooking by electricity; all utensils provided; solid fuel stove (no living timber to be felled); running water; WCs  
**Charges:** £3.00/person/night plus a standing charge (to cover electricity and insurance) related to duration of stay. Minimum booking 4  
**Keys:** From hut custodian (by post)  
**Custodian:** Mr W.G. Anderson, 91 Essex Drive, Glasgow, G14 9LX. (0141-959) 9965.  
**Note:** The Smiddy is owned by Forventure, a charitable organisation based in Oban, and managed & maintained by Clydebank Scout Group. The hut is available to mountaineering clubs, supervised youth groups and family groups

## NORTH WEST HIGHLANDS

**Hut name:** GLEN LICHD HOUSE (Haddon-Woodburn Memorial)  
**Club:** Edinburgh University MC  
**Situation:** Glen Lichd, between Beinn Fhada and the Five Sisters  
**Map:** 33 Loch Alsh and Glen Shiel  
**Grid Ref:** 004173  
**Access:** Leave A87 and take public road to Morvich. Follow track (entrance locked) on S bank of River Croe for over 3 miles to hut  
**Accommodation:** 30 - no bunks, mattresses or blankets  
**Facilities:** Gas lamps; Calor gas rings; some cutlery and crockery; two open fires (bring own fuel & candles)  
**Charges:** £3.50/person/night  
**Keys:** From bothy secretary (10 days in advance); £10.00 deposit  
**Bothy secretary:** The Bothy Secretary, Edinburgh University Mountaineering Club, c/o Sports Union, 48 Pleasance, Edinburgh, EH8 9TJ. Current Bothy Secretary Heather Penman. (07840) 026795. E-mail [h.c.penman@sms.ed.ac.uk](mailto:h.c.penman@sms.ed.ac.uk) Web <http://eumc.eusu.ed.ac.uk/bothy.html>

**Hut name:** INVER CROFT HOUSE  
**Club:** Jacobites MC  
**Situation:** Near Achnasheen  
**Map:** 25 Glen Carron  
**Grid Ref:** 150559  
**Access:** Via footbridge and walkway from car park at 147562  
**Accommodation:** Up to 14, or to 24 by prior arrangement - see (3) in notes; sleeping mats required until summer 2009  
**Facilities:** New electric lighting and original gas lights; gas range with catering sized oven - 10 gas rings; good selection of pots pans and kitchen utensils; filtered and UV-purified water supply; heating by efficient open fire (bring own coal or logs); WC; drying room  
**Charges:** £6.00/person/night  
**Keys:** From bookings secretary  
**Custodian:** Mr Mike Snook, 388 Morningside Road, Edinburgh, EH10 5HX. (07717) 234464.  
 E-mail [hutwarden@jacobitesmc.co.uk](mailto:hutwarden@jacobitesmc.co.uk) Web [www.jacobitesmc.co.uk](http://www.jacobitesmc.co.uk)  
**Notes:** (1) Bookings accepted only from member clubs of the MCoFS or BMC. (2) No camping or fires outside the hut. (3) The hut was recently extensively refurbished to a high standard throughout, including electric lighting, upgraded kitchen and water purification system. Excellent location for final Munro celebrations (Fhionn Bheinn nearby)

Hut name: **LING**  
Club: The Scottish Mountaineering Club  
Situation: Glen Torridon on S side of Lochan an Iasgair, 6 miles from Kinlochewe  
Map: 25 Glen Carron  
Grid Ref: 958562  
Access: By footpath from Glen Torridon road, skirting E by side of Lochan an Iasgair; N.B. Do not go down boathouse road (river to wade)  
Accommodation: 12 places plus 4 additional places reserved for SMC members. Alpine-style sleeping platforms with mattresses  
Facilities: Electric lighting; cooking and heating by propane gas; all utensils provided; drying room; WC  
Charges: £8.00/person/night  
Keys: From hut custodian  
Custodian: Mr John Orr, 8 Fleurs Place, Elgin, Morayshire, IV30 1ST. (01343) 545248 (home), (07881) 621864 (mobile). E-mail [ling@smc.org.uk](mailto:ling@smc.org.uk) Web [www.smc.org.uk](http://www.smc.org.uk)  
Notes: (1) Bookings accepted only from member clubs or individual members of the MCofS and BMC. (2) No camping or fires allowed in the vicinity of the hut

Hut name: **NAISMITH**  
Club: The Scottish Mountaineering Club  
Situation: Elphin, Sutherland. Adjacent to A835 on a loop road below Cnoc Breac (280 m) on S side of main road. The building is a converted traditional cottage adjacent to a modern house  
Map: 15 Loch Assynt & Surrounding Area  
Grid ref. 216118  
Access: Drive up loop road and park adjacent to hut, off access road  
Accommodation: 8 places plus 2 additional places reserved for SMC members  
Facilities: Electric lighting; cooking and heating by propane gas; microwave oven; fridge; all utensils provided; drying room; shower; WC  
Charges: £8.00/person/night  
Keys: From hut custodian  
Custodian: Mr Andrew Tibbs, Crown Cottage, 4 Crown Circus, Inverness, IV2 3NQ. (01463) 240297. E-mail [naismith@smc.org.uk](mailto:naismith@smc.org.uk) Web [www.smc.org.uk](http://www.smc.org.uk)  
Booking preferably by post and e-mail not 'phone, please  
Notes: (1) Bookings accepted only from member clubs or individual members of the MCofS and BMC. (2) No camping or fires permitted in the vicinity of the hut. (3) The building is situated next to private homes so consideration for neighbours is essential

Hut name: **STRAWBERRY COTTAGE**  
Club: An Teallach Mountaineering Club  
Situation: At W end of Loch Affric, on the N side of the River Affric, opposite Athnamulloch  
Map: 25 Glen Carron  
Grid Ref: 132207  
Access: By public road from Cannich to E end of Loch Affric, then rough track. **Important:** access is strictly for two vehicles only; if the two vehicle rule is broken then the concession to use the track may be lost. Parking within 200 yards of hut  
Accommodation: 12 beds with mattresses  
Facilities: Lighting by solar power, petrol-driven electric generator and gas lamps; cooking by gas; all utensils provided; wood-burning stove - logs supplied; water supply by pump; drying room; WC  
Charges: £5.00/person/night, £3.00 for youngsters  
Keys: From bookings secretary  
Bookings secretary: Mr Sandy Anderson, 7 Westfield Terrace, Aberdeen, AB25 2RU. (01224) 645218. E-mail [sando39@hotmail.com](mailto:sando39@hotmail.com)

Hut name: **THE SMIDDY, DUNDONNELL (Clarkson Memorial)**  
Club: Junior Mountaineering Club of Scotland (Edinburgh Section)  
Situation: At the head of Little Loch Broom, at the foot of An Teallach  
Map: 19 Gairloch and Ullapool  
Grid Ref: 095877  
Access: On the S side of A832, 100 m E of public telephone. Car parking adjacent  
Accommodation: 10 on alpine-style sleeping platforms with mattresses  
Facilities: Electric lighting, heating, water heater and cooking; microwave oven; fridge; all utensils supplied; open fire (coal supplied); running water; WC  
Charges: £6.00/person/night; £25.00 booking deposit; £1 coin electricity meter  
Keys: From hut custodian  
Custodian: Ms Helen G. S. Forde, 30, Reid Terrace, Edinburgh, EH3 5JH. (0131-332) 0071 - not after 9 pm please. E-mail contact form on website [www.edinburghjmcs.org.uk](http://www.edinburghjmcs.org.uk)

## CAIRNGORMS AREA

Hut name: **CARN DEARG**  
Club: Carn Dearg MC  
Situation: Braedownie, Glen Clova  
Map: 44 Ballater, Glen Clova & surrounding area  
Grid Ref: 286758  
Access: From end of public road at Braedownie continue past speed restriction signs and within about 90 m turn L into driveway that leads into club's private car park. Unlock gates to driveway using key supplied. From car park follow marked footpath to hut  
Accommodation: 16 optimum on alpine-style sleeping platforms. Own sleeping mat and bag required  
Facilities: Electric lighting and cooking (electricity f.o.c.); all usual utensils provided; 2 microwave ovens; fridge; running water; water boiler; solid fuel heating stove (bring own coal if preferred, otherwise wood for the stove is supplied in the wood chest just outside the hut), WC  
Charges: £5.00/person/night; £20 booking deposit required in advance, deductible from fees  
Keys: From hut custodian  
Custodian: Mr Ken Wright, 20 Cortachy Crescent, Kirriemuir, Angus, DD8 4TP. (01575) 573469. E-mail contact form on website [www.carndearg.org](http://www.carndearg.org)  
Note: No camping around hut

Hut name: **MILEHOUSE**  
Club: The Ladies' Scottish Climbing Club  
Situation: Kincaig, 1 mile from village on road to Insh  
Map: 35 Kingussie  
Grid Ref: 839043  
Access: By public road; parking at rear of building  
Accommodation: One room with 5 bunks and one room with alpine-style sleeping platform for 12 with mattresses. Pillows & blankets provided; please bring own sleeping bag. From beginning of April to 3<sup>rd</sup> January both rooms available; from 3<sup>rd</sup> January to 1<sup>st</sup> April alpine-style room only available; camping space  
Facilities: Electric lighting and heating (£1 coin meter); solid fuel stove; gas cooking; microwave; fridge; h&c running water at sinks and whbs; showers; drying room; WCs; shed for skis or about 4 bikes  
Charges: £7.00/person/night; £4.00/person/night for clubs with reciprocal rights. Camping £3.00/person/night only when hut full booked; maximum 6 persons or 3 tents  
Keys: From custodian  
Custodian: Mrs Sarah Kammer, Owl Cottage, Castle of Park, Cornhill, AB45 2AX. (01466) 751350. E-mail [milehouse@ladiesscottishclimbingclub.org](mailto:milehouse@ladiesscottishclimbingclub.org)  
Web [www.ladiesscottishclimbingclub.org/htm/huts.htm](http://www.ladiesscottishclimbingclub.org/htm/huts.htm)

Hut name: **MILL COTTAGE (Bell Memorial)**  
Owner: The Mill Cottage Trust  
Situation: Feshiebridge, ¼ mile towards Kincaig  
Map: 35 Kingussie  
Grid Ref: 844047  
Access: Turn off A9 to Kincaig and take road to Feshiebridge and Glen Feshie, ¼ mile before Feshiebridge turn L at sign marking entrance to Forestry Commission car park and picnic site (N side of road). Continue along left track, passing above the FC car park. Mill Cottage is below and on the right after 300m, turning right 20m after passing the disabled visitors' car park for the Sculpture Park  
Accommodation: 14 (8 bunks with mattresses; alpine-style sleeping platform for 6, with mattresses); camping for 8 in back garden only when hut fully booked. Please see note on website regarding people under the age of 18; hut users under the age of 16 are not allowed upstairs  
Facilities: All electric lighting and heating; coal burning stove in lounge (coal supplied); drying room; all utensils; showers; WCs  
Charges: £7.00/person/night; £3.00/person/night with use of hut facilities for campers. £20.00 fine for loss of key  
Keys: From hut custodian  
Custodian: Mr Gordon Stewart, 32 Croila Road, Kingussie, PH21 1PB. (01540) 661569. Web [www.mcofs.org.uk/huts-millcottage.asp](http://www.mcofs.org.uk/huts-millcottage.asp) (link to availability chart on that page)  
Notes: (1) Bookings accepted only from member clubs or individual members of the MCofS and BMC. (2) With the exception of assistance dogs, no dogs or other pets are allowed within the building

Hut name: **MUIR COTTAGE**  
Club: The Cairngorm Club  
Situation: Between Inverey and Linn of Dee, 5 miles W of Braemar on N side of road, by a wood; an original stone cottage with two extensions  
Map: 43 Braemar  
Grid Ref: 076896  
Access: Grounds immediately adjacent to public road  
Accommodation: 18 guests maximum (rooms sleep 6, 6, 4 and 2). Further room reserved for up to 4 Cairngorm Club members  
Facilities: Electric lighting, cooking, water heating and in parts space heating, all within the usage charge; dormitory heating by 20p coin meters; three washrooms with WCs and showers, one fitted for disabled use; two cookers, two microwave ovens; two fridge-freezers in kitchen; full range of cooking utensils, crockery, cutlery etc; dormitories have blankets and pillow cases but sleeping bags advised; drying room  
Charges: £10.00/person/night (including most electricity) in advance; special needs groups and 50+ groups based in Aberdeen City or Aberdeenshire qualify for a 50% discount; payment for party bookings required 1 month in advance  
Keys: Access code from bookings secretary  
Bookings secretary: Mr David Kirk, Greenhowe Farmhouse, Banchory Devenick, Aberdeen, AB12 5YJ. (07764) 958313. E-mail (preferred contact method) [david.kirk@sparksms.co.uk](mailto:david.kirk@sparksms.co.uk)  
Web [www.cairngormclub.org.uk](http://www.cairngormclub.org.uk)  
Notes: (1) No camping or camper-van type vehicles to be used as such in grounds. (2) During the shooting season, notwithstanding the new access rights, visitors are expected to have regard to the interests of, and information available from, the two local estates, the Mar Estate and the Mar Lodge Estate; contact details are available on the club website

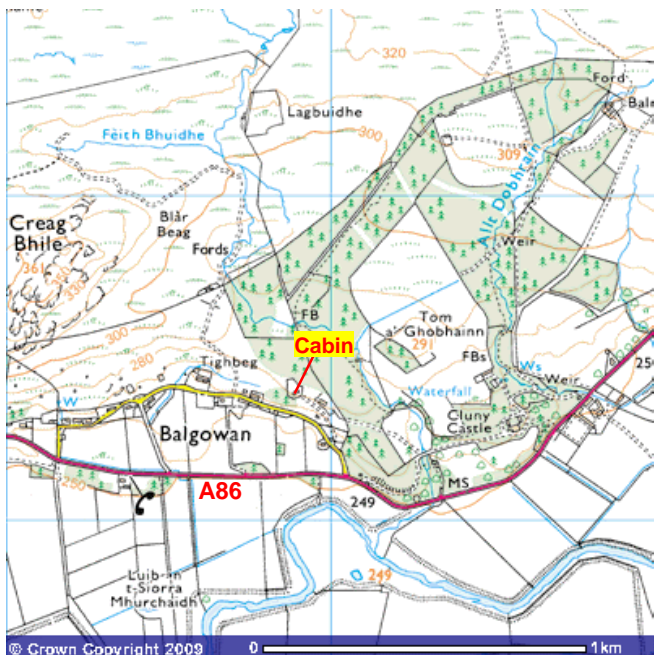
#### HUTS NEWS

You can find the latest news about developments in Scottish huts on the website and in the *Scottish Mountaineer*. If you have any news, or require publicity, please contact [huts@mcofs.org.uk](mailto:huts@mcofs.org.uk)

Hut name: **RAEBURN**  
 Club: The Scottish Mountaineering Club  
 Situation: 5 miles from Dalwhinnie and 3 miles from Laggan on A889  
 Map: 35 Kingussie  
 Grid Ref: 636909  
 Access: Adjacent to public road. Park in layby 100 m N of hut to avoid dangerous bend at hut  
 Accommodation: 12 places plus 4 additional places reserved for SMC members. Alpine-style sleeping platforms with mattresses  
 Facilities: Electric lighting; cooking by propane gas; heating partly electric, partly propane gas; microwave oven; fridge; all utensils provided; drying room; shower; WC  
 Charges: 25% deposit in advance December to April  
 Keys: By post from hut custodian or by arrangement  
 Custodian: Mr Clive Rowland, Inverene, Links Place, Nairn, IV12 4NH. (01667) 453749 Mon. - Thur. between 18.00-20.00h only, please. Enquiries and bookings via e-mail preferred - [raeburn@smc.org.uk](mailto:raeburn@smc.org.uk) Web [www.smc.org.uk](http://www.smc.org.uk)  
 Notes: (1) Bookings accepted only from member clubs or individual members of the MCoFS and BMC. (2) No camping or fires permitted in the vicinity of the hut

Hut name: **THE CABIN**  
 Club: Junior Mountaineering Club of Scotland (Edinburgh Section)  
 Situation: Balgowan, nr. Laggan, Inverness-shire  
 Map: 35 Kingussie and Monadhliath Mountains  
 Grid Ref: 638944  
 Access: From Newtonmore, Balgowan is just north of the A86 (Newtonmore/Spean Bridge road) at the W gate of Cluny Castle. Take the single track road (signposted Balgowan) on the R up to the car park (on R, about 300 m from the A86); space for 6 cars. Follow the access path on the L (facing in) of the car park up the hillside and round to the R to reach the hut in about 100 m  
 Accommodation: 10 places - 8 on alpine-style sleeping platforms and 2 on bunk beds in an adjacent small room, all with mattresses  
 Facilities: Electric lighting, heating & cooking; microwave oven; electric kettle; 2 fridges; all kitchen utensils supplied; wood burning stove (bring your own wood or peat); drying room; H&C water, shower; WC; hi-fi system with a CD player  
 Charges: £6/person/night; £25 booking deposit; £2 coin electricity meter  
 Keys: From hut custodian  
 Custodian: Mr Ali Borthwick, 2 Aytoun Grove, Dunfermline, KY12 9YA. (01383) 732232. Telephone enquiries only - not after 9 pm, please. Web [www.edinburghjmc.org.uk](http://www.edinburghjmc.org.uk)  
 Notes: (1) No camping allowed in the vicinity of the hut. (2) The hut is in a residential area, so please keep late night noise to a minimum

**NEW HUT**



## SKYE

Hut name: **CORUIISK MEMORIAL**  
Club: Junior Mountaineering Club of Scotland (Glasgow Section)  
Situation: On shore of Loch Scavaig, 100 m from landing stage and 100 m W of River Scavaig  
Map: 32 South Skye  
Grid Ref: 487197  
Access: By boat from Elgol or on foot from Sligachan via Glen Sligachan and Druin Hain, or from Strath Aird via the 'Bad Step'. Boat transport from Elgol can be arranged with one of the tourist boats operating from the village. See Glasgow JMCS website (URL below) for further details  
Accommodation: Nine bunks; some blankets  
Facilities: Gas lights, cookers (oven, grill and rings) and heaters; all utensils; running water; WC  
Charges: £7.50/person/night, minimum booking 2; camping day charge £1.00; booking availability chart on website  
Keys: From hut custodian, available 2 weeks in advance (no keys are held locally on Skye)  
Custodian: Mr Iain Sneddon, 8 Meldrum Mains, Glenmavis, Airdrie, ML6 0QG. (01236) 758493 (no calls after 10 pm please). E-mail bookings preferred - [coruisk@glasgowjmcs.org.uk](mailto:coruisk@glasgowjmcs.org.uk)  
Web [www.glasgowjmcs.org.uk](http://www.glasgowjmcs.org.uk)  
Note: Heavy rain can cause rivers and burns to rise suddenly and make crossing difficult

Hut name: **GLEN BRITTLE WAR MEMORIAL (GBMH)**  
Owner: Held in trust for the BMC and MCofS  
Situation: Glen Brittle  
Map: 32 South Skye  
Grid Ref: 412216  
Access: On road approaching from Carbost, about 300 yards short of Glenbrittle House  
Accommodation: 18 bunks (sleeping bags required)  
Facilities: All electric; all utensils; large drying room; showers; WCs  
Charges: £7.00/person/night; overnight charges include electricity for cooking, lighting and drying room, but not for bedroom heaters  
Keys: During the summer there is a resident warden, otherwise by arrangement  
Bookings secretary: Mrs Sandra Winter, Gillean, Dall, Rannoch, by Pitlochry, PH17 2QH. (01882) 632240.  
E-mail [bhasteirtooth@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:bhasteirtooth@hotmail.co.uk) Web [www.gbmh.co.uk](http://www.gbmh.co.uk)  
Notes: (1) Bookings accepted only from member clubs or individual members of the MCofS and BMC. (2) Hut open all year round with resident warden April-October. All bookings through secretary - see below. (3) With the exception of assistance dogs, no dogs or other pets are allowed within the building

### GLEN BRITTLE WAR MEMORIAL HUT BOOKING POLICY

#### 1. AVAILABILITY

The hut is available to all mountaineers over 16 years of age who are club members of member clubs of the MCofS and BMC or are individual members of the MCofS or BMC. Members of these organisations may also bring guests.

#### 2. ADVANCE BOOKINGS

- 2.1 Bookings may only be made through the GBMH bookings secretary.
- 2.2 No application shall be considered more than twelve months in advance.
- 2.3 First come, first served (but see 3. below).
- 2.4 No club may book the entire hut (legal maximum presently 18) more than once per year.

#### 3. USAGE

There are several types of usage:

- (a) Week-enders who use the hut on Friday and Saturday nights only, but sometimes Sunday and occasionally Monday.
- (b) Complete week bookings, usually Saturday - Saturday (7 nights).
- (c) Odd days/nights, filling in places when the hut is not full.

The first two types of booking conflict and, because there is a legal limit on the numbers using the hut, there have in practice been many occasions where requests for a complete week have been denied. Because of this the last two weeks of May and the first two weeks of June are now set aside, until four weeks before the date, for complete week bookings.

#### 4. CASUAL BOOKINGS

When there is a resident warden (April-October), he/she is given a list of bookings for each week. He/she is then empowered to accept casual bookings up to the maximum of 18 places. The warden requires proof of club or individual membership of the MCoFS or BMC. Many of the casual bookings are refugees from the campsite, driven in by midgets or rain, so all visiting mountaineers are advised to carry proof of membership in case they have to request sanctuary in the hut.

#### **HUT BOOKINGS BY INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS OF MCoFS**

Individual members of MCoFS are entitled to reserve places in Mill Cottage, the Glen Brittle Memorial Hut and the Alex MacIntyre Memorial Hut. In addition, the custodians of the following huts have indicated that they will accept bookings (some mid-week only - enquire) from individuals, subject to proof of membership (quote number) and places being available:

Carn Dearg	Lagangarbh
CIC (places unlikely January-March)	Ling
Clashgour	Muir Cottage
Coruisk*	Naismith
Glen Lichd House	Raeburn
Inbhirfhaolain	The Cabin
Inverardran Cottage	The Smiddy (Dundonnell)

\*One IM plus one guest acceptable

#### **ALTERNATIVE ACCOMMODATION FOR CLUBS AND INDIVIDUALS**

When huts in the popular mountain areas are fully booked, clubs and individual members can find accommodation in Scottish Youth Hostels and in private hostels.

As well as accepting normal individual bookings the SYHA also operates a 'Rent-a-Hostel' scheme whereby clubs can book an entire hostel for their own use: [www.syha.org.uk](http://www.syha.org.uk) and [www.rentahostel.com](http://www.rentahostel.com)

There are many private hostels throughout Scotland available to individuals and clubs. Full details can be found on [www.hostel-scotland.co.uk](http://www.hostel-scotland.co.uk)

#### **THE FAIR USE OF HUTS**

All members of MCoFS are reminded that it is a privilege to use the huts listed in this publication; it is important, therefore, to respect the facilities provided and to obey the rules of each hut, especially as regards maximum permitted numbers, the removal of refuse, and whether or not camping is permitted in the grounds.

#### **THE MCoFS MOUNTAIN HUTS POSITION STATEMENT**

The current MCoFS Mountain Huts Position Statement can be accessed via the link on page [www.mcofs.org.uk/find-a-hut.asp](http://www.mcofs.org.uk/find-a-hut.asp)

#### **The Official MCoFS Position on the Misuse of Huts**

Unfortunately there are occasionally cases where there is misuse of huts, such as physical damage to the fabric, fixtures and fittings, deliberately exceeding the maximum capacity, unacceptable behaviour or non-payment of fees. This is normally a matter for hut custodians to deal with. However, in cases where reparation for such misuse cannot be agreed between the culprits and the relevant hut management committee the Council may act as arbiter if requested to do so. Full details can be found in the position statement.

#### **HUTS FURTH OF SCOTLAND**

A list of mountain huts in England and Wales can be obtained post free from the British Mountaineering Council, 177-179 Burton Road, Manchester, M20 2BB. [info@thebmc.co.uk](mailto:info@thebmc.co.uk) or visit [www.thebmc.co.uk](http://www.thebmc.co.uk)