

## 6th Glen Affric Walking Festival



Photo: Susan Freebairn

Friday 29th May to Monday 1st June 2009

Based within the area of one of Scotland's most beautiful glens, professional & expert guides will take walkers to the high tops or along rivers, lochs and forests in order to provide real interest to all levels of walkers whether they are interested in the high Munros or low level walks learning about old illegal whisky stills and local lead mines.

**Highlights include:**

A continuance with the two-day walk theme – but this year it will be over the West Affric Munros via a boat trip to a remote Youth Hostel where dinner will be waiting. Further boat trips, going to the start of other Munro ranges, are also available.

Walkers can learn about rare flora and fauna; look out for eagles, ospreys and deer, while admiring the largest remnants of the Caledonian pine forest which used to cover the whole of the Highlands, before retiring for an honest drink and chat in one of the area's local hostleries.

For more information please visit [www.glenaffric.info](http://www.glenaffric.info) or contact Robin Miller at [tigh@clara.net](mailto:tigh@clara.net) 01456 459341

## 2009 Angus Glens Walking Festival May 28th – May 31st

Walkers participating in this year's Angus Glens Walking Festival will certainly be spoilt for choice when it comes to scenery. The 2009 festival incorporates 24 guided walks in the most stunning areas of Angus, from the spectacular high peaks on the southern edge of the Cairngorms National Park to the awe-inspiring cliffs between Arbroath and Montrose.

The Festival always attracts walkers from across the UK but it appears that Homecoming Scotland 2009 – and the new on-line booking service – is encouraging walkers from all over the world to consider taking part in the Angus Glens Walking Festival. After all, what better way to follow in the footsteps of your Angus ancestors than

hiking in the glens where they lived and worked?

During the Festival, there will be walks to suit all ages and all levels of fitness – from the 'very strenuous' Jock's Road hike, which takes walkers from Braemar to Glen Doll, to the 'easy' walk alongside the wonderfully-named Rocks of Solitude. There's even an 'all abilities' walk around Forfar Loch which is suitable for everyone and includes wheelchair access. The Festival will also include a variety of evening events, such as a film evening and the ever-popular ceilidh supper, when walkers can swap their hiking boots for dancing shoes!

For more information about the Angus Glens Walking Festival, visit [www.angusahead.com/walkingfestival](http://www.angusahead.com/walkingfestival)



Walking in Glen Doll

## Kendal Mountain Festival 2009 Dates Confirmed

Kendal Mountain Festival dates for 2009 have been confirmed. This year's festival will again run as a four-day event. Dates are 19th - 22nd November 2009, so get your accommodation booked now to be

ahead of the crowd. The website has also changed so make sure you bookmark the new one: [www.mountainfest.co.uk](http://www.mountainfest.co.uk)

