



MCoFS News Release

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MCoFS Winter Lecture Series Closes: Spring and Summer Courses Filling Up Fast

The Mountaineering Council of Scotland (MCoFS) Winter Safety Lecture series drew to a close last week with 935 people having attended 21 free talks around Scotland. With the end of winter in sight, the MCoFS's attention is turning to its range of courses for the spring and summer season ahead.

We are running safety-related courses between May and September including First Aid, Navigation and GPS. Details of all these courses can be found on the MCoFS website at: <http://www.mcofs.org.uk/courses.asp>.

MCoFS Mountain Safety Adviser Heather Morning said: "The Winter Lecture Series was a great success this year, with record numbers attending the talks. It's great that 935 hill walkers and climbers – both members and non-members of MCoFS - now have a greater understanding of winter mountain safety as a direct result of these lectures. With the winter lectures over we are now focusing on the spring and summer courses, and are confident that all these courses will fill up fast."

MCoFS Chief Officer, David Gibson said: "MCoFS safety lectures and courses provide a real contribution to increasing awareness of mountain safety. It's great to see so many people attending our events and seeking to improve their skill levels."

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Course dates.

Navigation: May 14, 15, 22. June 11, 18. September 17, 18, 24.

GPS: May 15. June 12, 19. September 25.

First Aid: May 7&8 (2 day course).

Check website for venues and other details.

Ends

Notes for Editors:

The Mountaineering Council of Scotland (MCofS) acts to represent, support and promote Scottish mountaineering.

MCofS is a membership organisation with 10,500 members representing hill walkers, climbers and mountaineers, funded through a combination of membership subscriptions, grants, and investment from sportscotland, which supports public initiatives and services in mountain safety, mountain weather information services, mountain leader training and the development and promotion of mountaineering activities. MCofS is a not for profit company limited by guarantee and incorporated in Scotland. Company number SC322717.