

Walks Programme 2002

Date	Grade	Title and Description
Sunday 6th January	C+	Cort- ma Law and Leckett Hill An enjoyable grass and moorland high level plateau walk in the Campsies. A steady climb on grass path at start then mostly level until descent to road. Return to car park by road. Leader: Malcolm Mackenzie Distance 9.5 km, duration 4 hours. Total ascent 340 m. to max 547 m. Start point Crow Road CP on B822 above Campsie Glen, OS Map 64 grid ref: 613 801
Saturday 12th January	B+	Beinn Dubh (Black Hill) and Mid Hill horseshoe Initial steady climb on grassy track, followed by NW high level walk around horseshoe route. Descending down Mid Hill and returning along narrow Glen Luss Road. Terrain - mainly grass and moorland. Leader: Steve Kirby. Distance: 11 km, duration 5 hours. Total ascent 690 m max. height 643 m. Start point Luss visitor's car park (ample parking), OS Map 56 grid ref: 359 931. DEPARTING HELENSBURGH PIER 9.00 A.M.
Sunday 20th January	C	Achray Forest - Loch Drunkie Linear walk along forestry road and footpath to loch where lunch will be taken. Returning by same route. Leader: Doreen Kirk Distance: 11 km, duration 4 hours. Ascent negligible. Start point: Achray forest drive on Duke's Pass, OS Map 57 (OR Explorer 11), grid ref: 522 037
Sunday 27th January	A or C	Beinn Dubh (a different Beinn Dubh!) Beinn Dubh and Ben Vane to Loch Sloy, then climbing Beinn Dubh and Ben Vane, returning via Abyssinia. Terrain: good path at start then mountainside. Distance 12 km, duration 6 hrs. ascent to 916 m Leader: Alan Dow Start point: (at 9.00 a.m.) Butterbridge OS Map 56 GR 235 095 Or alternatively Butterbridge to Loch Sloy and on to Lochan Srath Dubh Returning by similar paths. Terrain: mostly good undulating paths. Distance 12 km with total ascent 500 ft Leader: Geof Flann Duration-. 4 to 5 hrs. Start point as above. Departing Helensburgh Pier 8.00 a.m.
Saturday 2nd February	B+	Loch Finlas A high-level walk with magnificent views to all points of the compass. Steep initial climb (to 530 m.) followed by high level horseshoe shaped walk around the Glen. Terrain: good road for first and last 1.5 miles, then hillside and mostly trackless moorland until final descent to the reservoir. Distance: 14 km, duration 5 - 6 hrs. Total ascent 800 m to max 693 m. Leader: Geof Flann Start point: A minor road turnoff to north (Shemore farm) from A82 end of MOD road. OS Map 56 grid ref-. 353 883 Limited car parking - car share recommended Departing Helensburgh Pier 9.00 a.m.

Date	Grade	Title and Description
Sunday 10th February	B Or C	Carron Valley Reservoir, Earls's Hill and Hart Hill A varied woodland, road and moorland walk encompassing the above hills. Moorland part of walk probably wet! Distance 14 km Duration 4.5 hours with total ascent 450 m, Start point: By 'Graham's Castle' just off B818 near Reservoir OS Map 57 GR: 682 858. Leader: Trish Schooling Tele: 01436 671814 Or An alternative walk missing out the hills and moorland leaves an easily followed lower grade walk.
Saturday 16th February	B	Loch Long Saddle Linear walk on forest track and rising path to approx. 300 in followed by fairly trackless hillside to summit where there are dominant views straddling confluence of Loch Goil and Loch Long. Terrain: good track, narrow rough paths and with some boggy patches. Leader Allan Anderson Distance: 10 km with ascent to 519 in. Duration: 5 hrs max. Start point: Lochgoilhead centre, lochside car park OS Map: 56 grid ref: 201013.
Sunday 24th February	A or C+	Ben Vrackie (Pitlochry's Speckled Hill) A walk onto the Ben along a well-established route firstly on a defined path and then trackless moorland with one of the finest viewpoints in this part of the country. Distance 16 km. Duration: 5 hrs (or longer if in snow). To max height 841 m. Leader: Alan Dow Start point: (at 10 am.) Moulin Hotel, on the A924 (Braemar Road) north of Pitlochry OS Maps 52 and 43 grid ref: 944 592 Or alternatively Loch Choire A popular local tourist walk mainly on well defined paths with total ascent of around 500 in. Leader: Geof Flann Distance: 10 km duration 3.5 hrs approx. Start point: as above Departing Helensburgh Pier at 8.00 a.m.
Sunday 3rd March	C	Balloch to Blairlusk Small roads and tracks to the NW of Balloch. Terrain: firm walking through woods, park and meadow. Leader: Evelyn Taylor Distance 12 km, duration 4 hours with negligible ascent. Start point: Balloch Car Park. OS Map 63 grid ref: 388 819

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Saturday 9th March	A	Meall pan Caora (Hill of the Sheep) Initial pathway followed by steep grassy slope to plateau. Cross plateau descending by steep trackless slope to track returning to start point. Leader: Steve Kirby Distance: 13 km duration 6 hrs with total ascent 700 m to max. ht. 722 m. Start point: Parking spot 1 km N. of Drovers Inn, Inverarnan, OS Map 56 grid ref 319 197
	or	Or alternatively
	C	Crianlarich to Drovers Inn, Inverarnan Leaving cars at both the Drovers and Crianlarich. Walk West Highland Way from Crianlarich to Inverarnan through Glen Falloch. Terrain: well defined path which undulates with negligible ascent. Distance 10 km duration 4 hrs max. Start point: Drovers and Crianlarich. Both walks departing Helensburgh Pier 9.00 a.m.
Sunday 17th March	C	Milngavie to Carbeth Along part of the West Highland Way to Carbeth for lunch; returning by Mugdock Country Park. Terrain: all good paths. Distance: 11 km duration 4 hours. Ascent: negligible. Leader: Doreen Kirk Start point: Ellengowan Car Park, Milngavie (10.15 a.m.). OS Map 64 grid ref: 555 745
Saturday 23rd March	A	The Cobbler (a short route) Commencing along track leading to open moorland, climbing steadily to main summit and north peak. Returning by outward route. Terrain: mainly grassland and moor. Distance: 5.5km only, duration 4 hours. Total ascent 734 m to max. 884 m. Leader: Michael Arrowsmith Start point: Lay-by on right of A 83 road, just beyond road bridge half way up Glen Croe. OS Map 56 Grid ref: 243 061.
	Or	Or alternatively
	C	Donich Water, Lochgoilhead An easy walk on forestry and moorland paths near Donich Waters including a climb of The Steeple (383 m.). Leader: Evelyn Taylor Distance 10 km max., duration 3 to 4 hrs. Ascents to max 378m. Start point: Inveronich Farm off B839 nr. Lochoilhead OS Map 56 grid ref.204 022.
Sunday 31st March	B+	Bhreac, Ben Reoch and Tullich Hill Trackless climb up steep grass slope to highest point followed by undulating trackless grassy broad ridge to next peak. Option to return by valley or descend 300 in before climb to final peak and descent to Invergoin. Terrain mainly obvious track along high moorland with no rocky sections. All summits are grassy and no scrambling is required. Leader: Michael Arrowsmith Total ascent 1020 in to max height 681 m. Distance 9 km duration 5.5 hrs. Start point: Bridge at Invergoin, 4.5 km up Glen Douglas from Inverbeg. Limited parking. OS Map 56 Grid ref: 304 991

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Monday 1st April	C	Cochno Loch, Cochno Hill and Greenside Reservoir (This walk will be entered in the Ramblers Festival of Spring Walks and therefore advertised in local press and radio) In the Kilpatrick Hills with good views over the Clyde basin and Glasgow. Terrain: road and well defined paths mainly over grassland. Leader: Geof Flann Distance 10 km approx., max ht 348 m duration 3.5 hrs. Start point: E. entrance to Cochno Estate nr Hardgate with good car parking. OS Map 56 grid ref: 503 740.
Saturday 6th April	B	Cnoc Coinnich Road and track through forest up Coileissan Glen with final steep path up onto moor; then 1.5 km trackless across moor to hill ascent dominating surrounding countryside. Returning possibly via descent to Glen Croe – weather dependant. Terrain: Good road, forest track and steep footpath to moor thereafter trackless to summit. Some boggy sectors. Leader: Allan Anderson Distance: 14 km, Duration: 5.5 - 6 hrs, total ascent 750 m to max. ht 761 m. Start point: Ardgarten Info Centre OS Map 56 grid ref. 270 037
Sunday 14th April	B+	Beinn Dorain (Otter or Streamlet ?) Path into and up corrie on grass and broken stone, onto bealach. Turning up broad north ridge on Dorain to large cairn. Short distance on to true summit. Leader: Allan Anderson Tele: 01436 674432. Terrain: grass and steep scree (care needed). Distance 9 km duration 6 hours. Total ascent 850 m to max ht 1074 in. Start point: Bridge of Orchy station (allow 70 mins for drive) OS Map 50 grid ref 300395. Departing Helensburgh 9.00 a. m.
Sunday 21st April	C	Flanders Moss A level but fairly long walk with time to sit beside a gently flowing river. Leader: Geof Flann Terrain: road and well defined paths. Distance: 15 km. Duration: 4.5 hrs with virtually no ascent. Start point: Lay-by just to east of Buchlyvie on A811. OS Map 57 grid ref, 578 939
Saturday 27th April	B	Lees Hill and Carleathran Steady ascent on gentle gradients, mostly on track with some open heather moorland in the Gargunnock hills. Superb views from tops. Leader: Malcolm Mackenzie Distance: 16 km duration 6 hours. Total ascent 350m to max 485m. Start point: Entrance to Ballochleam Farm on unrated road south of Kippen. OS Map 57 Grid Ref: 657 928
Sunday 5th May	C	Around Millport A circular walk on road and good paths following the ferry crossing to Millport. Ferry departs Largs Pier at 10.30 a.m. arriving Millport 10.45 a.m. then walk to Fintry Bay for lunch; then on to Millport "Town" and road to ferry for return. Ferry fare £3.75 return - a group rate may be available. MEET HELENSBURGH PIER 9 A.M. Distance: 6 miles. Duration of walk: 4 hours. Ascent: negligible. Leader: Doreen Kirk Start point: Largs Pier for 10.30 departure for Millport.

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Sunday 12th May	B	Dumyat A circular walk starting to the west of the hill, skirting its base to the south, curving around to the north before climbing to the summit to give views of the Stirling flats. The return to start point descends the hill to the west. Terrain: a mix of well trodden footpaths, vehicle track and moor; the latter may be wet in places. Distance: 13 km. Ascent to max. 420m. Duration: 5-6 hrs Leader: Mike McManus Start point: Airthrey Car Park OS map 57 grid ref. 818 968
Saturday 18th May	B	Dumgoyne (the Fort of the Arrows) and Earl's Seat A mainly circular walk in the high moorlands of the Campsies giving views over Glasgow to the South and contrasting views over the mountains to the north. Partly trackless and may be wet in places. Distance 12 km. Duration 5 hrs. Total ascent 1000 m max height 578 m. Leader: Penny Elles Start point: Craigbrock Farm off A81 nr. Blanefield. OS Map 64 Grid Ref 542 812 DEPART HELENSBURGH PIER 9.00 A. M.
Saturday 25th May	C	Inchcailloch Island A boat trip on Loch Lomond to the island at a time when hopefully the bluebells will still be in bloom. Boat fare £3 required. A walk around the island and lunch on the beach. Distance: 8 km max., NIL ascent and duration of walk: 3 hrs. Leader: Doreen Kirk Start point: Balmaha CP. OS Map 56 grid ref. 421 908
Sunday 26th May	A	Beinn a Ghlo A long day with the walk covering two Munros by way of Cam Liath (973 m) on to Braigh Coire Chruinn-bliagain (1070 m.). Mostly on mountain tracks. Distance: 14 km. Duration: 6 + hrs. Total ascent: 1500 m. Leader: Allan Dow Meet point: Tilt Hotel on B8079 at Blair Atholl OS Map 43 Grid ref 878655. DEPART HELENSBURGH PIER 8.00 A_M.
Saturday 1st June	C	Gareloch Ridge Circular walk over forest road and open moorland with fine views over Gareloch and Glen Fruin. Moorland will incorporate some boggy areas. Distance: 10 km. Total ascent 370 m to max. 361 m. Duration: 3.5 hours. Leader: David Reid Start point: Car park behind Ardencaple Inn OS Map 56 or Outdoor Leisure 39, grid ref: 278 836.
Sunday 9th June	B	Beinn Chaorach by Tyndrum (Sheep Hill) Firm track over half the way, level then gently climbing before striking up grassy shoulder to summit. Steep angled descent into glen before re-joining outward firm track. Terrain: broad firm vehicular track followed by grassy slopes essentially free from rocky terrain. Distance: 12 km. Duration: 5 hours. Total ascent 650 m to max. 818 m. Leader: Michael Arrowsmith Start point: Dalrigh car park off A82 OS Map 50, GR 344 291

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Sunday 16th June	C+ or B or B+	THE SCOTTISH RAMBLERS CONTRIBUTION TO THE HELENSBURGH BI-CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS Glen Frain Northern Peaks: Auchengaich Hill (C+ 546 m) Beinn Tharsuin (B 656m) Bheinn Charoiach (B+ 713 m) Most of the walk(s) are trackless and go over rough grass and moor but commence and finish on path, rough track or quiet road. There is a steady climb up grassy ridge from Glen Frain Road. The peaks are broad and grassy and walkers can choose to do one, two or all three peaks. Little height is lost between peaks. Distance: Taking in three peaks = 10 km and duration 3 to 5 hrs depending on choice of walk(s). Various leaders. Contact: Kathleen Siddle / Ralph Ward Transport arranged from Helensburgh Pier to and from Glen Fruin. Relevant OS Map 56.
Sunday 23rd June	C+	Lindowan A circular walk from Kilcreggan taking in a number of the lochans located on the lower Rosneath Peninsula with a view point over Gallow Hill. Terrain: a mix of tarmac paths, forestry tracks and trackless moor with moderate climbing. Distance 11 km. Duration 4 - 5 hrs. Total ascent 200 m to max 150 m. Leader: Anna McManus Start point: Kilcreggan Pier Car Park. OS Map 56 GR 241 804
Saturday 29th June	Equal to C+	NAVIGATION AND COMPASS COURSE AND WALK Ronnie Swanson (of Bearsden & Milngavie Group) has kindly agreed to run a course for interested members. This will be held in the Balerno area but Ronnie will meet us at Helensburgh Pier for a 9.00 A.M. DEPARTURE We have to place both a minimum and maximum on the numbers to attend - see "Foreword" to the programme for further details.
Sunday 30th June	B+	Beinn Chuirn (Cairn Hill) Gently climbing private road through forest leading into open glen. Terrain: firm vehicular track followed by moorland and grassy climb to summit - essentially free from rocky terrain. Distance: 14 km. Duration: 6 hrs. Total ascent 790 in to max 880 m. Leader: Michael Arrowsmith Start point: Tyndrum Lower station car park - restricted space. OS Map 50 Grid ref: 327 302
Saturday 6th July	A Or C+	Beinn Bhuidhe (Yellow Hill) In the Glen Fyne area commencing with a walk along to Inverchorachan then up steep wooded gully in a corrie. Ascent to ridge via a gully and along the ridge to trig point. Distance: 20 km Duration: 6 hrs min. with total ascent 950 m. Leader: Steve Kirby Start point: Old loop road between A83 and old Fyne Bridge OS Map 50 Grid ref: 228 160. Or Cnap Na Criche Commencing on track through Glen Kinglas then largely trackless via Lochan Strath Dubh Uisge (Little Loch of the Black Elf?) to a trackless and boggy hike up the mount. Distance: 13 km. Duration: 5.5 hrs. Total ascent 300 m to max. 515 m. Leader: Allan Anderson Start point: Butterbridge (off A83). OS Map 56 GR 235 096

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Sunday 14th July	B	Glen Malian to Luss A linear walk starting from Loch Long at the Glen Malian Jetty, climbing through woodland and forestry to the bealach leading to Glen Luss before descending the length of the glen to Luss village. Transport from Helensburgh to Glen Malian and from Luss back Helensburgh will be by minibus. Terrain: a mix of paths, trackless Moor, vehicle track and tarmac road. Likely to be VERY wet and boggy in places - gaiters essential. Distance: 15 km Duration 6 hrs. Total ascent 330 m. Leader: Mike McManus OS Map 56 Start point at GR 249 963.
	or	Or
	C+	An easier grade walk will also be available - Leader: Geof Flann.
Saturday 20th July	A	Beinn Achaladour (Field of Hard Water) and Beinn a Chreachin (Hill of the Rock) A long but very rewarding walk up Coire Achaladair to ridge. Then follow grassy ridge to first top; descend to corrie rim and to col. Follow ridge to second top, descend steep grassy ridge past lochan through forest to river. Terrain: grass slopes, grassy ridge, rocky ridge, narrow ridge, through old Caledonian forest and along river path. Distance: 14.5 km Duration; 6 - 8 hrs. Total ascent 1,200 m to max ht. 1081 m. Leader: Steve Kirby Start point: Achallader Farm (off A92) OS Map 50 GR 322 442 DEPART HELENSBURGH PIER AT 9.00 A.M.
	or	Or
	C	Waters of Tulla A walk firstly along a good track alongside the waters returning through portions of the Caledonian forest after lunch with good views by a stream. Terrain: Good track, then moorland and faint trackways - can be wet in places with some burns to cross. Distance: 12 km Duration 4.5 hrs. Ascent moderate. Leader: Geof Flann. Start point as above
Sunday 28th July	B	Bridge of Orchy to Crianlarich A long walk following West Highland Way over well marked rough and undulating paths and tracks, sometime fairly steep. Terrain: tracks and paths over mostly open moorland and 'through forest. Distance 24 km. Duration: 6.5 hrs Max. ht. 350m Leaders: Ralph Ward/Kathleen Siddle Start point: Car Park alongside Bridge of Orchy Hotel. OS Map 50 grid ref: 296 397. Car transfers between Crianlarich and Bridge of Orchy.
Saturday 3rd August	B+	Gargunnock Hills A walk in these sometimes neglected hills over open moorland, some quiet road and with a steep climb up grassland to summit of hills. Distance 17.5 km. Duration 6 hrs. Total ascent 439m to max. 485m. Leader: Malcolm Mackenzie Start point: Private road to Knock o' Ronald Farm but meet on Gargunnock Road OS Map 57 Grid ref 698 950 to be taken to parking.

Date	Grade	Title and Description
Sunday 4th August	C+	Dunbrach, Holehead and around Dungle An easy walk in a quiet part of the Campsie on forestry tracks but partly through forest firebreak- (can be wet) and on hillside and moorland. Distance 12 km Duration 4 hrs with ascent approx. 500 m to max. (at trig point) of 551 m. Leader: Geof Flann Start point: Fintry end of B822 (Crow Road) - 200 m past entry to Townend Farm - LIMITED PARKING. OS Ma. 57 Grid ref-. 641 850
Sunday 11th August	B+	Cruach nan Capull (Horse Hill) Circular walk climbing through a mixture of woodland, forest and trackless moor to the trig point, with views overlooking the head of Loch Fyne; return provides views of the lower loch. Terrain: woodland, forest track, trackless moor with last stretch along A815. Distance 13 km. Duration: 6 hrs. Total ascent: 600 m to max 560 m. Leader: Mike McManus Start point: St. -Catherine's Jetty OS Map 56 grid ref: 121 076
	or	Or
	C+	A lower grade walk also available in this area, mainly on forestry tracks with modest ascent. Geof Flann will lead this if there are interested members.
Sunday 18th August	A	Ben Cruachan Mountain paths firstly to Meall Cuanail (918m) and then on to Ben Cruachan (1126m), along ridge to Stob Diam (998m) and back to dam. Distance: 12 km. Duration: A long day! Total ascent: 1,500 m. approx. Leader: Allan Dow Meet point: Layby across road from Visitor centre on A 85 alongside Loch Awe. OS Map 50. Grid ref 081 268. DEPART HELENSBURGH PIER 8.00 a.m.
	Or	Or
	C+	Drymen to Balmaha (on West Highland way) Another opportunity to travel this popular and local part of the West Highland Way. Route travels through forest, moorland with some fairly steep ascents but with track throughout. A steep descent at finish. Distance: 11 km, Duration: 4 - 5 hrs with ascent to Max. 360 m at Conic Hill (ascent of final hill optional!). Leader: Penny Elles Start point: Drymen Car Park OS Maps 56 & 57 Grid ref 885 475. Returning from Balmaha to Drymen by bus at either 1535 or 1705 p.m. Fare required. NORMAL (9.30 A.M.) START TIME FROM HELENSBURGH PIER
Saturday 24th August	C	Rosneath Ridge A linear walk along the top of the Rosneath peninsular. Terrain: Road, grass and forest track (parts could be wet). Distance: 9.5 km Duration: 3 hrs. Ascent negligible, max. 202 m. Leader: Malcolm Mackenzie Start point: Kilcreggan pier Car Park. OS Map 63 GR 241 804. WE CATCH THE 10.30 A.M. BUS FROM KILCREGGAN PIER TO PEATON LANE - FARE WILL BE REQUIRED

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Saturday 31st August	B	Meall Dhamh (Stag Hill) A well defined route to "Greyheighf 'initially on good glen path then rough hill track to sum-nit. No scrambling involved. Distance 9 km duration 4 11.2 hrs. Total ascent 700 in to maximum height 814 m. Leader: Allan Anderson Tele: 01436 674432 Start point: A layby on E. side of A 82, 2 km south of Crianlarich (Care: layby is easy to miss when driving north). OS Map: 50 grid reference: 370238
Sunday 8th September	C	Kirkton Glen The ever popular near circular walk starting at Rob Roy's grave, proceeding over forest track and then open hill to Lochan an Eireannaich (Lake of the Irishman) from where there are good views north to Glen Dochart on a fine day. Distance: 11 km Duration: 4 hours. Ascent to 450 m approx. Leader: Doreen Kirk Start point: Balquhiddie Church, OS Map 51 grid ref. 536 209
Saturday 14 th September and Sunday 15 th September	Varied.	AWAY WEEKEND AT GLEN CLOVA A number of members are spending the weekend at the Glen Clova Hotel and will be undertaking a variety of walks from grades C+ to A. Details were notified to members in March, but if anyone is still interested please contact Geof Flann, details on back of programme.
Sunday 22nd September	C	WELCOME TO WALKING WEEK This walk forms just one of many walks taking place during Week 16 - 22 September to encourage walking and as part of the European Car Free Week; it will be widely advertised all over the United Kingdom. Helensburgh West and the Highlandman's Way Circular walk starting and finishing at Helensburgh Pier Car Park following pavements and then on paths through woodland and open tracks to Rhu thereafter returning to Helensburgh. Total distance: 10 km. Duration: 3 hours approx. Total ascent 170 m approx. Leader: Janet Barclay Meet point Helensburgh Pier OS Map 56 grid ref: 295 822
Saturday 28th September	B	Meall an Fhudair (Gunpowder Hill) Commencing on track then trackless moor that will be boggy in places to hilltop (at grid ref 271 192); returning along Lairaig Arnach to track and start point. Distance: 14 km. Duration: 6 hours. Total ascent 830 m to max. 764 m. Leader: Anne Strachan Start point On A82 N. off Inveraman; OS Map 50 grid ref. 319 197 LIMITED PARKING Regret no leader available for a lower grade walk.

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Saturday 5th October	A Or C+	Ben Blietila ("Mouth" or "Hill of the Ford") Part forest road and paths, rest through forest and open moorland. Boggy tracks after leaving forest road, steep hill climbs at times but no scrambling required. There is a burn to ford! Distance: 12 km, duration 6 hours. Total ascent 780 m to max. 779m. Leader: David Reid Start point: Lettermay (nr. Lochgoilhead) OS map 56 grid ref 188 002 Or Curra Lochain (and beyond ?) (Cowie with a small loch) Good forest road and hill tracks which passes through several environments from wooded lochside to the lochan on the edge of a bleak moor, one steepish stretch with some easy scrambling which is adjacent to a waterfall (spectacular after heavy rainfall). Distance 11 km approx., duration 4 hours. Ascent to max. 300 m Leader: Geof Flann Start point as above. This walk was started in October 2001 but had to be curtailed due to difficulty in crossing swollen burns!
Sunday 13th October	B	Hidden (or Lost) Valley - Glencoe A steady climb up pathway to a river crossing into a flat valley floor, continuing on path to head of glen at foot of bealach. Returning by same route. Distance: 7 km duration 4.5 hours; ascent 350 m to max. 550 m. approx. Leader: Trish Schooling Start point: First of two car parks in Pass of Glencoe near Meeting of Three Waters on A82. OS Map: 41 grid ref: 171 569. DEPART HELENSBURGH PIER 9.00 A.M. After the walk tea maybe taken at the Glencoe Visitor Centre, a National Trust for Scotland Centre.
Saturday 19th October	C+	Fynloch Hill and Duncolm A walk in the Kilpatrick Hills overlooking the Clyde for much of the way. Commencing and finishing on good track but the remainder over open moorland and sheep trods which may be wet. Distance: 12/13 km Duration 4.5 hours. Ascent 450 m to max. 400 m. Leader: Ian Buchanan Start point: Old Kilpatrick railway station car park; OS Map 64, grid ref: 468 728.
Sunday 20th October	B+	Ben Ledi (Mountain of God - most probably pre-Christian) Well defined path which rises fairly steadily and steeply through forest and then on moorland which can be boggy in places. The summit is grassy. In the lower reaches the path goes by numerous burns which gurgle over rocks and stones. The return is by the same route. Distance: 8 kms duration 4.5 hours with ascent to 879 m. Leaders: Ralph Ward and Kathleen Siddle Start point: Corrachrombie Bridge just off A 84. OS Map 57 Grid ref 586 092

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Saturday 26th October	B+	The Cobbler - North Peak This well known and loved local peak will be reached mainly on good tracks up to the 500 m. level. Then mountain tracks to summit with short and easy scramble sections. Boots with a good grip required. Distance: 10 km, duration 4.5 hours. Ascent 911 m to max. 885 m. Leader: Stella Crampton (Contact Geof Flann) Start point: Succoth CP on A83 ar. Arrochar. Grid ref. 262 060
	Or	Or
	C+	Glen Loin A long walk up the Glen and returning via Allt Coiregrogain and the Ardgartan Forest. Nearly all on undulating footpaths and with good views of surrounding mountains. Distance 17 km duration 5 hours Ascent 300 m approx. to max. 200 m. Leader: Geof Flann Start point: As above.
Sunday 3rd November	C+	Gleann nan Caorann (Glen of the Rowan Trees) Commencing with 1 km on A82 followed by track and returning via same route with alternative section to A82. Terrain open moor with views north up Glen Falloch and the Tyndrum peaks. Distance: 20 km, duration 5 hours. Ascent 350 m to max 380 m. Leader: Mike McManus Start point: Inveraman (Drovers Inn) off A82. OS Map 56 Grid ref 318 184
Sunday 10th November	B	Binnein an Fiddler (Peak of the Fiddler), Glen Kinglas Commencing on good pathway but soon onto hillside and mountain with a steep descent at end of walk. Distance: 12 km, duration 5 hours. Ascent 900 m approx. to max 811 m. Leader: Alan Dow Start Point: Butterbridge CP (off A83) OS Map 56 grid ref:235 095
	Or	Or
	C	Braeval - Loch Venacher An easy walk in the Trossachs over forest paths and open hillside. Distance 10 km, duration 4 hours. Ascent - negligible. Leader: Doreen Kirk Start point: Braeval Carpark (off A81) near Aberfoyle; Grid ref: 543 006
Saturday 16th November	C	Glashan Trail An easy, undulating and mostly open walk around Loch Glashan. Forest track all the way. Total distance 16 km duration 5 hours. Ascent negligible to max. 115m. Leader: Malcolm Mackenzie Start Point: Glen Glashan Forestry CP (off A83 nr. Lochgair), - OS. Map 55 grid ref. 923 922 DEPART 11ELENSBURGH PIER 9.00 a.m.
Saturday 23rd November	B	Strathblane Hills Private road and then trackless ascent over open moorland to high plateau which can be soft underfoot. Visiting Slackdhu (Black Pit), Owsen Hill, Dumbreck and returning over Ballagan Burn to outward private road. Terrain: Mainly trackless open moorland. Leader: Michael Arrowsmith Start Point: Campsie Dene Road R.C. Church Car Park, Blanefield OS Map 64 grid ref- 556 796.

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Sunday 1st December	B	Tomtain (Hill of the cattle) and Garret Hill An easy walk in the Kilsyth Hills giving excellent all round views of the area. Terrain moor and hill - some on path. Distance 11 km, duration 4 hours. Ascent 360 m to max. 453 m. Leader: Malcolm Mackenzie Start point: Kilsyth (Precise detail awaited) OS Map 64 grid ref:
Sunday 8th December	B	Beinn Tharsuinn (Tranverse Mountain) / Balcnock Circular Trackless walk on hills to NE of Glen Fruin. Terrain: open hill and moor, likely to be wet in places. Distance: 9 km duration 5 hours. Total ascent 650 m to max. 690 m. Leader: Mike McManus Start Point: Nr. Ballevoulin Farm on Glen Fruin old road. OS Map 56 grid ref: 293 884 DEPART HELENSBURGH PIER 9.00 A.M.
Saturday 14th December	C+	Carman Circle A circular walk taking in beach, road, tracks and open moor (which may be boggy!). Good views of the Clyde and Loch Lomond. Distance: 15 km, duration 5 hours. Ascent 310 m to max. 304 m. Leader: David Reid Start point: Ardmore Point (on A814 near Helensburgh). OS Map 63, Outdoor Leisure Map 39 grid ref: 325 786. NORMAL 9.30 A.M. DEPARTURE TIME
Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd December		THIS WEEKEND LEFT FREE FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING
Saturday 28th December	B	Loch Katrine (and the Goblins) at Christmas Forest track to sluice gates, track and path to Bealach Nambo (Pass of the Cattle). Ascent to large cairn on south ridge over pathless grassland. Main descent via forest track to Loch Achray and complete circle by road. There is the possibility that a foray to "Coire Na Urisgeann" (Goblins Cave) will be undertaken. (Uruisg = a spirit of the forest, half-human, half-goat with long hair and teeth, haunting glens, corries and reedy lochs. Sounds like some of our members?) Distance: 9 km max, duration 5 hours Ascent 480 m to max 580 m. Leader: Alan Anderson Start point: Loch Achray (West) Car Park OS Map 57 grid ref 509 071. DEPART HELENSBURGH PIER 9.00 a.m.