



# BLAIRGOWRIE AND DISTRICT HILLWALKING CLUB

## Guidelines for photographs for the club website gallery.

**Paid up members of the club may submit their photographs for inclusion in the website gallery.**

### Subject matter:

This can cover areas of interest to other members of the hillwalking club. Obviously photographs from club meets (both day and weekend) are welcome as well as those of an outdoor theme, especially relating to Scotland. Please do not submit photographs that may offend either our members or other viewers of the site.

### Preparing your photographs:

Due to the amount of space on the web site the individual photograph files must be kept relatively small (400 kilobyte maximum).

### Digital photographs:

Most modern digital cameras produce picture files of several megabytes – this is fine for viewing on your computer and printing but they are too large for the website. They must be reduced in size before submitting for display on the web site. Usually your image processing software (you may have some supplied with the camera) will allow you to resize an image file. Alternatively **Paint Shop Pro** is a very good image editor at reasonable cost.

When re-sizing images, **DO NOT RESIZE THE ORIGINAL**. I suggest that you make a folder on your computer called **Photographs for BDHC website** or something similar. Then COPY the image files you want on the site into that folder. You can then make the changes to these copies.

In your image processing / photo-editing software, select the image and check the image size (usually this is under a menu option like **Image Information** or **Image Properties**). You must see the size in **Pixels** (centimetres or inches are irrelevant). If the longest side of the image is greater than 1024 then you need to reduce the image size. If your longest side is less than or equal to 1024 pixels then you do not need to resize the photograph image.

If your image needs to be reduced then use the "resize" command (the exact form of the command depends on your image software). Make sure you are resizing in pixels

and change the length of the LONGER side to 1024 pixels.

The shorter side should automatically change to the correct value to keep the image in proportion.

A 1024 pixel long edge produces an image that is about the right size for the web site both for viewing and in physical size (about 300 Kilobyte). It is also not very high quality – this is a consideration as there is no way of protecting the images on the site and anyone can download them and could submit them as their own work elsewhere if they were large original high quality images.

Now save the image – save it as a JPEG (.jpg file extension). Please make the main part of the image file name reasonably meaningful – for example: **Sunset over Glencoe.jpg** rather than **DSC01652.jpg** !

### **Film based photographs:**

These must be made into digital format before they can be processed. You can either scan existing prints (or transparencies) or have them scanned at a photo-processing shop. Once in digital form you follow the procedure for Digital photographs described above.

### **Submitting your photographs:**

Please also supply a short description of each photograph you send and make sure that the recipient can easily identify the photograph the description refers to:

For example: **Sunset over Glencoe.jpg : A view from the Aonach Eagach over Glencoe at sunset in February.**

At present you must send your photographs to one of the following "gallery moderators":

- ◆ James Tweedie ([jamest@bdhc.org.uk](mailto:jamest@bdhc.org.uk))
- ◆ Bruce Henderson ([bruceh@bdhc.org.uk](mailto:bruceh@bdhc.org.uk))
- ◆ Ian Cameron ([ianc@bdhc.org.uk](mailto:ianc@bdhc.org.uk))
- ◆ Roddy Cameron ([roddyc@bdhc.org.uk](mailto:roddyc@bdhc.org.uk))

You can send your photographs as attachments to any of the above or hand over a CD with the photographs at a meet or social evening or send by post.

Note: Submission does not automatically guarantee that any or all photographs will be used. However, the gallery moderators will do their best to ensure pictures are placed on the web gallery, space permitting.