



Blairgowrie & District Hillwalking Club

Web site: www.bdhc.org.uk

Brig O'Turk / Balquidder / Strathyre

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O.S. Map No. 57

Bus start: **Blairgowrie** (Wellmeadow): 7.30 am.

Alyth (Square): 7.15 am

A & B Walks – Brig O' Turk - Balquidder via Benvane.

Start from Brig O' Turk on the A821 and walk northwards to Balquidder via Gleann Casaig and Benvane, descending to Ballimore. Thereafter follow the path to Ballinluig and Balquidder. (There are no tracks shown for a large part of this walk hence an extended walking time)

Approx. distance: 18 km

Total ascent: 902 m

Min. **walking** time: 7 hrs

B Walk – Brig O' Turk - Balquidder

Start from Brig O' Turk on the A821 and walk northwards to Balquidder via the east side of Glen Finglas Reservoir, east and north of Bealach a' Chonnaidh, Ballimore and Ballinluig.

Approx. distance: 18 km

Total ascent 552 m

Min. **walking** time: 6 hrs

C/B Walk – Strathyre

Start at the bridge at the south end of Loch Lubnaig on the A84 (55770 09230) and cross to the west side of the river. follow the National Cycle Track northwards along the west side of the loch to Balquidder via Strathyre. Suggest spending time in Strathyre and timing walk to finish at Balquidder at 16.30.

Approx. distance: 14 km

Total ascent: level

Min. **walking** time: 4.5 hrs

There are no facilities at Balquidder (Tearoom closes 01.08.10) Suggest all groups meet at Balquidder 16.30 for transport to the Kingshouse Hotel for refreshments.

Please note that the Minimum walking times are based on reasonably fast walkers and assuming good conditions. The times do not include stops or breaks.

In poor weather conditions or if members are not comfortable walking at 4km/hour then alternative or shorter routes should be considered.

The next club walk is Clachnaben.

Other information/events:

IMPORTANT: YOUR SAFETY IN THE HILLS

The Committee reminds members and guests of the following important points:

- You are responsible for your own safety
- Club officials are not trained mountain leaders
- Are you fit enough to complete your chosen walk in the available time?
- Know where you are going on the walk and follow the route on your map.
- Know how many are in your party and stay together
- Ensure you have enough food plus emergency rations
- Carry a map & compass, survival bag, torch, whistle and small first aid kit. Know how to use them.
- In winter conditions you must carry an ice axe on high level walks (club rule). You are also recommended to carry crampons.
- **Learn** how to use your equipment.

Club officials will be happy to give advice on any of these points if requested.