



Blairgowrie & District Hillwalking Club

Web site: www.bdhc.org.uk

Christmas Walk: Dowally / Dunkeld

11th December 2011

O.S. Map No. 52

Bus start: Blairgowrie (Wellmeadow): 9.00 am Alyth (Square): 8.45 am

A Walk - Dowally to Dunkeld via Loch Ordie

From Dowally - NN001479 - track east to Raor Lodge, NE to Loch Ordie Lodge, track round west side of Deuchary Hill south to Mill Dam, continue SSW to Hatton and Cally Loch, on to A923 into Dunkeld.

Approx. distance 14 km

Total ascent 250 m

Min. **walking** time: [] hrs

B Walk – Dowally to Dunkeld via Dowally and Rotmell Loch

From Dowally - NN001479 - track east to Raor Lodge, SE by Dowally Loch and Rotmell Loch to Mill Dam, SSW to Hatton and Cally Loch, on to A923 into Dunkeld.

Option with slightly less ascent, at grid ref NN007478 on Raor Lodge track turn south to Polney Crag, through woods at rear of Dunkeld House Hotel to river bank walk into Dunkeld.

Approx. distance: 9 km

Total ascent: 140 m

Min. **walking** time: [] hrs

C Walk – Dunkeld river side

From Dunkeld walk river bank west then north to bridge and return on opposite bank

Approx. distance: 7 km

Total ascent: negligible

Min. **walking** time: [] hrs

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.

Next club walk is the New Year walk on the 8 January 2012 – Fife Coastal path (Elie-Anstruther).

The club Quiz Night is at 7:30pm, 13th January in the Royal Hotel, Blairgowrie.

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.