

GLASGOW SKI CLUB

SKINEWS OCTOBER 2019

The nights are fair drawin' in, mist and some fog have been seen in the morning, rowan berries are in abundance. Autumn must be here. Which, in turn, means winter is not that far away. I know that may not be welcomed by everyone but we are a ski club and we should be out there looking forward to colder temperatures and lots of snow for our slopes. Well, you would think that - wouldn't you?

As reported in the Herald, the cost of repairing the Funicular Railway on Cairngorm appears to be £10m (or thereabouts). Seemingly the cost of removal of the railway (not the buildings nor including professional fees) is about £14m. The HIE in consultation with the Scottish Government will make a decision on the railway's future about December time.

Anyway, on with **Scottish skiing**.

The lift ticket prices for **Glencoe** are as follows :-

Lift Passes

Adult

Midweek day pass	£27
Weekend/holiday day pass	£35
Midweek half day ticket (am or pm)	£22
Half day weekend/holiday pass (am or pm)	£27

Senior/student/armed forces/emergency services

Midweek day pass	£22
Weekend/holiday day pass	£35
Midweek half day ticket (am or pm)	£20
Half day weekend/holiday pass (am or pm)	£27

As the Club intends to go to Glencoe this year when the conditions are suitable, the prices should be an indication of what expenditure may be involved to get on the lift system.

Season 2019-2020 Open Night.

The 'start of season' open night will be held in the *Bon Accord, North Street (just down from the Mitchell Library) on Thursday night 7th of November. from about 8.00pm onwards.* After the summer(?) it will be great to meet up to find what has been happening recently.

Ski Practice Days/Evenings.

As usual, the Club will be organising our monthly ski practice sessions at SnowFactor in Braehead.

The first was on the last Tuesday in September. The Club went with the AGM decision to try a Tuesday morning. However, only three members took advantage of the Club's opening offer of ONLY £10 for the 2hrs skiing. Perhaps members have not quite got into the skiing frame of mind yet!

The next ski practice session will again be on a *Tuesday morning, the 29th October at 10.00am. This session will be back to the usual Club price of £15. If you intend to come along please contact Roy Craig on 0141 883 6665 before the 28th!!*

November Ski practice will be on Tuesday 26th. Either in the morning or evening depending on October's members turn out at SnowFactor.

SOCIAL

The first social event of the year was to the Clydeside Distillery and then onto Balbir's Curry House. The distillery tour was very informative and enjoyable, ending with the tasting of three different malts from three different geographical areas of Scotland. The tour guides were very good and added to the overall experience of the visit. A tour we can recommend.

The next social night out is to the excellent **french restaurant "Cote", (bottom of) West Nile Street in the City Centre. This will be held on Friday 25th October at 7.30pm.** Names please to any committee member.

The November Social will be announced very soon.

CHRISTMAS GATHERING

Yes - it is still ONLY October but here are the details of the Club's Christmas Celebration of the Festive Season.

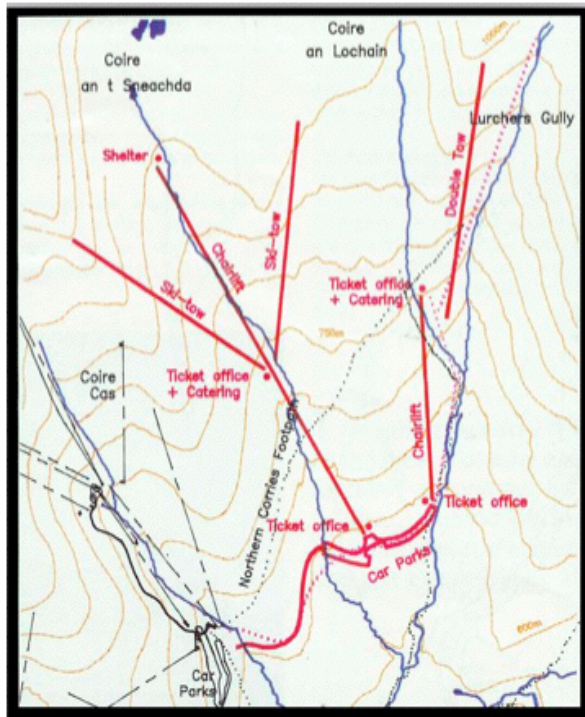
This year the gathering will be held in the *Tabony Residence, Vivian Avenue, Milngavie on Saturday 7th December. From 7.15pm onwards.* Price per ticket is £20 and includes a welcome drink on arrival and a festive buffet style meal. BYOB

is requested. The Committee would very much like to see as many members come along to this tremendously enjoyable night as possible. "It'll be great to see you!"

Our annual Burns Celebration evening will be held in the Gow Residence on Saturday 25th January (you can't get more "Burnsy that that date!). More details in next SkiNews.

The answer to last month's question in the SkiNews:-

The Campsie Fells have cemented their place in history as the birthplace of Scottish skiing, when W.W. Naismith of Glasgow skied the area, becoming the first ever man to ski in Scotland in March 1892.



How many

members can

remember the proposed ski area called Lurcher's Gully? Here is the map of what was thought could happen but never did.

Professional Ski Boot Fitting Service

A new Ski Boot Fitting enterprise has been set up by Shona Anderson (she of Nevisport fame/Bearsden Ski Club).

Contact number - 07703439255

Remember, the Club meets every Thursday night in the Bon Accord, North Street for a couple of drinks and a chat (really, about everything!). From about 9.00pm onwards. Look forward to seeing you on a Thursday. (towards the rear of the establishment).

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