

## Joint Winter Schedule of Aberdeen “Outdoor” Talks, 2024-25

All talks at 7:30pm unless otherwise specified under Date. Some 2025 talks (e.g. by SWT, RSGS) have not yet been determined, but a Spring 2025 JWS version will be issued at end-2024.

Talks marked \* are expected to be hybrid. To discover the Zoom or Teams procedure for online delivery, non-members should contact the relevant website or email.

Date	Group	Title/Topic	Speaker(s)	Location(*)	Contact & Cost (for non-members)
<u>January 2025</u>					
Wed. 8	CgmClub	History of Skiing on Deeside	Simon Blackett	Queens X CC	social@cairnngormclub.org.uk, £3
Thurs. 9	CultsHWC	Four Go Wild in Patagonia	Christine,Simon,Alison,Paul	Cults Kirk C'tre	cultshillwalking@outlook.com, £3
Thurs. 9	FCBG	Natural Justice: How Soil & Plants Help Solve Crimes	Lorna Dawson	Kings Zoology*	friendsofcbgmembership@gmail.com
Tues. 14, 2pm	NTSADMC	Cruising the Coasts of Arabia	Finlay McKichan	Ab'shire CClub	judithfalconer@rocketmail.com, £5
Tues. 14	SOC	Breeding Nightjars in NE Scotland (joint with RSPB)	Alan Knox (SOC)	Kings Zoology	grampian.secretary@the-soc.org.uk
Thurs. 16	SWT	Monuments as Habitat for Lichens and Mosses	Petra Vergunst	online	committee@swtaberdeen.org.uk
<u>February 2025</u>					
Mon. 3	SOC	Fair Island Bird Observatory: Past, Present and Future	Doug Barr (FIBOT)	Kings Zoology	grampian.secretary@the-soc.org.uk
Wed. 5	CgmClub	The Mountaineering & Climbing Instructor Scheme	Graham Wyllie	Queens X CC	social@cairnngormclub.org.uk, £3
Thurs. 6	CultsHWC	Earliest Human Life in Scotland	Kate Britton	Cults Kirk C'tre	cultshillwalking@outlook.com, £3
Wed. 19, 2pm	NTSADMC	The Scottish Suffragettes	Prof. Sarah Pederson	Ab'shire CClub	judithfalconer@rocketmail.com, £5
Thurs. 13	FCBG	The Japanese Garden at Cowden 1908-2025	Cowden Gardens TBA	By TEAMS	friendsofcbgmembership@gmail.com
Thurs. 20	SWT	The Work of New Arc Wildlife Rescue	TBA	TBA	committee@swtaberdeen.co.uk
<u>March 2025</u>					
Mon. 3	SOC	Twenty Years Bodging around Blackdog	Nick Littlewood	Kings Zoology	grampian.secretary@the-soc.org.uk
Wed. 5	CgmClub	Members' Night	Members	Queen's X CC	social@cairnngormclub.org.uk, £3
Thur. 6	CultsHWC	Fit for the Hills – Lessons from Sports Science	David Clark	Cults Kirk C'tre	cultshillwalking@outlook.com, £3
Tues. 11	NEMT	Mar Lodge Management and Volunteering	Ben Dolphin	Sportsman's Club	nemt.info@gmail.com
Thurs. 13	FCBG	The North Coast 500 - a Floral Road Trip	Mike Dale	Kings Zoology*	friendsofcbgmembership@gmail.com
Thurs. 20, 2pm	NTSADMC	AGM & Update of Ongoing Changes at Castle Fraser		Ab'shire CClub	judithfalconer@rocketmail.com, £5
Thurs. 20	SWT	Ythan Seal Watch	Lee Watson	online	committee@swtaberdeen.co.uk
<u>April 2025</u>					
Tues. 1	JMT	Role of the Landscape Manager	Chris Wardle	New Kings 10	<a href="https://jmtnescot.eventbrite.co.uk">https://jmtnescot.eventbrite.co.uk</a>
Thurs. 3	CultsHWC	Busting the Myths on the Dairy Industry	Lorna Masson	Cults Kirk C'tre	cultshillwalking@outlook.com, £3
Mon. 7	SOC	Monitoring Migratory Geese and Swans in the UK	Neil Calbrade (BTO)	TBA	grampian.secretary@the-soc.org.uk
Thurs. 10	FCBG	The Horse Chestnut's Life Cycle & an RHS Exhibition	Janne Richardson	Kings Zoology*	friendsofcbgmembership@gmail.com
Thurs. 17	SWT	AGM and Riverwoods Talk	TBA	online	committee@swtaberdeen.org.uk
<u>May 2025</u>					
Thurs. 1	CHWC	AGM		Cults Kirk C'tre	cultshillwalking@outlook.com, £3
Thurs. 15	FCBG	TBA	Doug Boatman	Kings Zoology*	friendsofcbgmembership@gmail.com

Legend:	Group	Legend:	Group
CgmClub	Cairngorm Club	RSGS	Royal Scottish Geographical Society
CultsHWC	Cults Hill Walking Club	RSPB	Royal Society for the Protection of Birds
FCBG	Friends of the Cruickshank Botanic Garden	SaltireSoc	Saltire Society
JMT	John Muir Trust	SOC	Scottish Ornithologists' Club
NEMT	North East Mountain Trust	SWT	Scottish Wildlife Trust
NTSADMC	National Trust of Scotland Aberdeen & District Members' Centre		
			TBA/C = To Be Arranged/Confirmed
Locations (and tel. no. where available; may be office hours only)			
Cults Kirk C'tre = Cults Kirk Centre, 404 North Deeside Road, Cults. Tel. 01224 869028			
Sportsman's Club, 11 Queen's Road, Aberdeen, AB15 4YL. Tel. 01224 322795			
Kings NK10 = Kings College, New Kings Building, Room 10			
Kings Meston = Kings College, Meston Building North Entrance			
Ab'shire CClub = Aberdeenshire Cricket Club, Morningside Road, Aberdeen AB10 7FB. Tel. 01224 317888			
Queens X CC = Garden Room, Fountainhall (previously Queens Cross) Church Centre, Albyn Place, AB10 1YN			
Kings Zoology = Kings College, Zoology Building, Tillydrone Avenue			
St Peter's, P'culter= St. Peter's Heritage Centre, Howie Lane, Peterculter, AB14 0PU			

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