



Scotland Week Long Trip: 12th – 20th April 2014 (12th to 13th week HT'14)

We will go to the outer Hebridean Islands of Scotland. We are hoping to take a ferry from Ullapool to Stornoway, Isle of Lewis. Once we complete some of the best walks in the Outer Hebrides, there should still be time to explore some Munros in the Cairngorms National Park. Expect basic facilities and some 'lovely tropical' Scottish island weather (so you need to be kitted up). Promises to be one of the most adventurous trips OUWC has undertaken in a while. We will book huts once we have an idea of numbers.

Depart: 8AM on Saturday 12th April @ Trinity Gates, Broad Street

Return: late evening, Sunday 20th April

Accommodation: tbc

Grid Reference: tbc

Cost: approximately **£400 (final cost TBC depending on number of people)**

NB: The final cost could be higher or lower depending on number of participants.

The cost includes: accommodation, transport and meals, except for meals during driving up and down. Bring money/magic cards for meals which will be taken in pubs or services along our way.

Equipment:

It may be wet, cold and windy, so you must come prepared for bad weather. You **must** have (1) a pair of well worn-in walking boots with ankle support, (2) a waterproof jacket and trousers, (3) warm clothing, (4) hat, (5) gloves, (6) a change of clothing and (7) torch. You can borrow waterproofs from the club.

If you arrive for the trip without the right gear, we will have to turn you away from the trip, sadly, for your safety and that of the group. If you have any questions about equipment, please ask us.

Extra Equipment: As we are staying in a basic hut with bunks, you will need to bring a sleeping bag (plus pillow and blanket if you want), plate and/or bowl & cutlery, money for pub meals & a torch. You can borrow a sleeping bag and/or a torch from the club.



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Please read the club's "Equipment List" carefully and then complete and sign the "Participation Statement" to confirm that you are happy with it. This should be **pidged** to Kanishka Bhattacharya (Wolfson College) before the trip.

Signing up:

If you would like to come: Please sign up at Free Tea, and if genuinely interested make sure that you send your cheque (payable to "OU Walking Club) to the treasurer, before the end of 2nd week. If you cannot pay by cheque then e-mail the treasurer to arrange to meet him/her on Thursday or Friday to pay in cash. If final cost is lower than the present estimated cost, participants will be issued a partial refund. These numbers will be generated once we have a final list of participants.

Membership: Please note that you must be a club member to be allocated a place on the trip. Join up at Free Tea or see www.ouwc.org/membership for details.

Refunds: Please be aware that we cannot refund money to people who drop out unless their place is subsequently filled. If you find that you can no longer come on the trip, please contact Kanishka Bhattacharya immediately to give yourself the best chance of a refund.

If the trip is oversubscribed, trip places will be allocated by means of a ballot (with priority being given to drivers who have passed the University minibus course). You will be contacted by e-mail during 3rd week to confirm your place on the trip. In the event that you are unsuccessful, your payment will be returned promptly, along with details of any trips that still have places.

We hope to see you on what should be a fantastic trip! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us, we will be happy to help.