

Saturday 3rd to Saturday 10th September 2016 Isle of Harris Mountain Festival Programme

| Saturday 3rd September | | |
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| Event | Tickets | Booking & Information |
| Segway Trekking Try Segway trekking in the wild - A short lesson and practice before heading off on a beautiful trail where we might just fit in a bit of eagle-spotting too! 10.30am, 11.30am, 2.30pm, 3.30pm Meet: Glen Miavaig Car Park (NB 101 062) | £25 for 45 minute trek | Book online at segwayhebrides.com/booking Call 01851 702575 or email Enquiries@segwayhebrides.com |
| Guided Walk: Coffin Route Distance - 4.5 miles An opportunity to walk along this important historical route featured in Peter May's most recent book "Coffin Road". This 4.5 mile walk follows the traditional route over which coffins were carried from East to West to be buried in Luskentyre. A bus will be provided from the end of the walk at Seilebost to take walkers back to their vehichles at Leac a Li 11am - 3pm Meet: Leac a Li Junction (NG 127 930) | £5 | Islands Book Trust 01851 830316 <u>sales@theislandsbooktrust.com</u> Places limited, book early! |
| Mountain Festival Raft Race Can you get your team (max 4 crew) around the course on your homebuilt raft? A fantastic spectator event too; BBQ on the pier. 11am East Loch Tarbert Last registration 5pm on Friday 2 nd September | Team registration £10 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 mountainfest@north-harris.org |
| Rhenigidale Hill Race A challenging 12km race on the "postman's path". Starting at Urgha, the race follows the trail to Rhenigidale and back. Start: 4.30pm, Lacasdail Lochs Car Parks (NB 184 004) Registration 3.30 – 4pm at the North Harris Trust office, Tarbert | Registration £5 | Stuart Simpson 07774398719 www.facebook.com/RhenigidaleHillRace |
| Guest Speaker: Robin Reid The Shiant Isles Seabird Recovery Project is an ambitious project led by RSPB Scotland which aims to remove black rats from the Shiant Isles to benefit the islands internationally important seabird population. Find out how this team of conservationists survived a winter in the Minch on a chain of uninhabited islands surrounded by turbulent seas. 7.30pm, Harris Hotel | £5 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 <u>mountainfest@north-harris.org</u> |

| Monday 5th September | | |
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| Event | Tickets | Booking & Information |
| Darren Cole Landscape Photography Workshop | | North Harris Trust |
| A day-long landscape photography workshop with photographer & tutor Darren Cole. | £40 | 01859 502222 |
| Tea & coffee on arrival. Bring lunch and outdoor clothing. | 140 | mountainfest@north-harris.org |
| 10am – 4.30pm. Meet: Hebscape Gallery, Ardhasaig. | | Places limited, book early! |
| Powerboat Tours of Loch Seaforth | | |
| A rare opportunity to see the Harris hills by sea. Great for spotting Eagles, seals, | | North Harris Trust |
| dolphins and porpoises! | £35 | 01859 502222 |
| 10am – 12pm & 1pm – 3pm. Meet: Maraig Slipway (NB 196 059) | | mountainfest@north-harris.org |
| Please note: These boat trips are only able to go ahead in calm conditions and may be | | Places very limited, book early! |
| cancelled at short notice | | |
| Segway Trekking | | Book online at |
| 10.30am, 11.30am, 2.30pm, 3.30pm | £25 for 45 | segwayhebrides.com/booking |
| Meet: Glen Miavaig Car Park (NB 101 062) | minute trek | or call 01851 702575 |
| See Saturday for details | | Enquiries@segwayhebrides.com |
| Sea Kayaking (BEGINNERS) | | North Harris Trust |
| A chance to experience sea kayaking in a safe environment. Ages 12 and upwards | f10 | 01859 502222 |
| welcome. | 110 | mountainfest@north-harris.org |
| 5-7pm. Meet: Slipway behind Sir E Scott School playing field, West Tarbert | | Places limited, book early! |
| Guest Speaker: Sean- Ziehm-Stephen - "From Harris to the Himalayas." | | North Harris Trust |
| Sean, the manager of the Scaladale Centre in Harris shares his amazing experiences and | £5 | 01859 502222 |
| pictures of his kayaking adventures all over the world. | | mountainfest@north-harris.org |
| 7:30pm Harris Hotel | | mountain esterior in harristorg |

| Tuesday 6th September | | |
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| Hill Skills Awards Day 1 2-day Mountain Training Association accredited course. Aimed at beginners, the Hill Skills course is your key to getting started in countryside walking. *Advance booking required. Suitable for ages 14 and up 9am – 5pm. Meet: North Harris Trust office, Tarbert | £50 for 2 day course, plus £20 registration to Mountain Training | Isi Oakley 01851 822810 isi.oakley@cne-siar.gov.uk |
| Powerboat Tours of Loch Seaforth 10am – 12pm & 1pm – 3pm. Meet: Maraig Slipway (NB 196 059) See Monday for details | £35 | See Monday |
| Guided Walk: Beinn Dhubh Distance 6 Miles A walk to the summit of Beinn Dubh (506m), from this peak there are spectacular views of Taransay, the large expanses of white sandy beaches at Losgaintir and the North Harris hills. Bring Lunch Meet – car park on the A859 about 5 miles south of Tarbert and one mile to the east of the Losgaintir turnoff (NG 107 966). 10.30am – 3pm | £10 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 mountainfest@north-harris.org |
| Harris 365 Photography Workshop for Beginners A day long trip around some of the most spectacular views and landscapes Harris has to offer. Bring along your camera and learn how to best capture this beautiful place behind the lens. Bring outdoor clothing and a packed lunch. 10am-4pm. Meet: North Harris Trust office, Tarbert | £40 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 mountainfest@north-harris.org Places limited, book early! |
| Film Night: Triple 5 Challenge As Part of their preparation for BBC Scotland's hugely successful Great Climb, top rock athletes Dave MacLeod and Tim Emmet attempt to climb five new extreme routes on five Hebridean Islands in five consecutive days - Tides, weather, fatigue and the sheer extremity of the climbs were all against them. 7:30pm Harris Hotel | £5 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 mountainfest@north-harris.org |

| Wednesday 7th September | | |
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| Hill Skills Awards Day 2 | | |
| See Tuesday | See Tuesday | See Tuesday |
| 9am – 5pm. Meet: North Harris Trust office, Tarbert | | |
| Guided Walk: Oireabhal/Uladhal/Muladal | | |
| Distance: 7 miles Ascent: 662m | £10 | North Harris Trust |
| A spectacular high level walk across the ridge that leads to Sron Uladail. | | 01859 502222 |
| This is a steep but rewarding climb with brilliant views across the Estate. | | mountainfest@north-harris.org |
| 10am-4pm Bring Lunch | | <u>mountaimest@north-nams.org</u> |
| Meet: Start of track just to the east of Amhuinnsuidhe Castle (NB 052 077) | | |
| Powerboat Tours of Loch Seaforth | | |
| 10am – 12pm & 1pm – 3pm. Meet: Maraig Slipway (NB 196 059) | £35 | See Monday |
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| Sea Kayaking (INTERMEDIATE) | £10 | North Harris Trust |
| Sea Kayaking in West Loch Tarbert. A session for those with some previous experience. | | 01859 502222 |
| Ages 12 and upwards welcome. | | mountainfest@north-harris.org |
| 5-7pm. Meet: Slipway behind Sir E Scott School playing field, West Tarbert | | Places limited, book early! |

| Thursday 8th September | | |
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| Guided Walk: An Clisham Distance: 5 miles. Ascent: 650m Direct route to the summit of the Clisham (799m), the highest peak in the Western Isles, and our only Corbett. This is a steep but rewarding climb. 10.30am – 4pm. Meet: Car park on the A859, 6 miles north of Tarbert (NB 173 057) | £10 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 mountainfest@north-harris.org |
| Fresh-Water Fishing Taster Session Try some fresh-water fishing on a beautiful North Harris loch! All equipment and | £5 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 |

| instruction provided. 1-5pm. Meet: Lacasdail Lochs car park (NB 184 004) | | mountainfest@north-harris.org |
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| Adventure Photography for Beginners - with Finalcrux Films This is a unique opportunity to learn more about adventure photography in this 2 hours workshop with Euan Ryan of Finalcrux Films. Bring your camera. 10am – 12pm & 1pm – 3pm Location TBC | £15 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 mountainfest@north-harris.org Places limited, book early! |
| Guest Speaker: Euan Ryan "There's No Easy Option" The Story of Finalcrux Films" Euan will give history of how he became an adventure filmmaker and photographer, he will share a little about his early work and the lead up to his biggest projects, including the making of "Defiance - The Eiger Paraclimb" and filming on The Eiger. 7.30pm, Harris Hotel | £5 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 <u>mountainfest@north-harris.org</u> |

| Friday 9th September | | |
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| Mountain Skills Awards Day 1 2 day Mountain Training Association accredited course. The Mountain Skills course is ideal for walkers interested in transferring their skills to more mountainous terrain. Ideally, participants would have some basic hill walking experience and have a reasonable level of fitness. 9am – 5pm. Meet: North Harris Trust office, Tarbert Advance booking required Suitable for ages 14 and up. | £50 for 2 day course, plus £20 registration to Mountain Training | Isi Oakley 01851 822810 isi.oakley@cne-siar.gov.uk |
| Powerboat Tours of Loch Seaforth 10am – 12pm & 1pm – 3pm. Meet: Maraig Slipway (NB 196 059) See Monday for details | £35 | See Monday |
| Guided Walk: Golden Eagle Walk Distance: 4.5 miles. Ascent: 300m North Harris has one of the highest densities of breeding Golden Eagles in all of Europe. A fantastic chance to watch this iconic predator. 10am – 1.30pm. Meet: Bogha Glas car park (NB 186 115) | £5 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 mountainfest@north-harris.org |
| Guest Speaker- James Ogilvie James Ogilvie had summitted three of the highest peaks in the world's seven continents when he decided that his next goal should be Everest. In May 2007 he summited the world's highest mountain and found himself staring down on stars. 7:30pm, Harris Hotel | £5 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 mountainfest@north-harris.org |

| Saturday 10 th September | | |
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| Mountain Skills Awards Day 2 | See Friday | See Friday |
| 9am – 5pm. Meet: North Harris Trust office, Tarbert | see Friday | See Friday |
| Mountain Bike Race For the very first time we will be holding a mountain biking event at the festival. This challenging race will follow a track through some of the most spectacular scenery that Harris has to offer. The race will begin at Meavaig (NB 102 063), through to Bowglas, then along the old postman's track to the Clisham, down to Marig and then through to Urgha finishing in Tarbert. This race is not for the faint hearted and we request that only experienced and confident riders apply for entry. Meet 10am Tarbert TI Car Park (NG158 998) Transport will be provided to take bikes and their rider out to the start of the race at Meavaig from Tarbert. | £15 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 mountainfest@north-harris.org Entry forms must be handed in by 1700 on Friday 9th September at the very latest. |
| Guided Mountain Bike Ride This guided bike ride will go from Meavaig (NB102 063) through to Bowglas (NB 186 115). The 11 mile cycle will go at a gentle pace through glen Meavaig, up past Loch Vorshmid, drop down into Glen Langadale and come back to the main road at bowglas. A number of guides will accompany those cycling along the route offering help and advice to navigate the sometimes challenging terrain. Meet 12pm (Glen Miavaig Car Park (NB 101 062) A good level of fitness is required for this cycle Transport will be provided to take bikes and their rider back to Meavig from Bowglas. | £10 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 mountainfest@north-harris.org Entry forms must be handed in by 1700 on Friday 9th September at the very latest. |
| Community Walk: Isle of Scalpay – Eilean Glas Lighthouse Distance: 3 miles A circular walk around the South-Eastern corner of Scalpay, out to the lighthouse. Excellent views, and a good route for wildlife including seals, otters and seabirds. Some of the route is across rough boggy ground so bring sturdy footwear. Meet: Outend Turning Circle, Scalpay (NG 232 948) | Free | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 <u>mountainfest@north-harris.org</u> |
| Sea Fishing Taster Session A chance to experience sea fishing on the stunning Scarasta beach – all equipment and instruction provided. 1-5pm. Meet: Start of the track leading in to the dunes, just south of Sgarasta Bheag (NF 999 923) | £5 | North Harris Trust 01859 502222 <u>mountainfest@north-harris.org</u> |

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