

Hello from SCAN – no doubt you are taking advantage of the summer weather and are taking your work out and about in the Countryside, as we are, but we hope you will have a few spare minutes behind your computer to catch up with the latest news from SCAN.

**** SCAN Networking Days – Section procedures ****

Since the start of the new legislation there has been a notable increase in e-mail traffic amongst access professionals, trying to find information on how to deal with the new section procedures in the Land Reform Act. SCAN now offers you the opportunity to get together with fellow access workers to share experiences. At the workshop there will be presentations on case studies (Exemption Orders and Formal Notices), followed by discussions of other experiences and perhaps attempt to develop a consistent approach. The event will be mainly of interest to council access staff, their line managers as well as their Legal Section colleagues.

Dates:

Thu 25th August 2005: Hamilton 13.00 – 16.30 South Lanarkshire Council Offices

Tue 30th August 2005: Pitlochry 13.00 – 16.30 Fishers Hotel, Atholl Road

The number of participants is limited, so register early. Email scan@scottishcountrynet.org for a registration form or download the form [here](#). The meeting fee is £10

**** Countryside Access Fair ****

On Friday 25 November SCAN will be organising the first Scottish Countryside Access Fair. This will be an opportunity for providers of access services and supplies to showcase their wares and for access and countryside managers to meet with a wide range of businesses in one place. Throughout the day there will be presentations on different access related topics. The event will be held in Bell's Sport Centre in Perth from 10.00 – 16.00.

More information will be available in the next E-newsletter and on the SCAN website

<http://www.scottishcountrynet.org/conference.htm>

If you are a supplier of access services or equipment and wish to display your wares at the Fair please register your interest with us on scan@scottishcountrynet.org

**** The SCAN Committee – Hello's & Goodbyes ****

At the AGM on 13 May 2005 SCAN said goodbye to Clare Hamilton-Sturdy. Philip Glennie was re-elected as convener, as were Alison Irvine as treasurer, Bridget Jones as secretary and Philip Waite as vice-convener. Linda Mathieson and Mike Dales were re-elected as committee members.

These SCAN Die-Hard's have now been joined by three new committee members: Jane Prichard (Access Officer with Perth&Kinross Council), Helen Todd (Access Campaign Officer with Ramblers' Scotland) and Doug Stewart (Area Access Officer, Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park). A warm welcome to you all.

**** SCAN Constitution ****

The SCAN constitution has been amended to reflect recent changes in the structure of the organisation. The new constitution was approved by the AGM and can be viewed following this link.

**** Moving Together – Managing Multi-use of Paths ****

A 60 strong audience made their way to Birnam to learn more about the ups and downs of multi-use paths. Participants were presented with perspectives from different user groups, such as horse riders, cyclists and people with disabilities. Case studies from around the country demonstrated that multi-use of paths is far from impossibility and many people felt that multi-use of paths is the way to go. The presentations and a conference report will be made available on the SCAN website shortly.

ACCESS IN THE NEWS

SCAN can post your access related news and press releases on the SCAN website. For further information, contact SCAN

[The thin end of the wedge for walkers](#)

Dave Morris of the Ramblers on Access and golf courses in the Scotsman (14 July, Free registration required) And on the same topic [Court battle looms after public way fenced off at golf complex](#)

[Train stop is mountain of trouble](#)

THE ban preventing passengers leaving the Cairngorm funicular railway for a walk in the mountains could be lifted (The Scotsman, 2 July – free registration required)