# **REGIONAL EVENTS**

## WEST OF SCOTLAND DINNER & AUCTION

THURSDAY 16 MARCH Oran Mor, Glasgow

The West of Scotland's flagship event of the year is a wonderful black-tie dinner and auction held in Glasgow.

Contact: Rory Donaldson 07718 780700 rdonaldson@gwct.org.uk

# **GRAMPIAN REGION SPORTING AUCTION**

THURSDAY 20 APRIL Lochter Activity Centre, Oldmeldrum, Aberdeenshire

The Grampian Committee host their sporting auction and a delicious game buffet at Lochter Activity Centre.

Contact: Andrew Wright 07949 946578 awgrousenthings@gmail.com

# GWCT SCOTTISH AUCTION

THURSDAY 4 MAY
Prestonfield House, Edinburgh

Contact: Lois Bayne-Jardine 07594 929783 scottishauction@gwct.org.uk

# GWCT SCOTLAND & WORLD PHEASANT ASSOCIATION SCOTTISH SEMINAR

'Practical Conservation For Scotland's Grouse Species'

FRIDAY 5 MAY Balhousie Castle, Perth

Contact: Barbara Ingman 07935 5383992 office@pheasant.org.uk

Tickets £25

#### GWCT SCOTTISH GAME FAIR

FRIDAY TO SUNDAY, 30 JUNE - 2 JULY Scone Palace. Perth

Email: info@scottishfair.com

# HIGHLAND FIELD SPORTS FAIR

FRIDAY & SATURDAY, 4-5 AUGUST Moy, Inverness-shire

For further information visit: www.moyfieldsportsfair.co.uk

# EDINBURGH & SOUTH EAST SCOTLAND SIMULATED CLAY DAY

(DATE AND VENUE TBC)

#### **GRAMPIAN SHOOT WALK**

(DATE TBC)

GWSDF Auchnerran, Logie Coldstone, Aberdeenshire

A fantastic opportunity to see how the Auchnerran is developing into a profitable hill edged farm. The tour will look at game crop selection, wading bird research, predator management and sustainable farming practices followed by a BBQ and drinks.

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# EAST TAYSIDE DINNER AUCTION

NOVEMBER (DATE AND VENUE TBC)

An excellent opportunity to enjoy some of the regions finest food and bid on some of it's finest sport.

Contact: Mike Clarke mikeclarke13@icloud.com

### PIE & PINT EVENINGS

We will be running a series of Pie & Pint Evenings in 2023: these are designed for members and practitioners alike to provide an update on our vital work as well as wider policy matters that may impact you. Non-members are also more than welcome.

For more information e-mail scottishhq@gwct.org.uk and keep an eye on our website for the dates we will be running these informal and informative evenings.

### **MEMBERS EVENTS**

We will be running a number of members events throughout the year including book talks, Q&A's and private viewings. The first two events planned are:

#### **THURSDAY 23 MARCH**

A Q&A with wildlife photographer Neil Mcintyre at The Black Watch Museum, Perth

Neil grew up in a family of deer stalkers and lives and works in the Cairngorm National Park where he runs his wildlife photography tours and image library. His work is widely published and used in many national magazines and his most recent book *Chasing the Deer*, published in 2021 will be a focal point of the evening's Q&A.

#### **THURSDAY 11 MAY**

An Evening with Sir Johnny Scott at Hopetoun House

We have recently moved offices to the Estate office at Hopetoun House and are celebrating the move with our first member's event. Sir Johnny is best known for writing and co-presenting the BBC2 series *Clarissa and the Countryman* with the late Clarissa Dickson Wright. He is a natural historian, broadcaster, columnist, countryside campaigner and farmer and will provide a fascinating evening.

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# TAILORED ON-SHOOT ADVISORY VISITS & 2023 FEES

Half Day £620 +VAT | Full Day £820 +VAT Formal Reports (starts at) £620 +VAT

Our professional advisors can provide a practical one-to-one visit to your shoot, farm or estate to advise on any shoot, game and wildlife management issues that are specific to you and your land.

For further information please contact 0131 202 7670 or scottishhq@gwct.org.uk



### SCOTTISH REGIONAL GROUPS

There are many opportunities for you to get involved with us. If you are interested in joining your local committee, helping at events, have opportunities for hosting events or items and lots that might be suitable for auction and raffle prizes, please get in touch.

Simply contact your regional chairman today or call Rory Donaldson on 07718 780700.

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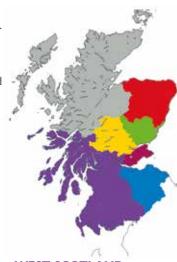
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### **SWEEPSTAKES**

### Could you run a shoot sweepstake for us?

For each £100 raised you'll receive a bottle of sloe gin. Sign up to receive your complimentary:

- Collection tube
- Game cards
- Sweepstake cards
- Stand markers
- Cartridge refuse bags
- Good shooting guide

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# **ADVISORY EVENTS & COURSES**





GWCT certificates provided to help demonstrate due diligence and responsibility as required under the W&NE Act.

#### **SNARING**

£48 per person inc. VAT

Our latest Scottish Government approved fox and rabbit snaring course provides candidates with the necessary certificate to obtain their unique ID number, which must by law be attached to all snares set in Scotland. Fundamental to the course is the emphasis placed on welfare, in addition to best practice, species conservation and legal updates.

#### TUESDAY 28 FEBRUARY 09:30

Finzean Hall, Banchory, Aberdeenshire

#### MONDAY 6 MARCH 09:30

Raeshaw Estate, Galashiels, Scottish Borders

### THURSDAY 9 MARCH 09:30

Phoines Estate, Newtonmore

#### **HEATHER BURNING**

£72 per person inc. VAT

This half day course covers the latest Muirburn Code, the aims and benefits of heather burning for upland species including grouse and grazing animals. Current legislation, including W&NE (Scotland) Act 2011, along with fire and personal safety, preparation of burning plans and out-of-season burning licences will be carefully detailed along with best practice muirburn guidance and planning.

### MONDAY 27 FEBRUARY 13:30

Finzean Hall, Banchory, Aberdeenshire

#### MONDAY 6 MARCH 13:30

Raeshaw Estate, Galashiels, Scottish Borders

#### **CORVID CONTROL**

(INC. VICARIOUS LIABILITY)

£72 per person inc. VAT

Corvid control is a vital tool for countryside managers. When done well it can be hugely beneficial to the conservation of our game and wildlife. This course has been developed to ensure those practicing corvid control in Scotland can do so with the confidence that they are operating within the law whilst demonstrating due diligence and welfare considerations.

#### TUESDAY 7 MARCH 09:30

Raeshaw Estate, Galashiels, Scottish Borders

#### FRIDAY 10 MARCH 09:30

Phoines Estate, Newtonmore

#### **MUSTELID CONTROL**

(TUNNEL TRAPPING)

£72 per person inc. VAT

With significant changes to tunnel trapping legislation now in place throughout the UK, this popular course keeps trappers fully up to date with both legal and humane control issues. The session will address the legal aspects of the various trapping methods for stoat, weasel and rodent control employed by keepers and wildlife managers as well as the equipment required and best practice advice.

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#### **GROUSE HEALTH & DISEASE**

£72 per person inc. VAT

This training opportunity addresses the increasing need for grouse moors to assemble documented evidence to demonstrate best practice. The half day course will focus on the latest management techniques for the control of strongyle worm burdens and tick in red grouse. A must for those requiring medicated grit prescriptions!

#### FRIDAY 27 FEBRUARY 09:30

Finzean Hall, Banchory, Aberdeenshire

#### FRIDAY 10 MARCH 13:30

Phoines Estate. Newtonmore

#### **RAT CONTROL**

(FOR GAMEKEEPERS & FARMERS)

£180 per person inc. VAT (for memebers) £240 per person inc. VAT (for non-members)

This course has been put together by those directly involved in the sector for the sector and having this qualification is an essential part of every gamekeeper's skill set. Successful attendees will be able to purchase and deploy second generation anticoagulant rodenticides in open rural areas as part of their integrated approach for enhancing biodiversity, the conservation of ground nesting birds, food security and of course human health.

#### WEDNESDAY 1 MARCH 09:30

Auchnerran, Logie Coldstone, Aberdeenshire

#### YOUNG SHOOTERS DAY

£50 per person inc. VAT

Depending on demand, we are able to present this day at our Game & Wildlife Demonstration Farm at Auchnerran, Logie Coldstone, Aberdeenshire.

Youngsters (boys & girls) aged 12-15 will have an opportunity to take part in an inspiring and hands-on day of shooting tuition and basic game and shoot management developed by GWCT. This fun-filled, practical and informative day would be held on a summer date appropriate to school holidays.

# ESSENTIAL DATA GATHERING WITH THE EPICOLLECT5 APP

Available on request; nhesford@gwct.org.uk

### MOUNTAIN HARE COUNT TRAINING

Available on request; scottishhq@gwct.org.uk

#### WADER COUNT TRAINING

Available on request; scottishhq@gwct.org.uk

Prices quoted for courses are based on a minimum of 10 candidates per course. Fewer attendees may result in higher per head costs.

To book a place contact us on 0131 202 7670 or email us at scottishhq@gwct.org.uk