

10th January Members' slides

Now a highlight of the year, eagerly awaited by all Eastern District worthies. Bring along your images, share your adventures with others

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Ian Mitchell on Alexander Kellas The ideal Valentine's Evening out with your beloved. Surprise her/him with an evening out at the Royal Overseas League to see Ian Mitchell on the life of fellow Aberdonian, Alexander Kellas. Did you know that Kellas pioneered light weight Himalayan climbing? Was the first European to employ Sherpas? Was the best authority of his day on the effect of high altitudes on the human system? Was the holder of the record of highest summit climbed until 1930? Explored widely in the Himalaya before the First World War? Died with a towering reputation and deserves to be remembered as one the most outstanding Himalayan mountaineers of all time? As a youth walked from Ballater to the Shelter Stone, a distance of 35 miles, in 12 hours, in order to climb Ben MacDhui? Don't miss this one! Copies of Ian's biography of Kellas - Prelude to Everest will be available for purchase and signing. (Canny members will know that a signed copy can add as much as five pounds to the resale value.)

20th March. Vivian Scott on Mount Hunter and elsewhere.

'Tall tales from North Walls: hallucinations on Mount Hunter and other (mis)adventures'

Viv presents slides and stories of frosty suffering and smiles from sleep deprived struggling in the wintry corries of Scotland and the lakeland fells, via unplanned bivies on alpine north faces, fairytale ice in the islands and fjords of arctic Norway, to an impromptu ascent of Alaska's alpine showpiece, the 6000ft Moonflower buttress of the mighty Mount Hunter.