

**May 2023**

**For the May run, Richard had concocted a route in Easter Ross taking in both the ancient and modern : from some of the Pictish carved stone slabs dating from around 800 A D to the wind-turbine assembly facility at Nigg on the Cromarty Firth. Starting from the Highland Farm Café, the route took in the steep private road to the North Sutor overlooking the Cromarty Firth then *via* the Pictish stones at Nigg Church, Balintore and Hilton of Cadboll. On the way to the lunch stop at the Inver Inn, Richard pointed out the remains of the WW2 airfields still quite prominent in the area. The weather was pleasant enough to have lunch outside before heading off to the final stop at the lighthouse at Tarbatness. Sadly, however, the haar (mist) had come in off the sea blanking out the views so, after a bracing walk to the lighthouse, members made a hasty retreat to disperse for home. The June run is being organised by Patsy and will involve a trip over the Lecht (the Cockbridge to Tomintoul road which caught Terry Wogan's fancy) to Royal Deeside.**