DORNOCH, AN IDEAL CENTRE

Dornoch is an ideal holiday town from which you can discover the scenic and natural beauty of the north of Scotland. A days round trip might include a visit to the most north west point of Mainland Britain, Such a trip to Cape Wrath may take in, on the north coast, Tongue and a picnic stop at Loch Eriboll and could return by Kinlochbervie, Scourie and Kylesku on the west. The north and north west coasts offer an exciting contrast between golden sandy beaches, running gently from wind swept sand dunes into the lapping sea, and mighty cliff formations plunging, in some cases, hundreds of feet into the turbulent waters below

Other points of interest include John O' Groats, the north east tip of the mainland, from where a small ferry crosses to Burwick on South Ronaldsay the most southerly of the Orkney Islands. On the west there is Lochinver, Achiltibuie, the Summer Isles, Ullapool and Gairloch with the nearby Poolewe Gardens. All are within leisurely reach of Dornoch and a trip to each allows you to enjoy the diverse and unspoilt beauty of our Highlands, each corner turned offers a new appreciation of the ever changing character

of the scenery.



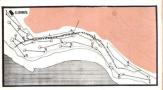
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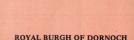
ROYAL DORNOCH GOLF CLUB



STANDARD SCRATCH SCORE 72

Hole	Yards	Par	Hole	Yards	Par
1 First	333	4	10 Fuaran	148	3
2 Ord	180	3	11 A'chlach	LLL	4
3 Earl's Cross	415	4	12 Sutherland	501	5
4 Advinchanter	417	4	13 Bents	170	3
5 Hilton	359	4	14 Foxy	459	4
6 Whinny Brae	165	3	15 Stylaig	325 403	4
7 Pier	485	4	16 High Hole		4
8 Dunrobin	387	4	17 Valley	407	4
9 Craiglaith	498	5 9	16 Home	457	4
OUT	3219	35	18	3314	35
			TOTAL	6533	70

While the Royal Dornoch Golf Club was founded in 1877 the earliest mention of golf on Dornoch links was in 1616, preceded only by St. Andrews in 1552 and Leith in 1593. The present world famous course was arrived at in 1948 after alterations over the years by Old Tom Morris, J.H. Taylor and George Duncan. Every year the Club welcomes visitors from all over the world, providing the best of golf over the 18 hole Championship Course and the 9 hole Struie Course, full Clubhouse facilities in an informal atmosphere with excellent catering and a well stocked professional's shop, all at highly competitive prices. There is no increase in green fees at week-ends. For details of current green fees and of discounts available to parties of 8 or more contact K.M. Murray, Secretary, Royal Dornoch Golf Club, Dornoch, Telephone Dornoch (STD Code 086 281) 219.



Dornoch, a Royal Burgh and County Town of Sutherland is situated on the A 949 a mile and a half off the A 9 between Bonar Bridge and Golspie.

By road Dornoch is 60 miles north of Inverness and by rail passengers alight from the Highland Line from Inverness, at Ardgay and complete their journey 14 miles by road. The town is also served by a grass air strip and many light aircraft use this facility throughout the year.

AMENITIES AND LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Dornoch and its surrounds has been adequately described as the 'Shangri-la' of the North having below average rainfall throughout the year and higher than average sunshine during the summer months. From Easter through summer to late autumn the area offers the holidaymaker a wide range of leisure and recreational facilities and for those who seek

their own pleasures the town and its locality are rich in undisturbed

beauty.

On arriving at Dornoch the visitor is at once aware of the openness of the landscape and of the panoramic views that can be enjoyed from many locations. Such awareness of space is highlighted by the ever

changing mood of the sky. This Royal Burgh of Dornoch offers a full range of holiday accommodation over a long season including high rated hotels, self

catering cottages and houses, bed and boarding breakfast. houses caravan and camping sites. In addition the town is well served by restaurants and shops. A small industrial site, built close to the centre of town on the platforms of the old railway station, houses many craft industries each of

which is open to the public. Some fixed events in the town include, a Festival Week at the beginning of July, the Sutherland Agricultural Show at the end of July and the Dornoch Highland Games at the beginning of August, each of these events offer good family entertainment. In addition, the Dornoch Pipe Band parade and play every Saturday evening in the town square providing a weekly festival of music by the pipes and drums set against the backcloth of the historic buildings of the town.



Within and around Dornoch there are opportunities to enjoy many family activities including golf, at the internationally famous Royal Dornoch Golf Club, tennis, bowling, swimming from the expanse of golden beaches, canoeing, river, loch and sea fishing, hill walking and pony trekking.

In nearby Golspie you can visit Dunrobin Castle, a seat of the Clan Sutherland and present home of the Countess of Sutherland, the castle and its Italian gardens are on view during the summer months.

For the naturalist the Fleet Nature Reserve, a few miles north of Dornoch will provide many hours of exploration and discovery in an area which abounds in bird life extending from the estuary into the surrounding forests many of which have provided forestry walks.

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