# More behaviour to change

The BMC perspective

#### **Other problematic behaviours**

Current 'hot' topics not already covered:

- Litter
- Dogs
- Parking, transport & traffic
- Challenge events
- Nocturnal access







- Broad problem not just affecting the uplands
  & not only caused by climbers & walkers
- Hot spots: car parks, road sides, viewpoints, busy summits, crags are less of an issue
- Placed litter dog poo bags
  - litter placed in walls / under rocks

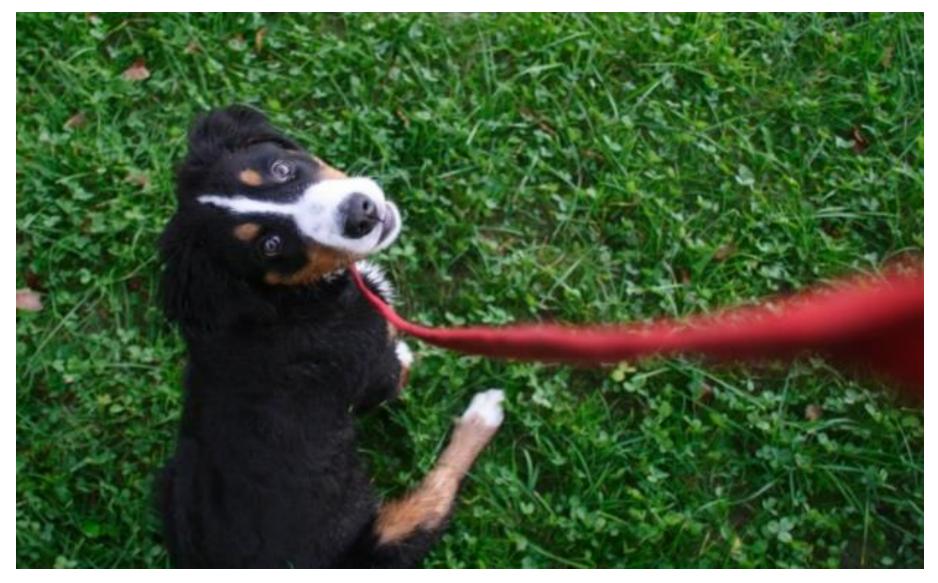
## **Clean the Crags**

#### How long will your litter last?

Litter can take a lot longer to degrade than you think. If you see it, pick it up. If everyone does their bit our crags will stay clean.









- Another broad issue contributed to by many types of user
- Keeping dogs under close control
  - Nesting season (ground nesting birds)
  - Livestock
  - Not everyone likes dogs
- CRoW & private land dog restrictions

#### Parking, transport & traffic



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- Poor parking = access issues
- Blocking the road, gates, driveways, turning circles are common problems
- General trend of increasing traffic UK wide particular issue in honeypots with narrow roads & limited parking
- Encouraging sustainable transport means fewer cars to park & on the roads

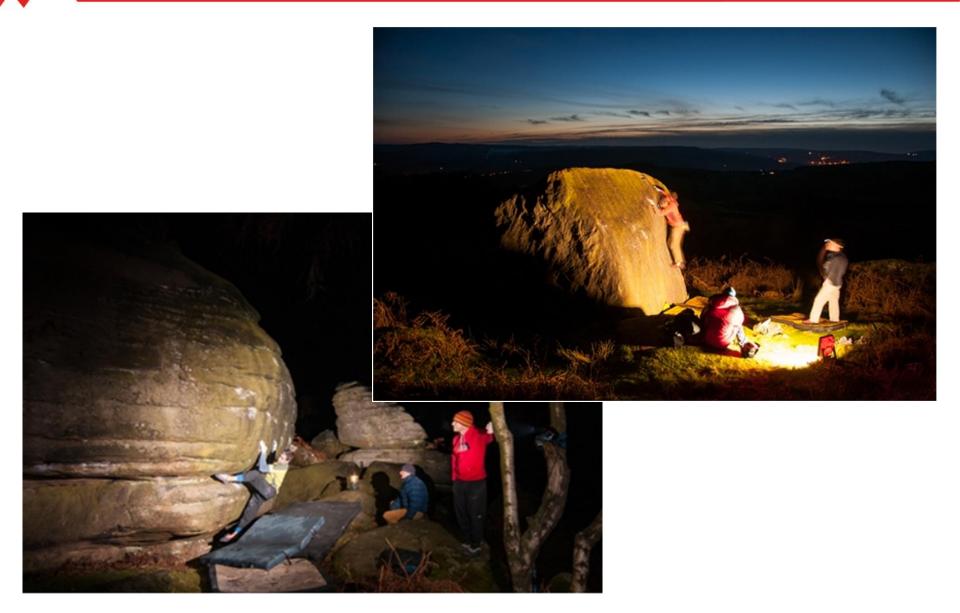
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- In general, these are not attended or organised by the BMC's core demographic
- Often in already busy areas & can be hugely impactful if poorly organised
- Can't stop them, so best approach is advice on minimising impact
- Promoting good practice is difficult given the diverse individuals & organisations involved

#### **Nocturnal access**



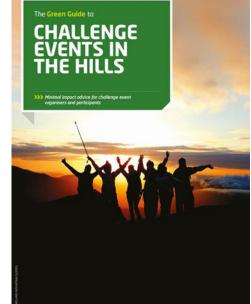
#### **Nocturnal access**

- Technology is enabling access beyond daylight hours
- Tendency to treat any nocturnal activity with suspicion
- Bright lights highlight otherwise low key access
- In some areas, concerns raised around disturbance to residents and wildlife

#### What can the BMC do?

- Our audience tends to be committed climbers and walkers – we can struggle to reach the more occasional visitor
- Highlight & explain the importance of improving behaviours to our community
- Create a sense of shared responsibility & ownership
- Encourage climbers & walkers to demonstrate good behaviour to their peers & other users

#### Making our messages heard



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has been removed from the 3 Peaks over the past six years 🚱 The Real3Peaks Challenge is going nationwide on Saturday 12 October! This year, alongside the 'Big 3' peaks, events will also be held at Lochnagar, Cairngorm/Ben Macdui, Bennachie, Ben Lomond, the Isle of Skye, Roseberry Topping, the Roaches, Old Man of Coniston and Pen y Fan. Find



The Real3Peaks Challenge: 7 years old



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Doggie dos and don'ts: good practice advice

Posted by Catherine Filtoroft on 19/03/2014



Many BMC members enjoy taking their dog for a walk and to the crag but increasingly, there is a growing awareness of the need to preserve and conserve the fragile landscapes we love to visit with our furry companions along with an increasing amount of advice and legislation governing what we should and shouldn't do.

As a responsible dog owner, you need to know about dog laws - your rights and responsibilities, in order to protect yourself, your dog, other people and other dogs. The laws governing dogs vary greatly depending on where you go. For instance; a short walk may start on a public footpath through a grouse moor where dogs are banned - a restriction to protect sensitive wildlife. The walk continues onto a concessionary footpath, which is not marked - doos may be allowed, or allowed only on a lead, depending on the concession which isn't always clear. The walk continues onto a sheep track - which looks the same but isn't as dogs must be on leads at all times. The sheep track runs across an unmarked boundary of two moors and briefly the dogs can run free. Over a stile and into an enclosure used for lambing



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2280 times however, dogs are once more banned as it's lambing time.

#### **BMC Campaigns**

- Raise key issues to the outdoor community and beyond
- Influence change in outdoor culture
- Influence individual change
- Tangible improvements to crags, hills & wider landscape







#### H20 Clean-up Events



















- For issues specific to climbing & walking we have the opportunity to directly & positively influence the community we represent
- To have a real impact on wider issues, we need to work together with other organisations to reach new audiences
- Coming up: improvements can always be made how can we be more effective in changing behaviours?