## Cairngorms weather and tourism



I went climbing in Coire an t-Sneachda yesterday, a good choice as

winter conditions had survived the thaw and the real storm was some way south. The Coire Cas carpark was still windy though, with climbers putting goggles on before leaving the car and people huddling inside buildings. The slopes were stripped, not a chance of skiing anywhere. All this reminded me just why trying to develop mainstream tourism facilities at Cairngorm is doomed to disaster. It really is a place for the committed, whether skiers or climbers.

Yet the current leaseholder of the ski area, Natural Retreats, main idea for making a success of it is to promote the area as a family resort and want to develop a new international conference facility. http://cairngorms.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/12/151201AnnexCCairngormMountainv1.01.pdf

Any mountaineer and not a few skiers will tell you this is not the right place for a family resort. Any resort should be lower down in the shelter of the forest

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