



You are invited to the
**Scottish National
 Rural Network
 Forth Valley & Lomond
 Event**

Rural Development and the Environment

Tuesday 19th January 2010
 10.30 am to 3.30 pm

McLaren Leisure Centre, Callander
www.mclarenleisure.co.uk

To confirm your attendance, please
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Programme for the day

10.30 am	Coffee and registration, with opportunities for networking and viewing Showcase display stands
11.00 am	Welcome & opening remarks from the event Chair, Kate Sankey of Forth Environment Link, Loch Lomond & the Trossachs Community Partnership and National Park Authority
11.15 am	Information updates from Anne-Michelle Ketteridge (LEADER), Iain Rennick (Rural Priorities) and a Rural Network update from Beverley Maclean and Norette Ferns
11.45 am	Coffee break
12.00 pm	Project Presentations – Flanders Moss NNR, SNH and local primary schools (local) and Stratheden Path Project (Fife LEADER)
1.00 pm	Lunch, networking and touring of Showcase display stands
2.00 pm	Facilitated discussion session
3.30 pm	Summing up of the day and next steps

Connecting Rural Scotland, promoting rural growth

What is the Scottish National Rural Network?
 It's a major initiative supported by the Scottish Government to connect rural Scotland in all its diversity to promote economic and community development. At a national level, the Network is promoted by the Scottish Rural Gathering, a national event, and the Scotland National Rural Network website. At a regional level, there is a series of regional events intended to promote and develop links and networks across the different individuals, businesses, organisations, communities and sectors in each region of rural Scotland. In the Forth region four themed events are planned. The first will include a focus on how environmental activity contributes to rural development.

What's in it for me?
 The opportunity to find out the latest news about rural development and funding opportunities, to hear about some excellent projects and businesses and to connect with a wide range of other people who live and work in your region and elsewhere.

There will also be a LEADER and Rural Priorities project showcase available throughout the day.

Visit the Rural Network website for news, information and networking opportunities for everyone living and working in rural Scotland: www.ruralgateway.org.uk

