Beinn Dearg - October 2012

I had broken my arm a few weeks before on a walk up some other Corbetts and this was my first solo outing since then.

I chose Beinn Dearg as it looked like a nice half day with no technical difficulties or steep slopes to negotiate and the forecast was good for the Southern highlands. I got there about 13.00 and headed off from Innerwick where I parked in next the public car park next to the loos.

I dint expect to see anyone up here but immediately met some cyclists and then 10mins later a couple from Yorkshire who had been up top with their dogs. The weather was looking good and the Autumn clours looked great against the blue sky back drop. An easy 4 by 4 track leads out of the forest then its over some moorland to the fence posts which easily lead to the summit. Didn’t take very long and the views were great. The Lawers range are very close and views were good in all directions. However I did notice a few rogue snow shower to the north and east and they seemed to be heading my way. Time to head off and back to the track before they hit!!

In fact I almost made it all the way back to the car with out enduring a shower – however 5mins short of the warm of the car the snow moved in. A really nice sight this earlt season snow against the changing colours of the trees. I was worried however about the snw covering the road back over to Loch Tay – my worries were not confounded though and a safe journey home was had. Bonus that my arm was not too sore though – something to ensure after the trip to Glen Affric!!!