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Atholl, Scotland's Heartland

And so proper casualty figures of those who died in these straths was never compiled. Kenneth McAlpine made his capital at Dunkeld 1,150 years ago. It was built towards the end of the 16th century and replaced an earlier route called Comyn's Road, constructed by David Comyn, Lord of Badenoch.

Atholl

This David was a mid-fifteenth century chief of Clan Menzies, one of those Scots nobles who was hostage for King James I on his release after 14 years of captivity in England.

Isle of Man

Over the last few decades he has climbed extensively in the Italian Dolomites as well as summiting the Matterhorn and several other 4000m alpine peaks. From here to Bruar Lodge, a little under two miles further north, the Minigaig is just a narrow path skirting through the heather.

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Its survival is due to its position on the slios garbh, the rough side of the loch, which was stony and infertile save for a few places where a burn running into the loch has created a miniature delta. The cattle dogs were dismissed on reaching their destination to return home under their own volition.

An isolated peak in the Atholl Estate

The grass-covered slate peaks of the central massif are smooth and rounded as a result of action during various glacial periods. He married a daughter of Robert Bruce and came to the throne as Robert II.

Caisteal Dubh, castle 200m ESE of Balnadrumb Farm (SM1636)

When the prince marched his twelve hundred western clansmen towards Atholl the government-supporting duke moved to his southerly seat at Dunkeld. Here at the northern end of Atholl lies the heartland of Clan Donnachaidh. The Gazebo on the curved north wall may be a later addition.

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His seven span structure at Ballochmyle on the Glasgow, Paisley, Kilmarnock and Ayr Railway makes the most of its dramatic location. Tree plantations were also felled during World War II, and their replanting gives the area the tree cover that it has today.

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He was one of the greatest men of his age, a supporter of the rights of women, and is supposed to have become the first pensioner in the locality when he decided to spend his retirement back in Glen Lyon. Similarly, a good general rule is that a river originates in the loch that bears its name.

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