

Clunie Circuit from Pitlochry 20th July 2026

Nine members travelled to Pitlochry and parked at the Theatre close to the 12thC ferry landing at Port na Craig where monks had crossed the river from Fonab (Abbot's Land in Gaelic) to reach Moulin. After carefully crossing the A9 a steep uphill climb on the Rob Roy Way led to Fonab Woods and continued uphill into a forestry plantation. We continued along this track to visit Clachan an Diridh, a four-poster stone circle located in a forestry clearing between the hills of An Suidhe and Dunfallandy Hill. Only 3 of the 4 original stones remain standing today with fragments of the fourth stone still visible on the ground. Steps were retraced to meet the track towards An Suidhe where we followed a rough path through moorland on the route of an old Pictish Road with spectacular views of the surrounding hills. After a coffee stop we decided to try to reach the site of An Dun, a fort in Clunie Wood. However the terrain was too steep and in dense forest so after lunch we descended following a rough grassy track through the forest back to the Rob Roy Way and to the starting point.

A welcome stop for ice cream at Stewart Towers rounded off the day.





Crossing the moorland with views of the rugged landscape and hills





Final descent towards Pitlochry