Trochry Circuit 12th October 2026

Nine members left Broxden in the Community Minibus and drove to the carpark beside the Corbenic Poetry Path. The route initially followed the Poetry Path until we reached an old military road that once connected Dunkeld and Crieff. We then took a rough track to the summit of Druim Mor taking in views of the surrounding hills and the 2 farmsteads of Pitleoch and Salachill which we would visit later. We descended through rough heather and grass to reach a footpath alongside the Ballinloan Burn with the intension of following it to a bridge over the burn. However, we encountered a shepherd who informed us that there was a sheep track down to the burn where we could cross. A rough descent to a point where there were a number of stones enabled the crossing and we had our coffee break on the bank before climbing up to the ruins of Salachill.

Salachill is a settlement of 4 farmsteads of post-medieval date which were abandoned due to poor living conditions rather than clearances. After exploring some of the extensive ruins we descended on a rough track to the second site of Pitleoch where there were ruins of a large farmstead incorporating living quarters, barns, byres and stables. We stopped here for lunch before continuing down to the bridge back over the burn and returning towards the old military road. We stopped to view a large glacial erratic stone, known as Clach a Mhoid - "*the stone where the court was held"* and also a small perfectly formed ancient arch shaped bridge. From this point we returned to the Poetry Path completing our circuit back to the car park via the River Braan.

A well-earned coffee and cake was enjoyed in Bankfoot.

Distance 7.4miles, 1199ft ascent.



Crossing towards Druim Mor



Exploring Salachill Settlement



Lunch stop at Pitleoch



Leaving Pitleoch



Clach a mhoid Stone