

Greenock Cut Centre

Opening Hours

Visitor Centre Café April – September
Weekends only 11am – 4pm
Trails Open every day all year.
Toilets Open daily.

Cornalees Bridge

near Inverkip

PA16 9LX

tel 01475 521 458

Scottish Outdoor Access Code

The three principals are:

1. Respect the interests of others
2. Care for the environment
3. Take responsibility for your own actions

Dogs can harm wildlife



Keep them under proper control to minimise disturbance to wildlife, livestock and other users.

Wildlife Watching

In spring, listen for the cry of the **curlew** and the **skylark** song. Watch out for a passing **ravens** or **hen harriers** hunting low over the moorland.

Look out for **sundew** and **butterwort**, these plants trap and digest insects on their sticky leaves to survive on poor soil.

Look out for **Tiger Beetles**.

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Clyde Muirshiel
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The Park for People

Enjoy a healthy family fun day out or exciting outdoor activities in Scotland's largest Regional Park. From high heather moors and woodland glens to freshwater lochs and coastal shores the Park has something for everyone.

Our friendly staff are more than happy to answer any questions you might have about access to the countryside.

Events & Activities

There is lots going on, look out for our 'What's On' guides or online.

Other Park Sites

Castle Semple Centre
in Lochwinnoch is popular for lochshore and woodland walks, coffee, outdoor activity courses plus bike hire.
Lochlip Road PA12 4EA
tel 01505 842 882

Lunderston Bay
near Gourrock has a sandy beach, a coastal walk and a children's play area.
Cloch Road PA16 9LX
tel 01475 521 458

Muirshiel Centre
near Lochwinnoch provides easy access to 'great walking country' including the family friendly 'Windy Hill'.
Calder Glen PA12 4LB
tel 01505 842 803

Barnbrock
is 4 miles south of Kilmacolm with picnic site and group use camp area.
Nr Kilbarchan PA10 2PZ
Tel 01505 614 791



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The Park for People

Greenock Cut Visitor Centre Dunrod Hill Walk



- 5km Circular Walk
- Geological SSSI (Site of Special Scientific Interest)
- Fantastic Views
- Starts at the Greenock Cut Visitor Centre
- Free Car Parking

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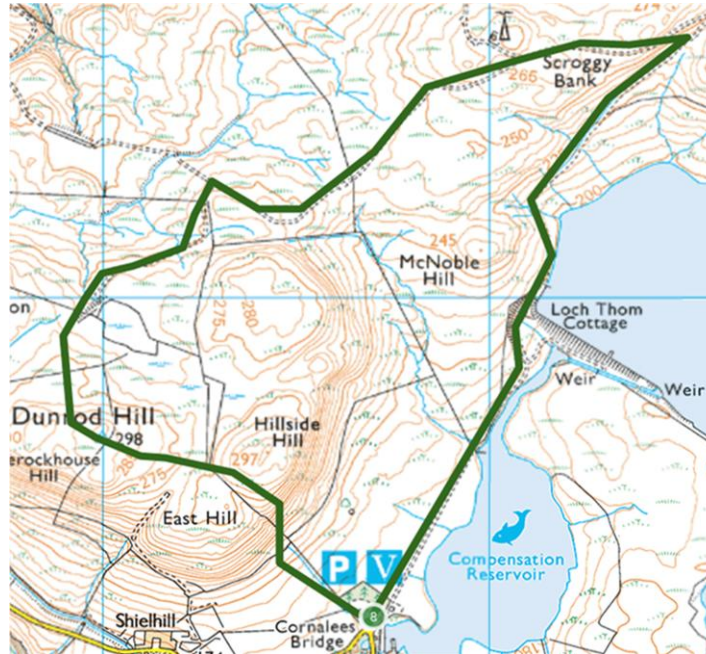
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The Dunrod Hill Walk

As one of the highest points in the northern region of Clyde Muirshiel Regional Park it offers great views of Clyde, Cowal Peninsula, Greenock as well as amazing views across the Regional Park itself.



Steep climb/descent from/to Visitor Centre over grass. Some wet and boggy patches on the hill top when off the stone trail.
3.2 mile/5.2km allow 1.5 hrs



The Story of Auld Dunrod

In the 17th century local aristocrat, Alexander Lindsay 10th and last Lord of Dunrod is said to have become involved with witches living on his lands in Inverkip. He was thought to gather with them at Dunrod's Seat, partaking in the dark arts on the slope of Dunrod Hill. Rumours of the day were that he even entertained the Devil at his castle located near modern day Shielhill Farm is, of which nothing now remains.

Depending on which story you wish to believe his assets were either seized by the Church in recompense for his evil deeds, or he was forced to sell everything to pay for his massive debts.

Regardless he was reduced to selling charms and potions at the Greenock riverside and died a penniless hermit.

His body was found in a barn on part of his former estate near East Kilbride under "mysterious circumstances". Whatever the truth; Dunrod has become a larger than life character, woven irrevocably into the local folklore of the Inverclyde.

It wasn't unknown for local parents to scare their children's into getting to bed with the chilling promise that 'Auld Dunrod' would get them!

*"In Auldkirk the witches ride thick,
And in Dunrod they dwell,
But the greatest loon among them a'
Is Auld Dunrod himsel'."*