

CGI DESIRE PATH PROJECT

12 Paths/12 Months for Community Calendar 2011

The following paths have been selected from those nominated by the Denny/Dunipace community. The sequence of this list is arbitrary; we have not yet decided which path will be featured at which month on the calendar. Biodiversity, heritage and history information will be included in the calendar and we are currently gathering our facts. The deadline for our Photography Competition is 15th September. See flier for rules and details.

- 1 **Red Brae/Fankerton Path** - *From the top of Barnego Road in Dunipace, path takes you into Fankerton (Johnson's Park) past such attractions as Glenhead Cottage, Lady's Leap, Red Brae, ending at Fankerton Hut (Approx 1 ¼ miles)*

- 2 **BMX Track to Fankerton Path** - *From the BMX track to Fankerton Hut, this path takes you under the motorway along the River Carron past an old cemetery and the old "gumboo" where paper mills dumped their waste in past times. But it is beautiful nevertheless! (Approx 1 ¾ miles)*

- 3 **Old Gala Park Path** - *Popular path in what is officially called Herbertshire Castle Park (castle burned down in 1914, ruins removed in the 1950s). Circular path includes great dog walking, football pitch, playpark. River Carron runs along side this park. (Approx ½ mile)*

- 4 **CGI Murals Path** - *From mural underpass under Stirling Street in Dunipace, follow old railway line footpath to mural underpass near Broad Street. Includes foot bridges over Avon Burn and River Carron onto Winchester Ave path. Very popular walking and cycling path recently upgraded w/ new lighting, ramps, surfacing, etc. (Approx ¾ mile)*

- 5 **Cherry Trees/Chasefield Woods Path** - *Circular route from the lane of cherry trees that runs between Denny Town House and Station Masters House on Glasgow Road, heading east past Denny HS into Chasefield Woods and back (Approx 3 ¼ miles)*

- 6 **Winchester to Torwood Castle Path** - *Starting at the Dale Bridge, Winchester Industrial Estates (bridge currently closed), up Denovan Road past church house, turn left, head toward Thornadyke Quarry, follow path to Torwood Castle ruin. On the way see the ancient broch. (Approx 4.5 miles)*

- 7 **Cherry Trees/Stoneywood Path** - *Circular route from the lane of cherry trees that runs between Denny Town House and Station Masters House on Glasgow Road, heading west along old railway line path into old Gala Park (Approx 2 ½ miles)*

- 8 **Rosebank Community Woodland Path** - *Along the old railway line, from the foot bridge over the Avon Burn at Allan Crescent up to the old spur road, follow the Avon Burn into the woodland, arriving back at the Anchor Hotel on Stirling Street. Includes the floodplain of immense biodiversity at the top of Northfield Road which the Denny community saved from a housing development proposal in 2009. (Approx 2 miles)*
- 9 **Loch Coulter Path** - *Approx 5 1/2 miles. VERY ARDUOUS TRAIL, NOT FOR BEGINNERS. Starts at the bus terminus at Northfield Quarry Road, heads up to Middle Barnego Farm at the top of Barnego Road. Follows a recognized track to Topp Barnego Farm which is a ruin. Uses a vague path to Loch Coulter and the Cairn. Great vantage points for several amazing views. Includes the loch, Bronze Age fortification, panoramic views of the loch, Carron Valley, you can see Fife, Lothians, Central Region, Ben Lomond, Strathclyde, farms, etc. Then head down towards Burnhouse Farm on a recognized track, passing the farm, Hannay Cauld (a well) and a castle keep. Then down back to the Northfield Quarry Road at the bottom of Louden's Glen, walk back to your vehicle. (Recommended proper footwear, etc. Dogs must be under strict control due to farm animals.)*
- 10 **Planting Mill Road/Farmers Field Path** - *Popular dog walking route. Start from Red Hoose Pub on Stirling Street, pass Heritage Rooms (home of CGI and Denny & Dunipace Heritage Society). Follow historic Milton Row (home of former paper mill) to footpath crossing Planting Mill Road at Avon Burn, turn right, head along old railway path toward River Carron footbridge. Before the bridge, turn left past big old tree into farmer's field. Desire line leads you around the field, past the point where Avon Burn and River Carron intersect (heron and kingfisher here, also bats, voles, otter, rabbits, etc). Follow footpath to the stile, cross over barbed wire fence (careful!) and back onto the footpath. (Approx 5/8 mile)*
- 11 **George Skelton's Roman Road to Denny Path** - *A favoured route of the late George Skelton (1941 - 2010), much beloved local history and path enthusiast. From the Hills of Dunipace to the Roman road over the motorway, past the lime works and ending at the Salt Pans. (Approx 3 miles)*
- 12 **Denny Water Works/Meditation Path** - *A nice quiet walk on which you may see locals stopping for a wee think or meditation. Starts at Myothill Road to Denny Water Works up to the spine road. Crosses the motorway twice, ending at Sclandersburn Road. (Approx 1 3/4 miles)*