

Glenarry County Archives
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Glenarry Nuggets
 Ancient shorelines, a remnant of the last ice age, are evident throughout Glenarry as are outcrops of the underlying limestone bedrock and sources of massive boulders referred to locally as "Glenarry Nuggets". Explore Glenarry Routes Heritage Tour to find more "Glenarry Nuggets" - a collection of amusing and colourful tales about the local and rich cultural traditions of the people of Glenarry.
 For more stories and historical photos go to: glengarryroutes.ca

Alexandria's Hockey Sticks
 Alexandria personality Joseph Choquette was celebrated for his skill in manufacturing hockey sticks. From 1930-40, he supplied sticks to the Montreal Canadiens, Boston Bruins and Chicago Black Hawks. He reputedly knew every NHL player personally and often found behind the Canadiens bench advising them on what sticks to use.

Hop, Skip, Jump
 An elder of Glenarry tells that as a young girl, she would play the game called Glenarry Nuggets - whereby, when bringing home the cows at the end of the day, you had to cross the field without stepping on any grass by jumping from boulder to boulder - those plentiful "nuggets" left behind by the ice age.

Glenarry Churches
 The churches and cemeteries pay homage to ancestors and exemplify a rich community life centred on family, religion and education. The abundance evidence and the sense of pride these places evoke stand testament to the lives and aspirations of those people they serve through faith, music and worship.

MAXVILLE ROUTE
 (60 km)

This route through the former Kenyon Township begins at Maxville, home of the Glenarry Highland Games where thousands gather annually to celebrate the Scottish heritage of music and sport. The saying goes that Alexandria is the heart of North Glenarry but Maxville is the soul!

1 Maxville
 The "Max" in Maxville was originally "Mac" after the Highland Scots who settled here around 1815. Take some time to stop, pick up a Walking Tour brochure, and explore Maxville's boomtown frontier shops: the one-room bootmaker's shop is a real treasure. Just off Main St. today, shows no evidence of fires that ravaged it five times over a thirty-year period (1910 to 1940). Four churches at the south end of Main Street St. Michael and All Angels; St. James Catholic; Maxville United; and St. Andrew's Presbyterian created their own precinct. Come on Friday for Thanksgiving, and catch the Maxville Farmers' Market at King George Park from 2 - 6 pm.

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6 Mill Square and Priest's Mill
 225 Main St. S.
 Priest's Mill or Mulligan's Saggart (in the Gaelic) was Alexandria's original name. The pre-1819 grist mill was built on the Garry River by Rev. Alexander Macdonald, parish priest of nearby St. Raphael's and later first bishop of Upper Canada. The mill burned and was rebuilt several times with the present building dating to 1902. An artisan's studio and a pub with an outdoor terrace set in the mill race are worth a visit.

7 Fiske's Corners
 County Rd. 24 and Fiske's Corners Rd.
 True to the Glenarry tradition of naming rail hamlets after its first settlers, Fiske's Corners takes its name from general store owner Hughie Fiske MacMillan. Although no longer in operation, the blacksmith shop still stands behind the house at 1908 County Rd. 24.

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9 Fassenfer General Store
 County Rd. 24 and Kenyon Concession 6
 One of the remaining rural stores, this community hub historically served travellers along the Old Military Rd. between Hawkesbury and South Lancaster. Today, it serves everything from gas to movies to ice cream, and even worms.

10 Kenyon Township Hall and Church of St. Catherine of Siena
 2799 County Rd. 30, Greenfield
 The Kenyon Township Hall, built with clapboard houses lining the road up the hill where two substantial stone buildings attest to the skill of local stonemasons. The Kenyon Township Hall built in 1860 was the seat of local government until 1998 and the Church of St. Catherine of Siena was built in 1912 for the many Roman Catholics in the area. Both are reminders of buildings founded in rural Scotland. Leaving Greenfield the route goes to Highway 443 where it dogs loops onto Lock Garry Rd.

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13 Apple Hill
 County Rd. 20 and Kenyon Concession Rd. 2
 Apple Hill was named in 1888 when the RR line ran through Stanley Kennedy's hilltop orchard. The village, with its stony station, Bank of Hochelaga (Montreal) and The King Edward Hotel, became the centre of a bustling community where farmers lined up every Wednesday to ship their produce to market in Montreal. Little remains of those days, but two churches still serve the community: the handsome brick Zion United Church (1889), and turning left at the corner onto County Road 20, St. Anthony's Catholic Church and cemetery. Hall a block further the King Edward Hotel still stands. Apple Hill native Kenneth MacIacnae penned the music to local favorites "Glenarry My Home" and "My Home Apple Hill".

14 Indian Lands
 A Plaque is located on the north east side of the road at the intersection of County Rd. 20 and County Rd. 20. The Indian Lands also called the Nutfield tract is a two-mile wide strip of land running from the St. Lawrence River to Prescott village featuring the Star Inn, built in the 1840s, containing one of the earliest bars in Eastern Ontario; a blacksmith shop from Apple Hill; Big Beaver School; a Log Cabin; and a trapger's cabin all furnished with period artifacts collected in the county. The museum's shop programs and themed events animate Glenarry's rich history with stories and demonstrations. Period reproductions and a selection of local products are available at the giftbook store. Spring/Fall: 10am-5pm Weekends & Holiday Mondays Summer (June to Labour Day). glengarrypioneermuseum.ca

15 Alexandria Island Park / Mill Pond
 Plan to spend some time at our recreational park offering swimming, a playground and water park for children, and the watchtowers at the Sandfield Centre. The nearby Glenarry 58kPark is a skateboarder's paradise.

16 Welcome / Bienvenue!
 The Ontario Francophone flag, flying side-by-side by the park with the Ontario Royal Ensign, is a proud symbol of Alexandria's bilingual heritage.

17 Eglise du Sacré-Coeur
 This parish was founded in 1909 to serve the local French-speaking Catholic families. The church was constructed between 1910-12 using local limestone quarried from Conc. 2 Kenyon (the "Loch Garry" blacksmith shop was added in 1949). The church's Gothic style, impressive size, prominent location, and quality of design and materials contribute to its landmark status within Alexandria.

18 St. Finnan's Roman Catholic Cathedral
 235, Park St. S.
 An early church was built here in 1833, a year after Alexander Macdonnell founded the parish. By 1853, nearly half the families in the congregation were MacDonnells of various splings! In 1855, St. Finnan's was built on the same site and became a cathedral five years later. Designed in Gothic Revival style by H. Hudson of Quebec City it is richly sculpted limestone building with carved windows and door mouldings, with projecting spires and corbelled. Next to the cathedral is St. Margaret's Convent where English-speaking Catholic children were taught from 1930 to 1954.

*Is math an spàthan sùil caraid.
 A friend's eye is a good looking glass.*

19 Grotto of Notre-Dame-de-Fatima
 Corner of Bishop St. and Centre St.
 The Grotto of Notre-Dame-de-Fatima was erected in 1954 by volunteers using stone salvaged from the burned St. Martin-of-Tours Church in Glen Robertson. The grotto, commemorating parishioners who lost their lives during the First and Second World Wars, was restored in 2016.

20 Church-on-the-Hill United Church
 36 Kincardine St. E.
 In 1912, this church was built to serve the Presbyterian community with financial support from church members by Munro and McIntosh (Buggy from Glenarry fame). The congregation joined the United Church in 1925. Its Boyd Block construction, stained-glass windows, and arched spire make this church one of Alexandria's most picturesque.

21 The Armories and "The Buggy from Glenarry"
 215 Main St. N.
 This grand brick structure served as the United Counties' first army armoury from 1914 to 1963. See the nearby plaque commemorating Munro and McIntosh, a major manufacturer of sleighs and carriages from 1880-1920. As its peak it produced more than 10,000 vehicles per year, including the celebrated "Buggy from Glenarry".

22 Robertson-Clark Building - Dalkeith Historical Society
 1841 Dalkeith Rd. Dalkeith
 William Robertson, son of founder John Robertson, lived and operated a store and post office. In 1913 it was converted to St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church. In 1927 the chapel was extended and a sacristy added. Closed in 2007, it now the home of the Dalkeith Historical Society who host exhibits, meetings and cultural events in the restored building. Open 3rd Sunday of the month, 10am-12pm. dalkeithhistory.com

23 Breadabane Baptist Church and Cemetery
 2201 Breadabane Rd.
 In 1816, emigrants from Perthshire, Scotland established the first Baptist congregation in Glenarry building their first church in 1825, which held services in both Gaelic and English. The present 1864 Gothic Revival church is located across the road from the original church site and cemetery.

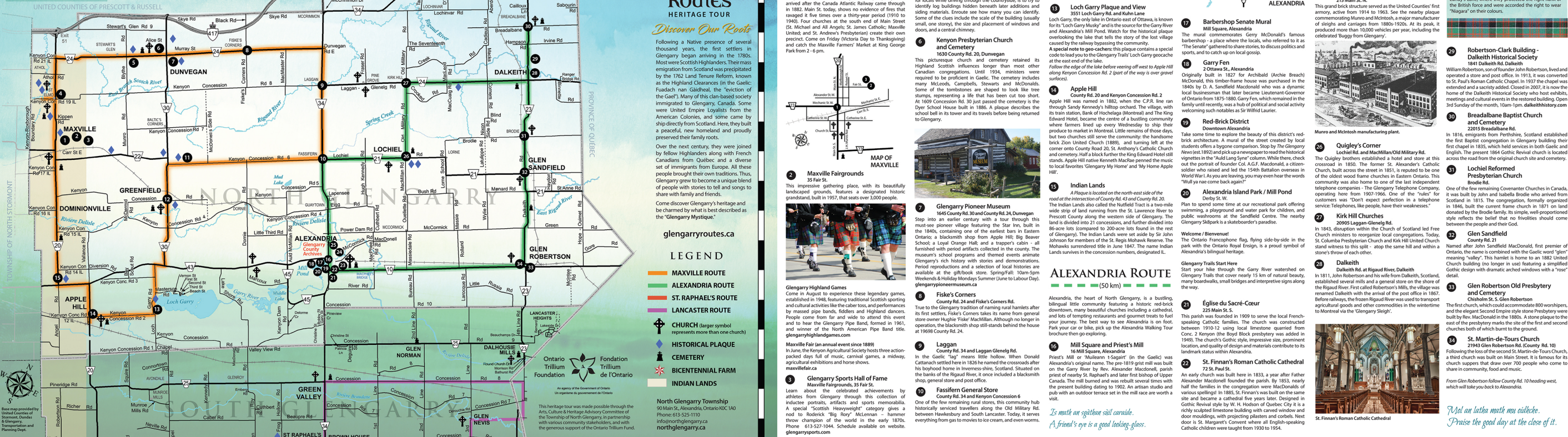
24 Lochiel Reformed Presbyterian Church Brodie
 One of the few remaining Converter Churches in Canada, it was built by John and Isabella Brodie who arrived from Scotland in 1815. The congregation, formally organized in 1846, built the current frame church in 1871 on land donated by the Brodie family. Its simple, well-proportioned style reflects the belief that no frivolities should be between the people and their God.

25 Glen Sandfield
 Named after John Sandfield Macdonald, first premier of Ontario, the name is combined with the Gaelic word "glen" meaning "valley". This hamlet is home to an 1882 United Church building (no longer in use) featuring a simplified Gothic design with dramatic arch windows with a "tree" detail.

26 Glen Robertson Old Presbytery and Cemetery
 Chisholm St. S.
 The first United Church congregation of 80 worshippers, and the largest St. Glenn style presbytery were built by Rev. Macdonald in the 1880s. A stone plaque to the east of the presbytery marks the site of the first and second churches of both which burnt to the ground.

27 St. Martin-of-Tours Church
 2194 King Robinson Rd. (County Rd. 10)
 Following the burning of the St. Martin-of-Tours Church, a third church was built on Main Street. It is famous for its church supports that draw over 7000 people who come to share in community, food and music.

From Glen Robertson follow County Rd. 10 heading west, which will take you back to Alexandria.



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 Maxville Fairgrounds, 35 Fair St.
 Learn about the celebrated achievements by athletes from Glenarry through this collection of inductive portraits, artifacts and sports memorabilia. A special "Scottish Whisky" category gives a nod to Rodrick "Big Roy" McEwan - hammer throw champion of the world in the early 1870s. Phone 613-527-1044. Schedule available on website. glengarrysports.com

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