

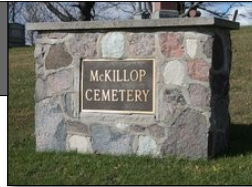
14. Wallacetown
Talbot Line & Currie Road



Named for Scottish national hero William Wallace. Part of the town was built on the farm of Hugh Gunn and Helen McIntyre. WW1 Victoria Cross awardee, Ellis W, Sifton resided in Wallacetown before enlisting. He died April 9, 1917 at Vimy Ridge.

- follow Talbot Line east

15. McKillop Cemetery
30490 Talbot Line



Located on the McKillop Homestead beside the Baptist Church.

- follow Talbot Line east

16. Particular Covenanted Baptist Church
30504 Talbot Line



The first church of this faith in western Elgin County was located in Aldborough, but after a number of these settlers moved into Dunwich, a log church was erected about 1827 on part of lot 10, concession 8. The first preacher was Elder Dugald Campbell, and later Thomas McColl, who became an ordained minister. In 1852 Elder McColl gave land for the church building, and the log church was replaced by a frame structure in 1852, built on the front of lot 16, concession 7, one mile east of Wallacetown on Highway #3. The present red brick church was built on the same location and opened in 1911. McKillop Cemetery is located beside the church.

- follow Talbot Line west back to Wallacetown and turn south onto Currie Road. At Lakeview Line turn west to Erie Street.

17. Tyrconnell, No. 9
Lakeview Line and Erie Street



Once a busy shipping port, called Port Tyrconnell the town had general stores, mills, hotels, a warehouse, ashery, distillery, tannery, cheese factory, handle and wagon factory, post office, school, church and cemetery. The pier was built by the Dunwich Pier Company shareholders in 1861 so farmers could sell to the Union Army across Lake Erie during the U.S. Civil War.

- follow Lakeview Line east to Backus-Page House Museum

18. Backus-Page House Museum & John E. Pearce Provincial Park

29424 Lakeview Line



Georgian style brick house built in 1850. Ask the museum for their driving tour of Lakeview Line settlers and walk the Spicer Trails and Storey Wetlands Trail. Little Ireland was settled by Irish Anglican families (Pearce, Patterson, Storey and Backus) in 1809. These farms were raided by the Americans during the War of 1812.

- follow Lakeview Line east. You can enter John E. Pearce Provincial Park's southern half or stop at St. Peter's Anglican Church or Cemetery. Continue east on Lakeview Line and turn southeast on Fingal Line

19. Estate of Colonel Thomas Talbot

32107 Fingal Line



Picture courtesy of Elgin County Museum. The estate is privately owned but there is a Cairn and War of 1812 signage at the roadside.

Thomas Talbot landed at the mouth of Talbot Creek on May 21, 1803. He was named Colonel of the 1st Middlesex Militia by Sir Isaac Brock in the War of 1812. Talbot's settlement was noted for its good road system, throughout 29 townships along the north shore of Lake Erie.

Directions from the 401 to Port Glasgow (Nellie's Hill)

Take the Rodney/Furnival Road exit off Hwy 401 and go south on Furnival Road. Continue south through the town of Rodney and hamlet of New Glasgow. Continue south on Furnival and turn west onto Gray Line and south on Haven's Lake Road to the Yacht Club and Marina to start the driving tour.

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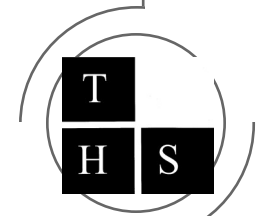
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A Driving Tour

Aldborough to
Dunwich Township
Settlers Trail
1818-1819



**1. Port Glasgow,
Port Furnival, Nellie's Hill,
Cnoc Neilliadh**



The first Scottish Highland settlers in 1818-19 arrived here, where Port Glasgow is today. They sailed on the ships 'Mars of Glasgow', 'Hope', and 'Harmony' across the Atlantic Ocean from Argyll, Scotland. Travel was by boat from Queenston, east on Lake Erie to this location. Named Nelly's Hill, Cnoc Ceilliadh after Nelly Campbell who prepared the first meal for the settlers of potatoes she brought from Scotland and fish caught in Lake Erie.

-follow Furnival Road north to New Glasgow

2. New Glasgow Presbyterian Church

9313 Furnival Road



The congregation was founded by the Aldborough pioneers in 1828. The church was built in 1854. "CEUD MILLE FAILTE" means "A Hundred Thousand Welcomes"

- turn east onto Talbot Line

3. Kilfinlay Pioneer Cemetery

22529 Talbot Line



Established in 1817. 'May we be worthy of the sacrifice, faith and vision of our pioneer forefathers whose memory today we delight to honour and desire to perpetuate.' - quote from the plaque inside the Pioneer Cemetery.

Ox Creek is to the west of the cemetery.

-follow Talbot Line east to Kerr Road

**4. Settler Farms
Talbot Line**



The settlers along this stretch of Talbot Line were - McLean, McIntyre, Downie, Campbell, Thomson/McTavish, and Kerr. Kerr Road was named for settlers John and Robert Kerr whose farms were located on Concession 12 Lot 12 SW and SE respectively.

-follow Talbot Line west

**5. McIntyre Cemetery
Concession 12, Lot 10**



Located approximately 200 meters into the field on the northside of Talbot Line, this is a family cemetery with only 7 stones set in a concrete slab. Early settlers buried here are Donald, Archibald, Isabelle, Duncan B., Barbara and John and Christy McCallum

-follow Talbot Line east to Graham Road (Eagle)

**6. Settlers Farms
Talbot Line**



The settlers in this area were - Campbell, Blue, Ferguson, McCallum, McColl, McKillop/McGilp, McAlpine, Leitch, Paterson, and Brown.

-follow Talbot Line east

**7. McColl Cemetery
24724 Talbot Line**



Established in 1822 when settler, Duncan McColl passed away and was buried on his favourite spot on his farm. Brock's Creek is to west of the cemetery. Named Brock's Creek as an honour to General Sir Isaac Brock on his brief stay near its mouth on the way to Fort Malden during the War of 1812.

-follow Talbot Line east

**8. McKillop's Plaque
Talbot Line**



A plaque is on the front stone wall indicating those McKillops who have lived at the Pioneer Farm since 1818. The barn was demolished in 2017 and the barn quilt moved to Eagle Community Centre.

- From Eagle follow Talbot Line east

9. Settlers



The settlers on this stretch of Talbot Line were - McGugan, Leitch, and Johnson.

- follow Talbot Line east

**10. Love Cemetery
26358 Talbot Line**



A combination of old white limestone and highly polished granite headstones. McKay's Creek is west of the cemetery.

- follow Talbot Line east

**11. Settlers
Talbot Line**



Following Talbot Line the settlers in this stretch were - Bannerman, Buchanan, Black, Currie, Brodie, Galbraith, and McCallum.

- follow Talbot Line east

**12. Black's Cemetery
28788 Talbot Line**



CREEK 9 so named because it is 9 miles from Port Talbot, also known as TYRCONNELL CREEK is to the west of the cemetery. The cemetery and hill are named after the Black family who settled in 1819, farmed there and donated the land for the cemetery.

- follow Talbot Line east

**13 Coyne's Corners
Talbot Line**



Named for Henry Coyne who settled in 1817. Later the corners had 3 hotels and 2 blacksmith shops. Henry Coyne had the first hotel in 1845. In 1820 Donald McGugan settled directly across from Coyne. McGugan home was once a hotel built by John McGugan. Donald G. Gunn operated a hotel as well.

- follow Talbot Line east