

Index of Place Names in Girthon (G) & Anwoth (A) : initial letter R

Name	P	Also known as	Earliest	Comments	
R.C. Chapel	G			Used 1850 – 1971. See Church of the Ressurrection	Upstairs at 10 Catherine Street
Railway Carriage Hall					
Rainton	G			Baeu's map 1654. Mentioned in James Murray's will (1797) as part of Barony of Laik. <i>(Russell)</i>	NX600520
Ramsey Wood	A			Modern development of private housing in Boghall Wood started in 1984. <i>(Russell)</i>	In Boghall Wood, off road to Anwoth Church.
Rattra					
Ravenshall	K				
Ravenshall Cottage	K				
Ravenshall Point					
RC Church					
Reading Room	G			In Library on High Street	
Red Brae	T				
Redfield	T				
Red Nick Road			1810	Old road from Cally Avenue to Gatehouse to Fleularg	
Rheged					
<i>Rin</i>		Ross		Celtic word for a point of land. E.g. Rhins of Galloway. <i>(Russell)</i>	
Ringdoo Point	A			Rinn dubh = black point. <i>(Maxwell)</i>	
River Fleet					
Riverbank	A			Development of Local Authority housing built after World War II. 56 houses built by local council about 1949. In 1951 more houses built at top of Riverbank .In 1967 5 single storey old folks house built. <i>(Russell)</i>	Off Dromore Road.
Riverbank Court	A			Modern council houses.	Off Riverbank
Riverbank Wynd	A			Modern council houses.	Off Riverbank
Riverside	A			Street name at Riverbank	
Riverside	A			House built by Mr Jardine c.1904 on part of his garden at Elderslie. <i>(Russell)</i>	On road out of Gatehouse to the west.
Riverside Park				Used for football until World War 11. Used for celebrations at end of World War II. <i>(Russell)</i>	Riverbank
Riverside Walk	A			Path along the River Fleet from Cardoness Castle to Port McAdam.	

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				Constructed c.2005	
Roadman's Cottage	A			Now demolished. Shown on an EMU Christmas card.	To east of Anwoth Old Kirk
Roads, Coast				Coast road built 1786 -90. Original line to west ran via Woodend and Anwoth➤High Auchenlarie & Barholm. Line to east ran from Ann Street➤through Cally Park via Bush Bridge➤to Enrick. Major changes in 1812-18 through Cally Park and in 1819-23 (Galla Hill Cut) (<i>I Macleod</i>)	
Roads, Drove				<p>Mainly east to west routes between the markets at Minnigaff and Kelton.</p> <p>From west➤Creetown➤ over hill to Skyreburn ➤ Luckie Harg to Gatehouse or down Skyreburn to Anacarry Ford➤across Fleet Bay to Cally Mains .(avoided going through Gatehouse).</p> <p>From east➤Kelton Market➤Bridge of Dee➤Irelandton Moor➤Drumwall Farm➤Robbers' Gate➤down Ann Street to Market Hill, Gatehouse. From Girthon Kirk a drove road led via Plunton & Borgue to Kirkcudbright.</p> <p>Both the old Roman roadways were also used.</p> <p>To north➤Gatehouse ➤ Laurieston➤New Galloway</p> <p>Or Creetown➤Moneypool Burn➤Gatehouse Station➤Dromore Farm➤over moor to ford at New Galloway. (<i>Russell</i>)</p>	
Roads, Military 1			c.1642	<p>When Charles I had problems with his subjects in Ireland, he planned a military road to take his army over to Ireland via Portpatrick.</p> <p>Route from east was ➤ over Irelandton Moor➤to Gatehouse➤ a wooden bridge over Fleet➤north to Luckies Harg➤Anwoth➤over hill to Lauchentyre➤over Skyre Burn at Glen Bridge➤up over Stronach Moor➤Glenquicken➤Cree valley. (<i>Russell</i>)</p>	
Roads, Military 2			c.1745	<p>Constructed by 'General' Roy after 1745 Rebellion. Surveyed conducted 1747 – 55 for new road to Portpatrick. Built c. 1757.</p> <p>Route from east➤ Tongland➤south of Twynholm➤Littleton➤Robbers gate➤ (<i>Russell</i>)</p>	

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Roads, Modern					
Roads, Pilgrim				For many centuries Scottish Kings walked to Whithorn, the route coming through Gatehouse. (<i>Russell</i>)	
Roads, Roman			85AD	1st – East to west from Glenlochlar to Reregonium (Loch Ryan), based on forts at river crossings. (c.A.D.85) Possible route was from Bridge of Dee➤ Glengap➤Loch Lee Bridge➤Gatehouse Fort➤High Ford over Fleet➤Luckie Harg➤Moss Robin➤Skyreburn➤Glenquicken➤Creetown 2nd - East to west. Irelandton Moor➤Robber's Gate➤south of Gala Hill➤Ann Street➤Memory Lane➤cemetery➤High Ford➤along River Fleet to Pulcree➤Killeron➤King's Laggan➤Lauchentyre➤Creetown. (<i>Russell</i>)	
Roads, Toll				Toll roads established in 1796 (Turnpike Acts). Toll bars every 6 miles. Abolished 1883. (<i>I Macleod</i>)	
Robber's Gate				Gate on the old road out of Gatehouse. Probably so called after a series of assaults in 1819 which were carried out as folk made their way home from market day in Gatehouse. 3 men caught and charged, the oldest two being hung on May 26 th 1819. (<i>Russell</i>)	Opposite Girthon Old Manse
Robert Burns Inn				(<i>Russell</i>)	
Roberton	Bo			Mentioned in James Murray's will of 1797. (<i>Russell</i>)	
Rogerson's Garage	G	Crosbie's Garage		Foot of The Cut, opposite Toll house. On site of one of the Town Dams.	
Roman Ford		See Roads, Roman		Ford over River Fleet by Roman Fort (<i>I.F. Macleod</i>)	NX596574
Roman Fort				Roman fort built in Agricola's reign (late 1 st century A.D.), in Standingstones field, just above the high tide level of River Fleet. (<i>Russell</i>)	NX596574
Roman Road					
Roon Anwoth				Popular 3 mile walk from Gatehouse via Cardoness castle and Anwoth Church	
Roon the Cape				Name may derive from either – a piece of land surrounded by water on 3 sides. (<i>Mrs C Patterson – ask Dolly McMurray</i>) or after the man who 'kept' or looked after the sluices & mill lades that ran along all the boundaries of the piece of land (<i>John McFarlane from Jimmy Girgan</i>) Popular I mile walk from Gatehouse following old road to Laurieston to	

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				golf course and back via new Laurieston Road and Mill Dam.	
Roon the Watter				Annual fun run during Gala week. 6 mile walk/run via Dromore Road, up west side of Fleet valley, across Rusko Bridge and back via Castramont and eastern side of Fleet valley.	
Rosebank	G	Cheriton Wood date ?		Formerly a school for Cally estate workers' children. (<i>Russell</i>). Cellars suggested as town air raid shelter in World War II but never used. Shown as Rose Bank on 1854 O.S. Map.	Ann Street
Roseber(r)y Terrace	G			Terrace of houses	Between Swan Street and Digby Street
Roseville	G			Doctor's house in mid 20 th century. Dr Craig lived there in 1945.	Ann Street
Ross Island	B				
Rough Isle				Shown on 1854 O.S. Map. Island in River Fleet	NX593588
Rough MacEwan				Near Barhill?	
Rough Point	G				NX574525
Roundfell				Mentioned in Alexander Murray's will of 1799. (<i>Russell</i>) Near Orghar??	
Rowantree Cottage	A				Skyreburn
Royal Oak Inn					
Rubigill				House	Ramsay Wood
Rusco Lead Mine	A			Lead mine on Kenlum Hill with access from Ornockenoch road. (<i>Russell</i>)	NX567587
Rusco Lead Mine	A			Lead mine on Meikle Bennan with 2 small cottages (now in ruins) (<i>Russell</i>)	NX553617
Rusco Lead Mine	A			Lead mine near Pool of Ness. (<i>Russell</i>)	
Rusco Lodge	A			Cottage opposite entrance to Rusco House . Shown on 1854 O.S. map.	
Ruscoe Castle	A	Rusko Castle Rusco Tower Glenskyreburn		Castle built in c.1500 by Robert Gordon and his wife Mariota. Land given to them by Mariota's father John Acarson on condition that they took the name Acarson. Headquarters of the Gordons of Lochinvar Estate in 16 th century, when the castle was extended. Building was lived in until the slates were removed in 1940 to save paying rates. Restored to a house in 1979 by Mr R G Carson. (<i>Russell</i>)	NX585605
Rusko	A	Rusheu Ruskhaugh Rusco Ruscoe	1517 Deed	Riascach = boggy, marshy place. (<i>Maxwell</i>) Shown as <i>Rusko</i> on Pont's map in 1664. In 1856 the estate comprised of Upper & Nether Rusko, Ornockenoch, Pulcree, Callside, Halfmark, Woodend, Killern Mill + the mansion and the tower house.	
Rusko Boys				1912	

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School					
Rusko Cottage, Upper	A				NX560622
Rusko House	A	Rusco		Early 19 th century house. (<i>MacLeod</i>) Shown as Rusco on 1854 O.S. Map. in 1851 census.	On B796 NX590585
Rusko Lodge	A			In 1851 census.	NX588586
Rusko Mains	A	Nether Rusco		In 1851 census.	NX585602
Rusko Miners' House	A			In 1851 census. 2 small cottages on Meikle Bennan, now in ruins. (<i>Russell</i>)	NX553617 ?
Rusko School				Name for combined Cally schools from c 1904. Named when Mrs Murray Stewart retired from Cally House to Rusko House on her husband's death. Closed in 1914. (<i>Russell</i>)	Ann Street
Rusko Street	A	B796 Dromore Road. Station Road Back Road		See Dromore Road	Road leads up the Fleet Valley to Rusko House and Rusko Castle.
Rusko Tower		Rusco Castle			
Rusko, Nether	A	Rusko Mains			
Rusko, Upper	A			In 1851 census.	NX566612
Rutherford Hall	G			Formerly United Free Church of Scotland. Later Girthon Church Hall Used by carpet bowling club between 1966 and 1982. Basement used as a snooker hall. (<i>Russell</i>)	Brewery Brae
Rutherford's Monument	A	1842		Built in 1842 to commemorate Samuel Rutherford (1600-61), a renowned theologian and minister of Anwoth 1627 to 1639.	Boreland Hills to west of Gatehouse. NX586557
Rutherford's Well	A			Probably a holy well, now has modern stone structure over it. (<i>MacLeod</i>)	NX584563
Rutherford's Witnesses	A			Standing stones. Said to be thus named after Samuel Rutherford denounced some of his parishioners for playing football on a Sunday. His speech was 'witnessed' by the stones. (<i>Russell</i>)	NX574556
Rutherford	A			Formerly United Free church Manse. (<i>Russell</i>)	Plane Tree Park