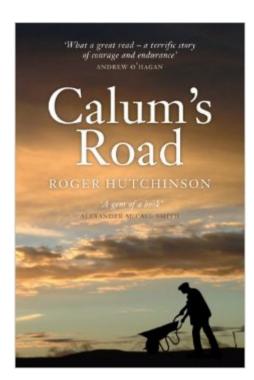
The book was found

Calum's Road





Synopsis

Calum MacLeod had lived on the northern point of Raasay since his birth in 1911. He tended the Rona lighthouse at the very tip of his little archipelago, until semi-automation in 1967 reduced his responsibilities. So what he decided to do, says his last neighbour, Donald MacLeod, was to build a road out of Arnish in his months off. With a road he hoped new generations of people would return to Arnish and all the north end of Raasay. And so, at the age of 56, Calum MacLeod, the last man left in northern Raasay, set about single-handedly constructing the impossible road. It would become a romantic, quixotic venture, a kind of sculpture; an obsessive work of art so perfect in every gradient, culvert and supporting wall that its creation occupied almost twenty years of his life. In Calum's Road, Roger Hutchinson recounts the extraordinary story of this remarkable man's devotion to his visionary project.

Book Information

Paperback: 184 pages Publisher: Birlinn Ltd (May 1, 2008) Language: English ISBN-10: 1841586773 ISBN-13: 978-1841586779 Product Dimensions: 5 x 0.7 x 7.7 inches Shipping Weight: 7.8 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.5 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (8 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #1,221,878 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #78 in Books > Engineering & Transportation > Engineering > Civil & Environmental > Highway & Traffic #561 in Books > History > Europe > Great Britain > Scotland #2651 in Books > Biographies & Memoirs > Historical > Europe > Great Britain

Customer Reviews

i suppose i'm quiet biasd to this book as Calum Macleod was my uncle but its about time someone wrote a book about this man. The book takes a bit to get into as it talks alot about the history of the Islands but all this is still intresting and by the time you finish this book you will understand what a remarkable man Calum was and what a achievment it was for him to build a road with only a pick, shovel and weelbarrow and all that at the age of sixty odd!! this is a great book about a great man-for a story of hope and determination, this is your book.

The events that lead up to the building of Calum's road are amazing, and reflect the oppression of the common crofter. Hutchinson does a lovely job delivering the reality of the crofter's plight, and explaining how Calum became the last inhabitant of Arnish.

This is a wonderful book. We picked it up on Raasay in 2006 during a trip to see where my family came from. Come to find out, he is a distant relative! It's a great account of life on the island and a man's persistants for what's right and wrong. I became inspired to complete goals of my own that had, up until then, seemed unattainable.

I had a personal relationship with the builder of the road and I had walked it before it was blacktopped and drove over it to visit Calum the fall before he died. It gave me a better understanding of this extraordinary man.

Download to continue reading...

Calum's Road The BaZi Road To Success: Take The Road To Success In Search of Captain Zero: A Surfer's Road Trip Beyond the End of the Road The Road In Is Not the Same Road Out: Poems Jack Kerouac: Road Novels 1957-1960: On the Road / The Dharma Bums / The Subterraneans / Tristessa / Lonesome Traveler / Journal Selections (Library of America) Rand McNally 2017 EasyFinder® Midsize Road Atlas (Rand Mcnally Road Atlas Midsize Easy to Read) Rand McNally 2017 Gift Road Atlas (Durable vinyl cover) (Rand Mcnally Road Atlas United States/ Canada/Mexico (Gift Edition)) Collins Ireland: Handy Road Atlas 2015*** (International Road Atlases) The Bicycling Guide to Complete Bicycle Maintenance & Repair:Â For Road & Mountain Bikes (Bicycling Guide to Complete Bicycle Maintenance & Repair for Road & Mountain Bikes) The Journey: A Season of Reflections: Walking the Road to Bethlehem 4G, LTE-Advanced Pro and The Road to 5G, Third Edition The Road Back to You: An Enneagram Journey to Self-Discovery Why Did the Chicken Cross the Road? Music Publishing: The Real Road to Music Business Success (Mix Pro Audio Series) The Adobo Road Cookbook: A Filipino Food Journey-From Food Blog, to Food Truck, and Beyond [Filipino Cookbook, 99 Recipes] The Adobo Road Cookbook: A Filipino Food Journey— from Food Blog, to Food Truck, and Beyond The Electronic Silk Road: How the Web Binds the World Together in Commerce Life on the Road with the Master Wine Cellar Builder A Gallery of KNOTS!: A Beginner's How-to Guide (Tiger Road Crafts Book 10) The Road Ahead: Completely Revised and Up-to-Date

<u>Dmca</u>