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PRN 1967 TAN YR ESGAIR

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6164067046

QUARTER SHEET SN66NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Lledrod

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.7m high/9m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/moderate/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located within 300m of a series of streams, which all flow into the Afon Ddu.

VIEWS There are long views between 133 and 199 degrees, and a brief long view at 255.

The view is 'closed' by the ridge on which PRNs 1968 and 1969 are situated, and

restricted to medium-short views by surrounding topography elsewhere.

DESCRIPTION

This site is one of four clearly defined circular barrows located on this section of Mynydd Bach, forming barrow cemetery PRN 48401. This site is the best preserved of the four cairns, and consists of a turf-consolidated mound, c.9m in diameter and 0.7m high, with fewer stones visible on its surface compared to neighbouring barrows PRNs 1968 and 1969. This barrow is not as overwhelmed by reeds as the others, with only two clumps on its NNE side. The cairn is intervisible with PRN 1968, located c.50m away at 24 degrees, and also with PRN 1969 located c.100m away at 21 degrees. Barrow PRN 1970 lies downslope to the south, c.30m away.

ASSOCIATED WITH 1965;1966;1968;1969;1970

SOURCES Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Cardiganshire Handlist/p.6;Mm List/OS/OS/1974//SN66

NW3;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Lledrod Community Audit/SMR

Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling alongside its neighbouring cairns, which together form barrow cemetery 48401. They are recommended as the group is a good example of type, and for their proximity to other barrows in the area (e.g. PRNs 1965 and 1966, scheduled as CD037).

PRN 1968 TAN YR ESGAIR

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6165867092

QUARTER SHEET SN66NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Lledrod

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.4m high/6m in diameter

SITING Ridge/undulating/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located within 300m of a series of streams, which all flow into the Afon Ddu.

VIEWS There are two long views between 145 and 200 degrees and again from 237 to 256

degrees. The view is immediately closed between 01 and 41 degrees by the ridge spine on which neighbouring cairn PRN 1969 is located. The remainder of the view

is restricted to medium-short by surrounding topography.

DESCRIPTION

One of four grass covered cairns located on the lower slopes of Mynydd Bach. This is located downslope from PRN 1969, situated 50m away at 13 degrees, whilst neighbouring barrow PRN 1967 is located c.50m away at 204 degrees, and PRN 1970 at 195 degrees, c.80m away. The barrow measures c.6m in diameter and 0.4m high and turf-consolidated with some small-medium sized blocks of stone visible on its surface. Some small areas of disturbance are noticeable, but otherwise the cairn appears largely intact. There is greater grass-cover on this cairn compared to neighboring barrow PRN 1969, and there is encroaching reed-growth on its S/SSE side.

ASSOCIATED WITH 1965;1966;1967;1969;1970

SOURCES Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Cardiganshire Handlist/p.6;Mm List/OS/OS/1974//SN66

NW3; Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall, J & Sambrook, P/2003/Lledrod Community Audit/SMR

Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling alongside its neighbouring cairns, which together form barrow cemetery 48401. They are recommended as the group is a good example of type, and for their proximity to other barrows in the area (e.g. PRNs 1965 and 1966, scheduled as CD037).

PRN 1969 TAN YR ESGAIR

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6167067139

QUARTER SHEET SN66NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Lledrod

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high/8.5m in diameter

SITING Ridge/undulating/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located within 300m of a series of streams, which all flow into the Afon Ddu.

VIEWS Between 129 and 200 degrees there are long views, with another long vista

between 236 and 256, and also between 270 and 274. The remainder of the view is medium, over to surrounding uplands. The views were potentially much more extensive, but it was too hazy at the time of our visit for a full assessment.

DESCRIPTION

One of four grass covered cairns located on the lower slopes of Mynydd Bach. This is the most northerly cairn of the group and is clearly identifiable in the landscape. It is circular, c.8.5m in diameter and stands 0.5m high, composed of turf-consolidated small and medium-sized blocks of stone. There is some disturbance to the mound, including a slight hollow/depression at its centre, but otherwise it appears largely intact. The site is surrounded by reeds and is located on a NNE-SSW sloping ridge.

ASSOCIATED WITH 1965;1966;1967;1968;1970

SOURCES Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Cardiganshire Handlist/p.6; Mm List/OS/OS/1974//SN66

NW3;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Lledrod Community Audit/SMR

Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling alongside its neighbouring cairns, which together form barrow cemetery 48401. They are recommended as the group is a good example of type, and for their proximity to other barrows in the area (e.g. PRNs 1965 and 1966, scheduled as CD037).

PRN 1970 TAN YR ESGAIR

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6164167014

QUARTER SHEET SN66NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Lledrod

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.4m high/4.5m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located within 300m of a series of streams, which all flow into the Afon Ddu.

VIEWS There is one long view between 137 and 196 degrees. The remainder of the view is

restricted by local topography. All the other barrows in the group are intervisible

with the exception of PRN 1968.

DESCRIPTION

This site is the smallest of the four cairns located on this section of Mynydd Bach, and it is also the most southerly. The cairn measures c.4.5m in diameter and stands c.0.4m high, and is situated on a moderately steep hillslope below the ridge on which neighbouring barrow 1969 lies. The cairn consists of a grass/turf-consolidated mound with numerous small stones protruding through and exposed. The cairn is intervisible with barrows PRNs 1967 and 1969, but not PRN 1968. PRN 1969 is located 130m away at 16 degrees, PRN 1968 is 80m away at 15 degrees, with PRN 1967 30m away at 359 degrees. Some tumble of cairn material is apparent downslope to the south, but otherwise the barrow appears to be largely intact.

ASSOCIATED WITH 1965;1966;1967;1968;1969;8618

SOURCES Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Cardiganshire Handlist/p.6;Mm List/OS/OS/1974//SN66

NW3;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Lledrod Community Audit/SMR

Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling alongside its neighbouring cairns, which together form barrow cemetery 48401. They are recommended as the group is a good example of type, and for their proximity to other barrows in the area (e.g. PRNs 1965 and 1966, scheduled as CD037).

PRN 2033 PEN-RHIW-LLWYDOG

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7398052645

QUARTER SHEET SN75SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.8m high/13m in diameter

SITING High plateau/undulating/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT S

PROXIMITY Fantastic views down the Doethie valley to the S

VIEWS There are long 360 degree panoramic views from this site, looking over to the

Brecon Beacons and the Carmarthen Fans. At 307 degrees there is a cairn clearly visible in the distance on top of a summit/ridge. Fan Foel at 168 degrees, dramatic peak at 67 degrees, and there are fantastic views over the entire

landscape.

DESCRIPTION

An interesting site, which consists of a main circular mound, 0.8m high and c.13m in diameter, with a hollow in its top. The hollow, which measures c.2.5m in diameter and is 0.3m deep, has a pile of what look to be upcast stones beside it. There is a smaller mound of turf-covered stones lying behind, which looks to be robbed material, possibly the result of previous investigations. The site may have been a beacon, and if a genuine round barrow, would have been visible for miles around. Round barrow PRN 9008 lies 690m away at a bearing of 278 degrees. Another cairn is visible in the distance at 307 degrees, located on top of a summit/ridge. The site lies adjacent to a public bridleway running over Banc Du to Blaendoethie, and is marked 'Carn Penrhiwyllwydog' in 'Old English' gothic script on the Ordnance Survey 1:25000 Pathfinder map.

ASSOCIATED WITH 9007;9008

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1952//SN75 SW1;Pm Place-name/OS/OS/1906//6",Carn

 $Pen-Rhiw-Llwydog; Pm\ List//RCAHM/1970/Card. Handlist/p.7; Mm$

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Pm Mention//Davies/1958/Gazetteer of Welsh

Place-names/

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/If this site is considered to be a genuine round barrow, then it is probably worth scheduling, especially as it lies alongside a public bridleway.

OWNERSHIP Mr. John Charles,

Nant-Gwernog (?), Llanddewi Brefi, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 2045 CRAIG YSTRADMEURIG

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7057868664

QUARTER SHEET SN76NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Ystrad Meurig

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.7m high/10m in diameter

SITING Ridge/gentle/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT Panoramic

PROXIMITY Nant Sychnant is located 300m downslope to the NW

VIEWS There are very long views all round except for a section between 64 and 120 degrees

which is virtually closed by the local ridge.

DESCRIPTION

The site consists of a roughly circular mound of stones, 10m in diameter and c.1.7m high, sitting loosely on an acutely-dipping sedimentary rock outcrop, which embellishes its profile. The cairn is located on the top of a ridge which runs SSW-NNE and commands excellent long views all round (with the exception of a portion to the E which is obscured by a higher parallel ridge). The majority of the cairn material lies on the western side of the ridge-top, where the ground falls away more sharply than the steeper, easterly side. Monument appears to be in a stable condition.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1974//SN76 NW10;Mm List//RCAHM/1970/Cardiganshire

Handlist/p.7;Mm AP Vertical/OS/RAF/1950//541-464 4064-5;Ph List//Meyrick,SR/1810/History of Cardiganshire/1907 Edition,p.268;Ph List//Lewis,S/1833/Topographical Dictionary of Wales/Ystradmeirug;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Ystrad Meurig Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/An excellent example of a Bronze age ritual cairn, which makes use of a natural rock outcrop to embellish its profile.

OWNERSHIP Unable to establish ownership.

PRN 2049 GARN Y; CARN Y; GROES FECHAN

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7322160680

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.2m high/17m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT W

PROXIMITY Overlooking the Groes Fechan downslope to the S. There is also a small lake

c.100m to the E.

VIEWS There are medium views between 15 and 106 degrees, medium-long views between

106 and 221 degrees, and long views from 221 to 15 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described by the Ordnance Survey in 1978 as a round cairn on the highest point of the end of a spur, at 490m above OD. with good views in all directions. At the time of their visit, the barrow was reported to stand 1.4m high, and was sub-circular, measuring 18m N-S and 16m E-W. In the centre of the mound the Ordnance Survey reported a hole, 1m deep, which had revealed the remains of a cist, aligned N-S. The east side of the cist was formed by what appeared to be a straight-sided natural rock, the west side formed of a thin slab parallel to, and 0.5m from, the natural rock. When visited during the PFRS project in 2004 the site was described as a round mound of stones, c.17m in diameter and now 1.2m high, with a central cist measuring 1.1m in length, 0.5m in width and a depth of 0.3m, partially covered over by fallen stones. The vertically-set slab on the west side of the cist as noted by the Ordnance Survey remains in situ, and measures 1m in length and 0.13m thick. There is a shelter contructed of cairn material on the SE side of the monument, which was not noted by the Ordnance Survey in their 1978 visit, and which possibly reflects more recent disturbance of the site. From this site three other round barrow cairns are intervisible to the NE: PRN 5564 located c.750m away at 54

degrees, and PRNs 5565 and 5566 located c.880m away at 66 degrees. C.880m away in the opposite direction at c.250 degrees lie two further round barrow cairns, PRNs 2050 and 5037, although these are not intervisible. A newly-discovered possible standing stone PRN 48374 is also intervisible with this cairn, located c.330m away at 264 degrees. There was no trace of possible barrow PRN 14467 noted as being 15m E of this site by Williams and Muckle in 1993.

ASSOCIATED WITH 2050;48374;48388

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1952//SN76 SW2;Pm Map//OS/1963/6"/;Pm

List//RCAHM/1970/Card.Handlist/p.7;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards R2P;Mm Note/DAT/Williams, G and Muckle, P/1993/An

Archaeological Survey of the Groes Fawr valley, Blaencaron,

Caron-Is-Clawdd/Catalogue of Sites, No 115

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling as a good example of its type, and for its association with three other barrows to the NE (5564, 5565 and 5566) on Garn Gron, with which it is intervisible.

PRN 2050 TAN BYLCHAU

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7244760412

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.4m high/5.2m in diameter

SITING Ridge crest/gentle/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT W

PROXIMITY Located on high ground above two rivers, the Groes Fawr to the S and the Groes

Fechan to the N.

VIEWS There are very long views from the site between 234 and 340 degrees, restricted

to short views by Banc Mawr between 88 and 153 degrees. Elsewhere the views

are medium over to the surrounding ridges and upland.

DESCRIPTION

The site consists of a circular moss and turf covered cairn, c.5.2m in diameter and standing 0.4m high, located on the western end of Banc Mawr ridge at 396 degrees above OD. There are some stones protruding through the vegetational cover, with natural bedrock outcropping beyond the western edge. There are stones on the edge of the mound which are set vertically lengthwise, and may represent the remains of kerbing. The barrow appears to be relatively intact, hence it's B rating for condition. Neighbouring barrow PRN 5037 is intervisible at 83 degrees, and lies c.20m away from this site. Further to the NE/ENE lies a series of other barrows forming a linear sequence linking Garn Gron and Banc Mawr, with barrow PRN 2049 c.800m away, and PRNs 5564, 5565 and 5566 c.1.6km away on Garn Gron. Ring barrow PRN 14755, located 1.15km away at 266 degrees is visble from this site.

ASSOCIATED WITH 2032;2049;5037;9363;9364;48387

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1957//SN76 SW3;Mm Letter/OS/Hogg,AHA/1957//22-2-1957;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/Although not necessarily an outstanding example of its type, this site is in a very good condition, and should perhaps be considered worthy for scheduling on the basis of its association with the other monuments in the area, such as 2032, 2049 and 5564-6.

OWNERSHIP Grazing rights held by Islwyn Jones, Glan yr Afon farm, Tregaron, Ceredigion, SY25 6HN.

tel: 01974 298249.

PRN 2060 DOLGAMFA; DOL Y GAMFA

SITE TYPE CAIRN CIRCLE

NGR SN7457179175

QUARTER SHEET SN77NW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / C

COMMUNITY Blaenrheidol

LAND USE Pasture; Heath

DIMENSIONS 0.65m high/5m x 4m wide

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION NW-SE

ASPECT ESE

PROXIMITY Overlooking the deep ravine of the Afon Rheidol to the NE/E, with a small stream

c.70m away to the N, which flows down into the Rheidol.

VIEWS An excellent medium-range vista to the surrounding uplands from 29 to 213

degrees. The remainder of the view is restricted by the immediate topography rising behind the site to the west and north. There is an extremely long vista between 184 and 198 degrees, which is due south, and is visible from the gap

between the two largest stones in the circle.

DESCRIPTION

An unusual site, which appears to fall within the category of 'Cairn circle' (as defined by Lynch 1972:63). The site consists of a low elliptical cairn, $5m \times 4m$, orientated NW-SE, out of which emerge ten large spaced uprights, leaning outwards. The monument is located on a terrace within a NE-ENE facing hillslope which overlooks and leads down to the steep ravine of the Afon Rheidol. There is evidence of some intrusion within the centre of the mound, where a cut $0.6m \log x 0.3m$ wide x 0.1m deep was noticed, almost as if a stone had been removed from it. This may suggest the presence of a cist. There is a gap between the two largest stones in the circle on the south side of the monument, from which a limited but extremely long vista was visible between 184 and 198 degrees. There is evidence for ploughing and crop-planting too close to the site (within 3m) and also there is a track encroaching on the north side of the site. Two other examples of this rare monument type occur 5km away to the N/NNE (PRNs 5617 and 5618), and are reached by following the course of the Afon Rheidol towards what is now the Nant y Moch reservoir.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5617;5618

SOURCES Pm Mention///1936/T.Card.AS/Vol.XI,p.13;Mm List/OS/OS/1974//SN77 NW5;Mm

Plan/OS/Stafford,DS/1972//Letter 31.5.72; Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108; Mm

Mention/RCAHM/Briggs, CS/1977//Ms. Notes; Pm

Mention//Briggs,CS/1982/Ceredigion/Vol.9,No.3,p.269;Pm List//Leighton,DK/1984/PPS/Vol.50,p.341-2,No.20,Fig.10;Pm

Mention//Hoyle,JR/1984/Arch Camb/p.53 Stone Rings of Mid Wales (as Temple Cairn Circle);Mm Desc Text/DAT/Sambrook,RP & Hall,JJ/2003/Blaenrheidol Community Audit/SMR Library;Pm Desc Text//Lynch, F/1973/Scottish

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RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This is a most unusual site, a rare example of a 'cairn circle' in Ceredigion. The other two known examples (PRNs 5617 and 5618) are located 5km away to the north, also overlooking the Afon Rheidol, and are already scheduled. This is a fine site, but is being threatened by a track encroaching on the northern side and by ploughing and crop-planting within 3m of the monument.

OWNERSHIP Access via public footpath.

PRN 3058 PANT Y PERAN

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW CEMETERY

NGR SN6268686221

QUARTER SHEET SN68NW

FORM/CONDITION Cropmark

COMMUNITY Geneu'r Glyn

LAND USE Arable?

DIMENSIONS 27m to 30m in diameter (estimated)

SITING

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY

VIEWS

DESCRIPTION

Quoting Toby Driver in Arch in Wales 28, 1998: "Towards the end of 1997 an air photo plot was made by the Royal Commission of an important plough-levelled enclosure complex to the south of Llandre village....The cropmark complex was first recorded by Cambridge University aerial photographers in 1975 (CUCAP Negs BVP 067-9), when five circular enclosures, four complete, one partially obscured, ranging from 27m to 30m in diameter [PRN 3058], together with a rectangular enclosure to the south measuring 37m x 28m [PRN 52080], were recorded on a prominent plateau above the valley floor. Some 186m to the SE of the site a cluster of four or five small ring ditches between 6 and 10m in diameter were also recorded [PRN 9680], visible as cropmarks on a slight gravel ridge...Central grave-pits are visible in three of the ring ditches." Driver suggested that the five circular enclosures here superficially represent plough-levelled burial mounds or open enclosures of Neolithic or early Bronze Age date. The NE ring has been partially built over by two houses, but the remainder appear intact cropmarks, although there are no above-ground indications for the barrows. c.30m to the SSW is a defended enclosure, PRN 52080. The five cropmarks here would appear to be showing individual ditches surrounding each barrow, with the barrows themselves having been ploughed away. This cluster of five cropmark round barrows has been recorded here as a round barrow cemetery, and c.270m to the SSE lies another complex, PRN 9680, which has also been recorded as a possible round barrow cemetery, although it is clearly not on the same scale at the site here. There are parallels between the sites here at Llandre and the complex at Plas Gogerddan 2.7km to the south, where there is also a complex of monuments including two round barrows (one extant, PRN 11822, and one a cropmark, PRN 37110), at least two standing stones (PRNs 5405 and 8237), other cropmark features (e.g. PRN 11827, a figure-of-eight ring-ditch excavated by DAT in 1986), also in close proximity to other prehistoric defended enclosure sites.

ASSOCIATED WITH 9680

SOURCES Mm AP Oblique/DAT/St.Joseph,JK/1975/SN6286/Cambridge BVP 67-68 mono

prints; Mm List/DAT/DAT/1976/CR/3059,9680; Pm Desc Text//St. Joseph, JK/1975/Arch. in Wales/No.15, p.69, No.96

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This extremely unusual collection of cropmarks here at Llandre are recommended for scheduling as a very rare example of what would appear to be either a plough-levelled round barrow cemetery, or else some other form of open neolithic/bronze age ritual monument.

PRN 4126 CARNRHYNDDOD

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7906570426

QUARTER SHEET SN77SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ysbyty Ystwyth

LAND USE Rough pasture; Heath

DIMENSIONS 1.5m high/17m in diameter

SITING Ridge/flat/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Overlooking Teifi lakes

VIEWS There is a massive viewshed from the site, with the view only closed between 213

and 227 degrees by another summit surmounted by a cairn at 216 degrees (PRN 8160). The site is intervisible with a number of other cairns, including PRN 8606

located 1.2km away at 271 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

The site consists of a round barrow cairn, 17m in diameter, showing evidence of disturbance in the form of a shallow shelter constructed on top of the monument, using robbed cairn material. There is also a pillar, 1m high and with a white quartz capping, which surmounts the barrow, also made from robbed cairn material, and serves to mark the monument out as distinctive in the landscape. The cairn itself is already located in a prominent location in the landscape , with many other summit-top cairns visible in the surrounding upland landscape. Apart from the disturbance to the cairn material the monument appears to remain largely intact, and suggests that any features below the cairn may remain in situ. PRN 8606, another round barrow, is intervisble 1.2km away to the west.

ASSOCIATED WITH 8605;8606;8610;48405

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1968//SN77 SE2;Mm List/DAT/1989/CR/Cards R7P;Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Sambrook,RP & Hall,JJ/2003/Ysbyty Ystwyth Community Audit/SMR

Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling as a good example of type, for its group association with other cairns in this upland area, and also to allow the monitoring of any visitor disturbance to the site. Another barrow, PRN 8610, lies c.530m to the SW and is also recommended for scheduling.

OWNERSHIP Common Land

PRN 4184 CARN FACH BUGEILYN

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN8263690382

QUARTER SHEET SN89SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Trefeurig

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.2m high/13m in diameter

SITING High plateau/undulating/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Overlooking the Bugeilyn lakes to the north.

VIEWS Fantastic views all around. Intervisible with PRN 5466 c.850m away to the WNW, as well as the Carn Biga round barrow pair c.580m to the SE. There is a huge panorama from the site, with a sea vista at 270, 272, and 276 degrees, with a longer sea view between 287 and 298 degrees, including Bardsey Island at 297 degrees. The peaks of the Lleyn peninsula are visible in the far distance at 302 degrees. The western peak of Cader Idris is visible at 336 degrees, with Snowdon possibly visible on the far horizon at 344 degrees. There is an interesting peak at 9 degrees (Aran Fawddwy?), the Brecon Beacons at 167 degrees and Carmarthen Vans at 182 degrees. There were also some interesting pyramidal peaks in the distance at 68 degrees, with huge far-ranging views onto the horizon.

DESCRIPTION

A circular cairn, heavily disturbed, and measuring c.14m in diameter and with a maximum height of 1.3m. There is a small cairn on its southern edge c.1.5m in diameter and 0.45m high, which possibly makes this site an unusual 'double' cairn type, examples of which are known certainly within the Clwyd/Powys area. The main body of the large cairn has been robbed out to form a 'shelter' c.2m in diameter and up to 1m deep. The shelter opens onto the NE edge of the monument. A boundary stone marked 'WWW 1865' is located on the SE edge of the cairn. A fine round barrow pair on Carn Biga is visible to the SSE at 140 degrees, and there are excellent long views elsewhere from the site. 850m away to the WNW is another round barrow, PRN 5466.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5466

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1950//SN89 SW1

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/Although the site is not in an excellent condition it is nonetheless recommended for scheduling by its association with PRN 5466 to the WNW and the Carn Biga round barrow pair (in CPAT territory) to the SE. Moreover, it is possible that this site is one of the rare 'double' cairn round barrow types that are known also in the CPAT area, and if so it is worthy of being scheduled as an example of an extremely rare form of Bronze Age burial monument.

PRN 4783 TRICHRUG MIDDLE

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN5423459922

QUARTER SHEET SN55NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Ciliau Aeron

LAND USE Heath; Forestry

DIMENSIONS 3m high/22m in diameter

SITING Local summit/flat/top

ORIENTATION NW-SE

ASPECT Panoramic

PROXIMITY On a local summit surrounded by numerous springs.

VIEWS Probably a 360 degree panorama of long views before the forest plantation which

currently obscures the view between 124 and 183 degrees. Elsewhere there are good long views, with Frenni Fawr at 235 degrees, Foel Cwncerwyn at 235 degrees, Crugiau Moelvre at 225 degrees. There is a mountain range visible due north, and a prominent peak at 45 degrees. Neighbouring barrows PRNs 4782 and

8085 are intervisible at 320 and 158 degrees, and c.50m and 20m away,

respectively.

DESCRIPTION

One of four cairns located on the summit of Trichrug. This barrow is surmounted by a trig point and measures c.22m in diameter and stands c.3m high. There is erosion in the form of a motorcycle track across the barrow on its south-west side , but this is not too drastic and the grass is growing back. However, where the track first meets the barrow at its base, on the western side of the mound, the erosion is quite serious and the monument has been badly denuded. Urgent re-turfing is required to prevent ongoing weathering.

ASSOCIATED WITH 4782;4784;8085

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/196?//SN55 NW8;Ph

List//Lewis,S/1833/Topog.Dict.Wales/Vol.1,Cardigan;Mm

List/DAT/DAT/1984/CR/4782,4784;Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/1988/AM107/Cd61b;Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/1993/AM107/SAM file Cd 61b;Pm Desc Text///1994//Cards County Hist Vol 1 p.205;Pm Desc Text/CADW/Rees,S/1992/Dyfed:A guide to Ancient & Historic Wales/p.52;Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/1999/AM107/SAM file,

CD061B

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/It is suggested that remedial works be urgently undertaken at this monument to halt the ongoing weathering to the mound on its western side. Ownership: Forestry Commission

OWNERSHIP FC

PRN 4788 FAN; ABERMEURIG CUP

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN56475870

QUARTER SHEET SN55NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / E

COMMUNITY Nantcwnlle

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS

SITING Local summit/flat/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT Panoramic

PROXIMITY Located close to a series of springs, and on high ground with the Nant

Rhiwafallen to the W and overlooking the Afon Aeron to the SE.

VIEWS 360 degree panoramic views

DESCRIPTION

Previously described as a cairn, c.20m in diameter and 1.5m high, situated on a small knoll on a ridge called Fan, at the top of a crest. The site had been partially excavated, during which time a pigmy cup (known as the Abermeurig cup) and a leaf-shaped, socketed bronze spear-head were found. This was a scheduled ancient monument, and yet by the time of the last Cadw visit in 1999 the cairn had been virtually ploughed out, with only a little trace of it to be seen as a slightly stonier area. By the time of the visit by the PFRS project in 2004 there were no surface indications of the monument whatsoever. Helen Burnham notes for Cadw in 1999 that the cairn has obviously been destroyed since the May 1996 air photo, and suggests that the site was ploughed in the spring of 1998 or earlier. The site has clearly been ploughed since then again, as no slightly stonier area was detected during the PFRS visit in 2004.

ASSOCIATED WITH 4789

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Ph List///1879/Arch.Camb/4th Series,Vol.10,p.65;Pm Mention///1906/Arch.Camb/6th Series,Vol.6,p.111;Pm Mention///BBCS/Vol.18, p.110,Fig.4 & 3;Pm Mention//Wheeler,REM//Prehistoric & Roman Wales/Fig.46,78;Pm Mention//Grimes,WF/1951/Prehistory of Wales/p.198,No.585,Fig.31,62;Mm List/OS/OS/196?//SN55 NE1;Pm Mention//Burgess,C/1976/ Welsh Antiquity/p.83;Mm List/DAT/OS/1976/DRF/OS 108;Pm Desc Text//Sansbury,AR/1930/T.Card.AS/Vol.VII,p.80-1,Fig.1;Mm List/DAT/Griffiths,WE//BA Finds,Card/A-CD-5,D-CD-5;Pm Mention//NMW/1914-5/Annual Report/p.27;Pm Mention///1930/T.Card.AS/Vol.VII,p.80-1,Illus.opposite p.79;Pm Mention///1936/T.Card.AS/Vol.XI,p.15;Ph Mention//Barnwell,EL/1879/Arch.Camb/4th Series,Vol.10,p.223,224,Illust;Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/1988/AM107/Cd78;Mm AP Oblique/DAT/Musson,CR/1992/AP92-034.55 Good location shot from NW showing small quarry close to barrow & improved upland pasture;Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/1993/AM107/SAM file Cd 78;Pm List//Briggs,CS/1994/The Bronze Age/Cards County Hist Vol 1 p.206;Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/1999/AM107/SAM file, CD078

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/It is suggested that this site be descheduled as there are no longer any traces of the barrow, which has been ploughed out of existence. It is remarkable that a cairn which once stood 20m in diameter and 1.5m high, and was a scheduled ancient monument, has been able to be wantonly eradicated.

OWNERSHIP Mr Wright, Tal-fan, Trefilan, Talsarn, Ceredigion.

PRN 5037 TAN-BYLCHAU

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7246760414

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.3m high/5m in diameter

SITING Ridge crest/gentle/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT W

PROXIMITY Located on high ground above two rivers, the Groes Fawr to the S and the Groes

Fechan to the N.

VIEWS There are very long views from the site between 234 and 340 degrees, restricted

to short views by Banc Mawr between 88 and 153 degrees. Elsewhere the views

are medium over to the surrounding ridges and upland.

DESCRIPTION

This site lies c.20m away to the E and upslope from neighbouring round barrow PRN 2050 and is intervisible with it. Together these sites form round barrow pair PRN 48387. This site is not as well-preserved as PRN 2050, but is of similar size and construction. The mound measures 5m in diameter and stands to a height of 0.3m. Unlike PRN 2050 there is no evidence for possible kerbing, although this site has what appears to be a displaced capstone which may indicate the presence of a cist. The mound is turf and moss-covered, with stones protruding through the cover. The cairn appears disturbed and quite weathered, and there are some stones within it which are set on edge vertically, especially at the centre.

ASSOCIATED WITH 2032;2050;9363;9364

SOURCES Mm Letter/OS/Hogg,AHA/1957//;Mm List/OS/OS/1957//SN76 SW3;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/Possibly consider worthy for scheduling by virtue of its close association with neighbouring barrow 2050, and also its proximity to the other monuments in the area, such as 2032, 2049 and 5564-6.

OWNERSHIP Grazing rights held by Islwyn Jones, Glan yr Afon farm, Tregaron, Ceredigion,

SY25 6HN. tel: 01974 298249.

PRN 5114 TAIR CARN II

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE?

NGR SN6274749479

QUARTER SHEET SN64NW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Llanfair Clydogau

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 2.1m high/long/1.2m wide at top/1.6m wide at base/0.7m thick

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION NNE-SSW

ASPECT N

PROXIMITY On a hillslope above the Afon Teifi.

VIEWS Excellent long views between 216 and 32 degrees. Good medium views elsewhere,

although too cloudy to get fixes on known topographical points.

DESCRIPTION

Previously recorded in the HER as a possible round barrow or clearance cairn noted from documentary sources, i.e. the 1834 6" map, which indicated barrows in the area. The RCAHMW listed the site as a standing stone in the NMR in 1976, while the OS reported that the site was not one of the barrows marked on the 1834 6" map. A previous entry by DAT into the SRF for this site in the HER noted that the site was probably a modern clearance cairn like neighbouring site PRN 5117, and was categorically not a standing stone. When visited as part of the PFRS project in 2004 it was noted that on the current Ordnance Survey 1:10,000 map the site is marked as a 'Stone'. At the grid reference there is an earthfast rectangular block of conglomerate stone, containing many quartz inclusions. The stone measures c.2.1m in height (length) and 1.6m at its base, tapering to 1.2m at its top. On average the stone is c.0.7m thick. The stone leans heavily to the west at an oblique angle and has been incorporated into a stone field boundary. The ground is slightly raised to the east of the stone but exhibits no shape with regards to a potential round barrow. There is a small earthfast stone set on its edge, 0.1m high, some 1.2m to the NE of the possible standing stone, lying on the edge of the slightly raised ground/break of slope. Cannot definitively state whether or not this is a genuine prehistoric standing stone: only excavation could answer this question.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5117;5976

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD.Listed by NMR as a standing stone;Pm

Map//OS/1964/6"/;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1976/CR/5976;Mm List/OS/OS/1975//SN64

NW9; Pm Mention//Briggs, CS/1982/Ceredigion/Vol.9, No.3, p.267

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This monolith is recommended for scheduling if its authenticity can be established as a good example of its type. It is located in an area once rich in prehistoric monuments, many of which have unfortunately been lost.

OWNERSHIP Mr Dai Davies, Pensingrug Farm, Cellan, Lampeter. SA48 8HY. tel 01570 493425

PRN 5140 BRYN RHUDD

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6920555986

QUARTER SHEET SN65NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.5m max height/1m average height/18m in diameter

SITING Local summit/flat/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located on a summit-top in undulating upland, with streams issuing further

downslope to the NE, SE, SW and NW c.700m away.

VIEWS 360 degree fantastic panorama. The site is intervisible with PRN 8513, located on

the next high point c.1km away to the west. The sea is also visible between 280 and 323 degrees, with massive views in all directions over to Pumlumon, Brecon

Beacons, Carmarthen Fans etc., with Fan Foel at 161 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A fantastic summit-top cairn, 18m in diameter and with a maximum height of 1.5m. The barrow is visible from miles around and there are fantastic views also achievable from the site, with numerous other Bronze Age barrows also intervisible. The cairn lies on either side of a field boundary which demarcates two separately-owned parcels of land. Part of the cairn material has been robbed to partially build a boundary wall. 8m of the cairn lies on the east side of the boundary, and 10m on the west side. The boundary wall stands to a height of 1.5m but the main body of the cairn stands 1m high on the western side, but is reduced to 0.5m high on the east. Despite the robbing of some of the cairn material the monument appears largely intact and is a great example of its type, comparable with other summit cairn in the area, such as those on Pumlumon Fawr (PRNs 5600-1 and 6237), etc. To the east of the cairn, 6m from its edge, there is an oval feature which stands out as vegetational mark when viewed from the top of the main barrow. The feature is heather-clad and appears to measure 11m N-S and 10m E-W. The site was extremely waterlogged at the time of our visit in November 2005, and there were no stones apparent.

ASSOCIATED WITH 8513;9016;9024

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Pm Map//OS/1964/6"/SN65 NE;Pm

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Archaeological Survey at Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi/p.14

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling as a good example of its type, comparable to other scheduled cairns in the area, and because it is one of many monuments within this clearly very significant ritual landscape. Despite the partial robbing of material to build the boundary wall it would seem that the monument is largely intact, and certainly any buried features within the lower portion of the cairn and underneath are likely to remain in situ.

OWNERSHIP Part owned by farmer responsible for SAM CD137, with the other part owned by

Huw Davies, Aber-dauddwr, Llanddewi Brefi, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 5148 Y GARN; BANCIAU DUON

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6917152961

QUARTER SHEET SN65SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Forestry

DIMENSIONS 0.4m high/15m in diameter

SITING Ridge/flat/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY A stream issues 400m away to the W/WNW, with Nant y Garn issuing just over

500m to the E/ENE.

VIEWS Fantastic 360 degree panoramic views and potentially intervisible with other

summit ridgetop cairns at 345 degrees (prn 9020, 1km away) and at 353 and 24

degrees (prns 9025-7, 2.4km away).

DESCRIPTION

A large disturbed cairn, 15m in diameter and 0.4m high, situated on top of a local highpoint along a ridge running NE-SW. A 1.25m high sheep shelter has been built on top of the cairn using stones robbed from the monument. Alongside the cairn on its E side there is a low rectangular enclosure, which also looks to have been built using stone robbed from the burial mound. The cairn lies within an area of forestry recently felled and replanted. Trees have clearly in the past been planted far too close to the monument and the current replanting needs to be monitored.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Pm

List//RCAHM/1970/Card.Handlist/p.6;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

List/OS/OS//SN65 SE11

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/Despite the apparent disturbance to the cairn with the construction of a sheep shelter and fold, the site is nonetheless in a reasonable state of preservation, and there may well be preserved burial deposits beneath the remaining cairn material. The site is threatened by past, present and future forestry activity and should be protected from further damage.

OWNERSHIP Mr & Mrs I Jones, Pant Farm, Llanddewi Brefi, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 5149 CRUG

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6685953124

QUARTER SHEET SN65SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.55m high/10.5m in diameter

SITING Hilltop/flat/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT Panoramic

PROXIMITY On high ground overlooking Nant Esgair-Goch to the SE, and with another stream

issuing c.550m away to the W.

VIEWS Excellent 360 degree panoramic views and intervisible with a number of other

round barrows in the area, such as prn 5148 2.3km away at 96 degrees and prn

9020 1.6km away at 71 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A circular mound of turf and moss covered stones, c.10.5m in diameter and standing to a height of 0.55m. An Ordnance Survey trig pillar has been erected centrally on top of the mound and a circular drystone structure built around it, presumably using material robbed from the cairn. This circular 'wall' measures c.1m in height and 3m in diameter. There is evidence that some of the cairn has spread for some 5m or so beyond the NW edge of the monument, and this itself is now turf and moss covered.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Pm

List//RCAHM/1970/Card.Handlist/p.6;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

Record Map/RCAHM///6"/;Mm List/OS/OS//SN65SE3

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/It may be worth considering scheduling this monument as some undisturbed burials may remain beneath the remainder of the original cairn, but this site is only tentatively suggested for scheduling. It may well be the case that too much damage is considered to have been done to the monument by the trig pillar and drystone wall.

OWNERSHIP Mr Benjamin, Nant-y-Dderwen, Llanddewi Brefi, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 5217 ALLT PENCRAIG

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN2489845381

QUARTER SHEET SN24NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Beulah

LAND USE Pasture; Arable

DIMENSIONS 0.8m max height/0.4m average height/25m in diameter

SITING Hilltop/gentle/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT Panoramic

PROXIMITY On high ground overlooking streams to NE, S and W.

VIEWS There are excellent 360 degree panoramic views from the site. The barrows on

Frenni Fawr are intervisible at 206 degrees, as is Foel Drygarn at 220 degrees and Foel Cwm-cerwyn at 230 degrees. Carn Ingli also visible at 248 degrees. Moelfre (Blaen Bowi) visible at 142 degrees, Neighbouring barrow 8355 lies

c.100m away at 31 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A circular, low-lying, grass-covered mound, c.25m in diameter and 0.4m high. This barrow is one of a pair, and is the most southerly of the two, its twin PRN 8355 lying 100m away at 31 degrees and intervisible. This barrow is surmounted by a trig point and is located on the highest point of a ridge-like hill in a field regularly ploughed and sown with grass for silage and pasture. Ploughing has severely denuded this barrow and eventually it will be completely eradicated. Currently an area around the centrally-placed trig point has been left unploughed, creating a 'mini-mound' 6m in diameter and 0.6m high. When the site was previously visited by the Ordnance Survey in 1975, the main mound was 0.7m high and 30m in diameter: it has decreased in height by half since then. The Ordnance Survey suggested an original height for the barrow of no less than 1.3m at the time the trig pillar was installed. There are fantastic 360 degree views from the site, with especially good views over the entire Preseli range, with the barrows on Frenni Fawr, Foel Drygarn and Foel Cwm-cerwyn clearly visible.

ASSOCIATED WITH 8355

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/1964//SN24 NW14

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/Both this barrow and neighbouring site 8355, which together form round barrow pair 48382, are recommended for scheduling as their continued existence is severely threatened by the ongoing ploughing and cultivation of the field in which they are located. Despite not being in the best of conditions, these two barrows are nonetheless an example of a rare prehistoric monument tradition, and their intervisibility with the Preseli peaks and their associated monuments suggests that this was a significant ritual location during the Bronze Age.

OWNERSHIP Mr Des Jones, Penlanfach Farm, nr. Llandygwydd, Cardigan.

PRN 5269 PARC PWDWR

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE PAIR

NGR SN3461347659

QUARTER SHEET SN34NW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Troedyraur

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS Stone A 1.11m high/0.63wide/0.31m thick

Stone B 1.4m high/0.6m wide/0.5m thick

SITING Valley floor/undulating/top

ORIENTATION E-W

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Afon Ceri is located some 100m to the north.

VIEWS There is a good long vista between 220 and 234 degrees, and although it was too

misty to assess at the time of our visit, the farmer said that the Preselis are visible on a clear day. There are possibly long views also to the N and NW, but currently the trees restrict the view. The remainder of the view is restricted to medium by the surrounding valley topography. The stone in the pasture field is intervisible with the stone in the hedge boundary located 40m away at 274

degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A pair of white quartz standing stones, one located in a pasture field, with the other incorporated into a hedge boundary 40m away to the west. The stone in the pasture field is located at SN3461347659, on a slightly raised ridge close to a valley bottom. The stone stands c.1.11m high \times 0.63m wide and 0.31m thick at its base, tapering to a point at its top. There is a fairly deep cattle-tread hollow around the base of the stone. The area surrounding the stone used to be very marshy but the land has recently been improved and drained. The long axis of the stone is aligned E-W, and it is 40m to the west that a second white quartz monolith is located, used as a gatepost within a hedge boundary at SN3457447663. Previous accounts of the site (Sansbury) noted that 'the hedge was built up to the stone', suggesting that this stone is in situ. It measures 1.4m in height \times 0.6m wide \times 0.5m thick, and has a metal hinge bracket inserted near its top.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD;Mm Desc Text//Sansbury,AR//Thesis/;Mm

List/OS/OS/1975//SN34 NW7; Mm AP Vertical/DAT/Meridian

Airmaps/1955//230-240 18056-8

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/If this is a genuine standing stone pair then the site is probably worthy of scheduling as a good example of a reasonably rare prehistoric monument type in Ceredigion.

OWNERSHIP John and Helen Thomas, Ffynnon Wen, Tremain, Cardigan, SA43 1SJ.

PRN 5273 GURNOS MOUNTAIN (E)

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN3569245906

QUARTER SHEET SN34NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Troedyraur

LAND USE Forestry

DIMENSIONS 0.7m high/14m in diameter

SITING Local summit/flat/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located within 500m of an issuing stream

VIEWS Almost certainly 360 degree views, but it was too misty at the time of our visit

to fully assess. The other two barrows in the group here were intervisible,

with PRN 6354 located 70m away at 246 degrees, and PRN 5750 located 90m away

at 261 degrees. Pen Garn Wen was also visible at 30 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

An approximately circular mound of grass-covered stones, c.14m in diameter and 0.7m high, with a large gorse bush growing from the centre. The very long grass did not allow for a conclusive assessment although it is clearly a round barrow. The barrow appears to have been disturbed and spread somewhat especially to the west side. The relatively young forest of conifers planted around it are an ongoing threat, although none are actually planted on the monument itself. This barrow is one of three bronze age burial mounds on Gurnos Mountain, the others located 70m away to the SW (PRN 6354) and 90m away to the W (PRN 5750), thus forming a round barrow cemetery (PRN 10569).

ASSOCIATED WITH 5750;6354

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1975//SN34 NE7;Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Card.Handlist/No.6;Mm

Map//RCAHM//Record 6"/; Mm AP Vertical/DAT/Meridian Airmaps/1955//230-240

18090-1

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling alongside neighbouring sites 5750 and 6354. All three barrows are located on top of Gurnos Mountain and together form round barrow cemetery 10569. All three sites are intervisible with each other and can be accessed via a public footpath/bridleway. It is also recommended that the barrows and the area surrounding them are surveyed to assess the potential value of the various undulations in the field, which may represent associated features.

OWNERSHIP Prof. Landon, Cae Nos, Ffostrasol, SA44 5JT.

PRN 5293 GARREG LLWYD

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN3056253062

QUARTER SHEET SN35SW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Penbryn

LAND USE Pasture; Arable

DIMENSIONS 1.65m high/0.4m thick/0.7mwide

SITING Hill slope/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION N-S

ASPECT NW

PROXIMITY There is a stream c.240m to the W, which flows NW to the coastal cliffs, located

some 650m away.

VIEWS There are long views between 105 and 350 degrees, with the remainder of the view

restricted by the hillslope on which the stone is situated.

DESCRIPTION

A 1.65m high monolith of grey sandstone set in the centre of a pasture field sloping down to the NW. Two further stones, PRNs 5294 and 48375 are located 310m and 340m respectively at 335 degrees, but are not currently intervisible because of the hedge boundary. The long axis of the stone is aligned N-S and is ovoid in shape around its base, measuring $0.5 \text{m x} \ 0.4 \text{m x} \ 0.7 \text{m x} \ 0.4 \text{m x} \ 0.7 \text{m}$ when measured clockwise from north. There is some evidence of animal trampling on the northern side of the stone, whilst a few loose stones were noted around its base. The stone is covered with orange and white lichen growth and appears to be a fine example of a standing stone.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5294;48375

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD;Pm Desc Text/Ray,K/1988/Morfa Ganol/Arch

in Wales 28,p.47

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This stone is recommended for scheduling as a fine example of its type, made all the more interesting by its association with two other possible stones, 5294 and 48375, located c.300 and 340m respectively at 335 degrees.

OWNERSHIP Mr Edwin Davies, Morfa Ganol Farm, Llangrannog, Llandysul, Ceredigion. SA44 6RS.

PRN 5294 GARREG FAWR

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN3041953334

QUARTER SHEET SN35SW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Penbryn

LAND USE Pasture; Arable

DIMENSIONS 1.1m high/1.2m long/1m thick

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION NE-SW

ASPECT NW

PROXIMITY Close to coastal cliffs which are c.150m to the N.

VIEWS There are long coastal views between 253 and 343 degrees and another long vista

between 170 and 185 degrees. There are medium views between 185 and 253 degrees, with the remainder of the viewshed closed by local topography. Before the construction of the hedgebanks this stone would have been intervisible with

stone PRN 5293, but is intervisible with PRN 48375.

DESCRIPTION

A fine 'boulder-like' rounded standing stone c.1.1m high x 1m thick x 1.2m long lying close to the northern boundary of a pasture field. Another stone, PRN 48375, lies just over the boundary c.30m away to the NNW, with another standing stone, PRN 5293, located c.310m away at 155 degrees. The stone is much pitted by weathering and is lichen covered, as well as leaning slightly to the NW. Its long axis is aligned NE-SW. There is a deep animal tread hollow on the downslope side, with some loose stones having been dumped at its base on its southern side.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5293;48375

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD;Pm Desc Text/DAT/Ray,K/1988/Morfa

Ganol/Arch in Wales 28,p.47

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This stone is recommended for scheduling by virtue of its association with two other standing stones, 5293 and 48375, located c.310 and 40m away respectively to the SSE and NNW.

OWNERSHIP Mr Edwin Davies, Morfa Ganol Farm, Llangrannog, Llandysul, Ceredigion. SA44 6RS

PRN 5400 BANC TROED-RHIW-SEIRI; BWLCH

TROED-RHIW-SEIRI

SITE TYPE RING BARROW

NGR SN6679585590

QUARTER SHEET SN68NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Trefeuria

LAND USE **Pasture**

DIMENSIONS 1.2m max height/0.75m average height/16m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT Ν

Sea views are achievable from the site, with the Afon Stewi c.750m to the south **PROXIMITY**

and SF.

VIEWS There are long views between 173 and 310 degrees, which encompasses a sea

view between 235 and 310 degrees. There is another long view between 40 and

117 degrees, with the remainder of the viewshed closed by surrounding

topography.

DESCRIPTION

A ring barrow which was part-excavated by Houlder in the 1950s, and described as a barrow of double-banked type with a single ditch. It was found that the burial area was marked off in a circle about 10m in diameter using sharpened stakes. A ditch was dug outside this circle and steep-sided bank built on the line of the stakes. Any surplus material, including unwanted large stones, was thrown outwards to form a low second bank which may not have been continuous around the site. A central shallow burial pit contained an inhumation with fragments of a Beaker and two barbed-and-tanged arrowheads. The Ordnance Survey also note a secondary deposit of a pygmy cup, at which time the worn-down bank was given a stone capping, and a low mound of stone built at the centre. When the site was visited as part of the PFRS project in September 2005 the ring barrow was found to measure c.16m in diameter, with the external bank standing to a height of 0.75m and was 2m wide. The centre of the monument has become the focus of a modern clearance dump of stones, which increases the height of the overall monument to 1.2m.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5403;9720

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Pm ExcavReport///1956/Ceredigion/ Vol.III,No.1,p.11-23; Pm List//Savory,HN/1955/BBCS/Vol.16,Pt.III,p.236,No.11;Pm Desc Text///BBCS/Vol.18, p.117,Fig.5;Pm Desc Text///1957/PPS/p.59,75,78;Pm Excav Report//Houlder,CH/1957/Ceredigion/ Vol.3,No.2,p.118-123;Pm Mention//Houlder,CH/1967/Ceredigion/Vol.V,No.4,p.434;Pm Mention// Bowen, EG/1959/Ceredigion/Vol.III, No.4, p.263; Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN68 NE12; Mm List/DAT/ Griffiths, WE//BA Finds, Card/A-CD-2; Pm List//Clarke, DL/1970/Beaker Pottery of GB/ Vol.2, p.524, No.1847; Pm Mention//Briggs, CS/1982/Ceredigion/Vol.9, No.3, p.275; Pm Mention//Hogg, AHA/1977/ Arch.Camb/Vol.126,p.24; Mm Desc Text/DAT/DAT/1992/Bontgoch Storage Reservoir Scheme - An Archaeological Assessment/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This barrow is recommended for scheduling as a ditched ring-cairn of a structurally unusual type. Despite partial excavation the site remains in a good state of preservation. The dumping of stones at its centre should be discouraged. Ownership:

OWNERSHIP Dafydd Hughes, Mynydd Gorddu, Bont-Goch (Elerch), Ceredigion (absentee landlord). PRN 5405 CARREG LLWYD

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN6250083546

QUARTER SHEET SN68SW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Trefeurig

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.6m high/0.9m \times 0.58m \times 0.85m \times 1m wide at its base

SITING Flood plain

ORIENTATION N-S

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located on a tongue of land leading towards the confluence of the Nant Clarach

and the Afon Peithyll into the Afon Clarach 500m to the NW.

VIEWS The viewshed is largely enclosed by the surrounding topography, with the

seemingly dominant view between 68 and 91 degrees looking across to Banc Trawsnant. The view to the south and south-east is obscured by deciduous woodland. Stone 8237 is intervisible at 97 degrees c.130m away and barrow

11822 at 115 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A fine standing stone located in a field to the west of the main road (A4159) linking Capel Dewi with Bow Street. On the other side of the road and intervisible with this stone lies another standing stone, PRN 8237, and also a round barrow, PRN 11822, located c.135m away. Excavations were carried out on a selection of sites at Plas Gogerddan which were going to be affected by a gas pipeline (see Murphy 1992 Archaeological Journal), but the stone in question here was untouched. The stone stands c.1.6m high with a long axis aligned just off N-S (350-170). There is evidence of animal trampling around the base revealing numerous small stones/packing material. Discolouration of the stone also suggests it is popular with animals as a rubbing stone. The stone measures 0.9m at its base on its west side, 0.58m at the base on its N side, 0.85m at the base on its E side, and 1m at its base on its S side. The stone tapers to 0.5m wide at its top. It is sited on a low-lying tongue of land running E-W, before the floodplain of the Afon Clarach and 500m before the Afon Peithyll and the Nant Clarach meet to form the Afon Clarach. Murphy (1992:4) reports that a third stone, located to the west of this stone and on the same alignment as this stone and PRN 8237, was removed in 1961. Apparently this third stone was located approximately the same distance apart (i.e. c.135m) but was much smaller than the surviving two stones. Its whereabouts now is unknown. Cropmark round barrow PRN 37110 lies c.230m to the NW.

ASSOCIATED WITH 8237;11822;37110;55926

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD;Mm List/DAT/1978/CR/8237;Pm

Mention///1909/T.Card.AS/Vol.I,p.23;Pm Mention///1930/T.Card.AS/Vol.VII,p.74;Pm

List//Bird,AJ/1972/Ceredigion/Vol.VII,No.1,p.44,No.23;Mm

List/OS/OS/1979//SN68 SW6(a); Ph Map/NLW//1900?/RM A112/Gogerddan estate

map;Pm Mention//Briggs,CS/1982/Ceredigion/Vol.9,No.3,p.269;Ph

List//Lewis,S/1833/Topog.Dict.Wales/Llanbadarn Vawr;Pm

Mention/DAT/Murphy,K/1986/Plas Gogerddan/Arch in Wales Vol 26,p.29

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This stone is recommended for scheduling as a good example of type, and for its association with two other prehistoric monuments, stone 8237 and barrow 11822, located c.130m away to the ESE.

OWNERSHIP IGER, Plas Gogerddan, Aberystwyth, SY23 3EB.

PRN 5417 CERRIG YR WYN A

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN6853283688

QUARTER SHEET SN68SE

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Trefeurig

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.93//0.69/0.26/0.21/

SITING Spur/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION SW-NE

ASPECT WNW

PROXIMITY Located on a spur overlooking the bifurcation of Nant Silo to the W/WSW.

VIEWS There is a long view due west along the Nant Silo valley to the sea, but otherwise

the view is relatively closed by local topography. However, the views to the coast are astounding. Neighbouring stone PRN 5418 is intervisible 100m upslope

at 101 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

One of a pair of stones located on the west-facing spur of Banc Cwmerfyn, overlooking the bifurcation of Nant Silo to the W/WSW. Both stones are intervisible, and are located c.100m apart on an E-W alignment, This stone is the most westerly of the two, and stands 0.93m high and 0.25m thick. The long axis of the stone is aligned SW-NE, and the stone measures 0.69m at its base, tapering to 0.26m at its top. The stone is an irregularly-shaped monolith, with animal erosion apparent around its base. The stone appears set on a 'platform' or break of slope on pastureland gently sloping to the west. On the NW face of the stone there is a groove some 0.1m wide, which may be artificially derived. Both barrows may have originally been intervisible with Garn Wen (PRN 2025) located on top of the ridge some 500m to the N, although this barrow is now obscured by the forestry.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5418

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

List/OS/OS///SN68 SE11A;Pm Desc Text/DAT/Cer.Arch.Survey/1988/Archaeology in

the Capel Bangor-Trefeurig Area/p.75-76,Illustration

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This stone and neighbouring monolith PRN 5418 are recommended for scheduling as a fine pair of standing stones, although they are not a stone pair in its classic sense. However, they are unusual and clearly associated with each other.

OWNERSHIP Pri

PRN 5418 CERRIG YR WYN B;TY'N Y CEFN BRITH

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN6862983674

QUARTER SHEET SN68SE

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Trefeurig

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.13m high/0.54m and 0.38m wide/0.14m thick

SITING Spur/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION NNE-SSW

ASPECT W

PROXIMITY Located on a spur of land overlooking the bifurcation of Nant Silo to the W/WSW.

VIEWS There is a long view due west along the Nant Silo valley to the sea, but

otherwise the view is relatively closed by local topography. However, the views to the coast are astounding. Neighbouring stone PRN 5417 is intervisible 100m

downslope at 271 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

One of a pair of stones located on the west-facing spur of Banc Cwmerfyn, overlooking the bifurcation of Nant Silo to the W/WSW. Both stones are intervisible, and are located c.100m apart on an E-W alignment, This stone is the most easterly of the two, and stands 1.13m high and 0.14m thick. The long axis of the stone is aligned NNE-SSW, and the stone measures 0.54m at its base, tapering to 0.38m at its top. The stone is a more regular-shaped monolith than neighbouring stone 5417, and the animal erosion around its base is more severe, especially on the western side, where it is c.0.15m deep. Lichen growth on the stone has been noticeably rubbed off by sheep on its lower half. A mound-like outcrop of stone is located c.70m upslope to the NE. The stone here is positioned on a kind of platform mound jutting out from the hillslope, particularly visible in the photograph of neighbouring stone 5417, which is taken looking over to this monolith. Both stones are interesting, as they cannot be considered as a standing stone pair in its classic sense, yet are clearly associated with each other and their alignment with each other focuses on the commanding view of both stones along the Silo valley and towards the western sea vista. Both stones are likely to have been intervisible with Garn Wen barrow (PRN 2025) located c.550m to the NNW on top of the ridge now obscured by a forestry plantation.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5417

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

 $List/OS/OS///SN68 \ SE11B; Pm \ Desc \ Text/DAT/Cer. Arch. Survey/1988/Archaeology \ in$

the Capel Bangor-Trefeurig Area/p.75-76,Illustration

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This stone and neighbouring monolith PRN 5417 are recommended for scheduling as a fine pair of standing stones, although they are not a stone pair in its classic sense. However, they are unusual and clearly associated with each other.

OWNERSHIP Pri

PRN 5438 CYLCH DERWYDDOL; MOEL LLYN; MOEL-Y-LLYN

SITE TYPE STONE CIRCLE

NGR SN7010691160

QUARTER SHEET SN69SE

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Ceulanamaesmawr

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.4m high/19m in diameter

SITING Saddle/flat/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT N-S

PROXIMITY Located on a saddle with the Afon Ceulan to the south and the Afon Cletwr

issuing c.350m away to the NNW.

VIEWS There are good long views between 112 and 242 degrees. The view is closed by the

peaks to the east and west. There are medium views to the north, with

intervisible cairns on the ridges and peaks (e.g. Foel Goch (PRN 8564) and the Llain Wen cairns). Moel y Llyn cairns (PRNs 6264-6) to the NE, and PRN 5630 to

the NNE.

DESCRIPTION

A circular setting of stones situated on a saddle between Moel y Llyn to the east and Moel y Garn to the west. The circle comprises at least 33 stones, mostly of a small size and not exceeding 0.4m in height. All are earthfast: some are set on their edge, whilst others are set vertically. The stones encircle an area c.19m in diameter. Two larger stones were noted lying on the ground c.1m to the north of the main circle, where there is also evidence of peat-cutting/vehicular damage. There is a single stone set upright some 30m or so to the west of the circle, which also lies in an area of probable peat-cutting, and may have been an outlying marker stone for, and associated with, the circle. A fence runs close to the site on its southern side. A possible round barrow cairn, PRN 6263, lies c.175m to the SE of the circle, on the south side of the saddle. The land here is quite boggy in places, and palaeoenvironmental potential may be quite high.

ASSOCIATED WITH 6263

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD;Ph Mention///1873/Arch.Camb/4th

Series, Vol.4, p.292-3; Ph Mention//Morgan, TO/1851/Aberystwyth Guide(?)/; Ph

Mention///1847/Arch.Camb/1st Series,Vol.2,p.357;Pm

Mention//Briggs,CS/1982/Ceredigion/Vol.9,No.3,p.272;Pm Desc Text//Briggs,CS/1994/The Bronze Age/Cards County Hist Vol 1 p.207

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This excellent stone circle site is recommended for scheduling as an example of a very rare type of prehistoric funerary and ritual monument, which appears to be well-preserved, but potentially threatened by vehicular activity.

OWNERSHIP Mr Jenkins, Carregcadwgan Farm, Talybont, Ceredigion.

PRN 5466 GARN FAWR

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN8181190540

QUARTER SHEET SN89SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Blaenrheidol

LAND USE Rough pasture; Heath

DIMENSIONS 2//14///

SITING High plateau/undulating/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT N

PROXIMITY Overlooking Bugeilyn lake to the NNE

VIEWS Outstanding views around the landscape, although partially closed to the east

and south-east by surrounding topography. The round barrow pair on Carn Biga aren't visible from here, but barrow PRN 4184 is, c.850m away at 105 degrees. The view is medium-closed between 86 and 202 degrees by the higher ground on which PRN 4184 is located. There are sea views between 238 and 246 degrees (Cardigan Bay) and again between 248 and 258 degrees. There is another glimpse between 265 and 270 degrees, plus slight vistas at 272 and 275 degrees. Further sea views are apparent between 286 and 294 degrees, with Bardsey island at 295 degrees. The peak of Cader Idris is visible at 337 degrees, possibly Aran Fawddwy at 10 degrees, with huge long views onto the absolute far horizon from 30-51 degrees.

A similar view is visible between 71 and 85 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described by the Ordnance Survey as a prominently sited cairn on the crest of a NW-facing slope. The site consists of a large round barrow cairn, c.14m in diameter and 2m high, in good condition and a typical example of an upland cairn. There is a hollow at the centre of the barrow 2m in diameter and 1m deep, but otherwise the monument appears in an excellent state of preservation. The barrow is built on top of its own platform in an area of undulating upland just before the ground slopes away to the north. The cairn stands c.2m high on its N side but appears higher on its S side, c.2.3m high, having possibly made use of a natural knoll. The site is located in an area of massive upland bog which links this site with the round barrow pair on Carn Biga c.1.35km to the ESE.

ASSOCIATED WITH 4184;8160;8601

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/196?//SN89 SW6;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Sambrook,RP &

Hall,JJ/2003/Blaenrheidol Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling as an excellent and well-preserved example of an upland Bronze Age round barrow cairn.

PRN 5467 GARNEDD

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE?

NGR SN75378397

QUARTER SHEET SN78SE

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / E

COMMUNITY Blaenrheidol

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Above the Afon Rheidol

VIEWS

DESCRIPTION

According to Bird (Ceredigion 7,1 1972, p.44) there was a large monolith 200 ft [c.61m] NE of cairn circle barrow PRN 5617, and 27 yards south of the two north and south Garn cairns (PRNs 5620 and 5621). When the Ordnance Survey visited the site in 1978 they recorded that there was no monolith at Bird's siting, nor anywhere else in the vicinity. The area at the time of the Ordnance Survey visit was pastureland on a NW facing slope, with some small natural rock outcrops and a thin scatter of boulders to the west. The site was visited as part of the PFRS project in August 2005 and no trace of a standing stone was found anywhere in the field or the surrounding area, despite a thorough search. The area of the stone site suggested by Bird is covered with reeds and grass. Context photo taken.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5617;5620;5621

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/196?//SN78 SE7;Pm

Mention//Bird,AJ/1972/Ceredigion/Vol.VII,No.1,p.44,No.24;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/DAT/1979/CR/5620-21;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Sambrook,RP & Hall,JJ/2003/Blaenrheidol Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/See entry under 5619. The area as a whole would benefit from a detailed topographic survey (after vegetational clearance) to try and establish the extent and nature of the ritual complex which seems to be focused here in the Upper Rheidol valley. This would help to clarify the features recorded by Evans in 1952, some of which were not relocated by the RCAHMW in 1977, nor DAT in 2005. The area to be surveyed should focus on the Y Garnedd and Garn Lwyd groups, located to the north and south of Hirnant, Ponterwyd (SN75358372).

OWNERSHIP

PRN 5480 CARREG SAMSON

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN7414870387

QUARTER SHEET SN77SW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Ysbyty Ystwyth

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.1/0.9/0.34/0.24/1.2/

SITING Ridge crest/flat/top

ORIENTATION NE-SW

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located on top of a ridge crest which slopes down to the Nant Marchant c.500m to

the SE.

VIEWS There was a 360 degree panorama from the stone, but it was too cloudy to be able

to assess particular peaks.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described as a local gritstone, which local legend has it is named after St Samson who used the stone to play quoits. The stone is a thin long rectangular slab, with a hollow around its base from animal trampling. Lots of small stones were visible around the base of the stone, with a lot of stone also around the monolith when the ground was probed with a ranging rod. The long axis of the stone is aligned roughly NE-SW (236-56 degrees), with the stone higher at its SW end, where it stands 1.1m high, sloping to 0.9m high at its NE end. On average the stone is 0.24m thick, although it measures 0.34m thick at its base, and is 1.2m long. It is located on top of a ridge crest, with excellent views in all directions. Animals rubbing against the stone have created a band of discolouration around the monolith, as well as exacerbating the hollow around its base.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/196?//SN77 SW7;Mm Desc

Text/RCAHM/Sansbury,AR/1938//Typescript notes;Pm Desc

Text/DAT/Cer.Arch.Survey/1988/Archaeology in the Ysbyty Ystwyth

Area/p.50;Pm Desc Text/DAT/Ray,K & Thorburn,J/1988/Careg Samson/Arch in Wales 28,p.49;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Sambrook,RP & Hall,JJ/2003/Ysbyty Ystwyth

Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/The stone is a good example of type and there is no reason not to mention it as a candidate for scheduling, given its form and condition. It appears stable, although the hollow around the stone is more pronounced in 2005 than when compared to the OS photo taken of the site in 1978. This animal erosion could be usefully monitored to help protect the stone and its likely associated subsurface features.

PRN 5482 NANT BRYN ISAF

SITE TYPE RING BARROW

NGR SN7003570456

QUARTER SHEET SN77SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Ystrad Meurig

LAND USE Forestry

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high//15m in diameter

SITING Spur/flat/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located c.260m SW of a stream which flows NW, eventually flowing into the Afon

Ystwyth.

VIEWS Currently obscured by surrounding forestry , but would originally probably have

been quite good views, especially to the Ystwyth valley to the NW, although the view throughout the eastern sector would have been obscured by Mynydd

Bach.

DESCRIPTION

A ring cairn, located on the highest point of a spur to the west of Mynydd Bach. The site currently lies within a forestry plantation, and is very difficult to see on the ground because of the encroachment of vegetation and regen trees. There are two 4-5 year old trees established within the interior of the ring, as well as many more young trees, heather, ferns, etc. which obscure the monument. Replanting has occurred far too close to the site and would appear to be within the scheduled area. The site is very difficult to assess on the ground and has become significantly overgrown when compared with photographs taken of the site in 1999. The monument has been previously described as c.14m in diameter, made up of a ring of stones averaging 1.5m wide and 0.5m high. The fallen tree and its rootplate noted by Cadw in 2000 remains visible on the SE side of the site. Both DK Leighton and the Ordnance Survey mention a small standing stone on the NW side of the monument, about 5.5m from the outer edge of the ring, which was possibly a marker stone, a feature also seen at other sites (e.g. PRN 9926). Although this stone was not located in 2005, it has now been given its own PRN (PRN 48406) as a site in its own right.

ASSOCIATED WITH 48406

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm Desc

Text/RCAHM/Sansbury,AR/1938//Typescript notes;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108,Plan;Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN77 SW6;Mm List/DOE/DOE/1981/Ancient

Monuments of Wales/;Pm List//Leighton,DK/1984/Proceedings of the

Prehistoric Society/Vol.50,p.345,347,No.29,Fig.14;Pm Desc

Text/DAT/Ceredigion Archaeological Survey/1988/Archaeology in the Ysbyty

Ystwyth Area/p.14; Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/1999/Notification of

scheduling/SAM file, CD187(CER); Mm Desc Text/DAT/Cadw/2000/AM107/SAM file, CD187(CER); Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall, J & Sambrook, P/2003/Ystrad Meurig

Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This scheduled monument is in desperate need of attention, as it is becoming lost within the forestry plantation and its encroaching vegetation. The site itself could be usefully cleared of trees, heather, bracken, etc., whilst the trees close to the site should be felled too. Whatever management agreement is in place seems to be failing the site dismally. Perhaps the scheduled area should be widened to take account of the standing stone associated with the barrow, located c.5.5m to the NW/WNW of the outer edge of ring, which would also leave a wider area clear of the ring itself.

OWNERSHIP Forestry Commission

PRN 5534 CNWCH EITHINOG

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN75774965

QUARTER SHEET SN74NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS

SITING High plateau/undulating/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located within 300m of a stream

VIEWS Fantastic views from the site which is located in a stunning upland location. 360

degree panoramic long views, with the exception of a small window at 355 degrees where the view is restricted to medium range by the local topography. Unable to fully assess views on the day because of low cloud, but the views are sure to be

extensive.

DESCRIPTION

Possible round barrow located adjacent to, or possibly surmounted by, standing stone PRN 5538. When previously visited by the Ordnance Survey in 1976 they described this site as one of two cairns on Cefn Cwncheithinog, this one located at SN75774965, comprising a circular concentration of stone, 4m in diameter and up to 0.2m high, surmounted by a modern pile of stone up to 0.6m high. Neighbouring barrow PRN 5535 was described as a cairn reduced to a low mound of earthfast stone 6m in diameter and 0.3m high, and was located at SN75744965. When the area was visited in 2004 as part of the PFRS project the sites as described by the Ordnance Survey have changed completely. First of all, whilst standing stone PRN 5538 remains intact, barrows PRNs 5534 and 5535 have been severely compromised by what appears to be the fairly recent upgrading of the track which ran across this landscape into a metalled 'roadway'. Compared to how the track was mapped on the Ordnance Survey 1:10000 map, the metalled 'roadway' has altered course slightly to now run virtually straight through the cairns, and the two modern piles of stones referred to by the Ordnance Survey have changed size and shape, and there are now three such 'walkers' cairns' instead. Of these three 'walkers' cairns', Cairn 1 is located at SN7571849677, and measures 1.1m in diameter and stands c.0.35m high. This cairn is the closest to standing stone PRN 5538. Cairn 2 is located at SN7572149676 and is the middle of the three cairns. It measures 1.5m in diameter and stands c.0.35m high. Cairn 3 is separated from the group by the track and is located at SN7573149680. This is the largest of the three cairns, and measures c.2.5m in diameter and stands 1.1m high. The section created by the upgraded trackway suggests that the features here are made up of loose stone as opposed to being natural outcrops, and suggests the likelihood of at least one probable round barrow here, which stone PRN 5538 may well be standing in. A natural ridge appears to have been enhanced and embellished here to create a circular, cairn-like feature c.12-15m in diameter. However the landscape here is quite confused, and recent activity seems to have disturbed the area greatly. The site would benefit from a full survey and possible small-scale excavation.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5535;5537;5538

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/1976//SN74 NE5;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1976/DRF/OS 108

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/It is suggested that this site be considered for scheduling when neighbouring stone 5538 is assessed.

OWNERSHIP ? Mr.John Charles, Nant-Gwernog (?), Llanddewi Brefi, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 5535 CNWCH EITHINOG

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN75754966 QUARTER SHEET SN74NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS

SITING High plateau/undulating/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located within 300m of a stream.

VIEWS Fantastic views from the site which is located in a stunning upland location. 360

degree panoramic long views, with the exception of a small window at 355 degrees where the view is restricted to medium range by the local topography. Unable to fully assess views on the day because of low cloud, but the views are sure to be

extensive.

DESCRIPTION

Possible round barrow located adjacent to another round barrow, PRN 5534, itself adjacent to, or possibly surmounted by, standing stone PRN 5538. When previously visited by the Ordnance Survey in 1976 they described this site as one of two cairns on Cefn Cwncheithingg, with this one located at SN75744965 and comprising a cairn reduced to a low mound of earthfast stone measuring 6m in diameter and standing 0.3m high. Neighbouring barrow PRN 5534 was described as a circular concentration of stone, 4m in diameter and up to 0.2m high, surmounted by a modern pile of stone up to 0.6m high, and was located at SN75774965. When the area was visited in 2004 as part of the PFRS project the sites as described by the Ordnance Survey have changed completely. First of all, whilst standing stone PRN 5538 remains intact, barrows PRNs 5534 and 5535 have been severely compromised by what appears to be the fairly recent upgrading of the track which ran across this landscape into a metalled `roadway'. Compared to how the track was mapped on the Ordnance Survey 1:10000 map, the metalled `roadway' has altered course slightly to now run virtually straight through the cairns, and the two modern piles of stones referred to by the Ordnance Survey have changed size and shape, and there are now three such `walkers' cairns' instead. Of these three `walkers' cairns', Cairn 1 is located at SN7571849677, and measures 1.1m in diameter and stands c.0.35m high. This cairn is the closest to standing stone PRN 5538. Cairn 2 is located at SN7572149676 and is the middle of the three cairns. It measures 1.5m in diameter and stands c.0.35m high. Cairn 3 is separated from the group by the track and is located at SN7573149680. This is the largest of the three cairns, and measures c.2.5m in diameter and stands 1.1m high. The section created by the upgraded trackway suggests that the features here are made up of loose stone as opposed to being natural outcrops, and suggests the likelihood of at least one probable round barrow here, which stone PRN 5538 may well be standing in. A natural ridge appears to have been enhanced and embellished here to create a circular, cairn-like feature c.12-15m in diameter. However the landscape here is quite confused, and recent activity seems to have disturbed the area greatly. The site would benefit from a full survey and possible small-scale excavation.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5534;5537;5538

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/1976//SN74 NE5;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1976/DRF/OS 108; Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/2003/AM107/SAM

file,CM224

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/It is suggested that this site be considered for scheduling when neighbouring stone 5538 is assessed.

OWNERSHIP ? Mr.John Charles, Nant-Gwernog (?), Llanddewi Brefi, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 5538 CNWCH EITHINOG

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN7571549673

QUARTER SHEET SN74NE

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.16//0.5/0.47/0.5/0.4

SITING High plateau/undulating/top

ORIENTATION NE-SW

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Very windy prominent local highspot, with a stream located 300m away.

VIEWS Fantastic views from the site which is located in a stunning upland location. 360

degree panoramic long views, with the exception of a small window at 355 degrees where the view is restricted to medium range by the local topography. Unable to fully assess views on the day because of low cloud, but the views are sure to be

extensive.

DESCRIPTION

A fine upright standing stone, located in a hollow 1.2m in diameter, with loose/packing stones visible around its base. The stone tapers at its top and stands to a maximum height of 1.6m. The stone measures 0.5m wide at its base on the N and E sides, 0.47m wide on its S side and 0.4m wide on its W side. The stone tapers to 30cm x 15cm width at its top. The stone, which possibly surmounts round barrow 5534, and lies adjacent to another round barrow, 5535, is located on top of Cefn Cwncheithinog immediately next to a recently metalled man-made track. This stone is interesting, because of the way it appears to 'twist' in its orientation: at its top, the long axis of the stone is aligned 220-40 degrees, but its basal alignment is 258-78 degrees. There is some evidence of animal trampling around the base of the stone. Three walkers' cairns adjacent to the stone are described under round barrows PRNs 5534 and 5535, with the first cairn located 4m away to the NW. The site and its associated monuments would benefit from a topographic survey and possibly a small-scale excavation.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5534;5535;5537

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/1976//SN74 NE7;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1976/DRF/OS 108; Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/2003/AM107/SAM

file,CM224

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/It is possibly worth considering scheduling this stone (and its associated barrows might well as be included as well) in light of the recent damage to the area by the metalled track. Certainly a proper survey of the site and maybe a small excavation would be useful.

OWNERSHIP ? Mr.John Charles, Nant-Gwernog (?), Llanddewi Brefi, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 5550 BRYN COSYN I

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7444959521

QUARTER SHEET SN75NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high/11m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT S

PROXIMITY Overlooking Nant Moelau and Groes Fawr valleys, with these streams 300m and

200m away to the west and east respectively. Also overlooks the Camddwr valley

to the SE.

VIEWS There is a long view between 130 and 143 degrees down the Camddwr valley. The

view is closed between 319 and 81 degrees, with the remainder of the view restricted to medium and short views by surrounding topography. Another barrow,

PRN 8519, is intervisible at 293 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A fine round barrow cairn, 11m in diameter and c.0.5m high (on its downslope side), surmounted by a walkers' cairn/shelter, which stands c.1m high at its centre, and has presumably been robbed from cairn material. Towards the top of this pillar at the centre of the barrow there is a partial white quartz capping, and together these features make the barrow stand out significantly in the landscape. At the base of the pillar on its western side are the possible remains of two small cists. The remainder of the cairn is flat and turf-consolidated, with some stones protruding through and visible on the surface. The extent of the monument is largely delimited by the encroaching reed growth surrounding the monument. Another barrow, PRN 8519 is intervisible at 293 degrees, some 230m away, whilst downslope to the SSE another barrow, PRN 8520 is located c.80m away from this site. 400m away to the SE is yet another barrow, PRN 8516, with PRN 5550 located c.900m away in a similar direction. All these barrows lie on or close to a pathway which gives access to the upland areas to the N and NW from Nant y Maen farm (including Castell Rhyfel), and it is possible that this was an ancient trackway leading from the point at which the Camddwr merges with the Nant y Maen, as marked by standing stone 5553. Clearly this area was a significant landscape during the Bronze Age as marked by the intensity of the monument construction which can be seen here.

ASSOCIATED WITH 8516;8519;5551;8517;8520;8523

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Card.Handlist/p.7;Mm

Desc Text/RCAHM/Briggs,CS/1977//;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS///SN75 NW5;Mm List/DAT/1989/CR/;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau,Llanddewi Brefi/p.31

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/All the barrows located in the area of the trackway leading from Nant y Maen farm up to the Bryn Cosyn/Moelau uplands are probably worthy of scheduling, and this includes barrows 5550, 5551, 8516, 8519 and 8520. The group should possibly also include 8517 and 8523 located to the west of the other sites on the other side of Nant Moelau. Although some of the sites are not necessarily that well preserved, their significance as a group and their inter-relationships with each other and the wider landscape is worthy of recognition.

OWNERSHIP Mr Jones, Nant-y-Maen, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 5551 BLAEN CAMDDWR

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7516758909

QUARTER SHEET SN75NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.3m high/6.5m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY The Afon Camddwr flows c.140m to the west of the site.

VIEWS The site is intervisible with PRN 5550 at 313 degrees and two other possible

cairns at 334 degrees. The viewshed is closed between 353 and 92 degrees, with the remainder of the view medium-short, although the view is reasonably long

along the Groes Fawr/Moelau valley in both directions.

DESCRIPTION

When the Ordnance Survey visited the site in 1978 they described it as a turf-covered round cairn of stones and small boulders, situated at about 1400ft above OD, upon a level place on the south-west facing pasture slopes of a ridge-end and a short distance above the valley floor. The cairn in 1978 had a diameter of 6.5m and a maximum height of 0.3m. At the centre there was a cist, minus cover stone, measuring internally $1.3 \, \text{m} \times 0.7 \, \text{m} \times 0.2 \, \text{m}$ deep, and was orientated NNE-SSW. The side slabs were described as having fallen on their sides, but the end slabs remained upright. The Ordnance Survey also noted two kerbstones standing $0.2 \, \text{m}$ and $0.3 \, \text{m}$ high on the north side, and another, $0.4 \, \text{m}$ high with a sharp lean outwards, on the SW side. The site was visited by DAT in 1995 when it was described as a 'Cairn in poor condition with a central stone cist showing. Cist aligned north-south length $1.25 \, \text{m} \times 0.50 \, \text{m} \times 0.30 \, \text{m}$ deep.' When visited during the PFRS project in 2005 the site remains as described above, with site consisting of a turf-consolidated cairn, with two upright kerbstones visible on the north and north-eastern edges. There was some reed encroachment noted, especially on the eastern side, and some large slabs of stone visible around the edge of the mound on the south-west side. The barrow is intervisible with PRN 5550 at 313 degrees.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5550;8516;8520;29812;8523;29813

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Card.Handlist/p.7;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108; Mm List/OS/OS///SN75 NE1; Pm Map//OS/1963/6"/; Pm

List//Leighton,DK/1984/PPS/Vol.50,p.334,336,No.6,Fig.6;Mm

Archive/DAT/Crane,P/1995/Llyn Brianne Uplands Survey, PRN 29800 archive/Categories A1,A4,B4,C1,C2,C4,D3;Mm List/DAT/Crane,P/1995/Llyn Brianne Uplands Survey PRN 29800 archive/Index to the Archive, DRF

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/All the barrows located in the area of the trackway leading from Nant y Maen farm up to the Bryn Cosyn/Moelau uplands are probably worthy of scheduling, and this includes barrows 5550, 5551, 8516, 8519 and 8520. The group should possibly also include 8517 and 8523 located to the west of the other sites on the other side of Nant Moelau. Although some of the sites are not necessarily that well preserved, their significance as a group and their inter-relationships with each other and the wider landscape is worthy of recognition.

OWNERSHIP Mr Jones, Nant-y-Maen, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 5553 NANT-Y-MAEN

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN7617658305

QUARTER SHEET SN75NE

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / C

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 3//1.2//0.9

SITING Valley bottom

ORIENTATION SW-NE

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located close to a stream

VIEWS Closed by local topography, although with a chance of long views down the

Camddwr valley at 189 degrees, and with another vista at 270 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described as an inclined standing stone, with a little animal disturbance around the base. Unable to gain access to visit this site during the PFRS project in 2004. However, the stone was visible from the road leading up to Nant-y-Maen farm, and so was assessed and photographed from there. The stone lies in a valley bottom, close to a stream, with closed views except for those down the Camddwr valley. The stone is situated in a lush green pasture field in front of Nant-y-Maen farmhouse and is inclined heavily to the N. Behind the stone on its N side is an animal feeder, which is no doubt contributing to the erosion around the base of the stone. It is likely that the stone would be visible from round barrows PRNs 5552, 8524 and possibly 9019 located to the E of the site on the high ground.

This stone was successfully visited in November 2005, when the site could be properly assessed and evaluated. By the time of our visit the animal feeder had been removed and instead numerous small stones could be seen around the base, especially on the northern side, which are possibly the result of clearance. The stone currently leans at 45 degrees to the north-west, but when upright would have stood some 3m high and would have been very impressive indeed. At present, because of the lean, the stone stands 1.26m from the ground. It measures 1.2m wide at its base tapering slightly to 0.9m at its top. The stone is located at the junction of two ridges which both support numerous Bronze Age funerary and ritual monuments, and was no doubt very specifically placed at this location.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5552;8524;29819

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD;Pm Map//OS/1963/6"/;Pm

Mention//Bird,AJ/1972/Ceredigion/Vol.VII,No.1,p.44,No.17;Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Sansbury,AR///Thesis;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS///SN75 NE3;Mm List/DAT/1989/CR/Cards R261P;Pm Map//OS/1981/SN75NE;Mh Map///1839/Tithe map for Caron;Mm

Archive/DAT/Crane,P/1995/Llyn Brianne Uplands survey, PRN 29800 archive/Categories A1,A4,B4,C4;Mm List/DAT/Crane,P/1995/Llyn Brianne Uplands

survey, PRN 29800 archive/Index to archive, DRF

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005/Recommend for scheduling as a good example of type, located within a landscape surrounded by other prehistoric monuments. Suggest the removal of animal feeder behind the stone to prevent further erosion around its base.

OWNERSHIP Mr Jones, Nant y Maen Farm, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 5555 CARN SAITH-WRAIG

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7709952974

QUARTER SHEET SN75SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1m high/22m diameter

SITING Ridge/undulating/bottom

ORIENTATION

ASPECT WSW

PROXIMITY Overlooks the interlocking spurs of the Doethie valley.

VIEWS Amazing views from the site over the surrounding landscape throughout the western

sector, with the view dominated by the interlocking spurs of the Doethie valley. View obscured behind the site to the E by glacial knolls and ridge below which this

site is located.

DESCRIPTION

This is a large, disturbed composite ring/round platform cairn. It is situated on a shelf in a secluded position on the south-west side of a broad ridge at 430m above OD. It comprises a ring of earth and stones, 4m wide and 21.5m in diameter overall. Where best preserved, in the north-east quadrant, the ring is 0.4m high on the outside and 0.3m high on the inside. Within the ring is a mass of tumbled stone and it is reasonable to suppose that this mass represents a round cairn formerly existing at the centre of the ring. The mass has been cleared to ground level along a line from the north-east side to the centre and beyond, and a cutting has been made through the ring to the south-west. There is no sign of a cist. Lots of white quartz blocks are clearly visible within the cairn material. A pile of fence posts have been dumped on top of the cairn and a small fire has recently been lit. Vehicle tracks have been encroaching upon the site and pose an immediate threat.

Since our previous visit in 2001 a modern marker cairn has recently been placed at the centre of the monument. Modern fenced-off sheep pens are also located within 2m of the site. Most of the fence-posts visible in the photo of the site taken in 2001 have now been removed. This is a very impressive monument and appears to be have been quite deliberately sited in this particular location for its stunning views. The site also looks out over to the location of the Bryn Gorlan group of monuments (PRN 48381) to the NW. Another set of possible prehistoric monuments (a possible standing stone PRN 9117, and possible and probable round barrows PRNs 9118 and 8528) are located to the N but not directly intervisible. There are two other round barrows located close to this monument (PRNs 8527 and 9009).

ASSOCIATED WITH 8527;9009

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/RCAHM/Griffiths,WE//Bronze Age

Finds from Cardiganshire/K,CD,5;Pm Desc

Text//Sansbury,AR/1930/T.Card.AS/Vol.VII,p.81;Pm

List//RCAHM/1970/Cardiganshire Handlist/p.7;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS

108; Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN75 SE1; Mm List/DAT/Griffiths, WE//BA

Finds, Cardiganshire/K-CD-6; Mm Desc Text/DAT/Cook, N/2001/Camddwr Wind Energy Project Nr Tregaron, Ceredigion/PRN 43143. Report No. 2001.54

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/It is recommended that this impressive monument is scheduled to try to preserve it for future generations, and to stop any further agricultural encroachment. It is worth scheduling alongside neighbouring barrows 8527 and 9009 for their group value.

OWNERSHIP Mr Jones, Nant Llwyd, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 5564 GARN GRON (WEST)

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7379561157

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.3m high/15m in diameter

SITING Hilltop/gentle/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT W

PROXIMITY Located within 300m of the start of a stream to the N, and within 450 m of the

start of another to the E/ESE. The lake lying close to barrow 2049 is visible

c.600m away to the SW.

VIEWS Between 105 and 139 degrees the summit of Garn Gron restricts the view, but

otherwise the views are extensive long views in all directions. Neighbouring barrows PRNs 5565 and 5566 lie c.200m away at 122 degrees, PRN 5570 intervisible at 37 degrees, some 1.46km away, and PRN 5569 also intervisible 1.24km away at 26 degrees. Cairn 2049 on Y Garn is 750m away at c.234

degrees.

DESCRIPTION

The site consists of a circular mound of stones, 15m in diameter and averaging a height of 1.3m. It is located on top of the most westerly summit of Garn Gron. The site is much disturbed, with a hollowed-out centre where some large slabs are exposed, one of which may represent a cist capstone. The hollow measures 3.5m across, and the slab is revealed 0.8m below the top of the cairn. Two other round barrow cairns, themselves much disturbed, lie 200m away to the E/ESE. Part of round barrow cemetery PRN 48388, and one of many cairns located on the highpoints of this undulating upland from Strata Florida over to Castell Rhyfel.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5565;5566

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Pm

 $List//RCAHM/1970/Card. Handlist/p.7; Mm\ List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS\ 108; Mm$

List/OS/OS///SN76 SW7;Mm GP/DAT/RCAHM/1920/DRF/Uncertain;Mm

List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards CL195

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling despite the disturbance to the cairn by virtue of its group value with neighbouring cairns 5565 and 5566, forming round barrow cemetery 48388. It would also be prudent to monitor the visitor disturbance to all three of these sites.

OWNERSHIP Common Land (owned by the Lord Lisburne estate?)

PRN 5565 GARN GRON

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7398261071

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.5m high/18m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT W

PROXIMITY Lying close to the Carn Gron local summit, and c.200m west of the start of a

stream.

VIEWS 360 degree panorama, with extensive views, although too hazy at the time of our

visit to get bearings on known landmarks. Nearby barrow PRN 5564 is intervisible at 299 degrees, with neighbouring barrow PRN 5566 visible at 55

degrees, c.20m away.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described by the Ordnance Survey in 1978 as a cairn on the highest point of Garn Gron, at 540m above OD, with good views in all directions. At the time of their visit the cairn measured 16.5m in diameter and 1.2m in average height. The Ordnance Survey noted that a shelter had been built in the cairn on its E side, with the NE segment cleared to ground level. The Ordnance Survey also noted four large flat stones lying near the center of the cairn, which they suggested may be the remnants of a cist, although none of the stones were in situ. When visited during the PFRS project in 2004 the condition of the site remained much as above. Some of the cairn material has obviously been robbed to create the shelter, and it is likely that some too has been taken by visitors to create the modern walkers' cairn now present on top of neighbouring barrow PRN 5566 c.20m away. The NE portion of the monument cleared of its stone as noted above by the Ordnance Survey is now turf-covered. There appears to be a possible 'kerb' around the edge of the cairn, which is turf-covered and with some of the stones set vertically in the ground.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5564;5566

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Cardiganshire

Handlist/p.7;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS///SN76 SW8;Pm

Map//OS/1963/6"/;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards CL69;Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling despite the disturbance to the cairn by virtue of its group value with neighbouring cairns 5564 and 5566, forming round barrow cemetery 48388. It would also be prudent to monitor the visitor disturbance to all three of these sites.

OWNERSHIP Common Land (owned by the Lord Lisburne estate?)

PRN 5566 GARN GRON

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7439961084

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.8m high/9m in diameter

SITING Hilltop/flat/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT Panoramic

PROXIMITY Situated on the highest point of Garn Gron with a stream within 200m to the

east.

VIEWS 360 degree panoramic views, although too hazy to get bearings on known landmarks

at the time of our visit, but would surely be intervisible with other cairns to the NE and SW. Cairn PRN 5565 is located c.20m away at 246 degrees, and cairn

PRN 5564 c.200m away at 293 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described by the Ordnance Survey as a modern cairn, 1.8m high and 5m diameter, standing on what appears to have been an earlier cairn measuring 9m in diameter at ground level, the edges of which are turf-covered. When visited during the PFRS project in 2004 the site remained as described above, with no change in its condition. It is one of three round barrows which together form round barrow cemetery PRN 48388.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5564;5565

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Cardiganshire

Handlist/p.7;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS///SN76 SW8;Pm

Map//OS/1963/6"/;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards CL69;Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling despite the disturbance to the cairn by virtue of its group value with neighbouring cairns 5564 and 5565, forming round barrow cemetery 48388. It would also be prudent to monitor the visitor disturbance to all three of these sites.

OWNERSHIP Common Land (owned by the Lord Lisburne estate?)

PRN 5569 CARN FFLUR (WEST); CARN FFLUR III

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7427662299

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.6m high/25m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT NW

PROXIMITY The junction of two streams which combine to form the Afon Fflur lies c.300m to

the SW of the site, just downslope.

VIEWS There are very long views from the site between 236 and 44 degrees, after which

the forest impedes the viewshed, which may well have been more extensive. There are medium views elsewhere, although the view becomes fairly closed by Carn Fflur

and its spur to the E. Neighbouring barrow PRN 8545 is intervisible at 338

degrees, located 170m away. Another barrow, PRN 5570, is located 360m away at 83 degrees, and would have probably been intervisible with this site originally, but is now surrounded by forestry. 330m away in the other direction, to the WNW, lies another barrow, PRN 5571, which is also intervisible. Ring barrow PRN 8545 lies

c.160m to the NNW and is also intervisible.

DESCRIPTION

The site consists of a substantial mound of stones, 25m in diameter and 1.6m high, located on a natural platform below and to the NW of a local highpoint which is part of Carn Fflur. The cairn overlooks the eastern slopes of Bryngwyn Bach down to the valley of the Afon Fflur. The Garn Gron group of monuments (PRN 48388) are located just over a kilometre away to the SSW, and would possibly have been intervisible. This site is one of a group of four monuments located on Carn Fflur, and is a most impressive site indeed. At the centre of the circular cairn there is a slight hollow in which is exposed a large flat slab. possibly the capstone for a cist, although there are no sidestones evident. A linear arrangement of stones extends some 14m or so to the SW from the south side of the monument, with a small cairn, 3m in diameter and 0.2m high, between the 'wall' and the main cairn. There is overspill cairn material just beyond the NW edge of the main cairn.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5570;5571;8545

SOURCES Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Cardiganshire Handlist/p.7;Mm

List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN76 SW5;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Pm

Mention//Briggs,CS/1982/Ceredigion/Vol.9,No.3,p.268;Mm

List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards R261P;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An

Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau,Llanddewi Brefi/p.31;Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling along with neighbouring sites 5571 and 8545, as being a good example of type and also for its group value as part of round barrow cemetery 48389. This site is also associated with round barrow 5570, already a SAM, located c.350m away to the E/ENE, which is also part of cemetery 48389, but is obscured from view by the forestry plantation which now surrounds this site.

OWNERSHIP Common Land (part of the Lord Lisburne estate?)

PRN 5570 CARN FFLUR (EAST)

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7462962361

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Forestry

DIMENSIONS 2m max height/1.7m average height/26m in diameter

SITING Ridge crest/flat/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT Panoramic

PROXIMITY Located on high ground between two rivers, the Crugnant c.400m to the E, and

the Afon Fflur c.500m to the SW.

VIEWS There are extensive 360 degree panoramic views from the site, although distant

peaks were not assessable due to hill fog at the time of our visit. The

surrounding forestry obscures some of the view today, whereas it is probable that originally neighbouring barrow PRN 8545, located 430m away at 285 degrees, would have been intervisible with the site, as would barrow PRN 5569 360m away to the WSW, and probably barrow PRN 5571 650m away to the W.

DESCRIPTION

A circular mound of small, medium and large stones c.26m in diameter and c.1.7m high. This barrow, located on the highest point of Carn Fflur on the crest of a ridge, is the most easterly of a group of four barrows located here, together forming round barrow cemetery PRN 48389. The site is a very impressive example of a Bronze Age round barrow cairn, and is today surrounded by a forestry plantation. There are some regenerating trees establishing themselves on the eastern side of the monument, and their development should be monitored. Otherwise the site remains substantially intact, although there is a central hollow within the top of the mound, c.4m in diameter and 1.5m deep, tapering as it gets deeper into the cairn. It is unlikely that this damage is recent. There is a small pile of stones on the NE edge of the monument, which is likely to be the result of the earlier investigations into the mound and which may also have been embellished by visitors to the site It is highly likely that this site would have been intervisible with the other three barrows in the group prior to afforestation of the area, and is also likely to have been visible from other parts of the wider landscape, given its prominent location and size.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5569;5571;8545

SOURCES Pm Map//OS/1963/6"/;Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Cardiganshire Handlist/p.7;Mm List

/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS//1978/SN76 SW6;Pm Mention//Briggs,CS/1982/Ceredigion/Vol.9,No.3, p.268;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards R261P;Pm Mention/DAT/Ceredigion Archaeological Survey/1988/An Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau,Llanddewi Brefi/p.31;Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/2000/Notification of scheduling/SAM file, CD186(CER);Mm Desc Text/DAT/CAP/1998/FE WHA Survey - North Tywi/SMR Library;Mm Database/DAT/CAP/1998/FE WHA Survey - North Tywi/MapInfo 5.0 tables;Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/1999/AM107/SAM file;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall,J

& Sambrook, P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/The presence of regen trees is a cause for concern and they should either be removed or monitored closely so as not to compromise the monument.

OWNERSHIP Forest Enterprise

PRN 5571 CARN FFLUR I

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW; RING BARROW?

NGR SN7395362346

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high /16m in diameter///32m diameter outer bank

SITING Hill slope/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT N

PROXIMITY Located 60m to the E of the Afon Fflur

VIEWS There are very long views from the site between 302 and 37 degrees, with the

remainder of the view restricted to medium by the local topography. Neighbouring barrow PRN 5569 is intervisible 330m away at 101 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A roughly circular cairn, 16m in diameter and 0.5m high, mostly turf-covered and with a ruined cist visible, measuring 1.2m x 0.7m x 0.4m. Much stone is exposed and the site appears to be a genuine round barrow, forming part of round barrow cemetery PRN 48389. The cairn is enclosed within a much larger bank of earth/stones, c.32m in diameter, noted by the Ordnance Survey in 1978 as an oval enclosure and visible only on the SW side of the site in 2004. The Ordnance Survey suggested that the enclosure may represent a later feature, such as a hafod. It is equally possible that the site may be a large ring barrow with a cairn at its centre, and hence it is recorded in the HER as a probable round barrow and possible ring barrow. The surviving remains of the outer bank on the SW side of the monument suggest that the bank was largely earthen with only occasional stone. On its N side the bank has been destroyed by a Deserted Rural Settlement/sheep-pen/building, whilst on its E side it has been destroyed/obscured by reed growth. The site would benefit greatly from a full survey and further investigation. The site is intervisible with barrow PRN 5569 located 330m away at 101 degrees. It is also likely to have been intervisible (prior to the forestry plantation) with barrow PRN 5570 located on the highest point of Carn Fflur c.650m away to the E. Another cairn, PRN 8845, is located c.275m away to the NE.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5569;5570;8545

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

List/OS/OS//1978/SN76 SW13; Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Hughes, SR/1974//; Pm

Mention//Briggs,CS/1982/Ceredigion/Vol.9,No.3,p.268;Mm

List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards R261P;Pm Mention/DAT/Ceredigion Archaeological Survey/1988/An Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau,Llanddewi Brefi/p.3;Pm List/DAT/RCAHM/1977//Arch in Wales, Vol 17,p.16;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall,J &

Sambrook,P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling along with neighbouring sites 5569 and 8545, as being a good example of type and also for its group value as part of round barrow cemetery 48389. This site is also associated with round barrow 5570, already a SAM, located c.650m away to the E, which is also part of cemetery 48389, but is obscured from view by the forestry plantation which now surrounds this site.

OWNERSHIP Common Land, (part of the Lord Lisburne estate?)

PRN 5573 BRYNGWYN BACH A

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7286162849

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.35m high/7m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT W

PROXIMITY Located on the west slopes of Bryngwyn Bach local summit, between the Afon

Fflur to the NE and the Nant Gorffen to the SW.

VIEWS There are long views from the site between 175 and 42 degrees, with the

remainder of the view otherwise closed by Bryngwyn Bach local summit. Another barrow, PRN 5574, is intervisible c.30m away at 274 degrees, with a third barrow,

PRN 5575, also intervisible, c.30m away at 288 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A turf-covered mound with an exposed central cist, located on the western slopes of local summit Bryngwyn Bach. The mound stands c.0.35m high and measures c.7m in diameter, and is one of a group of barrows forming round barrow cemetery PRN 48390. A number of stones from the cairn structure are exposed, in particular the stones set on edge on the southern side/edge of the mound. The cist is relatively undisturbed but lacks a capstone. It measures 1.2m in length, 0.9m in width and is 0.3m deep. This barrow is the most easterly of a group of three barrows which lie in very close proximity to each other, with two further barrows (PRNs 8560 and 9729) also part of the group.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5567;5574;5575;8559;8560;9729;48373

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

 $\label{list/OS/OS//SN76} List/OS/OS///SN76 SW11; Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Chater, AO/1969//Notes; Mm List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards R71P; Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An$

Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau,Llanddewi Brefi/p.31;Pm

List/DAT/RCAHM/1977//Arch in Wales, Vol 17,p.16;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall,J &

Sambrook,P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site and neighbouring barrows 5574, 5575, 8559, 8560, 9729 and 48373 are recommended for scheduling for their group value, and given their reasonable state of preservation as a round barrow cemetery.

OWNERSHIP Common Land (part of the Lisburne estate?)

PRN 5574 BRYNGWYN BACH B;BRYNGWYN BACH III

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7283362854

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.45m high/9m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT W

PROXIMITY Located on the west slopes of Bryngwyn Bach local summit, between the Afon

Fflur to the NE and the Nant Gorffen to the SW.

VIEWS There are long views from the site between 165 and 47 degrees, with the

remainder of the view otherwise closed by Bryngwyn Bach local summit. Another barrow, PRN 5573, is intervisible c.30m away at 91 degrees, with a third barrow,

PRN 5575, also intervisible, and only c.10m away, at 323 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A nearly-circular, partially grass-covered burial cairn with a ruined central stone cist. The mound measures c.9m in diameter and stands 0.45m high. Some of the stones are set vertically in the ground, especially on the southern edge, where they appear to form part of a retaining bank (or ring) for the monument. This site is one of three barrows in close proximity to one another, on the western slopes of Bryngwyn Bach, with two other barrows (PRNs 8560 and 9729) also associated with the group, which together form round barrow cemetery PRN 48390.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5567;5573;5575;8559;8560;9729;48373

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

List/OS/OS///SN76 SW11;Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Chater,AO/1969//Notes;Pm

List//Leighton,DK/1984/Proceedings of the Prehistoric

Society/Vol.50,p.337,338,No.11,Fig.7;Mm List/DAT/1989/CR/Cards R71P;Pm Mention/DAT/Ceredigion Archaeological Survey/1988/An Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau,Llanddewi Brefi/p.27,31;Pm List/DAT/RCAHM/1977//Archaeology in Wales, Vol 17,p.16;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Ystrad Fflur

Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site and neighbouring barrows 5573, 5575, 8559, 8560, 9729 and 48373 are recommended for scheduling for their group value, and given their reasonable state of preservation as a round barrow cemetery.

OWNERSHIP Common Land (part of the Lisburne estate?)

PRN 5575 BRYNGWYN BACH C;BRYNGWYN BACH II

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7282862856

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.6//11/7.5/9.5/7

SITING Hill slope/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT W

PROXIMITY Located on the west slopes of Bryngwyn Bach local summit, between the Afon

Fflur to the NE and the Nant Gorffen to the SW.

VIEWS There are long views from the site between 163 and 52 degrees, with the

remainder of the view otherwise closed by Bryngwyn Bach local summit. Another barrow, PRN 5574, is intervisible only 10m away at 143 degrees, with a third

barrow, PRN 5573, also intervisible, c.30m away at 105 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

This site consists of an oval cairn composed of loose stones and rubble, 11m (NE-SW) x 9.5m (NW-SE), standing to a maximum height of 0.6m. Within the cairn material and protruding through it is a ring of 16 upright, leaning and fallen slabs, delimiting an area 7.5m x 7m. There is a large upright slab on the SW side of the monument and evidence for a ruined cist at its centre, orientated roughly N-S. This site is one of a group of monuments located here on Bryngwyn Bach, and is in particularly close association with two barrows, PRN 5574 10m away to the SE and 5573 30m away to the E/ESE. All three of these barrows share a number of similar characteristics, in terms of size and structural elements, with all three having similar 'ring'-like features and ruined N-S-aligned cists. The two other barrows in the group, 8560 and 9729, lie c.75m and c.220m to the N and NE respectively. These are of also of similar size, but do not have the other visible architectural features exhibited by the other three sites. Nonetheless, together all five sites form a round barrow cemetery, PRN 48390, which is itself part of a wider ritual landscape spread across these uplands, comprising another barrow cemetery (PRN 48389) c.1.4km to the ESE, monument complex PRN 48391 c.1.4km to the NE (not afforested) and the Carn Gron barrow cemetery (PRN 48388) c.2km to the SE. All of these sites seem to be focused around the flowing of the Afon Fflur.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5567;5573;5574;8559;8560;9729;48373

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

List/OS/OS///SN76 SW11;Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Chater,AO/1969//Notes;Pm

List//Leighton, DK/1984/Proceedings of the Prehistoric

Society/Vol.50,p.334,337,No.10,Fig.7;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards R71P;Pm Mention/DAT/Ceredigion Archaeological Survey/1988/An Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau,Llandewi Brefi/p.27,31;Pm List/DAT/RCAHM/1977//Archaeology in Wales, Vol 17,p.16;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Ystrad Fflur

Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site and neighbouring barrows 5573, 5574, 8559, 8560, 9729 and 48373 are recommended for scheduling for their group value, and given their reasonable state of preservation as a round barrow cemetery.

OWNERSHIP Common Land (part of the Lisburne estate?)

PRN 5609 GARREG-HIR

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN7037283523

QUARTER SHEET SN78SW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Trefeurig

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.45/2/0.46/0.4/0.8/0.6

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION E-W

ASPECT WNW

PROXIMITY Sea views over to Clarach Bay, plus located looking down a river valley.

VIEWS Sea view between 272 and 279 degrees. Remainder of view closed by surrounding

topography.

DESCRIPTION

A fine standing stone, long axis aligned E-W, although the stone now leans heavily to the SW. There is evidence for an animal-eroded hollow around the base of the stone on its southern side in particular. One largish 'packing' stone is earthfast on the east side of the tall menhir, with other smaller possible packing stones visible around its base. The viewshed is dominated by the valley vista out to Clarach Bay, with sea views visible. The stone when upright would have stood some 2m in height. With its current lean, the stone stands 1.45m high and measures 0.6m on its S side, 0.4m on its W side, 0.8m on its N face and 0.46m on its E.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

List/OS/OS/1978//SN78 SW17; Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Griffiths, WE///Typescript

notes

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This stone is recommended for scheduling as a great example of its type, in a wonderful location with excellent views. The stone appears in a stable condition but its 'lean' should be monitored.

OWNERSHIP Tenant: Pant-y-gareg hir, Cwmsymlog. Landowner = Peter Lewis, unknown address,

but in the village of Cwmsymlog.

PRN 5613 BUWCH A'R LLO

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE PAIR

NGR SN72208335

QUARTER SHEET SN78SW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Melindwr

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS

SITING Hill slope/moderate/bottom

ORIENTATION ENE-WSW

ASPECT SSE

PROXIMITY Located towards the bottom of a slope leading down to Nant Geifas located c.150

away to the SSE.

VIEWS There is a long vista between 82 and 113 degrees, with peaks visible at 74 and

64 degrees. Esgair Gorlan dominates the view to the SSE/S.

DESCRIPTION

A fine standing stone pair, known as the 'cow and calf'. The stones are located at the side of the road just before the start of the Mynydd March forestry plantation. The stones themselves lie 2.2m apart and are aligned ENE-WSW, with the westerly stone the larger of the two. The long axis of the westerly stone is SW-NE, but the stone itself is an odd and interesting shape. It stands 1.8m tall, 1.6m wide and 1.2m thick. The smaller, easterly stone stands c.1.1m high, 0.7m long when measured across its long axis and 0.55m when measured at its top. The stone gradually slopes at the top from NE-SW, and its top is slightly hollowed. There is lichen growth on both stones, which are themselves surrounded by reeds. There are a number of other prehistoric sites in the area including standing stone PRN 8586 located c.100m away to the west, which is still extant, whilst another standing stone, PRN 5612, was located c.650m away to the NW but has since been destroyed by forestry operations. There is no longer any trace of another standing stone, PRN 5611, which the RCAHMW recorded as lying c.450m to the NE, also adjacent to the road.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5612;8586;8588;8590

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/196?//SN78 SW8;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm Desc Text/RCAHM////Typescript notes;Pm

List//Bird,AJ/1972/Ceredigion/Vol.VII,No.1,p.43,Nos.12 & 13;Mm

GP/DAT/Murphy,K/1986/1927-54/DRF;Mm GP/DAT/Wigfall,S/1994//Colour photo Nos 15-16, DRF for PRN 26588;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1994/Pendam Forest Design Plan/DRF for PRN 26588, No.9;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Wigfall,S/1994/Pendam Forest Design Plan/DRF for PRN 26588, comment;Mm GP/DAT/Wigfall,S/1994//Colour

print 14, DRF for PRN 26588;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Melindwr Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This fine stone pair is recommended for scheduling as an excellent example of its type, which is also easily accessible for visitors. It is one of a number of prehistoric monuments in the area.

OWNERSHIP Details unknown. Sites located adjacent to road.

PRN 5617 HIRNANT I

SITE TYPE CAIRN CIRCLE

NGR SN7534983925

QUARTER SHEET SN78SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Blaenrheidol

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.6//5///

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT NW

PROXIMITY Overlooking the Afon Rheidol, which flows just over 200m away downslope.

VIEWS Intervisible with PRN 5618, a site almost identical to this one, located 750m

away at 18 degrees. PRN 5620 is also intervisible 80m away at 30 degrees. There are good views over to surrounding ridges, especially the peak at 4 degrees (Drosgol, which is surmounted by a pair of round barrow cairns, PRNs 6233 and 48409). The site is also intervisible with PRN 5608, a barrow located on top of

Disgwylfa Fawr 1.75km away at 280 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described in the SMR as a round barrow and scheduled by Cadw as a stone circle, this site instead appears to fall somewhere within the category of 'cairn circle' as described by Lynch (1972: 63), although it by no means happily resides in this group. Current appearances suggest a close link with the 'kerb cairn' tradition also, but because the stones are not strictly contiguous, and because a cairn mass was recorded for the site by Hemp in the early 1900s, this site leans more towards the cairn circle definition rather than that for a kerb circle. The cairn material reported by the RCAHMW as seen by Hemp in the early 1900s had been subsequently robbed by the time Sansbury visited the site in 1931, which gives the impression of a largely level area, more akin to kerb circles. The fact that the ring of stones appears around the outside of the mound rather than emerging from within it further complicates this monument's definition into any one particular site type group, and if anything the monument appears to be a hybrid of the cairn circle and kerb cairn types. The site currently consists of an orthostatic kerb/ring of 16 stones, each spaced c.0.3m apart and forming a circle 5m in diameter, which is heavily overgrown and encroached by vegetation. The stones appear to surround a mound, which is turf-consolidated and overgrown with reeds. There are a couple of gaps within the ring of stones, which may indicate missing stones, or be a deliberate feature. This site is very similar to another nearby monument, PRN 5618, which is intervisible from the site and located 750m away at 18 degrees. A cairn circle proper, PRN 2060, is located c.5km away to the south, and also overlooks the Rheidol. These are such unusual monuments that it is very tempting to see a connection between them, especially as there are no other known examples within Ceredigion recorded so far.

ASSOCIATED WITH 2060;5467;5618;5619;5622;5623;9736

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

List/OS/OS/1978//SN78 SE3;Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Card.Handlist/p.7;Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/1977//Ms notes;Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Sansbury,AR/1938//Typescript notes;Mm Plan/DAT/RCAHM/1980/DRF/;Pm List//Evans,J/1977/Arch.Camb/Vol.126,p.36;Pm Mention//Briggs & Leighton,CS & DK/1979/Arch.Camb/Vol.126,p.37; Mm GP/DAT/DAT/1984/DRF/;Pm List//Leighton,DK/1984/ PPS/Vol.50,p.342,344,No.23,Fig.12;Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/1988/AM107/Cd 123;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi/p.31;Mm AP Oblique/DAT/Musson,CR/1992/AP92-025.44 Close up from SW, note recent afforestation over sched site, Y Garnedd, Cd041 to E;Pm Desc Text/CADW/Rees,S/1992/Dyfed:A guide to Ancient & Historic Wales/p.53-5;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Sambrook,RP & Hall,JJ/2003/Blaenrheidol Community Audit/SMR Library;Pm Desc Text/Lynch, F/1973/Scottish Archaeological Forum/Vol. 4, p.61-80

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/It is recommended that the vegetation which is encroaching and overtaking this scheduled monument be cleared and managed. The area as a whole would benefit from a detailed topographic survey (after vegetational clearance) to try and establish the extent and nature of the ritual complex which seems to be focused here in the Upper Rheidol valley. This would help to clarify the features recorded by Evans in 1952, some of which were not relocated by the RCAHMW in 1977, nor DAT in 2005. The area to be surveyed should focus on the Y Garnedd and Garn Lwyd groups, located to the north and south of Hirnant, Ponterwyd (SN75358372), which includes PRNs 5467, 5617, 5618, 5619, 5620, 5621, 5622, 5625, 9733, 9734, 9735, 9736, 9737, 9738, 9850, 9851, 9852, 9853, 9854, 9855, 9856, and 9857.



PRN 5617 looking NNW

PRN 5619 GARN LWYD

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7523283374

QUARTER SHEET SN78SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Blaenrheidol

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 2/0.8/20///

SITING Valley slope/moderate/middle

ASPECT W

PROXIMITY Overlooking the Afon Rheidol

VIEWS The views are restricted by the surrounding topography and dominated by the

medium views to the SW/W/NW of the Rheidol valley. Between 185 and 190 degrees there is a small window of a long view over to some other uplands. The site was possibly intervisible with PRN 5617 to the N, but this is currently obscured by the trees surrounding the Hirnant settlement. The cairns on Pumlumon are visible

at 11 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

This is an interesting round barrow, which looks impressive and mound-like when viewed from the road to the east, and whose profile appears to mimic the peak directly west across the river, on which fort PRN 5614 is located. Other round barrows were suggested to exist on top of this peak at Dinas (PRN 8587), but were not located during fieldwork in 2005. The Garn Lwyd barrow here appears to be c.2m high from its north side, but on its south side it reduces to 0.8m in height. The barrow makes use of a natural rock outcrop which accentuates its profile. On the south side the barrow is less reed-covered and stones protrude through the grass, which may be tumbled cairn material. Standing stone 5625 lies c.20m away to the ESE. Outcropping rock is visible on the western side of the barrow which is otherwise largely covered with reeds and long grass, although some large stones are visible on top of the mound.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5617;5620;5621;5625;9850;9851;9852;9853;9854;9855;

9856;9733;9734;9735;9857

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/196?//SN78 SE2;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Card.Handlist/p.7;Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Griffiths,WE/1953//Ms notes;Mm Desc Text/RCAHM//Typescript Notes;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1981/CR/5625;Pm Mention//Briggs & Leighton,CS & DK/1977/Arch.Camb/Vol.126,p.37;Pm Mention//Evans,J/1977/Arch.Camb/Vol.126,p.37;Pm List//Evans,J/1977/Arch.Camb/Vol.126,p.37;Pm Mention//Briggs & Leighton,CS & DK/1979/Arch.Camb/Vol.126,p.37;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau,Llanddewi Brefi/p.31;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Sambrook,RP & Hall,JJ/2003/Blaenrheidol Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling largely because of its association with other scheduled monuments in the immediate area, including PRNs 5617, 5620 and 5618 (SAM CD14, CD41 and CD42 respectively) located c.595m, c.665m and 1.33km away to the N/NNE. The site appears to be largely intact although heavily overgrown, and clearly lies in an area which was a particular focus for prehistoric funerary and ritual activity. This whole area could benefit from a detailed topographic survey: J Evans in Arch Camb 1977 published the results of a survey here in 1952 in which he recorded a number of other possible cairns in this and the adjacent field (PRNs 5617-23, 5499, 9850-7, 9733-8), but many of these could not be traced by Briggs and Leighton when they visited the area for themselves in 1977. During the PFRS project in 2005 some sites were found and others were not, but the fieldwork was hampered by the vegetation and terrain. The nature and extent of the cluster of sites here needs clarifying in order to assess whether we are dealing with a much larger barrow cemetery and ritual complex focused in the Upper Rheidol valley.

PRN 5620 **GARNEDD Y**

SITE TYPE **ROUND BARROW**

NGR SN7540284004

QUARTER SHEET SN78SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

Blaenrheidol COMMUNITY

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1//13///

SITING Valley slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

NW **ASPECT**

PROXIMITY Overlooking the Afon Rheidol

The views from the site are largely restricted by local topography, although it is **VIEWS**

intervisible with PRN 5618 to the north, 5608 to the NW and 5617 to the south.

DESCRIPTION

A large circular, grassy mound, visible in the field but heavily overgrown with reeds. The field in which this barrow is located is poorly drained and waterlogged, and is covered with juncous, which makes the assessment of any other associated archaeological features very difficult. During the PFRS field visit the site was recorded as c.13m in diameter and 1m high, larger than previous recordings by the Ordnance Survey and RCAHMW. The site lies within a cluster of other prehistoric funerary and ritual monuments (PRNs 5467, 5621-3, 9736-8), and is intervisible with cairn circle 5617 located c.85m to the SE, and also with another cairn circle, 5618, located c.665m to the NNE. Another round barrow mound lies 55m to the NW by the telegraph pole and would have formed a barrow pair with this site. Garn Lwyd round barrow lies c.665m to the SSW. A summit top barrow, 5608, lies on top of Disgwylfa Fawr, 1.8km to the NW, and is also visible from this site. The barrow lies on a NW-facing valley hillslope leading down to the Afon Rheidol.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5467;5619;5621;5622;5623;9736;9737

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/196?//SN78 SE4;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/ DRF/OS 108;Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Card.Handlist/p.7;Mm Desc Text/RCAHM//1971//Ms notes; Mm AP Vertical//RAF/1961//F21-58-4663 0029-30; Mm List/DAT/DAT/1979/CR/5467-Orthostat?; Pm List//Evans,J/1977/Arch.Camb/Vol.126,p.36;Pm Mention//Briggs & Leighton,CS & DK/1977/ Arch.Camb/Vol.126,p.37;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau,Llanddewi Brefi/p.31;Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/1988/AM107/SAM file Cd 41;Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/1993/AM107/SAM file Cd 41; Mm Desc Text/DAT/Sambrook, RP & Hall, J/ 2003/ Blaenrheidol Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/ The area as a whole would benefit from a detailed topographic survey (after vegetational clearance) to try and establish the extent and nature of the ritual complex which seems to be focused here in the Upper Rheidol valley. This would help to clarify the features recorded by Evans in 1952, some of which were not relocated by the RCAHMW in 1977, nor DAT in 2005. The area to be surveyed should focus on the Y Garnedd and Garn Lwyd groups, located to the north and south of Hirnant, Ponterwyd (SN75358372).

OWNERSHIP Nant y Caerhedyn, Ponterwydd, Ceredigion. **PRN** 5621 **GARNEDD A**

SITE TYPE **ROUND BARROW**

NGR SN7535984059

QUARTER SHEET SN78SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

Blaenrheidol COMMUNITY

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.8m high/8m in diameter

SITING Valley slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

NW **ASPECT**

PROXIMITY Overlooking the Afon Rheidol

Largely closed by surrounding topography but intervisible with neighbouring barrow **VIEWS**

5620, and also with cairn circle 5618 to the north.

DESCRIPTION

Located 60m to the NW of scheduled round barrow PRN 5620, this site consists of a smaller, slightly oval mound roughly 8m in diameter and 0.75m high. The monument is heavily overgrown with reeds, and is located downslope from its neighbouring barrow, adjacent to an electricity pole. The ground around the site at the time of the PFRS field visit in August 2005 was waterlogged and poorly drained, with heavy reed growth. Some stones were visible on top of the turf-consolidated mound. The views from this site were slightly more restricted than from the larger barrow PRN 5620 located 60m away at 146 degrees. Together both barrows form a round barrow pair. The barrow is part of a larger cluster of monuments (PRNs 5467, 5620, 5622-3, 9736-8) and is also intervisible with cairn circle 5617 to the south and 5618 to the north.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5467;5619;5620;5622;5623;9736;9737

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/196?//SN78 SE4;Mm List/ DAT/OS/1978 /DRF/OS 108;Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Card.Handlist/p.7;Mm Desc Text/RCAHM//1971//Ms notes; Mm AP Vertical//RAF/1961//F21-58-4663 0029-30; Mm List/DAT/DAT/1979/CR/5467-Orthostat?; Pm List//Evans,J/1977/Arch.Camb/Vol.126,p.36;Pm Mention//Briggs & Leighton,CS & DK/1977/ Arch.Camb/Vol.126,p.37;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi/p.31; Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/1988/AM107/SAM file Cd 41; Mm Desc Text/DAT/CADW/1993/AM107/SAM file Cd 41; Mm Desc Text/DAT/Sambrook, RP & Hall, JJ/2003/Blaenrheidol Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/It is recommended that the schedule currently covering neighbouring barrow 5620 (SAM CD41) be extended to include this barrow too. Both sites form a round barrow pair, and are part of a wider prehistoric funerary and ritual landscape here in the Upper Rheidol valley. The area as a whole would benefit from a detailed topographic survey (after vegetational clearance) to try and establish the extent and nature of the ritual complex which seems to be focused here in the Upper Rheidol valley. This would help to clarify the features recorded by Evans in 1952, some of which were not relocated by the RCAHMW in 1977, nor DAT in 2005. The area to be surveyed should focus on the Y Garnedd and Garn Lwyd groups, located to the north and south of Hirnant, Ponterwyd (SN75358372).

OWNERSHIP Nant y Caerhedyn, Ponterwydd, Ceredigion. PRN 5622 HIRNANT

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7531983888

QUARTER SHEET SN78SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Blaenrheidol

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.75m high/8m in diameter

SITING Valley slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT NW

PROXIMITY Overlooking the Afon Rheidol

VIEWS Intervisible with PRNs 5620, 5621, 5617 and 5618.

DESCRIPTION

A turf-covered mound, 8m in diameter and 0.75m high, with surrounding reed growth. It was very difficult to establish the exact extent of the site because of the dense vegetational cover, but it seemed likely to be a circular barrow-like mound. Previously this site was recorded in the SMR also as a possible spoil tip, associated with an area of peat or turf-cutting, and the Ordnance Survey concluded this mound was associated with these workings rather than a prehistoric cairn. However, we could see no reason for this to be upcast, and the close association with cairn circle PRN 5617 (located 50m away to the NE) suggests this is more likely to be of prehistoric origin, with perhaps the later encroachment of the workings described by the Ordnance Survey .

ASSOCIATED WITH 5617;5620;5621;9736

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/196?//SN78 SE8;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm Desc Text/RCAHM//1971//Ms notes;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108,SN78 SE8;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An

Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi/p.31; Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Sambrook,RP & Hall,JJ/2003/Blaenrheidol Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/If it can be established that this is indeed a genuine round barrow, then the site should be scheduled as part of a wider complex of monuments in the locale, which includes already scheduled sites 5617, 5618, 5620 and 5619. The area as a whole would benefit from a detailed topographic survey (after vegetational clearance) to try and establish the extent and nature of the ritual complex which seems to be focused here in the Upper Rheidol valley. This would help to clarify the features recorded by Evans in 1952, some of which were not relocated by the RCAHMW in 1977, nor DAT in 2005. The area to be surveyed should focus on the Y Garnedd and Garn Lwyd groups, located to the north and south of Hirnant, Ponterwyd (SN75358372).

OWNERSHIP Nant y Caerhedyn, Ponterwydd, Ceredigion.

PRN 5625 GARN LWYD

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN7524583355

QUARTER SHEET SN78SE

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Blaenrheidol

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5//0.25//0.35/

SITING Valley slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION N-S

ASPECT WSW

PROXIMITY On land sloping down to the Afon Rheidol

VIEWS The views are restricted by the surrounding topography and dominated by the

medium views to the SW/W/NW of the Rheidol valley. Between 185 and 190 degrees there is a small window of a long view over to some other uplands. The site was possibly intervisible with PRN 5617 to the N, but this is currently obscured by the trees surrounding the Hirnant settlement. The cairns on Pumlumon are visible

at 11 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A small standing stone, 0.5m high, located c.20m to the SE of Garn Lwyd round barrow (PRN 5619). The stone is surrounded by reeds, which obscure it slightly from view. The stone stands 0.5m high x 0.35m long x 0.25m thick, and is fractured on its western face. The long axis of the stone is almost N-S, 10-190 degrees, which aligns with cairn circle PRN 5617, which is located c.590m away at precisely 10 degrees. On its own the stone is not particularly impressive, but given its location in close association with round barrow PRN 5619, and in an area rich in a number of other prehistoric monuments, then it perhaps becomes more interesting and significant.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5619;9850;9851;9852;9853;9854;9855;9856;9733;

9734;9735;9857

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1981/CR/5619;Pm

Mention//Briggs & Leighton,CS & DK/1977/Arch.Camb/Vol.126,p.37;Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN78 SE2;;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Sambrook,RP &

Hall, JJ/2003/Blaenrheidol Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/It is suggested that this stone be considered for scheduling alongside neighbouring round barrow 5619, and both sites could be scheduled under the same entry. See details under PRN 5619.

OWNERSHIP Nant y Caerhedyn, Ponterwydd, Ceredigion.

PRN 5628 ESGAIR HIR MINE

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN7292190896

QUARTER SHEET SN79SW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / C

COMMUNITY Ceulanamaesmawr

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.72//0.14//0.74/0.34

SITING Hill slope/gentle/bottom

ORIENTATION WNW-ESE

ASPECT SE

PROXIMITY Located within view and close to Llyn Nantycagal, with Nant Ddu 100m to the

west.

VIEWS There is a vista across the Llyn from 156 to 198 degrees. The remainder of the

view is closed by surrounding upland topography looking over to Moel y Garn and Moel y Llyn, where there are other Bronze Age monuments (e.g. PRNs 6264-6

and 8597 on Moel y Llyn to the WNW).

DESCRIPTION

Located on a natural terrace towards the bottom of a gentle southerly hill slope, with Nantycagal to the S/SSE and Nant Ddu to the west. The stone leans to the south and is in a precarious condition, with three large chunks of it having fragmented and broken away. There is animal erosion around the base of the stone which has further undermined the monument, and packing stones are visible. The stone stands 1.72m tall, and is 0.14m thick, with its long axis aligned 120-300 degrees. The width of the stone across its middle is 0.74m, but is only 0.33m wide at the base where the stone has broken. The stone is located in a waterlogged location with encroaching reed growth, and lies c.20m south of some stone-built 'barracks' marked on the Ordnance Survey 6" map, which were presumably associated with the nearby quarry/mining complex.

ASSOCIATED WITH 8600

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2c,CD

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/Possibly schedule this stone and take remedial action?

OWNERSHIP Details unknown

PRN 5630 CERIG BLAEN-CLETTWR-FAWR

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN70779256

QUARTER SHEET SN79SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Llangynfelyn

LAND USE

DIMENSIONS 1//11//9/

SITING Summit/flat/top

ORIENTATION NE-SW

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located on high ground between the Afon Cletwr to the SW and the Afon Einion to

the NE.

VIEWS Assumed to be excellent views, not dissimilar to the Moel y Llyn cairns, with sea

views although the view would be partially closed to the SSE by Moel y Llyn itself. Cairns on other peaks are likely to be visible, such as those on Pumlumon

to the ESE/SE and PRN 8564 to the WNW.

DESCRIPTION

This round barrow is situated on top of a local summit, Cerrig Blaencletwr-fawr, a prominent rock outcrop on Esgair Foel-ddu at 470m above OD. The site is located c.1km to the NNW of the Moel y Llyn group of round barrows (PRNs 6264-6 and 8597), and is intervisible with them. When visited by the Ordnance Survey in 1978 the site was described as a cairn of loose stones and boulders, c.11m in diameter NE-SW and 9m NW-SE. It stood c.0.9m high, but stones at the centre of the cairn had been fashioned into a shelter, c.3.5m in diameter and 1m high, with an opening to the west, making the site quite prominent in the landscape. The site was not visited during the PFRS project in 2005 as we were unable to negotiate the brash/trees of the forestry plantation to get access to the site from the east. However, the site could be clearly seen from the Moel y Llyn barrows to the SSE and appeared to remain exactly as described by the Ordnance Survey .

ASSOCIATED WITH 6264;6265;6266;8597

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1976//2b,CD;Mm List/OS/OS/196?//SN79 SW1;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm AP Vertical//RAF/1961//F21-58-4502

0234-5;Mm AP Vertical//RAF/1961//F21-58-4502 0234,5;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/0S 108

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling alongside the other summit-top cairns in the area (PRNs 8564 and the Moel y Llyn group) which are all intervisible and form a characteristic part of the prehistoric funerary and ritual landscape in these uplands. These sites are comparable with the already scheduled barrows on Pumlumon Fawr and Pen Pumlumon Arwystli, etc. to the SE/ESE, and are part of a wider spread of sites which seem to both dominate and range across the peaks of upland Ceredigion.

OWNERSHIP Details unknown (open upland)

PRN 5750 GURNOS MOUNTAIN (WEST)

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN3560145888

QUARTER SHEET SN34NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Troedyraur

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.65m high/16m in diameter

SITING Local summit/flat/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located within 500m of an issuing stream

VIEWS Probably 360 degree panoramic views before the forestry plantation, but too misty

to properly assess at the time of our visit. Intervisible with neighbouring

barrows PRNs 6354 and 5273.

DESCRIPTION

A roughly circular grass-covered mound, 16m in diameter and 0.65m high, with a fair percentage of stones protruding through the surface in discrete patches, suggesting a high ratio of stones to earth in the fabric of the barrow. There appears to be a fairly large depression in the centre of the mound, c.0.2m deep, but it was impossible to tell whether this was the result of robbing/excavation, as the grass-cover was too long. This barrow is one of three located on Gurnos Mountain forming barrow cemetery PRN 10569.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5273;6354

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1975//SN34 NE7;Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Card.Handlist/;Mm

Map//RCAHM//Record 6"/; Mm AP Vertical/DAT/Meridian Airmaps/1955//230-240

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RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling alongside neighbouring sites 5273 and 6354. All three barrows are located on top of Gurnos Mountain and together form round barrow cemetery 10569. All three sites are intervisible with each other and can be accessed via a public footpath/bridleway. It is also recommended that the barrows and the area surrounding them are surveyed to assess the potential value of the various undulations in the field, which may represent associated features.

OWNERSHIP Prof. Landon, Cae Nos, Ffostrasol, SA44 5JT.

PRN 6233 CARNEDDAU

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7594387853

QUARTER SHEET SN78NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Blaenrheidol

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.8//15//13/

SITING Summit/flat/top

ORIENTATION E-W

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Overlooking Nant-y-Moch reservoir and Llyn Craigpistyll to the SW. Located on

high ground with numerous streams in close proximity and flowing in all

directions.

VIEWS There are fabulous 360 degree views from the site around to all the major peaks

and topographic features. The view was too hazy to assess properly, but the site was intervisible with the cairns on Pumlumon Fawr (5600, 5601 and 6237), and also Y Garn (PRN 4133). Cairns on top of Moel y Llyn (PRN 6265, etc.) were also

visible.

DESCRIPTION

Previously recorded in the SMR as 'a pair of much denuded cairns, one having a shelter built out of it'. There are indeed two cairns here, forming a round barrow pair (PRN 55923) on a rough E-W alignment, and located on top of a local summit (Drosgol) above the Nant-y-Moch reservoir. This site is the most westerly cairn of the two, with its twin (PRN 48409) located 10m away to the east. It measures c.15m in diameter N-S and 13m E-W, and stands to a maximum height of 0.8m. On the SW edge of the barrow there is a modern shelter, 5.5m in diameter and 1.4m high, constructed by robbing the cairn material of the monument. The barrows here are intervisible with numerous other summit-top cairns in the surrounding area (e.g. Pumlumon Fawr , Y Garn, Moel y Llyn) and were also visible from the numerous Bronze age barrows located in the valleys below, some of which have been drowned by the reservoir (e.g. PRNs 4129, 4130, etc.), whilst others remains extant (e.g. PRN 7645, 5499).

ASSOCIATED WITH 4129;4130;48409

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1964//SN78 NE10;Mm AP Vertical//RAF/1950//541-515 3053-4;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/DAT/Briggs & Murphy,CS & K/1984//No.41,see SRF;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards CL27;Pm

List/DAT/Briggs,CS & Murphy,K/1984//Arch in Wales, Vol 24,p.33 No. 41;;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Sambrook,RP & Hall,JJ/2003/Blaenrheidol Community Audit/SMR

Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site and neighbouring barrow PRN 48409 are recommended for scheduling as an good example of a round barrow pair, comparable with the Pumlumon Fawr cairns and other scheduled round barrows in the area.

PRN 6247 BRYN DU

SITE TYPE STONE ROW?

NGR SN71569666

QUARTER SHEET SN79NW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / U

COMMUNITY Ysgubor-y-coed

LAND USE Forestry

DIMENSIONS

SITING Ridge//top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY

VIEWS Excellent views over the Dyfi estuary recorded by the OS in 1977.

DESCRIPTION

First recorded in 1935 by Ford as 'A standing stone, 6ft 6" high and roughly rectangular situated on the summit of a ridge a few feet NW of a stone boundary wall... A 3ft long rock slab lies 7ft east of the standing stone with two small standing stones in between; a further slab, roughly shaped, is 8ft to the south' (Ant. J. 7, 1935, p.345). When the site was visited by the Ordnance Survey in 1978 they recorded that the stones were as described, except they were located to the SE of the junction of two walls in an patch of long grass in a recently afforested area. The Ordnance Survey described the largest stone as 2.2m long and semi-recumbent, with packing stones visible around its base. It formed a line with the two smallest stones (0.5 and 0.4m high) which were erect, and a stone 1m long which was also semi-recumbent. The fifth stone to the south of the row was only partially visible but appeared to be lying flat. The Ordnance Survey also noted the excellent views from the site down the Dyfi estuary. By the time of the PFRS site visit in August 2005, 28 years on from the last Ordnance Survey visit in 1977, the site was now lying in an area of dense mature forestry which was impenetrable. Access was gained to the area by a forest track, but the grid ref for the stones placed them 140m into the forestry upslope. It is likely that the stones remain in the same condition as when last seen by the Ordnance Survey , as there appear to have been no more forestry operations in the area since it was planted, but there is the definite possibility that these stones could be damaged when the trees area eventually felled and the area replanted.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1964//SN79 NW5;Pm Desc

Text//Forde,CD/1935/Ant.J/Vol.15,p.345;Pm Desc Text//Forde,CD/1935/BBCS/Vol.7,Pt.IV,p.420;Mm AP

Vertical/OS/RAF/1946//106G-UK-1459 3163-4; Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS

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RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/If indeed this site is a stone row or a complex surrounding a standing stone, then it is worthy of being protected by scheduling. There is a danger that the site may be damaged or destroyed when the trees surrounding it are felled and re-planted, and it is preferable that a management agreement be reached for the site in advance of any forestry operations to try and ensure their survival.

OWNERSHIP FC

PRN 6264 LLECHWEDD LLWYD

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7107491422

QUARTER SHEET SN79SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Ceulanamaesmawr

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 3m maximum height/1m average height/11m in diameter

SITING Ridge/undulating/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Llyn Moel-y-Llyn is located c.175m to the NE and a stream running down to the

Afon Ceulan c.300m downslope to the ESE. There are also huge sea views.

VIEWS Fabulous views from the site - a 360 degree panorama. There are sea views

between 223 and 312 degrees, with another little vista between 320 and 327 with the Lleyn peninsula behind. The remainder of the viewshed is extremely long, except where interrupted by Moel y Llyn itself on which neighbouring cairns PRNs 6265 and 6266 are located at 38 and 24 degrees respectively. The fourth cairn in the group. PRN 8597, is visible at 70 degrees, 270m away. PRN 5630 is visible at 347 degrees on Cerrig Blaenclettwr-Fawr. The cairns on Pumlumon Fawr are visible at 121 degrees and those on Pen Pumlumon Arwystli at 10 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described by the Ordnance Survey as a round cairn situated on a rocky knoll at the southern end of Moel y Llyn in open moorland. In 1978 the barrow consisted of loose stone and small boulders, with a diameter of 14m and a height of 0.9m. A modern cairn 4m in diameter and 2.5m high was recorded on the summit of the cairn. This barrow is the most southerly of four round barrow cairns built across Moel y Llyn, with the others in the group, PRNs 6266, 6265 and 8597, located c.450, 330 and 270m away to the NNE/NE respectively. When visited as part of the PFRS project in September 2005 the monument remained much as described above. The walkers' cairn surmounting the barrow was recorded as 2m high, and had a capping of white quartz blocks, making the cairn very prominent in the landscape. The barrow itself was recorded as measuring 11m in diameter, composed of medium-large grey stone blocks forming a platform 1m high, surmounted by the walkers' cairn at its centre. Apart from this the barrow appears undisturbed and with its neighbouring cairns PRNs 6265, 6266 and 8597, forms a barrow cemetery comparable to those on Pumlumon Fawr (PRNs 5600-1 and 6237) and Pen Pumlumon Arwystli (PRNs 8591-3).

ASSOCIATED WITH 5630;6263;6265;6266;8597;55924

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1964//SN79 SW3;Mm AP Vertical//RAF/1961//F21-58-4502

0243-4; Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site and neighbouring barrows 6265, 6266 and 8597 are all recommended for scheduling as an excellent example of a summit-top round barrow cemetery comparable to those on Pumlumon Fawr and Pen Pumlumon Arwystli (SAM CD35-37 and 150).

PRN 6265 MOEL Y LLYN (SOUTH)

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7127191695

QUARTER SHEET SN79SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ceulanamaesmawr

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 2.5m high/19m in diameter

SITING Ridge/undulating/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Overlooking Llyn Moel-y-Llyn upland lake which separates this site from

neighbouring barrow 6264. There are also sea views.

VIEWS Fabulous 360 degree views, same as for neighbouring barrow PRN 6264. There are

sea views between 222 and 322 degrees, with Bardsey island and the Lleyn peninsula at 305 degrees. PRN 5630 is intervisible at 332 degrees, with neighbouring barrows in the cemetery here also intervisible (PRN 6266 at 352 degrees and PRN 6264 at 212 degrees). The cairns on top of Pumlumon Fawr and

Pen Pumlumon Arwystli are visible at 113 and 124 degrees respectively.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described by the Ordnance Survey in 1978 as a round cairn located on a rocky knoll on the summit of Moel y Llyn in open moorland. The cairn was recorded as having an average diameter of 13.5m and with a height of 1.5m, although the central area was described as having been reduced to 0.8m above outside ground level, the displaced stones being used to build a modern centrally-placed cairn, 1.5m high and 2.5m in diameter, with a wall shelter on the north side of it, to the east of which was a trig point. Stones from the cairn were recorded as having spread down the hillslope a further 6m to the east and 2m to the west. When visited as part of the PFRS project in September 2005 the site remained largely as described, although was recorded with a diameter of c.19m. This round barrow cairn is one of a group of four such monuments built on top of Moel y Llyn, forming a barrow cemetery comparable to those on Pumlumon Fawr (PRNs 5600-1 and 6237) and Pen Pumlumon Arwystli (PRNs 8591-3). This barrow is the most central of the four cairns here, with PRN 6266 located roughly to the north and PRNs 6264 and 8597 to the SSW and SSE respectively. As recorded by the Ordnance Survey there is some disturbance apparent to the cairn in the form of a rectangular sheep shelter on the western side of the cairn (1.2m high) with a second shelter on the opposite side formed around the trig point, with this shelter opening to the south. The trig point remains in situ. At the centre of the cairn a wall 1.2m high separates the two shelters and a small slab has been places upright here. Despite the disturbance caused by the construction of the trig pillar and the shelters, etc. the large majority of the cairn appears undisturbed and is an excellent example of its type.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5630;6263;6264;6266;8597;55924

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1964//SN79 SW8;Mm AP Vertical//RAF/1961//F21-58-4502

0243-4; Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site and neighbouring barrows 6264, 6266 and 8597 are all recommended for scheduling as an excellent example of a summit-top round barrow cemetery comparable to those on Pumlumon Fawr and Pen Pumlumon Arwystli (SAM CD35-37 and 150).

PRN 6266 MOEL Y LLYN (NORTH); MOEL LLYN

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7124391838

QUARTER SHEET SN79SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Ysgubor-y-coed

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.5m high/12m in diameter

SITING Ridge/undulating/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Llyn Moel y Llyn upland lake just visible c.230m to the south.

VIEWS Fantastic 360 degree views, closed only a fraction by PRN 6265 150m away to the

S/SSE. Shares the same excellent views as neighbouring sites PRNs 6264 and 6265. Cader Idris visible at 2 degrees, and there are also excellent sea views. PRN 5630

also intervisble to the NNW.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described by the Ordnance Survey in 1978 as a round cairn on the summit of Moel y Llyn in open moorland, measuring 11.5m in diameter and 1.7m in height. The stones were noted to have spread a further 1.5m downslope to the west. Apart from a small shallow crater at the centre and about 2m of recently constructed retaining walling of the NW side of the barrow, about 2m from the centre, the Ordnance Survey suggested the site to be undisturbed. When the barrow was visited as part of the PFRS project in September 2005 it remained as described. This cairn is the most northerly of the group of four round barrows located on top of Moel y Llyn. It is the least disturbed of the group and is composed of grey stone blocks with an overall diameter of 12m and a height of c.1.5m. The shallow crater at the centre of the cairn is c.1m in diameter.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5630;6263;6264;6265;8597;55924

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1964//SN79 SW4;Mm AP Vertical//RAF/1961//F21-58-4502

0243-4; Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108; Pm Mention//Briggs, CS/1982/Ceredigion/Vol.9, No.3, p.268

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site and neighbouring barrows 6264, 6265 and 8597 are all recommended for scheduling as an excellent example of a summit-top round barrow cemetery comparable to those on Pumlumon Fawr and Pen Pumlumon Arwystli (SAM CD35-37 and 150).

PRN 6354 GURNOS MOUNTAIN (MIDDLE)

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN356284586

QUARTER SHEET SN34NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Troedyraur

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high/16m in diameter

SITING Local summit/flat/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Within 500m of an issuing stream.

VIEWS Probable 360 degree panoramic views although too misty at time of visit to

properly assess. Intervisible with two neighbouring barrows PRNs 5273 and 5750.

DESCRIPTION

A flat-topped, circular, grass-covered mound, c.16m in diameter and 0.5m high, located on private land on top of Gurnos Mountain but visible from the public bridleway. There is a slight depression on top of the mound on its north side. On its western side, just beyond the edge of the barrow, there are a number of depressions in the ground which may represent the vestiges of a ditch, although it was noted that similar features extended further into the field to the west. The barrow has suffered somewhat from ploughing in the past, with its condition reduced from B to C. This site is the middle barrow of three mounds located on top of Gurnos Mountain, forming round barrow cemetery PRN 10569 with PRNs 5273 and 5750.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5273;5750

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1975//SN34 NE7;Pm List//RCAHM/1970/Card.Handlist/No.6;Mm

List//RCAHM//Record 6"/; Mm AP Vertical/DAT/Meridian Airmaps/1955//230-240

18090-1

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling alongside neighbouring sites 5750 and 5273. All three barrows are located on top of Gurnos Mountain and together form round barrow cemetery 10569. All three sites are intervisible with each other and can be accessed via a public footpath/bridleway. It is also recommended that the barrows and the area surrounding them are surveyed to assess the potential value of the various undulations in the field, which may represent associated features.

OWNERSHIP Prof. Landon, Cae Nos, Ffostrasol, SA44 5JT.

PRN 8065 BANC

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN2496148996

QUARTER SHEET SN24NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Y Ferwig

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.7//48//38/

SITING Ridge/gentle/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT Panoramic

PROXIMITY Within 200m of a stream located to the E of the site.

VIEWS There are very long views between 211 and 241 degrees which encompasses most of

the Preseli range. Otherwise there are commanding medium to long views all around elsewhere, although buildings restrict the view to the NE. Foel Cwm-cerwyn

is visible at 223 degrees and Carn Meini at 216 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

This monument measures some 48m N-S and 38m E-W and stands some 1.7m high. The barrow has been Clearly spread by ploughing, but even so, retains an impressive profile and appearance. The topography in this area is characterised by undulating ridges and this roughly circular mound appears to lie on a scarped rising ridge which accentuates its size. The farmer reported 'hard white rock' close to the surface on the mound which he encountered when ploughing. The field is currently under grass, presumably cultivated for silage and used for grazing. There is a telegraph pole inserted into the top of the mound.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1974//SN24 NW9; Ph Mention///1861/Arch.Camb/3rd

Series, Vol. 7, p. 316

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This impressive barrow, despite being spread by ploughing, is recommended for scheduling as a good example of its type, and to hopefully protect it from further erosion by coming to a management agreement with the landowner.

OWNERSHIP Mr Howells, Cyttir-Bach, Blaenannerch.

PRN 8355 ALLT PENGRAIG (N)

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN2493045477

QUARTER SHEET SN24NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Beulah

LAND USE Pasture; Arable

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high/22m in diameter

SITING Hilltop/gentle/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT N

PROXIMITY On high ground overlooking streams to NE, S and W.

VIEWS There are excellent 360 degree panoramic views from the site. The barrows on

Frenni Fawr are intervisible at 206 degrees, as is Foel Drygarn at 220 degrees and Foel Cwm-cerwyn at 230 degrees. Carn Ingli also visible at 248 degrees. Moelfre (Blaen Bowi) visible at 142 degrees, Neighbouring barrow PRN 5217 lies

c.100m away at 211 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

This site is the most northerly of two barrows on Allt Pengraig, which together form round barrow pair PRN 48382. As with neighbouring barrow PRN 5217, this barrow lies in a field regularly ploughed and cultivated for silage, and as a result is gradually being eroded away. The barrow now measures 22m in diameter and stands 0.5m high: when previously visited by the Ordnance Survey in 1975, the mound stood 0.8m high, and thus has lost an average of 1cm a year since then. This site lies slightly downslope from barrow PRN 5217, and is in marginally better condition than its near neighbour, but the existence of both barrows is clearly threatened by ongoing agricultural activity. Despite lying slightly downslope from PRN 5217, which partially closes the view, the same stunning panorama is achievable from the site, with all the Preseli peaks and monuments still visible.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5217

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1974//SN24 NW14

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/Both this barrow and neighbouring site 5217, which together form round barrow pair 48382, are recommended for scheduling as their continued existence is severely threatened by the ongoing ploughing and cultivation of the field in which they are located. Despite not being in the best of conditions, these two barrows are nonetheless an example of a rare prehistoric monument tradition, and their intervisibility with the Preseli peaks and their associated monuments suggests that this was a significant ritual location during the Bronze Age.

OWNERSHIP Mr Des Jones, Penlanfach Farm, nr. Llandygwydd, Cardigan.

PRN 8489 CWMERE FARM

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN6879387721

QUARTER SHEET SN68NE

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Ceulanamaesmawr

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.65//0.75/0.39/0.65/0.3

SITING Valley slope/gentle/bottom

ORIENTATION SSW-NNE

ASPECT SSW

PROXIMITY Overlooking a valley and stream, with Afon Cwmere audible only 50m away

VIEWS The view is relatively closed, but there is a long view between 110 and 128

degrees up to surrounding mountains (Craig yr Allt Ddu).

DESCRIPTION

A well-preserved standing stone, located on gently sloping land down to a stream, the Afon Cwmere, which can be heard babbling away c.50m to the SSW. The stone appears to stand within its own small mound and appears undisturbed. The stone stands 1.65m high, and measures 0.75m wide at its base, tapering to 0.39m wide at the top. On the western side the stone measures 0.65m at the base, tapering to 0.3 at the top. The long axis of the stone is aligned SSW-NNE, towards the direction of the stream. The owner of Tygwyn said that local legend has it that there were once four stones in the area, with the belief that if you were stood within the area bounded by the four stones the law couldn't touch you. Another local resident at Tan-y-Bwlch also said that a Bronze Age settlement is alleged to be sited adjacent to the stone.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS/1976//SN68 NE8;Pm

List//Bird,AJ/1972/Ceredigion/Vol.VII,No.1,p.43,No.15

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This stone is recommended for scheduling as a good example of its type, which appears well-preserved and undisturbed.

OWNERSHIP Mrs Hilda Thomas, Cwmere Farm, Talybont, Ceredigion.

PRN 8494 GARN WEN

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6897392747

QUARTER SHEET SN69SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Llangynfelyn

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 3//16///

SITING Spur/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT SW

PROXIMITY Overlooking the Afon Clettwr to the south, and with the Dyfi estuary and the sea

dominating the view to the west and north.

VIEWS The view is closed between 48 and 114 degrees by Foel Goch, which supports

another round barrow, PRN 8564, visible at 81 degrees. The cairns on Moel y Llyn (PRNs 6264-6) are clearly visible at 123 degrees. The remainder of the viewshed from 126 degrees round to 48 degrees is extremely long, and encompasses wide

sea views, Borth Bog and the Dyfi estuary.

DESCRIPTION

A fabulous round barrow cairn, which despite showing evidence for some visitor disturbance, seems largely intact. Two 'thrones' have been fashioned out of the cairn material on its SW side, affording fabulous views out to sea and over the Dyfi estuary, although a little windy! At the top of the cairn there is a 1m high walkers' cairn, with a stone set upright within it. The cairn as a whole is steep sided, and makes the most of the natural topography to enhance its shape and profile. The summit of Foel Goch supporting barrow PRN 8464 is visible at 81 degrees. As with PRN 8464 this barrow is much steeper on its western side due to the lie of the land. The barrow, which stands some 3m high and c.16m in diameter is located on a ridge-like spine of land leading down to Borth Bog, and is one of a number of round barrow cairns in the area, with a cluster of other smaller barrows downslope to the south (PRNs 8562-3, 8565-7, 5435 and 11938). A newly discovered standing stone, PRN 55927, was recorded c.230m east of the barrow here, in a saddle/col between Garn Wen to the west and just before the rising slopes of Foel Goch to the east.

ASSOCIATED WITH 8564;8562;8563;8565;8566;55927

SOURCES Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS/1964//SN69 SE7;Ph

Map/NLW//1900?/RM C20/Lodge Park estate map;Pm Mention//Briggs,CS/1982/Ceredigion/Vol.9,No.3,p.269-70

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling as an excellent example of its type, largely intact, and one of a much wider group of PFRS monuments located within this part of the landscape.

OWNERSHIP Mr Watkins, Henllys, Borth, Ceredigion.

PRN 8516 ESGAIR PERFEDD

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7473459334

QUARTER SHEET SN75NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high/7.5m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT SW

PROXIMITY Located on a hillslope with the Camddwr 325m to the ESE and the Groes Fawr

c.180m to the WNW.

VIEWS The view is closed between 14 and 157 degrees by immediate local topography,

with the remainder of the view ranging from medium to short views, also restricted by the surrounding upland landscape. Barrow PRN 5550 is intervisible

c.340m to the NW.

DESCRIPTION

A reasonably preserved round barrow cairn, c.7.5m in diameter and 0.5m high, located just over the field boundary from the track which leads from Nant y Maen farm to the Bryn Cosyn/Moelau uplands. The cairn is turf-consolidated with much stone visible through its surface. At the time of our visit during the PFRS project in November 2005 it was noted that two old fence posts had been dumped on the SSW side of the mound. The monument is intervisible with neighbouring barrow PRN 5550 located 340m away at 306 degrees, and is probably also intervisible with two other cairns in the area, PRNs 8520 and 8519 located c.600 and c.320m away respectively, both on the same trajectory to the WNW/NW.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5550;5551;8519;8520;8523

SOURCES Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Briggs,CS/1977//;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1977//2b,CD;Mm Desc Text/DAT/RCAHM/1977//DRF;Mm List/OS/OS/1977//SN75 NW9;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An Upland

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List/DAT/RCAHM/1977//Arch in Wales, Vol 17,p.17

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/All the barrows located in the area of the trackway leading from Nant y Maen farm up to the Bryn Cosyn/Moelau uplands are probably worthy of scheduling, and this includes barrows 5550, 5551, 8516, 8519 and 8520. The group should possibly also include 8517 and 8523 located to the west of the other sites on the other side of Nant Moelau. Although some of the sites are not necessarily that well preserved, their significance as a group and their inter-relationships with each other and the wider landscape is worthy of recognition.

PRN 8517 NANT Y MOELAU

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7408459608

QUARTER SHEET SN75NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high/8m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located adjacent to Nant Golau which runs just to the E

VIEWS There is a long viewshed between 104 and 153 degrees. However, the view is

closed between 270 and 36 degrees, with the remainder of the viewshed limited by

forestry and local topography.

DESCRIPTION

The site consists of a small, turf-consolidated cairn, 8m in diameter and 0.5m high located in tract of open moorland below Castell Rhyfel. There has been substantial interference with this monument, and its condition has been reduced from C to D. Just off the centre of the mound are the remnants of a possible cist demarcated by one vertical slab and one leaning slab forming a roughly rectangular feature 1m long and 0.55m wide. The cairn is located next to Nant y Molau, which runs alongside it to the E. Another round barrow, PRN 8523, lies just over 100m away to the WSW, whilst across the stream there are other barrows, which may have been intervisible with this site originally (PRN 8519 150m to the E, PRN 5550 380m to the ESE and PRN 8520 c.450m to the ESE/SE).

ASSOCIATED WITH 5550;8519;8520;8523

SOURCES Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Briggs, CS/1977//; Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108; Mm

List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1977//2b,CD;Mm Desc Text/DAT/RCAHM/1977/DRF;Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN75 NW8;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An Upland

Archaeological Survey at Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi/p.316

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/All the barrows located in the area of the trackway leading from Nant y Maen farm up to the Bryn Cosyn/Moelau uplands are probably worthy of scheduling, and this includes barrows 5550, 5551, 8516, 8519 and 8520. The group should possibly also include 8517 and 8523 located to the west of the other sites on the other side of Nant Moelau. Although some of the sites are not necessarily that well preserved, their significance as a group and their inter-relationships with each other and the wider landscape is worthy of recognition.

PRN 8519 BRYN COSYN III

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7423559603

QUARTER SHEET SN75NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.3//6//9/

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT S

PROXIMITY Within 100m of Nant y Moelau which lies to the west of the site.

VIEWS There are reasonably long views down the Moelau/Groes Fawr/Camddwr valleys

between 119 and 141 degrees. The remainder of the views are medium except where closed between 16 and 70 degrees. Cairn PRN 5550 intervisible at 113

degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A cairn of stones, turf-consolidated in places, with encroaching reed growth on all sides. The cairn is ovoid in shape, measuring 9m N-S and 6m E-W, with a pile of stones 3m x 1.5m on the eastern edge of the otherwise flat monument. The area is heavily overgrown with reeds which made assessment of the exact shape of the monument more difficult. There appears to have been a certain level of disturbance to the mound in the past, but no indications of any recent damage. The barrow appears to be in a stable condition and any sub-surface features are likely to remain intact. To the west of the barrow, 4m from its edge, there is a small upstanding stone, possibly a marker, which stands c.0.18m high, 0.14m long and 0.09m thick, with a long axis aligned N-S. The upright stone was clearly not natural and appears to have been purposefully placed. Vegetational encroachment has no doubt contributed to the stone no longer being so prominent. The ground surrounding the whole site was very waterlogged at the time of our visit as part of the PFRS project in November 2005. The site is intervisible with PRN 5550 located 220m away at 113 degrees, with another cairn, PRN 8520, located c.290m away at 124 degrees. On the other side of Nant Moelau and c.150m to the west of this site is another much denuded barrow, PRN 8517, which has an exposed cist at its centre.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5550;8516;8517;8520;8523

SOURCES Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Briggs,CS/1977//;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

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Archaeological Survey at Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi/p.31

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/All the barrows located in the area of the trackway leading from Nant y Maen farm up to the Bryn Cosyn/Moelau uplands are probably worthy of scheduling, and this includes barrows 5550, 5551, 8516, 8519 and 8520. The group should possibly also include 8517 and 8523 located to the west of the other sites on the other side of Nant Moelau. Although some of the sites are not necessarily that well preserved, their significance as a group and their inter-relationships with each other and the wider landscape is worthy of recognition.

PRN 8520 BRYN COSYN II

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7449159459

QUARTER SHEET SN75NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.4m high/5m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT SE

PROXIMITY Located on a hillslope between the Groes Fawr to the E and Nant Moelau to the W

and SW.

VIEWS There is a long view between 130 and 143 degrees down the Camddwr valley. The

view is closed between 319 and 81 degrees, with the remainder of the view restricted to medium and short views by surrounding topography. Another barrow,

PRN 5550, is intervisible upslope 80m to the NW.

DESCRIPTION

A small round barrow cairn, c.5m in diameter and 0.4m high, intervisible with neighbouring round barrow PRN 5550 located 80m upslope to the NW. The cairn is heavily encroached by reed growth and is a turf-consolidated mound of stones, with some slippage of material downslope to the S. Currently the monument is not particularly visible in the landscape, but without the reed growth it would be much more prominent. This site is one of a number of barrows located on or close to the track which leads from Nant y Maen farm to the Bryn Cosyn/Moelau uplands.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5550;5551;8516;8517;8519;8523

SOURCES Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Briggs,CS/1977//;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1977//2b,CD;Mm Desc Text/DAT/RCAHM/1977/DRF/;Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN75 NW10;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An Upland

Archaeological Survey at Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi/p.31

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/All the barrows located in the area of the trackway leading from Nant y Maen farm up to the Bryn Cosyn/Moelau uplands are probably worthy of scheduling, and this includes barrows 5550, 5551, 8516, 8519 and 8520. The group should possibly also include 8517 and 8523 located to the west of the other sites on the other side of Nant Moelau. Although some of the sites are not necessarily that well preserved, their significance as a group and their inter-relationships with each other and the wider landscape is worthy of recognition.

PRN 8523 MOELAU

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7397759550

QUARTER SHEET SN75NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.6/0.5/11///

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT S

PROXIMITY Nant y Moelau lies 100m to the E and the Groes Fawr flows to the S at the bottom

of the slope c.160m away.

VIEWS There are long views between 83 and 143 degrees down the interlocking spurs to

the W of the site. May possibly have been intervisible with other nearby barrows

(PRNs 8517, 8519, 5550 and 8520).

DESCRIPTION

The site consists of a much robbed-out round barrow, c.11m in diameter and c.0.6m high, turf-consolidated but with plenty of stones protruding through the grass cover, There are what looks to be the remains of a cist at the centre, demarcated by vertical side slabs on two sides, creating a rectangular feature 1.3m long and 0.5m wide. The barrow looks quite good on its SW side, and seems reasonably complete, and might possibly represent the remains of a ring rather than round barrow. However, on the NE side of the site there is a large area of reeds and long grass which makes the identification of the exact extent of the monument on this side difficult. The monument is likely to be a robbed out round barrow cairn, with the NE side of the mound having suffered the most damage. There are fabulous views to the W of the site down the interlocking spurs of the Groes Fawr.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5550;5551;8516;8517;8519;8520

SOURCES Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Briggs,CS/1977//;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1977//2b,CD;Mm Desc Text/DAT/RCAHM/1977/DRF/;Mm

List/OS/OS/1978//SN75 NW19;Pm

List//Leighton,DK/1984/PPS/Vol.50,p.345,346,No.28,Fig.13;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer

Arch Survey/1988/An Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau,Llanddewi Brefi/p.27e;Pm List/DAT/RCAHM/1977//Arch in Wales, Vol 17,p.16

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling for its group association with PRNs 8516, 8517, 8519, 8520, 5550 and 5551 which are also recommended.

PRN 8524 CEFN CERRIG

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7647458023

QUARTER SHEET SN75NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Rough Pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.2m high/20m in diameter

SITING Ridge/moderate/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located close to Nant y Cwr to the E, and overlooking the Camddwr to the W.

VIEWS Very long views down the Camddwr valley etc. between 143 and 172 degrees, with

another long view again between 296 and 316 degrees. The remainder of the view is closed, and PRN 5552 located upslope is not actually intervisible from here.

DESCRIPTION

This site was first recognized in the field by the Ordnance Survey in 1978 when it was described as a round cairn of stones and small boulders located on the SW facing pasture slopes of a ridge end. The cairn had a diameter of 20m and a maximum height of 0.7m, and evidence of a kerb noticeable particularly on the NW and SE sides. The central area of the cairn was noted to have been cleared to ground level with a modern stone shelter 2m in diameter and 1m high having been built there instead. This site was further visited and recorded by DK Leighton in 1980 and remained as described by the Ordnance Survey two years earlier. The site was next visited by DAT in 1995 and described as a 'Cairn which has suffered further damage than when recorded in 1980. Now no standing walls of shooting hut within cairn but one probable face does remain on the southeast side. North east side of cairn is now mostly covered with grass. Some quartz or quartz covered stones in cairn construction. Cairn diameter approx. 20m and general height 0.5m.' When the site was visited as part of the PFRS project in November 2005 it was found to be a large round barrow cairn, 20m in diameter and 1.2m high at its maximum, located on the downward sloping end of a ridge running SW. Although there has been some disturbance to the barrow in the construction (and destruction) of a shooting hide towards the centre of the monument, this disturbance appears to be only superficial to the cairn material and sub-surface features beneath the cairn are likely to be intact. Some reed growth was noted as encroaching in the centre of the mound, within a slight hollow which is probably the result of the robbing of cairn material to build the shooting hide. The site lies within an area rich in prehistoric monuments, with barrow PRN 5552 390m upslope to the NE, and standing stone PRN 5553 c.400m away to the NW.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5552;5553;29830

SOURCES Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN75 NE4;Mm

List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1980//2b,CD;Mm Mention/DAT/RCAHM/1980/DRF/;Pm

List//Leighton,DK/1984/PPS/Vol.50,p.338,340,No.17,Fig.9;Mm

List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards CL R261P;Mm Archive/DAT/Crane,P/1995/Llyn

Brianne Uplands survey, PRN 29800 archive/Categories

A1,A4,B4,C1,C2,C4,D2,D3;Mm List/DAT/Crane,P/1995/Llyn Brianne Uplands survey, PRN 29800 archive/Index to archive, DRF;Mh Map///1839/Tithe map for

Caron

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This and some of the other sites in the area (such as PRNs 5551, 5552, 5553, 29829 etc.) may be worth consideration for scheduling, as together they form part of a wider upland ritual landscape which was clearly significant in the Bronze Age. All the sites are located on land owned by one farm.

PRN 8527 CARN SAITH-WRAIG

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7718352890

QUARTER SHEET SN75SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1m high/13.5m in diameter

SITING Ridge/undulating/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located between Nant Iwrch 300m to the W and Nant y Brthdir 400m to the E.

VIEWS There are fine views from the site over the interlocking spurs of the Doethie to

the SW. Cairn PRN 5555 lies 120m away at 317 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A round cairn situated at 430m above OD, upon a low ridge in open moorland. Composed of stones and small boulders with some quartz blocks visible within its fabric. The site has a diameter of c.13.5m and a maximum height of 1m. It has been dug to the centre from the north, east and west sides. At the centre are a number of flagstones up to 0.5m across, possibly the remains of a cist/cists, but at present they are lying in disarray within the central crater. There are no traces of kerbing. This cairn is intervisible with nearby cairn PRN 9009, and also with cairn PRN 5555. The cairn, which is turf-consolidated in places, makes use of a natural knoll, which accentuates its profile.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5555;9009

SOURCES Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN75 SE3;Mm

List/DAT/DAT/1980/CR/9009-Same site?;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Cook,N/2001/Camddwr

Wind Energy Project Nr Tregaron, Ceredigion/PRN 43143. Report No.2001.54

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is worth considering for scheduling for its group value in association with 5555 and 9009. Despite the disturbance to the mound, it is nonetheless a good example of its type.

OWNERSHIP Mr Jones, Nant Llwyd, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 8528 BLAEN NANT-Y-RHIW

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7676253481

QUARTER SHEET SN75SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.4m high/8m in diameter

SITING Local summit/flat/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located close to Nant y Rhiw to the NW and Nant y Benglog to the SW.

VIEWS Fabulous views from the site only restricted by the forestry immediately behind

the site between 335 and 110 degrees. Enjoys the same wide views as PRNs 9117 and 9118, located 90m and 230m away at 186 and 230 degrees respectively.

DESCRIPTION

When previously visited in 2001 the site was described as a small round cairn on the highest point of a broad ridge at 461m above OD. The site consisted of a rough platform of large stones, 6m in diameter and 0.2m high. The feature was grass-covered and appeared to be undisturbed except for a small modern marker cairn, 1.2m in diameter and 0.3m high surrounding a wooden post, which had been erected at the centre of the monument. The cairn is intervisible with standing stone PRN 9117 and another possible prehistoric cairn, PRN 9118, to the S and SW of this site respectively. The site enjoys extensive views out down the Doethie valley and over to the Brecon Beacons. When re-visited in 2004 the vegetation surrounding the monument was clearer, and revealed the cairn to have a diameter of c.8m and a height of 0.4m. The site was clearly distinguished from the surrounding long grass by noticeably shorter vegetation, and probing with a ranging rod suggests only a thin grass cover. The stone (walkers'?) cairn piled at the centre of the monument remained in situ, but the wooden post noted in 2001 has since been removed,

ASSOCIATED WITH 9117;9118;48381;48384

SOURCES Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN75 SE4;Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Cook,N/2001/Camddwr Wind Energy Project Nr Tregaron,

Ceredigion/PRN 43143. Report No.2001.54

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling as a good example of its type and by virtue of its group value for its close association with stone 9117 and cairn 9118 (also recommended for scheduling), and its close proximity to two other monument groups, on Bryn y Gorlan (48381, already scheduled) and Carn Saith Wraig (48384, recommended for scheduling).

OWNERSHIP Mr Jones, Nant Llwyd, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 8545 CARN FFLUR II

SITE TYPE RING BARROW

NGR SN7420662456

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high/11m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT N

PROXIMITY There is a stream c.150m to the W, and a number of springs close by.

VIEWS Extremely long views between 259 and 30 degrees. Medium views between 237 and

259 degrees. Remainder of the view is closed by topography and forestry.

DESCRIPTION

A nearly circular mound of stones, 11m N-S x 10m E-W and with an average height of 0.5m. The cairn shape has been corrupted on its eastern side by the construction of a near-rectangular 'extension' of stones, some of which may have come from the cairn material itself, with other stones cleared from the surrounding hillside. There are upright stones set within cairn forming a discontinuous ring, and there is also evidence of fallen uprights. It is possible that these stones represent the remains of an inner and outer ring of stones, arranged concentrically within the cairn. There appears to be an inner-ring arc of stones on the south side of the monument, with the largest upright slab measuring at least 0.6m in height. This monument is part of a larger group forming a barrow cemetery focused on Carn Fflur with neighbouring sites PRNs 5569, 5570 and 5571. This site also shares structural similarities with three of the cairns in the Bryngwyn Bach group 1.4km to the NW (especially barrows PRNs 5573-5).

ASSOCIATED WITH 5569;5570;5571

SOURCES Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN76 SW15;Pm

List//Leighton, DK/1984/Proceedings of the Prehistoric

Society/Vol.50,p.338,339,No.16,Fig.8;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An

Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi/p.31; Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Hall, J & Sambrook, P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling along with neighbouring sites 5569 and 5571, as being a good example of type and also for its group value as part of round barrow cemetery 48389. This site is also associated with round barrow 5570, already a SAM, located c.440m away to the ESE, which is also part of cemetery 48389, but is obscured from view by the forestry plantation which now surrounds this site.

OWNERSHIP Common Land, (part of the Lord Lisburne estate?)

PRN 8559 BRYNGWYN BACH E

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7286462928

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.35//6.5///

SITING Hill slope/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT WNW

PROXIMITY Located on the west slopes of Bryngwyn Bach local summit, between the Afon

Fflur to the NE and the Nant Gorffen to the SW.

VIEWS There are long views between 203 and 50 degrees, with the remainder of the

view obscured by Bryngwyn Bach local summit. Neighbouring barrow PRN 8560 is intervisible at 300 degrees c.30m away. Barrows PRNs 5573-5 lie 75 m away to

the S.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described by the Ordnance Survey as 'An irregular turf-covered heap of stones, measuring 6.5m x 6m x 0.3m in height'. The Ordnance Survey dismissed the site as a clearance cairn (as with site PRN 8558), but when visited as part of the PFRS project in 2004, it was felt that this site was highly likely to be the remains of Bronze Age burial cairn, especially given its close proximity to a number of other cairns here on the western slopes of Bryngwyn Bach (PRNs 5573-5,8560,9729,48373). Moreover the site comprised a round mound of stones, 6.5m in diameter and hollowed out at its centre (presumably the result of disturbance, looking for a cist?): in its size and location it is little different to the other sites on Bryngwyn Bach, and should feasibly be considered part of the round barrow cemetery PRN 48390.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5573;5574;5575;8560;9729;48373

SOURCES Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN76 SW11;Mm

List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards CL R71P;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An

Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi/p.31;Pm

List/DAT/RCAHM/1977//Arch in Wales, Vol 17,p.16;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall,J &

Sambrook,P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site and neighbouring barrows 5573, 5574, 5575, 8560, 9729 and 48373 are recommended for scheduling for their group value, and given their reasonable state of preservation as a round barrow cemetery.

OWNERSHIP Common Land (part of the Lisburne estate?)

PRN 8560 BRYNGWYN BACH F

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7283262944

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.35m high/7m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT WNW

PROXIMITY Located on the west slopes of Bryngwyn Bach local summit, between the Afon

Fflur to the NE and the Nant Gorffen to the SW.

VIEWS There are long views between 204 and 58 degrees, with the remainder of the view

closed by the slopes of the Bryngwyn Bach local summit.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described by the Ordnance Survey as 'A turf-covered heap of stones, measuring 7m in diameter and 0.3m in height', which they suggested might be a possible burial cairn. When visited as part of the PFRS project in 2004, the site remained as described by the Ordnance Survey , but was considered to be a probable Bronze Age barrow, part of the wider group concentrated on the W slopes of Bryngwyn Bach. An upright stone lies just off-centre of the mound on its E side. The mound is n now only partially turf-covered, with a number of stones visible. Neighbouring barrow PRN 8559 lies 30m away at 120 degrees, with barrows PRNs 5573-5 located c.80m to the S. Another two barrows, PRNs 9729 and 48373, lie c.180m to the E.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5567;5573;5574;5575;8559;9729;48373

SOURCES Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN76 SW11;Mm

List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards CL R71P;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An

Upland Archaeological Survey at Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi/p.31; Pm

List/DAT/RCAHM/1977//Arch in Wales, Vol 17,p.16;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall,J &

Sambrook,P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site and neighbouring barrows 5573, 5574, 5575, 8560, 9729 and 48373 are recommended for scheduling for their group value, and given their reasonable state of preservation as a round barrow cemetery.

OWNERSHIP Common Land (part of the Lisburne estate?)

PRN 8562 LLAINWEN I

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6887492231

QUARTER SHEET SN69SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Llangynfelyn

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high/11m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT S

PROXIMITY Overlooking the Afon Clettwr and with fine sea views.

VIEWS There are sea views from 218 to 263 degrees. Garn Wen is visible at 15 degrees

(PRN 8494) and the Moel y Llyn cairns at 112 degrees (PRNs 6264-6). There is a grand vista from 212 to 263 degrees, with another long view also from 127 to 135

degrees. The remainder of the view is restricted by local topography.

DESCRIPTION

Previously recorded in the SMR with an erroneous grid reference of SN68789217, but conforms to Ordnance Survey site SN69SE 16 listed at SN68859223 and filed under PRN 8562. In 1978 the Ordnance Survey described the site as a disturbed kerbless round cairn, just over 10m in diameter and up to 0.4m high, roughly circular and made up of boulders up to 1m in diameter. During the PFRS project in September 2005 a clearly defined circular cairn feature was found at SN6887492231, consisting of a platform of large angular blocks of stone, c.11m in diameter and 0.5m high, with some limited turf consolidation but encroaching reed growth. The barrow is intervisible with Garn Wen located to the N (PRN 8494) and is one of a larger group of barrows located here on the southern slopes of Llain Wen. This site is more clearly visible in the landscape than any of the neighbouring cairns visited (PRNs 8563, 8565-7, 5435, 11938), three of which are scheduled (PRNs 5435, 11938 and 8563). There are excellent views from the site, with a number of other barrows in the wider landscape visible from here, including the Moel y Llyn cairns to the east (PRNs 6264-6 and 8597) and scheduled barrows PRNs 5433 and 5434 located on the other side of the Afon Clettwr. PRN 8563 is located c.260m to the NE, with 5435 and 11938 c.255m to the ENE. PRNs 8565-7 are located c.100m to the NE and form a rough linear alignment with this barrow.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5434;8494;8563;8564;8565;8566;11938

SOURCES Mm Mention/RCAHM///Typescript Notes;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm

List/RCAHM/RCAHM///2b,CD;Mm Desc Text/DAT/RCAHM//DRF/;Mm

List/OS/OS/1978//SN69 SE16;Pm

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RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling as a good example of its type, but moreso for its association with numerous other monuments in the area, which together form a clear ritual landscape in this part of upland Ceredigion. Some of the neighbouring monuments are already scheduled (PRNs 5435, 11938 and 8593 (SAM-CD142)) and others are recommended for scheduling, e.g. Garn Wen (PRN 8494). All the monuments here which form this group could benefit from being properly surveyed and their inter-relationships further explored.

OWNERSHIP Mr Watkins, Henllys, Borth, Ceredigion.

(Should be the same as SAM CD 142?)

PRN 8564 CARN PEN Y FOEL GOCH

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6950992852

QUARTER SHEET SN69SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ysgubor-y-coed

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.8/0.75/15///

SITING Summit/flat/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT Panoramic

PROXIMITY Overlooking the Dyfi estuary and the sea.

VIEWS Fabulous extensive views from the site, closed only by Moel y Llyn at 136

degrees, which supports cairns PRNs 6264-6 and 8597. There is virtually a 360 degree panorama with extremely long views to the east (Pumlumon?) and north. There are sea views between 222 and 302 degrees, and the site overlooks the Dyfi

estuary.

DESCRIPTION

Previously recorded in the SMR as only a possible round barrow, this is quite definitely a summit-top round barrow cairn, located on top of the undulating summit of Foel Goch, with amazing views in all directions. The barrow looks to have been constructed on top of a natural rocky outcrop which has been embellished, and comprises a level-topped cairn c.15m in diameter. The surface of the barrow has been disturbed by the construction of a walkers'/marker cairn at the centre which stands c.1.5m high. The cairn itself is clearly circular, its profile accentuated on its NW side making the barrow appear c.2m high on this side, with the additional cairn extra to that. On its eastern side the barrow stands to a height of c.0.75m. The cairn appears largely intact and undisturbed apart from the walkers' cairn at its centre, and is turf-consolidated with some cairn material protruding through. Numerous other cairns in the surrounding landscape are visible from the site, such as Garn Wen (PRN 8494) to the WSW, the Moel y Llyn cairns to the SE (PRNs 6264-6 and 8597) and PRN 5630 to the east. Downslope to the SW c.750m way there lies a cluster of other smaller round barrow cairns (PRNs 8562-3, 8565-7, 5435 and 11938), but this site is not visible from those.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5435;8494;8562;8563;8565;8566;11938;55927

SOURCES Mh Map/NLW//1788/Estate Map/Vol.37, Map 9; Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS

108; Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN69 SE19

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling as an excellent example of a summit-top round barrow cairn, and also for its association with numerous other sites in the surrounding landscape, some of which are already scheduled (e.g. SAM CD142) and many others which are fine examples and recommended also for scheduling (e.g. Garn Wen and the Moel y LLyn group).

OWNERSHIP Mr Watkins, Henllys, Borth, Ceredigion (same at SAM CD 142?).

PRN 8565 LLAIN WEN

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6893692311

QUARTER SHEET SN69SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Llangynfelyn

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high/5m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION NE-SW

ASPECT S

PROXIMITY Sea views and overlooking the Afon Clettwr.

VIEWS There are sea views between 220 and 255 degrees, with long views between 130

and 142 degrees, and a long view again between 205 and 255 encompassing the sea

views. Elsewhere the view is closed by surrounding topography. The site looks

over the SAM barrows on the other side of the river (PRNs 5433-4).

DESCRIPTION

Located c.30m to the south of neighbouring barrow PRN 8566, this site consists of a partially-robbed round cairn, turf-consolidated in places with a possible central cist feature. The site is encroached by gorse on the SW side and reed growth on the east and west. The cairn measures 5m in diameter and stands c.0.5m high. This site is one of a group of barrows clustered in the area, with PRN 8562 c.100m to the SW and scheduled barrow PRN 8563 c.155m to the NE. Together these sites and neighbouring barrow PRN 8566 form a roughly NE-SW aligned linear arrangement of cairns here on the slopes of Llain Wen, with pair of barrows PRNs 5435 and 11938 located c.175m to the ESE and Garn Wen (PRN 8494) 420m to the north. The Moel y Llyn barrows (PRNs 6264-6 and 8597) are also visible c.2.5km away to the ESE.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5435;8494;8562;8563;8564;8566;11938

SOURCES Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1979/CR/8566,8567,5435 -

close association with agricultural clearance & definite round barrow; Mm

List/OS/OS/1978//SN69 SE20;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An Upland

Archaeological Survey at Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi, p.31,35; Pm

List//Leighton, DK/1977//Arch in Wales Vol 17, p.15

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling along with neighbouring barrows 8562 and 8566, as forming part of a round barrow cemetery here on the slopes of Llain Wen, of which three barrows, PRNs 8563, 5435 and 11938, are already scheduled (SAM CD142).

OWNERSHIP Mr Watkins, Henllys, Borth, Ceredigion.

PRN 8566 LLAIN WEN

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6894592346

QUARTER SHEET SN69SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Llangynfelyn

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high/8m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION NE-SW

ASPECT S

PROXIMITY Sea views and overlooking the Afon Clettwr.

VIEWS There are sea views between 220 and 255 degrees, with long views between 130

and 142 degrees, and a long view again between 205 and 255 encompassing the sea

views. Elsewhere the view is closed by surrounding topography. The site looks

over the SAM barrows on the other side of the river (PRNs 5433-4).

DESCRIPTION

A likely round barrow consisting of a roughly circular cairn of small stones, with a possible cist-like feature at its centre. The mound, which is partly turf-consolidated, stands c.0.5m high and measures c.8m in diameter. There has been some disturbance to the site, but it does not appear to be a clearance cairn. There is lots of surrounding reed growth, and the barrow is located on a 'shelf' of land just after a break of slope supporting lots of gorse growth. This monument is sited c.30 NE of another round barrow cairn, PRN 8565, with another burial cairn c.130m to the SW (PRN 8562), and another c.130m to the NE (PRN 8563). Together these four barrows form a roughly linear barrow cemetery aligned NE-SW, and also lie c.160m WNW of a pair of already scheduled barrows, PRNs 5435 and 11938. Garn Wen barrow (PRN 8494) is intervisible at 7 degrees c.400m to the north, and the Moel y Llyn cairns (PRNs 6264-6 and 8597) are visible c.2.5km away at 115 degrees.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5435;8494;8562;8563;8564;8565;11938

SOURCES Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1979/CR/8565,8567,8435 -

close association with agricultural clearance & definite round barrow; Mm

List/OS/OS/1978//SN69 SE20;Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An Upland

Archaeological Survey at Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi/p.31,35;Pm

List//Leighton, DK/1977//Arch in Wales Vol 17, p. 15

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling along with neighbouring barrows 8562 and 8565, as forming part of a round barrow cemetery here on the slopes of Llain Wen, of which three barrows, PRNs 8563, 5435 and 11938, are already scheduled (SAM CD142).

OWNERSHIP Mr Watkins, Henllys, Borth, Ceredigion.

PRN 8586 MYNYDD MARCH

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN7218183334

QUARTER SHEET SN78SW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / C

COMMUNITY Melindwr

LAND USE Heath; Forestry

DIMENSIONS 0.9//0.6//1.07/

SITING Hill slope/gentle/bottom

ORIENTATION NE-SW

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located close to Nant Geifaes, c.150m away to the SE.

VIEWS There is a long vista between 82 and 113 degrees, with peaks visible at 74 and

64 degrees. Esgair Gorlan dominates the view to the SSE/S.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described in the SMR as 'A possible standing stone, but it may be a naturally-occurring stone block. It is 1.1m high x 0.8m x 0.6m and is split vertically on its South side by frost action.' The site remains largely as described above, but is a definite standing stone associated with stone pair PRN 5613 which lie c.100m away to the east, just out of view. At the time of the field visit by the PFRS project in August 2005 the stone was recorded as measuring 0.9m in height, 0.67m wide (SE-NW) and 1.07m at its widest point on its long axis, aligned NE-SW. The stone remains split as recorded on its south side. There is well-established lichen and moss cover, and the stone is surrounded by moss and grass in a slight clearing at the side of the road which runs through the Mynydd March forestry plantation. Another standing stone, PRN 5612, was located c.350m away to the NW but has since been destroyed by forestry operations. This stone is one of many in the area, which seems to have been a favoured landscape for ritual activity in the Bronze Age. Stone pair PRN 5613 lie 100m away to the east, whilst two other pairs of stones lie c.1km away to the ENE (PRNs 8590 and 6238). Another stone, PRN 5611, was recorded c.500m away to the NE but no trace of this stone was found during the PFRS project in 2005.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5612;5613;8588

SOURCES Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Sansbury,AR/1938//Typescript notes; Mm

GP/DAT/Murphy,K/1986/1927-52,1927-53/DRF;Mm GP/DAT/Wigfall,S/1994//lour photo Nos. 12-13, DRF for PRN 26588;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1994/Pendam Forest Design Plan/DRF for PRN 26588, No.8;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Wigfall,S/1994/Pendam Forest Design Plan/DRF for PRN 26588, comment;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall,J &

Sambrook, P/2003/Melindwr Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This stone is recommended to be considered for scheduling by association with PRN 5613 located 100m away to the east, and for the same reasons that it is accessible and part of a wider ritual landscape.

OWNERSHIP

PRN 8588 NANT GEIFAES

SITE TYPE RING BARROW

NGR SN73188331

QUARTER SHEET SN78SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Melindwr

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.35//9.5///

SITING Valley slope/gentle/bottom

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Sited between two streams, the Nant Geifaes and Nant Glan-dwr, and overlooking

their confluence.

VIEWS There are long views along the valley between 81 and 125 degrees, with two other

long views between 249 and 275 degrees and between 305 and 331 degrees. The rest

of the view is restricted by local topography. The high ground visible between 249 and 275 degrees looks like there might be cairns upon it (PRN 5607?).

DESCRIPTION

This monument is sited overlooking the confluence of two streams (Nant Geifaes and Nant Glan-dwr), on a tongue of land between two ridges (Dinas to the NE and Esgair Gorlan to the S). The barrow is located adjacent to a rectangular sheep-fold, which lies 2m away from the site (PRN 48410), and which probably robbed some of its material from the barrow. Previously this site was recorded in the SMR as a round barrow or ring barrow: although it is likely that a lot of cairn material was robbed to make the sheep fold, the uniformity of the remaining 2m wide bank suggests that the site is more likely to have been a ring barrow in its original form. The barrow survives today as a turf-consolidated stone ring 2m wide creating a barrow with an overall diameter of c.10m, standing to a height of 0.35m. The centre of the ring supports much reed growth and moss. The bank is different, being grass-covered stone. Some stones are visible protruding through the grass cover, with the hollow interior of the barrow lower than the external ground level. The barrow is intervisible with the two standing stone pairs located c.350m to the NNW (PRNs 8590 and 6238).

ASSOCIATED WITH 5613;6238;8586;8590

SOURCES Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN78 SW24;Mm

List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards CL26; Mm Database//DAT/1999/SN78arch/MapInfo 5

table; Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall, J & Sambrook, P/2003/Melindwr Community

Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This ring barrow is recommended for scheduling as a good example of a quite rare form of prehistoric funerary/ritual monument. The site is located on common land, close to a road and is accessible to visitors. It lies in an area which is rich in prehistoric monuments, with three standing stone pairs within close proximity to the site. Two (PRNs 8590 and 6238) are c.350 and 300m away respectively to the NNW, with another, PRN 5613 located c.970m to the west, also adjacent to the same road and itself recommended for scheduling.

OWNERSHIP Common Land

PRN 8597 LLYN MOEL Y LLYN

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7133191525

QUARTER SHEET SN79SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Ceulanamaesmawr

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.2//6.5///

SITING Ridge//top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Llyn Moel-y-Llyn located just over 100m to the NW over the brow of the ridge.

VIEWS Not intervisible with the most northerly barrow of the group, PRN 6266. However, the

other two barrows in the cemetery here (PRNs 6265 and 6264) are intervisible at 342 and 251 degrees respectively. Two new barrows discovered during fieldwork (PRNs 48415 and 48416) are also visible at 79 degrees. There are extremely wide views from 106 round to 228 degrees, with the sea just visible. It is possible that the Preselis may well be visible on a clear day, with Frenni Fawr almost certainly visible. The cairns on Pumlumon Fawr and Pen Pumlumon Arwystli are also visible at 123 and 112 degrees. Another long vista window was also noted between 37 and 67 degrees. The remainder of the view was closed by the topography on which barrows 6264 and 6265 are located.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described by the Ordnance Survey as a small round cairn situated on the top of a ridge to the east of Moel y Llyn in close proximity to three larger cairns [PRNs 6264-6]. The Ordnance Survey recorded the site with a diameter of 6m and a height of 0.7m, composed of small loose stones, turf-covered around the perimeter. When visited as part of the PFRS project in September 2005, the site remained largely as described, and is included as part of the Moel y Llyn round barrow cemetery alongside neighbouring barrows 6264-6 located 275, 170 and 310m away to the SW and NNW. The site is a fantastic cairn located on top of a ridge created by a spine of outcropping rock, and measures 6.5m in diameter. It is composed of blocks of grey stone piled up, with little disturbance apparent. There appears to be a kerb surrounding the cairn, especially noticeable on its WNW side. Parts of the cairn are turf-consolidated. Neighbouring barrow 6264 is visible to the SW and 6265 to the N/NNW. Two new barrows (PRNs 48415-6) were discovered downslope during fieldwork en route to visit the Moel y Llyn group, and they too are intervisible from here.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5630;6263;6264;6265;6266;55924

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1964//SN79 SW11;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site and neighbouring barrows 6264, 6265 and 6266 are all recommended for scheduling as an excellent example of a summit-top round barrow cemetery comparable to those on Pumlumon Fawr and Pen Pumlumon Arwystli (SAM CD35-37 and 150).

OWNERSHIP

PRN 8610 LLANDDU-FAWR

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7876069990

QUARTER SHEET SN76NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ysbyty Ystwyth

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5//15///

SITING Hilltop/gentle/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT Panoramic

PROXIMITY Located on a local summit, on high ground between the Afon Claerddu (95m to

the E) and the Afon Ffos Ddu (150m to the W).

VIEWS Excellent 360 degree panoramic views, with views over to a number of other Bronze

age barrow sites, which are clearly intervisible. Mynydd Du is visible at 184

degrees and the Brecon Beacon peaks at 162 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A partially turf-covered mound of stones, 15m in diameter and 0.5m high, located on the local summit of Llan Ddu Fawr. The cairn is roughly circular and is surmounted by a trigpoint, around which a modern drystone sheep shelter has been constructed. The shelter stands c.1m high and has an opening to the E. Presumably it has been built by robbing the cairn of its material. There is also a small walkers' cairn 0.6m high and 1m in diameter on the SW edge of the cairn. Despite the robbing of the cairn material in more recent times, the site appears to be reasonably well-preserved and occupies a commanding position in the landscape. c.300m to the E of the site lies an area of extensive peat deposit. Numerous other cairns are intervisible from this site, including PRN 4126 500m away at 40 degrees, PRNs 8605-6 1km away at 301 degrees, PRN 8614 1.91km away at 244 degrees and PRN 9612 860m away at 253 degrees.

ASSOCIATED WITH 4126;8605;8606;8614;9612;48405

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN76 NE4;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Metcalfe,DM/1980/Card.Marginal Land Survey/Plan;Mm

List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards CL R7P; Mm Desc Text/DAT/Sambrook, RP &

Hall,JJ/2003/Ysbyty Ystwyth Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/A possible candidate for scheduling despite the disturbance to the cairn by the robbing of its material for the construction of a sheep shelter. This site is in a very prominent location in the landscape from which at least five other round barrows are intervisible to the NE, SW and NNW, up to 2km distant. There is the possibility of burials preserved beneath the cairn which currently stands 0.5m high.

OWNERSHIP Common Land (part of the Lisburne estate?)

PRN 8614 LLETHR BRITH

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7713868991

QUARTER SHEET SN76NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5//14.5///

SITING Hilltop/flat/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT S

PROXIMITY An upland lake lies c.80m away to the NNE, whilst a stream flows downslope

200m away to the SW

VIEWS Excellent long views throughout the viewshed, with the exception of an area

between 23 and 93 degrees where the views are restricted to medium.

Intervisible with barrow PRN 8610 1.91km away at 64 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A circular cairn, 14.5m in diameter and 0.5m high, situated on the highest point of an upland spur, at its southern end, and sloping slightly downhill to the S. The cairn appears to show much disturbed exposed stone, surviving to a maximum height of 0.5m, with a visitors' cairn having been erected in the interior on the NE side of the monument, which stands to a height of 1.2m. Recent bonfires are in evidence on the cairn and fencing wire and wooden posts have been dumped on the site. The cairn material is mostly of local shale, but some sandstone and frequent white quartz blocks are also apparent. The periphery of the monument is turf-covered, but there is no turf in the interior. The condition of the monument will continue to deteriorate if abused by the dumping of rubbish, the lighting of fires, disturbance by walkers, etc.

ASSOCIATED WITH 8610;9612

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN76 NE8;Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Metcalfe,DM/1980/Cardiganshire Marginal Land Survey/Plan;Mm

List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards CL5; Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall, J & Sambrook, P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/Although not necessarily in a good-enough condition to be scheduled, it might be worth considering protecting the monument from further damage by reaching some kind of management agreement with the landusers, to prevent rubbish being dumped on the site and bonfires lit, etc. This cairn is one of a number of prominent upland cairns in this location, including 9610, 8605-6, 8610 and 4126.

OWNERSHIP Common Land (part of the Lisburne estate?)

PRN 8616 TY'N-Y-EITHIN

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6303168553

QUARTER SHEET SN66NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Lledrod

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.6m high/13m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY The start of the Camddwr is located c.260m to the SE.

VIEWS Between 22 and 168 degrees there are good long views, which are closed to

short-medium by local topography elsewhere.

DESCRIPTION

The site consists of a flat-topped burial mound, c.0.6m high and c.13m in diameter, turf-covered, with a slight hollow at its centre. There is a single large-ish stone dumped on top of the mound which has some nettle growth, especially on its southern side. The mound seems to be particularly affected by ploughing on its NE side. The barrow appears to be largely made up of stone, and apart from the shallow depression at its centre would appear to be largely intact, but is being currently under threat from agricultural activity.

ASSOCIATED WITH 7644

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1978//SN66 NW10; Mm List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108; Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Lledrod Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling as a good example of its type. The barrow appears to be largely intact but is currently threatened by agricultural activity and should be preserved for future generations. The barrow is possibly associated with nearby barrow PRN 7644 (SAM CD131) located c.500m to the ESE.

OWNERSHIP Permission to access the land was granted by the elderly man at Ty'n-y-Eithin farm,

opposite the field in which this monument is located.

PRN 9009 CARN SAITH-WRAIG; BLAEN NANT-Y-RHIW

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7719252814

QUARTER SHEET SN75SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1m high/13m in diameter

SITING Ridge/

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located between Nant Iwrch 300m to the W and Nant y Brthdir 400m to the E.

VIEWS

DESCRIPTION

A partially disturbed cairn located 170m south-south-east of Carn Saith-Wraig round barrow (PRN 5555) on a narrow ridge. The cairn measures roughly 13m in diameter and stands to a height of 1m and is intervisible with cairn PRN 8527, located 70m away to the N. It is not intervisible with PRN 5555. Extensive views out over the surrounding landscape. The mound is turf consolidated, with hardly any stone visible.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5555;8527

SOURCES Mm Mention/DAT/Leighton,DK/1979/DRF/;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1980/CR/8527-Same

site?;Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1980//2b,CD;Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Cook,N/2001/Camddwr Wind Energy Project Nr Tregaron,

Ceredigion/PRN 43143. Report No.2001.54

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is worth considering for scheduling for its group value in association with 5555 and 8527. Despite the partial disturbance to the mound, it is nonetheless a good example of its type.

OWNERSHIP Mr Jones, Nant Llwyd, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 9013 BLAEN-GLASFFRWD

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN771628

QUARTER SHEET SN76SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.35m high//5m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT N

PROXIMITY Located within 100m of a stream, and overlooking the Glasffrwd valley to the NW.

VIEWS There are long views from the site between 320 and 17 degrees, with the

remainder of the views medium over to local ridges, and short between 85 and

210 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

The site consists of a 5m diameter turf-covered stone cairn, circular, and with some upright stones visible around its periphery which may represent the remains of a kerb. The site is located c.300m to the S of neighbouring barrows PRNs 2053, 2054, 5578 and 5579 and possible standing stone PRN 9015. Despite this, however, this cairn is not included in the schedule covering the other barrows. Barrow PRN 5577 lies 560m to the NNE, and is equally as much of an outlier at this site. However, this cairn lacks the appearance of a cist, unlike PRNs 2053, 2054, 5577 and 5578. Nonetheless, it is clearly associated with this group of monuments and should be considered as part of barrow cemetery PRN 48386. There is some reed growth on the N side of the monument, but otherwise it appears to remain in a stable condition.

ASSOCIATED WITH 2053;2054;5577;5578;5579

SOURCES Mm Mention/DAT/Leighton, DK/1979/DRF/; Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1980//2b, CD; Mm

List/OS/OS/1982//SN76 SE16; Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall, J & Sambrook, P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site lies c.300m to the S of a series of scheduled round barrows at Blaen Glasffwrd (SAM Cer 138), and it is suggested that the existing schedule be extended to include this site, by virtue of its group association, and because it is a good example of its type.

OWNERSHIP Forestry Commission

PRN 9081 PENLAN-NOETH

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN4727052431

QUARTER SHEET SN45SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Llanarth

LAND USE Arable

DIMENSIONS 0.6m high/22m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT E

PROXIMITY A stream flows c.400m to the south of the site, and another c.650m to the west.

VIEWS There are good long views between 91 and 183 degrees, with a narrow long vista

between 222 and 226 degrees. The view is closed by the uphill slope between 226 and 350 degrees. The modern forestry plantation closes the view between 350 and 35 degrees, and may be obscuring potential longer views. Remainder of the

viewshed is medium.

DESCRIPTION

A circular mound, c.22m in diameter and 0.6m high, situated on the east-facing gentle slope of a cultivated cornfield. The barrow lies c.200 downslope from the summit of the hill slope on which it is situated, and at the time of the PFRS field visit in August 2004, the crop had been recently harvested and re-sown. As a result the barrow was largely exposed and showed itself to have a significantly higher percentage of stone compared to the surrounding ground. Many earthfast medium-sized pieces of quartz and other large pieces of sandstone were seen protruding from the barrow. The monument is in a reasonably good condition, although has probably been spread by ploughing. It appears that the field is ploughed and cultivated fairly regularly.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES Mm List/DAT/1980/Card.Marginal Land Survey/

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This barrow is in a reasonably good condition, but is being actively eroded by arable farming. It is recommended for possible scheduling to prevent it from further damage.

OWNERSHIP Mr FR Chetwynd, Llwyncelyn Farm, Mydroilyn, Ceredigion. SA48 7RP. tel 01545 580408

PRN 9117 BLAEN NANT-Y-RHIW

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN7675853394

QUARTER SHEET SN75SE

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / A

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.7/0.55/1.15//1.8/

SITING High plateau/undulating/top

ORIENTATION N-S

ASPECT S

PROXIMITY Within 250m of a stream which rises to the WSW of the site and flows down into

the Afon Doethie.

VIEWS Enjoys the same good views as neighbouring site PRN 9118, with the view

restricted between 345 and 95 degrees by the forestry plantation behind the site. There are extremely long views over to the horizon, especially to the S and SW.

DESCRIPTION

A large recumbent white quartz boulder, facing N-S, and intervisible with prehistoric cairns PRN 9118 and PRN 8528 which lie a short distance away to the SW and N respectively. The stone is situated on a small knoll which forms part of a ridge running across an undulating high plateau with extensive views, particularly in the southern sector down the Doethie valley. The view to the N is obscured by forestry. The stone measures 1.8m in length N-S, 1.15m wide at is widest point E-W and 0.7m in height at its northern end, tapering to 0.55m in height at its southern tip. Extensive views are achieved from the site which may well have enjoyed a 360 degree panorama, and the Brecon Beacons were clearly visible to the SE. This stone clearly stands out as a large white quartz block when viewed from PRN 9118 (located 180m away at 250 degrees). It is also clearly visible from PRN 8528, located 90m away to the N (at 6 degrees). The long axis of this stone is itself aligned 185-05 degrees.

ASSOCIATED WITH 8528;9118;48381;48384

SOURCES Mm Desc Text/DAT/Cook,N/2001/Camddwr Wind Energy Project Nr Tregaron,

Ceredigion/PRN 43143. Report No.2001.54

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling as a good example of its type and by virtue of its group value for its close association with cairn 8528 and cairn 9118 (also recommended for scheduling), and its close proximity to two other monument groups, on Bryn y Gorlan (48381, already scheduled) and Carn Saith Wraig (48384, recommended for scheduling).

OWNERSHIP Mr Jones, Nant Llwyd, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 9118 BLAEN NANT-Y-RHIW

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW PAIR?

NGR SN7659553325

QUARTER SHEET SN75SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.3m high//3m in diameter

SITING High plateau/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION ESE-WNW

ASPECT SW

PROXIMITY Located within a few metres of a stream, and also overlooking interlocking spurs

and down the Doethie valley.

VIEWS Fantastic views from the site. Stone 9117 is intervisible at 72 degrees and is

located c.180m away. There is an almost 360 degree panorama, with the exception of a window between 343 and 91 degrees which is restricted slightly by the topography on which PRN 9117 and cairn PRN 8528 stand, but moreso by the forestry plantation. There are great views over to the Brecon Beacons, down the Doethie valley at 175 degrees and over to the Carmarthen Fans at 174 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

The remains of a probable prehistoric cairn sited a short distance away from standing stone PRN 9117 and cairn PRN 8528, and intervisible with both. Fantastic views out over the Doethie valley with the Brecon Beacons also visible on the horizon to the SE. It is difficult to establish the exact nature of this monument, though it would appear to be much disturbed. On the ground it looks like a pair of spectacles, i.e. two circular cairns joined by a linear bridge! The site was previously recorded in the HER as a possible hut circle, but the site is far more typical of a cairn than a domestic dwelling. As much as anything it is located in a very exposed location offering no shelter. It is possible that this site consists of two small Bronze Age cairns, c.3m in diameter and 0.3m high, with a 'bridge' of stones, 2m long, connecting the two together. The cairns are aligned ESE-WNW, and would appear to be sited in close association with two other prehistoric funerary/ ritual monuments (PRNs 9117 and 8528), and in an area of landscape where there are two other distinct groups of PFRS monuments, on Bryn y Gorlan (PRN 48381) to the NW and Carn Saith-Wraig to the SE (PRN 48384). It is possible that this site is an example of a very rare form of monument known as a 'conjoined cairn'. Another example within Dyfed is PRN 14967, and other examples have been identified by the Clwyd-Powys Archaeological Trust during their PFRS survey. The site here is described as a round barrow pair, although the usage of the term is not in its more usual hierarchical sense. This is because it is felt that rather than being two separate round barrows joined together (requiring that both barrows be recorded separately and then called a round barrow pair as a group PRN), this very particular type of site was constructed intentionally as a monument form in its own right. The term 'round barrow pair' is used because currently no better term exists within the HER, although perhaps 'Conjoined barrow' would eventually be a more acceptable site type description.

ASSOCIATED WITH 8528;9117;48381;48384

SOURCES Mm Desc Text/DAT/Metcalfe,DM/1980/Cardiganshire Marginal Land

Survey/Plan; Mm Desc Text/DAT/Cook, N/2001/Camddwr Wind Energy Project Nr

Tregaron, Ceredigion/PRN 43143. Report No.2001.54

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling despite the disturbance to it by virtue of its group value for its close association with cairn 8528 and stone 9117 (also recommended for scheduling), and its close proximity to two other monument groups, on Bryn y Gorlan (48381, already scheduled) and Carn Saith Wraig (48384, recommended for scheduling).

OWNERSHIP Mr Jones, Nant Llwyd, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 9407 BLAEN-CWM

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE?

NGR SN6007866079

QUARTER SHEET SN66NW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Llanrhystyd

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.17//0.44//0.14/

SITING Local summit/flat/top

ORIENTATION NNE-SSW

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Within c.80m of a stream which flows down into the Afon Ddu.

VIEWS There are long views between 102 and 131 degrees, although this view might extend

further but is currently obscured by forestry. There is another long vista between

264 and 267, with the remainder of the view closed by local topography.

DESCRIPTION

The site consists of a thin, rectangular sandstone slab, earthfast, and animal trampled around its base with loose packing stones visible. The stone, which stands 1.17m high x 0.44m wide and 0.14m thick, is orientated NNE-SSE (30-210 degrees) on its long axis and is set into its own natural ridge-like mound within a pasture field used for grazing cattle. The land around the stone was quite waterlogged at the time of our visit in November 2005. The eastern side of the mound on which the stone is located appears to have been quarried away and is now grassed over.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES Mm List/DAT/1980/Card.Marginal Land Survey/;Pm

List//Bird,AJ/1972/Ceredigion/Vol.VII,No.1,p.43,No.7;Mm

List/OS/OS/1979//SN66 NW14

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/If it can be established that this is a genuine standing stone, then it is worthy of scheduling as a good example of type.

OWNERSHIP Details unknown

PRN 9680 TY-NEWYDD

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW CEMETERY?

NGR SN6282985981

QUARTER SHEET SN68NW

FORM/CONDITION Cropmark / D

COMMUNITY Geneu'r Glyn

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS

SITING

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY

VIEWS

DESCRIPTION

A group of four, and possibly five, ring-ditches showing up as a clustered group of cropmarks, c.270m to the SSE of another cropmark barrow cemetery, PRN 3058. There are no above-ground features for the sites, but aerial photographs appear to show the presence of central grave-pits within at least three of the mounds. The complex of sites at Plas Gogerddan (PRNs 5405, 8237, 11822, 11827, 37110 etc.) are located c.2.5km to the south. Both this cluster of barrows and the cluster immediately to the north, along with neighbouring defended enclosure PRN 3059, suggest that this area was part of a wider significant prehistoric ritual landscape focused in this part of lowland Ceredigion.

ASSOCIATED WITH 3058

SOURCES Mm AP Oblique/DAT/St.Joseph,JK/1975/SN6286/Cambridge BVP 69.Mono print;Mm

List/DAT/1981/CR/3058-9;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Murphy,K/2003/Trunk Road Improvements at Various Locations in Ceredigion: Dolau Farm, Gelli Farm & Ponterwyd footway improvement- Archaeological Survey/SMR Library, PRN 48238

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This complex of four or five ring-ditch monuments are recommended for Scheduling as a rare example of this kind of site, and especially considering that aerial photographs appear to indicate the presence of central burial pits within at least three of the rings. Another cropmark complex of barrows, PRN 3058, lies c.270m away to the NNW, and would also appear to be the plough-levelled remains of a round barrow cemetery. Clearly this part of the landscape, along with Plas Gogerddan to the south, was a significant ritual landscape in the prehistoric period.

OWNERSHIP Unknown

PRN 9729 BRYNGWYN BACH

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7302962943

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high/6m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT NW

PROXIMITY Located on the west slopes of Bryngwyn Bach local summit, between the Afon

Fflur to the NE and the Nant Gorffen to the SW.

VIEWS Too foggy to properly assess at time of visit although there are likely long

views at least between 265 and 155 degrees. Much of the rest of the view throughout the southern sector would be restricted by the topography of Bryngwyn Bach local summit. The site is intervisible with neighbouring barrow

PRN 48373 located some 13m or so away to the west at 263 degrees.

DESCRIPTION

A nearly circular, apparently undisturbed, round barrow c.6m in diameter and 0.5m high. The site is largely turf-covered, but there is much cairn material visible protruding through the grass-cover. There is some evidence of ongoing turf erosion due to sheep trampling, but this is a long-term threat and the monument remains otherwise is a good condition. There is a large earthfast stone on the SSW edge of the cairn, 0.8m wide x 0.5m high x 0.25m thick, with its long axis aligned 296-116 degrees. The site is intervisible with another cairn, PRN 48373, located c.13m to the W at 263 degrees. It is possible that these sites may have been intervisible with standing stone PRN 8550 and ring barrow PRN 5572 located 1.3km away at c.68 degrees prior to the afforestation of the area on the other side of the Afon Fflur. This site is part of larger group of PFR monuments located on the W and NW slopes of Bryngwyn Bach (see PRN 48390), with the other sites located to the W and SW, c.170m away.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5567;5573;5574;5575;8559;8560;48373

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1979//SN76 SW21;Pm Mention//Leighton,DK/1977/Archaeology in

Wales/Vol.17,p.16;Pm List//Leighton,DK/1984/Proceedings of the Prehistoric Society/Vol.50,p.334,337,No.9,fig.7;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1989/CR/Cards CL R71P;Pm Mention/DAT/Ceredigion Archaeological Survey/1988/An Upland Archaeological

Survey at Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi/p.31; Mm Desc Text/DAT/Hall, J & Sambrook, P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site and neighbouring barrows 5573, 5574, 5575, 8559, 8560 and 48373 are recommended for scheduling for their group value, and given their reasonable state of preservation as a round barrow cemetery.

OWNERSHIP Common Land (part of the Lisburne estate?)

PRN 11096 GRAIG WEN

SITE TYPE RING BARROW

NGR SN7904566456

QUARTER SHEET SN76NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.2//9/8//

SITING Hill slope/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT SE

PROXIMITY Located between two streams, one issuing c.100m away to the NW and the other,

Nant Egnant, flowing 75m to the E.

VIEWS There is a long vista between 14 and 40 degrees, with the rest of the view

otherwise closed to short and medium views by the local topography.

DESCRIPTION

The site is situated on a natural platform on a SE facing, and fairly steep, slope overlooking Nant Egnant. An ovoid bank of partially turf-covered stones c.1.1m wide and 0.2m high, measures c.9m E-W and 8m N-S. There are some stones protruding through the turf, with a greater concentration of exposed stones in the interior on the NW side, making the ring seem wider at this point. The centre of the ring cairn is slightly hollowed below ground level and appears to be stone free, suggesting this is a ring barrow rather than a robbed-out round barrow. The barrow is located adjacent to a public path. Some quartz is visible. Another barrow, PRN 11097, lies further along the path, c.190m away to the WSW, but is not intervisible.

ASSOCIATED WITH 11097

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1984//2b,CD;Mm List/DAT/RCAHM/1985/DRF/;Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This is a fine example of a ring barrow, easily accessible to the public, and is recommended for scheduling. Neighbouring site 11097 lies 200m away to the WSW and has been considerably altered by visitor disturbance in the last 20 years. Both sites may well be considered worthy of protection under the same schedule, and possibly even an information board provided.

OWNERSHIP Details unknown

PRN 11097 BANC BLAENEGNANT

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7885366420

QUARTER SHEET SN76NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.25//7.5///

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT W

PROXIMITY Located on sloping ground between two streams

VIEWS There is a long vista along the valley between 239 and 270 degrees. Otherwise

the views are restricted to medium and short by the local topography.

DESCRIPTION

Previously described by RCAHM in 1984 as a low mound of mixed grade stones, for the most part Consolidated with grass and mosses, measuring 7.8m N-S, 7.3m E-W and a maximum height of 0.35m. At the time of Leighton's visit he noted that the cairn was more or less intact and that there was a significant amount of quartz in the cairn matrix. By the time of the visit by the PFRS project in 2004 the cairn has been substantially altered by the construction of a modern visitors' cairn, 1.1m high, which has robbed the original barrow of much of its material, and reduced it's height to 0.25m. This barrow cairn lies alongside the same footpath as nearby ring barrow PRN 11096, which lies just under 200m away to the ENE, although the two sites are not intervisible. However both sites are encountered along the pathway, and are being altered as a result of visitor disturbance.

ASSOCIATED WITH 11096

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1984/2b,CD;Mm List/DAT/RCAHM/1985/DRF/;Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This barrow has been considerably altered in the last 20 years by visitor disturbance, but it is still possible that undisturbed burial deposits lie underneath the remaining cairn. This site also lies 200m to the WSW of a fine ring barrow, 11096, located along the same pathway and recommended for scheduling. Possibly both sites could be considered for scheduling under the same remit, and an information board provided. This site may also benefit from having its cairn restored by the re-distributing the stones now forming the visitors' cairn.

OWNERSHIP Details unknown

PRN 11098 BWLCH YR ADWY

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7197186915

QUARTER SHEET SN78NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Ceulanamaesmawr

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1m high/12m in diameter

SITING Local summit//top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located on a local highpoint in the upland landscape, with a number of streams in

close proximity, and overlooking the Nant-y-Moch reservoir. Also sea views.

VIEWS Similar views to neighbouring barrow PRN 11099, although the ridge on which

11099 lies obscures the view to the Preselis and Cardigan Bay. However there are still sea views to the W and NW, and there are long views achievable from the site in most directions, including the cairns on Pumlumon to the east, and Carn

Owen (PRN 4127) to the NE.

DESCRIPTION

A well-preserved round barrow, c.12m in diameter and 1m high, situated on top of a local highpoint and across the saddle from PRN 11099, which is intervisible c.560m away to the SW. There is a slight hollow at the centre of the mound, which otherwise appears undisturbed. The barrow is turf-consolidated with a few stones protruding through the grass and bilberry cover. There are fantastic views from the site, which is one of a number of round barrows located across these uplands. The site shows a clear circular shape and rounded profile classic of the round barrow tradition, and appears to be an excellent example of this type of prehistoric monument.

ASSOCIATED WITH 11099

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1983/2b,CD;Mm List/DAT/RCAHM/1985/DRF/

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This well-preserved and largely undisturbed round barrow is recommended for scheduling as an excellent example of this type of prehistoric funerary and ritual monument. Ownership:

OWNERSHIP Unknown. Open access upland.

PRN 11099 PENCRAIG Y PISTILL

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7154386501

QUARTER SHEET SN78NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Ceulanamaesmawr

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1m high/12m in diameter

SITING Ridge/undulating/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY On high ground overlooking Llyn Craigpistyll to the SE. Located in an area of upland

with various streams in close proximity in all directions. Also sea views.

VIEWS Excellent 360 degree panoramic views over to surrounding topography, with long

sea views throughout the western sector. Pen Dinas at Aberystwyth is visible at 247 degrees, within a huge sea vista which runs from 230 to 313 degrees. The Preselis and Cardigan Bay are visible to the SW and the Dyfi estuary to the NW. The Pumlumon cairns are visible to the east, and Carn Owen (PRN 4127) to the

NE, as well as nearby barrow 11098.

DESCRIPTION

A fabulous barrow located on top of a NE-SW running ridge, with the ground falling away steeply on both sides. There are fantastic views from the site, and another very similar barrow, PRN 11098, lies across the saddle from here on a local highpoint c.560m away to the NE. The monument here comprises a circular, turf-consolidated cairn, c.12m in diameter and 1m high, and appears largely intact. There is a slight hollow at its centre, c.2-3m in diameter and 0.3m deep, and stones from this depression have been piled up to form a small marker cairn just to the N of the centre of the mound, which stands 0.5m high. This cairn is likely to continue to be embellished by walkers/visitors to the monument and should be monitored. A large kerbstone appears to be visible on the NW edge of the barrow, although when the RCAHMW (DK Leighton) recorded the site in 1983 they suggested that at least four possible kerbstones were visible at that time, the largest of which was 1m long with a height of 0.4m.

ASSOCIATED WITH 11098

SOURCES Mm List/RCAHM/RCAHM/1983/2b,CD;Mm List/DAT/RCAHM/1935/DRF/;Mm Desc

Text/DAT/Hall,J & Sambrook,P/2003/Ystrad Fflur Community Audit/SMR Library

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site is recommended for scheduling as an excellent and well-preserved example of a prehistoric round barrow, which is located in an area rich in funerary and ritual monuments. Nearby barrow PRN 11098 is also recommended for scheduling.

OWNERSHIP Unknown. Open access upland.

PRN 11822 GOGERDDAN

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6265783485

QUARTER SHEET SN68SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Trefeurig

LAND USE Other

DIMENSIONS 0.5m high/16m in diameter

SITING Flood plain

ORIENTATION

ASPECT NW

PROXIMITY Located on a tongue of land leading towards the confluence of the Nant Clarach

and the Afon Peithyll into the Afon Clarach c.600m to the NW.

VIEWS There is a long-ish view to the south of the site between 173 and 211 degrees,

with the remainder of the view largely enclosed by surrounding topography. Stone PRN 5405 is visible at 295 degrees, c.160m away, and stone PRN 8237 at

239 degrees, c.50m away.

DESCRIPTION

Located c.50m to the south of standing stone PRN 8237 is a round barrow, 0.5m high and c.16m in diameter, within a triangular plot of land adjacent to the A 4159 linking Capel Dewi with Bow Street. On aerial photographs a cropmark ring-ditch, 30m in diameter, can be seen to surround this barrow, with a possible concentric inner ditch and other internal features (James 1984, 24, quoted in Murphy 1992: 3). To the west of the barrow a figure-of-eight cropmark can be seen faintly on the same photograph, its western side cut by the road, and each circle appears to have a diameter of c.8-10m. This ring-ditch cropmark was excavated by DAT in 1986 (see Murphy 1992), as were also the various features surrounding standing stone PRN 8237. However, this barrow was untouched and remains in its original form, which although plough-spread seems largely undisturbed. When the barrow was first recognized and recorded by Hogg in the 1950s (Murphy 1992: 3) it was described as 1m high, but today the barrow stands at half that. It is located in an area of grassland owned by IGER and used for experiments.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5405;8237;55926

SOURCES Mm AP Oblique/DAT/James,TA/1984//AP-SN6283 (AP-84-48.22:49.23-5);Mm AP

Oblique/DAT/James,T/23,7,84/AP 84/48,49,2;Mm Letter/DAT/Briggs,S/1985/Henge

monuments in Dyfed/DRF; Mm Letter/DAT/Welsh Plant Breeding

Station/1986//Re,Excavation and remaining unexcavated areas of importance;Pm

List/DAT/James,TA/1984/Arch in Wales,24/p.24;Pm

Mention/DAT/Murphy,K/1986/Plas Gogerddan/Arch in Wales Vol 26,p.30;Pm Desc Text/DAT/Murphy, K/1992/Plas Gogerddan, Dyfed/Archaeological Journal, 149,

p.1-38

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This barrow is recommended for scheduling along with nearby standing stone 5405 on the other side of the road. These monuments are part of a larger and more complex ritual landscape here, with activity dating from the Neolithic through to the Roman period. Other cropmark features close to the barrow were excavated by DAT in 1986, including standing stone 8237, which is restored and not in its original position.

OWNERSHIP IGER, Plas Gogerddan, Aberystwyth, SY23 3EB

PRN 14258 BRYN RHUDD

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN6897855083

QUARTER SHEET SN65NE

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.57//0.18//0.82/

SITING Saddle/flat/middle

ORIENTATION SSE-NNW

ASPECT S

PROXIMITY There are streams to the west and ENE of the site, within 400m and 600m

respectively.

VIEWS There are long views between 201 and 300 degrees, with excellent views out to

far horizons. The remainder of the view is closed by the immediate surrounding

topography.

DESCRIPTION

A standing stone, 0.57m high x 0.18m thick x 0.82m long, located 16m to the SW of ring barrow PRN 9926 at SN6897855083. The stone leans towards the WSW and is a thin, rectangular slab, with its long axis orientated SSE-NNW. There is a pronounced hollow on the west side of the stone with a possible packing stone exposed. There is another standing stone located 20m away to the NW of this stone at SN6896055097 (PRN 48399), and both stones appear to be markers for the ring barrow. Both the measurements of this stone and its neighbour 48399 are based on current exposed surfaces: no doubt there has been some peat/vegetational encroachment, and so the stones are no longer as pronounced as they once would have been.

ASSOCIATED WITH 9024;9025;9026;9027;9924;9925;9926;9927

SOURCES Pm Mention/DAT/Cer Arch Survey/1988/An Upland Archaeological Survey at

Carnau, Llanddewi Brefi/p.21-2; Mm List/DAT/DAT/1990/CR/PRN 9926, Ring Cairn

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/It is recommended that this standing stone be incorporated into the schedule already covering ring barrow 9926 (CD137F) and that the area be extended to take account of this stone, and neighbouring stone 48399.

OWNERSHIP Mr and Mrs Nicholson, Craig, Llanddewi Brefi, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 14755 CAE TUDUR

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN71306030

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Heath

DIMENSIONS 1/0.6/13/4//

SITING Hilltop/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT NNW

PROXIMITY Located on high ground above the Groes Fawr which flows downslope c.370m away

to the N/NE, and within 230m of an issue to the SW

VIEWS There is a very long viewshed between 235 and 28 degrees, with good views to

the surrounding higher ground elsewhere

DESCRIPTION

A circular turf-covered bank of stones, 13m in diameter, 0.6m high and 2m wide, enclosing a 1m high barrow mound which is centrally located within the external bank. The central mound measures c.4m in diameter. The outer bank has been disturbed and dug into in several places, especially on the N and W sides, although none of this disturbance is recent. Stones protrude through the turf in several places, discretely, on the outer bank. The central mound is completely turf covered although probing with a ranging rod did indicate the presence of stones beneath the vegetational cover.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES Mm Note/DAT/Williams,G & Muckle,P/1993//SRF,Field 25;Mm

List/DAT/DAT/1993/CR/PRN 14700, Afon Groes Fawr Project record; Mm

Note/DAT/Williams,G & Muckle,P/1993/An archaeological survey of The Groes Fawr

valley, Blaencaron, Caron-Is-Clawdd, Mid Wales/Catalogue of sites, No.55

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is both unusual and in a good state of preservation, especially the central mound which could well contain undisturbed Bronze Age burials. A fine example of a round barrow with external bank.

OWNERSHIP Mr David John, Glanrafon Isaf Farm, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 14967 CWM-YR-OLCHFA; CASTELL RHYFEL CAIRNFIELD

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW PAIR?

NGR SN72605987

QUARTER SHEET SN75NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Tregaron

LAND USE Heath

DIMENSIONS 0.6/0.35/7/5//

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION NNW-SSE

ASPECT WNW

PROXIMITY Located within 65m of the Afon Groes Fawr which flows to the S of the site.

VIEWS There are long views between 287 and 340 degrees down the valley of the Groes

Fawr. The rest of the view is restricted to closed and short/medium views by the

surrounding topography.

DESCRIPTION

The site at first appears to be a rectangular mound of stones measuring c.12m x c.7m, and with a maximum height of 0.6m, aliqned NNW-SSE through its long axis. However, on closer inspection it appears that the site may instead be two small round barrows, merging together (cf. 'conjoined cairns' also identified by Clwyd-Powys Archaeological Trust), or a round barrow pair. If the site were stripped of its reed growth it would benefit greatly from a measured survey and a fuller description. The NNW barrow measures c.7m in diameter and stands c.0.6m high, and is the bigger of the two sites. The SSE barrow is smaller, measuring c.5m in diameter and standing 0.35m high. Both barrows are contiguous and therefore create the impression of a sub-rectangular feature. Both round cairns are moss, turf and reed-covered, with much of the cairn material protruding through the vegetational cover. This site may be representative of a very rare form of monument currently referred to as 'conjoined cairn' (although not described as such within the HER site type field). Within Dyfed, the only other possible example is PRN 9118, which comprised two small cairns joined together by a 2m 'wall' forming an arrangement like a pair of spectacles! However, the closest parallel to this site lies within the Clwyd-Powys Archaeological Trust HER, listed as PRN 17335, which comprises two circular cairns, one larger than the other, of similar size and shape to our example here, and conjoined so as to form a sub-rectangular feature. The site here is described as a round barrow pair, although the usage of the term is not in its more usual hierarchical sense. This is because it is felt that rather than being two separate round barrows joined together (requiring that both barrows be recorded separately and then called a round barrow pair as a group PRN), this very particular type of site was constructed intentionally as a monument form in its own right. The term 'round barrow pair' is used because currently no better term exists within the HER, although perhaps 'Conjoined barrow' would eventually be a more acceptable site type description.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES Mm Note/DAT/Williams,G & Muckle,P/1993//SRF,Field 25;Mm

List/DAT/DAT/1993/CR/PRN 14700, Afon Groes Fawr Project record; Mm Note/DAT/Williams, G & Muckle, P/1993/An archaeological survey of The Groes

Fawr valley,Blaencaron,Caron-Is-Clawdd,Mid Wales/Catalogue of sites,No.267;Mm List/DAT/DAT/1993/CR/9148,open settlement

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site may be representative of a very rare form of monument currently termed 'conjoined cairn' (although not described as such within the SMR site type field). Within Dyfed, the only other possible example is prn 9118, also recommended for scheduling, which comprised two small cairns joined together by a 2m 'wall' forming an arrangement like a pair of spectacles! However, the closest

parallel to this site lies within the CPAT SMR, listed as prn 17335, which comprises two circular cairns, one larger than the other, of similar size and shape to our example here, and conjoined so as to form a sub-rectangular feature. At the very least these 'conjoined cairn' sites require further investigation (e.g. proper survey, etc.) and then if considered genuine, should be scheduled as a very rare type of prehistoric funerary and/or ritual monument.

OWNERSHIP grazing rights held by Islwyn Jones, Glan-yr-Afon, Tregaron, Ceredigion. SY25 6HN. tel: 01974 298249.



PRN 14967 looking WSW

PRN 43198 PEN Y GURNOS

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN77685131

QUARTER SHEET SN75SE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.5//16///

SITING Ridge/undulating/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY

VIEWS There are excellent views and a virtual 360 degree panorama, except where the

view is restricted by the Tywi forestry between 155 and 211 degrees, which obscures the view over to the Brecon Beacons and the Fans. The site is possibly intervisible with PRN 8528, located 2.4km away at 337 degrees, There is another cairn visible on a prominent highpoint in the distance at 227 degrees. There is also another prominent highpoint in the opposite direction to the NE at 54 degrees, on which there is a possible trig point (and maybe another barrow?). To the W it is possible to see the mast at Pencarreg (where a now destroyed round

barrow once stood), and the Preselis are visible in the very distance.

DESCRIPTION

A large prominent barrow, with trig point on top. The barrow measures some 20m in diameter, with part of a kerb visible on its SE side. Sited on a local highpoint within undulating upland on an ENE-WSW running ridge. Extensive views achievable from the site, and an almost 360 degree panorama which is today obscured in the SE by forestry and which blocks the view over to the Brecon Beacons visible on the approach to the site. The ground to the S of the site is very boggy and there are substantial peat deposits. To the W the views were clear enough to see Mynydd Pencarreg and just visible on the horizon were the Preselis. The barrow at Pen y Gurnos appears to be located on land in between two prominent peaks: one at 227 degrees (with a cairn?) and one at 54 degrees (surmounted by a trig point). The barrow is located in undulating upland with intersecting glacial valleys. The mound makes use of a natural local knoll which accentuates its profile. The barrow is built on top of the middle knoll of three hummocks on a NE-SW running ridge, and appears to be undisturbed apart from the siting of a trig point on top. There are substantial peat deposits to the S of the site, therefore palaeoenvironmental potential is high. Pen y Gurnos is the most south-easterly site within a band of prehistoric funerary and/or ritual monuments that stretches across the landscape from Bryn y Gorlan (PRN 48381) in the NW, past Blaen Nant y Rhiw (PRN 48385) and Carn Saith Wraig (PRN 48384) in a south-easterly direction until reaching Pen y Gurnos. All these monuments are located on the high ground above the Afon Doethie, on its N/NE side.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended for scheduling as a good and seemingly undisturbed example of its type. It is also the most south-easterly site within a band of prehistoric funerary and/or ritual monuments that stretches across the landscape from Bryn y Gorlan (48381) in the NW, past Blaen Nant y Rhiw (48385) and Carn Saith Wraig (48384) in a south-easterly direction until reaching Pen y Gurnos. All these monuments are located on the high ground above the Afon Doethie.

PRN 43214 NANT LLWYD

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE PAIR

NGR SN7891052924

QUARTER SHEET SN75SE

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.9//2.1//0.9

SITING Hill slope/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION N-S

ASPECT N

PROXIMITY The site lies adjacent to a small stream and within 100m of the Afon Camddwr.

VIEWS The viewshed is restricted by the valley location of the site, but there are

fantastic views along the Camddwr to the W.

DESCRIPTION

A possible stone pair, one stone standing, the other recumbent, set in a steep slope on the banks of the Camddwr river. At least one of the stones appears to be a genuine standing stone, earthfast and certainly not a natural feature. The stones lie close to small stream which flows down to the main Camddwr river at the bottom of the slope c.100m away to the N. Fantastic views from the site down the Camddwr valley to the W. The site consists of two huge boulders, the earthfast one measuring some 2.1m wide at its base and 1.9m high with the large flat face looking E. It is a gritstone with a large number of quartz inclusions. The second stone which lies recumbent may possibly have been standing originally and is of similar size and shape to stone 1. The two stones are typical of a standing stone pair, in that one slab is square and the other, the recumbent stone, is pointed. The long axis of the upright stone is aligned N-S and lies 1.35m to the W of the recumbent/semi-fallen stone. Both stones appear geologically to be the same. There is some animal erosion around the base of the stones, but this is not severe.

ASSOCIATED WITH

SOURCES ;Mm Desc Text/DAT/Cook,N/2001/Camddwr Wind Energy Project Nr Tregaron,

Ceredigion/PRN 43143. Report No.2001.54

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site is recommended as a good example of a rare type of prehistoric ritual monument and worthy of scheduling.

OWNERSHIP Mr Jones, Nant Llwyd, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 48373 BRYNGWYN BACH G

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7301262939

QUARTER SHEET SN76SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ystrad Fflur

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.4m high//5m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/moderate/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT NW

PROXIMITY Located on the west slopes of Bryngwyn Bach local summit, between the Afon

Fflur to the NE and the Nant Gorffen to the SW.

VIEWS There are long views between 265 and 144 degrees, with the remainder of the view

closed by the hillslope of Bryngwyn Bach local summit.

DESCRIPTION

A turf-covered mound with some cairn material protruding through the grass cover. The cairn is disturbed, but nonetheless retains a circular mound-like profile, standing 0.4m high and 5m in diameter. It is located 13m to the W of another round barrow, PRN 9729, and is part of a larger group of seven barrows located on the W and NW slopes of Bryngwyn Bach local summit, forming round barrow cemetery PRN 48390.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5567;5573;5574;5575;8559;8560;9729

SOURCES

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This site and neighbouring barrows 5573, 5574, 5575, 8559, 8560 and 9729 are recommended for scheduling for their group value, and given their reasonable state of preservation as a round barrow cemetery.

OWNERSHIP Common Land (part of the Lisburne estate?)

PRN 48375 GARREG

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN3040453357

QUARTER SHEET SN35SW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Penbryn

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.6//1.2//0.9/

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION NW-SE

ASPECT NW

PROXIMITY Very close to the coastal cliffs.

VIEWS There is a long coastal vista between 251 and 345 degrees, with long views also

between 168 and 251. The remainder of the view is restricted by local

topography. Neighbouring stone PRN 5294 is intervisible over the boundary 30m away at 152 degrees. Standing stone PRN 5293, located c.340m away at 155 degrees, would originally have been intervisible before the construction of the

hedgebanks.

DESCRIPTION

An earthfast stone block, 0.6m high x 1.2m long x 0.9m wide, is located close to a south-eastern hedgebank boundary separating two pasture fields. 30m to the SE just over the boundary, and intervisible with this stone, is another standing stone boulder, PRN 5294. Both these stones form a reasonable alignment with another standing stone, PRN 5293, located 300m away in an adjacent field, and may represent the remnants of a stone row leading down to the coast. Equally, however, it may be that this stone and neighbouring PRN 5294 are in fact a standing stone pair. Although there is rock outcropping 2 or 3m away to the east this stone is definitely independent of the bedrock and lies alone. It is possible that it is perhaps a fallen stone now lying recumbent. There is evidence of a trampled hollow around part of the stone, and some smaller blocks lying around it also.

ASSOCIATED WITH 5293;5294

SOURCES

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This stone is recommended for scheduling by virtue of its association with two other standing stones, 5293 and 5294, located c.310 and 40m away respectively at 155 degrees.

OWNERSHIP Mr Edwin Davies, Morfa Ganol Farm, Llangrannog, Llandysul, Ceredigion. SA44 6RS.

PRN 48379 PENSINGRUG

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN6225149623

QUARTER SHEET SN64NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Llanfair Clydogau

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.85m high/19m in diameter

SITING Hill slope/gentle/middle

ORIENTATION

ASPECT W

PROXIMITY Overlooking the Teifi valley to the W

VIEWS Magnificent views along the Teifi valley, with very long views between 196 and 92

degrees. The remainder of the view is restricted by local topography.

DESCRIPTION

This site bears all the hallmarks of a classic round barrow. It is a roughly circular turf-covered mound, 19m in diameter and 0.85m high. A few stones protrude through the surface, whilst in or around the centre at the top of the mound a flat conglomerate stone is exposed. This stone is earthfast and measures $0.6m \times 0.3m$. The top of the mound is slightly pitted, possibly the result of cairn material being robbed, but these hollows are all grassed over. There is no sign of a kerb or ditch. The site is located on a hill slope just before the land falls steeply away to the west down to the Afon Teifi and commands magnificent views along the valley. It is located in an area rich in other prehistoric monuments, with numerous other round barrows within a 1km radius, including PRNs 1920-23 and 1930-32. A telegraph/electricity pole lies close to the western side of the monument.

ASSOCIATED WITH 1920;1921;1922;1923;1926

SOURCES

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2005.01.18/This barrow is recommended for scheduling if its authenticity can be established as a good example of its type. It is located in an area once rich in prehistoric monuments, many of which have unfortunately been lost.

OWNERSHIP Mr Dai Davies, Pensingrug Farm, Cellan, Lampeter. SA48 8HY. tel 01570 493425

PRN 48399 BRYN RHUDD

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN6896055097

QUARTER SHEET SN65NE

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / B

COMMUNITY Llanddewi Brefi

LAND USE Heath; Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 0.48//0.18//0.68

SITING Saddle/flat/middle

ORIENTATION WNW-ESE

ASPECT S

PROXIMITY There are streams to the west and ENE of the site, within 400m and 600m

respectively.

VIEWS There are extremely long views between 240 and 301 degrees, with medium views

between 175 and 221. The remainder of the view is closed by local topography.

DESCRIPTION

This is a second standing stone associated with ring barrow PRN 9926, which is located 26m away to the west. The other standing stone, PRN 14258, is located 20m away to the SE. The stone here is a triangular-shaped thin slab, which measures 0.68m at its base, 0.18m wide and stands 0.48m high, tapering to a point at its top. The long axis of the stone is orientated WNW-ESE, and there are excellent views from the stone to the west. Both the measurements of this stone and its neighbour PRN 14258 are based on current exposed surfaces: no doubt there has been some peat/vegetational encroachment, and so the stones are no longer as pronounced as they once would have been.

ASSOCIATED WITH 9926;14258

SOURCES

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/It is recommended that this standing stone be incorporated into the schedule already covering ring barrow 9926 (CD137F) and that the area be extended to take account of this stone, and neighbouring stone 14258.

OWNERSHIP Mr and Mrs Nicholson, Craig, Llanddewi Brefi, Tregaron, Ceredigion.

PRN 48406 NANT BRYN ISAF

SITE TYPE STANDING STONE

NGR SN7002470457

QUARTER SHEET SN77SW

FORM/CONDITION O.Struct / U

COMMUNITY Ystrad Meurig

LAND USE Forestry

DIMENSIONS 0.5//0.8///

SITING Spur/flat/top

ORIENTATION

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Located c.260m SW of a stream which flows NW, eventually flowing into the Afon

Ystwyth.

VIEWS Currently obscured by surrounding forestry , but would originally probably have

been quite good views, especially to the Ystwyth valley to the NW, although the view throughout the eastern sector would have been obscured by Mynydd

Bach.

DESCRIPTION

The site consists of a short standing stone, 0.5m high and a maximum width of 0.8m, located c.5.5m away from the outer edge of ring barrow PRN 5482 to the WNW. The stone was recorded as in situ by DK Leighton when he published the site in 1984, and was mentioned also by Sansbury in 1938. The Ordnance Survey visited the site in 1978 but were hampered in their assessment by fallen trees. An approximate grid reference has been given to the site on the basis of the descriptions given by previous authors. The stone was not actually found during a field visit to neighbouring ring barrow 5482 in September 2005, but the area as a whole was heavily overgrown. The site has been assigned its own PRN as a standing stone in its own right, associated closely with the ring barrow, as seen also at other sites (e.g. PRN 9926).

ASSOCIATED WITH 5482

SOURCES Mm Desc Text/RCAHM/Sansbury,AR/1938//Typescript notes;Mm

List/OS/OS/1978//SN77 SW6;Pm List//Leighton,DK/1984/Proceedings of the

Prehistoric Society/Vol.50,p.345,347,No.29,Fig.14

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This stone is closely associated with scheduled ring barrow PRN 5482 (SAM CD187), and should be included within an expanded scheduled area for the ring barrow site, to protect both this stone and the ring barrow from the surrounding forestry plantation.

OWNERSHIP Same as for SAM CD187

PRN 48409 CARNEDDAU

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7596187865

QUARTER SHEET SN78NE

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY

LAND USE Rough pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.3//9//8/

SITING Summit/flat/top

ORIENTATION E-W

ASPECT

PROXIMITY Overlooking the Nant-y-Moch reservoir and Llyn Craigpistyll to the SW. Located on

high ground with numerous streams in close proximity flowing in all directions.

VIEWS There are fabulous 360 degree views from the site around to all the major peaks

and topographic features. The view was too hazy to assess properly, but the site was intervisible with the cairns on Pumlumon Fawr (5600, 5601 and 6237), and also Y Garn (PRN 4133). Cairns on top of Moel y Llyn (PRN 6265, etc.) were also

visible.

DESCRIPTION

This site is one of the two cairns located on top of Drosgol which were previously recorded under one PRN (6233) within the SMR, and which together form round barrow pair 55923. This cairn lies 10m away from neighbouring barrow 6233 and is the most easterly of the pair. It measures c.9m in diameter and has a modern cairn 3m in diameter and 1.3m high built from robbed material on its southern side. Material from the cairn has also spread downslope to the N. The barrows here are intervisible with numerous other summit-top cairns in the surrounding area (e.g. Pumlumon Fawr, Y Garn, Moel y Llyn) and were also visible from the numerous Bronze age barrows located in the valleys below, some of which have been drowned by the reservoir (e.g. PRNs 4129, 4130, etc.), whilst others remains extant (e.g. PRNs 7645, 5499).

ASSOCIATED WITH 6233

SOURCES Mm List/OS/OS/1964//SN78 NE10;Mm AP Vertical//RAF/1950//541-515^3053-4;Mm

List/DAT/OS/1978/DRF/OS 108;Mm List/DAT/Briggs & Murphy,CS & K/1984//No.41,see SRF;Mm List/DAT/1989/CR/Cards CL27;Pm List/DAT/Briggs,CS & Murphy,K/1984//Arch in Wales, Vol 24,p.33 No. 41;

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/This site and neighbouring barrow PRN 6233 are recommended for scheduling as a good example of a round barrow pair, and are comparable with the cairns on Pumlumon Fawr and other scheduled barrows in the area.

OWNERSHIP Unknown.

PRN 48415 MOEL-Y-LLYN

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7155891579

QUARTER SHEET SN79SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / C

COMMUNITY Ceulanamaesmawr

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 1//12///

SITING Saddle/flat/middle

ORIENTATION NW

ASPECT

PROXIMITY The sea is visible. The site is located on a saddle of land with two streams in

close proximity issuing to the SW and NE c.300m away.

VIEWS There are fantastic views achievable from the site, with excellent long views

between 353 and 31 degrees, which may well be wider except they are currently obscured by forestry. The view is closed until 186 degrees, when there are good long views again between here and 229 degrees. The sea is visible between 223 and 229 degrees. The view is then closed again between 229 and 353 degrees. This is a classic example of the double-ended viewshed as achieved from a saddle

location.

DESCRIPTION

One of a pair of round barrows located in a saddle, and adjacent to a footpath leading onto Llechwedd Llwyd. This barrow lies closest to the footpath, just in from the gate leading out of the forestry plantation and is noticeable for the large number of white quartz stones located at the top and centre of the mound within its excavation crater. The barrow itself measures c.12m in diameter and stands 1 m high. The central crater measures c.3m in diameter and is 0.35m deep. The cairn is turf-consolidated and has a clearly defined shape and profile. The barrow is located on slightly sloping ground which accentuates the cairn on its NW side. The cairn consists of medium-large grey blocks and quartz stones, many of which are visible protruding through the turf. It lies c.7m to the NW of another barrow, PRN 48416, which appears intact and undisturbed. There are fantastic views from the site to the NE and SW along the saddle which provides two contrasting vistas. Both sites are located downslope to the east of Moel Y Llyn, on which there are four more round barrow cairns (PRNs 6624-6 and 8597), and are clearly visible from barrow 8597.

ASSOCIATED WITH 48416

SOURCES

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/One of a pair of barrows, recommended alongside neighbouring cairn 48416, which are both located downslope from the Moel y Llyn round barrow cemetery and worthy of scheduling as an excellent example of a well-preserved round barrow pair.

OWNERSHIP

PRN 48416 MOEL Y LLYN

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN7156791571

QUARTER SHEET SN79SW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / B

COMMUNITY Ceulanamaesmawr

LAND USE Pasture

DIMENSIONS 1.8//11///

SITING Saddle/flat/middle

ORIENTATION SE

ASPECT

PROXIMITY The sea is visible. The site is located on a saddle of land with two streams in

close proximity issuing to the SW and NE c.300m away.

VIEWS There are fantastic views achievable from the site, with excellent long views

between 353 and 31 degrees, which may well be wider except they are currently obscured by forestry. The view is closed until 186 degrees, when there are good long views again between here and 229 degrees. The sea is visible between 223 and 229 degrees. The view is then closed again between 229 and 353 degrees. This is a classic example of the double-ended viewshed as achieved from a saddle

location.

DESCRIPTION

One of a pair of barrows located in a saddle between Moel y Llyn and Banc Bwlchygarreg, with Neighbouring barrow PRN 48415 located c.7m away to the NW. This barrow is the best preserved of the two, turf-consolidated, with some stones protruding through the cover, including numerous blocks of white quartz. The cairn has a classic circular, well-defined barrow shape and profile and measures c.11m in diameter and stands c.1.8m high. There has been some tumble of cairn material on its NW side, and there are some loose stones in the area between the two barrows. However, on the whole the barrow appears to be intact and undisturbed. Both barrows lie at a 'gateway' up to Moel y Llyn and the four round barrow cairns sited there (PRNs 6264-6 and 8597). There are excellent views to the NE and SW along the saddle, which provides two contrasting vistas.

ASSOCIATED WITH 48415

SOURCES

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.01.23/One of a pair of barrows, recommended alongside neighbouring cairn 48415, which are both located downslope from the Moel y Llyn round barrow cemetery and worthy of scheduling as an excellent example of a well-preserved round barrow pair.

OWNERSHIP

PRN 55928 PANT-Y-BUTLER

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN2144046680

QUARTER SHEET SN24NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Llangoedmor

LAND USE Arable

DIMENSIONS 0.7//30///

SITING Ridge/flat/middle

ORIENTATION NE

ASPECT S

PROXIMITY A stream issues c.170m to the NW which flows south to join the Nant Cynllo.

VIEWS There are wide ranging views out to the NE, SE and W overlooking the Teifi valley

and its tributaries. To the N the land gently rises to a rounded point 1.5km away.

DESCRIPTION

One of a pair of barrows here, its twin PRN 55929 located c.50m away to the NE. Both barrows are located at the southern end of a gentle ridge on fairly level ground at 130m above sea level. To the NNE the land gently slopes up to a rounded high point c.1.4km away. To the west, south-east and north-east the land falls steadily down to the Teifi valley and its tributaries, and there are very wide ranging views in these directions. Both barrows are located within a field which is regularly ploughed and intensively farmed for barley. Both barrows are being actively destroyed, and currently appear as spread circular mounds, c.30m in diameter and with a maximum height of 0.7m. The surface of each mound is covered by a spread of stone which marks the sites out in the ploughed field, as the rest of the area is largely stone free.

ASSOCIATED WITH 35728;55929

SOURCES

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.03.16/This barrow and its twin 55929 located 50m away to the NE are being Regularly ploughed and actively destroyed. Both barrows show up in the field as circular mounds c.30m in diameter and up to a maximum height of 0.7m. The surface of each mound is covered by a spread of stone, which marks them out as the rest of the field is fairly stone-free. Any central burials or other features beneath the cairns are still likely to remain intact at present, but continued ploughing will destroy any which may currently remain. It is therefore recommended that either this pair of barrows is scheduled and a management agreement sought with the landowner so that no further plough-damage can take place, or else a full excavation should be carried out at the site to retrieve all the information we possibly can about the nature of this barrow pair.

OWNERSHIP Mr George, Dyffryn Farm, Llancoedmor, Ceredigion.

PRN 55929 PANT-Y-BUTLER

SITE TYPE ROUND BARROW

NGR SN2148046720

QUARTER SHEET SN24NW

FORM/CONDITION Earthwork / D

COMMUNITY Llangoedmor

LAND USE Arable

DIMENSIONS 0.7//30///

SITING Ridge/flat/middle

ORIENTATION SW

ASPECT S

PROXIMITY A stream issues c.170m to the NW which flows south to join the Nant Cynllo.

VIEWS There are wide ranging views out to the NE, SE and W overlooking the Teifi valley

and its tributaries. To the N the land gently rises to a rounded point 1.5km away.

DESCRIPTION

One of a pair of barrows here, its twin PRN 55928 located c.50m away to the SW. Both barrows are located at the southern end of a gentle ridge on fairly level ground at 130m above sea level. To the NNE the land gently slopes up to a rounded high point c.1.4km away. To the west, south-east and north-east the land falls steadily down to the Teifi valley and its tributaries, and there are very wide ranging views in these directions. Both barrows are located within a field which is regularly ploughed and intensively farmed for barley. Both barrows are being actively destroyed, and currently appear as spread circular mounds, c.30m in diameter and with a maximum height of 0.7m. The surface of each mound is covered by a spread of stone which marks the sites out in the ploughed field, as the rest of the area is largely stone free.

ASSOCIATED WITH 35728;55928

SOURCES

RECOMMENDATIONS

PFRS/Cadw/DAT/2006.03.16/This barrow and its twin 55928 located 50m away to the SW are being regularly ploughed and actively destroyed. Both barrows show up in the field as circular mounds c.30m in diameter and up to a maximum height of 0.7m. The surface of each mound is covered by a spread of stone, which marks them out as the rest of the field is fairly stone-free. Any central burials or other features beneath the cairns are still likely to remain intact at present, but continued ploughing will destroy any which may currently remain. It is therefore recommended that either this pair of barrows is scheduled and a management agreement sought with the landowner so that no further plough-damage can take place, or else a full excavation should be carried out at the site to retrieve all the information we possibly can about the nature of this barrow pair..

OWNERSHIP Mr George, Dyffryn Farm, Llancoedmor, Ceredigion

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PRN 1967 looking N



PRN 1968 looking SSE



PRN 1969 looking W



PRN 1970 looking N



PRN 2033 looking SE



PRN 2045 looking N



PRN 2050 looking NNE



PRN 5037 looking E



PRN 14967 looking WSW



PRN 14755 looking ENE



PRN 14755 looking NNW (without scales)



PRN 2049 looking NE



PRN 2049 detail of cist looking W



PRN 5564 looking NE



PRN 5565 looking SW



PRN 5566 looking SW



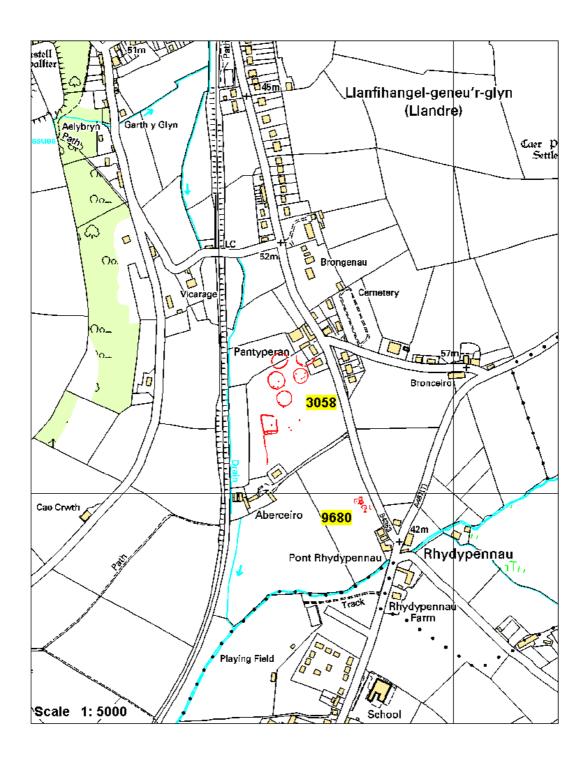
PRN 2060 looking N (without scales)



PRN 2060 looking NE



PRN 2060 looking W (without scales)



Map showing the aerial plots of PRNs 3058 and 9860

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PRN 4184 looking N



PRN 5466 looking E



PRN 5114 looking WNW



PRN 48379 looking S



PRN 5140 looking S



Cropmark to the east of barrow 5140



PRN 5148 looking SW



PRN 5149 looking E



PRN 5217 looking W



PRN 8355 looking NNW



PRN 5269 looking SW Stone A in pasture field



PRN 5269 looking S $\,$ Stone B now used as a gatepost, incorporated into boundary



PRN 5273 looking E



PRN 5750 looking ESE



PRN 6354 looking NNE



PRN 5293 looking E



PRN 5294 looking SE



PRN 48375 looking W



PRN 5400 looking N



PRN 5405 looking SW



PRN 11822 looking N



PRN 5417 looking E



PRN 5418 looking W



PRN 5438 showing the western arc of the stone circle



PRN 5438 looking E



PRN 5480 looking SE



PRN 5534 looking WNW



PRN 5538 looking NE



PRN 5550 looking E



PRN 5551 looking E



PRN 5551 detail of cist



PRN 8516 looking W



PRN 8517 looking N



PRN 8517 detail of cist looking W



PRN 8519 looking E



PRN 8520 looking NW, with barrow 5550 in background



PRN 8523 looking NE



PRN 8523 detail of cist



PRN 5553 looking W, photo taken 2005



PRN 5553 looking WNW, photo taken 2004



PRN 8524 looking SW



PRN 5555 looking SW photo taken in 2001



PRN 5555 photo taken in 2005



PRN 8527 looking ENE



PRN 9009 looking E



PRN 8558 looking N



PRN 9117 looking ENE



PRN 9118 looking ESE



PRN 9118 looking NNE



PRN 5569 looking E



PRN 5570 looking NE



PRN 5571 looking E



PRN 8545 looking NNE



PRN 5573 looking S



PRN 5573 detail of cist looking E



PRN 5574 looking SSW



PRN 5575 looking W



PRN 8559 looking S



PRN 8560 looking S



PRN 9729 looking E



PRN 48373 looking E



PRN 5609 looking W



PRN 5613 looking SSE



PRN 8586 looking W



PRN 8588 looking E



PRN 5619 looking W



PRN 5620 looking NE



PRN 5622 looking NW



PRN 5625 looking E



PRN 5628 looking E



PRN 5628 looking S



PRN 6264 looking E



PRN 6265 looking ENE



PRN 6266 looking WNW



PRN 8597 looking E



PRN 48415 looking NNE



PRN 48416 looking E



PRNs 48415 and 48416 taken upslope on Moel-y-Llyn



PRN 6233 looking WSW



PRN 48409 looking SE



PRNs 6233 and 48409 looking W

Copy of sketch survey in DRF for PRN 6247



PRN 8065 looking E



PRN 8489 looking N



PRN 8494 looking W



PRN 8494 showing detail of 'stone thrones' fashioned within, and out of, the cairn material



PRN 8562 looking NW



PRN 8564 looking NNE



PRN 8565 looking NE



PRN 8566 looking NNE



PRN 4126 looking N



PRN 8610 looking E



PRN 8614 looking E



PRN 8616 looking N



PRN 9013 looking N



PRN 9081 looking SE



PRN 9407 looking ESE (without scales)



PRN 9407 looking ESE (with curious cows!)



PRN 11096 looking SE



PRN 11097 looking W



PRN 11098 looking SW



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