

12. Bryn Poeth (fig. 8; surveyed 1981) SN 65 NE

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Two small cairns lying in a shallow hollow on a broad natural shelf of ground not far from where it begins to fall away very steeply into the Brei Valley, at 375 m OD. The larger cairn is a grass-grown oval mound of stones measuring 6.5 m (NW-SE) × 6 m with a maximum height of 0.3 m. Within the cairn is an oval setting of large slabs, either upright, leaning or fallen, particularly evident on the E half of the mound. At the centre there is a hollow 0.4 m deep at the edge of which rests a large stone, possibly the remains of a cist. Adjacent to this cairn on the W is a smaller mound, turf-covered, with a diameter of 3.5 m and a height of 0.1 m. At the centre are a number of slabs which suggest the remains of a cist. Both mounds are flanked, on the immediate S, by a band of outcrop. The presence of a number of abandoned rectangular buildings and other structures in the area may account for the ruination of these cairns and No. 13 below.

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