

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL



FIELD MONUMENTS

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES AND MONUMENTS RECORD

1 SITE CODE											
H	N	B	9	0	S	W	0	0	1		
2 NGR		3 QUAL									
N	B	9	2	0	5	0	2	0	0		
6 SITE NAME											
P	R	I	E	S	T	I	S	L	A	N	D
10 GENERIC TYPE											
CROFTHOUSE											
14 PERIOD/DATE					15 DATING METHOD						
C18th-19th					DOC						
18 SHAPE											
19 THREAT AND DATE											

4 DISTRICT				5 PARISH			
ROSS & CROMARTY				LOCHROOM			
7 AREA STATUS		8 SITE STATUS		9 REGIONAL STATUS			
OS NB 90 NW/SW 1		STANDING STRUCTURES					
11 CONCORDANCE				12 FORM			
NMR				13 DIMENSIONS			
16 RELATIONSHIP OF ELEMENTS				17 CONDITION			
				RUINED			

20 LAND USE				21 GEOLOGY			
BACKSHORE = ROUGH PASTURE = HEATH							
22 SOILS				23 VEGETATION			

24 HYDROLOGY/DRAINAGE		25 RELIEF		26 ASPECT		27 ALTITUDE	
		GENTLE SLOPE TO SHORE		SW		0 = 50m OD	

28 EXCAVATION (EXCAVATOR: DATE: EXTENT: QUALITY)	
29 BIBLIOGRAPHY (AUTHOR: DATE: TITLE: JOURNAL OR PUBLISHER: VOLUME: DETAIL)	
1. ORDNANCE SURVEY : 1881 : 6" MAP	
30 GROUND PLAN NO.	31 GROUND PHOTO NO.
32 SLIDES NO.	33 HR. AP. NO.
34 NMR. AP. NO.	35 OTHER AP. NO. : SOURCE
36 ARCHIVE AND LOCATION	
37 GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY	38 SAMPLES
39 PALYNOLOGY	40 NUMERICAL DATES: RANGE: LAB NO.
41 SMALL FINDS	42 MUSEUM/LOCATION
43 OTHER	

44 NAME & ADDRESS OF OWNER		45 ATTITUDE OF OWNER	
46 NAME & ADDRESS OF TENANT		47 ATTITUDE OF TENANT	
48 ACCESS & RESTRICTIONS			

49 NAME & ADDRESS OF FINDER/RECORDER: DATE		50 RECORDER: DATE		51 CHECK: DATE	
		HAR: 14.12.1984		SM: 17.12.1984	

52 TEXT

'(Area centred NB 92050200) Three roofless buildings shown in 1881.'
(O.S. 6" 1881)

'"House occupied until late 19th. c. ? excavated by F. Fraser Darling".
'(Not sited: applied in margin of sheet nearest Priest Island).'
(Rec. 6" (I. Crawford, Sept. 1961)
(OSRI:W.W.:12.12.61)

'There are the remains of six structures on Priest Island. Two buildings, one probably
(over)

52 a dwelling and the other an out-building, subsequently united and modified for use as a sheep-fold, survive up to gable height. Another ruined building has dry stone walls up to 1.0m high. There are also three small sheepfolds of crudely built dry stone masonry.

'According to Mr. Fraser, the island was occupied by a family called Mackenzie in the 18th and 19th centuries who were banished there from the mainland.

'Dr. Fraser Darling lived on the island for a time and excavated a small structure (inf. Donald Fraser) but no trace of this building could be found.'

(OSFI:E. GEARY:28.5.62)

((a) Mr. Donald Fraser, Local Historian,
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