

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL



FIELD MONUMENTS

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES AND MONUMENTS RECORD

1 SITE CODE									
H	N	C	2	0	N	E	0	0	1
2 NGR		3 QUAL							
N	C	2	9	9	0	0	8	4	1
6 SITE NAME									
C	N	O	C		C	H	A	O	R
10 GENERIC TYPE									
BURIAL CAIRN, ROUND, KERBED, CHAMBERED; (OCH)									
14 PERIOD/DATE					15 DATING METHOD				
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18 SHAPE									
19 THREAT AND DATE									

4 DISTRICT		5 PARISH	
SUTHERLAND		KINCARDINE	
7 AREA STATUS	8 SITE STATUS	9 REGIONAL STATUS	
	SCHEDULED		
11 CONCORDANCE	12 FORM	13 DIMENSIONS	
OSNC 20 NE 1	STANDING STRUCTURE		
NMR			
16 RELATIONSHIP OF ELEMENTS		17 CONDITION	
		ROBBED	

20 LAND USE		21 GEOLOGY	
HEATH + ROUGH PASTURE			
22 SOILS		23 VEGETATION	
24 HYDROLOGY/DRAINAGE		25 RELIEF	
		MODERATE HILLSLOPE	
		26 ASPECT	27 ALTITUDE
		SE	191m=198m OD

28 EXCAVATION (EXCAVATOR: DATE: EXTENT: QUALITY)	

29 BIBLIOGRAPHY (AUTHOR: DATE: TITLE: JOURNAL OR PUBLISHER: VOLUME: DETAIL)	
1. : : ORDNANCE SURVEY: 1967: 6" MAP	
2. HENSHALL A.S.: 1963: CHAMBERED TOMBS OF SCOTLAND: : p 344, No. 15, plan	
3. MERCER R.J.(ED): 1979: ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIELD SURVEY IN NORTHERN SCOTLAND: PAPER 4: p152, No LOU.1.	
4. HBM (SDD): 1985: LIST OF SCHEDULED MONUMENTS	

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
		AM: 7.1.1985	HAR: 8.1.1985

52 TEXT

'LOU 1' Cairn. Dimensions: 17.50m.X 14m. Chambered cairn. Almost all of the cairn material has been removed, probably to aid the building of the nearby sheep-pen and croft. Previous accounts of the cairn described it as round (Henshall, 1963, 344), but it appeared on planning in 1976 to be heel shaped. The kerb was marked by 4 large orthostats - one of these to the NW of the chamber measured 1.75m. long and stood upright. To the NE of the chamber a second stone measured 1.50m. long, and like the remaining 2 kerb stones probably also stood upright. The main orthostats of the chamber were clearly visible, and indicated a polygonal chamber of O-C-H type described by Henshall. The chamber measured 3.75m.X 2.25m. A large quantity of stone was noticed in the interior of the chamber which probably represents the remains of the dry stone walling that once filled the gaps between the orthostats. The large

(over)

52. slabs around the northern arc of the chamber may well represent the remains of corbels. Entrance to the E. Located on a crest. Aspect: SE facing. Elevation: 183m. (600') O.D.

NC 298084. (3).

A chambered cairn as described and planned by Miss Henshall.

Published survey (1:10,000) Revised.

(OSFI:NKB:18.6.80).'

NC-298 048. Cnoc Chàraidh, chambered cairn 180m NNE of Stratheskie'. (4)



2. HENSHALL, 1963.

15 Cnoc Chaornaidh,
NORTH-WEST
(O.-C., polygonal, round)
In the parish of
KINCARDINE
Location $2\frac{1}{2}$ m. SE of
LOCH BORROLAN
on the road to
LOCHINVER, WESTER ROSS
Map reference
NC/298084
Sheet V; NC 20 NE
Plan by A.S.H. and M.J.S.
(fig. 78)
Visited 26.6.54

Description. The cairn, in open moorland, stands almost on the crest of a saddle between Cnoc Chaornaidh and a spur, at about 600ft. OD. The cairn has been almost entirely removed but it is possible to trace the edge, giving a diameter E-W of about 45ft. and N-S of about 55ft. There have been a number of considerable and apparently widely spaced stones on the periphery. Of these, one, 5ft. 6in. long, lies prone to the NE of the entrance, while three remain in the arc behind the chamber, 20ft. apart, the northern 5ft. 3in. high and 5ft. 5in. wide, the north-western 1ft. 3in. high, and the south-western now flush with the ground.

The main stones of the chamber remain. The entrance has been from the ESE. The passage has been about 3ft. 6in. wide, and two stones are visible on the S side and one on the N, projecting only 6in. to 1in. above the present ground level. There has been a pair of transverse slabs at the entrance to the chamber, of which the N stone only survives, 6in. high. The polygonal chamber, measuring 11ft. 6in. long and 7ft. 9in. wide, is formed of six taller slabs, the two end stones being 3ft. 3in. high, the others ranging from 3ft. to 1ft. 9in. Various large slabs lying beside the chamber are probably remains of the dry-walling from between the orthostats. Between three of the stones on the N side are two piles each of three large horizontal slabs which obviously have been only slightly displaced outwards when the cairn was removed. Each slab spanned the gap between the upright stones and stretched back into the body of the cairn. This walling must have been massive and very stable; the two uppermost slabs measure 4ft. 9in. and 4ft. 3in. wide by 2ft. 10in. from front to back.

Cnoc Chaornaidh, NW



