

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL



FIELD MONUMENTS

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES AND MONUMENTS RECORD

1 SITE CODE									
H	N	D	2	5	N	W	0	0	3
2 NGR		3		4		5		6	
N	D	2	3	0	4	5	6	6	2
3 QUAL									
6 SITE NAME									
G	R	E	Y	C	A	I	R	N	

4 DISTRICT CAITHNESS			5 PARISH WATTEN		
7 AREA STATUS		8 SITE STATUS SCHEDULED		9 REGIONAL STATUS	
11 CONCORDANCE OS ND 25 NW 3 NMR		12 FORM STANDING STRUCTURE		13 DIMENSIONS 25.0m x 30.0m	
16 RELATIONSHIP OF ELEMENTS			17 CONDITION INCOMPLETE		

10 GENERIC TYPE CAIRN	
14 PERIOD/DATE IA ?	15 DATING METHOD TYP
18 SHAPE SUB-OVAL	
19 THREAT AND DATE	

20 LAND USE ENCLOSED PASTURE			21 GEOLOGY		
22 SOILS			23 VEGETATION		
24 HYDROLOGY/DRAINAGE			25 RELIEF GENTLE HILLSLOPE		
			26 ASPECT S		27 ALTITUDE 20 = 25m OD

28 EXCAVATION (EXCAVATOR: DATE: EXTENT: QUALITY)	
29 BIBLIOGRAPHY (AUTHOR: DATE: TITLE: JOURNAL OR PUBLISHER: VOLUME: DETAIL)	
1. ORDNANCE SURVEY:1975:1/10 000 2. RCAHMS:1911:CAITHNESS INVENTORY:HMSO:p131,No.473 3. ORDNANCE SURVEY:1871:OBJECT NAME BOOK:12:20 4. HMB (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 GS:13.8.1985	51 CHECK: DATE HAP:18-8-1985

52 TEXT

"ND 2304 5662. Grey Cairn." (1)

"This is a grassy mound about 79ft in diameter and 5ft high. The RCAHM deduce from the character of the stones exposed that there is no doubt that this is a broch. However, the ONB reports that the 'cairn' was opened about 1850, and human remains found." (2) (3)

"Grey Cairn is now an oval mound measuring 30.0m N-S by 26.0m transversely by 1.7m high, with several large flat stones on and around it. It is impossible to say without excavation whether or not this is a broch or a cairn. While ploughing about 1935, James Barnetson of Georgemas, now deceased, discovered a 'tunnel' in the W of the mound and several animal bones."

(OSFI:RD:27.10.1965)

"Grey Cairn, a turf-covered mound, measures 25.0m NNE-SSW by 30.0m transversely and 1.4m high; the E sector is practically reduced to field level by ploughing. The mound has no surface /cont.

52. "indication to distinguish a cairn or a broch, but size and general lack of prominence suggest the latter classification."

(OSFI:JM:2.3.1982)

HD 230 566 Grey Cairn, broch 500m SE of Lynegar House (4)