

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL



FIELD MONUMENTS

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES AND MONUMENTS RECORD

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| 1 SITE CODE | | | | | | | | | |
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| 4 DISTRICT SKYE & LOCHALSH | | | 5 PARISH SLEAT | | |
| 7 AREA STATUS | | 8 SITE STATUS STANDING STRUCTURES | | 9 REGIONAL STATUS | |
| 11 CONCORDANCE os NG 61 SW 3 | | 12 FORM | | 13 DIMENSIONS 'A': 5.6m INT.DIAM 'B': c.1.0m x 0.6m x c.0.6m | |
| 16 RELATIONSHIP OF ELEMENTS | | 17 CONDITION INCOMPLETE | | 10 GENERIC TYPE BURIAL CAIRNS, CISTED | |
| | | | | 14 PERIOD/DATE BA | |
| | | | | 15 DATING METHOD TYP | |
| | | | | 18 SHAPE | |
| | | | | 19 THREAT AND DATE | |

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| 20 LAND USE HEATH | | | 21 GEOLOGY | | |
| 22 SOILS | | | 23 VEGETATION | | |
| 24 HYDROLOGY/DRAINAGE | | 25 RELIEF MODERATE HILLSLOPE TO SHORE | | 26 ASPECT WSW | |
| | | | | 27 ALTITUDE 8 = 15m OD | |

28 EXCAVATION (EXCAVATOR: DATE: EXTENT: QUALITY)

29 BIBLIOGRAPHY (AUTHOR: DATE: TITLE: JOURNAL OR PUBLISHER: VOLUME: DETAIL)

- ORDNANCE SURVEY: 1966: 6" MAP
- RCAHMS: 1928: SKYE INVENTORY: HMSO: p191, No. 610

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| 30 GROUND PLAN NO. | | 31 GROUND PHOTO NO. AO/61/80/1, 80/2 | |
| 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 | | | |

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| 44 NAME & ADDRESS OF OWNER | | | 45 ATTITUDE OF OWNER | | |
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| 46 NAME & ADDRESS OF TENANT | | | 47 ATTITUDE OF TENANT | | |
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| 48 ACCESS & RESTRICTIONS | | | | | |
| 49 NAME & ADDRESS OF FINDER/RECORDER: DATE | | | | 50 RECORDER: DATE AM: 19.9.1985 | |
| | | | | 51 CHECK: DATE SEM: 23.9.1985 | |

52 TEXT
 "NG 6059 1264. Cists."
 "See continuation card for text." (1)

NG 6059 1264 near the shore at Inver Aulavaig, on the E. side of the mouth of a small stream, Allt an Leth-bheinn, some 40 yds distant from and 22ft above high water mark, are the remains of two circular cairns of stone occupying a rough heathery ridge.

'A': The first cairn measures 18ft. in diameter and barely 2ft. in height. It was opened many years ago when the greater portion of the northern half was removed, and a short cist containing a skeleton in a contracted position was discovered in the centre of the mound. The side slabs and one end are still in position and the covering stone lies beside the grave. The cist lies nearly NNE - SSW and measures 3ft 4ins in length, 2ft 2ins in depth, while the cover which is almost square in shape, measures 3ft 9ins long, 3ft 7ins in breadth and 6 ins thick.

'B': The second cairn lies some 15ft. (10.0m) SE of the first and is of the same dimensions but better preserved. It contains a central short cist, of which the sides and ends are still in situ. It lies almost due NE-SW and measures 3ft. 4ins. by 1ft 8ins. by 1ft. 10ins. the cover-stone, which lies quite near, is of irregular shape and measures 3ft 4 ins by 2ft 6 ins and is 6ins thick.

The W. slope of the ridge between the cairns and the estuary shows numerous small heaps of stone said to be the remains of other cairns.

Some 27yds SSW of the second cairn is a small cottar house, immediately to the N. of which are the foundations of a former schoolhouse. When the material was being removed, a cist is reported to have been discovered under the floor which is no more than 12ft above high water mark.

(OSFI:AC:13.9.1960)

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Two cairns with short cists as described by R.C.A.H.M.

(OSFI:ASP:15.6.1961)

NG 605127 Cist (Site of).

There is now no trace of the cist in the schoolhouse.

(OVER)

610. Cairns, Inver Aulavaig. — Near the shore at Inver Aulavaig on the south side of Loch Eishort, about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile south-west of Ord, on the eastern side of the mouth of a small stream, Allt an Leth-bheinn, some 40 yards distant from and 22 feet above high-water mark, are the remains of two circular cairns of stone occupying a rough heathery ridge behind which the ground swells upward to the east. The first cairn measures 18 feet in diameter and barely 2 feet in height. It was opened many years ago when the greater portion of the northern half was removed, and a short cist containing a skeleton in a contracted position was discovered in the centre of the mound. The side slabs and one end are still in position and the covering stone lies beside the grave. The skeleton was removed to an adjoining schoolhouse, now razed to the ground, and kept for one night only, the slumbers of the occupant of the house being disturbed by weird whistlings and other uncanny noises. The cist lies nearly north-east by north and south-west by south and measures 3 feet 4 inches in length, 2 feet 2 inches in breadth, and 2 feet 2 inches in depth, while the cover, which is almost square in shape, measures 3 feet 9 inches in length, 3 feet 7 inches in breadth, and 6 inches in thickness. The top of the grave was about 1 foot 4 inches below the summit of the cairn. The second cairn lies some 15 feet south by east of the first and is of the same dimensions but better preserved. Like the first it contains a central short cist, of which the sides and ends are still *in situ*. It lies almost due north-east and south-west and measures 3 feet 4 inches by 1 foot 8 inches by 1 foot 10 inches; the cover stone, which lies quite near, is of irregular shape and measures 3 feet 4 inches in length, 2 feet 6 inches in breadth, and 6 inches in thickness. The sides, ends and cover stones of the two cairns are formed of fine single slabs of red grit and the body of the cairns by blocks of the same material. The western slope of the ridge between the cairns and the estuary shows numerous small heaps of stone said to be the remains of other cairns. Some 27 yards south-south-west of the second cairn is a small cottar house, immediately to the north of which are the foundations of the schoolhouse already mentioned. When the stones of which it was built were being carted away a cist is reported to have been discovered under the floor, which is no more than 12 feet above high-water mark.

Skye li (unnoted). 6 May 1914.

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