

Key Sites

Southwest Wales – Neolithic and early Bronze Age 22/12/2003

NEOLITHIC/BRONZE AGE SETTLEMENTS

Clegyr Boia, St David's

Excavation of a small defended site. Structural evidence and artefacts.
Environmental evidence: charcoal.
Baring Gould 1903; Williams 1952

Coygan Camp

Excavation of Iron Age hillfort with evidence of earlier occupation. Artefacts.
Environmental evidence: charcoal.
Wainwright 1967

Llanilar

Excavation of a potential Neolithic/Bronze Age settlement site. Environmental evidence: plant macrofossils.
Briggs 1997

Plas Gogerddan

Neolithic food deposit in excavation of later period site. Environmental evidence: plant macrofossils, charcoal.
Murphy 1992

Redberth

As yet unpublished excavation revealed stake-built structures supported by radiocarbon dates.
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Stackpole Warren

Excavation of a house pre-dating standing stone, plus other excavated structures.
Radiocarbon dates.
Benson *et al* 1990

CHAMBERED TOMBS/NEOLITHIC BURIALS

Carreg Samson chambered tomb

Excavation of tomb. Finds include a Neolithic bowl and flints.
Lynch 1975

Carreg Coetan chambered tomb, Newport

Unpublished excavation (Rees) of chambered tomb. Supported by radiocarbon dates.

Little Hoyle Cave

Neolithic pottery and radiocarbon date from human mandible.

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Pentre Ifan chambered tomb

Excavation in and around tomb. Some artefactual evidence. Environmental evidence: charcoal

Other key Chambered tombs/burials texts: Lynch 1972, 1976

BURNT MOUNDS

Carne burnt mound

Excavation with radiocarbon dates of burnt mounds. Environmental evidence: plant macrofossils.

James 1986

Felin Fulbrook burnt mound

Excavation with radiocarbon date of a burnt mound. Environmental evidence: plant macrofossils.

Williams *et al* 1987

Morfa Mawr burnt mounds

Small-scale excavation of 4 mounds. Radiocarbon date of early medieval period.

Williams 1985a

Parry's Castle Farm burnt mound

Partial excavation of burnt mound with radiocarbon date and environment analyses.

Crane 2002

Plasgwyn Farm burnt mound

Partial excavation of burnt mound with radiocarbon date. Environmental evidence: charcoal.

Crane 2002

Troedrhiwgwinau burnt mound

Small-scale excavation on a burnt mound supported by radiocarbon dates. Environmental evidence: plant macrofossils; charcoal.

Caseldine and Murphy 1989

Other key burnt mound texts: Cantrill and Jones 1911

ROUND BARROWS/BRONZE AGE BURIALS etc

Aber Camddwr I

Excavation of a ring cairn. Environmental evidence: charcoal.

Hogg 1977

Aber Camddwr II

Excavation of a small cairn and associated standing stones. Environmental evidence: plant macrofossils. Supported by radiocarbon dates.

Hogg 1977; Marshall and Murphy 1991

Allt-y-Garn

Excavation of a large summit cairn with central burial.

Murphy 1995a

Croesmihangel round barrow

Salvage excavation on a barrow with several burials and urns. Environmental evidence: pollen.

Nye, Harrison and Savory 1983

Disgwilfa Fawr round barrow

Small-scale excavations uncovered 2 'dug-outs', a cremation and a Food Vessel. Supported by radiocarbon dates.

Green 1987

Ffynnon Newydd, Nantgaredig

Small-scale excavations on a henge monument.

Williams 1984

Great Pale

Excavation of a small cairn.

John and Williams 1994

Llanilar

Excavation of a Bronze Age burial site. Environmental evidence: plant macrofossils

Benson *et al* 1982, Briggs 1997

Pen-dre, Letterston barrow and embanked stone circle

Small-scale excavations

Savory 1963

Pen-y-Bont, St David's

Salvage excavation on a round barrow, unpublished

Parc Maen, Llangolman

Complete excavation of a cairn, associated standing stones and pits. Several urns. Environmental evidence: plant macrofossils; charcoal. Supported by radiocarbon dates.

Marshall and Murphy 1991

Pwll Mountain, Marros

Re-appraisal of antiquarian excavations of a ring cairn and barrow.

Ward 1977

South Hill, Talbenny

Partial excavation of barrow with Beaker burial.

Fox 1942

Other key Round barrows/Bronze Age burials/etc texts: Lynch 1979, 1980

STANDING STONES

Gors

Excavation (unpublished) around a standing stone. Radiocarbon date of 3290±70 bp from an associated pit.

Marshall 1985, Williams 1988

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Mynydd Llangyndeyrn

Excavation of two separate standing stones, Radiocarbon date of 3090±100 bp from an associated pit.

Ward 1983

Plas Gogerddan

Excavation around a standing stone with multi-period use. Environmental evidence: charcoal; soil studies.

Murphy 1992

Rhos-y-Clegyrn

Extensive excavations around a standing stone- indications of multi-period use.

Lewis 1974, 1976a

St Ishmaels

Excavation around at standing stone. Radiocarbon date of 3303±70 bp from associated pit.

Williams 1989

Stackpole Warren

Extensive excavation around a standing stone, demonstrating multi-period use of site. Environmental evidence: plant macrofossils; charcoal; molluscs

Benson *et al* 1990

Other key texts

Williams 1988

OTHER FUNERARY AND RITUAL SITES

Glandy Cross

Excavation on a variety of sites supported by radiocarbon dates. Environmental evidence: plant macrofossils; animal bone; pollen; charcoal.

Kirk and Williams 2000

RESOURCES

Mining

Copa Hill, Cwmystwyth

Small-scale excavation on metal mine supported by radiocarbon dates.

Environmental evidence: plant macrofossils; charcoal; wood.

Timberlake 1987, 1990a and b; 1995a, 1996a, 1998, Timberlake and Mighall 1992; Timberlake and Switsur 1988

Llancynfelin

Small-scale excavation on metal mine supported by radiocarbon dates.

Timberlake 1992, 1995b, 1998

Nantyrarian

Small-scale excavation on metal mine supported by radiocarbon dates.

Timberlake 1995c, 1998

Tyn y fron

Small-scale excavation on metal mine supported by radiocarbon dates.
Timberlake 1996b, 1998

Pen cerrig y mwyn

Small-scale excavation on metal mine supported by a radiocarbon date indicates medieval/modern use.
Timberlake 1998, Timberlake and Craddock 1996

STONE AXE PRODUCTION

Glandy Cross and Glyn y Fran, Preseli Hills

Surface Collections associated with axe manufacture.
David and Williams 1995

Other key stone axe production texts: Clough and Cummins 1979, 1988;
Darvill 1989; Shotton 1972

Other key Neolithic/Bronze Age texts: Briggs 1994; Leighton 1997; Lynch,
Aldhouse-Green and Davies 2000; Savory 1980