

(HND 13 SE 002)	ND 13 SE 2	HIGHLAND	region	county
JUNE 1982	ND 15683247	CAITHNESS	district	parish
82/06/1/037	name			
CHAMBERED CAIRN				
ACHNAGOUL, DUNBEATH				
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FIELD MONUMENTS



ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES AND MONUMENTS RECORD

1 SITE CODE H N D 1 3 S E 0 0 2	
2 NGR N D 1 5 6 8 3 2 4 7	
3 QUAL CE	
6 SITE NAME A C H N A G O U L	
10 GENERIC TYPE BURIAL CAIRN, ROUND, CHAMBERED (OCH)	
14 PERIOD/DATE NE	
15 DATING METHOD TYP	
18 SHAPE CIRCULAR	
19 THREAT AND DATE	
27 ALTITUDE 90 = 100m OD	
26 ASPECT SW	
25 RELIEF SMALL KNOLL ON GENTLE HILLSLOPE	
24 HYDROLOGY/DRAINAGE	
23 VEGETATION	
21 GEOLOGY	
20 LAND USE SCRUB = ENCLOSED PASTURE	
22 SOILS	
17 CONDITION INCOMPLETE (ROBBED)	
16 RELATIONSHIP OF ELEMENTS	
13 DIMENSIONS c 20.0m ORIGINAL DIAMETER	
12 FORM STANDING STRUCTURE	
11 CONCORDANCE OS ND13SE2 NMR	
9 REGIONAL STATUS	
8 SITE STATUS SCHEDULED	
7 AREA STATUS	
5 PARISH LATHERON	
4 DISTRICT CAITHNESS	

28 EXCAVATION (EXCAVATOR: DATE: EXTENT: QUALITY)	
29 BIBLIOGRAPHY (AUTHOR: DATE: TITLE: JOURNAL OR PUBLISHER: VOLUME: DETAIL)	
1. ORDNANCE SURVEY: 1979: 1/10,000 MAP	
2. HENSHALL, AS: 1963: CHAMBERED TOMBS OF SCOTLAND: EUP: Vol 1: No 33, p278	
3. RCAHMS: 1911: CAITHNESS INVENTORY: HMSO: No 2, p 257	
4. HBM(SDD): 1985: LIST OF SCHEDULED MONUMENTS:	
5. C. O. SURVEY: 1986: DB 4/11	
30 GROUND PLAN NO.	31 GROUND PHOTO NO. 82/61137
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 PB: 3.2.1986	51 CHECK: DATE P. M. M. 14/2/1986
52 TEXT	

"ND 1568 3247. Burial Chamber."(1)

"An Orkney-Cromarty, Camster type, probably round chambered cairn. It has been almost entirely removed, but the edge can be traced in the SW quadrant and suggests an original diameter of 60ft(18.4m) to 70ft(21.4m). Six large upright slabs indicate the position and plan of the chamber. The entrance has been from the SSE, the outer end probably being marked by a small slab 10ft (3.0m) within the apparent cairn edge. The outer chamber was 5ft(1.5m) long, the centre one about 9ft(2.7m) by 7ft(2.1m); nothing remains of the inner chamber."(2)(3)

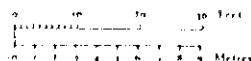
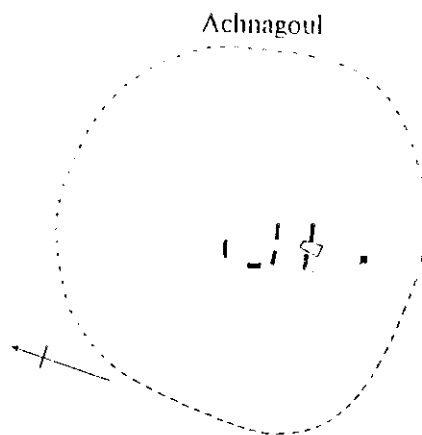
"All that remains of this cairn are the six stones of the chamber, and the seventh at the entrance to the passage, as described and planned by Miss Henshall."(OSFI:NKB:13.3.1968)

"No change to the previous reports."(OSFI:JM:20.10.1982)

2 ACHINAGOUL
 (O.-C., Camster-type, ? round)
 In the parish of
 LATHIERON
 Location $1\frac{1}{2}$ m. NNW of
 DUNDEATH
 Map reference
 ND/156324
 Sheet XXXIX; ND 13 SE
 Inventory number 266
 Reference R. C. A. M. Inv. 74
 Plan by A. S. H. and J. C. W.
 (fig. 37)
 Visited 11.7.55


Description. The site is on a slight knoll in a field above the Burn of Housty, at a little over 300ft. OD. The cairn has been almost entirely removed, but the edge can be traced in the SW quadrant and suggests an original diameter of 60 to 70ft. Six large upright slabs indicate the position and plan of the chamber.

The entrance has been from the SSE side; the outer end of the passage is probably marked by a small slab 10ft. within the apparent cairn edge. The length of the passage has been about 9ft. 6in. It entered the outer compartment of the chamber between portal stones 2ft. apart. This compartment was 5ft. long, and divided from the central compartment by another pair of stones, the western of which is 4ft. high, considerably taller than the other slabs. A stone, probably the W partner of a second pair of divisional slabs, stands at the end of the compartment and another stone forms part of the W wall; the compartment has measured about 9ft. by about 7ft. Nothing remains of an inner compartment.



(2)

NEG/SLIDE No:	S/C 6	1 C/37	DATE:	16/82	NGR:	N	D	1	5	6	8	3	2	4	8	QUAL:	CE
DISTRICT: CAITHNESS	CORR:	2	PARISH:	LATHERON										CODE:	10		
SUBJECT KEYWORDS: REMAINS OF CHAMBERED TOMBS																	
DETAIL: 'ACHNAGOUL' FROM S.																	
LOCATION: HOUSTRY BURN, DUNBEATH.																	

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