

HIGHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL



FIELD MONUMENTS

ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES AND MONUMENTS RECORD

4 DISTRICT LOCHABER		5 PARISH SMALL ISLES (RHUM)		1 SITE CODE H N M 3 9 N W 0 0 6	
7 AREA STATUS SSSI		8 SITE STATUS SCHEDULED 15/1/96		2 NGR N M 3 1 3 9 8 3	
11 CONCORDANCE os NH 39NW 6		12 FORM STANDING STRUCTURE		3 QUAL LF	
16 RELATIONSHIP OF ELEMENTS		17 CONDITION RUINED		6 SITE NAME S G O R R R E I D H	
20 LAND USE HEATH		21 GEOLOGY		10 GENERIC TYPE DEER TRAP (?)	
22 SOILS		23 VEGETATION		14 PERIOD/DATE IM = MO	
24 HYDROLOGY/DRAINAGE		25 RELIEF STEEP HILLSLOPE		15 DATING METHOD TYP	
28 EXCAVATION (EXCAVATOR: DATE: EXTENT: QUALITY)		26 ASPECT SW		18 SHAPE	
29 BIBLIOGRAPHY (AUTHOR: DATE: TITLE: JOURNAL OR PUBLISHER: VOLUME: DETAIL)		27 ALTITUDE 250 = 300m OD		19 THREAT AND DATE	
30 GROUND PLAN NO.		31 GROUND PHOTO NO.		32 SLIDES NO.	
33 SLIDES NO.		34 NMR. AP. NO.		35 OTHER AP. NO.: SOURCE RAF:1066.SCOT.UK53:3051-2:7.5.46	
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 ASS. DOCS.		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 EF:20.3.1987	
51 CHECK: DATE MMcD:26.3.1987		52 TEXT			

"(Centred:NM 313 982) A complex of small, circular, dry stone huts connected by a sinuous dry-stone wall running approximately parallel to the cliff edge and within 20 yds of it. The dimensions of the structures are the same as those of NM 39 NW 5, to which this complex is very similar". (1) (2)

"With two exceptions, the huts are built on the landward side of the wall, usually at an angle in it. The exceptions are on the seaward side of the wall about 5yds distant from it. There are 8 certain, and 4 probable huts".

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BOX 52.

"A wall follows an irregular course for a distance of about 300m along the cliff edge at Sgorr Reidh. Along the wall, usually at corners, there are at least eight structures, the largest measuring about 2.6m by 2.2m within a corbelled wall up to 1.7m high. Only one has an entrance, and most of their floors have been sunk below the surrounding ground level".
"On top of a 1,000 cliff and set in a stony block field totally devoid of pasture. In the centre of this enclosure is a pen 18' (5.60m) by 15' (4.68m) with very open-built walls. It is scarcely possible that this could be a shieling, but it may be an installation from which to stampede deer over the cliff". (3)

"See site HNM 39 NW 056 for text of (4)"

"At NM 312 982, a smaller but similar structure to NM 39 NW 6, having eight cells built against the wall, mainly oval and measuring c.2.5m by c.1.8m internally. and one free standing enclosure c.4.0m in diameter between the wall and the cliff. It is probably connected with NM 39 NW 6". (O.S.F.I:AA:14.5.72)

"Sgorr Reidh NM 312 983 to 314 981. Small circular butts connected by a sinuous drystone wall running approximately parallel to the cliff edge and within 20 yds (18.40m) of it. Dimensions of these structures as in NM 39 NW 5. With two exceptions, the huts are all built on the landward side of the wall, usually at an angle in it. The two exceptions are on the seaward side of the wall and about 5yds (4.68m) from it. Altogether there are 8 certain huts and 4 probable ones". (1)

~~"Doubts that it is actually a deer trap - too steep a drop to the trap - impractical." (4)~~