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TULLYVALLAN

ROUND CAIRN



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TULLYVALLAN:
CS 27;

Cap 5
Round cairn

400ft + OD

IG 264

H 9140 2317

To the N of Hary Mount, on a local eminence above the
Tullyvallan River to the N and W. This roughly

circular mound of loose stones measures 22m (72ft)
N-S by 21m (67ft) E-W and stands about 3.5m (11ft-
6ins) high. It is delimited around part of the

circumference by a dry-stone revetment, about 0.75m
(2ft 6ins) high, of recent construction. The top is

level and a circular pigeon house, about 4m (13ft) high
and 1.5m (5ft) in internal diameter, has been built in
the centre.

The cairn was partly excavated early this century and
two ^{bowls} food vessels were recovered. One was found

mouth upwards about three feet below the surface
and contained a certain amount of ashes and small
bones, and at a lower level beneath the urn were

found a greater portion of bones and ashes [a
cremation deposit?]. There was no trace of a cist,
only a few rude stones enclosing the find (O'Kelly 1912).

Squash
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This vessel was presented to the County Louth
and is on loan to Armagh County Museum/While
Archaeological Society and the other, labelled
'Cullyhanna', is now in the Ulster Museum. The precise
circumstances of its discovery are not known. (see

~~schedule of Bronze Age pottery, p~~).

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October 1983

Fig 1 ; Pl

O' Kelly, H, 1912 'Sepulchral clay urn' County Louth

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Archaeol J 31 (1912), 108.

PSAMNI, 74-5.

Prelim Survey Ancient Mons (NI) 1940 74-5.

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TULLYVALLAN TD: ROUND CAIRN 5

O.S., 27. Grid ref. H913231

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A mound about 75 ft. in diameter and 12 ft. high located just to the N of 'Harrymount' house. From a number of diggings on the E side the mound appears to be constructed of loose stones. It is now delimited by a dry-stone revetment, 3 ft. high, of recent construction. A circular pigeon house, 5 ft. in internal diameter and 13 ft. 6 ins high, now stands on the centre of the mound.

The mound has been partly excavated and has yielded at least 2 food-vessels, one of which was presented to the Co. Louth Archaeological Society. A second, now labelled 'Cullyhanna' (accession No. 480-1927), is in the Ulster Museum, Belfast.

Co. Louth Archaeol. J. 3 (1912), ; ~~Prelim. Survey, 74-5~~
Prelim. Survey Anc. Mons. N. I. (1940), 74-5.

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- As above. - diam 22m N-S x 21m E-W. - c. 3.7m high.

Now flat-topped and surrounded by Dove Cott. 1

Much stone visible in the bank.

Situated on a ^{small} local eminence
 stands particularly above the
 Tullyvallen River to the NW. & W.

MAP SHEET 27

ARMAQH

TULLYVALLAN

GRID REF. H913231

ROUND CAIRN

HT. 400' + O.D.

A mound c. 75' in diameter and 12' high just behind (i.e. to N. of) 'Harrymount' house. From a number of diggings on the E. side the mound appears to be constructed of loose stones. It is now delimited by a dry stonefaced revetment of recent construction. This is of recent construction and 3' high where it is best preserved. The mound has been partly excavated and has yielded at least 2 food-vessels, one of which was presented to the Co. Louth Archaeological Society. A second, now labelled 'Cullyhanna' is in the Ulster Museum, Belfast (acc. no.).

Ref. P.S.A.M. N.I., 74-5, quoting Co. Louth Archaeol. Journ.
 Vol. 3 (1912).

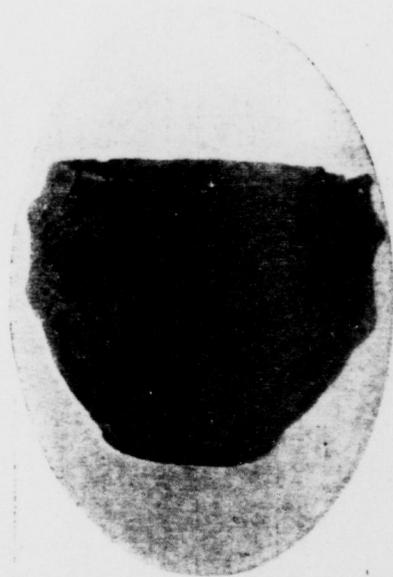
A circular pigeon house, 5' in internal diameter and 13' 6" high now stands on the centre of the mound.

Note on Harrymont (Killyharra)
Cairns based on natural mound
Dismissing cairns $\approx 20^{\circ}$.

Ex E. E. Evans field note-book III

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Ha. CLAJ 1912 31



SEPULCHRAL CLAY URN.

This small ornamental clay urn was found May 26, 1910, in a cairn in the townland of Tullyvallen, near Cullyhanna. It was placed mouth upwards about three feet below the surface, and contained a certain amount of ashes and small bones, and at a lower level beneath the urn were found a greater portion of bones and ashes. There was no trace of a cist, only a few rude stones enclosing the find. The urn measures $3\frac{1}{2}$ ins. in depth, 5 ins. in diameter, and 1 ft. $4\frac{1}{2}$ ins. in circumference.

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Hugh Kelly.

TULLYVALLAN TD: ROUND CAIRN 5

O.S., 27. Grid ref. H913231^{4 2}

A mound about 75 ft. in diameter and 12 ft. high located just to the N.W. of 'Harrymount' house. From a number of diggings on the E side the mound appears to be constructed of loose stones. It is now delimited by a dry-stone revetment, 3 ft. high, of recent construction. A circular pigeon house, 5 ft. in internal diameter and 13 ft. 6 ins high, now stands on the centre of the mound.

The mound has been partly excavated and has yielded at least 2 food-vessels, one of which was presented to the Co. Louth Archaeological Society. A second, now labelled 'Cullyhanna' (accession No. 480-1927), is in the Ulster Museum, Belfast.

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400ft + OD

Harry Mount

CS 27; IG 264

H 9140 2327

This roughly circular mound of loose stones is located to the north of Harry Mount House, on a localised height above the Tullyvallon River. It measures around 22.0m north-south by 21.0m east-west, stands about 3.5m high (Pl. 00), and is delimited around part of the circumference by a relatively recent drystone revetment, about 75cm high. The top is level and a circular pigeon-house, about 4.0m high and 1.5m in internal diameter, has been built in the centre.

The cairn was partly excavated in 1910 and a bowl food vessel was found,

'mouth upwards about 3ft [91cm] below the surface and [it] contained a certain amount of ashes and small bones, and at a lower level beneath the urn were found a greater portion of bones and ashes [a cremation deposit?]. There was no trace of a cist, only a few rude stones enclosing the find' (O'Kelly, H. 1912, 108).

Confusingly, *PSAMNI* states that at least two food vessels were found, one of which was given to the County Louth Archaeological Society, while the other passed to the Belfast Municipal Museum. O'Kelly's original account, however, records the discovery of only one vessel and the dimensions and accompanying photograph leave no doubt that this is the example now in the Ulster Museum (Fig. 000). A second food vessel, held by the County Louth Archaeological Society and though to be the second mentioned in *PSAMNI*, is now more correctly linked to a cist uncovered at around the same time at Tankardstown, Co. Louth (Buckley and Sweetman 1991, 68).

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O'Kelly, H. 1912; *PSAMNI* 1940, 74-75