

WC

M 2/(i) 20g Dr 5' small pit

W64 8 1-8;

W70 8 1-14;

W70 18 1-15;

W71 18 16-25;

W71 18/8 1-7;

W71 8 15-34;

& also contexts in Areas 7/20: 22: 34.

The W.C. was cut through a filled-in boundary or enclosure ditch running north-south in Area 22 and continuing under the hedge into what used to be 'Four-Acre Field', now part of Mill Close (see Fluxgate gradiometer survey 1971, at Warwick). The ditch itself had a history of re-cutting and at one point the later version cut through a small pit. the earliest version or versions of the ditch (marked 1 on the section - context W71 22 116 - no mortaria) had been almost entirely cut away by the subsequent versions (2) and (3) on the section. The fillings of ditches 2 & 3 were very uniform and in 1971 there was a change of opinion about which was the latest version largely on account of a tip-line which was visible in (2) at the point of the 1971 section. (BEWARE - the available plan has the ditch according to the earlier idea of 1970 - use the section of 1971.)

(1) section of north-south ditch - W71 22 116 - no mortaria.

(2) " " " " - W71 22 100 - no mortaria.
W71 22 123 - as recorded it contains 3 rim-sherds, one of which is somewhat weathered and could be dated to A.D. 220-280; this piece is totally out of keeping with all the rest of the mortaria from these ditches and the pit that it ought to be regarded as perhaps trodden into the surface and really part of a later layer covering the ditches.

(3) on the section of the north-south ditch - W70 22 53 - (dark brown silty filling in the very bottom of the ditch) - 2 rim-sherds, the later being A.D. 160-220, probably later than 170.

W71 22 101 & 107 - 5 rim-sherds, the latter 5 rim-sherds, nothing significant for dating.

W71 22 115 - 4 rim-sherds, 2 of them A.D. 170-220;

W71 22 122 - 5 rim-sherds, nothing significant for dating.

W71 22 128 - 13 rim-sherds, nothing significant for dating.

See Magnetometer Points with equivalent excavation numbers etc. for reasons for the way the water channel was excavated.

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The magnetometer readings suggested that point M2 was a small pit. In 1964 a nine foot square area was opened at point M2, (W 8* Contexts 1-8). The farmer permitted only this size area to be opened in 1964 i.e. before we started to pay him a form of 'rent'. An excellent group of pottery was found in the bottom of the feature. It was generally thought to be either one pit or two intersecting pits but it was not possible to identify the feature with any certainty because the area was too small, the weather too dry and sunny throughout the excavation, and the excavators lacked adequate supervision. In 1969 I intended to reopen exactly the same area on a larger scale to elucidate it but the stink created by stagnant water trapped in the bottom meant that it had to be abandoned almost immediately.

1970 (W70 8 Contexts 1-14); we left a baulk. We got far enough only to realize that it was a ditch; at that point Hedley Pengelly was recalled home on account of some crisis and I had no one else sufficiently experienced to spare so it was not continued further. 1971 a larger area was opened (W71 8 Contexts 15-34; section drawing, facing north-west), really to supersede the previous unsatisfactory efforts. But the discovery in 1971 that the water channel was linked with the well in Area 22 made us again leave Area 8 incomplete. The inked drawing of Area 22 was continued to include Area 8.

Measurements for square W 8 1964:

L2	78'2"	69'8"	68'8"	77'8"
N1	63'6"	66'11"	59'3"	54'10"

(PEG 099

There is a measurement for PEG 099 but none for the magnetometer point. It was not made in 1964, when the original peg was in position. Probably about 1969, when we had restored the grid. The grid would not be totally accurate, of course. 099 to TREE 5 220'

099 TO TREE 9 235' The magnetometer

point 099/(i) is unlikely to be the water channel. See 'Magnetometer points' with equivalent excavation numbers etc.)