# The Wymer Sites Database

The database consists of data for all the Mesolithic sites in the Wymer and Bonsall (1977) *Gazetteer of Mesolithic sites in England and Wales with a gazetteer of Upper Palaeolithic sites in England and Wales* that have OS Grid locations. (There is one record (Lancashire, Rochdale, Above Rochdale) where a grid value is missing.)

The site record is based on sites with OS Grid references.

In figure 1 (below) the site date in areas of the same colour end up in a single record. Also areas of common colour end up with a common SiteID.

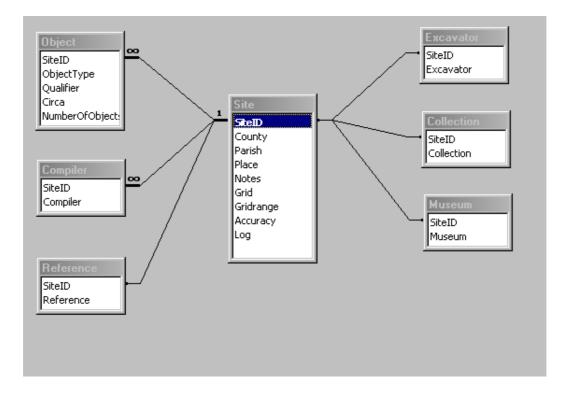
Westerdale Moor	NZ 633025(A)		E. Unwin Coll	B1/F11 M3	R.M.J.
	NZ640020(G)		W. Thomley and R. H Hayes Colls	M60	J.R.
White Gill	NZ 640027(A)	Siles 1 and 2	Midalesbrough Mus	Cone ************************************	R.M.J.
		[Additional info]	Middlesbrough Mus ex. Dr. Sphatt	Core. * B 1/F 1 * Gr. * 0 * M *	RMJ
			92. Therefore Cell Dimbleoy 1961	M-b	J.R.
			Ryedale Folk Mus	M - 6	
	NZ640027(A)	Site 3	R. H. Hayes Coll	Core	R.M.J.

### Figure 1

All information relevant to the site is concatenated into the relevant field. Thus if there has been multiple finds and/or excavations all the information is combined in the site record. [This could be distinguished by adding a "FindID" to supplement the SiteID in all the relevant tables.]

The original conversion was from the PDF version of the Gazetteer on the Archaeology Data Service (June 2007). This version can be referenced for the information not included in the database such as detailed explanations of the Object Type and expansion of abbreviations such as compilers, etc.

The database structure is given below.



The SiteForm (illustrated below) allows access and updating of all the data.

<b>#</b> #	SiteForm	
	SiteID County ANGLESEY Parish ABERFAW Compilers:	
	Place Trywyn Du Grid SH 352679 Accuracy A R.M.J.	
	Gridrange In.M.J.	
	Excav. From old soil below Cairn Excavators: ex. D. E. Ormerod Inf. C. Houlder	
	Collections: J. Ireland Coll F. Lynch Coll V	
	Object type Qualifier Circa Number	
	BI/FI 254	
	Sc 6 0 3	
	M 6 M-b 2 ▼	
Re	ecord: Ⅰ   1   ► ► ► of 5313	

# Site Table

Field	Type (Size)	From original	Comments
SiteID	Long integer	Ν	(KEY) generated.
			SiteID mostly reflects
			order in Gazatteer but
			cannot be relied on.
			SiteID 235 is not
			assigned.
County	Text (50)	Y	County (NOTE: Not
			current counties).
Parish	Text (50)	Y	Parish
Place	Text (100)	Y	Place
Notes	Memo	Y	Consolidated notes
Grid	Text (16)	Y	OS Grid
Gridrange	Text (50)	Y	Used when site is
			range of grid
			locations – First grid
			in Grid and final grid
			here.
Accuracy	Text (20)	Y	Typically G, E or A
Log	Text (250)	Ν	Log entry to record
			changes/issues with
			entries and applied to
			all data associated
			with this site (not just
			data in site table).

## **Object table**

Field	Type (size)	From original	Comments
SiteID	Long Integer	N	
Object Type	Text (50)	Y	Basic object type – a number of standard types are defined but there are multiple one off objects
Qualifier	Text (50)	Y	Qualifier to object type. (See example)
Circa	Text (24)	Y	Qualifier to NumberOfObjects field. Typically blank, Circa to mean that following number is approximate, * as used in Gazatteer, or ?.
NumberOfObjects	Long Integer	Y	Number of objects but check whether qualified in Circa field.

Examples of object records

Tr.Ax (L) would be coded as ObjectType 'Tr.Ax' with Qualifier '(L)'.

Many Thousands would be coded as Circa 'Circa (many thousands)' and NumberOfObjects 3000.

#### Other tables

Field	Type (size)	From original	Comments
SiteID	Long integer	Ν	
Compiler, Museum,	Text (50)	Y	
Excavator, etc			

Other tables are:

- Collection used for collection information (normally private collectors) (use PDFs to decode collections)
- Compiler used for compiler of record (initials only are stored. Use PDFs to translate)
- Excavator used for excavator of site (Use PDFs to decode)
- Museum used for Museums holding collections (use PDFs to decode)
- Reference used for published references (use PDFs to decode)

A SQL query ExportForGIS is supplied (See file SQL-ExportForGIS.txt) to convert data to single table for analysis. This query uses a VBA from Brady (no date) to covert OS Grid to Easting and Northing. This will generate one error as a result of the site without as OS Grid value.

This WymerGIS used for analysis was derived from the basic tables and had the following fields.

Field	Type (size)	From original	Comments	String used for totalling of objects
SiteID	Long integer	Ν		
Notes	Memo	Y		
Place	Text(100)	Y		
Parish	Text (50)	Y		
County	Text (50)	Y		
Grid	Text (16)	Y		
Easting	Long interger		Calculated from Grid using	
			Brady VBA script	
Northing	Long integer		Calculated from Grid using	
			Brady VBA script	

Cores	Double	Total for site derived from database.	Core*
Scrapers	Double	Total for site derived from database.	Sc*
Adzes	Double	Total for site derived from database.	Tr.Ax
Picks	Double	Total for site derived from database.	Pk
РМН	Double	Total for site derived from database.	РМН
AdzeSF	Double	Total for site derived from database.	Tr.AX.SF*
Blades	Double	Total for site derived from database.	Bl/Fl
Gravers	Double	Total for site derived from database.	Gr
Others	Double	Total for site derived from database.	0
Microburins	Double	Total for site derived from database.	M-b
Microliths	Double	Total for site derived from database.	М
Bone	Double	Total for site derived from database.	*bone*
Wood	Double	Total for site derived from database.	*wood*
Antler	Double	Total for site derived from database.	*antler*

The number total exclude items where quantity is non-numeric (such as "\*", "Unspecified", "Many", etc.). Items marked \* used SQL LIKE matching and are not always absolutely correct. (For example there is at least one example of a Scoop which gets included in the Scraper (Sc\*) category). These issues are rare and do not affect the overall statistics. [Note: The correct approach must be to refine the database further.]

## References

Brady P, (nd). OSGB VBA software from Excel spreadsheet. Available from http://www.bangor.ac.uk/is/iss025/osgbfaq.htm . Page consulted 15th January 2007.

Wymer J J and Bonsall C J, 1977. *Gazetteer of Mesolithic sites in England and Wales with a gazetteer of Upper Palaeolithic sites in England and Wales: CBA Research Report No 20*. Available at

http://ads.ahds.ac.uk/catalogue/search/fr.cfm?RCN=CBA-RR20. Page consulted 14 Jun 2007. Note that when consulted electronic copy had a number of mistakes not present in the published report.

# **Corrections to Wymer Site Information**

While checking the Wymer site data a number of problems were found. Some of these existed in the original paper document and some in the digitised PDF version. Corrections were applied if it was clear that a mistake had been made and it was relatively obvious what the correction needed to be. These were typically the Grid being displaced by one letter or the easting/northing values being exchanged. Some other problem co-ordinates were spotted but with no obvious correction.

These changes are recorded in the log entries.

SiteID	County	Parish	Place	Grid	Log Entry
237	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	BRILL	BRILL	SP 658140	Was SU should be SP
269	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	HAVERSHAM- CUM-LITTLE LINFORD	Pineham Farm, Haversham	SP 820430	Was TL should be SP
270	BUCKINGHAMSHIRE	HIGH WYCOMBE	HIGH WYCOMBE	SU 860930	Was SP should be SU
420	CHESHIRE	THURSTASTO N	THURSTASTON	SJ 240830	Was SU should be SJ
435	CORNWALL	CAMBORNE REDRUTH	Belle Lake, Camborne	SW 650400	Was SQ should be SW
451	CORNWALL	GRADE-RUAN	Goonhilly Common Goonhilly Downs	SW 720195	Was SX should be SW
474	CORNWALL	MULLION	Asparagus Island Kynance Cove	SW 685132	Was SX should be SW
479	CORNWALL	NEWLYN EAST	S Cargoll Mine	SW 835540	Was SW 540835 should be SW 835540
555	CORNWALL	SENNEN	SENNEN	SW 390240	Was SX should be SW
498	CORNWALL	ST. BREWARD	Garrow Farm	SX 147780	Was SS should be SX
693	DEVON	LYDFORD	Ringhill, near Postbridge	SX 650790	Was SS should be SX
845	DORSET	STUDLAND	Nr. Fishing Barrow	SZ 018822	Was SY 018822 should be SZ 018822 (Original not in Dorset).
865	DORSET	WEYMOUTH	Ridgeway Hill	SY 665800	Was SY 800665 should be SY 665800
909	DURHAM	EGGLESTON	Blackton Blackton, Teesdale	NZ 005257	Was NS should be NZ
950	DURHAM	MONK HESLEDEN	Blackhalls	NZ 474390	Was SZ should be NZ
1109	ESSEX	TOLLESBURY	TOLLESBURY	TL 940080	Was TM should be TL
1123	FLINTSHIRE	NEWMARKET	Gop Cave	SJ 096181	SJ 096181 looks incorrect.
1274	HAMPSHIRE	BOURNEMOUT H	Winton	SZ 080940	SZ 080940 looks incorrect Should this be SZ 090940?
1354	HAMPSHIRE	FAWLEY	FAWLEY	SU 540040	Was ST should be SU
1432	HAMPSHIRE	RHINEFIELD	Wootton, New Fores t	SZ 240995	Was SU should be SZ
1544	HERTFORDSHIRE	ABBOTS LANGLEY	Bedmond	TL 100035	Was TQ should be TL

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1548	HERTFORDSHIRE	ABBOTS LANGLEY	Gt. Water Field Hyde Farm	TL 082051	Was TQ should be TL
1547	HERTFORDSHIRE	ABBOTS LANGLEY	Hyde Farm	TL 082051	Was TQ should be TL
1550	HERTFORDSHIRE	ABBOTS LANGLEY	Playing field, between Belswain and Nash Mills	TL 080000	Was TQ should be TL
1563	HERTFORDSHIRE	HODDESDON	Broxbourne	TL 380080	Was TQ should be TL
1566	HERTFORDSHIRE	HODDESDON	Dobb's Weir Gravel Pit 2	TL 380080	Was TQ should be TL
1564	HERTFORDSHIRE	HODDESDON	Dobb's Weir, Gravel Pit 1	TL 381081	Was TQ should be TL
1565	HERTFORDSHIRE	HODDESDON	Dobb's Weir, Gravel Pit 1	TL 379080	Was TQ should be TL
1567	HERTFORDSHIRE	HODDESDON	Rikof's Pit Broxbourne	TL 379069	Was TQ should be TL
1725	ISLE OF WIGHT	TOTLAND	High Down, Alum Bay	SZ 318856	Was SZ 318556 should be 318856
1732	KENT	ALDINGTON	Knoll Farm	TR 074037	TR 070037 is incorrect (at sea. Looks more like 071337 based on Google maps
1829	KENT	GILLINGHAM	Twydall	TQ 805675	Was TR should be TQ
2142	LEICESTERSHIRE	HINCKLEY	Wykin Spring	SP 950409	Was SP 950409. Suspect should be SP 409950 but not changed.
2145	LEICESTERSHIRE	LEICESTER	Wharf Street, Leicester	SK 040580	Was SK 040580 should be SK 580040
2172	LINCOLNSHIRE	ARROW UPON UMBER	ARROW UPON UMBER	TA 070210	Was A should be TA
2173	LINCOLNSHIRE	ARROW UPON UMBER	ARROW UPON UMBER	TA 046182	Was A should be TA
2175	LINCOLNSHIRE	BRAUNCEWEL L	BRAUNCEWELL	TF 030520	Was F should be TF
2174	LINCOLNSHIRE	ELTON	Beltoft	SE 817060	Was E should be SE
2235	LINCOLNSHIRE	SCOTTON	SCOTTON	SE 901000	Was SK should be SE
2439	LONDON	CITY OF WESTMINSTE R L.B	Pall Mall	TQ 297802	Was TQ 297302 should be TR 297802.
2483	NORFOLK	GARBOLDISH AM	"Aldernood"	TM 003802	Was TL should be TM
2514	NORFOLK	LITTLE CRESSINGHA M	LITTLE CRESSINGHAM	TF 872000	Was TL should be TF
2518	NORFOLK	LYNG	CaddersHill Lyng	TG 068173	Was TL should be TG
2569	NORFOLK	SPARHAM	Wensum Valley	TG 017797	TG 017797 is incorrect (in sea). Sparham is at 071 195. Could be 071 197?
2600	NORFOLK	YARMOUTH	YARMOUTH	TG 550070	TG 550070 is probably incorrect (in sea). Is this Great Yarmouth 530070?
2723	OXFORDSHIRE	ISLIP	Woodeaton	SP 538127	Was SU should be SP.
2767	OXFORDSHIRE	WOODEATON	Near Islip	SP 530110	Was SU should be SP.
2769	PEMBROKESHIRE	AMROTH	AMROTH	SN 170070	Was SS should be SN
2770	PEMBROKESHIRE	ANGLE	Broomhill Burrows	SM 885005	Was SR should be SM
2771	PEMBROKESHIRE	ANGLE	Freshwater West	SR 886994	Was SM should be SR

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2818	PEMBROKESHIRE	ANGLE/ CASTLEMARTI N	Little Furzenip	SR 915984	Was SM should be SR
2809	PEMBROKESHIRE	CASTLEMARTI N	Frainslake	SR 893978	Was SM should be SR
2807	PEMBROKESHIRE	CASTLEMARTI N	Frainslake	SR 892977	Was SM should be SR
2808	PEMBROKESHIRE	CASTLEMARTI N	Frainslake	SR 892977	Was SM should be SR
2889	PEMBROKESHIRE	WHITCHURCH	Porth-y-Rhaw	SM 787243	Was SM 787643 should be SM 787243
3135	SUFFOLK	IPSWICH	Bolton & Co Brickyard	TM 154462	Was TM 1544462 should be TM 154462.
3618	SUSSEX	BOGNOR	BOGNOR	SZ 935980	Was SU should be SZ
3732	SUSSEX	FRANT	High Rocks	TQ 553563	TQ 553563 is incorrect (not is Sussex). Suspect might be 553363.
3956	SUSSEX	SELSEY	Institute Brickfield	SZ 859910	Was SZ 895910 should be SZ 859910
3957	SUSSEX	SELSEY	The Looe, Shore End	SZ 859910	Was SZ 895910 should be SZ 859910
4324	WORCESTERSHIRE	COPTON HACKETT	Bilberry Hill Rednal	SO 990750	Was SU should be SO
4446	YORKSHIRE (EAST RIDING)	THWING	THWING	TA 050070	Was TA 050070. Suspect should be 050700
4566	YORKSHIRE (NORTH RIDING)	FYLINGDALE	Biller Howe Dale	NZ 914013	Was SE should be NZ
4585	YORKSHIRE (NORTH RIDING)	HACKNESS	Hackness Barrow 7	SE 939945	Was TA should be SE
4586	YORKSHIRE (NORTH RIDING)	HARWOODAL E	HARWOODALE	SE 960950	Was TA should be SE
4609	YORKSHIRE (NORTH RIDING)	INGLEBY GREENHOW	Ingleby Moor	NZ 598020	Was SE should be NZ
4656	YORKSHIRE (NORTH RIDING)	SILPHO	Silpho Moor	SE 960920	Was TA should be SE
4659	YORKSHIRE (NORTH RIDING)	SNAINTON	Cockmoor Hall	SE 910860	Was TA should be SE
4727	YORKSHIRE (WEST RIDING)	BLUBBERHOU SES	Round Hill	SE 125536	Was SE 1255536 should be SE 125536.
4959	YORKSHIRE (WEST RIDING)	LANGSETT	Near Dog and Partridge Inn	SE 168003	Was SK should be SE
4962	YORKSHIRE (WEST RIDING)	LAVERTON	Kettlestang	SK 153712	Was SE should be SK
4970	YORKSHIRE (WEST RIDING)	MELTHAM	MELTHAM	SE 070080	Was SK should be SE
4972	YORKSHIRE (WEST RIDING)	MELTHAM	Raven Rocks	SE 074088	Was SK should be SE
4973	YORKSHIRE (WEST RIDING)	MELTHAM	West Nab	SE 077088	Was SK should be SE
4974	YORKSHIRE (WEST RIDING)	MELTHAM	West Nab	SE 077088	Was SK should be SE
5039	YORKSHIRE (WEST RIDING)	RIPPONDEN	Dick Slack	SE 989172	Was SE should be SD