

INDEX OF TREE-RING DATED BUILDINGS IN WALES

COUNTY LIST approximately in chronological order, revised 2016.

© Vernacular Architecture Group 2016

These files may be copied for personal use, but should not be published or further distributed without written permission from the Vernacular Architecture Group. Always access these tables via the VAG website. Unauthorised copies released without prior consent on search engines may be out of date and unreliable. Enquiries may be made to bob@bmeeson.co.uk

Before using the index you are recommended to read or print the *introduction and guidance*, which includes a key to the abbreviations used on the tables.



CAERNARFONSHIRE (Sir Gaernarfon)

County-historic (later)	Felling date range	Placename	Address	VA ref; EH ref; (other ref)	Description / keywords	NGR
Caern (Gwyn)	1417 /18 to 1420	Conwy	Aberconwy House	32.86 Oxf (1)	Large urban house. Stone & timber-framed. Jettied. First-floor hall & upper room, chambers above.	SH 781776
Caern (Gwyn)	1441 /42	Conwy	11, Castle St. (former Black Lion)	41.113 Oxf	Primary phase (formerly dated to 1420 in VA32.86). 2-bay hall + inner & outer bays. Jointed crucks. (Also see 1517+).	SH 782775
Caern (Gwyn)	1476 +	Criccieth	Pennarth Fawr, Llanstumdy	23.45 Sh	Aisle post in stone-walled open hall house.	SH 419376
Caern (Gwyn)	1471 - 1501	Dolwyddelan	St Gwyddelan Church	42.111 Oxf (2)	Nave roof. Principals, arch-braced collars, cusped wind braces, side purlins.	SH 735522
Caer (Gwyn)	1494 -95	Beddgelert	Oerddwr-isaf	38.134 Oxf (3)	House was of crogloft type; upper-end chimney, cruck-truss across open hall, re-set partition truss originally with a tenoned collar.	SH 590454
Caer (Gwyn)	1506 /07	Caernarfon	6 Palace St (former Vaynol Arms)	41.113 Oxf	Dwelling & shop? Box-framed, large wall panels, midrail, jettied gable to street. Jowled posts with up-braces to tiebeams, crown strut to collar.	SH 478627
Caer (Gwyn)	1508	Beddgelert	Gwastad Annas	46.116 UoW (4) NPRN 26549	Cruck blades. For fireplace see 1539 -75.	SH 656536
Caer (Gwyn)	1508 - 1509	Llanrwst	Maenan Hall	46.113 Oxf NPRN 16489	Stockpiled ? archbrace of 1447 -75 in box-framed gentry house with 3-tier framing. Dates of 1508 -09 for dais partition head beam, inner room axial beam, post & tiebeam to passage end hall truss. 2-bay open hall with central cruck truss, louvre, 2 tiers of cusped windbraces. Plasterwork dated 1582.	SH 794650
Caern (Gwyn)	1499 - 1531	Llanengan	Creigir-isaf	42.111 Oxf	Re-used ceiling beam (in rebuilt 3-bay farmhouse with post & panel screen).	SH 304282
Caern (Gwyn)	1515 /16 & 1516 /17	Penmachno	Dugoed	42.112 Oxf (5)	Main (S) range – 2-unit Snowdonian house with cross-passage, end chimney: 1st-floor heated chamber over hall. Open truss with principals, cranked collar, originally 2 tiers of short windbraces. (For parlour wing see 1594).	SH 806521
Caern (Gwyn)	1517 +	Conwy	11, Castle St. (former Black Lion)	41.113 Oxf	Mantel beam to inserted chimney stack. (Stone-walled, storeyed, hearth-passage plan by 1589 (inscription). For primary phase see 1441 /42).	SH 782775
Caern (Gwyn)	1518 & 1518 /19	Betws-y-Coed	Blaenglasgwm-uchaf, Penmachno	44.107 Oxf (6)	Rubble-walled upland peasant farmhouse of 4 bays, with single-bay hall. Cruck trusses with lapped collars. (For roof reconstruction see 1621).	SH 766494

Caern (Gwyn)	1524 & 1526	Llandudno	Gloddaeth Hall	46.113 Oxf (7) NPRN 26514	Stone. Hall & solar wing. 3-bay knee-braced false hammer beam roof with arch-braced collar and cusped V-struts. 2 tiers of cusped wind braces, moulded common rafters.	SH 802907
Caern (Gwyn)	1527 +	Criccieth	2, Castle St, Tŷ-mawr (Castle Inn)	41.113 Oxf (8)	Snowdonian house with mid - late 16thC features. Hooded fireplace in chamber. Open arch-braced trusses, 2 tiers of cusped wind braces.	SH 500378
Caern (Gwyn)	1529	Beddgelert	Ty-mawr, Nantmor	37.130 Oxf (9)	5-bay stone house with 2-bay hall: 'collar-beam' trusses, arch-braced central truss, 2 tiers of cusped wind braces. (For inserted fireplace see 1537 -63).	SH 610462
Caern (Gwyn)	1519 -43	Llechwedd	Cymryd-isaf	42.112 Oxf	Date-range of later timbers in hall ceiling (others of 1474 -88) inserted into 3-unit open hall house. (The pantry ceiling, containing timber felled 1491-1521 & 1523-53, may or may not be a different phase).	SH 792758
Caern (Gwyn)	1533	Dolbenmaen	Gorllwyn-uchaf	37.130 Oxf (10)	Stone walls. 2 cruck trusses with morticed collars. Hall open to roof until 18th or 19thC.	SH 582429
Caern (Gwyn)	1537	Betws-y-Coed	Coedyffynon, Penmachno	44.107 Oxf (11)	Snowdonian storeyed house with end chimney, originally with cross-passage. Main chamber truss has principals, collars, 2 tiers of cusped windbraces.	SH 804530
Caer (Gwyn)	1531 -46	Beddgelert	Hafodruffydd-uchaf	38.134 Oxf (12)	3-bay range. Cruck blades, collar.	SH 568496
Caer (Gwyn)	1544 & 1545 /46	Bangor	Town Hall (former Bishop's Palace)	41.112 Oxf (13)	4 bays of SW wing with arch-braced collar trusses.	SH 580721
Caer (Gwyn)	1541 -50	Beddgelert	Hafod Lwyfog	46.116 UoW (14) NPRN 26578	Principals, collar, in 'a mid-sixteenth-century Snowdonian gentry house'. (Reconstructed in 1638 – date on beam).	SH 652522
Caer (Gwyn)	1536 -56	Llandwrog	Tŷ-mawr	41.114 Oxf (15)	Stone house, storeyed. Cross-passage separates ceiled hall from twin outer rooms. 4-bay roof with arch-braced collar trusses, quatrefoil apexes.	SH 508533
Caer (Gwyn)	1537 -63	Beddgelert	Ty-mawr, Nantmor	38.134 Oxf	Inserted fireplace beam.	SH 610462
Caer (Gwyn)	1549 -52	Dolbenmaen	Derwyn-bach	38.135 Oxf (16)	Cross-passage, gable end chimney, stone fireplace stair, collar trusses.	SH 476452
Caern (Gwyn)	1553 -55	Llandegai	Dyffryn Mymbyr	42.111 Oxf (17)	Stone, storeyed, Snowdonian plan type. Beam for former cross-passage post-and-panel partition. Principals, collar, raking struts.	SH 695573
Caern (Gwyn)	1536 -74	Aberdaron	Bodwrda	41.112 Oxf (18)	Principal stone-built phase has 3-unit plan with large hall & lateral chimney. (Also see 1575).	SH 188272
Caer (Gwyn)	1539 -75	Beddgelert	Gwastad Annas	46.116 UoW (19) NPRN 26549	Fireplace lintel. (For cruck blades see 1508).	SH 656536
Caern (Gwyn)	1545 -75	Llandudno	Penrhyn Old Hall	46.113 Oxf	Ceiling beam in SW wing.	SH 815815
Caern (Gwyn)	1557 /58 & 1562	Pentir	Vaynol (Faenol) Old Hall	41.114 Oxf (20)	Hall range. Hall has a lateral chimney & a 16 panel ceiling. (Also see 1628 /29).	SH 538695
Caern (Gwyn)	1563	Betws-y-Coed	Cae Gwegi, Capel Curig	46.95 CCKG/14/05	Bressumer.	SH 730570
Caern (Gwyn)	1563 & 1563 /64	Betws-y-Coed	Bennar, Penmachno	44.107 Oxf (21)	Rebuilt 1693 (inscription), but retains evidence of Snowdonian house with stop-chamfered beams & post-&-panel partitions.	SH 794518
Caern (Gwyn)	1559 & 1564 /65	Penmachno	Tŷ-mawr, Wybrnant	42,112 Oxf	Date is for reconstruction of roof: principals, collars. (Cruck fragments failed to date. Re-used mantle beam in adjacent cottage 1521-51).	SH 770524

Caern (Gwyn)	1571	Beddgelert	Hafodruffydd-uchaf	38.134 Oxf	2-unit storeyed farmhouse.	SH 605457
Caern (Gwyn)	1571 /72	Buan	Penhyddgan	41.112 Oxf (22)	Snowdonian 2-unit end-chimney house. Post & panel passage partition. 1st-floor chambers originally open to roof: multi-cusped central truss with raking struts.	SH 302386
Caern (Gwyn)	1570 /71 & 1573	Betws-y-Coed	Plas Glasgwm, Penmachno	44.107	Farmhouse. Dates are from re-used rafter & purlin.	SH 774504
Caer (Gwyn)	1571 & 1573 /74	Clynnog	Pant-glas-uchaf	38.135 Oxf	Snowdonian house with winding stair & gable fireplace. Collar truss, purlin, half-beam.	SH 477478
Caern (Gwyn)	1575	Aberdaron	Bodwrda	41.112 Oxf	Extension to hall range (see 1536 -74).	SH 188272
Caern (Gwyn)	1562 -92	Penmachno	Dulasau-uchaf	42.112 Oxf (23)	Now the S wing of a larger house, this began as a 2-unit end-chimney house.	SH 830516
Caern (Gwyn)	1573 & 1578	Conwy	Plas-mawr (Cadw)	27.106 Oxf	Townhouse, courtyard plan, 3 broadly coeval stone ranges. Withdrawing room roof intended to be open, with arch-braced collars, V-struts, tenoned purlins, decorative pegging, framed after summer 1578 but apparently ceiled over in 1580. (For gatehouse see 1585 c.).	SH 780776
Caern (Gwyn)	1568 /69 & 1578 /79	Caerhun	Llanerchfelin, Rowen	44.108 Oxf	Fully storeyed Snowdonian house. Post & panel partition, reed-moulded screen. Collar-beam trusses with raking struts.	SH 889699
Caern (Gwyn)	1584 /85	Betws Garmon	Llwyn-bedw	38.134 Oxf (24)	Stone. Gable-end chimney, fully storied. Date is from hall ceiling.	SH 530582
Caern (Gwyn)	1556 -93, 1550 -95	Conwy	Plas-mawr (Cadw)	27.106 Oxf	Gatehouse presumed complete by 1585, but there are several overlapping tree-ring dates. (For townhouse see 1578 c.)	SH 780776
Caern (Gwyn)	1588	Penmachno	Old House, Fedw-deg	46.113 Oxf NPRN 26449	Post and panel partition in 3-unit lobby entry house.	SH 789532
Caern (Gwyn)	1587 /88 & 1592 /93	Penmachno	Dulasau-isaf	42.112 Oxf	Two 2-storey houses set corner to corner (unit system). In main range, large hall with twin outer rooms.	SH 821525
Caern (Gwyn)	1594	Penmachno	Dugoed	42.112 Oxf (25)	Parlour wing with fireplace stair, possibly originally a subsidiary dwelling. (For main (S) range see 1516 /17).	SH 806521
Caer (Gwyn)	1581 - 1611 ?	Dolbenmaen	Clenennau	38.135 Oxf (26)	Front range (parlour wing), with 2 arch-braced trusses, yielded 7 different date ranges, earliest 1520-50, latest 1581-1611. Rear (hall) range yielded 1556 -86 & 1571 -1601. Repairs in 1731.	SH 532424
Caern (Gwyn)	1598 & 1599/1600	Betws Garmon	Ffrid-isaf	37.130 Oxf	2-unit plan with cross passage & gable-end chimney. 'Collar-beam' roof trusses.	SH 575528
Caern (Gwyn)	1592 & 1608	Penrhos	Plas-ym-Mhenrhos	43.104 Oxf	Snowdonian stone house with end chimney. Roof probably 18thC.	SH 355342
Caern (Gwyn)	1609 /10	Dolbenmaen	Y Gesail Gyfarch	37.130 Oxf (27)	2 units, fully floored, end-chimney. Roof trusses replaced.	SH 540417
Caern (Gwyn)	1619 /20 & 1621	Betws-y-Coed	Blaenglasgwm-uchaf, Penmachno	44.107 Oxf (28)	Roof reconstruction includes packing piece. (For cruck-framed primary phase see 1518 /19).	SH 766494
Caern (Gwyn)	1619 -24	Aber	Pen-y-bryn (Garth Celyn)	41.112 Oxf (29)	2-storey Snowdonian house. Tiebeam & principals.	SH 658727
Caern (Gwyn)	1628 /29	Pentir	Vaynol (Faenol) Old Hall	41.114 Oxf	Middle & rear ranges added to hall range (1562 qv).	SH 538695

Caern (Gwyn)	1598 & 1599/1600	Betws Garmon	Ffrid-isaf	37.130 Oxf	2-unit plan with cross passage & gable-end chimney. 'Collar-beam' roof trusses.	SH 575528
Caern (Gwyn)	1592 & 1608	Penrhos	Plas-ym-Mhenrhos	43.104 Oxf	Snowdonian stone house with end chimney. Roof probably 18thC.	SH 355342
Caern (Gwyn)	1609 /10	Dolbenmaen	Y Gesail Gyfarch	37.130 Oxf (30)	2 units, fully floored, end-chimney. Roof trusses replaced.	SH 540417
Caern (Gwyn)	1619 /20 & 1621	Betws-y-Coed	Blaenglasgwm- uchaf, Penmachno	44.107 Oxf (31)	Roof reconstruction includes packing piece. (For cruck-framed primary phase see 1518 /19).	SH 766494
Caern (Gwyn)	1619 -24	Aber	Pen-y-bryn (Garth Celyn)	41.112 Oxf (32)	2-storey Snowdonian house. Tiebeam & principals.	SH 658727
Caern (Gwyn)	1628 /29	Pentir	Vaynol (Faenol) Old Hall	41.114 Oxf	Middle & rear ranges added to hall range (1562 qv).	SH 538695
Caern (Gwyn)	1743 -49	Ederw	Penbryn	41.113 Oxf (33)	2-unit farmhouse with end chimneys. (Inscription 1790 presumably relates to a rebuild).	SH 276394

Acknowledgements

Richard Suggett is thanked for supplying a number of amendments.

REFERENCES

- ¹ RCAHMW *Inventory of ancient monuments in Caernarvonshire 1* (1956), 64-6.
- ² RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 1: east* (1956), 76-80.
- ³ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 2* (1960), 22, no.709.
- ⁴ R Suggett & M Dunn *Discovering the historic houses of Snowdonia* (RCAHMW, 2014), 108 -113.
- ⁵ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 1: east* (1956), 174.
- ⁶ R Suggett & M Dunn *Discovering the historic houses of Snowdonia* (RCAHMW, 2014), 114-120.
- ⁷ P. Smith *Houses of the Welsh Countryside* (1975 & 1988), figs 71 & 72.
- ⁸ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 2* (1960), 62-3.
- ⁹ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire 2*, 18-19.
- ¹⁰ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire 2*, 70.
- ¹¹ R Suggett & M Dunn *Discovering the historic houses of Snowdonia* (RCAHMW, 2014), 172 -77.
- ¹² R Suggett & M Dunn *Discovering the historic houses of Snowdonia* (RCAHMW, 2014), 154-58.
- ¹³ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 2* (1960), 9-11.
- ¹⁴ R Suggett & M Dunn *Discovering the historic houses of Snowdonia* (RCAHMW, 2014), 212-17.
- ¹⁵ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 3* (1964), 184.
- ¹⁶ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 2* (1960), 71, fig 63, plate 60.
- ¹⁷ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 1: east* (1956), fig 105.
- ¹⁸ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire inventory 3* (1964), 3-5.
- ¹⁹ R Suggett & M Dunn *Discovering the historic houses of Snowdonia* (RCAHMW, 2014), 108 -113.
- ²⁰ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 3* (1964), 243-5.
- ²¹ R Suggett & M Dunn *Discovering the historic houses of Snowdonia* (RCAHMW, 2014), 218-22.
- ²² RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 3* (1964), 30-31.
- ²³ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 1: east* (1956), 175, fig 172.
- ²⁴ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 2* (1960), 34, fig. 34.
- ²⁵ RCAHMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 1: east* (1956), 174.

²⁶ RCAHMMW *Caernarvonshire Inventory 2* (1960), 67-8.

²⁷ RCAHMMW *Caernarvonshire 2*, 73.

²⁸ R Suggett & M Dunn *Discovering the historic houses of Snowdonia* (RCAHMMW, 2014), 114-120.

²⁹ RCAHMMW *Caernarvonshire inventory 1* (1956), 3-4.

³⁰ RCAHMMW *Caernarvonshire 2*, 73.

³¹ R Suggett & M Dunn *Discovering the historic houses of Snowdonia* (RCAHMMW, 2014), 114-120.

³² RCAHMMW *Caernarvonshire inventory 1* (1956), 3-4.

³³ RCAHMMW *Caernarvonshire inventory 3* (1964), 1563.