

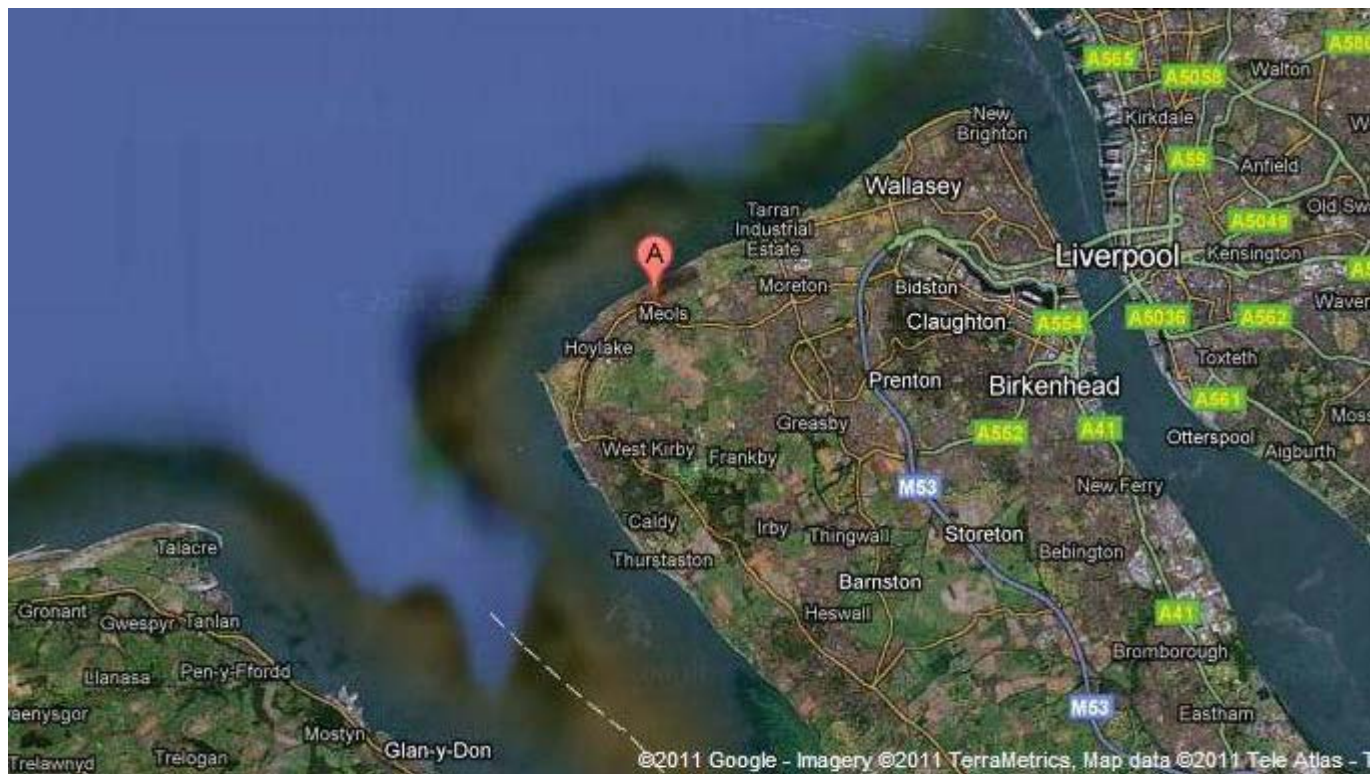


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The Wirral Clinkership/boat under a Pub

Stephen Harding











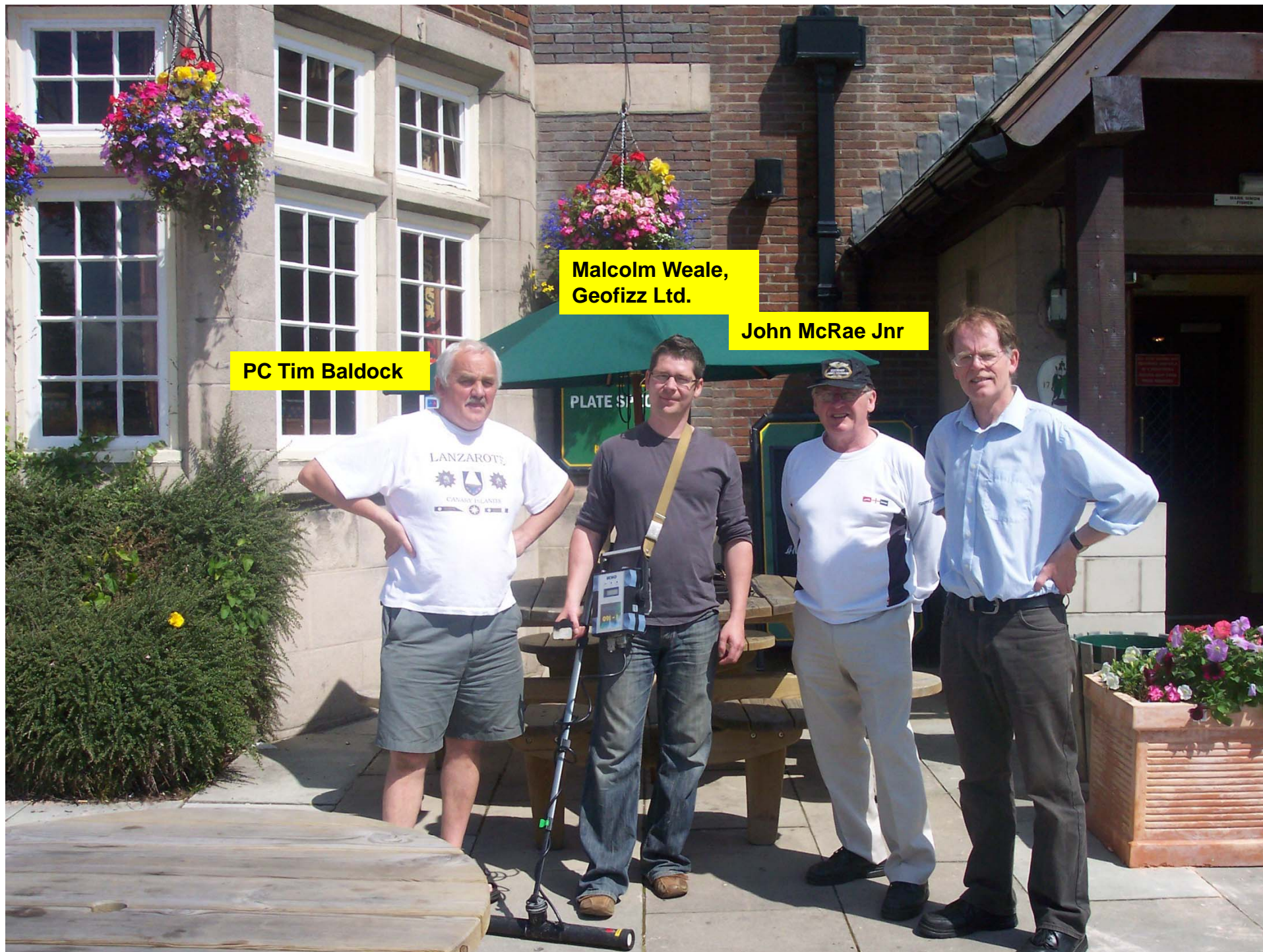
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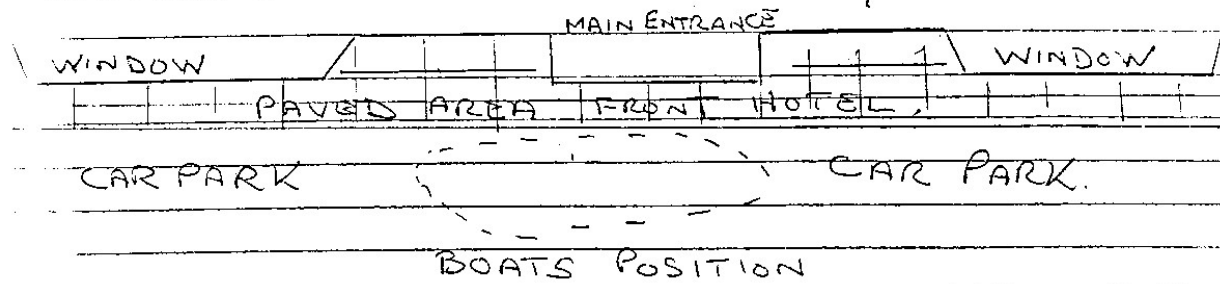
1901 – old pub building



1938 – new pub built behind the old



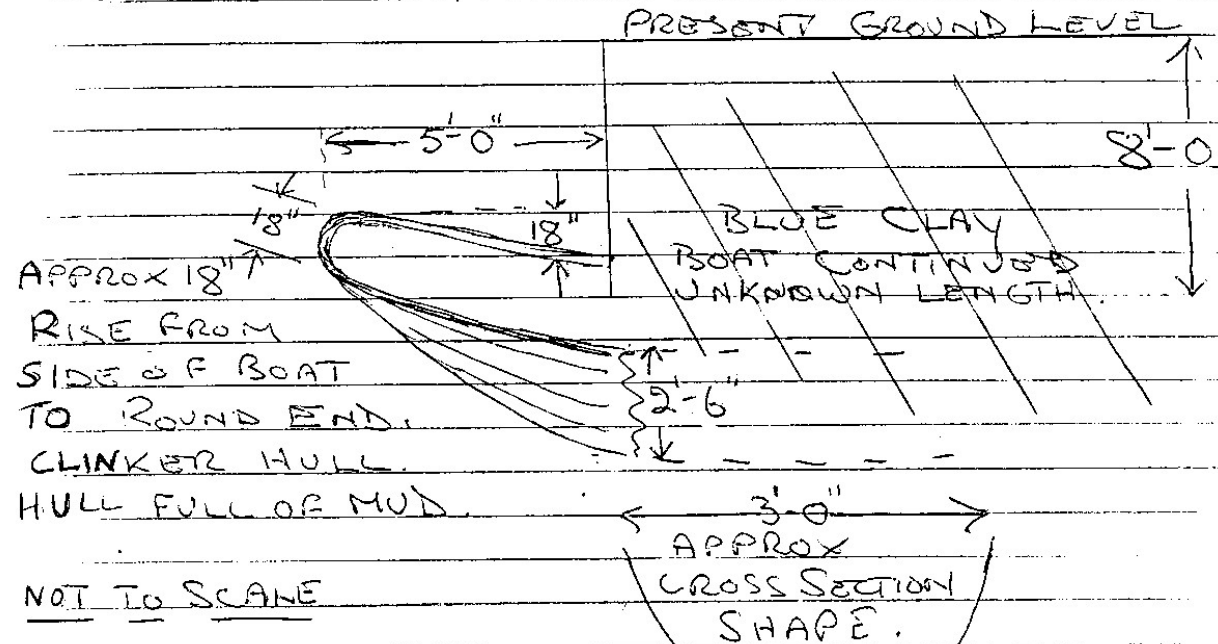
DETAILS OF BOAT FOUND RAILWAY HOTEL MEOLS



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 STEP. BOAT WAS LEFT IN ORIGINAL STATE
 UNDAMAGED BY EXCAVATION.

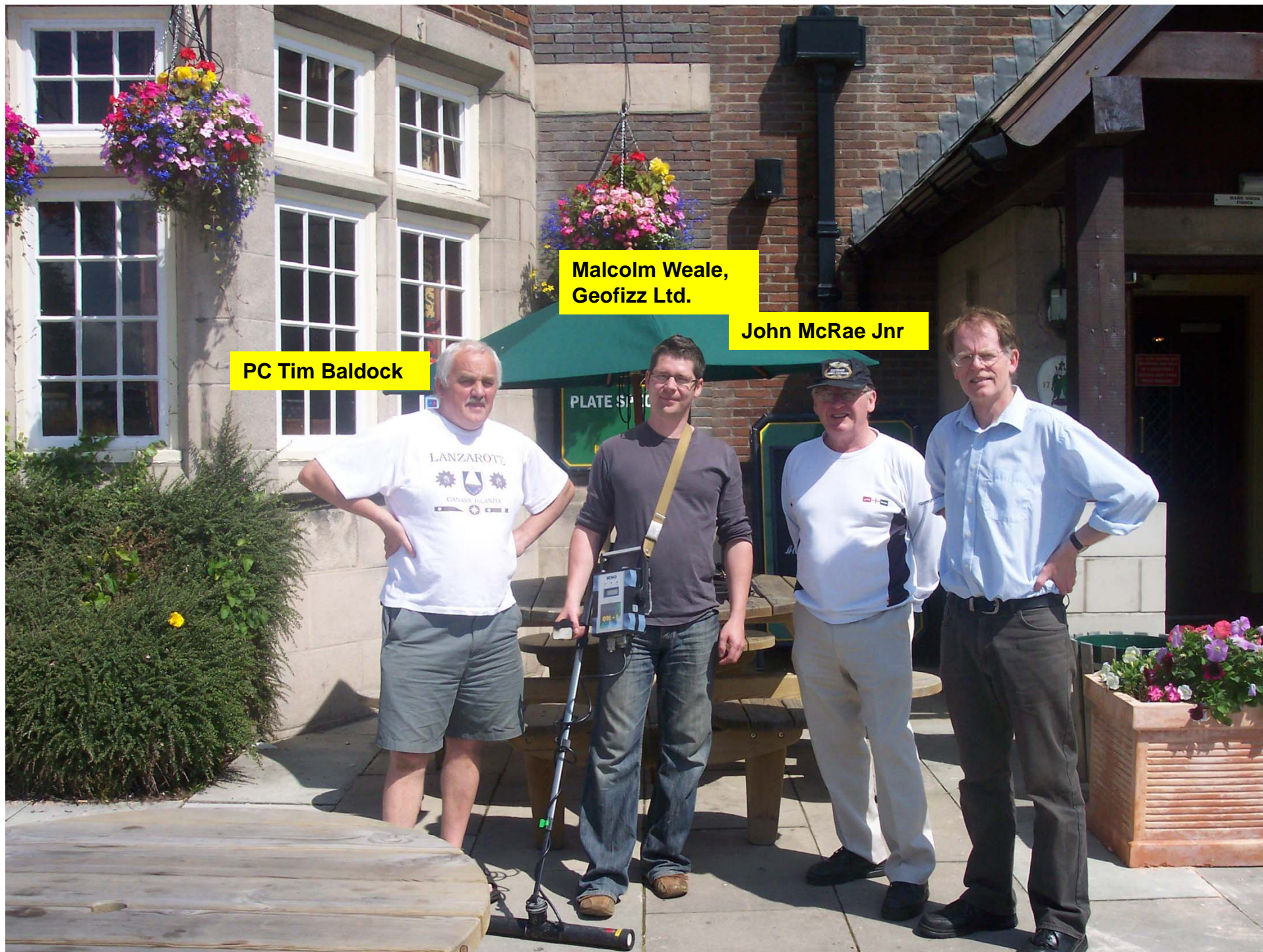
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SECTION OF BOAT UNCOVERED APPROX 5'-0"



NOT TO SCALE

APPROX SECTION OF BOAT
 AT 5'-0" FROM END.



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**GPR Scan Railway pub
Meols**

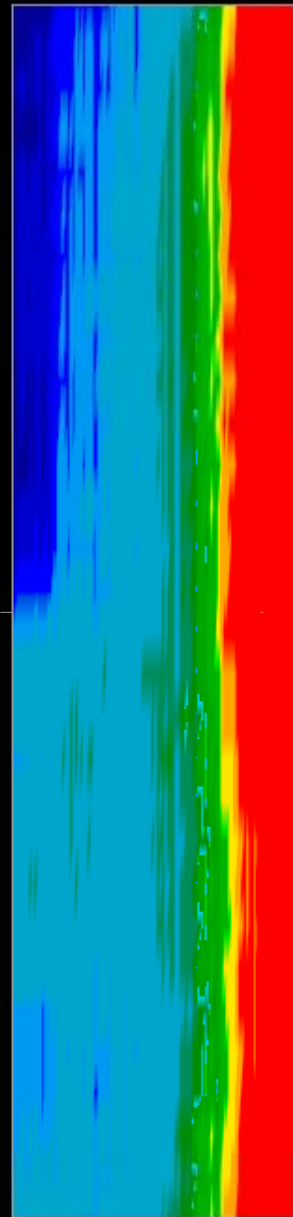
**Dark Blue
shows
Cavities -
Water.**

**Light Blue shows
Disturbed Ground -
Loose soil.**

**Red indicates
Metal
foundations of
existing building.**

15m

Vertical GPR Scan.

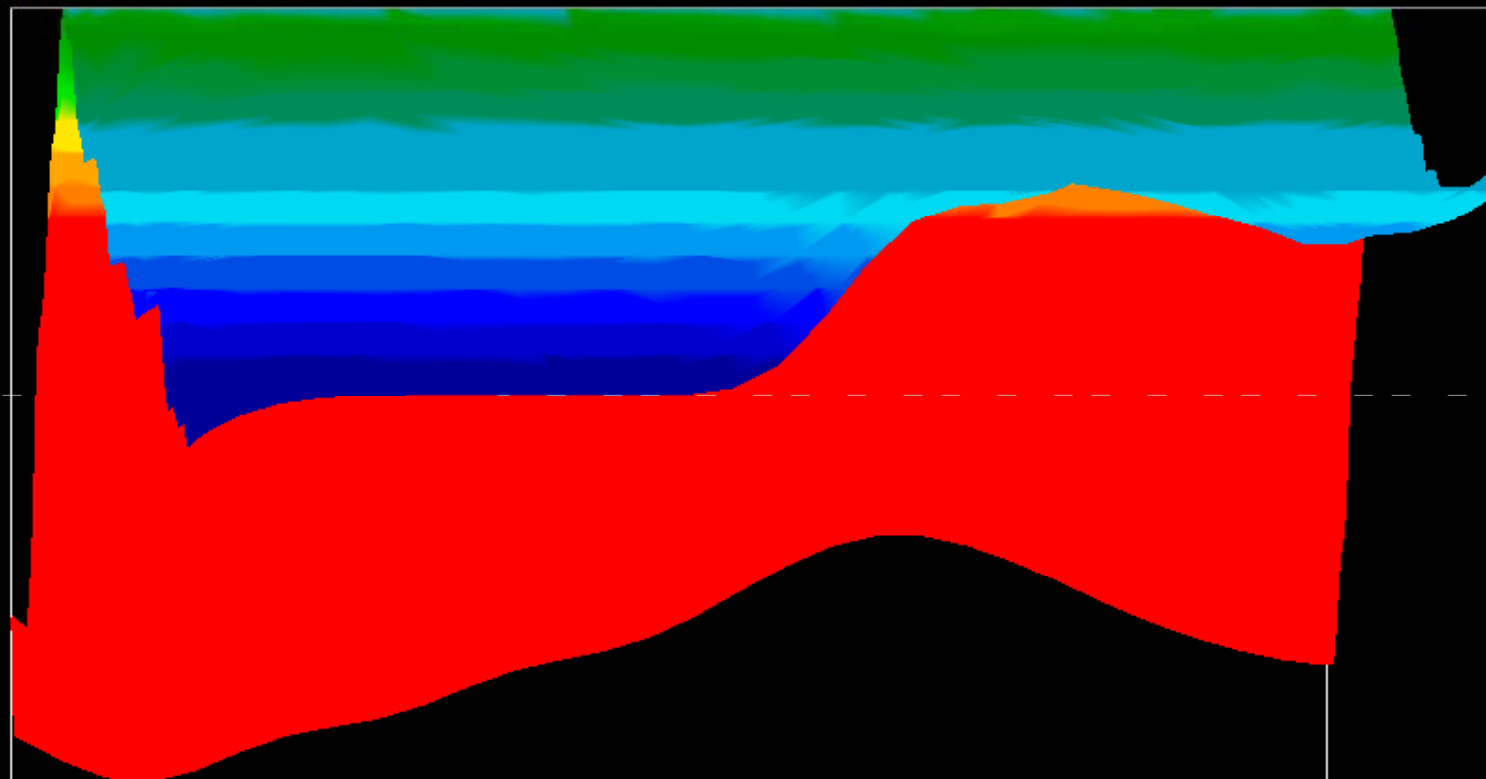


3.5 M

Side Scan Railway Pub Meols.

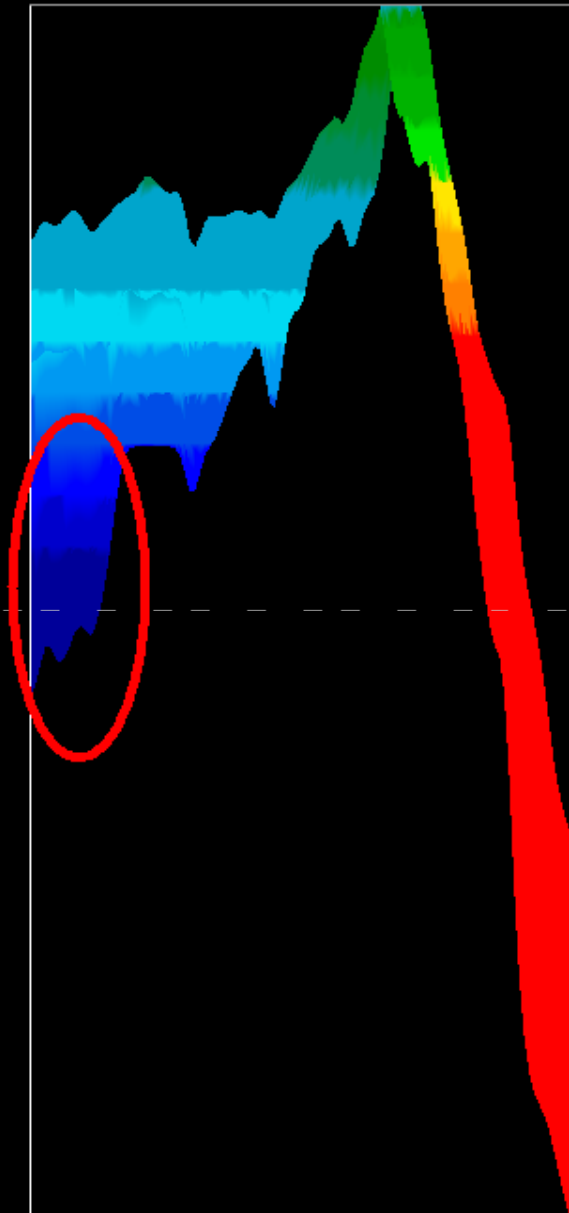
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Start Point



Vertical Side Scan appears to show the outline of a
Boat (Blue). 1.5 - 1.8M deep \pm 1M.

**Railway Pub Meols
End View Vertical
Cavity Water shown
in Blue.**

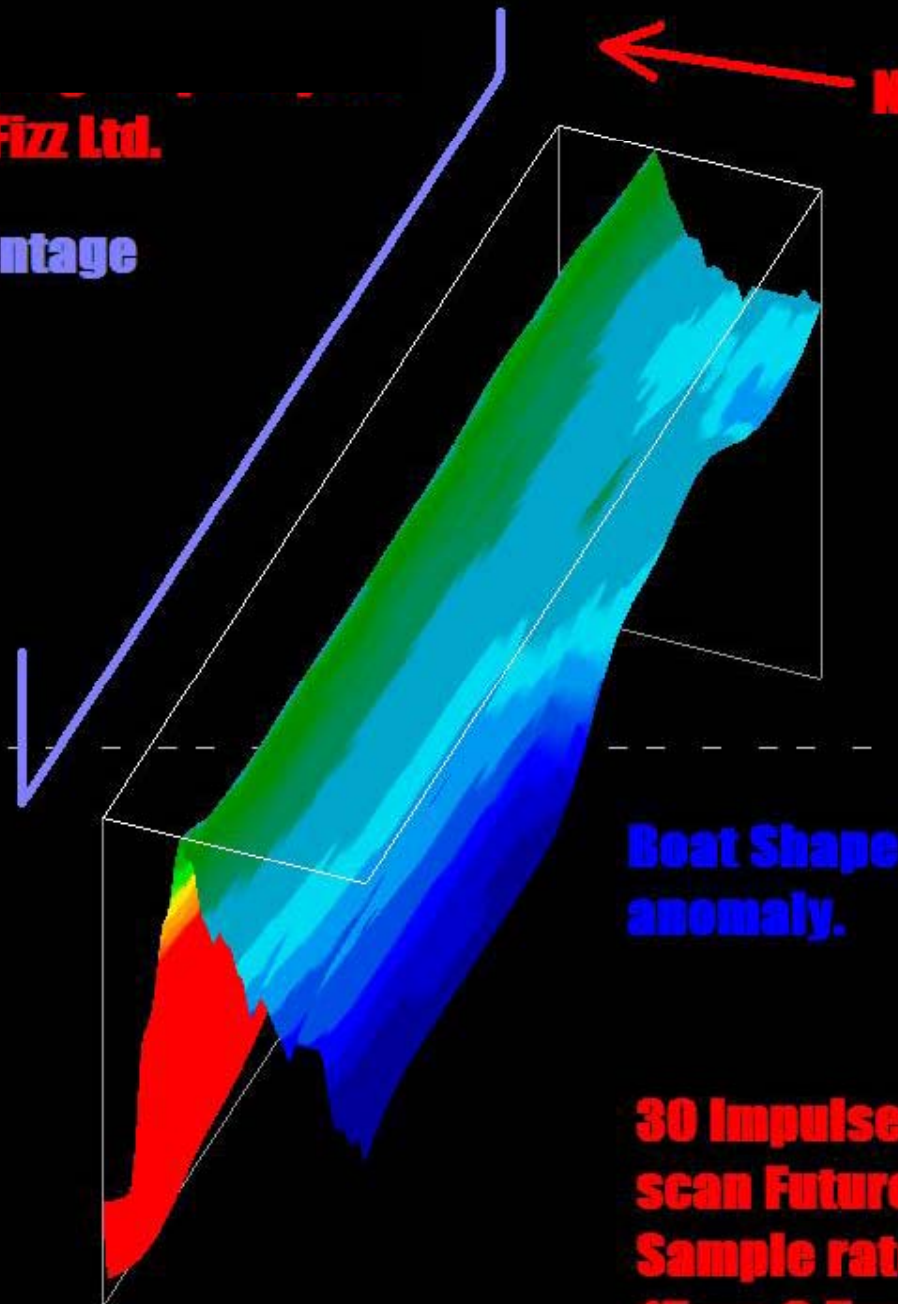


**Surface of beer
Garden.**

**Red Metal
Foundations to
Pub/**

GPR Scan Meols
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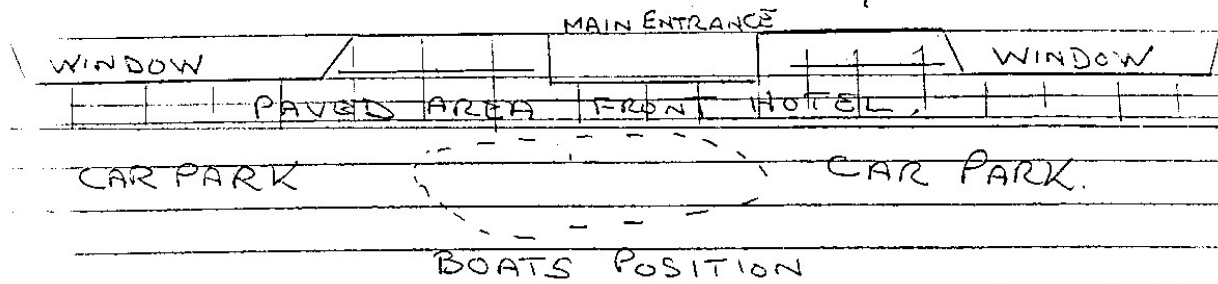
Pub Frontage



**Boat Shaped
anomaly.**

**30 Impulse Parallel
scan Future I-160 GPR.
Sample rate 0.5m
15m x 3.5m.**

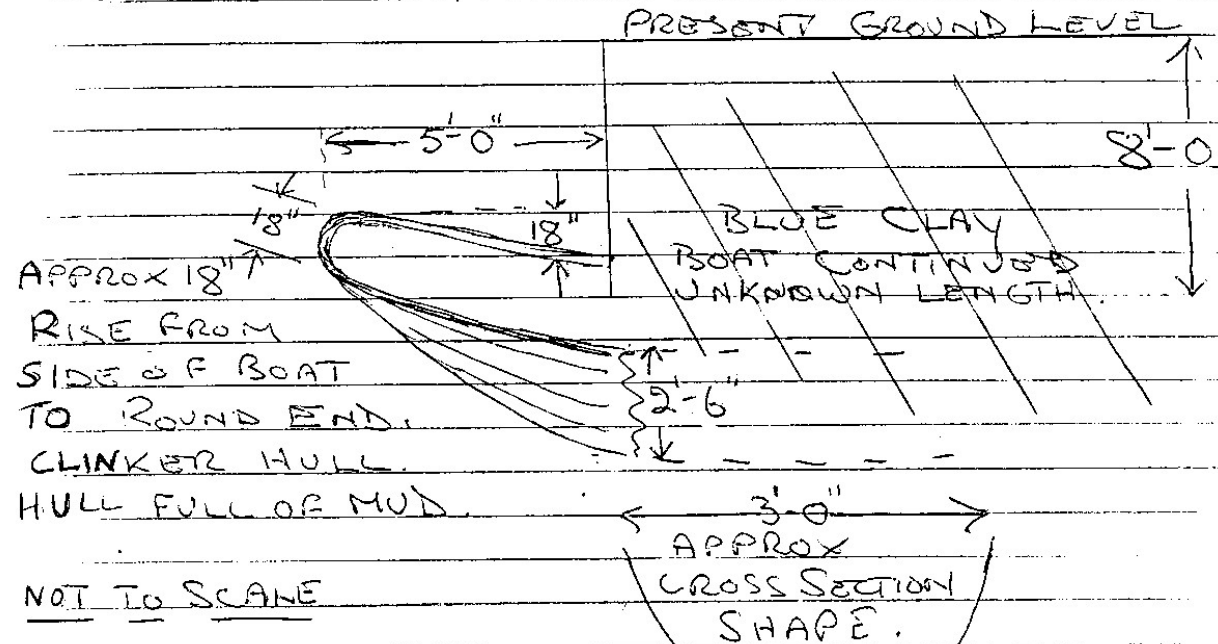
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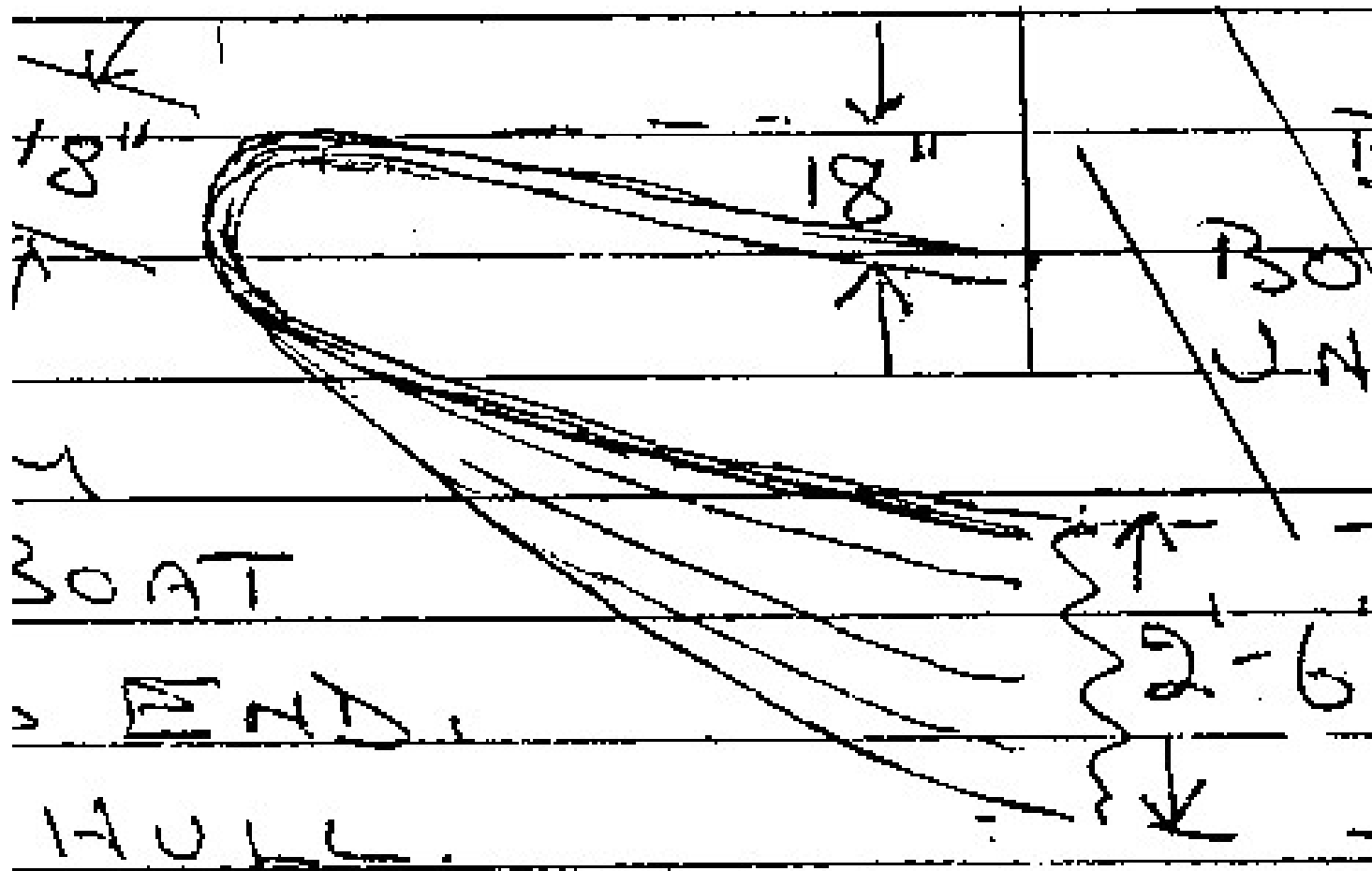
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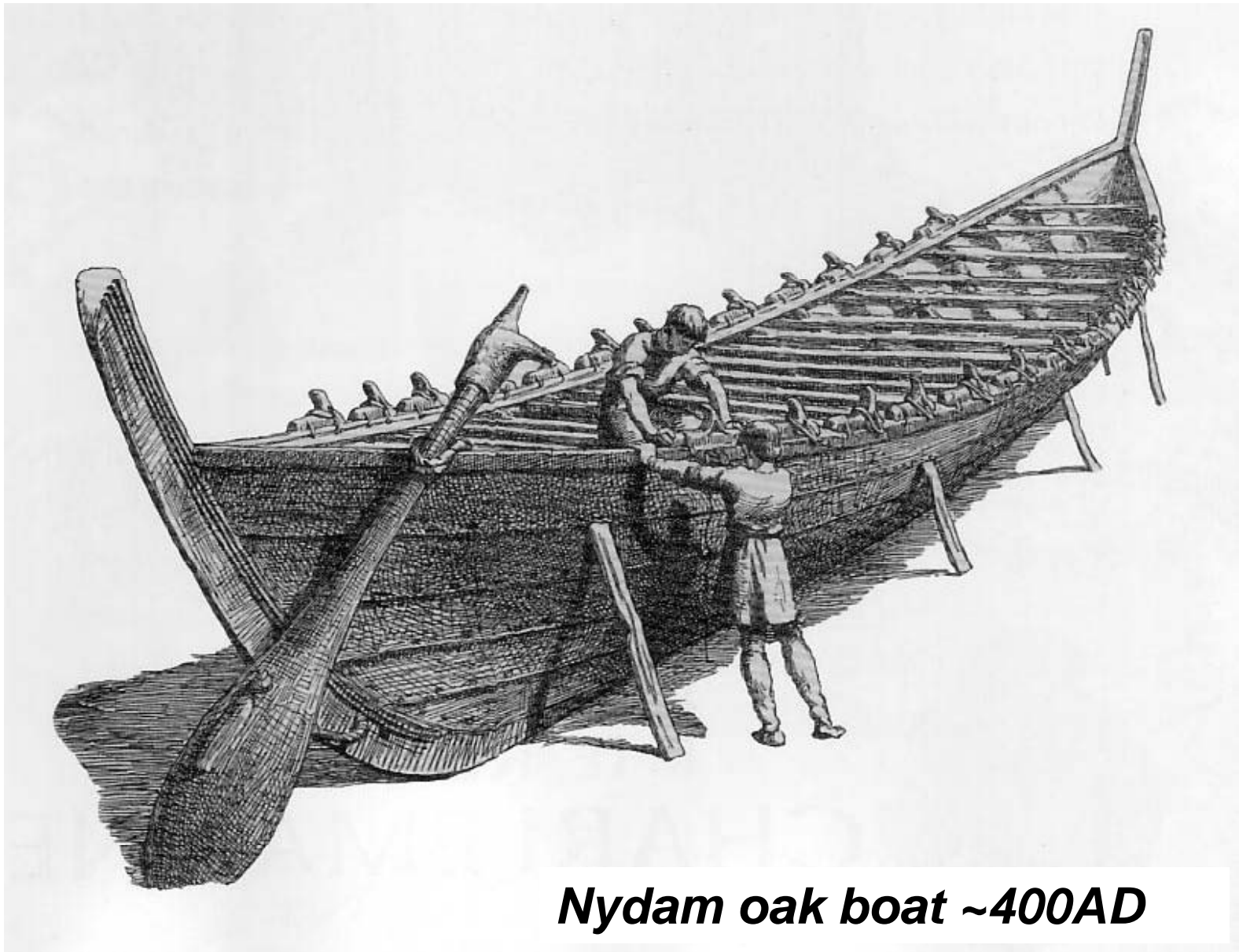


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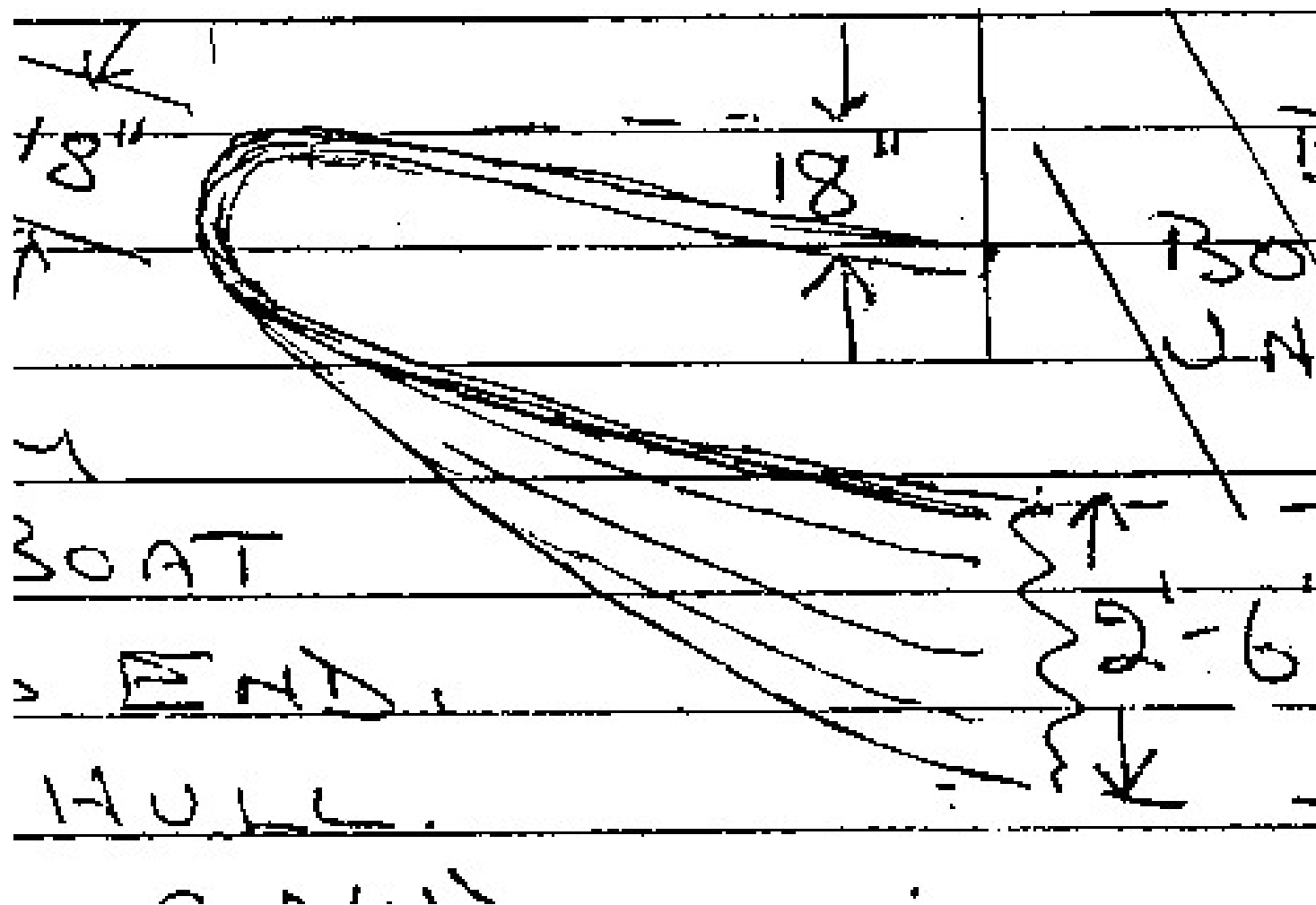
What is it?

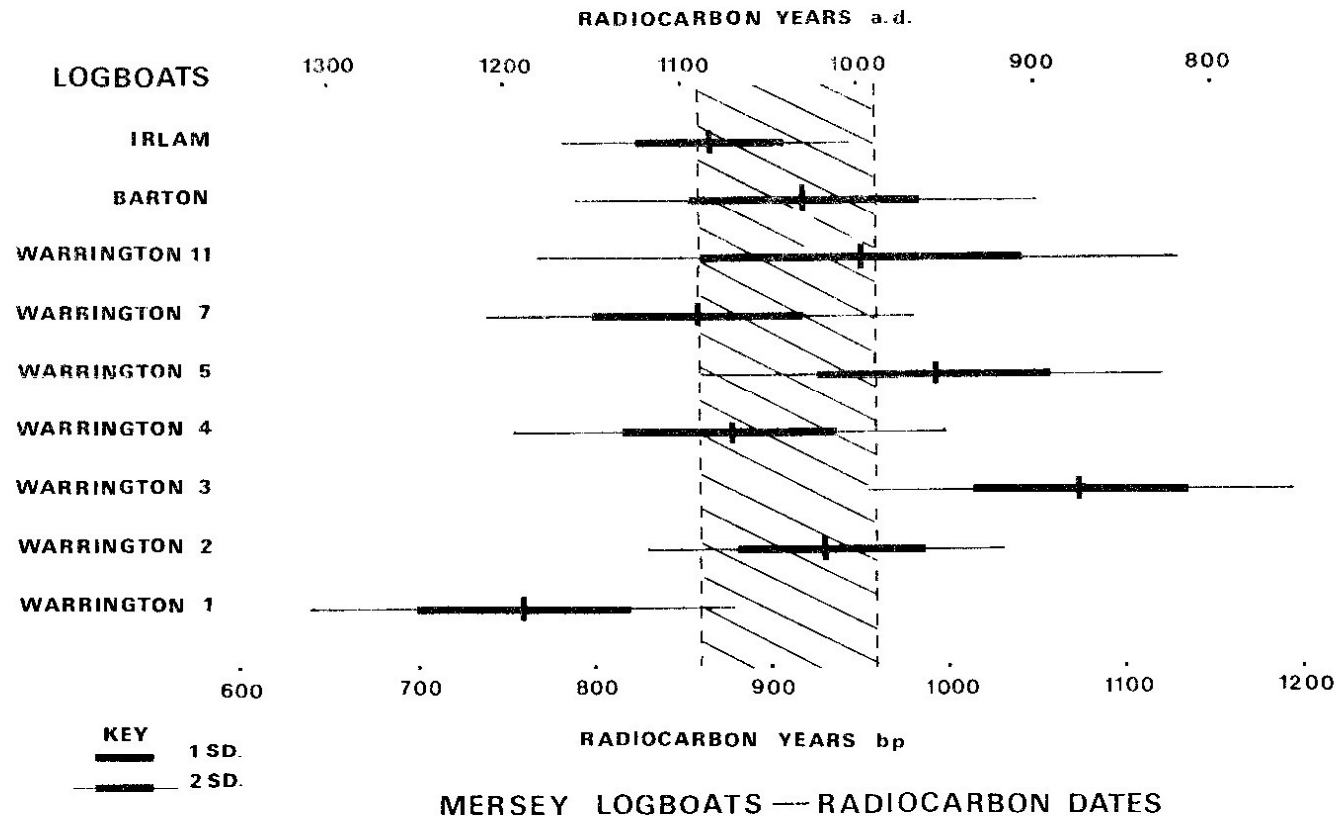
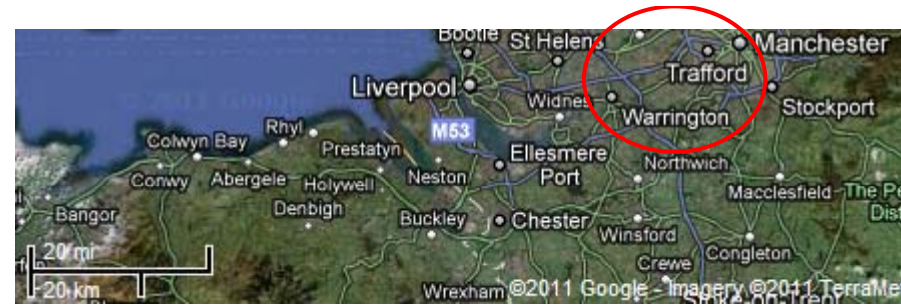


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Nydam oak boat ~400AD





McGrail, S & Switsur, R (1979) Medieval logboats of the River Mersey: a classification study in (McGrail S. ed) *The Archaeology of Medieval Ships and Harbours in N. Europe*, *British Archaeological Reports International Series 66*, Greenwich, UK, pages 93-115



Kentmere Reservoir, Lake District



from Froswick.jpg (Wikipedia)

A Medieval Boat from Kentmere, Westmorland

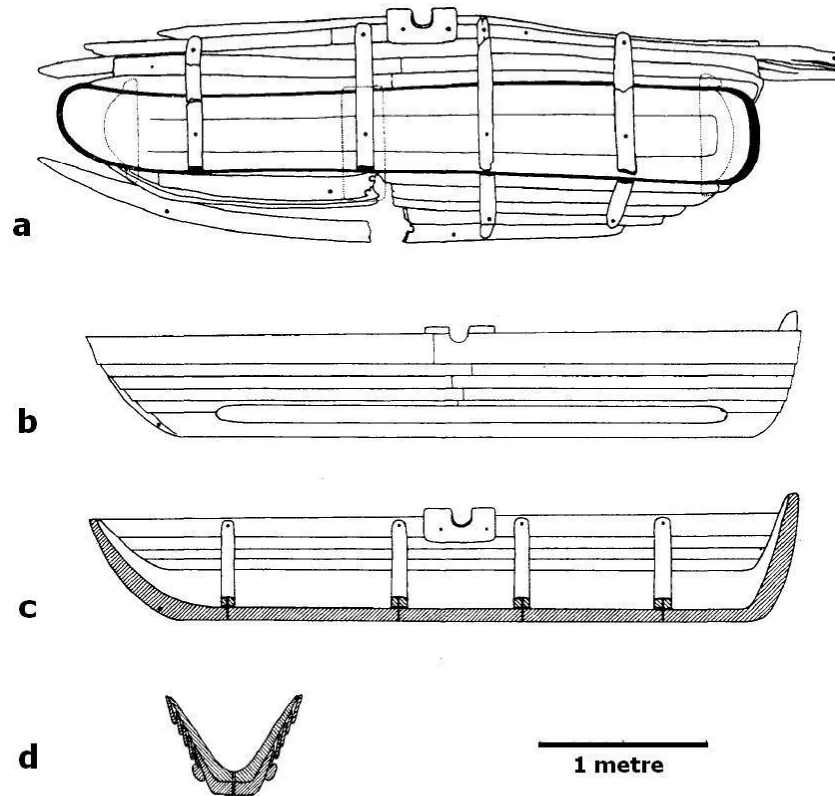
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THIS paper summarizes the results of investigations which led to the lifting of a medieval dug-out canoe from the bed of the Kentmere lake in Westmorland some seven miles NNW. of Kendal (FIG. 29) during 1955. The boat has been dated by the radio-carbon method in the Physical Laboratory of Trinity College, Dublin, to A.D. 1320 \pm 130 years. It is now reconstructed and is in the National Maritime Museum at Greenwich. The boat is of extreme interest in that a series of wash strakes were attached to the main body of the dug-out hull—a feature which is only rarely encountered in ancient times and hardly ever in the British Isles. The major portion of this paper, therefore, is devoted to a discussion of the implications of this kind of structure in the general history of European boat-building.

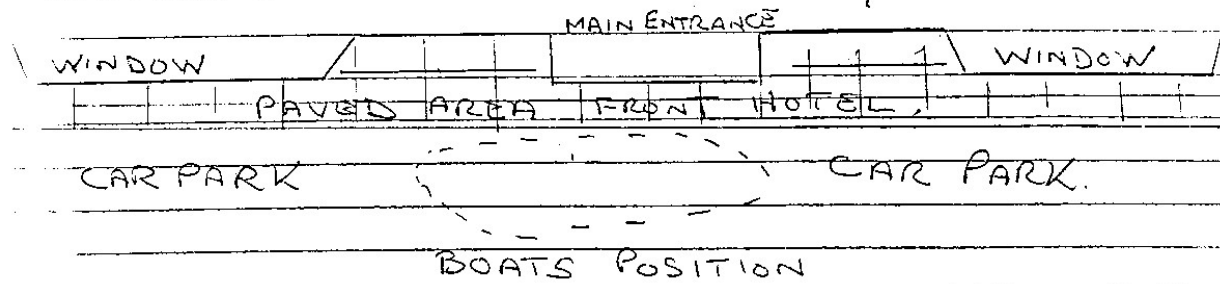
Kentmere Boat (Lake District) – AD (1320 \pm 130)

4.25m length, 0.61m wide:



Wilson, D.M. (1966) A Medieval Boat from Kentmere, Westmoreland, *Medieval Archaeology* 10, 81-88

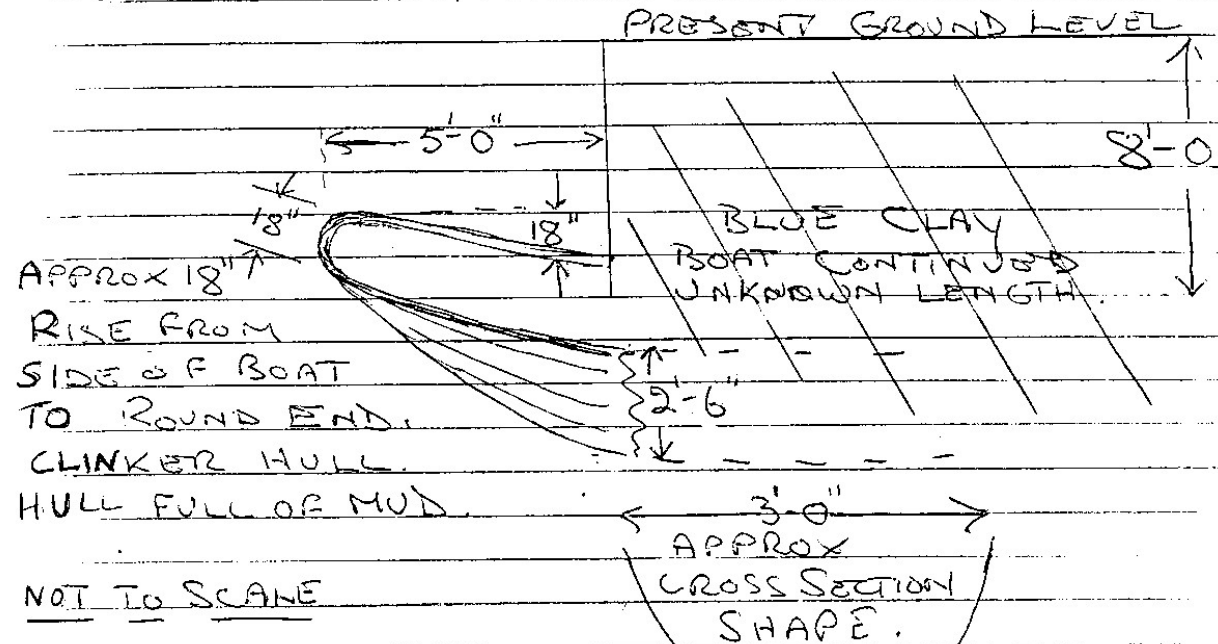
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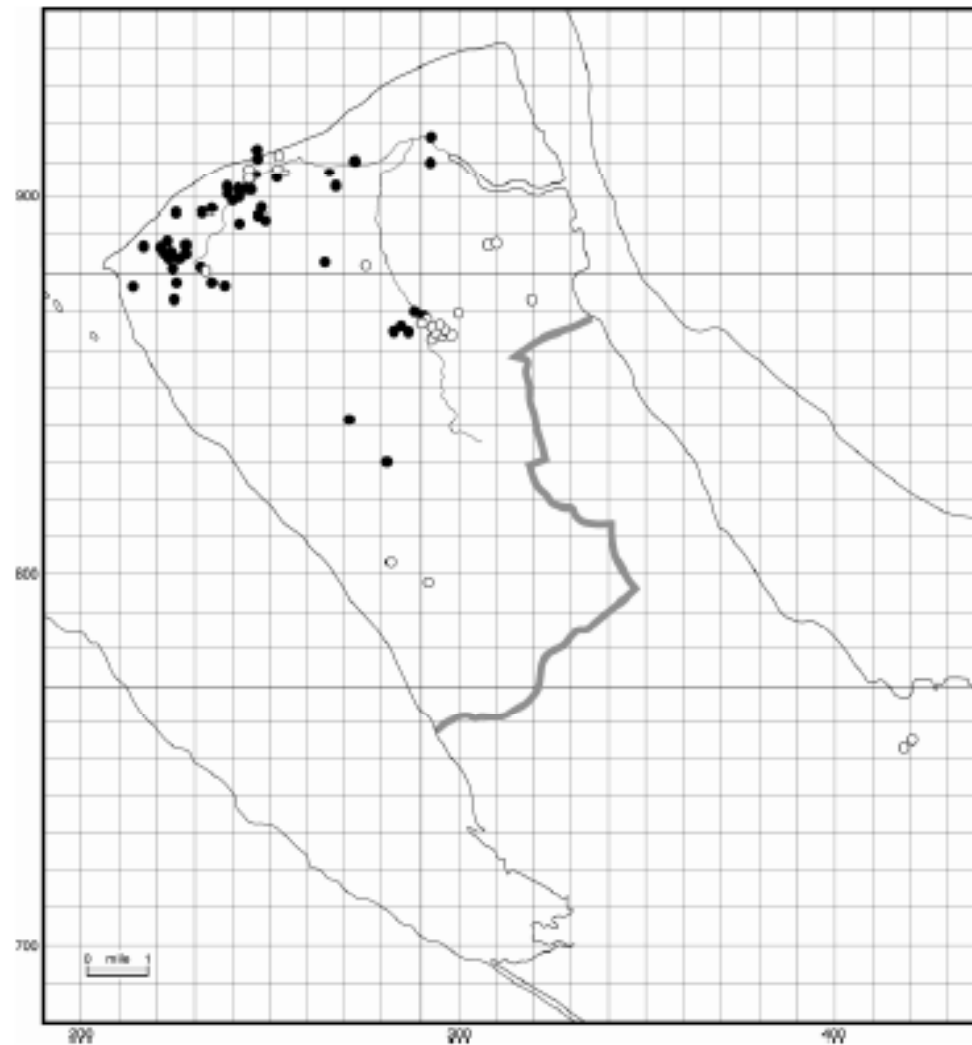
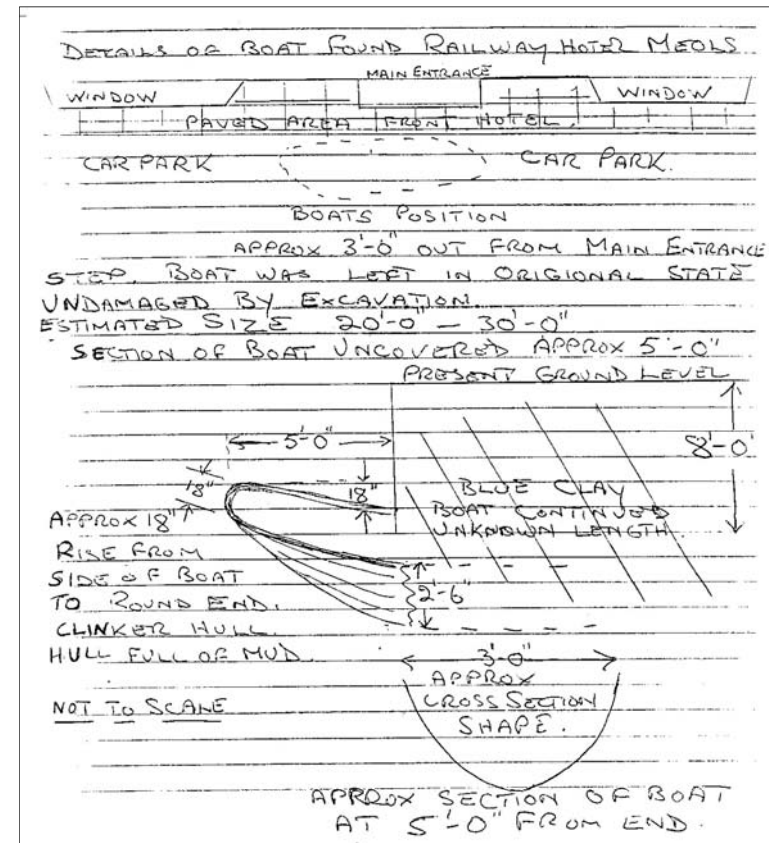


Figure 2: distribution map of field/track names in *carr* (filled circles) and *holm* (open circles).

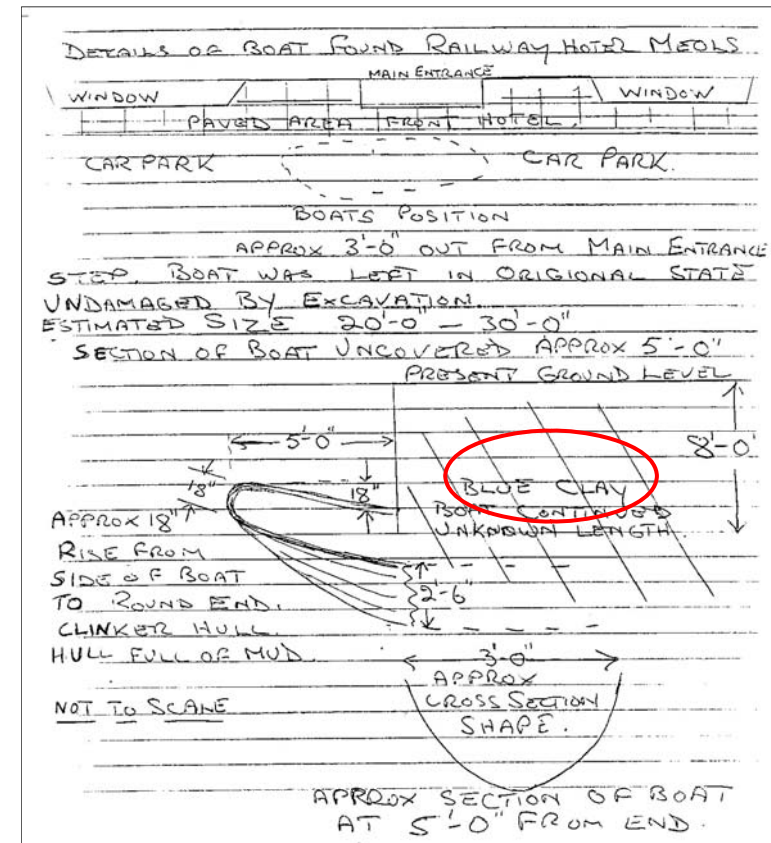


What next?

- Further scanning in front of the pub



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- Leave it be!



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