

Ancient Monuments in this township

1923 List

KIRKOSWALD

Tumulus and circle : 600 yards W.S.W. of Old Parks, opened 1892 ; urn, " incense cup," beads, interments by inhumation and cremation (R. S. Ferguson, O.S. xii, 275; xiii, 389; see also N.S. ii, 380, 417; iv, 351).

Earthworks and bloomery on High Moor (O.S. xii, 276).

Church,

- (a) St. Oswald's; N. arcade 12th cent.; S. door 13th cent.; inner N. door and W. end 14th cent.; quire enlarged 1525 ? The N. porch has a timber arch.
- (b) Bell tower zoo yards E. of church, rebuilt 1892. One stone possibly pre-Norman (Calverley, *Crosses*, 225-6).
- (c) Font Norman. Female effigy 14th cent. Graveslabs. Mural monument in alabaster, 1609. Coffin chalice and paten, found c. 1880 (H. Barnes, N.S. vii, 32). Well.

Castles :

- (a) Kirkoswald Castle, licence to crenellate, 1201, to Hugh de Morville; rebuilt by Multons c. 1320, and by Dacres late 15th cent.; dismantled 1604 and later by Lord William Howard (M. W. Taylor, O.S. ii, 1; T. H. B. Graham, N.S. xii, 164; Curwen, *Castles*, 150) .
- (b) Haresceugh castle, 14th cent., ruins (T. H. B. Graham, N.S. ix, 220) .

Domestic :

- (a) The College, early 16th cent.; additions, 1696 (Mrs. Featherstonhaugh and Dr. Haswell, N.S. xiv, 196).
- (b) Croglin High Hall, house of Towrys.
- (c) Croglin Low Hall, manor-house of Croglins, Dacres and Howards.
- (d) Grange House of Demains, lintel 1622 of Bartrams (O.S. vi, 294).

Finds:

- (a) Stone axe, N. of High Bank hall, 1890.
- (b) Iron axe, Viking or Anglo-Saxon, near High Barn, Parks (N.s. ii, 418) and stone disc, same place (N.S. iv, 351).
- (c) The Kirkoswald Brooch, now in the British Museum, with over 700 coins of 9th cent (*Leath Ward*, 296; Lysons, *Cumberland*, ccviii) .

See [Pastscape](#) for much more detail on these and more entries (216 in total – though there may be some overlap with adjacent townships).

