



**Lundin Farm, Perthshire.** NN 882505. Lat. 56° 39' N. Long. 3° 50' W.

When this four poster was excavated in the 1960's, a hole was found to have been originally dug near its centre. This had been filled with bits of pottery, a flat stone with two cupmarks, some teeth and a scatter of cremated bone, PSAS Stewart, 1966. Stewart suggests because of the magnificent views to the west, access into the circle would have been between the eastern stones. These four stones are aligned west towards the setting equinox sun, as shown below at 6:45pm on the 20<sup>th</sup> September 2003.





A short distance to the southeast, there is a recumbent stone with about 44 cupmarks and this might once have been standing. It is thought the stone may have originally been moved from the east during work to divert a stream. At present the stone points to where the equinox full moon will rise, Azi.110°. Alt.6°. Decl. - 6°. Stewart describes how shortly after a hollowed out stone, called the "Priest's Basin" was ploughed up to the east of the circle, when the farmer asked Sandy Mackenzie, the "king" of the Strathtay tinkers to help move the stone, he refused to have anything to do with it, because tinkers were superstitious about moving stones".





To the north of the four poster, near the corner of the road there are three stones that might have formed another four poster, or they may have been in an alignment with each other. Near the small western standing stone there is a fallen stone and five of its eight reported cupmarks can be seen in the above picture. It's possible that this stone is the broken top of the smaller stone, or it could have been standing and was moved during the building of the road. A third large recumbent stone lies at the edge of a deep ditch in the field on the other side of the road, Azi.261°. Alt.4°. Decl. +1° 40'. Although two of the stones have fallen, they were generally aligned towards the equinox sunset. The equinox sunset on the 20<sup>th</sup> September 2003.

