

Re: Questions

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 - *Date:* Mon, 25 Sep 2006 21:54:11 +1200
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On Mon, 25 Sep 2006 07:24:05 GMT, "Alan Crozier"
<name1.name2@xxxxxxxx> wrote:

"Inger E" <inger_e.johansson@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
[news:50LRg.17641\\$E02.6943@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx](mailto:news:50LRg.17641$E02.6943@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx)

"Eric Stevens" <eric.stevens@xxxxxxxx> wrote in message
news:tnpdh291kd37chdfgsgie6qqo97sgq0mvv@xxxxxxxx

On Sun, 24 Sep 2006 11:23:17 GMT, "Inger E"
<inger_e.johansson@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

"Eric Stevens" <eric.stevens@xxxxxxxx>
wrote in message
news:q1jch21it1bt1o7u4611bhdoabch94r0ve@xxxxxxxx

On Sun, 24 Sep 2006
06:25:14 GMT, "Inger E"
<inger_e.johansson@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
wrote:

"Eric
Stevens"
<eric.stevens@xxxxxxxx>
wrote in
message
news:5bibh25tohbr77vs2n7of6pbul5b26iq3m@xxxxxxxx

On
Sat,
23
Sep
2006

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18:17:29
-0500,
"Searles
O'Dubhain"
<odubhain@xxxxxxxxxxxx>
wrote:

"Doug
Weller"
<dwell@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
wrote
in

message

news:0labh2d7qkkmfjdkfobrentvrv7kt4mqne@xxxx

On
Sat,
23
Sep
2006
21:36:38
GMT,
in
sci.archaeology,
Inger

E

wrote:

When
was
Orkney
first
'colonized'
or
do
someone
at
least

know how

old

the
oldest
known
remain
of
a
house
is?

It's
noted
that
the
Faero
Island
had
lots
of
sheeps
running

wild

when

the
first
known
ships
passed
by.
How
old
is
the
oldest
known
artifact
found
on
any
of
the

Faero

Island?

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There's
a
UNESCO
World
Heritage
site
there,
Heart
of

Neolithic

Orkney.

I
thought
everyone
here
might
have
heard
of
the
houses
at

Skara

Brae,

and
of
course
Maeshowe,
about
5000
years
old.
And
of
course
the

Ring of

Brodgar,
but
that
isn't
as

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famous.

Doug

Amazing
how
these
sites
were
there
so
long
ago.
Was
the

climate

warmer

when
they
were
built?

There
was
a
particularly
warm
period
somewhere
about
then,

much

warmer

than
anything
in
the
last
2000
years,
but
my

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hazy
memory
can't

pin

down
the
date.

Anyhow in
light of
present days
discussions
re. global
warming

and

rising

waterlevels,
I think it's
fair to say
that during
an intervall

in that

warm

period the
Ocean's
waterlevels
were 15
meter
higher than

today.....

Oooh ... I don't know about
that.

Can you give a citation?

In Swedish? Remember that when my father
started to work as one of

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the

first

in the global environmental problematic field, almost all important

works

and studies were written in Swedish. That continued to be the case

long

after I myself as one of four introduced Humanecology in early

70's.....

Then there are of course one or two discussing the waterlevel

problematic

higher and lower during periods at the same time as land in north,

from

Scandinavia to Kamtjaka and from Alaska to Newfoundland rised, the waterlevel lines can't be said to be as easy to follow. The last

time we

had

a rise in the Ocean's waterlevel started around 600 AD and

continued up

to

mid 1300's. Today's so called critical Ice melting in the Arctic

hasn't

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reached 1/3 (only 1/6) of the melted Ice →
ocean water as it was

around

1100 AD.....
I will return with more info but it takes some
time.

All I need is a citation, not a quotation.

I am sure there are people here who can read Swedish and
confirm the
accuracy of your source.

In fact, I suspect you may be recalling the substance of work
the
conclusions of which have since been superceded.

No I am not. What I used when I had that part up in the pre-stage of
my

C-essay re. the Waterways in Ancient Age towards Lake Roxen, were
official

'very dry written' documentation from larger studies.
That's why I can't use the direct quotes. Lists of figures is one

thing, the

possibility for others to get hold of those during study official

written

but edited to a minor group of scholar within the system, is an other.

One

of the works I had at hand only exists in few copies outside those who

had a

need to have them for their work.
Now the other Swedish edited works I mentioned are written using same
'material'/sources. None of them are efficient to prove anything. The

proof

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lies in the former.

I think there is a Norwegian work that might be handy for quotes.

Haven't

read it since mid 1990's but my notes seem to indicate that it is.

Inger, you can correct me if I'm wrong here. I took a quick look through your C-essay to find references to changing water levels. The only reference to a 'dry written' document that I can find comes under the heading "The geological history and land-rise curve of the area", note 33, referring to Lars Håkansson and Thorsten Ahl, SNV PM740 NLU Rapport 88, Uppsala 1976. Somehow the actual title of the report was omitted, but it's _Vättern: Recenta sediment och sedimentkemi_ ("Lake Vättern: Recent sedimentary deposits and sediment chemistry").

I don't know if Eric can get hold of that. Nor do I know whether it says anything of relevance to the Orkneys.

It wasn't the Orkneys which I particularly questioned. It was Inger's statement:

"I think it's fair to say that during an intervall in that warm period the Ocean's waterlevels were 15 meter higher than today....."

I might accept a few centimetres at some time but 15 meters is more than I know about.

You can find details at the Royal Library catalogue. Type sediment into the title field, Ahl into the author field and 1974 as the publication year.

A second-hand copy is available here:

<http://www.hjortedsantikvariat.se/booklists/vastergotland2.htm>

Come now! Do you have the appropriate PGP key for an antipodean speaker of english?

Eric could also contact one of the authors:

<http://www.geo.uu.se/luva/personal.aspx?namn=lars.h%C3%A5kansson>

Alan

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