

Lateglacial Faunal Exploitation at the Robin Hood Cave, Creswell Crags, England

(Summary)

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Recent research on the faunal collections excavated from the Robin Hood Cave during the latter part of the 19th century, and the 20th century have been re-examined. The present study intended to differentiate those elements of the Lateglacial fauna which were accumulated by human activity from other elements collected by carnivores. This has been achieved by observations of the condition and damage patterns present on the faunal elements.

This evidence has led to a revision by the speaker of the evidence for hunting during the Lateglacial at this site. An alternative interpretation of the function of this site within the Lateglacial economy is suggested, as well as its possible relationship with other apparently contemporary Lateglacial sites from both Britain and the Continent.

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