

Immediately west of Park Burn, between the Forth and Clyde Canal and the Kirkintilloch to Glasgow Road at Westermains is the site of a Roman temporary camp, called Easter Cadder. The camp is sometimes visible in aerial photos, but nothing is visible on the ground today.

## HISTORY OF DISCOVERY AND EXCAVATION:

The Easter Cadder Roman camp was first identified from aerial photographs in the 1950s and 1970s, and is still sometimes visible as subtle cropmarks in aerial photos. No excavations have been carried out at the site.

## DESCRIPTION AND INTERPRETATION:

Examination of aerial photographs have revealed that the camp had an internal area of about 1.4ha (3.5 acres), and was oriented on a slight north-west to south-east axis. At least one of the camp's entrances appears to have been protected by a titulus, a staggered section

of bank and ditch that offered extra protection to the entryways or gates of Roman camps. The camp has been interpreted as a probable construction camp during the period in which the Antonine Wall was built.

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