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1.0 Abstract

The “www Research Project” is about, discovering by on line research details of ships, on the MADU data base of wrecks of North Wales , the circumstances of their loss ,details of the owners and crew, the cargo carried and their history.

The Weaver appears to have been wrecked in October 1859 in a severe storm that affected many ships, the Weaver was refloated subsequently the Weaver ran aground off Llanaelhaiarn on July 7th 1879 finally sinking.

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3.0 Abbreviations

A list of any abbreviations used in this report, i.e.

GAT	Gwynedd Archaeology Trust
IJNA	International Journal of Nautical Archaeology
MADU	Malvern Archaeological Diving Unit
NAS	Nautical Archaeology Society
NPRN	National Primary Resource Number
OS	Ordnance Survey
RCAHMW	Royal Commission on the Ancient & Historical Monuments of Wales
URL	Uniform Resource Locator
etc.	

4.0 Summary of Research



<https://www.coflein.gov.uk/>

NPRN 271332

The WEAVER was a 49nt wooden schooner built at Frodsham in 1836.

Technical and configuration specifications are given as 49.39gt; 65.9ft length x 16.6ft breadth x 6.65ft depth in hold; 1 deck, 2 masts; rigging schooner; stern square; build carvel; framework wood; official 8128. and registered at Caernarfon.

At time of loss on 15 November 1882, the vessel was owned by Griffith Owens of Twdewilog (also the master). The schooner had been delivering a cargo of coal from Liverpool to Porth Oer when it was caught by a northwesterly force 9 gale and became stranded.

Sources include:

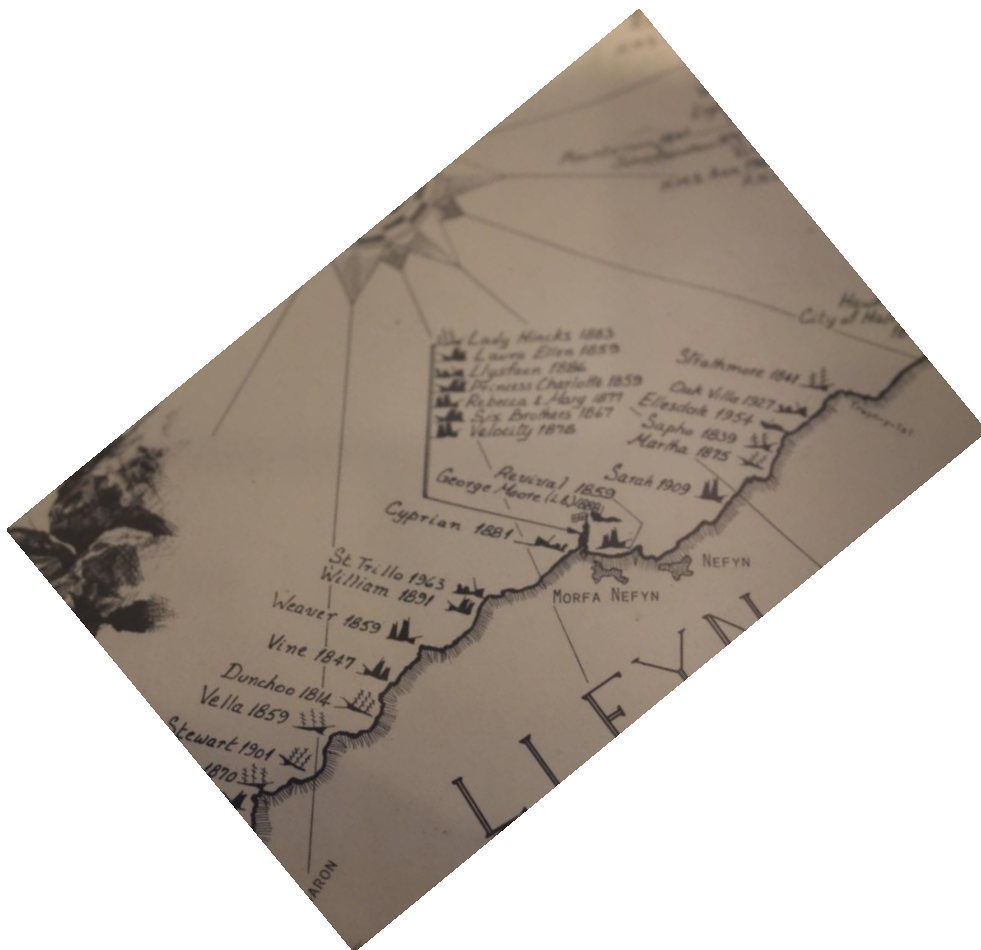
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Maritime Officer, RCAHMW, March 2013.

Image – Map of wrecks (Weaver 1859-refloated)



Ship and Captain Information

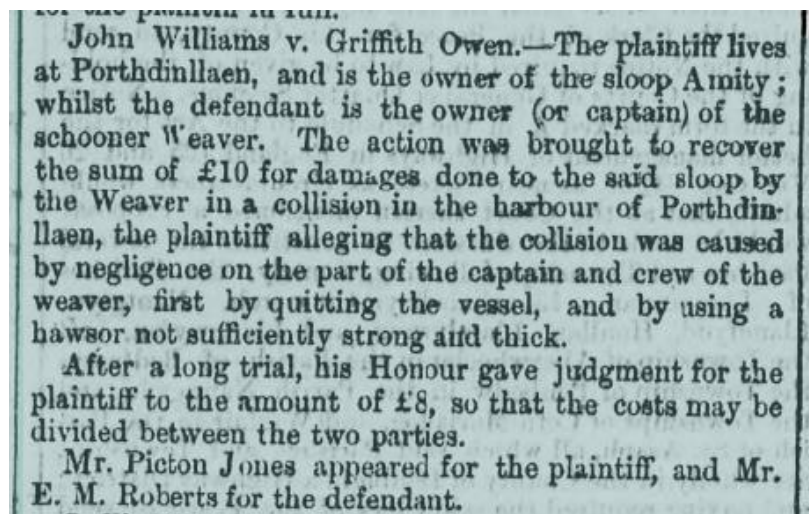
1859

In the great storm of October 1859 The schooner Weaver of Liverpool, Capt Hill, from Saltney to Dublin with a cargo of coals went on the rocks under Tydweiliog, she will be got off if the weather keeps fine.

1863

Mentioned in The North Wales Chronicle and Advertiser for the Principality 28th March 1863 Page 3

<https://newspapers.library.wales/view/4511733/4511736>



1879

When the schooner Weaver, of Caernarvon, ran aground off Llanaelhaiarn on July 7th 1879, the GEORGE MOORE lifeboat based at Portdinllaen was launched and stood-by her until she was refloated and out of danger.

The Schooner "Weaver" was wrecked at Porthor, Aberdaron.

<http://www.penllyn.com/1/Hanes/morwrol/llinellamser2.HTML>

1880**Mentioned in The Cambrian News and Merionethshire Standard 2nd January 1880 Page 8**<https://newspapers.library.wales/view/3309647/3309655>**THE LIFEBOAT SERVICE IN 1879.**

Year by year the work of the National Lifeboat Institution becomes more and more extensive, and testifies to its great importance. Amongst the services rendered on the coasts of the United Kingdom by its lifeboats to shipwrecked crews are the following :—Schooner Mary Lloyd, of Portmadoc, rendered assistance; schooner Jane and Ann, Llanaelhaiarn, 3; schooner Weaver, of Carnarvon, remained by vessel; schooner Adroit, of Aberystwyth, 2; smack Marion, 2; brig Queen of Britain, of Carnarvon, 6; cutter Y Deryn, of Carmarthen, remained by vessel; schooner Ellen, of Beaumaris, 3; schooner Union, 7; smack Menai Packet, of Carnarvon, 3. The list shows a total of 637 lives rescued by the Society's lifeboats during the year, in addition to twenty-one vessels saved from destruction. In the same period the Lifeboat Institution granted rewards for saving 218 lives by fishing and other boats, making a total of 855 lives saved last year through its instrumentality. Altogether, since its formation, the Society has contributed to the saving of 26,906 shipwrecked persons. It should also be mentioned that during the past two years the Institution has not lost a single life from its 269 lifeboats. The Committee of the Lifeboat Institution, in view of the foregoing facts, appeal with renewed confidence to the British public for support and sympathy. Contributions are received by the bankers throughout the United Kingdom, and by the Secretary at the Institution, 14, John-street, Adelphi, London.

5.0 Specification and life history table

Vessel	Name/s	Weaver		
	Type	Schooner		
Built	Date	Built 1836		
		Registered Caernarfon		
	Builder			
		Frodsham		
Construction	Materials	Wood		
	Decks	1		
	Bulkheads			
Propulsion	Type	Sail		
	Details	2 Mast rigging schooner, square sterned, carvel built		
Engine	Details			
	Boilers			
Drive	Type			
	Number			
Dimensions	Length	65 ft	9 ins	m
	Beam	16 ft	6 ins	m
	Draught	6ft	65 ins	m
Tonnage	Gross	40.39gt		
	Net			
Owner	First			
	Last			
	Others			
Registry	Port			
	Flag	United Kingdom		
	Number			
History	Routes			
	Cargo			
Final Voyage	From			
	To			
	Captain			
	Crew			
	Passengers			
	Cargo			
Wrecking	Date			
	Location			
	Cause			
	Loss of life			
	Outcome			