

Event Nomenclature Register — 1988 Great House Farm removal, seizure and occupation

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1 Release notes

1.1 This release (version 1.0.0)

- **2026-Oct-23** - Carried over to the docs library from Legal Wiki page 1438 (last modified 2026-10-21 19:37:49 UTC). The page text, dates and references are as on the wiki. Links to wiki pages lead to the same page on research.bucklerfamily.estate; images are links to their files on the wiki.

1.2 Older versions

None yet.

2 Record

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2.1 Event Nomenclature Register — 1988 Great House Farm removal, seizure and occupation

2.2 Event identity

Working event: late-November 1988 entry by BP enforcement agents/bailiffs, removal of the occupying family from Great House Farm, subsequent injunction proceedings, and the later demolition of the farmhouse in early December 1988.

Identity-control note: the family's interpretation that one or more people in the audiovisual footage were SAS personnel acting undercover as BP bailiffs is kept as a separate, unconfirmed allegation at [Allegation: SAS or undercover personnel acted as BP bailiffs in 1988](#). The supporting evidence target is [GHF-E181](#), which remains pending verification. Do not use the event label or the existence of footage as proof of a person's identity or role.

2.3 Separate April 1988 failed enforcement attempt

The 29 April 1988 chainsaw stand-off is a distinct event from the late-November removal. Contemporary press evidence describes bailiffs and police attending, the drive being blocked and the enforcement attempt ending without the family being removed. [GHF-E090-N07](#) is the evidential route.

2.4 Different nomenclatures for the same event

Nomenclature	How it should be treated
"Eviction" / "evicted"	Contemporary press and legal/enforcement shorthand. Link through this page rather than treating "eviction" as the only description.
"Possession enforcement"	Legal/enforcement description of the process by which possession was asserted following the court proceedings.
"Forced removal"	Descriptive terminology focusing on the physical removal of the occupants.
"Taking control" / "took control"	Property-control terminology useful when describing physical control of the premises without prejudging the ultimate title question.
"Seizure"	Family narrative describing what happened from the family's perspective if their two-parcel ownership case is correct.
"Occupation" / "occupied"	Family terminology for the subsequent physical control of the house by BP or its agents.
"Illegal occupation" / "unlawful occupation"	Family's legal position / issue for counsel, conditional on the proposition that the House Plot remained outside BP's title and that the possession/enforcement process therefore operated against land belonging to the family.
"Regaining possession"	BP/press-style wording that assumes or adopts a prior legal entitlement to possession. This is not a neutral substitute for the event description.
"SAS-style operation"	Contemporary programme wording describing the manner of the operation. It does not establish that the personnel were SAS. [?]
"Siege" / "stand-off"	Useful where referring to the separate April 1988 failed enforcement attempt; do not collapse that event into the November removal.

2.5 Evidence paths — start here

- [GHF-E113 — ITV Cymru Wales report](#) — audiovisual record of the eviction/possession-enforcement aftermath, injunction, BP's account, the development-land reference and Branwen in a sling: [open evidence page](#).
- [GHF-E114 — Branwen: September 2026 recollection of the 1988 removal](#) — September 2026 recollection of why she went to the house and what she says happened to her physically: [open evidence page](#).
- [GHF-E112 — pregnancy photograph](#) — family photograph relevant to the pregnancy/children omission from the ITV account: [open evidence page](#).
- [GHF-E090-N14 — "Angry scenes as farmer evicted"](#) — South Wales Echo, c. 30 November 1988: [open evidence page](#).

- GHF-E090-N08 — “History fight to save farm” — South Wales Echo, 3 December 1988: [open evidence page](#).
- GHF-E090-N09 — “Billy’s unhappy family” — South Wales Echo, 3 December 1988: [open evidence page](#).
- GHF-E090-N10 — “Farmer fails in final eviction hearing” — Western Mail, 6 December 1988: [open evidence page](#).
- GHF-E090-N11 — “Tears flow as 800 year-old farm house is razed at last” — c. 7 December 1988: [open evidence page](#).
- GHF-E090-N07 — April 1988 failed enforcement attempt / chainsaw stand-off: [open evidence page](#).
- GHF-E090-N15 — South Wales Echo search-result extracts — 1988–89 sequence: [open evidence index](#).
- GHF-E027-07 — primary enforcement record placeholder — possession enforcement / demolition commencement record still to be obtained: [open placeholder](#).

2.6 Ownership contingency

The House Plot (Parcel A) is treated here as distinct from the eastern agricultural land (Parcel B): Mary (Nancy) Williams’s c.1974 statement records the 1877 sale of the house to Daniel Thomas ([Mary \(Nancy\) Williams testimony](#)), and the 1939 plan shows Parcel B only [[EV-0023](#)]. The later title and possession chain may have treated those parcels as one. Accordingly, terms such as “seized”, “occupied”, “illegally occupied” or “unlawfully occupied” are recorded here as the family’s narrative/legal position, not as independently established conclusions. The underlying title and enforcement evidence must determine the legal description.

Related canonical pages: [The Two Parcels](#) · [1988: Possession and Demolition](#) · [BP Properties Ltd v Buckler](#) · [Master Timeline](#) · [Evidence Library](#).

2.7 Page version & change log

Current version: 0.1.2

Version	Date (UTC)	Editor (human or agent name)	Change	Source / evidence
0.1.2	2026-10-20T22:01Z	Sion’s Tab agent	Surname removed from Branwen’s name in our own text (first name only, public naming rule). Quoted documents and correspondence unchanged. Nothing else changed.	Public naming rule / Master Change Log (3923)
0.1.1	2026-10-18T15:28Z	Sion’s Tab agent	Footer standardised; earlier log rows carried into this table; no content change	Editing Protocol, 18 Oct 2026
0.1.0	2026-10-18T14:27:00+01:00	OpenAI-assisted maintenance agent (GPT-6)	Installed footer log; version tracking begins at 0.1.0; this does not reconstruct earlier revisions. CURRENT VERSION: 0.1.0.	Saved through Word-Press API; public rendering not individually checked.

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