

Table 6. Iron Age/Celtic re-enactment groups

This information is derived from a search on the Internet using Google by Richard Hingley in May 2015, July 2017, July 2021 and September 2023. It aims to list groups of re-enactors rather than attempting to list the many individuals and groups who undertake living history activities that focus on the Iron Age.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Region (if any)</i>	<i>Notes</i>	<i>reference</i>
<i>Brigantia Iron Age Celtic re-enactment</i>	<i>Portsmouth, Hampshire</i>	<i>Founded 1990, not a big group but has done shows with 40 fighters. The website is not active in March 2020 and there is no indication on the Internet that this group is still functioning.</i>	<i>Brigantia (2017)</i>
<i>Cantiaci, Iron Age Living History Group</i>	<i>Gillingham, Kent</i>	<i>Active in the late 1990s and early 2000s but the website has not apparently been updated since 2002.</i>	<i>Cantiaci (2002)</i>
<i>Damnonii 1st. century Celtic Re-enactment Society</i>	<i>Erskine, Renfrewshire</i>	<i>Founded 1996; sister group to vii Augusta, although this groups seems to have been disbanded and the website is no longer available in 2017.</i>	<i>Damnoni (2017)</i>
<i>Dumnonika Iron Age British (Celtic) Re-enactment Group</i>	<i>Based in the SW</i>	<i>Founded in 2011 and based in the south-west of Britain. The name means ‘of the Dumnoni’. The website was no longer available in 2017.</i>	<i>Dumnonika (2017)</i>

<i>Prytani</i>	<i>Based in North Wales</i>	<i>Performed a ceremony at St Flagan's open-air museum in 1991 to bless the 'Celtic Village'. There was no indication in 2015 that this group are still active.</i>	<i>Rhys (2008: 238)</i>
The Rhynie Wifies	Based in Aberdeenshire, Scotland	A group that performs Iron Age living history and mention ancient crafts, cooking food, archery and a warrior school	Reenactment Scotland (no date)
<i>The Silures</i>	<i>Based in Wales</i>	<i>A re-enactment group that was active during the 1990s and portrayed 'the fierce tribes of South Wales who successfully resisted the Roman invaders'. This group appears no longer to exist in terms of any information on the Internet and may have closed some time ago (before 2017).</i>	<i>Megalithic Porthole (2017)</i>
Swords of Dalriada, Scottish Historical Re-enactment group	Based in Ayrshire	Focusing on the Scottish wars of independence, the Viking invasions, Iron Age Caledonia and the Jacobite rebellion	Swords of Dalriada (2021)
The Vicus, Romans and Britons		A group the portrays the Roman invasion of Britain, from AD 43 to 84, including the Roman military and Iron Age	The Vicus (2004)

		communities. The last update of information on this website was in 2019, although the group remain active on Facebook, including a training weekend at the Lunt Roman Fort in June 2021.	
Yr Hyddgen, Torfaen Community Theatre Group	Torfaen, Monmouthshire, Wales	A living history group that promotes Welsh culture, culture and living history and that creates re-enactment of Iron Age life among the Silures of south Wales, including conflicts with the Roman invaders.	Yr Hyddgen (no date)

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