

Chronological List of Battles

There are too many historical, or quasi-historical, events in my book to include them all in a chronology. Rather than trying to decide which were the most important, I have instead restricted the class of events in this chronology, to wars, battles, and sieges. Even then, to keep the numbers down, I have included only those which are clearly relevant to the Matter of Britain (367–658), and for which at least one commander is named. In this list I use modern orthography for names, and modern place names, where known. Places names in the sources with no known modern equivalent are given in brackets [like this]. The abbreviations used are hopefully obvious. A numerical subscript is used to distinguish different individuals of the same name, even if the name is not given in precisely the same form.

Part I: Groans of the Britons

- 368-9 Theodosius₁ (Count of Brit.) defeats barbarians in Britain.
- 378 Visigoths defeat E. Emperor Valens at Edirne (Adrianople).
- 381 Maximus (Duke of Brit.) defeats Picts & Scots in Lake District.
- 383 Usurping Emperor Maximus defeats W. Emperor Gratian₁ near Paris.
- 387 Gratian₂ (Count of Brit.) defeats Gartnait (K. Picts) near Firth of Forth.
- 388 E. Emperor Theodosius₂ defeats W. Emperor Maximus in Italy.
- c.391 Placidus (Count of Brit.) defeated by Picts in Pictland.
- c.399 Stilicho (Patrician of W. Empire) defeats Scots & Picts in Britain.
- 402 Stilicho defeats Alaric₁ (K. Visigoths) in Italy.
- 407 Usurping Emperor Constantinus₁ takes Rhine frontier from Germans.
- 410 Alaric₁ captures Rome from W. Empire and sacks it.
- 411 Ivomadus (Breton general) captures Blois from Germans.
- 411 Constantius (Roman general) defeats Constantinus₁ in Gaul.
- c.415 Usurping Duke Coel defeats Asclepiodotus (Duke of Brit.).
- c.422 Vitalis (Chief of Cornovia & Dobunnia) defeats Picts in Britain.
- c.423 Scots capture N.-W. Siluria from Nynnio (Chief of Siluria).

- 430 Germanus (Bishop of Auxerre & *ad hoc*. Brit. general) defeats Picts, Scots, and then Benli (Chief of Powys) in Powys.
- 437 Litorius (Roman general) captures Armorica from Tibatto (Breton?).
- c.445 Angles in Brit. service defeat Drust (K. Picts) at Stamford.
- c.447 Finn (K. Frisia) defeats Hnaef (K. Half-Danes) at Finnsburgh.
- c.448 Hengest (Half-Dane thane) defeats Finn at Finnsburgh.
- c.450 Ceneu (Coel's son) defeats Cunedag (K. Votadini) near Stirling.
- c.451 Cunedag (K. Venedotia) begin conquest of Gwynedd from Scots.
- 451 Aëtius (Patrician of W. Empire) defeats Attila (K. Huns) at Châlons.
- 452 Vitalinus (Prince of Brit.) defeats Aurelius (his rival) at Wallop.
- 456 Vortimer=Vitalinus is defeated by Hengest (K. Kent) at Crayford.
- c.460 Vortimer draws with Hengest at R. Medway.
- 465-6 Vortimer (K. Britain) defeats Hengest at Richborough, takes Kent.
- 469 Riotimus=Vortimer defeats Frisians & Saxons on Loire.
- 470 Euric (K. Visigoths) defeats Riotimus at Déols, is then defeated by Syagrius (K. Roman Gaul) there, and then defeats Romans in Septimania.
- 471 Ecdicius (Rom. senator) breaks siege of Clermont-Ferrand by Visigoths.
- 472 Hengest (K. Kent) massacres Brit. nobles near London; Eidol resists.
- 473 Hengest captures and sacks London & other Brit. cities.
- 475 Ambrosius (son of Aurelius) defeats Hengest at Mexborough.
- 476 Odoacer defeats Orestes, overthrows last W. Emperor, Romulus.
- 477 Aelle₁ (Saxon Chief) defeats Britons on landing at Selsey peninsula.
- 480 Uthyr (Ambrosius's general) defeats Pascent (K. Powys) in Dyfed.
- c.480 Gradlon (K. Armorica) defeats Frisians & Saxons on Loire.
- c.480 Angles defeat Clodegartus (Consul of London) at Thetford.
- c.483 Icel (K. Angles) defeats Uthyr at Wall-by-Lichfield but fails to take it.
- c.484 East Saxons defeat Clodegartus at R. Colne near Colchester.
- c.484 Dumnagual (K. Alclud) conquers the Votadini.
- 485 Aelle₁ (K. South Saxons) draws with Ambrosius at R. Ouse.
- 486 Clovis (K. Salian Franks) defeats Syagrius at Soissons.
- 488 Octha (Hengist's son, K. Kent) & Oesa (K. East Saxons) capture St. Albans from Clodegartus, but are then defeated by Uthyr there.
- 491 Bretons capture Blois from Franks but then Clovis retakes it.
- 491 Aelle₁ defeats Britons at Pevensey and captures it.
- c.493 Bretons hold out against siege of Nantes by Chillon (Clovis's general).
- 495 Cerdic (Brito-Jutish Chief) defeats Britons on landing by Southampton.
- 496 Clovis defeats Allemani at Zülpich, and converts to Christ.
- c.500 Clovis & Bretons defeat Gundobad (K. Burgundians) at Dijon.
- 501 Bieda (Jute) & Maglos (Brit.) defeat Britons on landing at Portsmouth.

Part II: Arthur, Battle-Leader

- 501 Cnebba (K. Angles) defeats Uthyr at R. Glen, but Arthur (Uthyr's son) rallies Britons and they retreat in good order.
- 507 Clovis, Bretons, & Arvernians defeat Alaric₂ (K. Visigoths) at Vouillé.
- 508 Theodoric₁ (K. Ostrogoths) defeats Clovis & Burgundians at Arles.
- 508 Cerdic (K. W. Jutes) defeats Nathan (Ambrosius's son) at Netley Marsh.
- 508 Arthur (Battle-Leader) defeats Torc Traith (Irish raider) at Caerleon.
- 510-3 Arthur defeats Angles in skirmishes [R. Dubglas] in Lindsey.
- c.510 Marcel (Arthur's general) defeats Aed (Irish K. Demetia) in Dyfed.
- c.511 Catgolan₁ (K. Venedotia) defeats Illan (K. Leinster) in Llŷn peninsula.
- 511 Cerdic captures Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight, from Britons.
- 512 Catgolan₁ defeats Serach (leader of Leinstermen) on Isle of Môn.
- 513 Budic (Breton Prince) defeats Maxent (his brother) in Brittany.
- c.514 Arthur massively defeats Angles [R. Bassas].
- 518 Arthur defeats Aelle₁ (Brytenwalda), E. Saxons, & Jutes at Bath.
- 518 Cado (K. Dumnonia) defeats Cerdic [Cerdicesbeorg] near Stoke.
- c.519 Theudebert (see below) defeats Hygelac (K. Geats) in Frisia.
- c.521 Hrodulf (Danish Prince), with Angles & Britons under Gualwain (Arthur's nep.), conquers Riculf's N. Danish K.dom.
- 524 Gundomar (Gundobad's son, K. Burgundians) captures Chlodomer (Clovis's son, Frank. K.) in battle near Lyon and kills him.
- 524 Maxent & Arthur defeat Chlodomer's Franks at Tours and capture it.
- 524 Arthur & co. defeat warband of Ferreolus (Rom. noble) near Narbonne.
- 528 Arthur defeats Hueil in Caledonian wood and conquers Galloway.
- 531 Childebert (Clovis's son, Frankish K.) & Hoel (Budic's son) defeat Amalaric (K. Visigoths) near Narbonne.
- 531 Theuderic₂ & Clothar (Clovis's sons, Frankish K.s) & Hadugat (Saxon thane from Brit.) defeat Hermenfrid (K. Thuringians) at R. Unstrut.
- 533 Theudebert (Theuderic₂'s son) defeats Visigoths in Septimania.
- 533 Ostrogoths defeat Odgarius (Duke of Alamanni) in Liguria.
- 533-4 Belisarius (E. Roman Count) conquers Vandal K.dom.
- 534 Childebert & Clothar besiege Gundomar in Autun; he escapes.
- 534 Childebert, Clothar, and armies of Arthur & Hoel defeat armies of Theudebert (Frankish K.) near R. Aube, but then make peace.
- 534-5 Theudebert, Childebert, Clothar, Arthur, & Hoel conquer Burgundy.
- 535-8 Belisarius conquers Italy, from Sicily to Milan, from Ostrogoths.
- 538-9 Burgundians sent by Theudebert recapture Milan from Romans.
- 539 Baldulf (Angle Prince) defeats Radegisel (K. Varni) in his K.dom.
- 539 Theudebert routs Ostrogoths, then defeats Belisarius, at Pavia.
- 540 Arthur defeats Modraut (K. Britons) at Winchester, then at R. Cam.

Part III: Ruin and Conquest

- 540 Adelbrict (Riculf's son) defeats Hrodulf in his N. Danish K.dom.
- 540 Conan₁ (K. Powys) defeats Idnerth in his K.dom of Vortigernia.
- 540 Eugen of Gwynedd draws with Votepor in his K.dom of Dyfed.
- 540-2 Brychein fights Votepor, splitting Brycheiniog away from Dyfed.
- 540-2 Glevis fights Honor (K. Siluria), splitting Glevissig away from Gwent.
- c.542 Gwydno defeats Eugen, splitting Ordowig away from Degeingl.
- c.542 Ionas and Canao defeat Budic, splitting off Domnonée and Vannetais.
- 544 Adelbrict defeats Cynewald in E. Anglia, fracturing his K.dom.
- 545 Conan₁ defeats Constantin₂ (K. Britons) in Durotrigia & Dumnonia.
- 545-7 Conan₁ (K. Britons) defeats Votepor, Honor, & Brychein in turn.
- 546 Conan₁ defeats Gwydno, but not Cunglas (Eugen's son, K. Degeingl).
- 547 Mailcun (Gwydno's brother) defeats Conan₁ in Powys.
- c.548 Mailcun (K. Britons) defeats Votepor then Dywel (his nep.) in Dyfed.
- 547-9 Ida defeats Outigern of the Gododdin to become king of Bernicia.
- c.549 Mailcun conquers Isle of Man from Scots.
- 552 Cynric (Cerdic's grandson) defeats Durotriges at Salisbury.
- c.552 Elidyr of Alclud defeated by men of Arvon at Cadnant.
- c.556 Rhun (Mailcun's son) defeats Men of North near Firth of Forth.
- 556 Cynric besieges and defeats Enion (K. Atrebates) at Silchester, draws with him and Dobunni and Gewissae (Saxons) at Barbury
- 557 Iudwal (Ionas's son) defeats Cunomor (K. Domnonée) in Léon.
- 560 Clothar (K. Franks) defeats Canao (Count Bretons) near Nantes.
- c.564 Drustan (Cunomor's son) defeats Beringer (Seuic general) in Britonia.
- 565 Cuthwulf (Adelbrict's son) defeats Iudelis (K. Lindsey) at Thetford.
- 568 Ceawlin (Cynric's son) defeats Aethelbert (K. Kent) at Wimbledon.
- 571 Cuthwulf (K. E. Anglia) defeats Gewissae & Catraut (K. Calchvynynd) at Bedford, but is then defeated by Ceawlin.
- c.574 Guendoleu holds Caer Laverock against Rhydderch (K. Alclud).
- 575 Peredur & Gurgi (K.s York), Rhydderch, & Urien (K. Rheged) defeat Guendoleu & Aedan (K. Dalriada) at Arthuret.
- 577 Ceawlin (K. W. Saxons, Brytenwalda) defeats 3 Brit. K.s at Durham.
- 577 Tewdric (Budic's son) defeats Macliaw (Canao's bro.) in Cornouaille.
- 578 Waroch (Macliaw's son) defeats Saxons in Frankish army on R. Villaine.
- 578 Beli (Mailcun's son) defeats Ulstermen on Isle of Man.
- 579 Urien defeats Theoderic₃ (Ida's son, K. Bernicia) [Elm wood].
- 582 Aelle₂ abandons Peredur to defeat by Eda of Bernicia [Caer Grue].
- 584 Ceawlin defeats Iddon (K. Gwent) and Margedud (K. Reinuc) at Hereford, but is defeated by Teudrig (ex-K. Glevissig) and Iddon in Gwent.

- c.584 Pictish raiders defeated by Urien [Gwen Ystrad].
- 589 Urien, Rhydderch, Gwallawg (K. Elmet), & Morcant (K. Gododdin) besiege Husa (K. Bernicia) at Lindisfarne. Morcant assassinates Urien.
- 590 Gwallawg, Dunaut (K. Catterick), & Morcant defeat Rheged.
- 590 Waroch (Count Vannetais) defeats Frankish army near Vannes.
- 591 Gereint (Constantin₂'s son) & Ceolric defeat Ceawlin at Wanborough.
- 593 Ceawlin & Creoda (K. Mercia) defeated by Ceolric (Ceawlin's nep.).
- 597 Aethelfrith (K. Bernicia) & Aelle₂ (K. Deira) conquer Dunaut's K.dom.
- 598 The 300 of the Gododdin, led by Cynon₂, including Beli & Gereint, defeated by Aethelfrith & Aelle at Catterick.
- 603 The 4 Princes — the sons of Aedan, Husa, & Rhydderch, and the bro. of Fiachnae (High K. Ireland) — defeated by Aethelfrith at Dawston.
- 614 Cynegils & Cwichelm (Ceolric's sons, K.s W. Saxons) defeat Bledri (Constantin₂'s son, K. Dumnonia & Durotrigia) at Bindon.
- 615 Aethelfrith (K. Northumbria) defeats Selym (K. Britons) at Chester.
- 617 Raedwald (K. East Anglia) defeats Aethelfrith at R. Idle.
- 626 Eadwine (Aelle₂'s son, K. Northumbria) defeats Cynegils & Cwichelm.
- 628 Penda (K. Mercia) defeats Cynegils & Cwichelm at Cirencester.
- 628 Eadwine (Brytenwalda) defeats Cadwallon₂ (K. Britons) at Welshpool.
- 629 Eadwine besieges Cadwallon₂ on Islet of Glannauc; he escapes.
- 630 Eadwine defeats Belin (sub-K. Llŷn) at Bryn Edwin.
- 632 Cadwallon₂ defeats Penda & Eowa (K.s Mercia) at Wroxeter.
- 632 Cadwallon₂ & Penda defeat Eadwine at Hatfield.
- 633 Osric (Eadwine's nep.) besieges Cadwallon₂ in York but is routed.
- 634 Oswald (Aethelfrith's son) defeats Cadwallon₂ near Hexham.
- 635 Oswald (K. Northumbria) defeats Idris (K. Britons) by R. Severn.
- 638 Oswald (Brytenwalda) captures Edinburgh from the Gododdin.
- 641 Penda (K. Mid. Angles) defeats Eadric in his K.dom of E. Anglia.
- c.641 Cynddylan (K. Pengwern) defeats Mercians at Lichfield.
- 642 Oswald & Eowa (K. Mercia) defeated by Penda & Britons at Maserfield.
- 645 Penda defeats Cenwealh (Cynegil's son) and occupies Wessex.
- 651 Penda besieges Oswiu (Oswald's bro., K. Bernicia) at Bamburgh.
- 652 Cuthraed (Cwichelm's son) and Morgan (K. Avalon) fight Cenwealh at Bradford, leaving him only with southern Wessex.
- 653 Penda defeats Anna in his K.dom of E. Anglia.
- 654 Penda & East Angles, & Cynddylan & other Britons, besiege Oswiu at Stirling, but are defeated by him on return march at R. Went.
- c.656 Oswiu (K. Northumbria, Brytenwalda) occupies Mercia.
- c.657 Oswiu defeats brothers of Cynddylan at R. Tren, occupies Pengwern.
- 658 Cenwealh defeats Moryth (Morgan's son) at Penselwood, takes Avalon.