

END IN SIGHT ON MITHER TAP.



A HIGH achievement almost completed. Inverurie Academy pupils stand for a souvenir picture around the almost completed viewfinder cairn they have built at the top of Bennachie. With them (far right) is Mr E. Hutton, assistant head of community services, who jointly designed the cairn.

BELOW: Enamelling some of the final details onto the circular viewfinder plaque are four academy pupils and their teacher, Mr Robert Mearns, assistant principal, technical education. The four are (left to right): Denis Harper, Loanhead, Oldmeldrum; Ian Christie, 13 Forgue Road, Rothienorman; Iain Sanderson, 12 Garioch Road, and Neil Walker, 21 Garioch Road, both Inverurie.



THE indicator at the top of Bennachie's Mither Tap should be completed by Inverurie Academy pupils today.

A school party will ascend today to place the copper face on the pedestal cairn — the face shows 50 hills, villages and other features which can be viewed.

The indicator may be the first in Scotland, and perhaps Britain, to have heights of landscape features marked in metric.

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Like the Grand Old Duke of York's men, academy pupils and teachers have toiled up and down the hill many times to make the indicator a reality.

They had to rebuild part of the pedestal after vandals struck and also had to cope with the trick "free-hand" job of punching place names onto the face. One spelling error would have meant starting again on a new piece of costly copper.

The indicator is to be unveiled on July 14.

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