

(2022 July 17) Danu - Celtic goddess | Danu- Vedic Goddess

When I visited the many stone circles and standing stones in a very misty dawn south of Knockadoon and the crannogs of the southern reach of Lough Gur on the morning of 20 June 1995 (and me the only visitor there to see the beams of sunrise come through the circle entranceway and fall on the stone opposite), and later walked around the Lough to the restored neolithic village, once the fog lifted, the Paps of Anu (see PDF below) were clearly visible on the horizon as they had been when the circles and original village were built.

[https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Danu_\(Asura\)](https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Danu_(Asura))

"As a word for "rain" or "liquid", dānu is compared to Avestan dānu, "river", and further to river names like Don, Danube, Dnieper, Dniestr, etc. There is also a Danu river in Nepal. The "liquid" word is mostly neutral, but appears as feminine in RV 1.54."

<https://www.britannica.com/topic/Danu>

[https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Danu_\(Irish_goddess\)](https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Danu_(Irish_goddess))

"The etymology of the name has been a matter of much debate since the 19th century, with some earlier scholars favoring a link with the Vedic water goddess Danu, whose name is derived from the Proto-Indo-European root *d^henh - "to run, to flow", which may also lie behind the ancient name for the river Danube, Danuuius – perhaps of Celtic origin, though it is also possible that it is an early Scythian loanword in Celtic.[3]

Linguist Eric Hamp rejects the traditional etymologies in his 2002 examination of the name Danu, and proposes instead that *Danu is derived from the same root as Latin bonus (Old Latin duenos) from Proto-Indo-European *dueno- "good", via a Proto-Celtic nominative singular n-stem *Duonū ("aristocrat").[4]"

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