**Camp 200** **Llanover Park, Llanover, Abergavenny, Monmouthshire**

Included in the 1945 ICRC Camp List – Base Camp. 200. Llanover Park Camp, Abergavenny, Mon.

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| **1947 Camp List** |
| 200(B.C.) | Llanover Park Camp, Llanover, Abergavenny, Mon. | W. | Priswar, Llanover | Abergavenny 560/1/2 | Nantyderry | Lt.Col.P.L.Crimwood, M.C. T.D. | v/202/4 |

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| **Prisoner of War Camps (1939 – 1948) - Project report by Roger J.C. Thomas - English Heritage 2003** |
| OS NGR | Sheet | No. | Name & Location | County | Cond’n | Type 1945 | Comments |
|  |  | 200 | Llanover Park Camp, Llanover, Abergavenny | Monmouthshire (Gwent) | Base Camp | Wales |  |

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| **Location:** The buildings beside Llanover House were located at NGR SO 312 086**Before the camp:** Country house and estate. US troops stationed at the site prior to D-day.**Pow Camp:** **1943 -** Mardy Camp 118 listed Llanover as a hostel.Italian and later German pows. One history records that Italians were held here, the site was taken over by US troops, and then it reverted to being a pow camp, but this time for Germans. (Abergavenny’s War – Tim Butters – 2017 – Amberley Books).Llanover Village Hall was built by Italian POWs, then later relocated to its current location and added to over the years. < Book of pictures and poems (in German) by Karl-Gerhard Berner based on his time as a pow at Kempton Park and Llanover (Winter 1946 / 1947).**1946** - Pows from camps in Canada, who expected to be returned to Germany, were held at this camp. This included some officers. One officer was Gerhard Stamer from the U-35. Initially he was held at Grizedale before being sent to Canada – on his return he was held at Sheffield, Lllanover Park and Lllanmartin. |  |
| Ordnance Survey 1956. (Buildings at side of Llanover House are not there 1964) |

**15 December 1946** – Camp magazine; [Llanover Park Echo : Politik Wirtschaft Kultur aus dem Lager : Camp 200 - The Wiener Holocaust Library](https://www.whlcollections.org/image/112123/)

**25 February 1947** - There was a brief comment about officers in a House of Commons debate:

“*Major Bramall asked the Secretary of State for War how many officer prisoners of war at No. 20* [sic] *Prisoner-of-War Camp, Llanover Park, have volunteered for work outside the camp; how many are actually working; and how many of those who have volunteered, but are not working, are graded C.*

*Mr. Bellenger - Between 60 and 70 officer prisoners of war at this camp have volunteered for work outside the camp, and they are all working.”* (Hansard - **25 February 1947,**

Vol 433).

**After the camp:** Used for emergency housing – based on comments from forum about memories of being a child born at the camp in 1949. 2020 park and farm land.

**Further Information:**

Verstacheldrahtete P.O.W. Philosophie (Barbed Wire POW Philosophy) – produced by Gerd Berner, based on his father’s work – 2012 – BookRix

IWM has a copy of the magazine, dated January 1947. Ref LBY E.J.391.

Catalogue entry - [30 - Artist file with 9 drawings/prints done by prisoners in camp 200, Hanover Park, Wales - 1946](https://www.thcatalogue.org.uk/calmview/Record.aspx?src=CalmView.Catalog&id=W%2fSGG%2fA%2f5%2f5%2f30)