

## SION MOWDDWY (fl. c. 1575-1613), poet

**Name:** Sion Mowddwy  
**Gender:** Male  
**Occupation:** poet  
**Area of activity:** Poetry  
**Author:** Enid Pierce Roberts

He sang the praises of the aristocracy throughout Wales, from Mostyn to Glamorgan. There were occasions when he spent a long time in Glamorgan. He indulged in flyting poetry with [Meurug Dafydd](#) of Llanishen concerning the rights of the strolling bards in Gwent and that neighbourhood, c. 1575-80, and he also had a poetic disputation with [Llywelyn Siôn](#) of Llangewydd. He is not mentioned as one of the bards who attended the eisteddfod at Caerwys, 1567; he may have been too young. There is no foundation for [Iolo Morganwg](#)'s story that he was the son of the 'Red Tinker of Mawddwy,' that he followed his father's trade, and that he married an heiress in Mawddwy.

### Author

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