COIN REGISTER

In recent times we have all been made increasingly aware of the significance of single coin finds, partly because such finds are relevant to the solution of important historical questions such as the regional pattern of coin circulation, and partly because so many finds have, in practice, turned out to be either examples of very rare issues or completely new varieties. It is obviously desirable that single finds should be recorded promptly, accurately and in an organised manner, especially at a time when the use of metal detectors has radically increased the quantity of material coming to light, and in the past BNJ has carried contributions relating specifically to the Anglo-Saxon and Norman periods. These articles have rightly aroused great interest and have stimulated other authors to come forward with additional material not only in the Anglo-Saxon and Norman series but in earlier and later periods too.

In order to deal with this larger body of information in as coherent a way as possible it has been decided that BNJ will carry a single listing, or Coin Register, to which anyone having single finds to report from Britain or Ireland may contribute. Any Celtic, Anglo-Saxon, Norman or Plantagenet coin will be eligible down to and including the Tealby type of Henry II but entries for Roman coins and for later medieval and modern coins will be restricted to those coins which are of particular numismatic merit. The same applies to Scottish and Irish coins and to foreign coins found in the British Isles (i.e. those struck before c.1180 will be eligible, those struck subsequently only if they are of particular interest). The essential criterion for inclusion will be that the coin is new, by virtue of either being newly found or (if previously discovered) being hitherto unpublished. Single finds from excavation sites may be included, if it seems likely that there would otherwise be considerable delay in publication.

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Celtic coins

1. Baiocasses, stater, de la Tour 6947.
   *Obv.* head r., surmounted by 'lyre' symbol.
   *Rev.* chariot r., drawn by human-headed horse; behind the charioteer and in front of the horse, 'standard' pattern; below, 'lyre' symbol.
   Weight: 5.58g.
   As usual, this piece is very worn. It is of pale gold; analyses by M.R. Cowell of similar staters from the Ringwood hoard suggest an average fineness of 29% AV, 49% AR, 22% AE.

   Weight: 3.74g. Die-axis 90°.
   Doncaster area, South Yorkshire. 1988.

3. Early potin.
   *Obv.* bull r.
   *Rev.* not available.
   Willersby Warren, near Whitchurch, Hants.
   Coins of this type are widely distributed over southern and eastern England.

   *Obv.* devolved head.
   *Rev.* devolved horse and chariot.
   Weight: 6.51g.

   *Obv.* devolved head.
   *Rev.* devolved horse and chariot.
   Weight: 6.66g.
   A third specimen was reported.

6. Gallo-Belgic class E (?), base core of plated stater, or Obv derivative, as Mack 59.
   *Obv.* plain.
   *Rev.* devolved triple-tailed horse right, with wheel below etc.
   Weight: 3.73g.

7. Gallo-Belgic, stater, class E, Mack 27A.
   *Obv.* blank.
   *Rev.* horse r.; above, 'wishbone' and pellets: below, pellet.
   Weight: 6.17g.
   North Creake, Norfolk, on a site which has produced other Iron Age and Roman material. (See no. 66.)

   *Obv.* devolved head.
   *Rev.* devolved horse and chariot.
   Weight: 3.62g.
   Some, but certainly not all, of the coins listed below as being found just outside Danebury Camp may have originally formed part of a hoard.

   *Obv.* 'flame' pattern around 'cogwheel'.
   *Rev.* horse l.; above, wheel; below, 'flower'.
   Weight: 1.14g.
   The design appears to be influenced by peripheral varieties of British Q cf. Mack 71, 73. It is made of red gold and is presumably relatively late.

    *Obv.* 'boat' pattern.
    *Rev.* rough cruciform pattern.
    Weight: 1.39g.

    *Obv.* 'boat' pattern.
    *Rev.* rough cruciform pattern.
    Weight: 1.16g.
    This coin is virtually of silver.

    *Obv.* 'boat' pattern.
Rev. rough cruciform pattern.
Weight: 1.16g (worn and damaged).
Hengestbury Head, Dorset, 1977-80. Acquired by British Museum: 1980-8-10, 1
See also nos 13-14, 18-20. More detailed pro vinces on these coins are not available and they are not necessarily associated with one another.

Obv. ‘boat’ pattern.
Rev. rough cruciform pattern.
Weight: 1.53g.

Obv. ‘boat’ pattern.
Rev. rough cruciform pattern.
Weight: 1.39g.

15. British, quarter-stater, class O, cf. Mack 40 etc.
Obv. ‘boat’ pattern.
Rev. rough cruciform pattern.
Weight: 1.16g.

Obv. ‘boat’ pattern.
Rev. rough cruciform pattern.
Weight: 0.94g.

17. British, quarter-stater, class O, cf. Mack 40 etc.
Obv. ‘boat’ pattern.
Rev. rough cruciform pattern.
Weight: 0.97g.

18. Uncertain quarter-stater, but apparently related.
Obv. blank.
Rev. amorphous straight lines.
Weight: 1.46g.

19. Uncertain quarter-stater, but apparently related, some incrustation.
Obv. blank.

Rev. amorphous straight lines.
Weight: 1.06g.

Obv. plain.
Rev. horse r.; above, star with curved rays; below, wheel.
Weight: 4.48g (base gold).

21. British, stater, class Qa, Mack 58.
Obv. devolved head.
Rev. devolved horse and chariot.
Weight: 5.30g.
This coin has the light weight and coppery appearance characteristic of the latest pieces in this series.

22. British, unattributed, stater, class Qb, Mack 59.
Obv. plain.
Rev. devolved, triple-tailed horse right, wheel and trellis below.
Weight: 5.77g.
Wolston, Warwicks., Vicarage Farm, November 1987. Metal detector find by Mr G. Large.

23. British, quarter-stater, class Q (plated copy), cf. Mack 77.
Obv. devolved head.
Rev. horse r.
Weight: 0.69g.

24. British, silver ‘drachm’, related to class Q.
Obv. head r.
Rev. horse r., circular ornaments above and below with, respectively, curved and straight rays.
Weight: 0.88g.

25. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. face r., ornaments in front.
Rev. horse r.; above, ‘fish-hook’ symbol; below, ring ornament.
Weight: 0.88g.
26. British, silver ‘drachm’, related to class Q.
Obv. two boars, surrounded by ring ornaments.
Rev. horse r.; above, ‘flower’; below, ring and pellet.
Weight: 0.79g.

27. British, silver ‘drachm’, related to class Q.
Obv. two boars, surrounded by ring ornaments.
Rev. horse r.; above, ‘flower’; below, ring and pellet.
Weight: 0.79g.

Obv. boar l., surrounded by loop and ring ornaments.
Rev. horse 1.; ring and pellet ornaments in front and below.
Weight: 1.01g.

29. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. contorted horse-monster, with ring and pellet ornaments.
Rev. horse 1.; above, ‘flower’; below ‘cogwheel’ and pellets.
Weight: 0.94g.

30. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. contorted horse-monster, with ring and pellet ornaments.
Rev. horse 1.; above, ‘flower’; below ‘cogwheel’ and pellets.
Weight: 0.98g.

31. British silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. contorted horse-monster, with ring and pellet ornaments.
Rev. horse 1.; above, ‘flower’; below ‘cogwheel’ and pellets.
Weight: 0.95g.

32. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. head pattern.
Rev. horse 1.
Weight: 0.70g.

33. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. whorl pattern, with crescents, rings, pellets etc.
Rev. Horse 1.; above, ‘flower’; below, ‘cogwheel’.
Weight: 0.90g.
Perhaps overstruck on type of nos. 29–31.

34. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. whorl pattern, with rings and pellets.
Rev. horse r., with crescent and ring ornaments.
Weight: 0.40g.
Of very crude style.

35. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. cruciform ‘leaf’ pattern, with ring, pellet and crescent ornaments.
Rev. horse 1., with similar ornaments.
Weight: 0.37g.

36. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. head pattern.
Rev. horse 1., surrounded by ring ornaments and an outer lined border.
Weight: 0.69g.

37. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. head pattern.
Rev. horse 1.; below, wheel; ring and pellet ornaments around.
Weight: 0.81g.

Obv. head r., with pellets etc.
Rev. horse 1., surrounded by ornaments.
Weight: 0.35g.

Obv. head l., as Mack 446B.
Rev. horse l., ring and pellet ornaments above and below.
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Weight: 0.36g.

40. British, silver, cf. Mack 446B.
Obv. head l., as Mack 446B.
Rev. horse l., ring and pellet ornaments above and below.
Weight: 0.29g.

41. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. head r., with ornaments in front.
Rev. horse r., surrounded by ring and pellet ornaments.
Weight: 0.81g.

42. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. head r., with ornaments in front.
Rev. horse r., ring and pellet ornaments.
Weight: 0.92g.

43. British, silver.
Obv. ‘flower’, surrounded by ring and pellet and ‘cogwheel’ ornaments.
Rev. whorl pattern, with ring and pellet ornaments.
Weight: 0.37g.

44. British, silver ‘drachm’, related to class Q.
Obv. head r.
Rev. horse r., circular ornaments above and below with, respectively, curved and straight rays.
Weight: 0.80g.

45. British, silver ‘drachm’, related to class Q.
Obv. head r.
Rev. horse r., circular ornaments above and below with, respectively, curved and straight rays.
Weight: 0.74.

46. British, silver ‘drachm’, related to class Q.
Obv. head r.

Rev. horse r., circular ornaments above and below with, respectively, curved and straight rays.
Weight: 0.75g.
Danebury Camp, near, Hants. Acquired by British Museum: 1984, 6-1, 32.

47. British, silver ‘drachm’, related to class Q.
Obv. head r.
Rev. horse r., circular ornaments above and below with, respectively, curved and straight rays.
Weight: 0.82g.

48. British, silver ‘drachm’, related to class Q.
Obv. head r.
Rev. horse r., circular ornaments above and below with, respectively, curved and straight rays.
Weight: 0.69g.
Danebury Camp, near, Hants. Acquired by British Museum: 1984, 6-1, 34.

49. British, silver ‘drachm’, related to class Q.
Obv. head r.
Rev. head r., circular ornaments above and below with, respectively, curved and straight rays.
Weight: 0.83g.

50. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. head pattern.
Rev. horse r. details obscure.
Weight: 0.73g.

51. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. horse r., ‘lyre’ above.
Rev. horse r., surrounded by pellets.
Weight: 0.59g.

52. British, silver ‘drachm’.
Obv. head r.
Rev. horse l., above, pellet.
Weight: 0.92g.

53. British, silver ‘drachm’ Mack 446B.
Obv. head l.
Rev. horse l.
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Weight: 0.79g.

This type has a very wide circulation over central southern England.

J.K.

54. British, silver ‘obol’.
Obv. boar l.; below, ring and pellet ornament.
Rev. stag r., with ring and pellet ornaments.
Weight: 0.44g.

J.K.

55. ‘Atrebates’, silver ‘obol’ of Tincommius, Mack 118 corr.
Obv. c.f. within two interlaced quadrilaterals.
Rev. TINC. wolf r.
Weight: 0.33g.

J.K.

Obv. quadrilateral containing ‘cogwheel’ and surrounded by ring and pellet ornaments.
Rev. horse l.; above, wheel; below, ring and pellet.
Weight: 0.22g.
Danebury Camp, near, Hants. Acquired by British Museum: 1984, 6-1, 42.

J.K.

Obv. quadrilateral containing ‘cogwheel’ and surrounded by ring and pellet ornaments.
Rev. horse l.; above, wheel; below, ring and pellet.
Weight: 0.29g.
Danebury Camp, near, Hants. Acquired by British Museum: 1984, 6-1, 43.

J.K.

Obv. COMM F. Horseman r.
Rev. VERICA. Horseman r.
Weight: 1.31g.
Danebury Camp, near, Hants. Acquired by British Museum: 1984, 6-1, 44.

J.K.

59. ‘Atrebates’, silver ‘obol’ of Verica, Seaby 111A.
Obv. VIR VAR on tablet.
Rev. CO. Winged horse r.
Weight: 0.26g (damaged).

J.K.

60. ‘Atrebates’, silver ‘obol’ of Verica, Seaby 111A.
Obv. VIR VAR on tablet.

J.K.

61. ‘Catuvellauni’, stater of Tasciovanus, Mack 186.
Obv. devolved head pattern.
Rev. CAAA. Horse r., with ring and pellet ornaments above and below.
Weight: 5.44g.
Hemel Hempstead, Herts., near.

J.K.

Obv. CA-MV (largely off flan) divided by ear of corn. Rev. CVN (largely obscured by die flaw). Horse to right; branch above; pellets in field.

D.J.S.

63. ‘Catuvellauni’, silver ‘drachm’ of Cunobelin, Mack 237.
Obv. CVNO. Winged bust r.
Rev. TASCIO. Winged sphinx l.
Weight: 1.33g.
Edgewarebury Farm, TQ 175 939.

J.K.

64. ‘Catuvellauni’, silver ‘obol’ probably of Epaticcus.
Obv. charging bull r.; above, ‘branch’. Rev. eagle l. seizing? snake.
Weight: 0.36g.
Danebury Camp, near, Hants. Acquired by British Museum: 1984, 6-1, 47.

J.K.

65. ‘Catuvellauni’, silver ‘drachm’ of Epaticcus, Mack 263.
Obv. EPATTI. Head of ‘Hercules’ r.
Rev. eagle facing, head l., on branch.
Weight: 1.29g.

J.K.

66. ‘Trinovantes’, stater (plated forgery) of Athedomarus, as Mack 266.
Obv. cruciform pattern.
Rev. [ ] Horse r.; above, ring and pellet; below, wheel.
Weight: 1.90g.
North Creake, Norfolk.

J.K.

Obv. Uncertain animal (dog?) r., head l.; Cross-shaped ornament above back; pellets and annulets in field.

Rev. [D] A B N O; figure seated on throne r., holding sceptre? and uncertain objects; annulets in field.

Weight: 1.11g (17.1 gr.). Die axis 0°.

Birchington, Isle of Thanet, September 1986. Found by Mr G. Marsh (see also nos. 68-9).

See also BNJ 56, 181-2, for a further recent find from St. Nicholas at Wade, Thanet.

E.M.B.

68. ‘Cantii’, silver unit of Dubnovellaunus, Mack 288.

Weight 0.95g (14.6 gr.). Die axis 315°.

Birchington, Isle of Thanet, September 1986.

E.M.B.

69. ‘Cantii/Atrebates’, silver unit of Eppillus, Mack 308.

Weight: 1.31g (20.2 gr.). Die axis 225°.

Birchington, Isle of Thanet, September 1986.

E.M.B.


Obv. devolved head.

Rev. devolved horse and chariot.

Weight: 4.36g.


J.K.


Obv. devolved head.

Rev. devolved horse and chariot.

Weight: 3.4g.

Alvechurch, Worcs, Cooper’s Hill by M42, March 1988. Metal detector find by Mr L. Black.

W.A.S.

72. ‘Durotriges’, base silver quarter-stater, Mack 319.

Types as nos 11 and 15, but further devolved.

Weight: 0.82g.


J.K.

73. ‘Dobunni’, billon ‘drachm’, class D/F, Mack 379/382.

Obv. devolved head, with scroll before face, annulet eye.

Rev. devolved (triple-tailed) horse left, pellets around.

Weight: 0.76g.


W.A.S.

74. ‘Dobunni’ silver gilt ‘drachm’ class F, Mack 382.

Obv. devolved head, with scroll touching nose, pelleted annulets around.

Rev. devolved (triple-tailed) horse left of pelleted annulet form.

Weight: 1.23g.

North and Middle Littleton, Worcs, Cleeve Hill Roman site, Sprint 1987. Metal detector find by Mr B.A. Harris.

W.A.S.

75. ‘Dobunni’, billon ‘drachm’, Class J, Mack 384 (obv.).

Obv. very crude devolved head, annulet eye, many pellets.

Rev. very crude devolved horse right (?), many pellets etc.

Weight unrecorded.

North and Middle Littleton, Worcs, Cleeve Hill Roman site, August 1986. Metal detector find by Mr F. White.

W.A.S.

76. ‘Dobunni’, billon ‘drachm’ class J, Mack 384 (obv.).

Obv. very crude devolved head, annulet eye, many pellets.

Rev. very crude devolved horse left, many pellets.

Weight: 1.03g.


W.A.S.

77. ‘Dobunni’, billon ‘drachm’, class C(?), Mack 387 (nearest).

Obv. devolved head, annulet eye etc.

Rev. triple-tailed horse left with star below, etc.

Weight: 1.17g.


W.A.S.

78. ‘Dobunni’, fragmentary stater, Mack 385-93, c. 10 B.C. – A.D. 45.

Obv. Part of five-branched emblem.

Rev. Belly, neck and forelegs of horse to right; wheel and pellet below.

Weight: 2.485g Die axis: 110° 16 mm x 11 mm.

In the vicinity of Kidderminster, Worcestershire, probably shortly before 1987. No further details known. Remains in the trade.

D.J.S.


Obv. Five-branched emblem.

Rev. EISV, horse to right; wheel and ‘cross’ below; ‘cross’ below head; ‘cross’ and pellets above.

Weight: 5.389g Die axis: 100° Diameter: 17 mm.

Bewdley, Worcestershire, near, January 1986 in the
same field as nos. 80–1, 45. Metal detector find. 
Acquired by Birmingham City Museum and Art Gallery, accession no. 1986 N 1.

D.J.S.

Obv. Five-branched emblem. 
Rev. EISV, horse to right; wheel and pellet below; pellet below head; triangle of pellets above. 
Weight: 5.285g Die axis: 110° Diameter: 17 mm. 
Bewdley, Worcestershire, near, April 1986 in the same field as nos. 79, 81 and 95. Metal detector find. 

D.J.S.

Obv. Five-branched emblem. 
Rev. EISV, horse to right; wheel and pellet below; pellets below head; pellets and crescent above. 
Weight: 5.584g Die axis: 110° Diameter: 19 mm. 
Bewdley, Worcestershire, near, May 1987 in the same field as nos. 79–80 and 95. Metal detector find. 

D.J.S.

Obv. devolved head with many pelleted annulets. 
Rev. devolved (triple-tailed) horse left, EI above SV below. 
Weight: 0.96g. 
Compton Verney, field by Kineton-Fossway road, January 1988. Metal detector find by Mr G. Large.

W.A.S.

83. ‘Dobunni’, inscribed stater of Corio, Mack 393. 
Obv. ‘fishbone’ pattern. 
Rev. devolved triple-tailed horse right, CORIO above, wheel below. 
Weight: 5.58g. 
Whitinash, Warwick, in old tomato soil of greenhouse, 46 Ashford Road, May 1976, Warwickshire Museum. Found by Mr R.S. Guice. This is from the same dies as one in N.M.W., Cardiff (G.C. Boon, ‘Another dobunnic die-link’, SCMB (May 1984) p. 132, fig. 1).

W.A.S.

84. ‘Dobunni’, inscribed, quarter stater of Corio, Mack 394. 
Obv. COR. 
Rev. devolved triple-tailed horse, right, pellet in wreath above. 
Weight: 1.12g. 

Metal detector find by Mr R. Laight, Warwickshire Museum.

W.A.S.

Obv. BODVO (C). 
Rev. devolved triple-tailed horse right, wheel below etc. 
Weight: 3.37g. 

W.A.S.

Obv. [BODVOC]. Head 1. 
Rev. horse r., surrounded by ring, cross and pellet ornaments. 
Weight: 1.03g. 
Danebury Camp, Hants., near. Acquired by British Museum: 1984, 6–1, 49.

J.K.

87. ? Icenian, quarter-stater, Mack 404. 
Obv. ornamental crescent with floral arrangements. 
Rev. horse r.; above, crescent; below, ring and pellet. 
Weight: 1.08g. 

J.K.

88. British, East Anglian bronze. 
Obv. boars back to back around ‘wheel’. 
Rev. horse 1. 
Weight: 1.35g. 
Said to have been found at Tilbury, Essex. 
Coins of this series have been found, for example, in excavations at Hacheaton, near Ipswich, Suffolk (NC. 1978, 176).

J.K.

89. ‘Coritani’, stater, Allen series IB cf. Mack 51, 51A. 
Obv. devolved head. 
Rev. horse r.: above, ‘wishbone’ and pellets; below, rosette of pellets; in front, star. 
Weight: 6.10g. 
Werrington, Northants.

J.K.

90. ‘Coritani’ stater, type C (as SCBI Coritani, 15 et seq. and 212 et seq). 
Obv. devolved head. 
Rev. devolved horse left (trellis below not seen). 
Weight: 5.52g. 
Salford, West Midlands, in topsoil of garden, 118 Foredrove Lane, c. 1981. Found by Mr W. Nicholls.

W.A.S.

91. ‘Coritani’ stater, South Ferriby type M, Mack 447 (as SCBI Coritani, 246).
Obv. devolved head.  
Rev. devolved horse left and ornaments.  
Weight: 5.38g.  
Stretton-under-Fosse, Warwicks, near crossing of M6 and Fossway, June 1983. Metal detector find by Mr M. F. Turner.

W.A.S.

92. 'Coritani' stater, South Ferriby type O, Mack 450 (as SCBI Coritani, 32 et seq.).  
Obv. devolved head.  
Rev. devolved horse left, start below.  
Weight: 5.5g.  
Dordon, Warwicks, crossing of A5 and M42, in 1986. Metal detector find by Mr S.B. Large.

W.A.S.

93. 'Coritani', stater, Allen South Ferriby type P, Mack 450.  
Obv. head pattern, almost effaced.  
Rev. devolved horse i., with ring, pellet and star ornaments.  
Weight: 5.05g.  
Clipston on the Wolds, Notts.

J.K.

94. 'Coritani', silver 'drachm' of class U, Mack 410b (as SCBI Coritani, 305-13).  
Obv. (hind part of) 'boar' right, annulet below.  
Rev. (portion of) prancing horse right, wreath above.  
Weight: 1.09g.  
Lapworth, Warwicks, on Roman pottery kiln site, and canal crossing of M40, November 1987. Found by Mr D. Adams.

J.K.

95. 'Coritani', stater, Mack 459. c. A.D. 10-60.  
Obv. vep [co] r. horse to right; pellet below head; triangle of pellets below tail.  
Rev. Crude wreath, crossed by line with crescent terminals which enclose beaded circles surrounding pellets.  
Weight: 5.334g. Die axis: 315°. Diameter: 21 mm.  
Bewdley, Worcestershire, near, April 1986, in the same field as nos 79-81. Metal detector find.  
Acquired by Birmingham City Museum and Art Gallery, accession no. 1986 N 5.

D.S.

96. Uncertain, bronze, perhaps not a coin.  
Obv. large ring and pellet.  
Rev. blank, or effaced.  
Weight: 0.14g.  
This object may be the remains of a core of a plated piece, such as e.g. Mack 123.

J.K.

97. The following uncertain base gold 'coins' from the South Humberside area are placed here for record purposes. They are deeply cup-shaped and have been taken to be Celtic. However, their attribution and date remain to be established. Mr M.R. Cowell of the British Museum Research Laboratory has determined the composition of a and b by x-ray fluorescence; his results are as follows:-

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Their general description is nebulous:  
Obv. uncertain pattern, surrounded by three concentric circles of 'wreaths'.  
Rev. S pattern, surrounded by pellets.

a. Weight: 1.41g.  
Sleaford, Lines.  
b. Weight: 1.36g.  
Kettlethorpe, Lines.  
c. Weight: 1.38g.  
'Found between Doncaster and Scunthorpe'.  
d. Weight: 1.17g (severely chipped).  
Ludford, Lines.  
e. Weight: 1.01g (severely chipped).  
'Yorkshire'.  
f. Weight: 0.81g (severely chipped).  
'Found near Scunthorpe', Lines.

J.K.

Roman

98. Silver denarius of C. Claudius Pulcher, c. B.C. 110-109 (BMC 1288; Craw. 300/1; Syd. 569; Bab. Claudia 1).  
Obv. Helmetted head of Roma r.  
Rev. Victory in biga r., C. PVLCHER in exergue.  
Weight: 3.27g. Die-axis 30°.  

P.J.S.

99. Silver 'siliqua', (s. 394-400), Arcadius or Honorius.  
Obv. DN[ARCADIVS (or HONORIVS) PF AVG]. Diadem, draped bust r.  
Rev. [VIRTVS ROMAN]ORVM. [MDPS]. Roma enthroned i. on cuirass, holding Victory and spear.  
Weight: 0.85g. (clipped).  
This piece was probably clipped after the cessation of Roman government in Britain in 410.

J.K.

Merovingian coins

Obv. + ROTO MO[v] IV. Bust right.  
Rev. AIGOALDOMO. Small cross, inner circle.
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Knighton, Oxon (formerly Berks.), c. 1986.
The likelihood is that this coin came directly into Wessex across the Channel. Inf. by courtesy of Mr B. Cavill.

D.M.M.

Obv. +VV [I] CCO, profile bust to right.
Rev. DVTTA [MONE], cross on steps.
Weight: 1.25g (19.3gr). Die axis: 180°.
Bell Farm, Minster, Sheppey, Kent. Metal detector find by Mr V. Cato, 30 March 1986. An Anglo-Saxon gold solidus was found on the same farm in 1985 (to be published by the owner).
Dutta was the only moneyer of Quentovic represented in the Crondall, Hants., hoard. The present coin is a die-duplicate of one of the seven examples (Sutherland 13, pl. V, O).

M.M.A.

102. Silver denier of Childeric II, Tours.
Obv. TVRONVS CIVI. Bust r.
Rev. CHILDERICO REGE. Two standing figures, nimbed (St Maurice and St Martin).
Weight: 1.03g.
Ozengell, Kent.
From the excavation of a cemetery by Mr Guy Grainger. The coin has been published and dated by Lafaurie1 to March/May 673 x October 675, the period when Childeric was in control of Tours. This gives a closely fixed terminus ante quem for the transition from gold to silver.

M.M.A.

Thrymsa

103. Base gold shilling. Pada, Rigold P III.
Obv. ANV / VNC, broad profile diademed bust to right.
Rev. pada ivs [-] A, cross with pellet in centre and annulet in each angle.
Weight: 1.14g (17.6gr). Die axis: c.90° (on start of pada)
Cobham Park, Kent, 1988. (Precise find spot on confidential record in Maidstone Museum. See also no. 109 from the same site.)
The coin has the appearance of silver, but on the metal of Padas see SCMB October 1979, pp. 320-3. The coin is pierced. The dies have not been matched. Enlarged photographs are on record in Maidstone Museum and the British Museum, and the coin is illustrated here from a reduced copy.

D.B.K.

Sceattas

Weight: 0.97g (14.9gr., very worn). Die axis: 0°.

M.M.A.

Weight: 1.22g (18.8gr). Die axis: 90°.
Found on an excavation on the north bank of the Thames near Staines, 1988; the exact findspot is withheld to protect the on-going excavations by the Windsor Archaeological Group. Nos 123, 143, 146 and 153 below are also from this site and are published here in advance of the excavation report by kind permission of the director Mr V. Marchant and Mrs E. Canter. The significance of the group as a whole, which, like Canvey (see no. 141), so far comprises just sceattas and early Mercian pennies of Offa and Coenwulf, will be discussed in the archaeological report.

M.M.A.

106. Sceat, Series B, var. B II. From the same rev. die as B II, 11/i, and from an obv. die similar to B II, 10. Chipped (not illustrated).
The find spot, SU 278872, is approx. 2km. W of the White Horse of Uffington. Found in the same field as no. 119. Information by courtesy of Mr B. Cavill, who supplied enlarged photographs.

D.M.M.

107. Sceat, Series C. Rigold R1a (BMC 2), c. 700-10.
Obv. Radiate profile bust to right. Inscription off flan.
Rev. Devolved standard type.
Weight: 1.08g (16.6gr). Die axis: 90°.
This coin is on a smaller and lighter flan than is normal for this series.

M.M.A.

108. Sceat, Continental Series D (BMC 2c), c. 715.
Obv. Diademed profile bust to right, inscription off flan.
Rev. Cross pommée with a pellet in each angle, surrounded by V + and a pellet within an annulet within a pelleted circle.
Weight: 1.12g (17.3gr).
Cliffe, Kent, 1987, now in the collection of the Maidstone Museum (reg. no. 40. 1987). (Precise find spot on confidential record in the Maidstone Museum.)
The pelleted motif is not present on any of the many coins of this type in the Aston Rowant hoard.

D.B.K.

109. Sceat, Continental, Series D (BMC 8), c. 715.
Obv. Cross pommée with a pellet in each angle.
Rev. Devolved standard.
Weight: 1.26g (19.4gr).
Cobham Park, Kent, 1988. (Precise find spot on confidential record in Maidstone Museum. See also no. 103 from the same site.)

From the same dies as a coin from the Aston Rowant hoard in the British Museum (1971-12-16-174). Enlarged photographs are on record in the Maidstone Museum and the British Museum, and the coin is illustrated here from a reduced copy.

D.B.K.

Weight: 0.94g.

This unusual coin, which is an imitation of Type 2c, (the Frisian runic type), has been identified as Type 50, but is more distinctly imitative. The question which it raises is whether it could be an insular imitation. The radiate crown has been modified into a band of zig-zag ornament. The chevron-barred A behind the head is very spread. The runes in front of the face have been reduced to a single symbol. The cross on two steps, a large annulet to left and right, pellet above, and initial-cross above that.

Information courtesy of Mr B. Cavill.

D.M.M.

111. Sceat, Series D, Type 50.
Wappenbury, Warwicks. In a field SE of the centre of Wappenbury fort (SP 38 69) and E. of the River Leam, near a Roman kiln.

The obverse of the ‘stepped cross’ variant, BMC Type 53, is somewhat similar.

Weight: 1.09g. Die-axis unrecorded.

Woodmansey, N. Humberside, on farmland between W. and Beverley, 1986.

The four L- or V-shaped elements of the simple reverse are distinctive. Cf. the style of the West Wycombe find, BNJ 1986, p. 15, no. 34. The coin is unusually debased (c. 64% silver). It is now in the Ashmolean Museum.

D.M.M.

112. Sceat, Series E, ‘vico’ variety, Frisia, c. 700–710.
Weight: 1.09g.
Alcester, Warwicks., east of (SP 10 57) in field opposite Cherry Trees Motel, August 1984. Metal-detector find, in possession of finder.

A good, deeply-struck example of this early variety of ‘porcupine’. Information by courtesy of Mr W.A. Seaby.

D.M.M.

Tarrant Hinton, Dorset, c. 1987. (Not illustrated.)

A ‘plumed bird’ porcupine. On the reverse, the standard has groups of triple pellets. This coin was found in a field about half a mile away from two others of Series H and X (below).

D.M.M.

Weight: 1.21g (18.6gr.). Die axis: 90°.

M.M.A.

115. Sceat, ‘Porcupine’ type (North 45; Seaby 841; Metcalf type A, as NC (1966) pl. xv. 10).
Weight: 1.08g. Die-axis unrecorded.
Dunnington, North Yorkshire. Found 1988 by Mr J. Hyde in his garden.

P.J.S.

Weight: 1.09g.
Shalbourne, Wilts.

The reverse of this coin contains elements which are certainly derived from the (primary) vico variety: the line with three dots superimposed on it is characteristic. The letters V, C have degenerated into L, T. For another vico derivative, cf. ANSMN 1969, pl. 20, 14. The antecedents of the obverse are less clear. The V-shaped ‘snout’ enclosing a dot, the annulet, and the crosslet are in all probability an echo of another primary variety (NC 1966, pl. 16, 26–30), but the two dots superimposed on the fat spine are derived from variety G. The design is thus eclectic.

The obverse of the ‘stepped cross’ variant, BMC Type 53, is somewhat similar.

Information courtesy of the finder, Mr Graham Palmer.

D.M.M.

Weight: 1.04g.
Woodmansey, N. Humberside, on farmland between W. and Beverley, 1986.

The four L- or V-shaped elements of the simple reverse are distinctive. Cf. the style of the West Wycombe find, BNJ 1986, p. 15, no. 34. The coin is unusually debased (c. 64% silver). It is now in the Ashmolean Museum.

D.M.M.

Obv. four bars and a pellet under the curve, the first bar attached to the curve, and a bar in the field right. Rev. standard with a pellet in each corner, a bar by each side, and a pelleted annulet in the centre. Weight and die-axis not recorded.

Hockwold, Norfolk, 1987. A six-figure grid reference is recorded confidentially. The coin was shown at Bury St Edmunds Museum, where the drawing was made, and the find was referred to us for publication by Tony Gregory, formerly of the Norfolk Archaeological Unit.

M.A.S.B. and M.J.B.

119. Sceat, Series F. (Not illustrated.)
Obv. Bust with broad-brimmed hat. + IIIO. . . . . T Rev. Cross on two steps, a large annulet to left and right, pellet above, and initial-cross above that. + IIV / IIV.
Compton Beauchamp, near Uffington Berks, (now Oxon). The find-spot, SU 278872, is approx. 2km. W of the White Horse of Uffington.

There is a wide variety of reverse variants of Series F, some of which include the letters TT, II in the angles of the cross. This specimen is unusually uncluttered, with large annulets. Found in the same field as a coin of Series X (no. 106). Information by courtesy of Mr B. Cavill, who supplied enlarged photographs.

D.M.M.


Obv. diademed profile head to right.
Rev. devolved-standard pattern: three crosses and a trefoil of pellets around a pellet in annulet.
Weight: 1.11g (17.1gr.). Die axis: 225°.

The finder would not disclose the findspot, or his address but the sceat was shown with an Ancient British coin of Ælthelm which suggests that it was found in East Anglia or Cambridgeshire. Dr Metcalf listed the known findspots of Series G in BMC 1986, pp. 10-11 where he suggests Quentovic as the mint.

M.A.S.B. and M.J.B.


Obv. bust right, with cross in front.
Rev. standard, with salter in each quarter.
Weight: 0.78g (12.0gr.), corroded, copper with traces of silver plating.

M.A.S.B. and M.J.B.

122. Sceat, Series G? (Described as 'South Saxon type', in reference to Seaby's standard catalogue, but subsequently said to have been a 'porcupine'). (Not illustrated.) Northern France?

Near the (now isolated) church of Ampney St. Mary, near Cirencester, Glos., c. 1985.

On the reattribution of Series G, see BNJ 1986, pp. 10-11. Information by courtesy of Mr B. Cavill.

D.M.M.

The secret-mark is a boss outlined with a circle of five pellets. It is probably intended to be the same as variety 1b, on which the central pellet is sometimes larger, amounting to a small boss. The obverse has 9 roundels, without pellets between. The bird's tail is tilted up, and there is a quincunx of 5 dots between the bird's legs. The coin appears to be of good silver, and falls early in Type 49.

Information by courtesy of Mr K. Wheatley.

D.M.M.

123. Sceat, Series H, BMC 49 (North 103), Hamwic (Southampton), c. 720-35.

Weight: 1.03g (15.9gr.). Die axis: 180°.

Although series H is heavily concentrated on Hamwic (Southampton), it is also distributed along the Thames valley, and the present coin fills a gap between the Reading and Putney findspots.

M.M.A.


The coin is of variety 3, with pelleted annulet above the bird's neck and cross below. On the obverse there are only five annulets, with bust indicated by dots. Cf. Metcalf, cat. no. 73.8, which however has 7 annulets. Found in the same field as a coin of Series X (no. 137).

Information by courtesy of Mr K. Wheatley.

D.M.M.


Weight: 0.96g.
Lewknor, Oxfordshire.

This coin belongs to an eclectic group of imitations leading into Type 52, and of which a miniature corpus is published in BNJ 1986, p. 7, under no. 7. The group includes a 'mule' of Type 12 obv./52 (SCBI Mack 341), with simplified interlace. The Lewknor coin stands earlier in the sequence, the style of the interlace being close to that of the Stewart specimen. The off-centre striking is similar too. On the obverse, the figure is facing left (both feet pointing left, and the back of the helmet is represented by a loop, which is on the right). There is no boat-shaped curve or base-line. There are possible chronological implications in the availability for copying, at approximately the same time, of Types 23b (bird and branch) and (apparently) Type 12. See nos 134-5, also from Lewknor.

D.M.M.


The obverse, with its small head and large blundered lettering, should be compared with BMC 91. The first 'V' of the legend probably corresponds with the wreath-ties of BMC 91, leaving II M. The style of the reverse (which is much corroded and exfoliated) apparently corresponds with BMC 91, and some cross-hatching on the tunic can apparently be made out. The coin is now in the Salisbury and South Wiltshire Museum. Information by courtesy of Miss C. Conybeare. (Line drawings of this and the following coin are published in Wiltshire Archaeological Magazine, vol. 83, forthcoming.) (See no. 128.)

D.M.M.
128. Sceat, Series L, *BMC* 16 ('Hwiccian' style),
Ford, near Salisbury (SU 159 329), 1988.

The obverse is apparently from the same die, or if not then an extremely similar die, as the Portishead find, *NC* 1976, pl. 12, 4. The reverse, too, is of the identical variety and style. A curious feature of the die-cutting is that some of the lines are grooved (i.e. as if two parallel lines were squashed close together). This unusual feature can be seen on the wreath ties and on the staves of the two long crosses.

The coin was found about a year later than the earlier find from Ford, in the same field, and (so far as could be judged) very close to the find-spot of the first coin, i.e. within a metre or two. It seems probable, as the coins are of similar type and date, that they were concealed or lost on the same occasion. Thorough searching failed to reveal any more coins. Ford is by the River Bourne, on the line of the A30 to Old Sarum (from where a sceat has been reported). Inf. by courtesy of Miss C. Conybeare. (See no. 127.)

D.M.M.

129. Sceat, Series L, *BMC* 15b/16 or 15a, 'Hwiccian' style, c. 730-50.

*Obv.* Diad. bust right, cross before face.

*Rev.* Standing figure holding two crosses.

_Cf. NC* 1976, p. 69, fig. 2.

Weight: 0.97g.

Bidford-on-Avon, Marlcliff (on edge of a Roman settlement), Warwick., July 1988, from the same area as Coin Register 1987, nos 50 and 62.

This specimen adds one more to the tally of Series K/L from Hwiccia. See the discussion and references under Coin Register 1987, no. 79.

D.M.M.

130. Sceat, Series L (*BMC* 18), London derived, c. 740.

*Obv.* Profile diademed bust right, cross in front.

*Rev.* Facing standing figure, head turned to right, holding cross and bird whose head is turned to the right.

Weight: 1.05g (16.2gr).


D.B.K.


Knighoton, Oxon (formerly Berks.)

The style of the crouching animal suggests that this specimen belongs late in the sequence of Type 45. The branch spiralling inwards is laterally reversed. It is possible that the two main styles (the other being heavier, with annulet added on the reverse, e.g. *BMC* pl. 4, 9) might be from two mints. The Knighton find may be set alongside those from Walbury Camp and Hamwic, as westerly provenances. Information by courtesy of Mr B. Cavill.

D.M.M.


The two standing figures on the obverse are just visible but the reverse is heavily scratched and the details of the type are illegible.

Weight: 1.06g (16.3gr).

Alciston, E. Sussex. Found by Mr J. Derkin, summer 1988. (Precise findspot on confidential record in the British Museum.)

D.R.R.

133. Sceat, Series N, *BMC* 41a (North 97), Kent or Thames valley, c. 720.

*Obv.* Two standing figures facing each other with a cross between, very crude style.

*Rev.* Animal to left, head turned backwards, good style.

Weight: 0.96g (14.8gr).

Binham, Norfolk. Found by Mr P.D. Searle and shown at Norwich Museum. 5 February 1988.

S.M.M.


Weight: 1.26g.


An early example of Type 38, with pseudo-inscription on obverse and reverse. Note the high weight. The alloy, too, is of more or less primary quality. The coin is now in the Ashmolean Museum.

D.M.M.

135. Sceat, Series R?, *BMC* 51

Weight: 1.08g

Lewknor, Oxfordshire 1986.

Roughly 100m east of the junction of Weston Road and Nethercote Lane. The course of the Lower Icknield Way is not clear at this point, but Nethercote Lane diverges eastwards from the straight line of the road, and the find-spot may well therefore be that much further from the Lower Icknield Way. See the find from South Weston, Lewknor, lying on the other side of the Way: *BNJ* 1986, pp. 8-9. The coin is now in the Ashmolean Museum. See nos 126 and 134 also from Lewknor.

D.M.M.


East Garston, Berks. From a field behind the church.

The tunic is hatched, but vertically and horizontally rather than cross-hatched. The hem of the skirt is not flared as on many specimens, but there is a pellet at each lower corner. Information by courtesy of Mr B. Cavill.

D.M.M.


(Not illustrated.)

Weight: 0.99g.

A ‘Wodan/monster’ sceat in regular style, of Barrett var. h (secret mark: bar with pellet at each end), see Hallum hoard, Hill nos 174, 297. The moustaches are in simplified style (3 curves). Found in the same field as a coin of Series H (above no. 125). Information by courtesy of Mr K. Wheatley.

D.M.M.


Obv. + [ ] DVS, pellet in pearled border.
Rev. animal left, with beaked nose and three-pronged tail over head.
Weight: 0.87g (13.4gr.), very worn. Die-axis: 20°.

Near Brocklesby, N. Lines., 1987. From a ploughed field (find-spot recorded confidentially). Information about the find and the photographs were kindly supplied by Kevin Leahy of Scunthorpe Museum.

This coin is quite exceptional for its very considerable amount of wear, having lost about 25 per cent in weight and most of its design, making die identification impossible. If it received this wear in normal use, it must have been in circulation for several decades. The coin is illustrated twice life size.

M.A.S.B. and M.J.B.

Later Anglo-Saxon coins

139. Archbishop Æthelheard under Offa, First Issue. Cross Crosslet type both sides, North 1-227.

Obv. Four pellets OFFA REX MERC (contraction mark before O; cross-ends pelleted).
Rev. Four pellets AEDILHAD PONT (D retrograde, contraction mark after T, cross-ends pattee).
Weight: 1.43g (22.0gr). Die axis: 90° (rev. legend starts at 11 o’clock).

Found in ‘East Anglia’, but no further details available. Purchased by the British Museum in 1982 (1982-11-45). Although Cross Crosslet dies are recorded for Æthelheard, this is the first recorded example to have variants of this type on both sides.

M.M.A.

140. Coenwulf and Archbishop Æthelheard, Third issue (North 232) c. 796-805.

Obv. + CO ENV.VL:F R-EX in centre M.
Weight: 1.17g (18.1gr.) (much chipped). Die axis: 0°.

Nos 140, 142, 149 and 156 were all found in a relatively small area on either side of the Stratford Road and approximately one kilometre from the centre of Bidford.

W.A.S.


Obv. +CJIALNO / D [ARCE(S)] Facing bust breaking legend.
Rev. legend almost completely illegible: the Chi-Rho type is faintly visible.
Weight: 0.78g (12.0gr, very corroded). Die axis: 0° (?)
Canvey Island, Essex, 1988; grid ref. on confidential record in the British Museum. Found by Mrs N. Lewis and shown on her behalf by Mr P. Bennett (see also nos 147-8 from the same site). The site near Staines (see no. 105), the finds from this Canvey Island site are so far confined to sceattas and early Mercian pennies.

M.M.A.

142. Offa King of Mercia (?), two joining fragments of a penny, Blunt group I, Canterbury, moneyer Eoba (?), c. 770-92. (Not illustrated.)

Obv. Indistinct ornament only.
Rev. ‘A’ in arc, as Blunt 14 to 18 but without ornament in spandrels.
Weight and die axis not recorded.
Bidford-on-Avon, Warwickshire April 1986. Metal detector find by Mr R. Laight, who presented the fragments to the Warwickshire Museum.

W.A.S.

143. Offa, Group 1, Blunt 10 (North 260), moneyer Eoba.

Obv. OFRM in angles of long cross.
Rev. EOB in angles of a cross with a pellet within an annulet at the end of each arm and a cross of five pellets within an annulet in the centre.
Weight: 1.20g (18.6gr). Die axis: 0°.
North bank of the Thames, near Staines, excavation 1979 (see no. 105).

M.M.A.

144. Offa, Group II, Bust Ea, for types cf Blunt 58 (North 310), moneyer Æthelweald.

Obv. ÆBLUVJEAL.
Rev. O / F / A / R, contraction mark on F and R.
Weight: 1.17g (18.0gr). Die axis: 0°.
Findspot not known; acquired by the British Museum in 1986.

This is the first recorded coin with this particular moneyer’s name on the obverse and it is spelt in a way not recorded elsewhere. Blunt 58 is a coin of the same type by the same moneyer, but with the king’s name on the obverse, and Blunt 43 is another circumscription portrait type with a moneyer’s name (Ealmund) on the obverse. The metal was analysed by Mr M. R. Cowell in the British Museum Research Laboratory and was found to be compatible with that of similar coins.

M.M.A.


Obv. OFFAR:EX, in the angles of a cross with pellets by ends, in centre a saltire of four lobes.
146. Offa, Group II, of Blunt 40 (North 282), moneyer Alhmund.

Obv. [O] / FF / R / M in angles of floriated cross with voided centre containing a pellet within annulet and a pellet in each corner. Diademed profile bust to right. Weight: 1.27g (19.6gr,). Die-axis: 0°.

Rev. EALHMUND around a 'Celtic' cross with a pellet in the centre. Weight: 1.33g (20.5gr, chipped). Die-axis: 0°.

Near Mildenhall, Norfolk. Found by Mr J. Dabreo, and shown at the British Museum, by Dr S. Margeson (November 1987), lot 271.

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Obv. OFF[A] before face, rest of legend illegible. Diademed bust to right. Weight: 1.03g (15.9gr, chipped and heavily corroded). Die-axis: 90°.

Rev. parts of letters of moneyer's name visible, long cross with a lobe in each angle. Weight: 1.28g (19.7gr, heavily corroded). Die-axis: 90°.

Canvey Island, Essex, 1987 (see no. 141).

M.M.A.

148. Offa, Group II, Blunt 59 (North 277), moneyer Herebecth. 

Obv. legend illegible, diademed bust to right. Weight: 1.08g (16.6gr, chipped). Die-axis: 270°.

Rev. parts of letters of moneyer's name visible, long cross with a lobe in each angle. Weight: 1.08g (16.6gr, chipped). Die-axis: 270°.

Canvey Island, Essex, 1987 (see no. 141).

M.M.A.


Obv. +/O /FFA/-REX. Diademed profile bust to right. Weight: 1.34g (20.7gr,) (slight edge loss). Die-axis: 250°.

Rev. E/O/B/A (retrograde, outwardly), in the angles of a floriate cross with a lozenge centre containing a small cross and four pellets.

Bidford-on-Avon, Warwickshire November 1988. Metal detector find by Mr L. Philips. The coin was subsequently purchased by Warwickshire Museum.

W.A.S.

150. Offa, Group III, Blunt 89 (North 328), moneyer Ealhmund. 

Obv. OFFA REX M in three lines.

Rev. EALHMUND around a 'Celtic' cross with a pellet in the centre. Weight: 1.33g (20.5gr, chipped). Die-axis: 0°.


This coin is from different dies from SCBI East Anglia 1065 and BMC 44.

M.M.A.


Obv. OFFA / REX in two lines. 

Rev. WITA / ITA in two lines. 

Weight: 1.08g (16.6gr, chipped). Die-axis: 270°.

This coin was acquired by a dealer in Italy and was presumptively found there; purchased by the British Museum in 1978 (1978-10-19-1).

The name Wita was not previously recorded among Offa's moneyers. Mrs Veronica Smart has kindly advised that Wita might be either a free-standing name derived from (white) or Wita (wiseman), or else a hypochoristic form of a name in Wiht-. In the latter case, it is possible that there is an identity of name if not necessarily of person, with Wihtred, a known East Anglian moneyer - or dynasty of moneyers - for Offa in Groups II and III, and for Coenwulf. The very small flan suggests an early issue, and the two line type is similar to the reverses of the two known pennies of Offa by the moneyer Wilred whose almost certain identity with the moneyer of that name for Beonna of East Anglia locates those Offa coins in East Anglia fairly early in his reign (see BNJ 1985, p. 32). Other coins of Offa have been found in Italy (see ASMH, p. 159-169), and a higher proportion of them are of Group I than might have been expected from the relative scarcity of the earlier coins in modern collections. The metal of this coin was analysed by Mr M.R. Cowell in the British Museum Research Laboratory and found to be compatible with that of other cognate coins. The results of the analyses of this and other Offa coins will be published elsewhere.

M.M.A.

152. Offa, Group II, East Anglia, Blunt cf 46/81 (North 303/302), moneyer Winoth. 

Obv. +O / FF / AR / EX in angles of cross with curved-sided square in centre with a small cross within it.

Rev. WITA / ITA d arranged similar to obv. Weight: 1.29g (19.9gr). Die-axis: 180°. 

Near Mildenhall, Norfolk. Found by Mr J. Dabreo, and shown at the British Museum, by Dr S. Margeson of Norwich Museum, September 1986.

The obverse type is not otherwise recorded for this moneyer.

M.M.A.

153. Offa, Group II, East Anglian, Blunt 113 (North 336), moneyer Wihtred. (Not illustrated). 

Obv. +/O /FFA/-REX in angles of cross with hammer ends.
**Obv.** +COENVVL F REX  
**Rev.** EAN mV ND  
Weight: 1.20g (18.5gr, chipped). Die axis: 0°.  
North bank of the Thames near Staines, excavations 1980 (see no. 105).  
This coin is from the same obverse die as SCBI Edinburgh, 59.

Coenwulf, King of Mercia, fragment only of a penny, middle coinage (North 344). Mint and moneyer unidentified, c. 805-10.  
**Obv.** —VI—, diademed bust right.  
**Rev.** —NET—, cross pommée with wedge in each angle.  
Weight and die axis not recorded.  
Bidford-on-Avon, Warwickshire, August 1985. Metal detector find by Mr R. Laight, who presented the fragment to Warwickshire Museum.
163. Eadred, halfpenny, Flower type, **BMC** – (North ?). West Mercian mint, moneyer Hildulf. 
**Obv.** +EADRED REX Small cross in centre within inner circle. 
**Rev.** HILDULVF in a line with a floral ornament above and a rosette below. 
Weight: 0.28g (4.3gr., corroded and incomplete – mended fragments). Die axis: 270°. 
Peel Castle, Isle of Man, excavations, Aug. 26, 1985. (see no. 160).

This coin is from different dies from **BMS 685**, the only other recorded halfpenny with a floral design for this reign. A second pair of dies of the same type and moneyer confirms that round halfpence were probably commoner than their rarity in modern collections – derived predominantly from hoards avoiding lower denominations – might suggest.

164. Eadwig, HR1 type, **BMC** Ic (North 726). West Mercian mint, moneyer Ælfred. 
**Obv.** +EADREY REX Small cross in field under I. 
Weight: 0.53g (8.2gr., very corroded, mended fragments). 
Die axis: 180°. 
Peel Castle, Isle of Man, excavations, 1986 (see no. 160). 

Similar to **BMS 818** but from different dies.

165. Eadgar, Reform type, **BMC** vi (North 752). Winchester, moneyer Rægenulf, c. 973–5. 
**Obv.** +EADGAR REX ANGLOX 
**Rev.** +RÆGENULF MONETA PILTVN: 
Weight: 1.49g (23.1gr.). 
J.G.R.

166. Eadgar, Circumscription Cross type, **BMC** II (North 749). Wilton, moneyer Leofwold, c. 959–973. 
**Obv.** +EADGAR REX ANGLOVM 
**Rev.** +LEOFFOLD MONETA PILTVN: 
Weight not noted. Die axis: 270°. 
Bullock Down Farm, Beachy Head, East Sussex. Found by Mr. E. Williams.


D.R.R.

**Rev.** ÆDENTANDM OLVL: 
Reculver, Kent, eighteenth century. 

The only recorded specimen is in Dr Ian Stewart’s collection. Stowe MS 1049, fol. 26, no. 20 (see above pp. 127).

D.M.M.

168. Edward the Martyr, Normal Small Cross type. Southampton, moneyer? 
Blackthorn, near Bicester, Oxfordshire, 1989.

Three fragments of a Normal Small Cross coin. The two pieces of the margin, very fortunately, are consecutive, and the smaller includes both initial crosses. One can therefore confidently read +E / ADPEA and HAMPI C+ with square C. Again fortunately, the form of the mint-signature removes the usual Northampton/Southampton uncertainty. Four moneyers are known (Eadnoth, Landbeorht, Leofhelm, and Wynstan).

D.M.M.

**Obv.** +ÆDELFRED REX ANG: (N retrograde). 
**Rev.** +ROBERT NOL LIN (Ns retrograde). 
Weight: 1.17g (18.1gr.), broken in three pieces. Die-axis: 0°. 
Near Willingham, Lincs., north-west of Lincoln, 25 October 1988, found on the same site as no. 178 below (find-spot recorded confidentially).

Die-duplicate of **SCBI** Lincoln 24. 
M.A.S.B. and M.J.B.

170. Æthelred II, First Hand Type, Canterbury, moneyer Boga, c. 979–85. 
Reculver, Kent, eighteenth century.

The reverse legend is represented as IAM OL LÆNIATSO. The hand is shown double-struck, and we may plausibly assume that the letter L is duplicated. The legend should begin at 12 o’clock. The combination of letters SO is virtually unknown, and may be conjecturally emended to read BO, giving +BOIAM OCENTA or similar. Numerous specimens are known. Stowe MS 1049, fol. 26, no. 21 (see above, p. 127).

D.M.M.
Obv. +ÆDELRED REX ANGLOX
Rev. +ÆLFNOD MO LVNDO
Weight: 1.24g (19.1 gr. chipped). Die axis: 0°.
J.G.R.

Obv. +ÆDELRED REX ANGLOX
Rev. +ÆLFGET MO LVNDO
Weight: 1.07g (16.5 gr.).
J.G.R.

173. Æthelred II, Second Hand type. Rochester, moneyer Siduwine, 985-91. (Not illustrated.)
Obv., SIDEPINE MO ROFE. Altered First Hand die.
D.M.M.

Obv. —NGLO (NG ligatured); pellet behind neck.
Rev. —NORD
Weight: 0.42g (6.4 gr.). Die axis: 180°.
W.A.S.

175. Æthelred II, Last Small Cross type (North 777), Winchester, moneyer Æelfstan c. 997-1003. (Not illustrated.)
Obv. +ÆÐELRAED REX ANGLOX
Rev. +ÆLFSTAN ON PINCST (NC ligatured).
Weight: 1.21g (18.6 gr.). Die axis: 190°.
Photographs were submitted to Mrs Yvonne Harvey who writes that she has found three die duplicates of this coin: at Bergen; among the Stockholm hoards; and Mack SCBI 1044. She had also found the same reverse die used with five other obverses, all different.
W.A.S.

Rev. +ÆARDNOD ON LYN
Weight and die axis not recorded.
Dies not traced.
This and coins nos. 180, 182, 203-4, 206, 220, 225, 237, 246-7 and 253-4 were found by Mr J. Gilbert whose enlarged coloured photographs were shown at the British Museum and from which these identifications have been made. A few of the coins, were later brought to the London Museum for weighing etc. They became available after Mr Peter Stott had already completed his paper on the Billingsgate coins for the forthcoming London and Middlesex Archaeological Society volume on the finds from the site, and he generously suggested that they be put on record here. The photographs are now with the rest of the Billingsgate coin archive in the Museum of London. Apart from the coins shown at the London Museum, weights and die axes were not available.

Large fragment of an Ancient British Potin coin, Mack 12, first half of the first century BC.

Roman Republic, denarius of P. Satrienus, Crawford RRC 388, c. 75 BC. Worn, lost after the invasion of 43 AD.

Roman Republic, denarius of Julius Bursio, Crawford RRC 352, c. 85 BC. Worn, lost after the invasion of 43 AD.

Lead striking from dies of William I, BMC vii London, moneyer Edwi, to be discussed by MMA in the forthcoming London and Middlesex Archaeological Society volume on the finds from Billingsgate.

Henry III, broken fragment of a cut-halfpenny, Long Cross type, class 5b, only on visible so mint and moneyer unknown, c. 1252.

Edward I, pennies of Fox class 4b and 5, both London.

Henry VIII, farthing, initial mark arrow, London, 1532-42.

Edward VI, great in the name of Henry VIII, initial mark arrow, London Tower mint, 1547-9.

Edward VI, Irish penny in the name of Henry VIII, Dublin, 1547-c. 1550.

French feudal, possibly Narbonne, cut half of a denier, late eleventh to twelfth centuries, possibly irregular.

John Paul Lascaris de Castellar, Grand Master of the Knights of St John of Malta, 1636-57, grano, 1637.

M.M.A.

177. Cnut, Short Cross (BMC type xvi; North 790). Chester, moneyer Ælfnoth, c. 1030-5. (Not illustrated.)
Rev. +ÆLFNOD ON LEGIC
Weight: 1.01g (15.6 gr.). Die axis 90°.
DIE duplicate of SCBI Copenhagen 1315.
K.F.S.

179. Cnut, Short Cross type. Found at Takeley, Essex. Correction to Coin Register, BNJ 57 (1987), p. 139, no. 147. W. Lean has kindly pointed out to us that this fragment is a die-duplicate of SCBI Copenhagen iiia 600-1, so enabling the coin to be identified as a coin of the moneyer Crucan of York.


181. Harthacnut, Jewel Cross type, with bust right. (North 809). Oxford, moneyer Ælfwine Tosti, 1036-7. (Not illustrated). Between Ogbourne St. Andrew and Ogbourne Maizey, c. 2 miles N. of Marlborough, Wilts. The moneyer is known for the preceding Short Cross type. Information by courtesy of Mr B. Cavill.


185. Edward the Confessor, Small Flan type (Hild. B; North 818). Mint uncertain, moneyer Godwine, c. 1048-50. Obv. |JEDPA[| Rev. |GODPIN[ ] Cut-halfpenny. Weight: 0.51g (7.9gr.), pierced. Die-axis: 180°. Fulbourn, near Cambridge, 1987/88. The coin is pierced with three holes, perhaps for use as an ornament in a necklace or sewn on a garment. The holes are smooth on the reverse, indicating that this side faced outward, as usual showing the cross design.


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D.M.M.

Obv. +EADPA[R D R] E:
Rev. +PICINCONPIRE
Weight: 0.86g (13.2gr). Die axis: 180°.
Found in Hampshire, and shown at the British Museum on behalf of the finder by Dr G.T. Dunger on 2 December 1988.
Only one coin of the moneyer in the type is quoted by Freeman (p. 355) from an illustrated coin in NCirc January 1971, no. 421.
M.A.A.

Obv. +HAROLD REX ANGLO
Rev. +GODRIC ON LVNDI (starting at 9 o’clock).
Weight and die-axis not recorded.
Near Peterborough, Cambs, August 1987. Found during the construction of the Werrington-Glinton bypass.
M.A.S.B. and M.J.B.

Obv. legend illegible.
Rev. Long cross voided with a stylized hand in two opposing quarters, a large pellet in one quarter and possibly another motif (a pellet within an annulet?) in the remaining quarter.
Weight: 0.52g (8.1gr., very corroded, incomplete, mended fragments). Die axis uncertain.
The details of the type have been slightly mis-aligned in the restoration as the edges of the fragments were eroded.
Peel Castle, Isle of Man, 1986 (see no. 160).
M.M.A.

Obv. I HVOC / +OMIT, building.
Rev. +DRVOCAS CASTI, cross pattée.
Weight: 1.01g (15.6gr).
Tuddenham St Martin (outside Ipswich), Suffolk. (Precise findspot on confidential record in Suffolk Archaeological Unit.) Shown at the British Museum, 21 July 1988.
M.M.A. and J.N.

Post Conquest coins

(Not illustrated.)
Just outside Sparsholt, Swindon, 1988. Information by courtesy of Mr B. Cavill.
D.M.M.

Rev. +MAN ON SNTING
A new type for the mint of Nottingham. The moneyer Man is recorded in the striking of coin at Nottingham in types i, ii, iii, iv, vi/viii mule and type vii.
J.B.

(Not illustrated.)
Rev. SPERTLINOPILII.
Very buckled.
Checkendon, Oxfordshire. Found at Hammonds Farm.
D.M.M.

Obv. ILLI[
Rev. +FOL[+SPERTLINOPIILII.
Weight: 0.29g. (4.5gr.). Die-axis: 0°.
Kirby Cane, Norfolk, Autumn 1988. Found in spoil removed when constructing the by-pass around Kirby Cane, near Loddon. The exact findspot is therefore unknown. The coin was shown to us by Andrew Rogerson of the Norfolk Archaeological Unit.
The only ‘FOL’ moneyer recorded for the latter part of William I’s reign is Folcard of Thetford, who is known in this type (SCBI Stockholm, Anglo-Norman, 66, from different dies).
M.A.S.B. and M.J.B.

Rev. +LVFIC ON DOPFN
Weight: 1.17g (18gr.).
SPOIL FROM THAMES EXCHANGE SITE, LONDON, 1989.
New moneyer for the mint of Dover. The two moneyers recorded from Dover in type vii for William I are Cinstan and Lifwine.
J.B.

Obv. +PILLEM REX I
Rev. +LVFIC ON DOPFRN
Weight and die axis not recorded.
Findspot not known; shown at the British Museum in 1972 by Mr N. Macpherson-Grant.
A mule BMC i/ii of this mint and moneyer is known (BMC 66 from a different obv. die), but the “true” coin of BMC i establishing the moneyer in this type was not previously recorded.
M.M.A.

Rev. [ ] NE ONCOL (NC ligatured).
Weight: 0.65 g (10gr.).

J.B.

201. William II, Cross in Quatrefoil type (BMC ii).
Southwark, moneyer Ieldred, c. 1089-92.
Rev. + IELDRED ON SV
Weight: not recorded.

This coin gives us a new moneyer for the mint of Southwark in the reign of William II. Known moneyers working the mint in this coinage were Lifword, Osmund and Wulfgar.

J.B.

Canterbury, moneyer Simeir, c. 1089-92.
Rev. + SIMEIR ON CNTL
Weight: not recorded.

New type for this moneyer in this reign. Simeir struck coins in BMC type vii for William I and BMC type iii for William II.

J.B.

Obv. + RD ON DTI
Weight: 0.59g (9.1gr). Die axis: 0°.

Same obv. die as BMC 155, also by Folcard, but from a different rev. die. As only -RD is visible, Burhard is possible but less likely; he is known only from BMC ii onwards.

M.M.A.

Obv. + DVREVN ON STEH
Weight: 1.20g (18.5gr). Die axis: 90°.

The moneyer was not previously recorded in the type at the mint although he is known in the previous and following types.

M.M.A.

Obv. + PILLELMIC [ ]
Rev. + N:OXEN (double struck)
Weight: 0.87g (13.4gr, chipped). Die axis: 45°.
Jordan’s, Bucks., 1975. Presented by the finder Mr R.D. Davies to the British Museum (1975-9-28-1).

Different dies from the Ægelnoth in the Hunterian Museum, University of Glasgow, the only other known coin of the mint in the type.

M.M.A.

Rev. + PVLFORD [ON LVN or similar]
Weight and die axis not recorded.

Different dies from BMC ii by same moneyer.

M.M.A.

Obv. + HNRREX N.
Rev. + AELFPOINE ON LVN.
Weight and die axis not recorded.

W.A.S.

Obv. + HENRI[e]RE
Rev. + PEINRED ON LE
Weight: 0.34g (5.2gr, chipped). Die axis: 0°.
Northampton, found in excavations at The Green, and noted here in advance of the excavation report by kind permission of the director, Mr M. Shaw.

This coin is from the same rev. die as one in the British Museum (1929-8-5-2) and enables the reading to be amended as above. An initial aspirate is found elsewhere on coins of Henry I eg heVR for York (BMC x ex Lincoln T.T. in British Museum, 1973-5-23-115.)

M.M.A.

Obv. + HENR[. . . .]
Rev. + MING ON [. . . . ]LIDE
Weight: 0.974 g (15.03 gr.). Die axis: 350°.
Dudley Castle, Staffs 1988. Found in excavations on the motte at Dudley Castle by the Dudley Castle Archaeological Project, by whose kind permission it is published here.

The moneyer’s name is contracted but seems best explained as Manic. Only one moneyer of this name is so far attested, striking BMC type VI of William I (BMC 423). It is possible that this may be the same man, but the twenty-five year gap between the issues and Manic's non-appearance on the relatively common PAXS type perhaps suggests that the two are different (although related?). The mint signature is probably LVNDE, but the space following ON does appear to be rather too large for this to fit comfortably.

D.J.S./M.M.A.
210. Henry I, Pax type (BMC iii). Bristol, moneyer Barcvit, 1104–7?
Rev. +BARCVIT ON BRI
Weight: not recorded.
  Die duplicate of Mack 1507.

211. Henry I, Annulets and Piles type (BMC iv). Sudbury or Southwark, moneyer Dereman?, 1107–8?
Rev. +DE [ ] MAN ON s (ON ligatured).
Weight: not recorded.
Dereman was a Colchester moneyer in the reign of William I, recorded in types v, vi and viii. The moneyer Dereman also struck at London in the reign of Henry I, types vii, ix and xv and is also known for types i and vii of Stephen.

212. Henry I, Quatrefoil and Stars type (BMC vii). London, moneyer Alwinus, 1113–16?
Rev. +ALWINVS ON LV
Weight: not recorded.

Rev. +PVLFG[ ]R: ON: LV
Weight: 1.23g (19gr.).
We now have record of Wulfgar coining from type iv to xiv in the reign of Henry I. The other moneyer striking type viii at London was Blacaman.

Obv. +HENRICVS RE+ AN:
Rev. +[ ] ED:PAR:ID ON CA:MP
Weight: 1.15g (17.7gr.).
Fulking, Sussex, 1988. Found by Mr S. Poyntz on this site at the base of the South Downs.
This coin is from the same official reverse die as a coin in the Lincoln (1972) hoard (1973-8-23-29) where the reverse inscription is complete; the obverse die of the present coin is also official, but that of the hoard coin is irregular.

Obv. +HENRICVS E+ A. Snick at 8 o'clock.
Rev. +LAS[ ]EVE
Weight: 1.165g (flan slightly chipped) Die-axis: 90°.
Pocklington, North Humberside, September 1988. Found by Mr Jim Halliday at a building site off Barmby Moor Road.
Miss Archibald reports that this coin is from different dies to the coin of Laising of this type from the Lincoln hoard, and she points out that there is a faint 'E' sketchily cut into the die under the X on the obverse and a faint 'X' between the X and final A, the diecutter having carelessly omitted the R of REX.

P.J.S.

Obv. +HENRIC[ ] ON: TOTEN:
Rev. |-L[ ] ON: CA:
Weight: 1.26g (19.4gr.). Die axis: 315°.
Said to have been found in the Bournemouth area. Acquired by the British Museum in 1988.
This is the latest known coin of the very rare Totnes mint. The latest Anglo-Saxon coins are of Harthacnut's Arm and Sceptre type in the name of Cnut, and none are known for William I; William II is represented by a single coin of BMC ii and Henry I by one coin of BMC i. The remnants of the letters of the moneyer's name visible suggest it may read ALFRIC. If this were so, he might possibly be the same person as Elfri who strikes at Taunton in BMC xiv (a coin formerly in the Carlyon-Britton collection but whose present location has not been traced).

M.M.A.

Obv. +HENRICVS R:
Rev. +STANhARD:ON:HOI
Weight: 1.31 g (20.2 gr.). Die axis: 180°.
Stanhard was not known at Norwich until coins by him in types vii and xiv appeared in the Lincoln (1972) hoard; this is the first to be recorded of any of the intervening types.

M.M.A. and S.M.M.

Rev. +[ ] : TETE:
Weight: not recorded.

Obv. +TVEN [ ] AME:
Rev. +[ ] AME:
Weight: 0.58 g (9gr.).
New dies, full mint reading.

J.B.

Rev. +ROGIER:ON:LVN
Weight: 1.33g (20.5gr). Die axis: 270°.

M.M.A.

221. Stephen, Watford type, (BMC i; North 873), early variety with full title. Canterbury, moneyer Willem, c. 1135-49?
Obv. [ ] REX:
Rev. [+] PILL[MO] JAN-PA
Weight: 1.27g. Die-axis 180°.

P.J.S.

222. Stephen, Watford type, (BMC i; North 873), late variety without title c. 1135-49?
Obv. [ ] TIEFNE.
Rev. [ ]
Weight: 1.23 g. Die-axis: not recorded.
Wallingford, Oxon, 1988. Found by Mr A.H. Dutton in a field in the vicinity of Wallingford Castle. The indistinct letter following the 'A' on the reverse appears to have a lower horizontal bar, so it may be an 'L', and if this is part of the moneyer's name perhaps a moneyer Falche could be indicated. A Falche is recorded for Wilton in this type (Mack 39a).

No regular Stephen coins are known of the Wallingford mint, the town being held by Brian Fitzcount for the Angevin faction during the civil wars, but a moneyer 'Fulcke' was striking at Wallingford during group A of the Tealby coinage.

P.J.S.

223. Stephen, Watford type, BMC i (North 873). Exeter, moneyer Algier, 1135-c. 1142 or later.
Obv. [+] STIEFNE:
Rev. [+][ALGIER:ON:EXC]
Weight: 1.30g (20.0gr). Die axis: c. 225°.
Provenance not known; shown at British Museum, 5 December 1982.

This coin is from the same dies as one in the Brettell sale, Glendining 28 October 1970, 308 (now in the British Museum), where the visible letters—ER of the moneyer's name were expanded with great reservation as possibly Semier (p. 28). Combining the visible letters in both coins enables the name to be read as Algier, a moneyer who is known at Exeter in BMC viii spelt Algar.

M.M.A.

Obv. +STIEFNE:
Rev. +RODBERT:ON:LVND (ND ligulate)
Weight: 1.23g (19.0gr). Die axis: 45°.

M.M.A.

225. Stephen, cut-halfpenny, Watford type, BMC i (North 873), uncertain mint, moneyer possibly Godric, 1135-c. 1142 or later.
Obv. [+GO[ ]
Rev. +[ ] N:TEF:
Weight: 0.57g (8.8gr). Die axis: 90°.

M.M.A.

226. Stephen, Cross Voided and Mullets type, BMC ii (North 878). Thetford, moneyer uncertain, from c. 1142 or later.
Obv. +STIEFNE
Rev. [+][L?][ ] N:TEF:
Weight: 1.26g (19.4gr. chipped). Die axis: c. 90°.
Findspot not known; shown at the British Museum 13. v. 1971 by Mr J.G. Drew of Woodbridge, Suffolk (possibly a local find?).

M.M.A.

Rev. +DAVIT ON: TEFFO
Weight: 1.04g (16gr.).
Find spot unknown.

This coin gives us a new moneyer for the mint at Thetford. The use of the name Davit is only to be found in the reign of Stephen when we see it on coins struck at Bedford, Ipswich and Norwich in the last coinages of Stephen, BMC vii. The mint at Thetford fits neatly in with the Ipswich and Norwich establishments as it is midway between the two. The other moneyers recorded for the mint at Thetford striking Stephen's second issue are Baldwine and Haevn.

J.B.

228. Stephen, cut-halfpenny, Profile/Cross and Piles type (BMC vii). Thetford, moneyer Haevn?
Obv. [+][TEFF:
Rev. [ ] LV:
Weight: 0.85g (10gr.).

A new type for the mint, this type vii issue now gives us all the main types from the mint of Thetford, BMC types i, ii, vi and vii.

J.B.

Obv. [ ] TIEFN[ ]
Rev. [ ] LV:
Weight: 0.50g (7.8gr.). Die-axis: 90°.
Near Allington, Kent, 1988. Found by Mr C.W. Bullock in the tidal section of the river Medway between Allington and Aylesford, approximately fifty yards downstream from the M20 motorway bridge.

The known London moneyers for this type are Aliasander, Raulf, and Wulfwine, though other moneyers are likely to have been active. A long moneyer's name seems probable as the mint name is confined to two letters.

P.J.S.
Rev. + PIL[ ] BRAN
Weight: 0.52g (8gr.).
Burgh Castle, Norfolk, 1988. Metal detector find. J.B.

Obv.—
Rev. + ACE:ON: S[ ]
Weight: 1.36g (21.0gr). Die axis: 0°.
Find spot unknown, shown at the British Museum in 1985.
Only the initial letter of the mint signature is visible but the moneyer is known at Bury in this type. M.M.A.

Rev. [ ] OL:ON: DV[ ]
Weight: not known. Die axis: c.
This is the first recorded coin of the DVN mint in type vii. All Stephen issues naming a mint DVN etc. have usually been attributed to Durham, but Mr G. Allis and Mr Peter Seaby proposed a mint at Dunwich (SCMB July 1984, 182-4), an attribution which is supported by this East Anglian findspot. Further, although no moneyers with names ending in -ol are known for Stephen, Mr Seaby has kindly pointed out that the moneyer Nicol appears in the following Tealby issue at both Ipswich and Norwich, but not at Durham. He might be a possible issuer of this coin and thus provide another pointer to an East Anglian mint. Without prejudice to some of the coins of the other issues in Stephen's name having been struck at Durham, the case seems strong for the attribution of the present coin to Dunwich. M.M.A. and B.G.

Obv. +[ST]IEFNE, possibly ligulate] REX, bust with annulets instead of the usual pellets on collar and cuff. Rev. + ROGI[ ]
Weight: 1.12g (17.3gr.). Die axis: 270°.
Clothall, near Baldock, Herts., between 1986 and 1988. Found by Mr P. Hing.
All the previously recorded obverse dies of this type, and indeed almost all of the known obverse dies of Stephen's regular coins from BMC type ii onwards, set out the king's name without title, STEIFNE. The present coin has REX in full and unprecedented decoration on the robe. The style of the letters is rough so the dies are possibly irregular, not official. M.M.A.

Obv. [+STIEFNE] E
Rev. [ ] A
Weight: 0.71g (10.9gr). Die axis: 90°.

235. Stephen, Local Lincs./Notts. type, (BMC iv; North 898; Mack 74 var.) c. 1151-53?
Obv. + SI [FN, the S and N retrograde. Rev. LNF[ ] D[ ] DN, the L and second D inverted.
This has different dies both sides to the blundered Lincoln coin, Mack 74 (SCBI 27, Lincoln City Mus., no. 953), a die duplicate of which was found near Swinderby, Lincs., in 1986. P.J.S.

236. Stephen, Local Lincs./Notts. type, (BMC iv; North 898; Mack 74 var.) c. 1151-53?
Obv. [ ] NE REEOI, the N retrograde.
Rev. + E [OVED] O:, the Es and D retrograde.
Weight: not recorded, coin badly chipped. Die-axis: 60°.
This coin is from different dies to no. 235 above and to Mack 74. P.J.S.

237. Henry II, Tealby type, bust A (North 952). Wikon, moneyer Aschetil, 1158-c. 1161. (Not illustrated)
Rev. + ASCHETIL: ON PILTV
Weight and die axis not recorded.
Not same dies as cognate coins in the British Museum. M.M.A.

238. Henry II, Tealby type, class C-F (North 956-61). Mint and moneyer uncertain. 1161-80.
Obv. +[H] [ ]
Rev. [ ] IN:ON[ ]
Weight and die-axis not recorded.
Near Market Weighton, E. Yorks., 1980s. M.A.S.B. and M.J.B.

Obv. [ ] REX
Rev. [ ] ON:CA[ ]
Pocklington, North Humberside, April 1988. Found by Mr Jim Halliday at Burnby Lane. P.J.S.
240. German, silver pfennig, uncertain mint in the Rhineland or Wetterau, late in the reign of Frederick Barbarossa (1152–90). (Not illustrated.)
Weight: not recorded.
Near Ipsley Church, Redditch, Worcs., October 1986 (SP 0666). The coin remains in the finder's possession.

D.J.S.

241. John, Short Cross, class Vb. Lynn, moneyer Willelm.
Rev. WILLELM.ON.LEN
Weight: 1.33g (20.5gr.). Die axis: 300°.
Langholm, Cumbria, August-September 1988.
B.J.C.

Obv. HENRICVS.RE-X. Sceptre in left hand.
Rev. FULKE.ON.LVN
Weight: Not recorded.
B.J.C.

Obv. Very crude version of king's head.
Weight: 1.05g.
B.J.C.

244. Flanders, Bruges, silver denier (Ghyssens no. 422), mid to late thirteenth century.
Obv. Standing helmeted figure, sword in right hand, shield in left.
Rev. Cross with fleur de lis terminals.
Weight: 0.332g. Diameter: 9.5mm.
Near Alvechurch, Worcs., September 1988. Metal detector find by Mr G.R. Ball, in a ploughed field next to the site of the medieval palace of the bishops of Worcester. The finder also discovered a London penny of Edward I in the same field.
D.J.S./B.J.C.

245. Imitation of sterling penny.
Obv. [ ] ANITON [ ]
Rev. [ ] NTN[NT] [ ]
Weight: 0.87g.
Brumeswell, Suffolk, Shown at the British Museum by Suffolk Archaeological Unit on 24 November 1986.
B.J.C.

246. Arnold V, Count of Loos, 1280–1323, obol. (Not illustrated)
Obv. ARNOLDV COS LOS
Rev. IN NOMINE DN:
Weight and die axis not recorded.
M.M.A.

247. Edward III as Duke of Aquitaine, demi-sterling, a variety of Elias 57, c. 1335–7. (Not illustrated)
Obv. saltire after EDWARD and ANGL.
Rev. crescent and pellet after DVX.
Weight and die axis not recorded.
M.M.A.

248. Denmark, Erik VII of Pomerania (1412–39), stering, Randers.
Obv. ERICVS.REX:::
Rev. MONETA. RANDENSIS
Weight: 0.56g. Die axis: 90°.
A penny of Henry VII's Irish coinage, Early 'Three Crowns' issue, was found on the same site.
B.J.C.

249. Edward IV, Irish coinage, Light 'Cross and Pellets', Trim (c. 1473–8).
Rev. VILLA/DET/RIM
Weight: 0.44g (6.8gr.). Die axis: 190°.
Uncertain, perhaps Essex. Shown at the British Museum by Mr M.J. Cuddeford, 3 April 1989.
B.J.C.

Obv. +: EMANVELR:PET:AD:GVINE
Weight: 3.38g (52.1gr.). Die axis 210°.
Lamphey, Dyfed (Pembrokeshire), Wales, December 1987.
E.M.B.

251. Spain, silver 4 reales in the names of Ferdinand and Isabella, Seville, Calico2 & Trigo Tipo 153, Num. 181.
Weight: 13.16g (203.1 gr.). Die axis: 80°.
A fine, virtually unworn specimen, almost certainly derived from the same source as the Margam Beach finds published by G.C. Boon (Ball. Bd. Celtic Studies XXV 4 (1974), 523–4 and CH II, no. 466).
E.M.B.

252. Charles I, threepence, uncertain mint, Allen A/3 (BNJ 23, 97ff.).
Weight 1.30g (20.0 gr.). Die axis 45°.
The first recorded findspot for a minor denomination of the W/SA series of royalist issues.

E.M.B.

Weight and die axis not recorded.
The detail on this coin is rather indistinct, but apparent minor differences from the published examples suggest that it is possibly irregular.
M.M.A.

Obv. + IN HORAS ARMA SVM PARAT. Standing figure of an early seventeenth-century pikeman.
Rev. + RADVPHYS OLI FFVS FECIT LON. Cross within a lozenge fleur-de-lisée with 1, 6, 2, 9 in the angles.
Weight: not recorded.
The British Museum has a die-duplicate from the Parkes-Weber collection which was presumably the basis of the entry in Williamson (possibly a late addition as it is not listed among the other London pieces but among pieces without the name of issuer or place-name, and does not feature in the index). Despite extensive enquiries nothing has been discovered about the token's issuer or about the context of its issue. The legends and effigy suggest that it may have had some connection with a band of volunteer militia, but neither Ralph Olive nor a force with which he might have been associated has been traced in 1629 (or in 1662).
M.M.A.
PLATE 38

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