

Gaunt, Douglas John

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Biographical and Other Notes

Born and lived in Bedford for his whole life apart from National Service. Initially working in his parents' newsagents, he became interested in books, coins, tokens and local history eventually becoming a full time dealer in antiquarian and secondhand books, issuing lists on numismatics and local history. He was a founder member of the Bedford Numismatic Society and ran Cross Auctions until the mid-1980s when it was taken over by Alan Rayner.

He collected Bedfordshire 17th C tokens and coins of the Bedford mint, many of the latter from the T.W. Bagshaw sale or via Spink.

Sources and References

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