



Ipswich & District Detector Club

(Affiliated to the National Council for Metal Detecting)

Monthly newsletter July 2022

The next meeting will be at the Rosary Club Tuesday August 30th.

Guest Speaker

We have the return of John Field whose talk is about Medieval Churches in Ipswich. Not one to miss.

The Foxhall day out detecting has been put back to Saturday August 6th at 10.00.

The July meeting was a little low on numbers probably due to holidays, however David's talk on finds from the Cretaceous period was enjoyed by all. David started his presentation with details about his in-laws, Bertie and Mabel Farrow who used to farm a smallholding at Hackney Corner Farm, Gt. Blakenham. Bertie had found a large Roman coin on his land which he generously donated to Ipswich Museum. This led to gaining permission to search the fields and thus discovering a possible temple site.

David demonstrated with his flint silica puddingstone quern, found at Gt Blakenham, by explaining in detail how these hand querns were used.

David also explained how a medieval seal of a Pelican feeding its young was also the official badge of Pieta in Malta. This was also the birthplace of David's father and the family lived in a property at Pieta Wharf. David showed a picture of his grandmother who he used to write to when a boy but sadly never met her.

David finished his talk with a picture of Bertie Farrow his father in-law next to a brand-new fire engine burnt out as it tried to put out a stubble fire. The Stowmarket fire engine had to be called to finish the job.

David was warmly applauded for a most entertaining talk appreciated by all.

Find of the Month

Best coin was a 18th century Token found by Lee Smith.



Best Artefact was a WWI stretcher bearer toy soldier found by Phil Brummitt.



Well done to everyone who tendered finds.