



# Ipswich & District Detector Club

(Affiliated to the National Council for Metal Detecting)

## Monthly Newsletter by e-mail

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Club Website <http://www.ipswich-detector-club.co.uk/>

Meetings are held on the last Tuesday of each month at The Rosary Conservative club,  
172 Bramford Road, Ipswich IP1 4AB starting at 7.30pm.

Next meeting is on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2019

### January Meeting

We had our good friend Pip Wright whose talk was entitled Death Recorded. Death recorded looks at the death penalty as it was applied during the 18th and 19th centuries. During that time Assize Court judges dishes out about a thousand death sentences to felons for a whole range

of crimes, from simple theft to murder.

Of those about 170 were hanged most before an audience of thousands.

Many were hanged on Rushmere Heath and also out side the prison in St Helens Street

Some became famous such as Margaret Catchpole of Ipswich, and William Corder (The Red barn murder)

their stories often repeated. Others have become forgotten in the mists of time.

Pip entertained us with his vast knowledge of these local events with pictures and newspaper entries backing up

his polished presentation. Pip skillfully played his guitar and sung two threehundred year old songs about the people of their time.

Pip was warmly applauded for yet another first class presentation. I have booked Pip back for January 2020 and as Pip would say, so there we have it.

### February Meeting

The next meeting is to be held on February 26th and this will be our famous club auction.

So here will be a chance for you to either sell a few unwanted items or purchase a few bargains. There is no buyers premium and the sellers 10% fee goes to club funds.

The auction always provides a wide variety of lots and there should be something of interest for everyone.

## **Find Of The Year Awards - 2018**

The Albert Grimwood Memorial Trophy - Best Roman Artefact was awarded to Mel Goddard for a Roman Enamelled Chaterlaine Brooch.

The Top Detectorist of the Year Award went to Steve Eaves with 80 points.

The runner up with 55 points was Paul Adams.

Third place was Mark Fowle with 54 Points, so very close

The best Medieval Coin Award was won by Rob Webster for his superb Alexander III Halfpenny.

The best Roman Coin Award was won by Mick Seager with his stunning Gold Solidus.

The best Celtic Coin Award was won by John Varden with a Gold Ambiani-Type Gallia Stater.

The Best Saxon Coin Award was won by Martin Mayhew with an extremely rare Gold Thrymsa of Crispus .

The Best Saxon Artefact Trophy was won by Jeremy Armour with a Saxon Mount Chip Carved, richly gilded

This Trophy is carefully modelled on the Sutton Hoo Helmet

I must also thank all members who entered finds throughout the year but just missed out.

## **Top Detectorist of 2017 – Points Table**

1<sup>st</sup> – 80 Points – Steve Eaves

2<sup>nd</sup> – 55 Points – Paul Adams

3<sup>rd</sup> – 54 Points – Mark Fowle



## Find of the month

The entries in the November find of the month competition were as follows;

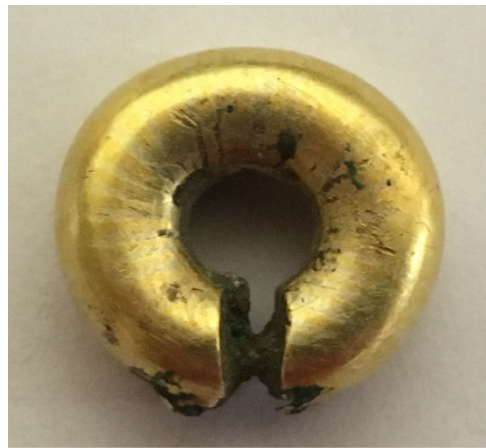
- 1 Celtic Toggle
- 2 Saxon Girdle Hanger
- 3 Saxon Wrist Clasp
- 4 Elizabeth 1st Groat
- 5 Charles I 1st Half Groat
- 6 Saxon Brooch
- 7 French Jetton
- 8 Medieval Mount – Pig Running in the Grass
- 9 Gold Solidus Valentinian III
- 10 Roman Vulva Mount – AD100-300
- 11 Anglo Saxon Early Medieval Sleeve Clasp- AD450-500
- 12 Anglo Saxon Early Medieval Girdle Hanger – AD450-480
- 13 Roman Brooch Crossbow Type – AD260-410
- 14 Bronze Age Gold Wrapped Penannular Ring

The worthy winners were:

*Best Artefact: No.14*

Andrew Pegg

Gold Wrapped Penannular Ring



*Best Coin: No. 9*

Andy Sampson

Gold Solidus Valentinian III

