



# 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 30<sup>th</sup> January 2018

### November Meeting

This was our Christmas meeting and our thanks go to Mary, Kelvin and our helpers on the night Jay and Phil who helped to arrange the food on the tables, which was turned into a scrumptious banquet.

The club Raffle was probably the most successful ever held, so many members donated items that the table was awash with raffle prizes. Our thanks go to everybody who gave prizes and to all members who supported the raffle.

Kelvin was our evenings speaker smartly dressed wearing an army uniform, this complimented the evenings talk on badges and uniform patches.

Kelvin went into great detail on how the formation of the regiments was achieved, many were formed from old pals such as The old contemptibles.

Kelvin highlighted the various types of crowns on badges thus with a little study it was clear to see if a badge was Victorian or Georgian and so on.

Kelvin delighted his audience with his vast knowledge on the subject matter and was warmly applauded for his efforts.

**We had a short break and were then rewarded with a short talk and presentation from Claire Halley, Education and outreach Officer of Wardell Armstrong.**

**Claire updated on the finds and archaeology from the Bawdsey to Flowton pipe line.**

**Claire highlighting the value of having detectorists scan the proposed areas first, prior to actually stripping the land, ready for the archaeologist trowel. Clair's presentation revealed many structures hidden beneath the soil. These were probably dwellings and barns and in one instance an Anglo Saxon grave was discovered.**

**This has been of great value to all concerned with over a thousand finds, most notably a superb Viking Brooch found at Bramford by Bob Cornish. Claire was warmly applauded and it is hoped we may have a return visit in the future.**

## Find of the month

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

- 1 Bronze Age Chisel & Lead Lady
- 2 Roman Barbarous Radiate
- 3 Medieval Casket Key
- 4 Coin Weight of Angel
- 5 Medieval Belt Buckle
- 6 Gold Ring Type Icenic Stater
- 7 A Really Hammered Penny
- 9 William Lion Penny
- 10 Bronze Age Chisel
- 11 James 1<sup>st</sup> Shilling
- 12 Post Medieval Bronze Bell
- 13 Viking Borre Brooch
- 14 Edward Penny

The worthy winners were:

*Best Coin: No. 6*

Rod Rudkins

Gold Ring Type Icenic Stater



*Best Artefact: No.13*

Steve Eves

Viking Borre Brooch



## January Meeting

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We have our friend Pip Wright whose talk is entitled Monasteries. Do not miss.

Our annual awards and trophies will be presented to members on the night and as usual the standard of finds is incredibly high