



# 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 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018

### February Meeting

Firstly I would like to thank all club members who turned out on an abysmal night

In all, a total of about £35.20 was made for club funds. This was in no small part due to the efforts of our resident auctioneer Kelvin Gage and our thanks go out to him.

The highlight of the action was a George II Shilling that realised £28.00 well below book price  
A group of coins sets made £25.00 and numerous coins sold for their reserves and in some cases a little above, a big thank you to all who participated.

It is with deep regret I have to announce the passing of Alan Smith, Alan was one of our vintage members who in the early days of club activities regularly attended the Shotley Rallies. On one particular event Alan unearthed a Celtic Gold Stater, Alan was so pleased and excited informed the landowner Mr Wrinch. Mr Wrinch equally excited told Alan he could keep it but if he decided to sell at any time the proceeds would be shared equally.

Alan sold the coin only last year and honoured the agreement. The funeral was held at Brightlingsea Allsaints Church on February 23rd 2018, we did attend. Our love and thoughts go out to his family he will be sorely missed

ALAN PAUL SMITH

22<sup>nd</sup> October 1947 - 25<sup>th</sup> January 2018



All Saints Church  
Brightlingsea

## Find of the month

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

- 1 Silver Venitian Coin - Soldini
- 2 Medieval Swoed Chape
- 3 Charles 1<sup>st</sup> Rose Farthing
- 4 Medieval Seal
- 5 Georgian Brooch

The worthy winners were:

*Best Artefact: No. 4*

Martin Mayhew Medieval Seal



*Best Coin: No. 1*

Ray Hyam

Silver Venitian Coin - Soldini



## **March Meeting**

This is the clubs AGM and will be held on Tuesday 27th March.

The March meeting is the AGM where the officers of the club are elected or re-elected. This gives members the opportunity to have their say on how the club is run.

This will be followed by a quiz which to be hosted by our own Kelvin Gage. There will be a prize for the winner and something for the runner up, it should prove to be a fun evening.

The committee have decided not to raise membership fees this year. Federation fees have increased this year but, owing to prudent management, the club does not need to pass on this increase, although speakers charges are higher, the club is in a very healthy condition.

The new membership forms are attached to this newsletter and Sue will be there to take membership fees on the night.

With best regards Dave