Bidford-on-Avon, Warwickshire, Anglo-Saxon Cemetery Catalogue of pre-1971 burials and finds

Tania M. Dickinson

Abbreviations

approx. = approximately 1. = left

D. = depth max. = maximum

diam. = diameter m = metres

ext. = extant mm = millimetres

ft / ' = feet r. = right

g = grave th. = thickness H. = height W. = width

ins / " = inches WI = Winnington Ingram

L. = length

Compass bearings

N = north S = south E = east W = west

1. Pre-1921 finds

1874/1. 'On Saturday last as some men in the employment of Mr J. W. Smith were getting gravel at Bidford, they came upon the skeleton of a man very perfect. Round the neck were found 36 beautiful transparent beads, having the appearance of amber, also a pendant in the shape of a heart; on one of the fingers were two rings of some hard metal and several other ornaments of the same material.' (*Evesham Journal*, 28 March, 1874).

1876/1 and **1876/2**. 'On Saturday last, as two men were engaged in getting gravel upon ground belonging to Messrs. Sill and Son, at Bidford, they came upon two skeletons, one of which was a foot from the surface, the other six feet. The teeth are quite sound. The skeletons may be seen at Messrs Sill and Sons' establishment.' (*Evesham Journal*, 8 July, 1876).

Unstratified material in the Winnington Ingram Collection, Worcester City Art Gallery and Museum (Hartlebury Store)

The Worcestershire Exhibition of 1882 included items loaned by the Revd. Arthur Henry Winnington Ingram (1818–1887), rector of Harvington, a parish some 4 miles south-west of Bidford, between Salford Priors and Norton (Anon. 1882, 189, nos. 17–18). No. 17, which included 'Saxon fibulae', names Norton as the provenance, but no cemetery is otherwise known from there, whilst the bucket (WI/i below), which was listed under no. 18, and the rest of the Winnington Ingram Collection in Worcester City Art Gallery and Museum have always been attributed to Bidford. The Winnington Ingram Collection also includes three clay loom weights from Bidford-on-Avon (Worc. M. AS13), which probably derive from a domestic context.

WI/i. *Bucket* (Worc. M. AS006; Cook 2004, 99, no. 286; cf. Baldwin Brown 1915, pl. cxiii; Evison 1965, 113, fig. 24f–j). Extant fragments of 5 wooden staves; 2 (out of originally 3?) copper-alloy hoops; 2 bipartite vertical bands, with fragments of differently coloured metal (implies repaired?); 3 (out of originally 6?) sheet-metal backward-looking quadrupeds, which had been fixed between upper and middle hoop; 2 rings on split pins attached to middle hoop, and a pendent triangular mount fitted beneath that hoop. All fittings are decorated with complex repoussé, including arcades. H. 139 mm; diam. 138 mm.

WI/ii. *Urn* (Worc. M. AS007.1 (also 1965.4); Myres 1977, no. 2947, fig. 45). Small plain globular bowl with slightly flaring rim and rounded base; rough brown ware with black burnt patches, perhaps once burnished. H. 116 mm; max. diam. 148 mm.

WI/iii. *Urn* (Worc. M. AS007.2 (also 1965.53); Myres 1977, no. 2948, fig. 73). Small plain bowl with slightly restricted neck and upright rim; rough dark-brown/black ware, slightly burnished. H. 80 mm; max. diam. 100 mm.

WI/iv-vi. *Three disc brooches*. Uncertain. During a visit in 1980 to the then Worcester City Museum and Art Gallery, Dickinson was shown three disc brooches, supposedly from Bidford. No detailed record was made at the time, and their existence at the museum is not otherwise known.

WI/vii. Pair of cast saucer brooches. Smith (1901, 231) referred to a pair of 'fine saucer brooches...from Bidford', which might be the same as those indicated by the inscription on the back of a cut-down photograph in the Ashmolean Museum archives (probably the original for Leeds 1912, pl. XXV,8; Baldwin Brown 1915, pl. LXIX,2): 'Worcester Museum/ [Wi]nnington Ingram Coll:/ [On]e of a pair of saucer-s[haped/ broo]ches – from Bidford [-on-Avon]/ exact size'. This brooch (but labelled 'Fairford, Glous.') appeared in the collection of material from the former Pitt Rivers Museum, Farnham, sold at Christie's on 12 December, 1967; c 1970 it was temporarily loaned to the Ashmolean Museum (Dickinson 1976, 98, pl. 21c). Current repository is not known. Gilt copper alloy; central hexafoil of wedges and radial bars, bordered on outside by multiple concentric bars; outer field of 'sunburst' plain triangles set against diagonally grooved triangles.

Diam. 57 mm.

WI/viii. Cast saucer brooch? Humphreys et al. 1923, 101-2 refer to a 'Large saucer-shaped brooch with cruciform pattern, found at Bidford some years ago, now in the museum at Worcester'. It is not clear whether this is a reference to the cast saucer brooches (vii, above) or to yet another one. Not identified.

WI/ix. *Shield boss* (Worc. M. AS001; marked 'Bidford upon Avon'). Spike apex; flange missing. Diam. 95 mm.

WI/x. Shield boss (Worc. M. AS002). Diam. 140 mm.

WI/xi. Shield boss (Worc.M. AS004; marked 'Bidford upon Avon'). Wide disc apex. Diam. 177 mm. WI/xii. Four iron rings (Worc. M. AS003; labelled 'Bidford upon Avon'). Diam. 60, 60, 55 and 45 mm.

2. Finds from 1921

No records were made of the burials exposed during the cutting of an access road from The Bank, but Brash and Young (1935) gave a tally of 24 skulls from inhumations, tabulating 13 individually by upper case letter (A–H (including two mandibles, F and Fi), J–L and Y. Assuming 'I' and 'O' were not used, M–N and P–X can be inferred.

Unstratified material from 1921 in The Shakespeare Birthplace Trust

1921/i. Two small square-headed brooches (Humphreys et al. 1923, 102, fig. 6). Cast copper alloy, gilded.

- a. Headplate panel contains schematic opposed animals either side of central disc and ring; vertically ribbed bow; rampant animals in upper footplate panel; rhomboidal footplate contains central disc and ring surrounded by two narrow leg elements, with the lateral and terminal full-face masks. L. 65 mm.
- **b**. Headplate panel contains scrolls; two panelled bow; vestigial legs at upper footplate panel; footplate contains central lozenge and ring, foot terminal square; notched framelines to head and foot panels; broken pin fittings. L. 48 mm.

1921/ii. *Small-long brooch* (seen in 1980, not identified in 2011). Trefoil headplate, faceted foot with very worn triangular terminal.

1921/iii. *Annular brooch*. Cast copper alloy; alternating moulded bead and triple ribs (astragal), narrowed pin hinge. Diam. 32 mm.

1921/iv. Two silver rings.

- **a**. Flat-band spiral, of which only one terminal now remains, ornamented with a row of impressed dots.
- **b**. Wire slip-knot, now in three fragments; hoop slightly thickened opposite the knot; Diam. approx. 10 mm.
- **1921**/v. Pair of cast saucer brooches (Humphreys et al. 1923, 102). Cast copper alloy; decorated with field of five-and-a-half profile Style I heads between the central boss and concentric border rings;

back convex, iron pin fragments in pin-holder lug, raised band between pin-holder and catchplate. Diam. 46 and 47 mm.

1921/vi. Pair of cast saucer brooches (Humphreys et al. 1923, 101–2). Cast copper alloy; decorated with central cross-grooved disc surrounded by field of four radial M-shaped masks forming a cross, arms filled with plain wedges edged by alternating blocks of bars; punched triangles decorate the flange; on back remnants of iron pin hinge between double pin-holder lugs. Diam. 72 and 73 mm. 1921/vii. Bag ring (lab. no. 6488; SBT DR410/6,2 glass negative; ? = Humphreys et al. 1923, 104, no. 30, 'in flakes when found, and showed signs of repair by riveting'). Ivory, incomplete and reconstructed; pierced by three pairs of iron rivets, one pair of which secures on either side two copper-alloy rectangular washers. Diam. 128 mm.

1921/viii. *Pot* (Wellstood, *Record*; SBT DR410/5,3 drawing; SBT DR410/6,3 glass negative; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 98; Myres 1977, 142, fig. 35, no. 2510; not identified in 2013, but see below section 6, unstratified find **1922–23/xx**.). Smooth black ware; low-bulbous beaker with tall neck and everted rim. H. 61/4 ins (159 mm).

3. Excavations in 1922

The summer season ran from 11 May to 22 August, with grave numbers running up to grave 112. The excavation began in Mr Boshier's garden (graves 1a-45), where fruit trees impeded full access to some skeletons, and (early modern) burials of animals had much disturbed others. The first graves were crudely surveyed in relation to a wall to the south, the bank edge to the east and a fence to the north; fixed points on a base-line were established only on 5 June, with grave 16. In the field to the north of Boshier's garden, trenches were cut parallel, but not consecutively, to the stone wall separating that field from the garden of the Mason's Arms to the west.

1a (11 May; drawn but not numbered, Wellstood, *Final Plan*; cf. Härke 1992, abb. 49 and Catalogue 8).

GRAVE: D. *c* 2' 6" (0.76 m); WSW–ENE (NW–SE, Humphreys *et al.* 1923,111; W–E, Humphreys, *Notebook*, p. 1r).

SKELETON (= Humphreys, *Notebook*, p. 1r, Body No. 1; skull and mandible 2A, under 'Particulars of Jaws & Teeth'): Male, adult; supine, extended; head fallen forwards on chest with the mouth wide open 'biting' the atlas bone; the lower legs, which had protruded from the edge of the cutting through the bank, had been interfered with prior to excavation.

GRAVE GOODS:

Two small fragments of pottery. Not extant.

A spearhead listed in Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 111, is not mentioned in Humphreys, *Notebook*, or Wellstood, *Record*, and is probably an error.

1 (29 May)

GRAVE: D. c 2' 6" (0.76 m); WSW-ENE (W-E in Humphreys et al. 1923, 111).

SKELETON (= Humphreys' *Notebook*, Body No. 2): Supine, knees drawn up to right, but legs probably disturbed by tree planting, r. arm missing.

GRAVE GOODS:

Sherd of black pottery (SBT 2004-65/1). Small amorphous body sherd in sandy/gritty fabric with some eroded tempering, possibly organic inclusions.

Sherd of clear white glass (SBT 2004-65/2; not extant).

1B (29 May; Humphreys, *Notebook*, p. 4r).

GRAVE: Area of disturbed soil in corner of Mr Boshier's garden, so presumably to S of g2.

SKELETON: Portion of orbital bone of young child near surface.

2 (29 May; = Humphreys, *Notebook*, p. 4r, No. 3).

GRAVE: Cremation. D. c. 1' 6" (0.46 m).

CREMATED BONE: Male (Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 111); includes human, horse and bird-bone (French 2014).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/3; SBT DR410/5,3 drawing; SBT DR 410/1 photograph; Myres 1977, 141, fig. 32, no. 2505). Broken but restored plain jar; surface patchy grey-brown, smoothed or roughly polished, fabric shows some eroded tempering; ovoid body with irregular upright rim, slightly concave neck, high shoulder and flat base worn. H. 190 mm; rim diam. 145–160 mm.

Copper-alloy fragments (SBT 2004-65/4). Inside urn. A sheet-metal buckle-plate (?) was recorded in 1980; now assigned to this burial are three burnt and distorted fragments of copper-alloy sheet, the largest comprising three layers.

3 Cremation (29 May; = Humphreys, *Notebook*, p. 4r, No. 4).

GRAVE: Cremation. D. c 1' 6" (0.46 m; Humphreys et al. 1923, 111); or D. 2' 6" (0.76 m) and 1' 6" from 2 (0.46 m; Humphreys, *Notebook*, p. 4r).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/5; SBT, DR410/5,2 drawing; Myres 1977, 155, fig. 64, no. 2508). Originally almost complete, though broken, now about half survives; sandy fabric with fine to medium gritty inclusions, the plain brown-grey surface smoothed inside and out; smoothly ovoid body with short everted rim and slightly worn flat base.

4-5 (29–30 May

GRAVE: D. 2' 9" (0.84 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON (= Humphreys, *Notebook*, p. 5r–7r, No. 6): Male, mature+; supine, extended, head facing left, r. hand raised up to side of face, l. hand straight by side, r. leg crossed over l. leg at ankles.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead or knife? (SBT 2004-65/6). Humphreys explicitly reported no grave goods, but a small javelin with 'wooden handle' was found pointing S, c 1' 9" (0.53 m) from the r. shoulder of g5 (=Wellstood, Record, no. 4, and Humphreys, Notebook, p. 5r, no. 5). If so, it is not extant. The object attributed to this grave is an iron knife: tip of the blade now separate and most of the tang lost; straight back and worn edge both taper to point. Organic remains on blade. L. ext. 100 mm; max. W. 16 mm.

6-9 (30–31 May; a confused record: cf. Humphreys et al. 1923, 99 and 111).

GRAVE: SW-NE.

SKELETON (= grave 6, Wellstood, *Final Plan*; = Humphreys, *Notebook*, p. 7r, No. 7, overwritten as No. 6): Child; female, *c* 12 years; extended; leg bones, top of cranium and some teeth only, feet missing.

GRAVE GOODS:

Bucket (SBT 2004-65/8; = Wellstood, Record, No. 7; = Humphreys, Notebook, p. 8r, No. 9; SBT DR410/6,9, glass negative; Humphreys et al. 1923, pl. XI, fig. 3). On W of skull (Humphreys, Notebook) or S of skull (Wellstood, Record); Wellstood, Final Plan, marks No. 7 W of skull No. 8, but it is unclear whether that skull belongs to 6 or to g6a (below). Wooden staves, originally all complete, with copper-alloy mounts; U-shaped rim held by seven extant ribbed rim clips; four plain hoops and four plain uprights with rounded terminal; handle attached by fishplates and decorated with annulet punches, some appearing as C-shaped. H. 108 mm; diam. 127 mm.

Two toilet picks (SBT 2004-65/9 and /10; = Humphreys et al. 1923, 111, No. 9): Cast copper-alloy; pierced rectangular heads, one with fine cross-ribbing on mid-shaft. L. 110 mm.

Pottery fragment (Humphreys, Notebook, p. 7r and 7v; not extant). Coarse black.

6a (30-31 May).

GRAVE: No details.

SKELETON: Male, mature+ (Brash and Young 1935, appendix I; ? = Wellstood, Final Plan, skull No. 8).

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/7; = Humphreys, Notebook, No. 8,). Recorded as upright, 18" (0.46 m) to left of legs (No. 6), but not marked on Wellstood, Final Plan; association with the male skull is plausible, but not certain. Slender ogival blade; socket, with traces of wood inside, mostly missing. L. ext. 194 mm; max. W. 28 mm.

10 (31 May).

GRAVE: D. 2' 9" (0.84 m), feet D. 3' 6" (1.07 m). SE-NW (S-N, Wellstood, Record).

SKELETON: Female; supine, head facing left, fully extended. A detached head of a man recorded with this context is probably that of 'headless' g15, which had no individual entry in Wellstood, *Record*, or in Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 111).

GRAVE GOODS:

Pair of applied saucer brooches (SBT 2004-65/12 and /13; Humphreys et al. 1923, 103; Inker 2006, 185, fig. 45d). One on each collar bone. Copper alloy; one brooch retains its slightly concave baseplate with upright rim and inserted catchplate, pin-holder lost; gilded applied foils have a central hole for a lost setting and main field of Style I animals (only partially coherent), bounded by double radial bars, plain and astragal border rings, and crimped outer edging. Diam. 70 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/11). At right side. Iron; straight back and edge, point missing. L. ext. 135 mm. *Drinking cup* (Humphreys' *Notebook*; p. 9r; not extant).

2 Beads (ibid.; not extant). On chest. Amber.

11-12 (31 May).

GRAVE: D. 2' 6" (0.76 m). S-N (?).

SKELETON (= No. 11): Child, *c* 5 years; fragments of skull.

GRAVE GOODS (= No. 12, 'near' No. 11):

Cauldron (SBT 2004-65/14 and 15; SBT, DR410/6,11 glass negative; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 101). Copper-alloy sheet metal; found in a fragmentary condition (approx. one-third of the rim circumference); now comprises one large piece (packaged as 'grave 7') and two small rim fragments (packaged as SBT 2004-65/14 and 15); out-turned rim with an upright perforated triangular lug, in which a fragment of iron handle; upper body slopes outwards, lower body and base lost. Estimated rim diam. >205 mm; rim W. 10.5 mm.

Copper-alloy twisted-wire ring (SBT 2004-65/14; not extant). Two twisted wire rings are recorded from the adjacent g13, so possibly this one was disturbed from it and did not belong to g11.

13 (1 June).

GRAVE: SSE-NNW (S-N, Humphreys et al. 1923, 111).

SKELETON: Female, mature + (45 to 50 years, Humphreys, *Notebook*). Supine, fully extended, arms at sides; complete.

GRAVE GOODS:

Two disc brooches (SBT 2004-65/16 and/17). On each shoulder (Humphreys, Notebook, p. 11r). Cast copper alloy with white-metal surface; catchplates turned to left; /16 decorated with bull's eye punch in centre and round border; /17 decorated with quincunx of larger bull's eye punches and bears remains of iron pin spring on back. Diam. 40 mm.

21 Beads (SBT 2004-65/18; labelled 'Photo 3'; Humphreys et al. 1923, 105, no. 2). Around neck (Humphreys, Notebook). Amber (10): wedge-shaped. Monochrome glass (10): 2 Roman Cane (blue); 6 Blue (5 short globular, 1 short cylinder); 1 cylinder translucent turquoise green; 1 cylinder opaque red with median darker red band. Chalk: 1 circular/short cylinder.

Perforated coin pendant (SBT 2004-65/18). Strung with beads; copper alloy; effaced.

Two twisted-wire rings (SBT 2004-65/20 and /21; lab. nos. 6494 and 6495; 'incised circlet of bronze', Humphreys, *Notebook*; 'a twisted circlet of bronze' and a 'twisted bronze ring', Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 111). Copper alloy; three-strand twisted wire; lab. no. 6494 complete, with lapped over terminals; lab no. 6495 incomplete. Diam. 30 mm.

Copper-alloy mounts (SBT 2004-65/19; 'bronze plated scabbard (?)', Humphreys et al. 1923, 111). Five fragments of rectilinear sheet metal: three join to make a complete mount with rivet hole at each end, another has a rivet hole at its intact end, and the last is damaged at both ends but bears a copper-alloy rivet; decorated with three longitudinal rows of repoussé dots. L. of complete mount 76.5 mm; others L. ext. 47 and 40.5 mm; W. 25.5 mm.

Bone spatulate implement (SBT 2004-65/22; 'netting needle', Humphreys et al. 1923, 104, pl. XIV, 2a). Flat slightly tapering bar, sub-rectangular head with central bull's eye, demarcated by narrow notch on either side; broken suspension hole at the end. L. 158 mm; W. 17 mm.

14 (2 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 1" (0.64 m); SSE-NNW (next to and parallel with g13).

SKELETON: Child, 10 years; head and pelvis on right side, back supine, legs minimally flexed at knee; many bones missing.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/23; not listed, Humphreys et al. 1923, 111; not extant). On l. breast.

15 (2 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 6" (1.07 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Male, adult; supine, extended; 'a big fine man with bones perfect and strong, but headless, as if cut off at neck' (Humphreys, *Notebook*, p. 13r); the detached head of a man listed under g10 probably belonged to this skeleton.

GRAVE GOODS:

'Dagger' (not extant). On r. side.

15a (2 June).

GRAVE: WNW-ESE (Wellstood, Final Plan).

SKELETON: Child, 11 years (Humphreys et al. 1923, 100); supine, extended.

16 (6 June).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 0" (.0.61 m).

CREMATED BONES:

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/24; SBT, DR410/5,4 drawing; SBT, DR410/7,1 photograph; Myres 1977, 277, fig. 241, no. 2501). Large biconical urn with irregular base, the neck and rim missing; dark-brown/grey, sandy, gritty fabric; shoulder decorated with one extant row of cog-wheel stamps with positive central dot (Briscoe A7cii), demarcated by incised lines, two below and at least one above; around the greatest diameter 7 hollow bosses, the panels between filled with vertically incised lines; H. ext. 200 mm; max. diam. 300 mm.

Iron fragments. With cremated bone in urn. One fragment apparently consists of two strips at right angles, either fastened together (?) through a rivet hole or stuck together by chance. Max. L. ext. 53 mm, W. 20 and 22 mm.

17 (6 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 0" (0.61 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Male, mature+; supine, head facing left; skull, clavicles, some vertebrae and r. arm bones only.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/25; Humphreys et al. 1923, 111). Pointing E, 12" (0.3 m) behind back of head (Wellstood, Record and Final Plan) or under head (Humphreys, Notebook, p. 16r). The object attributed to this grave is an iron knife: sloping straight back and worn straight edge, both tapering to point; tang incomplete, but differential corrosion clearly marks base of handle. L. ext. 119 mm; blade L. 95 mm, max. W. 28 mm.

[The northern area of the trenches excavated to date, i.e. north of graves 11-12, 13, 14 and 17, was disturbed by the burial of a horse and other animals (Humphreys, *Notebook*)].

18-19 (7 June).

GRAVE: SW-NE.

SKELETON (= No. 18): Male; supine, extended, legs crossed at ankles.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/27; = No. 19). To right of skull, pointing towards r. shoulder. Slender, slightly ogival, blade, tip lost; wood remains in socket. L. ext. 293 mm; blade L. 155; max. W. ext. 30 mm.

Shield boss (SBT 2004-65/28-1; SBT DR410/1 photograph; lab. no. 6529, with pencilled '3035?'); Probably over/near skull (Humphreys, *Notebook*, p. 16r). Iron; convex dome, short disc-head apex

9

now broken, carination, slightly sloping straight wall (H. 20 mm) and flange (W. 20 mm) with four of originally five disc-headed iron rivets (diam. 21.5 mm). Diam. 156 mm; H. ext. 75 mm.

Shield grip (SBT 2004-65/28-2). Iron; flat with rounded terminals and two iron disc-head rivets. L. 140 mm; W. 30 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/26). Near left shoulder. Fragment of iron blade only. L. ext. 76 mm; max. W. 19 mm.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/29; not identified in 2011). Cast copper-alloy loop with iron tongue. Iron fragments (SBT 2004-65/29). Unidentifiable fragments, some of which might come from the knife and others, including a curved piece, from the shield, but not from the like-numbered buckle. Two rim-clips from an organic-vessel (SBT 2004-65/30 and /31). Against inside of l. femur. Copperalloy sheet with square terminals bent over in a U-profile and fastened by a copper-alloy rivet. L. 13 and 14.5 mm; internal th. 4.5 and 6 mm.

20 (6 June).

GRAVE: Cremation. D. 2' 0" (0.61 m).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/32). Broken and fragmentary; two round shouldered (?) body sherds bearing old inked and stuck-on labels extant; fabric with fine—medium grits and vesicular surfaces, slightly pinkbuff on the interior, blacker on the exterior; each sherd bears three vertically incised lines.

21 (6 June).

SPOT FIND: D. 3' 2" (0.97D; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 111) or 3' 6" (1.07 m; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 100).

Cauldron (SBT 2004-65/33;]; SBT, DR410/6,5 glass negative; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, pl. XI,5; SBT DR410/7/5 pre-conservation photographs, 1968; post-conservation photograph, 1976; not identified in 2011). Copper-alloy sheet metal; out-turned rim with upright perforated triangular lugs for iron handle, baggy body and base; fragments of organic deposit (SBT 2004-65/33-2) adhering to base were thought to be leather; traces of textile were also observed on the underside. Rim diam. 210 mm; H. approx. 150 mm.

22 (6 June).

SPOT FIND: At side of bowl (21), but not necessarily associated with it.

Cast saucer brooch (SBT 2004-65/34). Gilded cast copper alloy; central boss; field of Style I elements, possibly representing chasing animals, set between double border rings; on back remains of iron pin spring and a secondary sheet-metal catchplate. Diam. 44 mm.

23 (8 June 8)

GRAVE: Cremation. D. 1'7" (0.48 m).

CREMATED BONES: (SBT 2004-65/36). In urn.

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/35; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 113; index card in different style to main series of cards and headed 'Alveston Manor', but annotated '?Bidford...'). Fragments of swelling lower body and irregular, slightly concave, base; dark grey, fine gritty fabric, buff-brown exterior. H. ext. 50 mm; max. diam. ext. 192 mm.

24 (8 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 6" (0.76 m); SW-NE (W-E, Humphreys et al. 1923, 111).

SKELETON: Male, mature; supine, arms at sides, legs drawn up from knees to right.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/37). Iron; most of tang and blade tip missing; straight back and convex edge. L. ext. 103 mm; max. W. 20 mm.

25 (9 June).

GRAVE: Cremation. D. 2' 0" (0.61 m).

CREMATED BONE: Female? [probably on basis of comb]; includes sheep/goat (French 2014).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/40). Plain biconical urn, its neck and rim broken off; now represented only by reconstructed flattish base and body below the carination; sandy fabric, smoothed inside and out. H. ext. 100 mm; max. diam. ext. 205 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/38). Inside urn. Unburnt iron; two non-joining fragments, one of tang (L. 32 mm), the other of blade (L. 42 mm).

Bone comb (SBT 2004-65/39; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 104, pl. XVI,2c). Inside urn. Single-sided, gable-shaped back with straight top edge and single perforation. L. 48 mm; W. 42 mm.

Two copper-alloy fragments (SBT 2004-65/41; seen in 1980, not identified in 2011). Inside urn. One cast, the other probably sheet-metal.

Nail (SBT 2004-6542). Inside urn. Iron; broken oval/rhomboidal-shaped head and rectangular-sectioned shank. L. ext. 34 mm.

Copper-alloy and iron fragments (SBT 2004-65/43, in an old box labelled '25'). Comprises: (i) Fragment of iron-stained copper-alloy ring. L. ext. 20 mm; (ii) Unidentifiable burnt and partly fused pieces of copper-alloy sheet; (iii) Pair of iron-stained copper-alloy/iron fused fragments, possibly from a vessel.

Sherd of pottery. Rim fragment, broken edges completely smooth; organic-temper; roughly scratched horizontal grooves on exterior.

26 (10 June).

GRAVE: D. 2'9" (0.84 m); SW-NE; a considerable amount of charcoal overlay the pelvis.

SKELETON: On right side, crouched, l. arm at side (humerus only), r. arm bent upwards from elbow.

GRAVE GOODS:

Thin fragment of copper alloy (SBT 2004-65/43). Near pelvis. Plain square of sheet-metal, slightly sinuous in cross-section. 29 x 28 mm; th. <1mm.

27 (12 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Female, mature; supine, fully extended, legs crossed below knees.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pair of small-long brooches (SBT 2004-65/45-46; Humphreys *et al.* 1925, pl. LVIII, fig. 1d). One on l. shoulder, other inside r. elbow. Cast copper alloy; rectangular headplate with grooved border, two notches on upper edge, two on lower edge either side of the bow; spatulate foot terminal with incised frameline and nicked sides; on backs of both fragments of iron pin spring. L. 66 mm.

84 Beads (SBT 2004-65/47). Amber (25): 5 small flat discs and 20 tiny to small rounded/faceted.

Monochrome glass: 59 (single-segment) Constricted Segmented (in 2, 3, 4 and 5 segments).

Knife (SBT 2004-65/44; labelled '?27'). Iron; straight edge and back, both tapering to broken tip; organic remains on tang, end lost. L. ext. 87 mm.

28 (13 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 5" (1.04 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Female; supine, extended, head facing right, l. arm splayed outwards from body, r. arm at side.

GRAVE GOODS:

Two flat annular brooches (SBT 2004-65/50-51; Humphreys et al. 1923, 102, pl. XII, fig. 2). One on l. shoulder, other on breast. Cast copper alloy; rectangular pin-holder slot (remnant iron pin in SBT 2004-65/50) and raised-lip pin-notch; both borders decorated with a double-outline triangle punch. Diam. 49 mm.

52/55 Beads (SBT 2004-65/52; ? = Humphreys et al. 1923, 105, no. 6). Extended 12" (0.3 m) downwards from chin. Amber (51 of original 54): 47 irregular faceted, diam. 9–15 mm; 4 wedges, max. diam. 25 mm. Monochrome glass: 1 Roman Cane blue.

Three spiral finger rings (SBT 2004-65/53–55; Humphreys et al. 1923, 103, pl. XIV, fig.3f-h). On r. hand, two encircling finger bones (SBT 2004-65/446-447). Silver. /53: two-and-a-half turns of a plain spiral band. L. 20 mm; internal diam. 19 mm. /54: one-and-a-half turns, decorated with three roughly incised circumferential lines and a triangle of three small bosses placed centrally where the band

widens and overlaps. L. 15 mm; internal diam. 20 mm. /55: the smallest, now in fragments, like /54 except the incised lines are on the terminals only.

Toilet set (SBT 2004-65/56-58; two picks, Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 112). On breast. Copper-alloy; scoop (/56) with perforated rectangular head, L. 58 mm; pick (/57) with perforated oval head, containing remnant suspension ring (/58), L. ext. 57 mm.

Tweezers (SBT 2004-65/59-60). Copper alloy; plain. L. 29 mm.

Cosmetic brush (SBT 2004-65/61; 'portion of box (?) with "unguent" (?) inside', Humphreys et al. 1923, 112). Copper alloy; broken top; decorated with three incised lines round middle and each end. L. ext. 42 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/49). Iron, with plain copper-alloy band round tang/blade junction; tip of tang broken, blade back straight, sloping slightly towards lost point, edge eroded. L. ext. 96 mm.

29 (13 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); WNW-ESE.

SKELETON: Child, 8 to 9 years, 'abnormally short' (Humphreys, *Notebook*); supine, fully extended. GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/62). Below vertebrae. Iron; tang broken; blade back slightly curved, edge markedly convex, though worn concavely in centre. L. ext. 121 mm; blade L. 95 mm; W. 20 mm.

30 (14 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); WNW-ESE (NW-SE, Humphreys et al. 1923, 112)

SKELETON: Child (substantially longer than g29, Wellstood, Final Plan).

31 (14 June)

GRAVE: Cremation. D. 1'6" (0.46 m).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/69) Badly damaged; only two sherds extant: (i) part of a plain globular vessel with short upright neck in a blackish gritty fabric, possibly sooted on outside; (ii) body sherd from widest part of vessel of similar profile and fabric to (i), bearing parts of four vertically incised lines; had the lines been regularly applied, they should have been evident on sherd (i).

32 (14 June).

GRAVE: S-N.

SKELETON: Child, 4½ years (a decidedly young person, Wellstood, *Record*); supine, extended; very incomplete.

33 (14 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 2" (0.97 m); SSE-NNW.

SKELETON: Male, under 25 (Humphreys, *Notebook*; Brash and Young 1935, appendix IV, listed mandible as female); supine, extended, head facing right; est. length in situ 6'0" (1.83 m; Wellstood, *Record*).

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/66; Swanton Group H2, Härke 1992, table 8; not identified in 2011). On right side, pointing SSE.

Shield boss (SBT 2004-65/67.1; recorded in 1980; packaged as g18-19 in 2011). Low convex dome, its integral disc-headed apex capped by a copper-alloy disc with white-metal (silver?) sheet plating; carination, straight sloping wall and wide flange with 4 of originally 5 flange rivets extant (diam. 20 mm). Max. diam. 164 mm; H. 80 mm.

Shield grip (SBT 2004-65/67.2). Flanged with bifurcated terminals, no rivets; textile remains on outer edge. L. 143 mm; W. 32 mm.

Two shield-board disc mounts (SBT 2004-65/67.3-4). Iron. Diam. 33 mm.

Shield-board mount (SBT 2004-65/67.5; Dickinson and Härke 1992, fig. 18,4). Iron; flat elongated lozenge, its two ends broken but possibly originally extended into rectilinear straps which bore attachment rivets. L. ext. 140 mm; W. 47 mm.

Copper-alloy clip for a vessel of organic material (SBT 2004-65/445). Near shield boss. Oval terminals, fastened by copper-alloy rivet. L. 18 mm; W. 13.5 mm; internal th. 4 mm. *Knife* (SBT 2004-65/65; attribution to g**33** uncertain). On waist. Laminated iron fragments representing part of tang and blade. L. ext. 71 mm.

34 (15 June).

GRAVE: D. 6' 0" (1.83 m); burial disturbed by (relatively recent) interment of a dead animal.

SKELETON: Fragments of a skull and other bones found at various depths.

GRAVE GOODS:

Strike-alight (SBT 2004-65/68). Half of an iron strike-alight with narrow striking bar and closely folded suspension bar. L. ext. 48 mm.

Numerous pieces of pottery (SBT 2004-65/69). In vicinity. Four small body sherds extant; coarse sandy grey fabric with smoothed surface.

35 (15 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 8" (1.12 m); WSW-ENE (W-E, Humphreys et al. 1923, 112).

SKELETON: Female; supine, fully extended; lower portion of arms and all bones below waist line inaccessible owing to roots of tree above (Wellstood, *Record*).

GRAVE GOODS:

Pair of cast saucer brooches (SBT 2004-65/71-72). One on each side of breast. Gilded cast copper alloy; central hexafoil design with Style I body and leg elements in outer field. Diam. 60-61 mm.

86/96 Beads (SBT 2004-65/74 and /94–96; now a single string with lab. label 'Photo 5 and 6'; total number and precise types uncertain because of discrepancies in primary records and between later recordings: Wellstood, *Record* [96 amber, paste and glass beads]; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 105, no. 8 [92 beads], 112 [96 beads], pl. XVII, fig. 3 [92 beads in three strings]; Brugmann 2004, table 11 [83 amber, 7 monochrome and 6 polychrome glass beads]). Amber (71, recorded in 2011): 70 irregular/faceted and 3 separate fragments, diam. 7–20 mm. Monochrome glass (9, recorded in 1980 and 2011)): 2 Melon yellow-green ribbed, diam. 9 mm; 2 short globular double-segmented opaque yellow, diam. 8 mm; 1 wound medium cylinder milky blue-green, diam. 8 mm; 4 wound short globular translucent brown-yellow, diam. 7 mm. Polychrome glass (6): 1 Koch20 Yellow, diam. 10 mm; 3 Koch34 White: 1 opaque red with white interlace lines, diam. 7 mm; 2 opaque red with white interlace lines and 4 dots with green swirl over, diam. 13 mm; 1 Koch27,28? (not typed in Brugmann 2004), truncated sphere opaque red with yellow narrow wavy line, diam. 12 mm.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/450). On breast (just above waist line, Wellstood, *Record*). Iron oval loop with remnants of tongue and iron plate-attachment round hinge; iron triangular plate (SBT 2004-65/73.1), now detached, with three copper-alloy, silver-sheet covered, domed rivets (SBT 2004-65/73.2–4). Total L. 49 mm; loop W. 35 mm; plate W. 23 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/70). Under l. humerus. Iron with organic remains on blade and tang; blade back slightly curved, edge worn concavely, back and edge slope to point. L. 106 mm.

36 (16 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 2" (0.66 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Male, adult (old); crouched on right side, arms bent up from elbows.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/75; '? haft with 2 bronze silvered studs', Humphreys *et al.* 1923,112). Iron; knife packaged for this grave lacks studs; lost ends of tang and blade; blade back slightly curved, edge worn concavely. L. ext. 95 mm.

37 (16 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON: Male, mature, 30–40 years (Humphreys, *Notebook*); supine, extended, r. arm at side, l. arm bent from elbow across pelvis; legs missing.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/76; on breast). Thin iron fragment, tip of blade and most of tang lost; blade back straight, edge eroded but convexly curved. L. ext. 115 mm.

38 (19 June).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 4" (0.71 m).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/77; SBT, DR410/5,1 drawing; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, pl. XI, fig. 1; Myres 1977, 143, fig. 37, no. 2506). More or less complete, large rounded-shoulder/globular urn; grey sandy fabric with some eroded inclusions on surface; exterior buff-grey; roughly flattish base and simple everted rim. H. 230 mm; rim diam. 152 mm; max. diam. 245 mm.

39 (19 June).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 1'8" (0.51 m).

CREMATED BONE: Includes sheep/goat (French 2014) and some charcoal.

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/78). Lower parts of a thick-walled urn (restored), body gently rounded, base damaged and irregular; dark grey sandy fabric. H. ext. 100 mm; max. diam. ext. 210 mm; wall th. 15 mm

Copper alloy fragment. With bones. Amorphous. 15 x 15 mm.

40 (19 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 9" (0.84 m); N-S (NW-SE, Humphreys et al. 1923, 112).

SKELETON: Female, adult; supine, fully extended, lower legs crossed.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pair of small-long brooches (SBT 2004-65/79-80). Under chin on left shoulder. Cast copper alloy; square head with nicked edges, border of dot-in-triangle punches and central quincunx of bull's eyes; crescentic foot terminal with border of annulet punches and central trio of bull's eyes; on back of /79 remnants of iron pin. L. 62 mm and 63 mm.

Polychrome glass bead (SBT 2004-65/81). Short disc dark blue with star-like white trail. Diam. 34 mm.

Key (SBT 2004-65/82). On l. side, under arm. Iron; stem and hooked ward, ends lost. L. ext. 76 mm. Belt fittings (SBT 2004-65/83.1–3). Across waist. 1. Iron buckle loop and tongue attached to copperalloy rectangular plate with nicked terminal edge, secured by an iron rivet. Max. W. ext. 25.5 mm; plate L. 23 mm; W. 14 mm. 2. Copper-alloy square sheet fragment with copper-alloy rivet. 3. Rectangular copper-alloy counter-plate, fastened by two iron rivets, its long sides bordered by an incised line, its short ends nicked. L. 32.5 mm; W. 14.5 mm.

Purse-mount/strike-alight (SBT 2004-65/84). Forming part of girdle. Iron bar to which is attached a small iron buckle. L. ext. 38 mm; buckle W. 15 mm.

41 (20 June).

GRAVE: Cremation(s); displaced by g42 (Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 112); near g40, with one 'fragment...with lines and circular ornaments...found close to the feet of no. 42' (Wellstood, *Record*); g40 and g42 are, however, some 4' (1.22 m) from find spot of g41 as on Wellstood, *Final Plan*. GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/85). Comprises sherds from clearly two different urns:

41A. Three conjoining pieces from shoulder of a large rounded biconical urn plus one rim sherd; dark grey gritty fabric with well smoothed, almost shiny, exterior surface; a roughly incised line defines the outer edge of the everted rim and the markedly concave neck; similar double lines demarcate the carination and divide the shoulder into chevron panels, which are filled with cross-in-circle stamps (Briscoe A 4ai), some over-stamped. Approx. max. diam. 260 mm.

41B. One rim sherd, 6 decorated body sherds, 14 plain body sherds, some reconstructed, and 4 fragments; hard sandy grey-buff fabric with some eroded tempering inclusions; one large piece is externally sooted; simple upright rim and gently rounded body profile, base lost; on the upper body/shoulder, set between two incised lines above and four below, is a row of small floral stamps with imprecisely cut negative wedges and positive central dot (Briscoe A7bi).

42 (20 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); NW-SE.

SKELETON: Male; supine, fully extended.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/86). Transversely across the body. Iron; blade edges almost straight, tapering from slightly rounded basal angle to point; wear/erosion at mid length; short junction and broken socket. L. ext. 256 mm; max. W. 30 mm.

Spear ferrule (SBT 2004-65/88; not identified in 2011). Inside 1. femur. 'Bronze' (Wellstood, Record).

Shield boss (SBT 2004-65/87.1). Iron, broken in two; spike apex, straight cone, concave wall (H. 20 mm); over half of the flange is missing (W. 18 mm), one iron flange rivet (diam. 25 mm) with copperalloy washer extant. Estimated diam. 140 mm; H. approx. 103 mm.

Four shield board mounts (SBT 2004-65/87.2–5). Three c 3" (76 mm) from the edge of shield boss, the fourth $4\frac{1}{2}$ " (114 mm) from edge. Iron disc-headed rivets, originally with wood at back; /87.5 retains a fragmentary copper-alloy washer (? = '2 pieces of flat bronze, bent near rivets of umbo', Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 112). Diam. 32 mm.

Shield grip? (SBT 2004-65/87.6). Tinned copper-alloy disc-headed rivet fastened through fragment of iron, possibly represent the grip. Diam. 20 mm.

Bronze fragments. On body (Wellstood, Record). Not extant.

Iron knife? (SBT 2004-65/89; Humphreys et al. 1923,112; Wellstood, Record; not identified). On line of waist.

43 (21 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 10" (1.17 m).

SKELETON: Female; radius only, the remainder of body probably destroyed by lime deposited with (relatively recent) interment of animal remains above.

GRAVE GOODS:

Two penannular brooches (SBT 2004-65/90-91). 6½" (165 mm) apart on breast. Copper alloy; /90. Fowler type A, with very worn, double-moulded terminals, diam. 37.5 mm; /91. Fowler type D, with turned back terminals, simply constricted at centre, diam. 29.5 mm.

9 Beads (SBT 2004-65/92). Amber (6): 2 rounded/faceted; 1 large irregular disc, in fragments; 4 fragmentary irregular ovals/wedges. Monochrome glass (2): 2 ribbed barrels with flat perforated sides opaque yellow, diam. 8 mm; Polychrome glass (1): 1 short disc opaque white with interlacing blue trails, diam. 9 mm.

Two copper-alloy discs (SBT 2004-65/92). Thin sheet metal, with repoussé dot border, one with remnant perforation; not Roman coins. Diam. 18 mm.

Buckle? (SBT 2004-65/93–95). Over radius. Three iron fragments; part of a round loop or ring, diam. 37 mm, and a smaller rounded loop fragment, to which is attached either the tongue or a fragment of rod (key?).

Four iron items (SBT 2004-65/96.1-4; not identified). Over radius.

44 (22 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 6" (1.07 m); S-N.

SKELETON: 13 years (Humphreys, *Notebook*); supine, fully extended, head facing left, r. arm crossed over breast, l. arm at side.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/98; not identified). Near r. elbow.

45 (23 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 10" (0.86 m); S-N?; disturbed burial.

SKELETON: Skull erect, facing N; 19" to the right and behind the back of the skull were two leg bones, aligned W-E.

46 (29 June).

GRAVE: D. 2'7" (0.79 m); S-N; charcoal in area of pelvis; cut at right-angles by g47.

SKELETON: Female, adult; supine, r. arm bent upwards from elbow across chest, l. humerus at side, lower l. arm, pelvis and legs missing.

130 Beads (SBT 2004-65/99; Humphreys et al. 1923, 105, no. 5 [35 beads] and no. 7 [95 beads], pl. XVII, 2a-b; Brugmann 2004, table 11 [129 beads]. Amber (33): 6 spindles, 25 irregular discs/wedges; 1 rounded; 1 disc in four fragments. Monochrome glass (96): 62 Blue (71, Brugmann 2004); 24

<u>Brown</u> (12, Brugmann 2004); 6 short globular bluish green; 1 short globular translucent yellowygreen; 1 short globular opaque yellow; 2 short globular opaque red. <u>Polychrome glass (1)</u>: <u>1 Traffic</u> Light Streaked.

47 (29 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 5" (1.04 m). SW-NE; over/cut g46; under/cut by g48.

SKELETON: Female; supine, extended, feet crossed; l. femur and most of skull missing; bones of some small animal on the north side of the body.

Pair of small-long brooches (SBT 2004-65/100-101). Cast copper-alloy; plain square-head, short bow, rhomboidal foot bounded by low ribs, discoid terminal; on back of one, iron pin. L. 43.5 mm. *22 Beads* (SBT 2004-65/102; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 105, no.1). Amber (22): 19 rounded or faceted, 3 discs/wedges.

Pin with triangular spangle (SBT 2004-65/103; not extant). Copper alloy pin with perforated head, from which the spangle was suspended; small wire rings attached at its two lower corners.

Belt mount (SBT 2004-65/104; a 'rectangular piece of bronze turned under at ends, with punched ornament, each end riveted', Humphreys *et al.* 1923,113). Cast copper-alloy; thin slightly trapezoidal plate, decorated with central double bull's eye punch; at each corner, rivet holes bordered by an annulet punch are stained with iron from lost rivets; no evidence that ends turned under. L. 30 mm; W. 17–18 mm.

Seven copper-alloy fragments (not extant).

48 (30 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 10" (1.17); S-N; over/cut head end of g47.

SKELETON: Male, mature; supine, extended, skull on right side, r. humerus missing, lower arms crossed across waist, hands on pelvis, lower legs crossed, right over left.

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/106; not identified). L. 14" (36 mm).

Shield boss (SBT 2004-65/107.1). Over skull. Iron, now in very fragmentary condition: rectangular-section integral apex, slightly concave cone with marked carination to concave wall (approx. H. 24 mm), flange mostly lost (W. 24 mm). Diam. 149 mm; approx. H.75 mm.

Shield grip (SBT 2004-65/107.2; not extant).

Knife (SBT 2004-65/105). Below l. elbow, point downwards. Harshly conserved fragment of blade. L. ext. 75 mm.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/108). Iron; oval loop with tongue; fragment of copper-alloy sheet plate on hinge. W. 30 mm; L. 22 mm.

Piece of lead (SBT 2004-65/109). 6" (152 mm) behind skull (probably intrusive). Flat D-shape, apparently cut down from an originally roughly circular disc. Diam. ext. 38 mm.

48A (4 July).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 4" (0.71); burnt bones etc. somewhere in trench between g48 and g66.

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn? (not extant). Sandy pieces of black pottery.

Piece of bronze (not extant).

49 (5 July).

GRAVE: D. 2' 10" (0.86 m); NW-SE (W-E, Humphreys et al. 1923, 113).

SKELETON: Female; skull only.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pair of disc brooches (SBT 2004-65/110–111). Found 5" (127 mm) apart, assumed to be on breast. Copper alloy, abraded rims, decorated with border of annulet punches; pins lost. Diam. ext. 28 mm. Some fragments of pottery (Humphreys et al. 1923, 113; probably a misreading of Wellstood, Record, which mentions 'some fragments of pottery' found in the southern end of Trench AB, W of g46 and g47 and before the exploratory diagonal trench, in which g49 lay, was dug; not extant).

50 (6-7 July).

GRAVE: D. 2' 10" (0.86 m); SSE-NNW.

SKELETON: Male, mature (Brash and Young 1935, appendix I, skull no. 50i and appendix II mandible no. 50); 40 to 50 years (Wellstood, *Record*); supine, fully extended, l. arm at side, r. elbow bent outwards, hand on pelvis.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/113). Against l. humerus, point towards head. Iron, now badly laminated, with both tip of blade and socket lost; sharply rhomboidal blade. L. ext. 194 mm; W. ext. 53 mm. Spearhead or javelin (SBT 2004-65/114). Over spearhead /113. Iron, socket broken; narrow basal angle, with one edge more obviously ogival than other. L. ext. 132 mm; blade L. 100 mm; W. 27 mm. Shield boss (SBT 2004-65/115.1). On l. breast. Iron; tall straight cone with integral rod apex, now broken, carination, low wall (H. 18 mm) and flange (W. 16 mm); Diam. 138 mm; H. ext. 80 mm. Shield grip (SBT 2004-65/115.2). Fragments of a flat rectangle with one rivet on back and textile patch on front.

3 shield board mounts (SBT 2004-65/115.2–4). Two c $2\frac{1}{2}$ " (64 mm) from left edge of boss, third on right side with a piece of bent metal. Iron discs with wood grain on backs. Diam. 40.5 (two) and 37 mm (one).

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/116). 'In position'. Iron oval loop with tongue; leather adheres. Diam. 43 mm. *Knife* (SBT 2004-65/112). Point upwards on waistline. Blade back slightly curved, edge convexly curved, tip of tang lost. L. ext. 113 mm.

50a A skull numbered 50ii is referred to by Brash and Young (1935, 380), but not tabulated in the appendices. It is presumed to be different from skull 50i attributed to g**50**.

[50B] (7-10 July; Wellstood, *Record*).

SPOT FIND: D. 1'9" (0.53 m). A hearth of burnt and split pebble (about a wheelbarrow full) with burnt earth underneath, and two small fragments of burnt bone. Diam. approx. 4' (1.22 m).

51 (8 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 6" (1.07 m); SSE-NNW.

SKELETON: Female; supine, fully extended, hands folded across waist.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pendant (SBT 2004-65/117) and two copper alloy rings (SBT 2004-65/118; Humphreys et al. 1923, 103, no. 21, 113, pl. XIV, fig.3i; not extant). On r. side of chin. Only the oval cabochon garnet is extant, its silver setting having 'crumbled to powder when exposed to the air'; the garnet seemed to be inside one of two thin copper-alloy rings, probably all items on a necklet. Garnet L. 15.5 mm; W. 12 mm.

Pin (SBT 2004-65/119). On instep of l. foot. Copper-alloy stem, head lost. L. ext. 44 mm. *Shears* (SBT 2004-65/120). About 6" (150mm) from r. hip. Iron; upper half only, the blades now lost. L. ext. 93 mm.

Ferrule (SBT 2004-65/121; not identified in 2011). With shears. Copper alloy with wood on inside. Purse-mount/strike-alight (SBT 2004-65/122). With shears. Iron; squat triangular striking surface, suspension terminals with slightly bulbous tips curve to abut the apex; organic (textile and leather?) remains adhere to the surface. L. 79 mm; W. 32 mm.

51A (8 July).

GRAVE: D. 2' to 2' 8" (0.61 - 0.81 m); a fragment of a skull and other scattered human bones were found c 2' to 5' (0.61 - 1.52 m) from skull of g**51**.

52 (10 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 1" (0.94 m); SSE-NNW (SE-NW, Humphreys et al. 1923, 113).

SKELETON: Female; supine, face left, legs flexed left, extremities missing.

GRAVE GOODS:

Two small-long brooches (SBT 2004-65/120–121). One below chin, the other inside broken skull. Cast copper-alloy; /120 damaged trefoil headplate and foot with spatula terminal, both decorated with border of annulet punches. L. ext. 61.5 mm; W. 33.5 mm. /121 square headplate, foot terminal broken off; on back iron pin spring. L. ext. 50 mm; W. 20 mm.

35 Beads (SBT 2004-65/122; Humphreys et al. 1923, 105, no, 4 [37 beads], pl. XVII, fig. 1b, [35 beads]; Brugmann 2004, table 11 [32 beads]). Amber (22): 11 rounded to faceted sub-rectangular and 11 flat oval to wedge-shaped. Monochrome glass (10): 4 Blue; 1 short annular translucent turquoise; 2 short globular opaque yellow; 1 short annular opaque white/grey; 1 short globular opaque red?; 1 twisted double square cylinder dark turquoise (recorded 1980, not identified in 2011); Polychrome glass (3): 1 Dot34 (opaque white with lost trails and red dots); 1 Koch34 White (Koch34 Yellow, Brugmann 2004, table 11) medium globular opaque red with white trails; 1 short dark annular with white ?spots.

Toilet pick (SBT 2004-65/123). Below one of the brooches; copper alloy; rounded head and undulating stem. L. 105 mm.

53 (10 July)

GRAVE: D. 2'3" (0.69 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Male; supine, legs flexed to r.

GRAVE GOODS:

Shield boss (SBT 2004-65/124.1). Iron, badly fragmented; fragments of wood near it; tall straight cone with tall integral rod apex, its top hammered into a flat disc (max. diam. 25 mm), carination, slightly concave wall (H. 30 mm) and flange (W. 22 mm), on which one extant disc-headed rivet (diam. 13 mm) survives. Diam. 145 mm; H. 115 mm

Shield grip (SBT 2004-65/124.2). Iron, very fragmented; flat, expanded terminals now lost. L. ext. 69 mm; W. 15 mm.

54 (10 July).

GRAVE: D. 2' 5" (0.74 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Male; supine, extended, feet crossed.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/125). On r. side of body. Iron, originally leaf-shaped or rounded rhomboid blade with portion of wooden shaft; now fragmentary and badly corroded, one edge eroded to an ogive, socket lost. L. ext. 143 mm.

[54A] (12 July).

SPOT FIND: D. 1' 4" (0.41 m); c 2' (0.61 m) from S end of Trench WX, that is SE of grave 106. Arrowhead (SBT 2004-65/126). Iron; round socket with slightly winged (barbed?) blade. L. 47.5 mm; max. W. 16 mm. [Medieval]

55 (12 July).

GRAVE: Cremation. D. 2' 8" (0.81 m).

CREMATED BONE: In urn.

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/127; SBT, DR410/5,6 drawing; SBT, DR410/6,7 glass negative; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 98, pl. XI, fig. 2; Myres 1977, 278, fig. 243, no. 2503). Large biconical urn with much damaged everted rim and uneven base; sandy gritty fabric with some eroded inclusions; single incised line around the neck; on upper body, between double incised lines, four rows of stamps, alternately a cogwheel round a positive disc and ring (Briscoe A 7civ) and abutted diagonal crosses (Briscoe B 3ci); over the shoulder, 12 bosses bounded by blocks of 7–9 vertical grooves, those close to each boss tapering into a triangular border. H. 240 mm; rim diam. 170–174 mm; max. diam. 280 mm (from illustrations).

Romano-British rim sherd. In urn.

56

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91); N-S.

SKELETON: Female (Brash and Young 1935, appendix II and IV, 56i), *c* 21 years; supine, legs flexed to left; arms bent outwards with hands on hips, in upper jaw 2 milk canine teeth, the left one twisted and incisors displaced (Wellstood, *Record*).

56a

GRAVE: D. 1'9" (0.53 m); fragments of skull found at N end of Trench XY, that is near g56 and g57. SKELETON: Female, mature (Brash and Young 1935, appendix II and IV, skull and mandible 56ii, with clearly different measurements from 56i).

57

GRAVE: D. 2' 0" (0.61 m); NNW-SSE.

SKELETON: Child; supine, extended.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/128). At r. side of body. Iron; blade back curves to point, edge worn concavely but rises to point; tips of blade and tang lost. L. ext. 93 mm.

58

GRAVE: D. 2'9" (0.84 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Male (Brash and Young 1935, appendix 3, mandible); supine, r. arm at side, l. arm across body, hand on pelvis, legs flexed to right.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/129). Near l. hand. Iron; tang broken, blade back straight until near point, edge convex. L. ext. 78 mm.

59

GRAVE: D. 2' 9" (0.84 m); SSW-NNE; entirely covered by a layer of charcoal.

SKELETON: Male; supine, extended; arms and lower legs missing.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/131). On l. side. Iron, badly fragmented; blade has low rounded basal angle and slightly ogival edges, lozenge-shaped section; socket filled with wood. L. 165 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/130). On l. side. Iron; fragment of tang and blade only. L. ext. 90 mm.

60

GRAVE: D. 2' 7" (0.79 m); WSW-ENE; below/cut by g61.

SKELETON: Male, mature; supine, extended, r. arm crossed over breast, l. arm over pelvis, knees bent outwards, feet crossed.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/132). By r. elbow. Iron; tip of blade lost, back straight, edge worn, both slope to point; organic remains on tang. L. ext. 99 mm.

61

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); SW-NE; above/cut g60.

SKELETON: Supine, extended, l. arm bent upwards, r. hand on pelvis, feet extended to r. elbow of grave **60**.

GRAVE GOODS:

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/133). Iron; oval loop with tongue. W. 35 mm.

62

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 0" (0.61 m).

CREMATED BONE: (Female) (on basis of comb).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/133). Broken; most of the lower part of a sub-biconical plain urn with pitted and damaged flattish base; sandy grey fabric with small grits, some eroded; surface smoothed/wiped. H. ext. 120 mm; max. diam. ext. 194 mm.

Comb (SBT 2004-65/134.1–2; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 104, pl. XVI, 2d). Bone; two fragments of bevelled applied strip, from a double-sided comb; only one side of each clearly exhibits marks from the tooth-cutting; decorated all-over with incised ring-and-dot. Total L. ext. 80 mm.

Copper-alloy fragments (not extant).

63

GRAVE: D. 3' 2" (0.97 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Female, mature, 45–50 years (Humphreys, *Notebook*); supine, legs flexed to left, head facing left (facing NW, but [erroneously] 'on right side', Wellstood, *Record*).

GRAVE GOODS:

Two disc brooches (SBT 2004-65/135–136). In line below chin. Copper alloy; /135 decorated with central double bull's eye punch and nicked edge; on back iron pin spring. Diam. 42 mm; /136 broken, decorated with central and originally 6 surrounding bull's eye punches; on back, fragment of copperalloy sheet disc stuck to the iron pin. Diam. 38 mm.

1 bead (SBT 2004-65/137). Amber (1): fragmentary rounded. Diam. 17 mm.

Toilet pick (SBT 2004-65/138). Copper alloy; perforated head, fold line along upper half of stem. L. 70 mm.

64

GRAVE: D. 2'3" (0.69 m).

SKELETON: (Male); skull visible in area beyond base line but rest of skeleton apparently not excavated.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/139). Horizontal in grave. Iron, tip lost; blade basal angle sharp and edges very slightly ogival; wood in split socket. L. ext. 155 mm.

65

GRAVE: D. 3' 7" (1.09 m); W-E.

SKELETON: Male; Supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/141; Härke 1992, table 8, Swanton Group C3; not identified in 2011). Near l. shoulder. L. >375 mm.

Tweezers (SBT 2004-65/142). Near r. shoulder. Copper-alloy; trapezoidal blades with in-turned tips, decorated with S-shaped punch and an incised saltire; central internal flat strip. L. 83 mm; W. 10.5 mm; th. 9 mm.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/143; packaged as '65?'). Half of an iron oval/round loop. L. 32.5 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/140). Iron; tang with organic remains, most of blade with straight back and edge, tip lost. L. ext. 114 mm.

66

GRAVE: D. 4' 3" (1.3 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Male, adult; supine, extended, head facing left, lower legs missing.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/145). At l. side of head, point upwards. Harshly conserved, socket mostly broken off, blade with slight basal angle and slightly ogival edges. L. ext. 180 mm

Knife (SBT 2004-65/144). Near r. hip. Harshly conserved, tang and blade ends broken, blade back and edge taper regularly to point. L. ext. 153 mm.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/146). Iron; half of an oval or D-shaped loop. W. 35 mm.

67 (19 July)

GRAVE: D. 3' 2" (0.97 m); S-N; small pieces of charcoal near and below the skull.

SKELETON: Supine, head facing right, l. elbow bent outwards, hand over pelvis, r. arm over breast, legs flexed to right.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pottery sherds (SBT 2004-65/147). Over pelvis. Three conjoined undecorated sherds in hard, very sandy fabric with fine grits; black smoothed exterior, sooted interior.

68 (19 July).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 3' 0" (0.91 m).

CREMATED BONE (SBT 2004-65/149).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/148; SBT, DR410/5,2 drawing; SBT, DR410/6,8 glass negative; SBT, DR410/7,1 print; Myres 1977, 325, fig. 318, no. 2502). Reconstructed rounded sub-biconical body with upright slightly everted neck, rim all lost; grey-brown sandy fabric with eroded (calcareous?) inclusions; surfaces partially smoothed; on neck and upper body bands of triple incised lines separate successively a row of segmented-ring (7-segments) stamps (Briscoe A 5di), a row of diagonal slashes, and a row of negative annulet stamps with positive central disc (Briscoe A 1bi); beneath are two incised lines and over the shoulder an incised chevron line, the upper triangles each filled with an annulet stamp with negative central circle and positive outer ring (Briscoe A 1ci). Approx. H. ext. 205 mm; approx. max. diam. 200 mm; approx. rim diam. 110 mm.

69 (19 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 7" (1.09 m). S-N.

SKELETON: Male; supine, fully extended, arms at sides, skull erect.

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/151; lab. no.6414). Against l. side of skull, above shoulder, pointing upwards. Iron. L. ext. 332 mm; blade L. 230 mm; W. 38 mm.

Spearhead or javelin (SBT 2004-65/152).). Against l. side of skull, above shoulder, pointing upwards. Smoothly leaf-shaped blade, socket split full length. L. 219 mm.

Shield boss (SBT 2004-65/153.1). On pelvis. Iron; convex cone with disc-headed integral apex capped with a grooved copper-alloy disc (diam. 26 mm; ?lost silver-sheet plating); no carination,

straight wall (H. 22 mm) and narrow broken flange (W. 15 mm) with two extant white-metal surfaced copper-alloy flange rivets (diam. 10 mm). Diam. ext. 157 mm; H. 85 mm.

Shield grip (SBT 2004-65/154). Flat with splayed terminals; fragment of leather on surface. L. ext. 142 mm.

Two pairs of shield board mounts SBT 2004-65 (/153.2–5). 1½" (38 mm) from shield boss rim, at 9 o'clock and 1 o'clock. Iron discs, wood on backs and wood or vegetable matter on front. Diam. 34 mm and 42 mm.

Knife [or knives?] (SBT 2004-65/150). On waist line, point to right. Iron; two separate fragments: i. most of a tang and blade with tapering straight back and edge. L. ext. 105 mm; ii. narrow and uncertainly identifiable as tang or blade. L. ext. 89 mm.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/155; lab. no. 6398; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, pl. X, fig. 2c [top row, right]). Iron oval loop, broken, with lower half of iron rectangular plate, fastened by one iron rivet (of two?); textile remains on back. Loop W. >36 mm; L. 50 mm.

70 (20 July).

GRAVE: D. 4' 5" (1.35 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Male, 20-year age-group; supine, extended, head facing left, elbows bent, hands to shoulders.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/157.1; see g105). By r. shoulder. Iron; eroded blade edges taper from narrow basal angle to broken tip; short junction before split socket. L. ext. 205 mm; max. W. 24 mm. Ferrule (SBT 2004-65/157.2; not identified in 2011). Near feet, 4' 3" (1.3 m) from spearhead (Wellstood, Record); by ankle, 4' 6" (1.37 m) from spearhead (Humphreys et al. 1923, 96). Knife (SBT 2004-65/156.1–2). At l. elbow. Iron; tang end separate, blade back convex, edge straight; organic remains on blade and tang. L. ext. 115 mm.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/158 mm). Below body. Iron oval loop and tongue; textile on underside. W. 25.5 mm; L. 24 mm.

Pottery sherd (SBT 2004-65/159). Below body. Body sherd with curved profile, decorated with three vertically incised lines; grey-brown coarse sandy fabric with fine grit inclusions, smoothed grey exterior.

71 (20 July).

GRAVE: D. 4' 2" (1.27 m); NW-SE (W-E, Humphreys et al. 1923,114). Much charcoal in neighbourhood of body.

SKELETON: Supine, extended.

72 (20 July).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 0" (0.61 m).

CREMATED BONE: (Female) [on basis of comb].

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/161). Fragments of base (reconstructed); grey gritty fabric, roughly smoothed on surface. H. ext. 70 mm; max. diam. ext. 150 mm.

Comb (SBT 2004-65/160; Humphreys et al. 1923, 104, pl. XVI, 2b?). Fragment of centre plate from a double-sided comb. L. ext. 20 mm; W. ext. 21 mm.

73 (20 July).

SPOT FIND: D. 4' 0" (1.22 m).

Iron spike (SBT 2004-65/162). Rod bent in L-shape towards point. L. 161 mm; bent point L. 64 mm.

74 (20 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 9" (1.14 m); S-N; a quantity of charcoal between the legs.

SKELETON: Supine, arms at sides, fully extended.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/163). To right of skull. Iron, tips of blade and tang lost; blade back and edge straight; organic remains on tang. L. ext. 144 mm.

74A (20 July)

GRAVE: Undisturbed leg bones, c 4' (1.22 m) SE of grave 74 (Wellstood, Record and Final Plan).

75

GRAVE: D. 4' 3" (1.3 m); SSW-NNE (S-N, Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 114); layer of charcoal and unburnt wood (Wellstood, *Record*) or 'fragments of bronze, charcoal and wood, pieces of iron' (Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 114) found under the disc brooches, which might derive, at least in part, from disturbed cremation **75A**.

SKELETON: Female, mature (Brash and Young 1935, appendix II, skull 75i, appendix IV, mandible 75), *c* 35 years and old woman (Humphreys, *Notebook*); crouched on right side.

GRAVE GOODS:

Two disc brooches (SBT 2004-65/164–165; contra 'cruciform', Humphreys et al. 1923, 114). Cast copper alloy; remnants of iron pin on back of both; /164 worn white-metal surface, decorated with three large triple bull's eye punches. Diam. 36 mm; /165 decorated with central and three subsidiary small bull's eye punches and a stabbed border. Diam. 34 mm.

6 Beads (SBT 2004-65/166.1–6). Monochrome glass (6): 4 Blue; 2 Brown.

Miscellaneous fragments of bronze (SBT 2004-65/167; packaged with the beads). End of a tongue-shaped piece of copper-alloy sheet. L. ext. 11 mm.

Two iron implements (SBT 2004-65/168). i. Heavy, square-sectioned, with tang (chisel, punch or awl?). L. 105 mm; ii. Rod-like, with one pointed and one thicker abraded and broken end (an awl or firesteel?). L. 105 mm and 107 mm.

75A

GRAVE: Cremation; several fragments of an urn with burnt bones c 1' 8" (0.51 m) above and near g75 (not marked on Wellstood, *Final Plan*).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn. Three small body sherds are extant; grey sandy gritty fabric; i. Retains the tips of three incised vertical lines. ii. Abraded surface, bears two incised horizontal lines, the lower cut by a vertical line. iii. Plain.

76 D. 4' 0" (1.22 m). NW-SE.

SKELETON: Female; supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

Pair of small-long brooches (SBT 2004-65/170-171). Below chin, 8" (203 mm) apart. Copper alloy; square-headplate with short bow and wide lop-sided crescent foot terminal, their borders decorated with a triangular punch applied twice to form an hour-glass impression, sideways on the foot lower edge of one brooch and vertically on the other; on back remains of iron pin. L. 65 mm.

Beads (SBT 2004-65/172; not extant). Amber and glass.

Hoop/organic vessel binding? (SBT 2004-65/175; 'bronze hair (?) ornament', Wellstood, Record). Crosswise immediately below chin. Six small copper-alloy fragments of curving sheet metal, possibly represent all or part of the binding for an organic object or vessel. W. 10 mm.

Belt-fitting? (SBT 2004-65/174; not identified in 2011). Fragments of wood, iron and copper alloy on waist-line.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/169). Under l. knee, under knife a mass of pieces of wood, iron, bronze and (?) leather' (Wellstood, *Record*). Iron, tip of tang lost, blade back tapers to point, edge worn and tapers up to point. L. ext. 148 mm; blade L. 115 mm.

Clip (SBT 2004-65/173). Inside l. knee, that is part of the complex of materials underneath the knife. Copper-alloy sheet strip coiled round a fragment of iron ring or rod; the coiled part contains a (primary?) rivet hole; the other, free, end is perforated by an iron rivet. L. 26.5 mm. Bone object (Wellstood, Record; not extant). With knife under l. knee.

77 (22 July).

GRAVE: Cremation. D. 2' 4" (0.71 m).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/176). Much broken. Four partially reconstructed plain body sherds; buff-grey sandy fabric with smoothed outer surface, rougher interior showing some eroded inclusions.

78 (22-24 July).

GRAVE: D. 2' 9" (0.84 m); SE-NW; part of the skull was found c 5' (1.52 m) to the NW; D. c 1' 9" (0.53).

SKELETON: Male, adult; supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/177). Over upper end of r. femur. Iron, ends of tang and blade lost, straight blade back and worn edge taper to point. L. ext. 114 mm.

Tweezers (SBT 2004-65/178). Over upper end of r. femur. Copper alloy, plain, suspended on a ring. L. 63 mm.

79 (25 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 3" (0.99 m). S-N; a quantity of charcoal between legs.

SKELETON: Female, mature +; supine, head inclined to right, l. arm crossed over pelvis, legs flexed to right (Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 96, no. 7, fig. 4).

GRAVE GOODS:

Pair of cast saucer brooches (SBT 2004-65/180–181). One to left, other to right of chin. Gilded cast copper alloy; central setting contains decomposed glass; decoration consists of two bands of lathe-produced concentric rings around a central field of triangular punches containing a Style I legelement; on backs iron corrosion from pins and organic material. Diam. 44 and 44.5 mm.

> 24 Beads (SBT 2004-65/182; not extant.). Hanging from neck. Amber (24) (Wellstood, Record;

Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 114). Glass (*ibid.*, 96, no. 7, no details).

Pin (SBT 2004-65/186). Across breast. Cast copper alloy; head consists of two faceted knobs with grooves between and below. L. 158 mm.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/187). Iron; sub-rectangular loop with tongue. W. 28 mm.

Bucket (SBT 2004-65/183; SBT, DR410/6,9 glass negative; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 100, pl. XI, fig. 4; Cook 2004, 99). Upright at r. shoulder. Copper-alloy fittings with remains of wooden staves; three hoops and two tapering uprights, the latter decorated with C-shaped punches; 12 triangular vandykes with repoussé herringbone borders were set between the upper and middle hoop. Base diam. 135 mm; H. 127 mm.

Iron implement (SBT 2004-65/179). Close to right-hand brooch. Plano-convex in section, the convex surface smooth, the flat surface uneven; a deep notch separates a short triangular and thicker pointed end from a longer flat rectilinear end; there is no real cutting edge. L. ext. 92 mm; W. 18 mm.

ABOVE THE GRAVE:

Pottery (not extant). A considerable amount.

Arrowhead (SBT 2004-65/184; Humphreys et al. 1923, pl. X, fig. 2, left). 20" (0.51 m) from surface. Iron; sharply triangular-shaped blade, closed socket. L. 52 mm. [Medieval]

Disc pendant (SBT 2004-65/185; 'bronze button brooch', Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 103, pl. XIV, fig. 3c). 1' 6" (0.46 m) from surface. Silver or copper alloy with silver sheet on front; a disc fastened to a 'bird-shaped' loop on the back by a central bossed rivet; decorated with simple cross, in each arm of which is a triangular motif, and a border of radial nicks. Diam. 17 mm. [Medieval or later?]

79A

SPOT FIND: D. 1'9" (0.53 m); c 3' (0.91 m) from N. end of Trench CD and 1' (0.3 m) from the D line [i.e. c 3' (0.91 m) WSW of cremation 80] (Wellstood, *Record*, remarks under g**79**). *Fragment of bone*.

Small piece of bronze (not extant).

80 (25 July).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 7" (0.79 m).

CREMATED BONE.

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (contains old labels 'Trench C.D; No. 80' and '1921-25'; SBT, DR410/1 photograph and colour drawing; DR410/5,5 drawing; Myres 1977, 138, fig. 27, no. 2511). Plain globular urn with simple upright rim, minimally concave neck and irregular base; sandy fabric with some large eroded inclusions; surface smoothed but not polished, fired pinky-buff to grey. Approx. H. 175 mm; rim diam. 148 mm.

81 (25 July).

GRAVE: D. 3'0" (0.91 m); SW-NE (S-N, Humphreys et al. 1923, 114).

SKELETON: Female. Supine, fully extended.

GRAVE GOODS:

Beads (SBT 2004-65/190; not extant). Amber and glass.

Pin (SBT 2004-65/191). Below chin, point downwards. Copper alloy; perforated circular head, on either side of which a small projecting 'ear' above two grooves (recorded in 1980); by 2011 only fragment of shaft extant, L. 47.5 mm, together with a pin-like fragment of tightly rolled copper-alloy sheet, L. 28 mm.

Two horse-harness mounts, reused as pendants (SBT 2004-65/192 and 194; Speake 1980, 70, pl. 16,a-b). Below chin. Cast copper alloy, with flat silver-plated borders and gilded openwork decoration; /192 circular, with five abraded integral rivets on the back, one at the centre, the others evenly round the edge; decorated with nineteen interlinked radial Style II serpents with open jaws. Diam. 46.5 mm; /194 pelta-shaped, with three integral rivets on the back, that at the apex with attached copper-alloy washer; decorated with two interlaced serpents in the centre and a diamond-shaped motif in the two basal corners. L. 43.5 mm; W. 62 mm.

Ring (SBT 2004-65/193). Below the circular pendant. Cast copper alloy. Diam. 33 mm; th. 3.5 mm. *Buckle* (SBT 2004-65/195). On waist line. Iron round loop. W. 24 mm. The bronze item which adhered to part of the buckle (Wellstood, *Record*) is not extant.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/189; lab. no. 6394, old label identifies it as grave 81). On r. humerus. Blade back straight, angled down to point, edge worn, rising at end to point; tang tip lost. L. ext. 129 mm.

82 (29 July).

GRAVE: D. 4' 0" (1.22 m); SE-NW.

SKELETON: Female (Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 115; male, mature + (Brash and Young 1935, appendix I); supine, head facing left, arms at sides, legs flexed to left.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pair of cast saucer brooches (SBT 2004-65/197-8. Gilded cast copper alloy; decorated with central boss and ring, field of six running spirals and three border rings; on backs iron from pin and redeposited textile. Diam. 44 and 45 mm.

Pin (SBT 2004-65/201; not extant). Below l. of chin. Iron, 'in pieces, with fabric attached'. 6/8 Beads (SBT 2004-65/199.1-199.8; '7 paste, 1 amber', Humphreys et al. 1922-3, 115; beads now packaged as grave 82 are doubtfully authentic). Amber (4): small faceted; Monochrome glass: 1

Constricted Cylinder Blue; 1 Constricted Segmented (double-segmented).

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/200; lab. no. 6419). On l. hip. Fragmentary iron loop with tongue, textile remains on upper surfaces; on the hinge, a copper-alloy trapezoidal plate with long slot for the tongue, fastened by an iron rivet. Loop W. 16 mm; plate L. 26 mm.

Fragment of bronze with piece of fabric on back (SBT 2004-65/202; not extant).

Knife (SBT 2004-65/196). On pelvis. Iron, tip of blade lost; blade back and slightly eroded edge taper from junction to point; organic material on tang. L. ext. 102 mm.

83 (31 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 9" (1.14 m); SSE-NNW.

SKELETON: Supine, extended; no bones above pelvis.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/203). Just above pelvis. Iron, tip of tang lost; blade back slightly humped, sloping to point, edge worn concavely but sloping up to point. L. ext. 95 mm.

83a (31 July).

GRAVE: S-N (SW-NE, Humphreys et al. 1923, 115); charcoal in neighbourhood.

SKELETON: Leg and thigh bones only.

83B (31 July).

GRAVE: W-E?; over the femora of g83a.

SKELETON: Femora only.

[Two further pieces of skull were found c 6' (1.83 m) E of g83, but since the ground (in Trench QR) had obviously been much disturbed these might have belonged to g83, g83a or g83B; they have not been given an individual grave number. Charcoal was also found in the neighbourhood.]

84 (1 August).

GRAVE: D. 3' 7"(1.09 m). N-S (NNW-SSE, Humphreys et al. 1923, 115).

SKELETON: Male, mature; supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

84A

SPOT FIND: D. 1'8" (0.51 m); in Trench ST (Wellstood, *Record*, remarks under g83), which would imply that it was nearer g84 than to g83.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/204). Iron, organic remains on tang, most of blade missing. L. ext. 71 mm.

85 (1 August).

GRAVE: D. 3' 9" (1.14 m); W-E.

SKELETON: Supine, extended, arms at sides, lower legs missing.

86 (2 August).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); SSW-NNE; charcoal to right of and above feet.

SKELETON: Supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

87 (3 August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 0" (0.61 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON: Female?; much decomposed, no bones below pelvis.

GRAVE GOODS:

Accessory vessel (SBT 2004-65/205; SBT, DR410/5,5 drawing; SBT, DR410/6,4 glass negative; Myres 1977, 252, fig. 205, no. 2498). On right of skull. Sub-biconical jar with wide mouth, concave neck and short foot-ring; brown-grey fine sandy fabric with well smoothed surface; above the carination a row of cross-in-circle stamps composed of four negative wedges (Briscoe A 4avii) set between two incised lines above and three below; on carination 8 small oval bosses with two sets of three vertically incised lines between each pair of bosses. H. 87 mm; rim diam. 86–87 mm; base diam 50 mm.

88 (4 August).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON: Female; supine, extended, arms and legs missing.

GRAVE GOODS (SBT 2004-65/206–215?; index card with 2003–4 individual registration numbers missing):

Pair of cast saucer brooches ('applied', Humphreys et al. 1923, 115). One on r. breast, other between femora. Gilded cast copper alloy; central boss and ring and field of six Style I ambiguous head/leg-elements, with border of crescent punches; on back of each iron pins in situ with organic material/textile. Diam. 43 and 44 mm.

Great square-headed brooch ('cruciform', Humphreys et al. 1923, 115; SBT, DR410/6,10 glass negative). On r. breast. Highly gilded, cast copper alloy; outer headplate decorated with openwork semicircle above triangle frieze and double S-spirals in upper corners; middle headplate panel of two downward-facing Style I animals; inner headplate panel of central upward facing full-face mask, bounded by panels of double S-sprirals and leg-elements; plain three-ribbed bow; upper footplate panel of downbiting horse heads with coiled tongue and jaw; footplate divided by ribbed bar with downward facing full-face masks at either end, the side panels filled with compressed Style I creatures; lateral lobes contain a backward-looking bird-headed animal and the terminal lobe an upward facing mask bordered by running spiral; on back of headplate, scratches/file marks, two pinholder lugs and remains of iron pin spring; on back of footplate, an applied catchplate with trapezoidal extension. L. 138 mm; W. 66 mm.

Beads (not extant). Amber and glass.

Finger ring (labelled as '? grave 88'). On r. hand. Silver; flat-band spiral ring with overlapped ends, decorated with a central ribbed panel between frame lines. External diam. 21 mm.

Buckle. On waist line. Fragment of a small iron loop, over which is a copper-alloy rectangular plate fastened by a copper-alloy rivet and its borders decorated with annulet punches. Loop approx. W. 32 mm; plate W. 14 mm; L. 24 mm.

Buckle. Found in two pieces, one fragment only extant. Iron oval loop. W. 43 mm; L. 35 mm. *Knife*. To left of waist. Iron blade only extant, back and edge gently convexly curved. L. ext. 100 mm. *Bucket* (Cook 2004, 99, no. 284). 5" (127 mm) above and 6" (152 mm) to right of skull. Parts of two thin, plain copper-alloy hoops and two riveted rim-clips; one hoop bears a rivet hole near one edge, the other has two half perforations on the edge, one being next to an area of solder on the overlap of the terminal. W. 4.5 mm; approx. Diam. 180 mm.

89 (4 August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 6" (0.76 m); SW-NE; charcoal (Humphreys et al. 1923, 115).

SKELETON: Female, 20-year age-group; supine, extended, arms at sides; skull and upper body only. GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/216). Inside r. arm. Iron, badly laminated and ends lost; blade back straight, sloping to tip, edge slightly convex; textile remains on blade. L. ext. 158 mm; blade L. ext. 120 mm. *Pieces of iron* (not extant). With knife, inside r. arm.

90 (4 August).

GRAVE: D. 2'8" (0.81 m); NW-SE (W-E, Humphreys et al. 1923, 115).

SKELETON: Female, 35 years (Humphreys, *Notebook*); supine, arms at sides; all bones below pelvis missing.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pair of cast saucer brooches (SBT 2004-65/217–218). Below chin, one on each side. Gilded cast copper alloy; decorated with central boss and ring, main field of a five-point double-outline sharp star, three ridged border rings; on back, iron pin *in situ* on one, fragments on other, to which textile remains adhere. Diam. 39 and 40 mm.

Beads (SBT 2004-65/219; not extant). Amber and glass.

Iron object (SBT 2004-65/220–/224; not extant). On breast. Five pieces of iron.

Copper-alloy fragments (Humphreys et al. 1923, 115; not extant).

91 (5 August).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); NW-SE (W-E, Humphreys et al. 1923, 115).

SKELETON: Supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

91a (7 August).

SKELETON: Child, 3 years; fragments of skull only.

91 B (7 August).

GRAVE: About 3' (0.91 m) S of g91; charcoal in neighbourhood.

SKELETON: Fragments of a skull.

92 (8 August).

GRAVE: D. 2'9" (0.84 m); SSW-NNE; considerable quantity of charcoal over and on both sides of the body.

SKELETON: Male, mature; supine, l. arm at side, r. hand over pelvis, legs flexed slightly to left.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/225). Over front of skull. Iron; blade a wide sharply angled rhomboid with helicoidal cross-section, split socket complete and with rivet. L. 208 mm; blade L. 126 mm; max. W. 52 mm.

93 (8 August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 7" (0.79 m). WNW-ESE (W-E, Humphreys et al. 1923, 115).

SKELETON: Female, child, c 5 years; supine, extended, arms at sides, lower arms missing.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pair of square brooches (SBT 2004-65/226–227). 'Piece of bronze buckle' [the more fragmentary of the two?] over r. collar bone, which was stained. Tinned copper-alloy with central cut-out square, decorated with bull's eye punches; simple perforation near the inner edge, which on the complete brooch retains an iron pin. 35 x 32 mm.

Bead on a ring (SBT 2004-65/228). <u>Polychrome glass</u>: Short annular translucent blue with opaque white trail, suspended on a silver(?) wire ring of rectangular cross-section, ends twisted together. Bead diam. 14.5 mm; L. 5.5 mm.

Beads (SBT 2004-65/229; not extant). Amber and glass.

94 (8 August).

GRAVE: D. 3' 1" (0.94 m); W-E.

SKELETON: Supine, fully extended, arms at sides, feet crossed.

[95]

SPOT FIND: D. 1' 0" (0.3 m); c 3' 6" (1.07 m) S of g**96**.

Arrowhead (SBT 2004-65/228). Iron; barbed blade and hollow socket. L. 72 mm. [Medieval].

96

GRAVE: D. 3' 2" (0.97 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Female, child; supine, arms at sides, femora flexed right, other bones much decomposed.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pin (SBT 2004-65/230.1–2; only one of two fragments extant, now packaged with pin SBT 2004-65/232; not listed by Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 115). Sinuous copper-alloy stem. L. ext. 42 mm.

Pin (SBT 2004-65/231; lab. no. 6491; Humphreys et al. 1923, 104, no. 35, ?115 ('fragments of a silver ornament'), fig. 7a. Silver, spiral-headed, now only a fragment.

Pin (SBT 2004-65/232; lab. no. 6423; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 104, no. 36, fig. 7b). Under skull. Silver; looped disc-head set with central garnet in a beaded wire collar; lower part of stem missing. L. ext. 19 mm.

Belt plate? Fragment of flat rectangular copper alloy; V-shaped notch in centre of one end; remnants of rivet holes in corners of the broken opposite end; two incised lines border the sides. W. 13 mm; L. ext. 10 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/229). On pelvis. Iron; back corroded into a hump, but probably straight, angle near end to point, edge slightly convex. L. 140 mm; blade L. 100 mm.

97

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 1'7" (0.48 m).

CREMATED BONE:

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/233). Much broken. Less than half of the lower part of a large urn; grey sandy gritty fabric with a dark grey smoothed exterior; at two points round the extant upper part are remains of 8 incised vertical lines, which might have been continuous or in blocks over and below the greatest diameter; one small sherd bears an intersecting vertical and horizontal incised line. H. ext. 145 mm; max, diam. ext. 340 mm.

[98]

SPOT FIND: D. 2' 0" (0.61 m); 3' (0.91 m) E of cremation 97.

Romano-British dolphin brooch (SBT 2004-65/234; lab. no. 6396; Humphreys et al. 1923, 102, pl.

XII, fig. 2c). Cast copper alloy; plain body with terminal knob and long narrow catchplate; short tubular head carries copper-alloy pin spring. L. 58 mm.

99

GRAVE: D. 2' 9" (0.84 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Child, 5–6 years; supine, extended, head facing left.

99A

SPOT FIND: Near g99 (Wellstood, Record).

Spear ferrule (SBT 2004-65/235). Fragment of iron ferrule or spear socket. L. ext. 27 mm.

100 (11 August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 10" (0.86 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Female child, 8 years; supine, legs flexed left.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/236). On r. side of waist. Iron knife, small but complete, blade back angled down from about halfway to point, concavely worn edge tapers up to point. L. 76 mm.

Beads (SBT 2004-65/237; not extant). Glass.

Bracteate? (SBT 2004-65/238; SBT 2004-65/241 [duplicate registration]; 'portion of disk'

(Wellstood, Record; omitted by Humphreys et al. 1923, 115). Fragment of silver sheet with no certain

external edges, decorated in repoussé Salin's Style II; the interlaced animal(s) not decipherable. L. ext. 16 mm.

Pin (SBT 2004-65/239; 'silver pin ornament with sapphire (?)', Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 115). The extant stem fragment is copper alloy; a separate oval translucent blue glass cabochon probably represents an inlay from the pin head.

Iron implement (not extant). With knife (i.e. at waist).

Workbox (SBT 2004-65/240; Humphreys et al. 1923, 101). Close to l. knee. Copper alloy sheet metal, originally with a small quantity of adhering decayed leather (?); the cylindrical body is connected to the lid by a figure-of-eight rod fastened through eyelet-lugs; on the opposing side another figure-of-eight rod has three attached chain rings; repoussé dot decoration forms a row on the lid rim and alternating chevron bands between horizontal rows on the body. Diam. 54 mm; H. 54 mm. Iron fragments (ibid.). Near workbox. Much corroded, with fragments of fine woven textile. Strap-end (now attributed to this assemblage, but no authenticating documentation). Copper-alloy, tongue-shaped, with one (?original) rivet hole at each end; two (?secondary) iron rivets in the butt end and one near the centre. L. 45 mm.

101 (14 August).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 1' 6" (0.46 m).

CREMATED BONE (SBT 2004-65/243): A few burnt bones (Wellstood, *Record*).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/242). Much broken, base only. Partly reconstructed lower portion of a plain urn with irregular base; buff-brown sandy fabric with small (calcareous?) and many eroded gritty inclusions producing vesicular surfaces, the grey exterior. H. ext. 95 mm; max. diam. ext. 205 mm.

102 (15 August).

GRAVE: D. 3' 2" (0.97 m); S-N?

SKELETON: Legs only, flexed to r.

103 (15 August).

GRAVE: D. 3' 4" (1.02 m); SSE-NNW.

SKELETON: Female; supine, l. arm crossed over breast, r. arm slightly bent at side, legs flexed to right, skull crushed.

GRAVE GOODS:

Two disc brooches (SBT 2004-65/245–246). On each shoulder. Cast copper alloy; /245 tinned surface, decorated with large central and eight small surrounding bull's eye punches; tiny annulet punches surround the central bull's eye and brooch edge; on back organic material (textile). Diam. 41

mm; /246 decorated randomly with double bull's eye punches; on back remnant of iron pin spring. Diam. 36 mm.

Bead on a ring (SBT 2004-65/247). Inside right elbow. Large green glass bead (broken and not extant) suspended on a copper-alloy twisted-knot wire ring. Diam. 17 mm.

Two pairs of sleeve clasps (SBT 2004-65/248–249; Hines 1993, 53-4 and 124, fig. 102,c). One on each hand. Cast copper alloy; /248 integral ribbed bar, two circular perforated lugs with triangular lappets between (Hines Form B20). L. 31 mm; /249 applied cast ribbed bar, rectangular projecting perforated lugs and central lappet with notched edge (Hines Form B14a). L. 27 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/244; labelled '?103'). By r. hand. Iron blade fragment, straight back sloping to point and straight edge. L. ext. 77 mm.

104 (16 August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 6" (0.76 m); SSE-NNW.

SKELETON: Supine, extended, much decomposed.

105 (15 [sic] August).

GRAVE: D. 2'0" (0.61 m); SSE-NNW.

SKELETON: Male (?); supine, fully extended, skull crushed.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/250; authentic association uncertain: label with spear has '70' scratched out and replaced, in the same hand, with '105'; index card records spear as 'unusually long', which this spear is not). Under l. humerus. Iron; slender rhomboidal blade; wood in split socket. L. 191 mm; max. W. 30 mm.

106 (16 August).

GRAVE: D. 3' 4" (1.02 m); WNW-ESE (W-E, Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 116); layer of charcoal c 1' (0.3 m) above body.

SKELETON: Male, mature +; supine, fully extended, arms at sides, l. leg crossed over r. leg below knee.

107 (16 August)

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Male, mature; supine, extended.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/252). Above r. shoulder, point upwards. Iron, harshly conserved, tip and most of socket lost; amorphous abraded profile. L. ext. 121 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/251). Inside r. arm, below elbow. Iron, harshly conserved; blade back straight, tapering to point, edge straight, slightly worn. L. ext. 191 mm; blade L. ext. 128 mm.

Padlock key? (SBT 2004-65/253). On breast. Iron; rhomboidal upper stem, rectilinear lower stem, with looped head bent over to one side and annular ward bent back on other. L. 90 mm.

Iron object (SBT 2004-65/254; not extant). 'Another piece of iron with knife' (Wellstood, Record).

108 (17 August).

GRAVE: D. 3' 10" (1.17 m). SSW-NNE (S-N, Humphreys et al. 1923, 116); charcoal overlying burial.

SKELETON: Supine, 1. arm crossed over r. arm, legs flexed to r., skull crushed.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/255). Near r. hand. Iron, most of tang missing; blade back straight, straight edge curves up to point. L. ext. 147 mm; blade L. 130 mm.

108a (18 August).

SPOT FIND: In a 'trial trench...cut, about 1' by 7' [0.3 x 2.13 m] in the field to the east approaching entrance gate' (Wellstood, *Record*); the given co-ordinate fixed points, I and M, were not marked on Wellstood, *Final Plan*, so the precise location is unknown, but perhaps near g130 or south of g83a and g105.

'Cooking' pot (SBT 2004-65/256; Humphreys et al. 1923, 99; Myres 1977, 162, fig. 76, no. 2512). 'A few odd fragments of pottery' heavily restored; ovoid pot with three small pierced lugs on shoulder and low foot ring round flat base; dark red to buff-grey gritty fabric with eroded inclusions (vesicular). H. 166 mm; rim diam. 108 mm.

[108b] (18 August).

SPOT FIND: In trial trench cut W-E across northern ends of excavation trenches, i.e. north and west of cremation 101.

Sherds of Samian ware (SBT 2004-65/257–258; sketch, Wellstood, Record). [2nd century AD]

109 (21 August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 6" (0.76 m); WNW-ESE (W-E, Humphreys et al. 1923, 116).

SKELETON: Supine, l. arm bent upwards and outwards, r. arm over across waist, legs flexed to left. GRAVE GOODS:

Iron key (SBT 2004-65/259). Looped head enclosing fragment of iron ring (?), rectangular-section shaft and L-shaped ward. L. 200 mm.

Two sherds of black pottery (SBT 2004-65/260–261; not extant). Below body.

110 (21 August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 6").76 m); N-S.

SKELETON: Child; supine, extended, arms at sides.

111 (22 August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 8" (0.81 m); W-E.

SKELETON: Child, under 10 years; on l. side, legs flexed, skull and leg bones only.

112 (22 August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 6" (0.76 m); NNW-SSE (NW-SE, Humphreys et al. 1923, 116).

SKELETON: Male, mature (Brash and Young 1935, appendix I, skull 112a); supine, extended, l. arm at side, r. arm missing.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/262). On r. side of pelvis. Iron; with part of a (?) bone handle and part of a copper-alloy ferrule; the extant knife item comprises a blade only, its tip missing, with organic material (horn?) adhering to a 10 mm length at the other end; blade back angled sharply down towards point, edge straight. L. ext. 128 mm; W. 26 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/263). With the larger knife. Iron, tang with organic material, tip lost, textile remains on blade; blade back straight, angled sharply at end towards point, edge straight. L. 112 mm; blade L. 112 mm; W. 20 mm.

4. Excavations in 1923

113 (4 June).

GRAVE: D. 4'8" (1.42 m); W-E; contemporaneous burial with g114 and g115.

SKELETON: Male; supine, extended, head facing left, r. arm bent up from elbow across chest, l. arm under shoulders of g114.

GRAVE GOODS:

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/264). By l. side of pelvis. Iron oval loop, in three non-joining fragments, and tongue. Approx. W. 45 mm.

114 (4 June).

GRAVE: D. 4' 8" (1.42 m); W-E; contemporaneous burial with g113 and g115, laid in grave last. SKELETON: Supine, head facing right almost touching that of g113, l. arm over waist of g115, r. arm extended under l. pelvis of g113, l. leg extended, r. leg slightly flexed right, knee under l. knee of g113.

115 (4 June).

GRAVE: D. 4'8" (1.42 m); W-E; contemporaneous burial with g113 and g114.

SKELETON: Female; supine, extended, head facing left, l. leg slightly bowed outwards and upwards, l. arm bent upwards, r. arm under shoulder of g114.

116 (5 June).

GRAVE: D. 4' 5" (1.35 m); WSW-ENE; contemporaneous burial with g117 and g118.

SKELETON: Male, *c* 35 years; supine, fully extended, head facing right, l. arm bent underneath waist, r. hand beside pelvis.

117 (5 June).

GRAVE: D. 4'5" (1.35 m); WSW-ENE; contemporaneous burial with g116 andg118.

SKELETON: Child, <12 years; supine, fully extended, head facing right, r. leg under l. knee of g116.

118 (5 June).

GRAVE: D. 4' 5" (1.35 m); WSW-ENE; contemporaneous burials with g115 and g116.

SKELETON: Male, mature +; supine, fully extended, head facing right and touching g117, r. arm parallel with and abutting l. arm of g117.

119 (5 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 9" (1.14 m); W-E.

SKELETON: Supine, extended, r. leg slightly flexed to right, skull and arms missing.

120 (5 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 6" (1.07 m); W-E.

SKELETON: Supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

121 (7 June).

GRAVE: D. 4' 0" (1.22 m); WSW-ENE; contemporaneous burial with g122.

SKELETON: Female, mature; supine, extended, slightly bent to left, r. arm bent outwards, hand above pelvis, l. arm at side slightly bent outwards [?underneath r. arm of g122]; skull underneath head and humerus of g122 [?detached before burial].

GRAVE GOODS:

Two fragments of copper alloy (SBT 2004-65/265–266). On skull, which was discoloured. Two tiny fragments of plain sheet metal, possibly adjoining to form part of a longer strip; one side seems intact, the other damaged. L. ext. 33 mm; W. ext. 9.5 mm.

122 (7 June).

GRAVE: D. 4' 0" (1.22 m); WSW-ENE; contemporaneous burial with g121.

SKELETON: Male, mature; supine, fully extended, skull at right angles to spine and underneath r. shoulder [?detached before burial], arms at sides.

123 (7 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 7" (1.09 m); WSW-ENE.

SKELETON: Supine, fully extended, trunk and majority of skull missing.

124 (7 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 8" (1.12 m); WSW-ENE.

SKELETON: Female; supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

GRAVE GOODS (N.B. Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 283, (mis)aligned the list of grave goods from g**124** with g**123**):

Small-long brooch (SBT 2004-65/267). On breast. Trefoil headplate, plain bow and part of foot, its terminal broken off in antiquity; on back fragment of iron pin spring on pin-holder lug, possibly with textile remains adhering. L. ext. 55 mm.

46 Beads (SBT 2004-65/268; now labelled 'Photo 4'; Humphreys et al. 1925, 280, no. 2 [42 beads], pl. LVIII, fig. 1a [46 beads]). On breast in a double row. Monochrome glass (46): Blue.

125 (7 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 6" (1.07 m); W-E.

SKELETON: Supine, extended; all bones above lower part of pelvis missing and animal bones in their place.

126 (8 June).

GRAVE: D. 4' 2" (1.27 m); W-E.

SKELETON: Female; supine, extended, l. hand across pelvis; only l. arm, r. ulna, pelvis, and upper portions of femora present.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/269). At right of pelvis, point upwards. Iron, ends of tang and blade lost; straight blade back and edge slope gently to point; organic remains (textile and horn?) on tang. L. ext. 105 mm.

85/106 Beads (SBT 2004-65/270-271; Humphreys et al. 1925, 280, no.5 [106 glass, amber and paste, 24 fragments of others and 1 large rock crystal; Brugmann 2004, table 11 [89]). To right and above knife. Amber (45 + fragments; 51, Brugmann 2004): 18 spindle, 26 irregular oval/wedge-shaped, 1 rounded. Monochrome glass (37; 35, Brugmann 2004): 1 short cylinder opaque green (? Roman Cane); 13 Miniature Dark; 2 Blue; 3 Brown (2 single, 1 double-segment); 11 Constricted Segmented (single segment); 1 miniature segmented light green (4 segments), diam. 4 mm; 2 short cylinder

opaque white, diam. 5 mm; 1 wound cylinder green, diam. 5 mm; 1 short globular translucent green-yellow, diam. 8 mm; 1 small colourless transparent medium globular, diam. 10 mm; 1 medium globular opaque yellow, diam. 9 mm. Polychrome glass (2): 1 medium globular opaque white with blue crossing trails and red dots, diam. 8 mm; 1 short globular opaque white with brown/red trail, diam. 9 mm. Rock crystal (1): rounded biconical, diam. 34 mm.

Copper-alloy U-shaped clip (SBT 2004-65/272). Inside l. femur, with some fragments of iron. Sheet-metal strip, fastened by a rivet, from an organic object. L. 15 mm.

127 (8 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); WSW-ENE (SW-NE, Humphreys et al. 1925, 283).

SKELETON: Male (Brash and Young 1935, appendix II); supine, fully extended, r. leg crossed over l. leg at ankles.

128 (8 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON: Extended; r. radius, femora and some feet only present.

129 (9 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 10" (0.86 m); WSW-ENE; in the vicinity a large amount of charcoal, D. 4' 3" (1.3 m). SKELETON: Supine, extended, with legs bowed outwards.

130 (13 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON: Child, 15 years (*in situ* L. 5' 10" (1.78 m); 1st and 2nd permanent molars, but wisdoms unerupted); supine, extended, arms crossed, l. hand on r. shoulder, r. hand on l. hip, r. leg crossed over l. leg at knee.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/273). Lying on breast. Iron; blade back straight (but corroded into a hump), sloping of point, edge eroded but curves convexly up to point. L. ext. 135 mm.

130A (13 June).

SPOT FIND: Near g130.

Fragments of pottery urns and charcoal (not extant).

Several struck flint flakes (SBT 2004-65/274). 2 extant.

Tusk and molars of a boar (SBT 2004-65/275; not extant).

Ox jaw (SBT 2004-65/276; not extant).

130B (14 June).

GRAVE: In Trench BC, i.e. somewhere in 7' (2.13 m) wide strip E of g129 and g130,

SKELETON: Two fragments of skull only.

OTHER FINDS: A few pieces of varied types of pottery.

130C (15 June).

SPOT FIND: D. 5' (1.52 m); in Trench CD, to east of Trench BC.

Two fragments of iron (not extant).

[18 June. Excavation began in the field to the north of the 1922 excavations, between the elm tree and the bowling green. Trenches 1–9 (from south to north) were dug east to west.]

131 (18 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 10" (0.86 m); NW-SE (W-E, Humphreys et al. 1925, 284).

SKELETON: Supine, extended, leg bones only present.

132 (18 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 0" (0.61 m).

SKELETON: Cluster of bones only.

133 (18 June).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 0" (0.61 m).

CREMATED BONES (SBT 2004-65/278).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/277; Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 274, fig. 2a; Myres 1977, 181, fig. 109, no. 2499, numbered 1922-80). Reconstructed bowl; sandy fabric with some eroded (vesicular) inclusions, smoothed grey surface; everted rim and rounded profile; on upper body single row of floral stamps with positive central dot (Briscoe A7bi), set between roughly incised horizontal lines, three above and two below. H. 114 mm; rim diam. 175 mm.

Buckle plate (SBT 2004-65/279). In urn. Copper-alloy rectangular sheet, originally folded in two and fastened at each end by a copper-alloy rivet, one *in situ*; two further copper-alloy rivets fasten a secondary washer to the back. L. 35 mm; W. 27 mm.

Comb (SBT 2004-65/280). In urn. Small bone fragment without any defining feature.

134 (19 June).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 1'9" (0.53 m).

CREMATED BONE (SBT 2004-65/282).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/281). Broken away above ?slight shoulder; gently curved lower body and flattish base; dark grey coarse sandy fabric with many eroded (calcareous?) inclusions, corky buff-brown exterior surface. Approx. H. ext. 135 mm; max. diam. ext. 180 mm.

[134A] (19 June).

SPOT FIND: D. 2' (0.61 m); near W end of Trench 2, i.e. W of g134.

Circular millstone fragment (SBT 2004-65/285).

Roman coin (SBT 2004-65/283). Under millstone. Constantius II, Fel Temp Rep, ex TRP.

134 B (19 June).

SPOT FIND: D. 1' 6" (0.46 m); in Trench 2, S of grave **136** (double-entered under g**134** and under g**136**, Wellstood, *Record*).

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/284 and/298, duplicated registration; stored as 'grave 134'). Iron blade, broken at tip and socket junction; edges eroded, slender angular or leaf-shaped. L. ext. 85 mm (L. was 125 mm according to index card).

135 (19 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 9" (0.84 m); SW-NE (W-E, Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 284); quantity of charcoal near l. elbow and down side of l. leg.

SKELETON: Female; supine, fully extended, parts of cranium, r. humerus and legs only present.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pair of annular brooches (SBT 2004-65/286–287; Humphreys *et al.* 1925,279, pl. LVIII, fig. 3d). On collar bones. Copper alloy; concavo-convex in cross-section, perforation for (lost) pin; one brooch decorated round inner edge with double-point notching punch (producing a dumb-bell or hourglass impression) and with an annulet punch round the outer edge; other brooch has annulet punch on both edges. Diam. 47.5 mm.

1 Bead (SBT 2004-65/288). Amber (1): faceted, flat on perforated sides. Diam. 9 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/285). Near l. hip. Iron, fragment of tang and part of blade. L. ext. 72 mm (L. 143 mm according to index card).

136 (20 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Supine, extended; leg bones only present.

137 (20 June).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 1" (0.64 m).

CREMATED BONE (SBT 2004-65/291).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/290; SBT, DR410/5,8 drawing; SBT, DR410/7,1 photograph; Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 275, fig. 3a; Myres 1977, 130, fig. 6, no. 2507). Large plain urn; grey sandy gritty fabric with abundant organic impressions on exterior; narrow nearly upright rim, concave upper body with high rounded shoulder. H. 228 mm; diam. 279 mm.

138 (20 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); NW-SE (W-E, Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 284); three flat limestone slabs, set edgewise, formed three sides of a square about 2' 7" (0.79 m) across, which framed the skull; charcoal in the neighbourhood.

SKELETON: Female; prone skull; fragment of ?rib (SBT 2004-65/294) stained green from contact with bracelet.

Pin/Pick (SBT 2004-65/292). Under south-east (east) end (? = r. side) of skull. Copper alloy, now in two pieces; pierced oval head, upper shaft edges nicked. L. 102 mm.

Bracelet (SBT 2004-65/293; 'hair-ring', *ibid*.). Outside south-west (west) stone. White-metal surfaced (tinned), copper-alloy sheet-metal penannular hoop, both ends broken; ends rectilinear, middle part expanded on one side into a shallow gable-shape; both edges decorated with a V-shape punch. Diam. ext. 38 mm.

Pot (SBT 2004-65/295; old labels on base and inside identify it as grave 138; more recent label gives 1921-25; SBT, DR410/5,8 drawing; Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 275; Myres 1977, 153, fig. 62, no. 2524, attributed to Alveston). Very close to north-west (west) side (? = 1. side) of skull. Small crudely made beaker or jar; dark grey very coarse fabric, roughly finished; ovoid body with minimal upright rim; an incised line around the base. H. 86 mm; rim diam. 80 mm.

139 (21 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 2" (0.66 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Supine; r. arm bent upwards at side, l. arm across breast to r. shoulder; upper body only.

140 (21 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 10" (0.86 m); SSE-NNW.

SKELETON: On left side, r. arm crossed over breast; upper body parts only.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife: (SBT 2004-65/296). At r. side of skull. Blade back straight/slightly curved, sloping to lost point, edge slightly eroded; traces of organic remains on tang. L. ext. 172 mm; blade L. ext. 122 mm.

141 (21 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 4" (1.02 m); NW-SE.

SKELETON: On r. side, legs flexed; l. radius and ulna over l. femur, r. radius and ulna at side of r. femur, other bones missing.

142 (21 June).

GRAVE: D. 4' 0" (1.22 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON: Female; on r. side, arms at sides, l. hand over pelvis, legs flexed (knees nearly at right angle to pelvis, lower legs slightly bent back and extended downwards, r. knee well above l. knee; skull absent, excepting five teeth.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/297). Inside r. pelvis. Iron; blade back straight, edge convex. L. 105 mm; blade L. 76 mm.

Comb (SBT 2004-65/298; lab. no. 6388). At r. shoulder. Bone; double-sided, with straight short ends, 87 teeth on either side, tapered to leave uncut triangles at ends; applied strips decorated with line of double bull's eyes and fastened by 9 iron rivets. L. 195 mm; W. 41 mm.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/299; not identified). Inside l. pelvis.

Copper-alloy fragment (not in Wellstood, Record). Sheet metal, one end tightly coiled into a narrow tube, below which is an iron rivet; all other edges broken. W. 16.5 mm; L. ext. 14 mm.

Lump of unidentified mineral (SBT 2004-65/300). Near the comb. Triangular lump of incinerated material resembling tufa. Residual or intrusive?

143 (22 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 7" (0.79 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Supine, extended; leg bones only.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/300; Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 277, pl. LVII, fig. 1e). On or near breast area. Cast copper alloy; oval loop with narrowed hinge; elongated triangular cast openwork plate with integral buckle tongue, fastened by two small, originally silver-plated, dome-headed rivets at the base and a large silver-plated domed rivet at the apex to a sheet-metal under-plate (now mostly lost) wrapped round the loop hinge. Total L. 76 mm; loop W. 19.5 mm; plate W. 13.5 mm; apex rivet free L. 3 mm.

144 (22 June).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 1'9" (0.53 m).

CREMATED BONE. Includes sheep/goat (French 2014).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/301). Plain rounded biconical body, with upright rim and an irregular damaged base; grey sandy gritty fabric with smoothed buff-grey exterior surface. H. ext. 160 mm; max. diam. 204 mm.

145 (23 June).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 0" (0.61 m).

CREMATED BONE. (Female) [on basis of brooch].

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/302; SBT, DR410/5,7 drawing; Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 274-5, fig. 3b; Myres 1977, 212, fig. 151, no. 2504). Biconical with everted rim and irregular base; dark grey fabric with fine (calcite?) grit temper; smoothed surface; upper body decorated with incised lattice band, bordered above and below by a row of cross-in-circle stamps (Briscoe A 4ai), the upper row bounded by double incised lines, the lower by a single incised line; 8 small bosses at the shoulder. H. 230 mm; rim diam. 180 mm; approx. max. diam. 250 mm.

Cast saucer brooch (SBT 2004-65/303). In urn. Copper-alloy burnt fragment preserving part of a double-outline five-point star with two border ridges. Estimated diam. 50 mm.

Copper-alloy fragment. With cremated bone.

Strip of worked bone or antler. With cremated bone. L. 45 mm; W. 5mm.

146 (25 June).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 0" (0.61 m).

CREMATED BONE: Small quantity in urn.

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/304; lab. no. 2184; SBT DR410/1 photographs of urn under excavation;

Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 275). Plain sub-biconical pot with upright neck/rim; largely reconstructed, rim now lost; brown sandy gritty fabric with small-large (calcareous?) inclusions and organic impressions on roughly wiped/smoothed exterior surface. Approx. H. 120 mm (originally H. 5½" [133 mm]); max. diam. 143 mm.

147 (26 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 6" (1.07 m); N-S.

SKELETON: Probably female (adult) (Wellstood, *Record*); male, mature+ (Brash and Young 1935, appendix I, 147i skull, appendix III, 147 mandible); on left side, crouched.

148 (26 June).

GRAVE: D. 1'3" (0.38 m).

SKELETON: Child, <1 year (central lower incisors only erupted).

GRAVE GOODS:

Copper-alloy fragment (SBT 2004-65/305; packaged as g156). Trapezoidal, original edges mostly missing; back plain, front decorated with an irregularly bifurcating tendril design in flat plain relief against a background of pointillé. L. ext. 21.5 mm. [?residual Roman]

149 (26 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 7" (0.79 m). N-S.

SKELETON: Supine, extended.

150 (26 June).

GRAVE: Cremation.

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/306). Much broken. Two plain body sherds only extant; coarse sandy (quite micaceous) fabric with some large calcite inclusions; rough interior, smoothed grey exterior.

151 (26 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 2" (0.97 m); SSW-NNE (N-S, Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 285); contemporaneous burial with **152**?

SKELETON: Female? elderly; supine, fully extended, l. shoulder touching r. shoulder of g152.

152 (26 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 2" (0.97 m); SSW-NNE; contemporaneous burial with g151?

SKELETON: Female, mature; supine, fully extended, parallel with and touching l. side of g151.

GRAVE GOODS:

Two disc brooches (SBT 2004-65/307–308; Humphreys et al. 1925, pl. LVIII, fig. 3a,c). On shoulders. Copper alloy; one decorated with incised line borders and two double rings of annulet punches; other with central hole, incised line borders and two double rows of hourglass punches separated by an incised line; on back of both iron pin fragments. Diam. 42 mm.

36 Beads (SBT 2004-65/309; Humphreys et al. 1925, 280, pl. LVIII, fig. 2b [36 glass beads]; Brugmann 2004, table 11 [35]). Around r. elbow. Monochrome glass (30): 24 Blue: 20 short globular/annular, 4 with spiral structure; 1 Brown; 1 Blue Green Spiral; 1 very short globular opaque yellow; 1 short globular opaque red; 1 short globular opaque bluish white with rusty smudges; 1 ribbed translucent blue/green; Polychrome glass (6): 2 medium globular opaque white with blue horizontal lines, diam, 9 and 12 mm; 2 medium globular opaque white with blue horizontal lines and trails, diam. 16 mm; 2 medium globular opaque white with wide red crossing trails and dots, diam. 11–12.

Pick (SBT 2004-65/310). On r. shoulder, near brooch. Copper alloy; perforated oval head, shaft broken. L. ext. 39 mm.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/311; not extant). On pelvis. Iron; round.

Copper-alloy strip (SBT 2004-65/312). One end coiled tightly into a narrow tube, with an iron rivet just below, the other end broken; decorated with central row of bull's eye punches and borders of repoussé dots. L. ext. 37 mm.

Comb (SBT 2004-65/314). On l. elbow. Bone; double-sided with semicircular notch cut into each straight end, 57 teeth. L. 136 mm.

Pot (SBT 2004-65/313; SBT, DR410/5,8 drawing; Humphreys et al. 1923-4, 275; an unnumbered single sherd corresponds with the drawing). Much broken; plain round bodied/globular vessel, thinwalled (th. 3.5 mm), with round-edged everted rim (th. 7 mm) and concave neck; coarse sandy fabric with small to large chalky grits, some eroded out. Reconstructed H. 120 mm; reconstructed max. diam. 140 mm.

Part of bronze pin (SBT 2004-65/315; not recorded in Wellstood, Record). Shaft only, thicker than pick /310. L. ext. >3.5 mm.

153 (27 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 7" (0.79 m); SSE-NNW; disturbed burial; fragments of charcoal between femora. SKELETON: Female; on r. side, legs flexed; only other bones present were some finger bones of l. hand near l. knee and two pieces of skull and humerus (?), out of position.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/316). At r. side of femur. Iron, attenuated and harshly conserved; blade back straight, sloping to point, edge slightly worn concave, slopes up to point. L. ext. 152 mm. *Tweezers* (SBT 2004-65/317; not identified in 2011). Between femora. Embedded in a soft black substance, a decayed leather sheath(?).

Ivory ring (SBT 2004-65/318). On edge, at 1. end of tweezers. Identified from photograph by Sonia O'Connor as ivory; too small to have functioned as a standard bag ring. Diam. 33 mm; max. W. 12 mm.

154 (29 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 6" (0.76 m); SW-NE; charcoal under the feet.

SKELETON: Female; supine, fully extended.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pair of small-long brooches (SBT 2004-65/320–321; Humphreys *et al.* 1925, pl. LVII, fig. 1c). Cast copper alloy; trapezoidal headplate, upper edge decorated with triangular punches, sides with annulet punches, narrow bow and foot with disproportionately large crescent foot terminal; on backs, iron pin fragments between double pin-holder lugs. L. ext. 65 and 66 mm.

21 Beads (SBT 2004-65/322; Humphreys et al. 1925, 280, no.1, pl. LVIII, fig. 2a; not extant). On breast. Amber (6); Monochrome glass: 15 Blue.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/323). On pelvis. Iron D-shaped loop and tongue attached to a short triangular plate with rounded angles, fastened by three silver-capped flat-headed rivets. Loop W. 23 mm; plate L. 36 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/319). On breast. Iron; short blade with straight edge and back, the latter angled sharply to point; textile remains on one face. L. ext. 86 mm.

155 (29 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 3" (0.69 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Female?; supine, extended.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pot (SBT 2004-65/324; Humphreys et al. 1925, 275; Myres 1977, 276, fig. 241, no. 2497). Near top of skull. Small biconical jar, reconstructed from sherds; grey sandy fabric with eroded inclusions (vesicular); everted rim and slightly rounded base; upper body decorated with a row of cross-in-circle stamps (Briscoe A 4ai) between horizontal incised lines, four above and three below; 12 oval bosses over the carination alternate with blocks of four incised vertical lines. H. 117 mm; rim diam. 90–95 mm.

[Stones bearing evidence of burning were found in the neighbourhood of g155.]

156 (29 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 1" (0.64 m); SSW-NNE; grave cut across g160 and g161 (Wellstood, Final Plan).

SKELETON: Female; supine, extended, r. arm at side, l. arm bent outwards.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pair of small-long brooches (SBT 2004-65/325–326; Humphreys et al. 1923-4, pl. LVII, fig. 1a). On the shoulders. Square headplate with central trapezoid defined by a finely incised line and squat rounded T-shaped knobs, the lateral knobs decorated with fine grooves; plain bow and worn foot with narrow spatulate terminal; on backs remains of iron pin spring and on one a patch of solder indicating lost secondary catchplate. L. 74 mm.

74/76 Beads (SBT 2004-65/327; lab. no. 6489; Wellstood, Record [76 beads: 6 amber, 54 glass, 7 of larger size & 2 fragments, and 9 paste]; Humphreys et al. 1925, 280, no. 4, pl. LVIII, fig. 1b [75 beads]; Brugmann 2004, table 11 [74]). Amber (6): 5 wedge-shaped; 1 medium globular; Monochrome glass (61/63): 5 Blue; 53 (originally 55) miniature light green; 1 short globular translucent green; 1 medium globular opaque red; 1 short globular opaque red; Polychrome glass (6): 1 Mottled; 1 short globular opaque yellow with wide red crossing trails and dots; 1 medium globular opaque white with blue wide crossing trails and dots; 1 medium cylinder opaque white with lost overlay; 2 short globular opaque red with (?) lost wide crossing trails and dots; Bone (1): conical. Two Roman coins (SBT 2004-65/327). One lying between the brooches, the other adhering to brooch on r. side. Copper alloy, abraded and illegible; perforated and now strung with beads. Clip (SBT 2004-65/328; not identified in 2011). Under left-hand brooch. Sheet copper-alloy fragment; possibly the separated catchplate from the small-long brooch.

157 (29 June).

GRAVE: D. 3'3" (0.99 m); SSE-NNW.

SKELETON: Male, mature. On l. side, legs flexed, l. hand under femora, r. arm bent across breast.

158 (29 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 3" (0.69 m); WSW-ENE.

SKELETON: Child, c 5 years; supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

159 (30 June).

GRAVE: D. 3' 4" (1.02 m); WSW-ENE.

SKELETON: Supine, extended, r. arm at side, l. arm bent under back, lower legs flexed slightly to right.

160 (30 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 4" (0.71 m). SSE-NNW; cut by g156.

SKELETON: Extended femora and upper portions of lower leg bones only.

161 (30 June).

GRAVE: D. 2'0" (0.61 m); SSE-NNW; cut/disturbed by g156.

SKELETON: Female, small child; fragmentary bones only.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/328; Wellstood, *Record*). Not identified, except for small fragments of the copper-alloy tang/blade junction band. L. 106 mm.

Romano-British 'nail-cleaner' (SBT 2004-65/329). Embedded in a mass of badly corroded iron (SBT 2004-65/332; not extant). Cast copper alloy, with looped head at right-angles to plane of the planoconvex body; decorated with herringbone grooves either side of a central groove. L. 56 mm.

'Ferrule' (SBT 2004-65/330). Near l. knee. Squashed copper-alloy oval plain band. Diam. 16 mm; W. 12 mm; internal dimensions 10 x 13 mm.

Bronze fragments (SBT 2004-65/333; not extant). Near 1. knee.

[161A] (30 June).

SPOT FIND: D. 1' 6" (0.46 m); in Trench 7.

Copper token (SBT 2004-65/331). Nuremburg? [Medieval or post-medieval]

162 (30 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 2" (0.66 m); NNW-SSE (WNW-ESE, Humphreys et al. 1925, 285).

SKELETON: On left side, crouched, l. arm bent at elbow, hand below breast, r. arm bent across waist.

GRAVE GOODS:

Two fragments of iron (SBT 2004-65/334–335; not extant). On breast.

163 (30 June).

GRAVE: D. 2' 5" (0.74 m); WSW-ENE.

SKELETON: Male; supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/336; old label and lab. no. 6395). On pelvis. Iron, tang end lost; blade back straight, curving down to point, edge curves up to point; organic remains on tang. L. ext. 92 mm. *Spearhead* (SBT 2004-65/337). At side of r. shoulder. Iron; rounded rhomboidal blade and short split socket. L. 155 mm.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/338; not identified in 2011). On pelvis.

164 (30 June).

GRAVE: D. 1'9" (0.53 m); WSW-ENE.

SKELETON: Supine; skull and part of r. shoulder only.

165 (3 July).

GRAVE: D. 2' 3" (0.69 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Child (Wellstood, *Final Plan*); supine, extended; very incomplete.

166 (3 July).

GRAVE: D. 2' 3" (0.69 m); WSW-ENE.

SKELETON: Supine, extended, lower legs slightly flexed to left, l. arm bent over waist, r. arm by side.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/339). At side of l. femur. Iron; tang and part of narrow blade with straight back and edge. L. ext. 76 mm (originally L. 103 mm).

[W end of Trench 7, that is W of g166, much disturbed and excavation discontinued beyond 18' 3" (5.56 m) from that end. Several pieces of pottery of the same kind found c 30' to 40' (9.14 - 12.19 m) from W end. Trench 8 commenced from E end, and discontinued 21' 10" (6.66 m) from W end.]

167 (4 July).

GRAVE: D. 2' 4" (0.71 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Female; supine, extended, legs crossed and slightly flexed at the knees, r. arm bent up at elbow, l. arm bent up across breast, over r. arm.

GRAVE GOODS:

7 Beads (SBT 2004-65/341; not extant). On breast. Glass (5); Metal (2): melon-shaped.

Large glass bead on a copper-alloy ring (SBT 2004-65/343). With other beads. Copper-alloy twisted-knot wire ring, its upper surface milled, on which is suspended 1 Annular Twist: medium globular translucent yellow with trails of yellow/green twist. Ring diam. 28 mm; bead diam. 18 mm. Glass-inlaid pendant? (Humphreys et al. 1925, 286; not extant). Inside the copper-alloy ring (SBT 2004-65/343). Silver (?); 'a pear-shaped piece of paste cemented in a setting...the cement and backplate to which the paste was affixed are preserved' (Wellstood, Record). Probably the items on a necklet had collapsed one on top of another.

Smaller glass bead with two or more copper-alloy rings (SBT 2004-65/344; Wellstood, Record; not extant; the bead and ring now packaged as /344 is that registered and described above under /343). Opaque glass (paste) bead from which hung two or more copper-alloy rings.

Key (SBT 2004-65/342). Iron; looped head, rectangular-section shaft and half of originally symmetrical pronged ward. L. ext. 105 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/340). At side of r. femur. Two iron fragments representing tang and blade with straight back sloping down to point and straight edge. L. >105 mm.

[5 July. Trench 9 commenced from E end; discontinued 21' 10" (6.66 m) from W end.]

168 (6 July).

GRAVE: D. 2' 3" (0.69 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Female; supine, fully extended, the arms at sides: skull missing, apart from one much worn molar tooth.

GRAVE GOODS:

Pair of openwork swastika disc brooches (SBT 2004-65/345–346; Humphreys et al. 1925, fig. 4). On shoulders. Copper alloy, slightly concavo-convex in cross-section with central hole; swastika arms and edges of outer frame decorated with S-shaped punch; on back of /346 fragment of iron pin on holder lug and fragmentary secondary catchplate. Diam. 57.5 and 56.5 mm.

6 Beads (SBT 2004-65/347; not extant). Amber (3); Glass (3): 2 Blue; 1 'paste'.

[6 July. Trench 10 commenced from E end; excavated for 64' (19.51 m) and discontinued 38' 6" (11.73 m) from W end.]

168A (6 July).

SPOT FIND: D. 3' (0.91 m); in Trench 10.

Copper-alloy strap-end (SBT 2004-65/348). 'Two bronze plates with one rivet and rounded ends: the upper plate with an incised double line of dots running round edge' (Wellstood, Record). The object now packaged under this registration number is of uncertain authenticity. It comprises a single plain

rectangular copper-alloy mount with a triangular terminal lobe, through which is an iron rivet. L. 39 mm.

168B (6 July).

SPOT FIND: In Trench 10.

Iron key (SBT 2004-65/349). Head missing, rectilinear hooked ward. L. ext. 110 mm.

[9 July. Excavation of trench parallel with Mr Boshier's barn, that is SE of the 1921 road cutting. The trenches in this area were distinguished by Roman numerals, and the wall of the barn served as the base line.]

169 (9 July).

GRAVE: D. 1'3" (0.38 m); W-E.

SKELETON: Male, mature; supine, fully extended, r. leg missing, arms at sides.

170 (9 July).

GRAVE: D. 2' 0" (0.61 m); W-E.

SKELETON: Supine, extended, l. arm bent with hand on pelvis, head destroyed by building operations.

171 (9 July).

GRAVE: D. 2' 6" (0.76 m); W to E.

SKELETON: Male; supine, extended, r. arm at side, l. hand on pelvis; upper body missing.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/350). At l. side. Iron; blade back straight to halfway, then angled sharply to point, edge eroded but slopes up to point, organic material over tang. L. 114 mm.

172 (18 July).

GRAVE: D. 1'7" (0.48 m); SW-NE (WSW-ENE, Humphreys et al. 1925, 286).

SKELETON: Male; supine, extended, l. arm at side, r. arm crossed over pelvis.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/351). Under I. hand. Only two, non-joining, iron fragments now extant, one being part of the tang. L. 165 mm (Wellstood, *Record*).

[172A] (19 July).

SPOT FIND: D. c 1' 8" (0.51 m); 'in the SW angle of the area excavated to date (in line with B)', i.e. probably in the SW corner of the south-eastern section of the cemetery, W of g171 and g172. 'Three

large pieces of stone, lying flat, were found: two others, 2' 10" [0.86 m] long were placed vertically, and below the latter a platform of stones about 3' 6" by 1' 6" [1.07 x 0.46 m] with burnt material on the north side.' (Wellstood, *Record*). No human remains in the neighbourhood (Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 273). [function uncertain]

[20 July. Excavations in the garden at the back of the Mason's Arms to the right [E] of the footpath leading to the Bowling Green. Eleven W-E trenches are marked on Wellstood, *Final Plan*, dug from S to N.]

173 (23 July)

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 0" (0.61 m).

CREMATED BONES (SBT 2004-65/353).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/352). Fragmentary plain sub-biconical or round-shouldered body with flattish base, upper parts missing; grey sandy gritty fabric with buff-brown exterior surface, partly sooted. H. ext. 140 mm; max. diam. ext. 220 mm.

174 (23 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); S-N.

SKELETON: On right side, crouched, arms at sides, both hands under r. femur.

175 (24 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Supine, extended, all bones above the pelvis apart for 4 vertebrae missing.

176 (24 July).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 6" (0.76 m).

CREMATED BONES (SBT 2004-65/355).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/354). Badly broken. Sherds only from a shouldered urn; grey hard sandy fabric, some with possibly calcareous inclusions, though the fabric and surface varies from sherd to sherd; upper body decorated with a zone of small incised chevrons and a row of diagonally impressed cross-in-circle stamps (Briscoe A 4ai), bounded on each side by two horizontally incised lines; over the shoulder small hollow bosses alternate with blocks of vertically incised lines.

177 (24 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 10" (1.17 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON: Male; supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/357). At l. of skull. Socket and most of narrow angular or leaf-shaped blade, now degraded to tracery. L. ext. 140 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/356). Inside l. arm. Iron, now in three fragments; blade back slopes straight from junction to point, edge worn in a shallow concave, rising at end to point; a copper-alloy band fastened by an iron rivet fits round the junction of tang and blade. L. 120 mm; copper-alloy band diam. 18 mm, W. 10.5 mm.

178 (24 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 7" (1.09 m); WNW-ESE; some charcoal in the vicinity of the body.

SKELETON: Female, mature (Brash and Young 1935, appendix II, skull 178i); supine, fully extended, r. arm crossed over breast, l. arm over pelvis.

GRAVE GOODS:

Cast saucer brooch (SBT 2004-65/358; Humphreys et al. 1925, 286, pl. LVII, fig. 3b). At right of skull. Copper alloy, surface badly effaced; central hollow collar originally held a pyramidal (red) glass setting (lost after excavation); field of five Style I ambiguous head/leg-motifs and part of a sixth, border of two lathe-turned rings and fine concentric grooves; on back iron traces from pin and originally fragments of woven fabric. Diam. 44 mm.

4 Beads (SBT 2004-65/359). With brooch. <u>Amber</u> (1): flat disc, broken across central perforation, redrilled, with partial re-drilling at another point; <u>Monochrome glass</u> (3): 2 <u>Constricted Segmented</u> (originally 1 double segment); 1 short annular translucent blue-green, diam. 12 mm.

179 (24 July).

GRAVE: D. 4' 0" (1.22 m); WSW-ENE; two flat stones partially covered the body, one over the legs; charcoal in evidence.

SKELETON: Child (*in situ* L. 2' 7" (0.79 m); Wellstood, *Final Plan*); on l. side, fully extended, feet missing.

180 (26 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 2" (0.97 m); WSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Small child (in situ L. 2' 3"); on l. side, crouched.

181 (26 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 8" (1.12 m); WSW-ENE.

SKELETON: Female, mature +; supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

GRAVE GOODS:

Small-long brooch (SBT 2004-65/360; Humphreys et al. 1925, pl. LVII, fig. 1b). On r. shoulder. Cast copper alloy; trapezoidal headplate and three semicircular knobs decorated with triangular punches; small bow, foot with large semicircular terminal with traces of annulet punches on its upper edge; wrapped round front of foot, a secondary sheet-metal catchplate; on back iron pin fragment retains textile remains. L. 72 mm.

Tweezers (SBT 2004-65/361; not identified in 2011). Under chin. Fragmentary.

Pin (SBT 2004-65/362; Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 287 recorded it as bronze, index card as 'bone'; not extant). Under chin.

Pin (SBT 2004-65/363). Under chin. Iron; two fragments are packaged under this registration number: one is the tip of a pin, L. 31 mm; the other is not pin-like, but a sliver that possibly laminated off a larger rod, L. 45 mm.

182 (26 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 6" (1.07 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Male; supine, fully extended, arms at sides, l. leg crossed over r. leg at ankles; small portion of skull only, stained green.

GRAVE GOODS:

Cauldron (SBT 2004-65/367; SBT DR410/7/5 pre-conservation photographs, 1968; post-conservation photograph, 1976; Humphreys et al. 1925, pl. LVII, fig. 3; not identified in 2011). Standing upright over skull at D. 2' 3" (0.69 m); immediately under its base a piece of wood (probably oak) c 6" x 11/4" (152 x 32 mm); inside bowl one small fragment of bone. Sheet copper-alloy globular body with outturned flat rim and upright perforated triangular lugs; iron handle mostly missing. Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/365). Above l. shoulder. Iron; narrow angular blade with eroded uneven edges, tip lost; wood preserved in socket; single wire binding round junction. L. ext. 135 mm. Shield boss (SBT 2004-65/366; previously 1923-8/1; SBT, DR410/7,1 photograph; Humphreys et al. 1925, 276-7, pl. LVII, fig. 2; Dickinson 2005, fig. 3c-d). On l. elbow. Iron, now much fragmented and mounted on perspex; straight cone with integral disc apex capped by a gilded cast copper-alloy disc decorated in Style I (diam. 54.5 mm), carination, concave wall (H. 25 mm) and flange, originally with 5 silver-plated iron disc-headed rivets alternating with 5 gilded cast copper-alloy mounts, in form of 2 open-jawed Style I animal heads back-to-back about a central rectangle containing a double interlocked loop motif (L. 74 mm; W. 20 mm); the mounts' integral rivets had been filed down; secondary rivet holes pierced through the base of the animals' jaws held iron rivets with small domed heads and on 2 mounts the animal necks bear tertiary rivet holes. Approx. diam. 168 mm; approx. H. 82 mm.

Shield grip. Iron, originally flat with expanded ends, now only fragments.

Shield board mounts? (not identified in 2011). Two tinned or silver-plated iron disc-headed rivets. Small iron disc-head rivet from shield (not identified in 2011). Two fragmentary iron half 'loops' (Humphreys et al. 1925, 276–7, pl. LVII, fig. 2; not part of the shield grip, with which they were photographed). Function unknown, not a buckle. Approx. L. 20 mm; approx. W. 15 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/364). On waist, point upwards. Iron blade fragment only, straight back sloped to point with marked angle, edge straight, sloping to point. L. ext. 118 mm; W. 23 mm.

183 (26 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 6" (1.07 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON: Male, 20-year age-group; supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/369; labelled '183?'). At l. side of skull, pointing upwards. Iron, complete but for tip; slender blade with ogival edges and socket full of wood. L. 267 mm; socket L. 97 mm. Spearhead or javelin (SBT 2004-65/370). At l. left side of skull, pointing upwards. Iron, tip and base of socket lost; blade angular, but eroded to give more ogival profile; remains of textile on blade; socket filled with wood. L. ext. 130 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/368). Across waist. Iron, apparently complete; back and edge straight, tapering to point. L. 85 mm.

184 (26 July).

GRAVE: D. 4'2" (1.27 m); SW-NE; ?contemporaneous burial with/over g185.

SKELETON: Child; supine, fully extended, r. arm at side, l. arm bent at elbow across waist; immediately against and touching l. side of g185.

GRAVE GOODS:

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/371). On waist. Iron, in two fragments; front of an oval or D-shaped loop, tongue attached to rectangular plate, fastened by one rivet; remains of textile (?) on plate. Loop W. ext. 29 mm; L. plate 21.5 mm; total L. 58 mm.

185 (26 July).

GRAVE: D. 4'3" (1.3 m); SW-NE; ? contemporaneous burial with/under g184.

SKELETON: Male; supine, fully extended, arms at sides, r. hand lying just under pelvis of ${\tt g184}$.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/372; labelled '?185'). At l. side of head. Iron, badly laminated and damaged; rounded lozenge-shaped blade, without socket. L. ext. 127 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/371). Inside l. elbow. Iron, broken at both ends; blade back straight, edge slightly eroded. L. ext. 117 mm.

186 (26 July).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 6" (0.76 m).

CREMATED BONES: A few fragments of bone inside urn.

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/373). Much broken and a good deal missing. About 20 small to medium sherds, some conjoining, from a rounded biconical urn; grey sandy fabric with some eroded (calcareous?) inclusions; possible base sherds are rough with organic impressions; upper body decorated with row of large segmented-ring (12 segments) stamps (Briscoe A 5dxii) set between horizontally incised lines, two above and three below.

187 (27 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 10" (1.17 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Female, mature +; supine, fully extended, head facing right, r. arm at side, l. arm bent at elbow across waist.

GRAVE GOODS (index card lost):

Pot (1921-25; original label loose as well as a modern label inside urn; SBT, DR410/5,8 drawing; Humphreys et al. 1925, 275; Myres 1977, 130, fig. 8, no. 2509). Behind and slightly above/to l. of skull. Plain, rounded biconical urn with everted rim and well defined shoulder; fine sandy fabric with eroded inclusions (vesicular surface), highly smoothed exterior with polishing lines clearly visible, fired pink to grey. H. 172 mm; rim diam. 130 mm.

Pot (no registration number or authentic label; Wellstood, Record, photograph; Humphreys et al. 1925, 275; Myres 1977, 184, fig. 113, no. 2514, ascribed to Alveston). Inside plain pot. Small beaker with upright rim, slightly concave neck, baggy rounded lower body and irregular base; dark grey sandy gritty fabric, roughly smoothed; upper body decorated with row of rough stab-marks, some semi-circular, others more attenuated rectangles, set between double irregularly incised horizontal lines; 11 small oval bosses around the greatest diameter. Approx. H. 75–78 mm; rim diam. 74–75 mm

Iron fragments. Inside smaller pot. From a blade?

Knife (SBT 2004-65/374; lab. no. 44, labelled ?187). On breast. Two fragmentary iron blade points, one a tip only, L. ext. 30 mm, the other with straight back angled to the point and straight edge, L. ext. 80 mm. (L. 87 mm, Wellstood, *Record*).

Pair of small-long brooches (SBT 2004-65/375–376). One on l. collar-bone, other on breast below chin. Cast copper alloy; square headplate with slightly concave edges, short bow, round-cornered lozenge-shaped footplate with disc terminal separated by a ribbed section; headplate and footplate decorated with annulet punch border, terminal with a central double bull's eye; on back of both intact iron pin. L. 68 mm.

4 Beads (SBT 2004-65/377; not extant). Under 1. femur. Glass (4).

Pendant (SBT 2004-65/378; Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 278 and 287, pl. LVII, fig. 1h). On breast with one of the brooches. Gilded copper alloy; integral relief-casting in the general form of a headplate knob from a florid cruciform brooch: a pair of bird-of-prey heads flank a full-face humanoid mask, which can also be read as two profile helmed heads with bird heads flowing from their rears; the mask's oval tongue projects towards a rectilinear terminal tab (the mask's beard or breath?), on which is solder suggesting lost (silver) plating; two rivet holes perforate the tab, their outer sides very worn; the back is plain. L. 28.5 mm; W. 45 mm.

Cosmetic brush (SBT 2004-65/?379; extant in 1980, not identified in 2011). On breast. Copper-alloy sheet metal tapered cylinder, its top broken; contains parallel strands of organic material on inside (Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 287 mistook these for wood, and described an iron point, perhaps an iron suspension ring).

Rim for an organic vessel? (SBT 2004-65/381). ? = small pieces of bronze between the pendant and the cosmetic brush (Wellstood, Record). Copper-alloy sheet band, splayed slightly from the vertical, forms an incomplete hoop; no evidence of means of attachment. Estimated diam. 62 mm; W. 6 mm Twisted-wire ring (SBT 2004-65/382). On breast under cosmetic brush. Fragment of two-strand copper alloy. Approx. diam. 25 mm.

Sleeve clasp (SBT 2004-65/?380; Humphreys et al. 1925, 278, pl. LVII, fig. 1f). ? in breast area. Copper-alloy sheet-metal rectangular hook and eye plates, each with two rivet holes for attachment and applied ribbed bar; hook plate has repoussé dot decoration. L. 37 mm.

Ring and buckle (SBT 2004-65/449; not recorded, *ibid.*, 287). Cast copper-alloy ring, to the inside of which adheres part of an iron oval buckle loop with attached tongue. Ring diam. 39 mm; buckle loop approx. W. 36 mm.

188 (27 July).

GRAVE: D. 4' 3" (1.3 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Male; supine, fully extended, arms at sides, l. hand on femur.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/386). Inside l. elbow. Iron, tang broken; blade back straight, edge convexly curved. L. ext. 100 mm.

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/387). Outside I. elbow. Iron, badly fractured, with end of socket broken off; slender blade with minimal basal shoulder. L. ext. 185 mm; W. ext. 33 mm.

189 (27 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 10" (1.17 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Supine, fully extended, head facing right, r. arm at side, l. arm bent with hand on breast.

190 (27 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 5" (1.04 m); WSW-ENE; cut g191?

SKELETON: Female, mature+ (Brash and Young 1935, appendix II, 190i skull); supine, fully extended, l. leg crossed over r. leg at ankles, r. arm at side, l. arm bent across waist.

GRAVE GOODS:

Applied saucer brooch (SBT 2004-65/388). On r. collar bone. Fragmentary copper-alloy flat backplate; slot for lost pin-catch; on back, pin-holder with iron corrosion products from pin and trace of textile remains; two small fragments of copper alloy from ?applied foil. Diam. 64 mm.

Pin or key (SBT 2004-65/389). Inside l. elbow (Wellstood, *Record*), inside l. femur (Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 288). Iron round-sectioned shaft with looped head. L. ext. 53.5 mm.

191 (28 July).

GRAVE: D. 4'2" (1.27 m); ?NW-SE; foot end cut/disturbed by g190.

SKELETON: On right side, crouched (femora aligned NE-SW); leg bones and one tooth only present. GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/390). On presumed position of waist. Iron fragment, part of tang and blade with straight back and edge. L. ext. 94 mm.

Pick (SBT 2004-65/391). On presumed position of breast. Copper alloy, made from rolled sheet metal, upper shank with perforated straight-edged head. L. ext. 29 mm.

192 (28 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 3" (0.99 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON: Child; supine, fully extended; mandible with permanent incisors, 1st lower permanent molars, all other deciduous teeth, crowns of the 2nd permanent molars in crypt openings.

193 (28 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 3" (0.99 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON: Child, 4 years; on l. side, crouched.

194 (30 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 10" (1.17 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON: (Male)?; supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/392). On l. shoulder. Iron tang with part of blade, back and edge straight. L. ext. 125 mm.

194A (30 July).

SPOT FIND: D. 4' 6" 1.37 m); in area of disturbance to NE of feet of g194, just within Trench 7, but nearer to r. shoulder of g205, which had lost its upper body, in Trench 8.

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/393, #b, labelled '194a'; on reverse of label an early hand gives the same co-ordinates for location as in Wellstood, *Record*). Iron; leaf-shaped blade, tip broken, socket split to full length. L. ext. 131 mm; blade L. ext. 59 mm.

Spearhead socket fragment (SBT 2004-65/393, #a, labelled '?194'; ? = 'iron nail (?)', Wellstood, Record). L. ext. 72 mm; diam. 26 mm.

195 (30 July).

GRAVE: D. 4' 0" (1.22 m); disturbed and re-interred burial.

SKELETON: (Male)?; bones mixed together indiscriminately.

GRAVE GOODS (association uncertain):

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/394). Near the body, D. 4' 4" (1.32 m). Iron blade fragment without socket; rounded widest part about one third beyond junction, edge much eroded. L. ext. 122 mm.

[31 July. Excavation of strip of ground on the east side of the stone wall dividing the garden of the Mason's Arms from the main excavation area]

196 (31 July).

GRAVE: D. 3' 0" (0.91 m); SSE-NNW.

SKELETON: Supine, fully extended, arms at sides.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/395). Near I. hand. Iron tang and part of blade with straight back and edge; organic material over tang. L. ext. 103 mm.

Two rings (SBT 2004-65/396-397). Iron, smaller inside the larger. Diam. 41 mm and 67.5 mm.

[196A] (31 July).

SPOT FIND: Near g196.

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/398). Copper-alloy cast fragment with tab on front edge relief-decorated with chevrons. [Medieval?]

196B (31 July).

SPOT FIND:

Three iron implements (SBT 2004-65/399–401; not extant). Shaped like a stylus, L. 114 mm, 109 mm and 90 mm.

197 (31 July).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 1'2" (0.36 m).

CREMATED BONES (SBT 2004-65/403). Inside urn.

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/402). Much damaged. One upright rim and two upper body sherds from a round shouldered vessel; pinky-grey coarse fabric with many fine to medium calcite grit inclusions, many eroded, leaving corky surfaces, the exterior pinkish. Sherd max. L. 80 mm.

198 (31 July).

GRAVE: D. 2' 7" (0.79 m).

SKELETON: Skull only.

199 (2 August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 10" (0.86 m).

SKELETON: Portions of very thin skull and a few small bones only present.

199A (2 August).

GRAVE: Cremation; SSE of g200.

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/404). Fragments only; extant are two conjoined sherds from upper body of a shouldered or biconical urn; hard grey sandy gritty fabric with smoothed dark grey exterior surface; three incised horizontal lines bound, above and below, a row of cog-wheel (8-arm) stamps with central positive disc (Briscoe A 7cii).

200 (2 August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 9" (0.84 m); disturbed grave?

SKELETON: (Female)?; parts of a skull only.

GRAVE GOODS:

Bucket (SBT 2004-65/404; Cook 2004, 99, no. 285). Above skull, D. 14" (0.36 m). Six pieces of plain copper-alloy from the hoops, now just fragments; one piece comprises an overlap joint fastened by two copper-alloy rivets to part of an upright or handle escutcheon. W. 10.5 mm.

Sleeve clasp (SBT 2004-65/405; Humphreys et al. 1925, 278, pl. LVII, fig. 1g). Above skull. Cast copper-alloy fragment of an omega-shaped plate decorated in Style I with a mask and two out-turned bird-heads, their necks filled with running C-scrolls (Hines Class Cliv, Saxonbury-Bidford type). W. ext. 40 mm.

Mount? (SBT 2004-65/406). Above skull. Copper-alloy sheet-metal strip, slightly curved, broken at each end; edges decorated with double row of repoussé dots and perforated by a copper-alloy rivet; different metal from /404, but might be from a bucket hoop.

Piece of modern metal (SBT 2004-65/407). Intrusive. Stamped with lettering ?HRH.

200A (2 August).

SPOT FIND: D. 2'7" (0.79 m); a considerable amount of broken bones and burnt stones.

201 (2August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 2" (0.66 m). SSE-NNW.

SKELETON: Supine, extended, with legs bowed outwards.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/408). On pelvis. Iron, badly laminated, most of tang lost; blade back straight, angled sharply to point, edge eroded concavely. L. ext. 131 mm (L. 157 mm, Wellstood, *Record*). *Knife* (SBT 2004-65/409). On pelvis. Iron fragments. L. ext. 112 mm.

202 (2 August).

GRAVE: D. 3' 9" (1.14 m). SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Child; supine, extended.

GRAVE GOODS:

Iron object (SBT 2004-65/410; not extant). On breast.

203 (3 August).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 4" (0.71 m).

CREMATED BONES (SBT 2004-65/412).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/411). Lower part of curved body with flattish base; grey gritty fabric with buff-brown rough surfaces marked by many organic impressions; one small sherd is decorated with a line of four pointed oval impressions (Briscoe D 1ai), apparently set vertically, though horizontal is more plausible; on one side, part of an incised line and a single chevron. H. ext. 95 mm; max. diam. ext. 180–190 mm.

204 (3 August).

GRAVE: D. 4' 4" (1.32 m); WSW-ENE.

SKELETON: Supine, extended, arms at sides, l. lower leg bent under r. leg.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/413). At right of pelvis, point downwards. Iron with organic remains on tang; blade back slightly curved convexly, edge worn concavely, tapering up to point. L. 138.5 mm.

[8 August. Excavation resumed in the garden of the Mason's Arms.]

205 (8 August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 6" (0.76 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON: Supine, extended; head and lower legs missing.

GRAVE GOODS: None, unless spot find 194A was displaced from this burial.

206 (8 August).

GRAVE: SW-NE.

SKELETON: Skull only; ?displaced from g205.

GRAVE GOODS:

Buckle (SBT 2004-65/416.1; Wellstood, *Record*). Complete cast copper-alloy D-shaped loop with narrow hinge, iron tongue and copper-alloy sheet metal plate fastened by two iron rivets. Loop W. 31.5 mm; plate W. 15 mm; total L. 47.5 mm.

Four tiny copper-alloy sheet metal fragments (SBT 2004-65/416.2–5). Function not identifiable. Strap-end or clip? (SBT 2004-65/415). Tiny fragment of copper-alloy sheet metal, in two layers fastened by two iron rivets/split-pins. L. 37 mm (Wellstood, *Record*).

Knife (SBT 2004-65/414). Iron fragment of blade with straight back and edge, tapering to point. L. ext. 83 mm.

207 (8 August).

GRAVE: D. 4' 8" (1.42 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Male; supine, fully extended.

GRAVE GOODS:

Shield boss: (SBT 2004-65/417.1, 3–5). Over skull. Iron; straight cone, its integral (spike?) apex lost; carination with vertical wall (H. 18 mm) and flange (W. 15 mm), on which survive 3 of the originally 4 iron disc-headed rivets (diam. 15 mm). 'A careful examination...by FCW and Mr Reginald Smith indicated that the wooden part of the shield was half an inch [13 mm] in thickness; the handle consisted of an iron plate, covered with wood on the inner surface, with the iron plate outside, the whole handle being bound round with some woven fabric, fragments of which were clearly discernible. The rivets which secured the umbo to the wooden shield were outside those which held the handle on the back, the handle having been fixed to back of shield before the umbo was rivetted on.' (Wellstood, Record). Diam. 140 mm. H. 85 mm

Shield grip SBT 2004-65/417.2): Iron, very eroded, flat with expanded terminals. L. 103 mm.

208 (8 August).

GRAVE: D. up to 4' 0" (1.22 m); body disturbed, bones scattered and at various depths.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/418). Iron, tips of tang and blade lost; blade back convexly curved, edge straight; organic remains on tang. L. ext. 148 mm.

208A, B and C (8 August).

GRAVES: 6' to 8' (1.83 - 2.44 m) N of g**208**, in area which had been much disturbed; fragments from three or more cremation urns.

Urns (SBT 2004-65/419). Extant are 3 small rim sherds, each apparently from a different urn, and 4 body sherds; all are in a grey sandy gritty fabric, and matching rim to body sherds is not clear-cut.

208A. Mid-body sherd (iv) with roughly smoothed buff interior and smoothed grey exterior; decorated with a row of diagonally placed cross-in-circle stamps (Briscoe A 4ai), below which two incised horizontal lines cut across the tops of 4 incised vertical lines that bound a hollow boss; th. 18 mm; goes with either (ii) round-topped, upright rim with markedly concave neck, th. 6 mm) or (iii) flat topped upright rim with part of outwards slope towards shoulder, polished black inside and out and with marked smoothing lines.

208B. Body sherd (v) with smoothed exterior surface, decorated with a row of negative cog-wheel (7 negative wedges) stamps with positive central dot (Briscoe A 7cii) above two horizontally incised lines, th. 6 mm; goes with either rim sherd (ii) or (iii) above.

208C. Flat topped upright rim sherd (i), th. 8.5 mm; very small body sherd (vi) with one incised horizontal line, probably below neck, above a row of tiny ?negative cog-wheel stamps (Briscoe A 7ci) th. 6.5 mm; possibly also body sherd (vii), with white calcareous grit inclusions and two faintly incised (vertical?) lines, th. 15 mm.

[208D] (8 August).

SPOT FIND: Approx. D. 3' 6" (1.07 m); near g**208**.

Small bronze bell (SBT 2004-65/420; not identified in 2011). Late 17th century, made in Wiltshire (Reginald Smith, in Wellstood, *Record*). [Post-medieval]

209 (9 August).

GRAVE: D. 5' 0" (1.52 m); SSW-NNE (WNW-ESE, Humphreys et al. 1925, 288).

SKELETON: Parts of skull and pelvis, and l. arm only present.

GRAVE GOODS:

Copper-alloy fragment (SBT 2004-65/421). Sheet metal, function unidentifiable.

210 (9 August).

GRAVE: D. 4' 2" (1.27 m). WSW-ENE.

SKELETON: Male. Lower legs only present.

GRAVE GOODS:

Spearhead (SBT 2004-65/423). On r. side. Iron, most of socket missing and edges reduced to tracery. L. ext. 354 mm (in 2011); W. 35 mm; L. ext. 360 mm (in 1980).

Shield boss (SBT 2004-65/424). On l. side (?). Iron, very fragmented; straight/very slightly concave cone with broken integral (spike?) apex; no carination, straight wall (H. 30 mm), flange (W. 18–20 mm) retaining 2 of originally 4 iron disc-head rivets. Diam. 135 mm; approx. H. 95 mm. *Knife* (SBT 2004-65/422). Under shield boss. Fragments of iron blade only. L. ext. 79 mm.

[9 August. Last trench in front of alcove was commenced from W end. The surface here, and generally over the top end of the garden had been artificially raised some 15 or 18 inches (0.38 or 0.46 m), probably with soil which had been removed when the gravel pit, now occupied by the Bowling Green was excavated in the 19th century.]

211 (9 August).

GRAVE: D. 3' 7" (1.09 m); SW-NE.

SKELETON: All bones above the pelvis missing.

GRAVE GOODS:

Knife (SBT 2004-65/425). Inside l. femur. Iron with organic material on tang; blade back slopes straight to point, edge worn but rises to point. L. ext. 172 mm; blade L. 110 mm.

212 (10 August).

GRAVE: D. 4' 11" (1.5 m); S-N.

SKELETON: Male; supine, fully extended, arms at sides, r. arm bent slightly outwards.

GRAVE GOODS:

Shield boss (SBT 2004-65/427.1). Over l. side of pelvis. Iron, straight cone with integral apex disc (diam. 47 mm), carination, sloping wall (H. 30 mm) and wide flange (W. 38–40 mm), which retains 1 disc-headed iron rivet and 3 rivet holes of an original 5 rivets. Diam. 193 mm; H. 100 mm.

Shield grip (SBT 2004-65/427.2). Iron, now in two non-joining fragments; flat central portion with lozenge- or peltate terminals. L. ext. 163 mm.

Knife (SBT 2004-65/426). Under shield boss. Iron; tang slopes down at an angle; blade back and edge straight, tapering to lost point. L. ext. 128 mm (L. 162 mm according to index card).

213 (10 August).

GRAVE: Cremation; D. 2' 9" (0.84 m).

CREMATED BONES: (Female [on basis of comb]).

GRAVE GOODS:

Urn (SBT 2004-65/429; 1921-25; SBT, DR410/5,8 drawing; Humphreys *et al.* 1925, 275, fig.2b; Myres 1977, 333, fig. 332, no. 2500). Biconical with everted rim; decorated with a diagonally ribbed applied ring round neck; on upper body, single incised horizontal lines bound three zones of stamps, respectively a row of squat crescents (Briscoe G1ai+), a row of crosses with positive central disc, four arms and negative 'v'-shapes between the arms (Briscoe B 3 bi), and a double row of the Briscoe G1ai+ stamps; on the shoulder 4 small oval hollow bosses are bounded on either side by groups of 4 incised long vertical lines, which join at the base to form triangles. H. 160 mm; rim diam. 107 mm. *Comb* (SBT 2004-65/428). Inside urn. Fragment of a double-sided bone comb with straight end, broken across first rivet hole, stained by iron; teeth diminishing in length towards end; 3 bull's eyes in close-set row of on one face and spaced out on the other. L. 19 mm; W. 58 mm. *Small fragments of iron*. Inside urn. One possibly a buckle, max. W. 15 mm; tongue L. 20 mm. The other two amorphously shaped, rectilinear or rod-like, possibly from a bladed implement.

214 (11 August).

GRAVE: D. 2' 0" (0.61 m); SSW-NNE.

SKELETON: Female? supine, extended, legs bowed outwards and upwards, arms crossed over breast. GRAVE GOODS:

Pottery bowl (SBT 2004-65/430; Humphreys et al. 1925, 288, cf. 275, where misprinted as grave 124; Myres 1977, 288, fig. 258, no. 2513, ascribed to Alveston). At l. side of skull, with a small quantity of minute fragments of (?animal) bones inside. Round-shouldered/sub-biconical bowl with everted rim and worn base; buff-grey sandy gritty fabric with grey smoothed surface; on upper body between two pairs of widely spaced incised horizontal lines a row of variably impressed squat crescent stamps (Briscoe G1ai+); around the shoulder 9 bosses, between which are groups of 3 vertically incised lines. H. 100 mm; rim diam. 80 mm.

5. Unstratified and disassociated artefacts from 1922-23 in SBT or referred to in publications

1922-23/i. Beads (Humphreys et al. 1923, 105, no. 3 [15 beads] and pl. XVII, fig.1a: the description cannot be reconciled with the photographed beads; partially seen in 1980, not identified in 2011).

Amber (?10): 5 short irregular wedges; ?5 small rounded/faceted. Monochrome glass: 8 Constricted Segmented (as single segments, but reported to have been in 3, 4 and 5 segments); 1 Roman Melon. 1 Roman-coin pendant.

1922-23/ii. Rock crystal bead (SBT 2004-65/451; labelled, without good reason, '? grave 40'; Humphreys et al. 1923, 104, 32, records a 'large crystal spindle-whorl', which is not a good match to

- this bead). Short globular with narrow perforation and abraded circumference. Diam. 19 mm; L. 12 mm.
- **1922-23/iii.** *Whorl* (SBT 'unattributed objects box'; 'meerschaum spherical pendant', Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 104, no. 31). Large chalk sphere, perforated. Diam. 32.5 mm; L. 32 mm.
- **1922-23/iv.** *Spangle/pendant* (Humphreys *et al.* 1922-3, 103, no. 13; not identified). Copper-alloy fragment, with four hanging discs, one from each corner.
- **1922-23/v.** *Beaver-tooth pendant* (SBT lab. no. 6493; Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 103, no. 14). Part of a lower incisor, set in a copper-alloy collar and suspended on a wire ring.
- 1922-23/vi. Pin (SBT lab. no. 6399). Copper alloy; plain oval perforated head. L. 93 mm.
- **1922-23/vii.** *Pin* (SBT lab. no. 6400). Copper alloy; perforated head, grooved projection above and grooves below. L. 112 mm
- 1922-23/viii. Buckle (SBT lab. no. 6417). Iron oval loop with tongue. W. 35.5 mm.
- **1922-23/ix.** *Buckle* (SBT lab. no. 6418). Iron oval loop, decorated with ribbing; attached to hinge a tongue and trapezoidal plate, fastened by one rivet. Total L. 39.5; W. loop 22.5 mm; W. plate 16 mm.
- **1922-23/x.** *Buckle* (lab. no. 6420). Copper-alloy D-shaped loop, with flat base but inner edge raised vertically; fragment of iron tongue. W. 36 mm.
- **1922-23/xi.** *Ring* (lab. no. 6496). Copper-alloy plain rod with sub-rectangular cross-section curled into a ring with overlapped ends. Diam. 24.5 mm.
- **1922-23/xii.** *Strap mount?* (packaged wrongly as 'grave 148'). Copper-alloy sheet; plain rectangle, one end bent up diagonally, a small U-shaped indent centrally at the other end; off centre two copperalloy rivets with rectangular heads pierce the plate and a fragment of an under layer of sheet metal adheres to an adjacent corner. W. 19 mm; L. (to bend) 25 mm.
- **1922-23/xiii.** *Tweezers* (lab. no. 6422). Copper alloy; row of punched S-shapes down each face. L. 68 mm.
- **1922-23/xiv.** *Comb* (lab. no. 6424). Bone; double-sided, applied bars fastened by six iron rivets; straight ends punctuated by almost circular cut-out; tooth cuts tapered to leave plain triangle at end. L. 130 mm; W. 45 mm.
- **1922-23/xv.** *Spearhead* (lab. no. 6393). Iron; ogival eroded blade, socket split for entire length, fastened by a rivet. L. 179 mm; blade L. 102 mm; max. W. 28 mm.
- **1922-23/xvi.** Copper-alloy ingot (Humphreys et al. 1925, 277; not identified). Broken across middle; 'square-ended, with a rib running the length of the upper surface, and is much thicker at the end $[\frac{3}{4}]$ than in the centre $[\frac{1}{4}]$ '.
- **1922-23/xvii.** *Iron rod* (lab. no. 6415). Flat tapering bar of rectangular cross-section, curled-loop head, other end bent in a curve. Approx. L. 150 mm. [Probably not Anglo-Saxon]
- **1922-23/xviii.** *Arrowhead* (lab. no. 6416). Iron; barbed blade. [Medieval]
- **1922-23/xix.** *Two iron pins or nails.* [Medieval or modern?]

1922-23/xx. *Urn* (modern label wrongly identifies it as 'grave 80'). Contains a few cremated bones. Upper part broken off and much of lower part missing; slightly bulbous ovoid lower body with flattish base; buff-grey gritty fabric with rough surface. Approx. H. ext. 100 mm; approx. max. diam. ext. 120 mm. Although the extant urn compares in shape and size with the missing 1921/viii pot, the latter was said to be without contents and its fabric was described as 'blackish' (Humphreys *et al.* 1923, 98) or 'smooth black ware' (Myres 1977, 142).

6. Find from 1949

1949/1. Skeleton found in High Street during work associated with the installation of a public convenience alongside the Co-operative Society's Hall (both buildings now demolished). 'In remarkably good condition' and 'just beneath the surface' (Warwickshire HER MWA 606: newspaper cuttings, probably from *Evesham Journal*). It is uncertain whether this burial belongs with the Early Anglo-Saxon cemetery or with unaccompanied burials uncovered in 1965/6 and 1978 from The Bank, further to the E.