

no.174.76.94 (*Norfolk Archaeol.* 1 (1847), 368 with illustration; Palmer 1872, 174 with illustration; Rye 1909, 97 no.910). Two matrices in the British Museum are very close in design and lettering to the South Greenhoe piece: South Erpingham, Norfolk (Tonnochy 1952, 28, no.176, plate VIII; Walford and Way 1854, 378, with illustration), and Wangford, Suffolk (Tonnochy 1952, 32 no.191; Franks 1854, 23 with illustration). A matrix for Lothingland hundred, Suffolk is also similar (*Norfolk Archaeol.* 7 (1872), 357; Palmer 1875, 306 with illustration; Rye (ed.) 1909, 97 no.911). It was found in Norwich in August 1868 (Norwich Castle Museum acc. no.199.76.94).

The newly discovered matrix was found on the line of the Pilgrims Way, some 35 km (21 miles) west of Canterbury. If the 'good man' from Norfolk had lost it *en route* to the shrine of St Thomas, the irony would surely not have been lost on the workers of South Greenhoe who, according to the letter of the law, would have needed a sealed letter even for a trip to Walsingham.

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### ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDS IN NORFOLK 1997

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This is a selection of important finds (from an estimated total of more than 20,000 object identifications), details of which have been entered during 1997 onto the Norfolk Sites and Monuments Record. This is maintained at the Norfolk Museums Service Landscape Archaeology Section at Gressenhall, and may be consulted by appointment. The list may include items found in earlier years of which the SMR was notified during 1997.

The entries are arranged by period and, within each period, by parish alphabetically. The number after the parish name is the Norfolk Sites and Monuments Record number. Grid references have been omitted at the request of finders.

Metal artefacts are of copper alloy (bronze) and Iron Age, Saxon and medieval coins are of silver unless otherwise stated.

Norfolk Landscape Archaeology and the Archaeology Department of Norwich Castle Museum are most grateful to all those who bring in finds for identification, thereby contributing to the Sites and Monuments Record and this annual list. The assistance of Peter Robins (flint identifications) and colleagues in other institutions, especially the British Museum and the Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge, in the identification of finds is gratefully acknowledged. The majority of the finds listed have been found in the course of metal-detector survey, but the list also includes fieldwalking finds and new discoveries of sites either by field observation or by aerial photographic survey. The illustrations are by Sue White.

### **Undated prehistoric**

- Cranwich* (Site 33164). Mesolithic, Neolithic or Bronze Age red deer antler mattock, perforated (R. Stubbings).  
*Cranwich* (Site 33289). Wooden bow and human bones (D. Woollestone).  
*Letheringsett with Glandford* (Site 32192). Enormous spread of potboilers found in dredgings from dyke (J. Smallwood).

### **Palaeolithic (pre-10,000 BC)**

- Boughton* (Site 33298). Late Upper Palaeolithic or Mesolithic burin (A. Oliver).  
*Cranwich* (Site 33292). Small cordate handaxe (M. Stubbings).  
*Feltwell* (Site 2957). Handaxes, cleaver and side scraper (E. and R. Secker).  
*Fransham* (Site 20792). Retouched ?tertiary flake (D. Woollestone).

### **Mesolithic (10,000-4000 BC)**

- Carleton Rode* (Site 23002). Mesolithic or Neolithic blades and flakes (P. Day).  
*Corpusty* (Site 32962). Tranchet axe/adze (J. Pooler).  
*Cranwich* (Site 33289). Microlith (D. Woollestone).  
*Cranwich* (Site 33292). Four blades (D. Woollestone).  
*Hemblington* (Site 31238). Mesolithic or Neolithic small blade and blade cores (J. Ames, K. Robinson).  
*Kelling* (Site 29807). Awl on distal tip of blade (K. Wagstaff).  
*Methwold* (Site 5245). Microlith (D. Woollestone).  
*Morley* (Site 33229). Microlith (P. Brooker).  
*Roudham* (Site 1057). Burin on core tablet (J. Martin).  
*Thetford* (Site 32349). Mesolithic or Neolithic blades (P. Brooker).  
*Thornage* (Site 32285). Mesolithic or Neolithic flake axe (T. Linford).

### **Neolithic (4000-2000 BC)**

- Besthorpe* (Site 29171). Neolithic or Early Bronze Age flakes, blades and flake tools (E. Savery).  
*Cranwich* (Site 25524). Late Neolithic pottery (D. Woollestone).  
*Cranwich* (Site 33162). Early Neolithic leaf arrowhead, polished axe, scraper, flakes, blades and core (D. Woollestone).  
*Feltwell* (Site 5245). Late Neolithic pottery (D. Woollestone).  
*Field Dalling* (Site 31726). Leaf arrowhead (T. Hudson).  
*Fulmodeston* (Site 32226). Cropmark of possible cursus (D.A. Edwards).  
*Gunthorpe* (Site 30982). Stone axe (B. George).  
*Harling* (Site 32177). 'Miniature' flaked adze (M. Noble).

- Methwold* (Site 5245). Leaf and chisel arrowheads, plano-convex knife and pottery (D. Woollestone).
- Morley* (Site 33229). Polished axe and 'miniature' axe-head (P. Brooker).
- Narford* (Site 32309). ?Early Neolithic flint flakes, late Neolithic or Bronze Age core and ?side scraper (S. Brown).
- North Lopham* (Site 30954). Leaf arrowhead (P. Leeder).
- Ringland* (Site 33258). Conical pit, possibly a flint mine similar to those nearby (E. Rose).
- Stody* (Site 29721). Scatter of Neolithic or Early Bronze Age flints (T. Linford).
- Stratton Strawless* (Site 31783). Late Neolithic or Early Bronze Age (Beaker) pottery and flint end scraper (J. Beckerleg).
- Stratton Strawless* (Site 32301). Projectile head (J. Beckerleg).
- Stratton Strawless* (Site 32299). Polished axe (J. Beckerleg).
- Swannington* (Site 33085). Polished axe (R. Buxton).
- Tattersett* (Site 31825). Laurel leaf (B. Mears).
- West Acre* (Site 32164). Laurel leaf (A. Davison).
- West Acre* (Site 31875). Adze blade (A. Davison).

### Bronze Age (2000-650 BC)

- Attleborough* (Site 33181). Late Bronze Age socketed axe, mouth fragment (C. Atkinson).
- Banham* (Site 33176). Late Bronze Age awl, short tang with squared stop (P. Leeder).
- Banham* (Site 32136). Late Bronze Age socketed axe, mouth fragment (M. Yates).
- Bawburgh* (Site 24639). Late Bronze Age socketed axe fragment, damaged blade, mouth missing (B. McAleency).

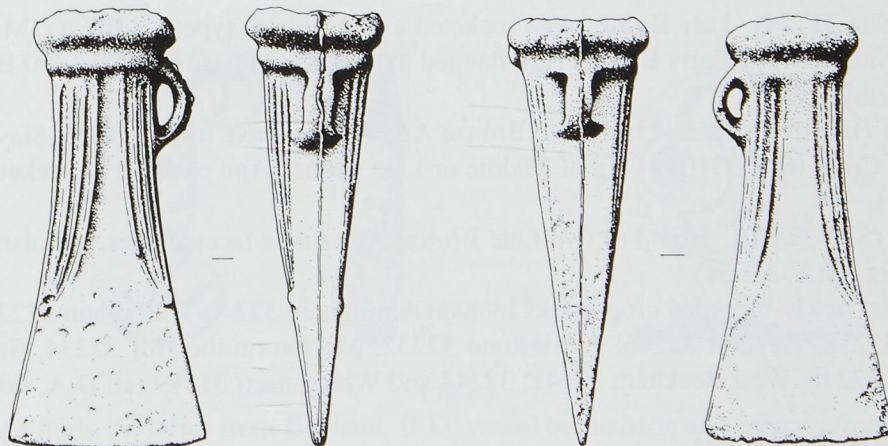


Fig.1

Bronze Age axes from Syderstone. Scale 1:2

- Bradenham* (Site 32258). Casting jet and end of palstave (P. Rilings).
- Cranwich* (Site 33163). Complete miniature pottery vessel and flints (D. Woollestone).
- Cranwich* (Site 33289). Middle Bronze Age side-looped spearhead (R. Stubbings).
- Crimplesham* (Site 32805). ?Middle Bronze Age palstave, ?Penard Phase 1100-1000 BC (D. Howlett).
- East Rudham* (Site 32902). Lower part of late Middle Bronze Age socketed punch (A. Mears).
- Felthorpe* (Site 33092). Middle Bronze Age palstave (R. Hollingdale).

- Fincham* (Site 30049). Spearhead tip (C. Sproule).  
*Fincham* (Site 33016). Rapier blade fragment (C. Sproule).  
*Fincham* (Site 33018). Late Bronze Age awl (C. Sproule).  
*Fincham* (Site 33343). Hoard of four socketed spearheads and at least two swords (C. Sproule, S. Sproule, C. Merchant).  
*Fleggburgh* (Site 31130). Fragment of Late Bronze Age riveted tanged knife (G. Cook).  
*Foxley* (Site 32144). Middle Bronze Age palstave (R. Arnold).  
*Fulmodeston* (Site 32226). Cropmarks of two square barrows and large rectangular enclosures with entrance (D.A. Edwards).  
*Hillington* (Site 17364). Late Bronze Age socketed axe blade fragment, from the site of a ring-ditch (J. Wells).  
*Hockwold-cum-Wilton* (Site 32594). Mound, probably a barrow, discovered in recently cleared plantation (C. Pendleton).  
*Kirby Cane* (Site 33208). Late Bronze Age socketed gouge (S. Davidson).  
*Langham* (Site 32184). Late Bronze Age socketed axe, mouth fragment (T. Hudson, S. Kemp).  
*Methwold* (Site 5245). Flints, Beaker pottery and rapier (D. Woollestone).  
*Narborough* (Site 3907). Awl (S. Brown).  
*Narborough* (Site 32933). Middle Bronze Age palstave (D. Hooker).  
*North Lopham* (Site 30954). Late Bronze Age spearhead tip (P. Leeder).  
*Oxborough* (Site 32828). Late Bronze Age spearhead (C. Matthews).  
*Quidenham* (Site 31331). Late Bronze Age chisel (D. Lucken).  
*Rocklands* (Site 33169). Late Bronze Age or Iron Age gold ring money; hoop 19mm diam., 6mm thick with a 2.5mm gap, and alternate narrow bands of light and dark gold (I. Munday).  
*Shelton* (Site 32302). Awl (P. Thrower).  
*Sparham* (Site 31774). Late Bronze Age socketed axe, Meldreth type, C8 BC (G. McCarthy).  
*Sparham* (Site 31813). Early Bronze Age flanged axe, Wessex Phase II 1600-1400 BC (G. McCarthy).  
*Sporle with Palgrave* (Site 28738). Late Bronze Age socketed axe fragment (M. Slaven).  
*Stoke Holy Cross* (Site 33104). Tip of Middle or Late Bronze Age palstave or socketed axe (J. Harrell).  
*Syderstone* (Site 32820). Hoard of two Late Bronze Age linear faceted axes, unfinished and unused (Fig. 1)(A. Mears).  
*Ring-ditches*: newly-recorded crop-marks include Antingham 32240-1, Bodham 32229, 32243, Feltwell 32238, Heydon 32246, Kettlestone 32232, Morton-on-the-Hill 32234, Sall 32247, Southacre 32248, West Beckham 32242, 32244 and Whissonsett 31879 (all D.A. Edwards).

### **Iron Age (650 BC-AD 43)**

- Alby with Thwaite* (Site 32334). Circular openwork triskele ?harness mount with circular attachment loop (R. Perriss).  
*Aslacton* (Site 33217). Trinovantian coin, a bronze unit of Cunobelin (K. Wright).  
*Banham* (Site 31207). Flat-ringed terret, once enamelled (Fig. 2A)(M. Yates).  
*Besthorpe* (Site 33182). Icenian coin, gold stater, Early Freckenham type (D. Harty).  
*Bradenham* (Site 31039). Icenian silver coin, Bury A type (R. Jenkins).  
*Burnham Thorpe* (Site 32950). La Tene I brooch c. 400-250 BC, and Icenian silver coin, Pattern-Horse/Symbol type (J. Betts).  
*Cranwich* (Site 33289). ?IA iron spearhead (D. Woollestone).  
*Field Dalling* (Site 6164). Late Iron Age lipped terret with ring-and-dot decoration (T. Hudson, S. Kemp).



Fig.2

Iron Age finds. A: terret from Banham. B-D: vessel escutcheon and mounts from Saham Toney. E-F: miniature hilt/quillon and disc from Tattersett. Scale 1:1.

*Field Dalling* (Site 24566). Part of penannular bracelet, with triangular and squarish panels, one enamelled (T. Hudson).

*Fransham* (Site 20792). Mount, perhaps from a scabbard (D. Woollestone).

*Hillington* (Site 32143). Bronze knob with iron shank, perhaps from a linch pin (J. Wells).

*Kelling* (Site 32281). Icenian coin, Boar/Horse C (K. Wagstaff).

*Narborough* (Site 29852). Icenian coin, Pattern/Horse ANTED (A. Oliver).

*Newton-by-Castle Acre* (Site 32935). Icenian coin, Pattern/Horse ECEN (M. Slaven).

*Newton Flotman* (Site 32311). Trinovantian coin, cast bronze Thurrock type (G. Linton).

- Pulham Market* (Site 10768). La Tene III brooch (G. Stannard).  
*Quidenham* (Site 31404). Icenian coin, plated forgery of Boar/Horse type (E. Crick).  
*Roydon (near Lynn)* (Site 32764). Late Iron Age or Roman protected loop terret (J. Wells).  
*Saham Toney* (Site 8748). Three Late Iron Age or early Roman objects. Vessel escutcheon with circular loop, very worn at the top. Fragment (?central strip) of a ?circular mount. Mount fragment (Fig. 2, B-D)(R. Gapp).  
*Saham Toney* (Site 32967). Dome-headed stud, the head decorated with concave-sided triangles (R. Gapp).  
*Shelton* (Site 32302). Terret with flat-sectioned loop (P. Thrower).  
*Sporle with Palgrave* (Site 28569). Simple terret, round loop with round-sectioned bar (M. Slaven).  
*Swanton Morley* (Site 33033). Late Iron Age rectangular harness mount with flowing Celtic design, enamelled (M. Balaam).  
*Tattersett* (Site 31589). Late Iron Age or Roman miniature sword hilt or dagger/knife quillon, and enamelled ornamental disc with back-to-back crescents (Fig. 2, E-F). Icenian coin, Early Face/Horse C (T. Gascoigne).  
*West Rudham* (Site 30441). Trinovantian coin, gold stater, late Clacton type, 70-65BC \ (B. Mears).  
*Wymondham* (Site 33062). Icenian coin, Face/Horse B/C (J. Adamson).

#### **Roman (AD 43-410)**

- Ashwellthorpe* (Site 30275). Part of ?surgical instrument (R. Ludford).  
*Attleborough* (Site 29896). Disc brooch with enamelled six-pointed star (C. Atkinson).  
*Banham* (Site 31207). Handle/terminal in the form of a ram's head (M. Yates).  
*Barton Bendish* (Site 20130/23916). Cropmarks of probable marching camp located on 1976 photograph (D. Voisey).  
*Beachamwell* (Site 2635). Miniature ?votive socketed spearhead (S. Brown).  
*Bradenham* (Site 32260). Miniature ?votive spear-head (P. Rilings, R. Chamberlin).  
*Carbrooke* (Site 32975). Lead plaque fragment, depicting male/deity head and part of torso, possibly Mercury (D. Sheldrake).  
*Cawston* (Site 19522). Protected loop terret (P. Dawson).  
*Cawston* (Site 31176). Lion head boss (P. Dawson).  
*Costessey* (Site 33093). End-loop cosmetic pestle (S. Garrod).  
*Dickleburgh* (Site 32743). Simple terret, with circular loop and rectangular attachment bar (R. Nunn).  
*Fincham* (Site 30049). Cosmetic pestle (C. Sproule).  
*Fincham* (Site 30049). Gold solidus of Valentinian I, Trier mint, AD 367-75 (C. and S. Sproule).  
*Forncett* (Site 31418). Centre-loop cosmetic mortar with bovid terminals (Fig. 3A)(M. Hope).  
*Framingham Earl* (Site 33277). Aureus of Nero, AD 65-66 (A. Green).  
*Great Massingham* (Site 32616). Seal box lid, tear-drop shaped and enamelled (D. Coggles).  
*Hales* (Site 21515). Spoon/vessel handle in the shape of a heron (R. Rilings).  
*Halvergate* (Site 33150). Coins and pottery (A. Brewer).  
*Kenninghall* (Site 19545). Lozenge-shaped enamelled seal box lid (D. Lucken).  
*Ketteringham* (Site 28776). Vulvate mount (N. Donmall).  
*Mileham* (Site 30999). Centre-loop cosmetic mortar (T. Gascoigne).  
*Newton Flotman* (Site 32289). Zoomorphic brooch in the form of a duck (G. Linton).  
*North Walsham* (Site 32284). Mount in the form of a bull's head (M. Watts).

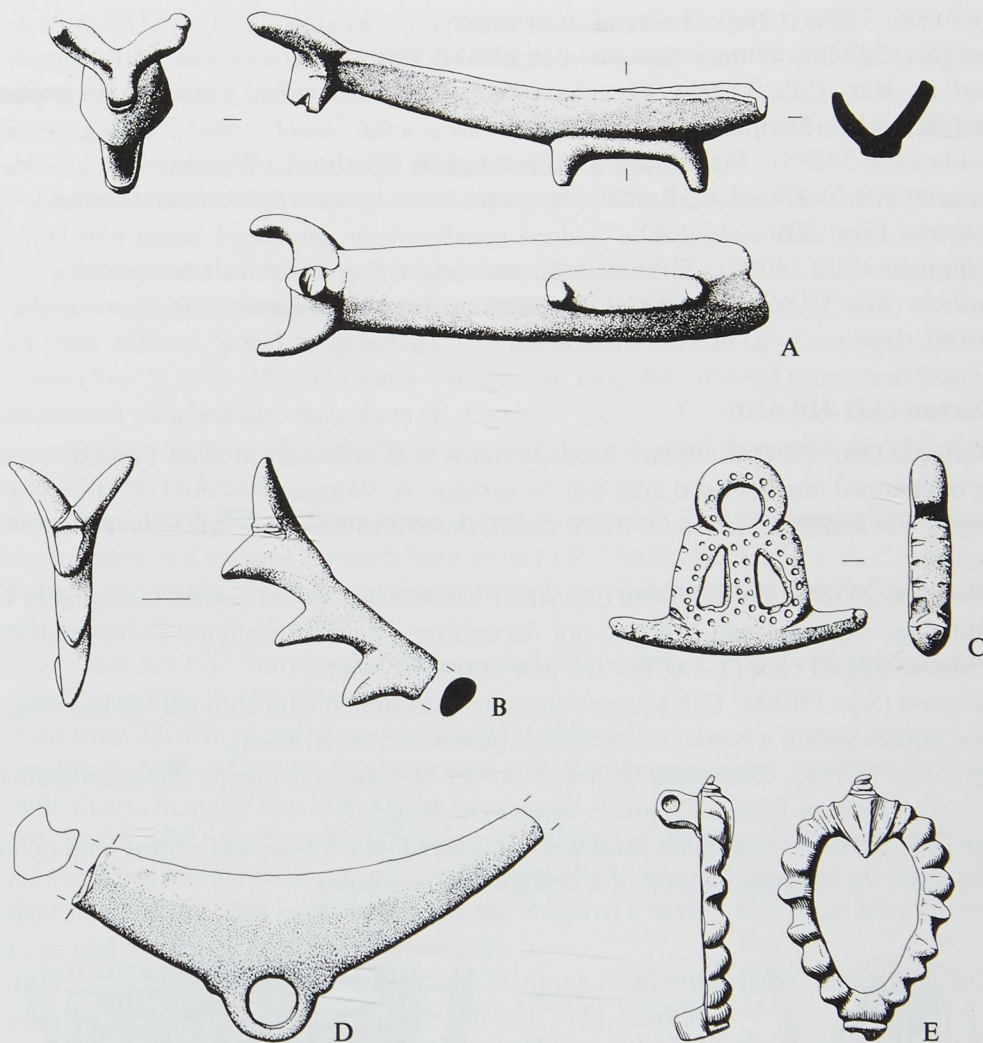


Fig.3

Roman finds. Cosmetic mortars and pestles from Forncett (A), Postwick (B-C) and Whissonsett (D), and a brooch from Shouldham (E). Scale 1:1.

*Postwick* (Site 28048). ?Bovid terminal, possibly from centre-loop cosmetic mortar, and centre-loop cosmetic pestle with two side-struts and punched dot decoration (Fig. 3, B-C)(R. Crawford).

*Quidenham* (Site 30378). Spoon bowl, tinned or silvered, and mount in the form of a leaf or an elongated heart (E, Crick).

*Quidenham* (Site 30383). Plate brooch, ?continental, probably C2 (E. Crick).

*Shelton* (Site 32302). Centre-loop cosmetic mortar with horned bovid terminals and enamelled cells along the sides (P. Thrower).

*Shipdham* (Site 32955). Centre-loop cosmetic mortar with simple knob terminals (D. Sheldrake).

*Shouldham* (Site 28645). Openwork heart-shaped brooch, tinned or silvered (Fig. 3E)(A. Oliver).

*Stratton Strawless* (Site 33122). Candlestick with everted socket (J. Beckerleg).

*Tattersett* (Site 31589). Nail cleaner (T. Gascoigne).

*Thetford* (Site 32349). Pottery, tiles and box tiles (P. Brooker).

*Tivetshall St. Mary* (Site 32294). Chatelaine brooch with enamelled plate, but the implements missing (K. and R. Reynolds).

*Toft Monks* (Site 33285). Finger ring with green glass intaglio (L. Wigg).

*Whissonsett* (Site 31800). Late Roman crescentic horse-harness pendant, and centre-loop cosmetic mortar (Fig. 3D)(G. Linton).

*Wramplingham* (Site 33052). Military strap-end, finger-ring and pin (J. Adamson).

*Wymondham* (Site 33069). Small cast goat figurine, probably representing Mercury (K. Robinson).

### Early Saxon (AD 410-650)

*Ashwellthorpe* (Site 32306). Square-headed brooch with chip-carved Style I animal ornament, border of stamped annulets and gold foil on surface (A. Womack).

*Bawburgh* (Site 24639). Side knob from 'florid' cruciform brooch, c.AD 550-600 (D. Marjoram).

*Congham* (Site 25765). Partly gilded cast silver 'cocked hat' sword pommel, originally with an attached ring, engraved and ring-and-dot decoration, punched triangles (?with niello) and a single arrow-shaped rune (T, for Tiw the god of war)(J. Wells).

*East Carleton* (Site 33083). Gilt square belt-mount, decorated with chip-carved leaf-shapes and punched circles within a border of crescentic punch-marks (R. Ford).

*Felthorpe* (Site 32338). Decorated strip with border of triangular stamps and relief animal head in the centre, perhaps from a C6 girdle-hanger (K. Wright).

*Fincham* (Site 33016). Blue glass bead with 'marvered' wavy line, and ribbed gold cylinder, possibly from the suspension loop of a bracteate (C. Sproule).

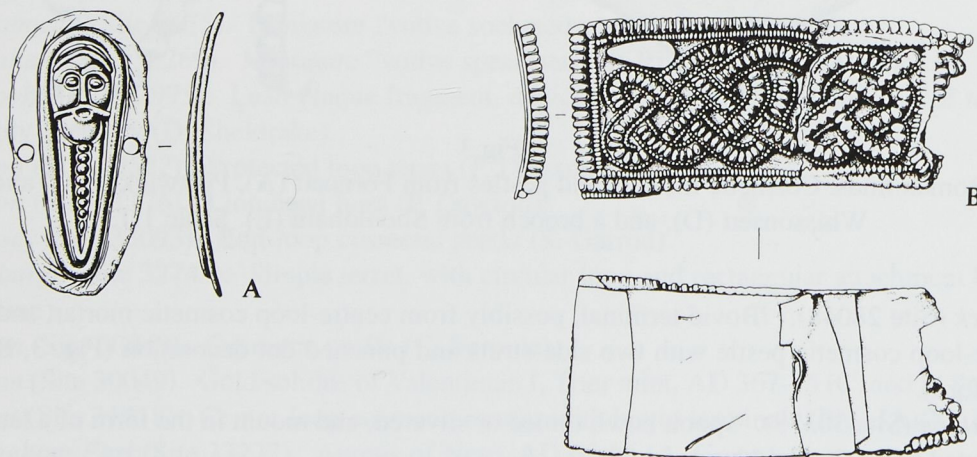


Fig.4

Early Saxon finds. A: mount from Little Snoring (Scale 1:1). B: ornament from North Pickenham. Scale 2:1.

*Framingham Earl* (Site 33277). Melted small-long brooch (A. Green).

*Kelling* (Site 33045). Disc brooch with incised dot in triple circle decoration (K. Wagstaff).

*Kelling* (Site 33048). Large square-headed brooch (138mm long), near complete and of unusual form and decoration (K. Wagstaff).



- Knapton* (Site 32326). Fragments of two annular brooches (P. Dawson).
- Letheringsett with Glandford* (Site 33038). Headplate of small-long brooch with ring-and-dot decoration (G. Owen).
- Little Snoring* (Site 11695). Oval ?harness mount with cast decoration of moustached human face above a schematic body, early C7 (Fig. 4A)(G. Parsons).
- North Pickenham* (Site 19449). Early or Middle Saxon (C7) gold ornament with beaded wire decoration and panel containing an interlaced serpent with a plain flat head. Perhaps two separate panels joined in antiquity from part of a larger ?triangular buckle, with at least two other panels originally joining this one (Fig. 4B)(C. Aldridge).
- Postwick* (Site 25984). Small-long brooch with flat cruciform head (R. Crawford).
- Quidenham* (Site 31316). Bucket mount with handle loop, fine incised transverse lines, edge-nicks and punched dot decoration (E. Crick).
- Riddlesworth* (Site 32267). Two sherds of a stamped urn in spoil from pipe trench, of Spong Hill type VIa (M. Noble).
- Shipdham* (Site 32956). Wrist-clasp, Hines Type C3, probably East Anglian, with double-strand animal ornament and an 'eye' in each front corner (D. Sheldrake).
- Shouldham* (Site 28645). Foot of small-long brooch, girdlehanger fragment with punched dot-and-circle decoration (J. Oxer).
- Snettisham* (Site 32135). Tongue-shaped strap-end, C6 or early C7, and sub-triangular terminal from small-long brooch (M. Gibbons).
- Snettisham* (Site 22010). Small-long brooch (M. Gibbons).
- Southery* (Site 14549). Thin disc fragment with millefiori enamel zones, probably from an Early or Middle Saxon hanging bowl (A. Oliver).
- Tattersett* (Site 32606). Early or Middle Saxon (C7) hanging-bowl escutcheon, with hook in the form of a stylised animal head and plate with enamelled lines and zig-zags (T. Gascoigne).
- Tattersett* (Site 32604). Gilt bucket mount in the shape of a Style I bird, with long striped neck, round eye and curved beak, C6 (T. Gascoigne).
- Upwell* (Site 31929). Early or Middle Saxon ?hanging bowl escutcheon, tinned and decorated with running spirals and red enamel, AD 550 to C7 (M. Carlile).
- West Rudham* (Site 30441). Gilded side-knob from silver brooch, decorated to resemble a horse's head, from a continental radiate brooch or similar (A. Mears).
- West Acre* (Site 21302). Animal-head terminal from foot of cruciform brooch, reused as a belt-mount (M. Carlile).
- Wreningham* (Site 32035). Foot of cruciform brooch, and supporting arm brooch (A. Womack).

### **Middle Saxon (AD 650-850)**

- Blickling* (Site 33094). Coin of Athelstan I of East Anglia, AD 827-50 (C. Millington).
- Broome* (Site 33207). Small oval buckle frame, decorated with groups of grooves (B. Davidson).
- Burnham Market* (Site 18496). Carolingian denier of Louis the Pious, c. AD 822-40 (P. West).
- Congham* (Site 3565). Pins, ansate brooches, finger-ring and sceat, Series K, East Kentish, C8, near a building of Middle Saxon date excavated in 1971 (J. Wells).
- East Rudham* (Site 29031). Sceat, Series E, AD 710-30 (B. Mears).
- Fincham* (Site 33017). Globular-headed pin (C. Sproule).
- Fincham* (Site 33345). Two Middle or Late Saxon disc brooches with backward-turning animals (C. Sproule).
- Fransham* (Site 29217). Sceat, Series E, AD 710-30 (C. Aldridge).

- Kelling* (Site 33274). Ansate brooch with ring-and-dot decoration (K. Wagstaff).
- Kelling* (Site 32281). Sceat, Series D, c.AD 710-15 (K. Wagstaff).
- Kenninghall* (Site 19545). Disc brooch with backward-biting animal (D. Lucken).
- Marham* (Site 23357). Small ansate brooch with ring-and-dot decoration (A. Oliver).
- Narborough* (Site 29852). Sceat, Series E continental imitation, c.AD 710-30 (A. Oliver).
- Newton Flotman* (Site 28989). Pin with biconical head (G. Linton).
- Quidenham* (Site 10792). Sceat of 'Carip Eclectic' type, C8 (E. Crick).
- Quidenham* (Site 29887). Sceat, Series E, AD 710-30 (B. Love).
- Quidenham* (Site 32288). Sceat, Series Q1, c.AD 735-50 (J. Jarman).
- Quidenham* (Site 30351). Very unusual strap end, with an animal head at each end and inlaid niello and silver wire (E. Crick).
- Quidenham* (Site 30382). Ansate brooch (B. Love).
- Sculthorpe* (Site 29821). Strap end; ansate brooch; equal-armed cross-shaped brooch and Middle or Late Saxon lead weight with inlaid gilded Viking animal ornament on the upper surface, made in the C9 or C10 but with a roundel of C8 metalwork inserted in the top (G. Parsons).
- Tattersett* (Site 2373). Ansate brooches, pin and tweezers (T. Gascoigne, B. Mears).
- Thompson* (Site 31365). Penny of Offa, c.AD 792-6 (C. Aldridge).
- West Walton* (Site 25853). Pins (M. Carlile).
- Wortwell* (Site 32780). Two ansate brooches (S. Birnie).
- Wymondham* (Site 33028). Silver denier coin of Charlemagne, minted at Mainz, c.AD 793/4-812 (R. Purdy).

### **Late Saxon (AD 850-1066)**

- Belton* (Site 33151). Small gold ingot, possibly Viking (Hollis).
- Congham* (Site 25765). C10 silver pin with Borre-style knot ornament forming an animal-head and odd cross-shaped motif (J. Wells).
- Croxton* (Site 30421). C11 flanged box/stirrup mount, with triangular plate with relief-cast upward-looking animal (D. Howlett).
- East Rudham* (Site 29031). Anglo-Scandinavian type bird brooch (Fig. 5)(B. Mears).
- Gresham* (Site 33101). C11 Ringerike-style box or stirrup mount (G. Owen).
- Kirby Cane* (Site 32287). Late C10/early C11 openwork subrectangular decorative plaque, with Ringerike-style animal in a figure-of-eight position (B. Davison).
- Letheringsett with Glandford* (Site 31167). Bridle cheekpiece fragment with decorated lobe (G. Owen).
- Newton Flotman* (Site 28989). C11 stirrup mount in the shape of a very stylised Ringerike-style animal-head (G. Linton).
- Newton Flotman* (Site 32278). Relief-decorated openwork strap-end with symmetrical plant ornament, C10 or C11 (G. Linton).
- Quidenham* (Site 31329). Triangular stirrup mount, with stylised animal heads at each corner (E. Crick).
- Runcton Holme* (Site 28741). Lozenge-shaped bridle cheek-piece terminal (V. Chapman).
- Saham Toney* (Site 32020). Ringerike-style bridle cheek-piece with curled-round head and engraved decoration; box or stirrup mount in the form of a Ringerike animal head with projecting 'ears' (D. Sheldrake).
- Sporle with Palgrave* (Site 32940). Silver Byzantine coin of Nicephorus II, AD 963-9, made into a brooch by rivetting a plate to the obverse (M. Slaven).

*Stratton Strawless* (Site 32297). Disc brooch with Borre-style ornament, C10 (J. Beckerleg).

*Stratton Strawless* (Site 32299). Disc brooch with 3 Borre-style animal masks, C10 (J. Beckerleg).

*Surlingham* (Site 31655). Late Saxon or earlier bone comb handle (A. Blyth).

*West Walton* (Site 25853). Finger ring and stirrup mount (M. Carlile).

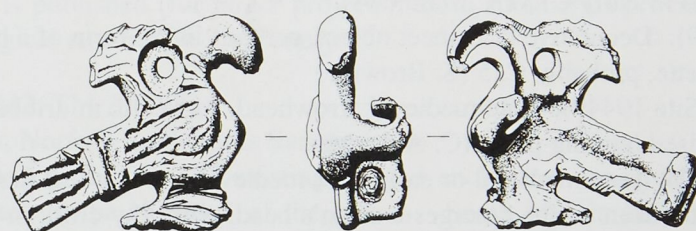


Fig.5

Late Saxon brooch from East Rudham. Scale 1:1

### Medieval (AD 1066-1500)

*Attleborough* (Site 31415). Late medieval gold signet finger-ring, oval bezel with two love birds and inscription 'Trinis' (?) (for 'Trinity'?). Inside the hoop, a second inscription 'ananyzapta' (a charm against drunkenness or epilepsy)(C. Atkinson).

*Attleborough* (Site 29896). Heraldic harness pendant, blazon ?or/argent a peacock in his pride Gules and [?], on reverse ?or/argent a label of three points Gules, possibly for ?Sumeri (C. Atkinson).

*Attlebridge* (Site 33086). Gilded trapezoidal plate with a crudely-incised fierce face with horns and cap, perhaps a green man or demonic figure and the object a talisman or charm (B. Downs).

*Besthorpe* (Site 33184). C12 or C13 barrel padlock case in the shape of a horse (D. Harty).

*Blickling* (Site 33094). C15 gold finger-ring with sacred monogram IHC on the bezel, 'en boen aen' ('in good year') on the hoop, the words interspersed with leaf motifs. Reliquary pendant, on one side the Lamb of God and inscription AGNVS DEI QUI TOLLVS PECCAT, for 'Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world' and on the other the head of Christ and SALVS RACIAM REX AM ('Holy Salvation')(C. Millington).

*Bradenham* (Site 32260). Romanesque buckle in the form of a lion in the round, with punched dot and rocker-arm decoration (P. Rilings, R. Chamberlin).

*Carbrooke* (Site 32975). Heraldic harness pendant, blazon sable a cross engrailed ?or/argent (D. Sheldrake).

*Castle Rising* (Site 24943). Unusual ornament or mount in the form of an eagle (J. Kerslake).

*Corpusty* (Site 32872). Cast C11/C12 belt hook, tinned or silvered, with stylised animal-head on hook (P. Dawson).

*East Rudham* (Site 30761). Oval seal matrix, tonsured bust S'. DEIADATVS:DE:LEXEDENE ('Seal of Deodatus of Lexden'). Also harness pendants (B. Mears, T. Gascoigne).

*Field Dalling* (Site 28518). Disc brooch with Borre-derived ornament of mid C10 date (T. Hudson).

*Haddiscoe* (Site 32268). Earthworks, possibly of salterns (Astral Air Surveys).

*Hales* (Site 21515). C14 enamelled harness pendant, heraldic blazon Azure three chevrons [or] for Sir John Ashpole of Essex (R. Rilings).

*Hemblington* (Site 31238). Pottery scatter of underfired and part-oxidised sherds of Glazed Red Earthenware, suggesting a late medieval or post-medieval pottery production site (J. Ames, K. Robinson).

- Kenninghall* (Site 19545). C13 lead seal matrix + SI : RICI DE ASHE I L: ('Seal of Richard of Ashill')(B. Love).
- Little Barningham* (Site 31861). Elaborate quatrefoil horse-harness pendant, blazon Azure a cross patonce between five martlets (to sinister) or for St. Edward the Confessor (P. Dawson).
- Narborough* (Site 3932). Superb scabbard-chape with incised Lombardic IHS and foliate terminal. Late C14 or early C15 (K. Matthews).
- Narford* (Site 32309). Decorative lead sheet object, perhaps in the form of a bishop's mitre and attached to a statuette, probably C15 (S. Brown).
- North Pickenham* (Site 19449). Late medieval arrowhead, socketed, midribbed and barbed, probably a specialised hunting piece (C. Aldridge).
- Postwick* (Site 16762). Late medieval or early post-medieval circular seal matrix; motif a triple-towered castle from which emerges a swan's head, with tiny cross-in-circle and 'O' on one side of the castle, and 'MER' on the other. Possibly a sheriff's seal, C15 to C17 (G. Linton).
- Quidenham* (Site 30378). Small white-metal coated key, probably from a box, with a lozenge-shaped bow, C11 to C14 (E. Crick).
- Shotesham* (Site 5391). Lozengiform harness pendant, originally with eight projecting arms with scallop-shaped and fleur-de-lis terminals; blazon Or a fleur-de-lis on a lozengiform field (G. Linton).
- Swanton Morley* (Site 32324). White-metal coated lozenge-shaped hollow box, decorated with a central lozenge, one corner of which projects to form an animal-headed loop. The plate on the back has two apertures, perhaps allowing it to be used as the catchplate for a hook-and-eye fastening (M. Balaam).
- Tattersett* (Site 32603). C13 circular seal matrix, + SIGILL' GILEBERTIFIL 'REIN', 'Seal of Gilbert, son of Reiner'. C15 Italian silver coin, a silver grosso from Bologna (T. Gascoigne).
- Thursford* (Site 32228). Earthworks of three or four possible moats (D.A. Edwards).
- Upwell* (Site 29193). ?Harness pendant, cast in form of scallop shell, C12 to C14 (M. Carlile).
- West Rudham* (Site 32898). C13 or C14 gold finger ring, gemstone missing, the hoop decorated with crosses and transverse lines (A. Mears).
- West Walton* (Site 18944). Two-piece strap-end, with animal-head mouldings like those on late medieval vessel spouts (M. Carlile).

### **Post-medieval (AD 1500-1950)**

- Fincham* (Sites 30332, 33022). Two early post-medieval cross-shaped harness or belt mounts with floriate terminals (C. Sproule).
- Foulsham* (Site 32327). C17 gold signet ring, double-sided, with the arms of Anguishe and Drake, probably marking the union of Edmund Anguishe of Great Melton with Alice Drake of Herringfleet (anon).
- Kelling* (Site 33045). Finger-ring/miniature sundial with flat bezel numbered one to twelve around its circumference, and a central stud for a missing pointer (K. Wagstaff).
- Old Buckenham* (Site 29898). ?Spout in the form of a monster with barbed harpoon in its open jaws (E. Crick).
- Pentney* (Site 32986). Late post-medieval cast lead plaque, decorated with a portico; arched door with column on either side, perhaps Corinthian, with windows above. Very unusual, and of unknown function/purpose (M. Coggles).
- Topcroft* (Site 10197). Small cast crucifix pendant from the site of St. Giles' chapel. Four other pendants of the same type are reported from the area (S. Cushion).