

Burton Dassett Southend

Part 2 Section 8.2

Coins and Jettons

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The results of the excavations conducted at Burton Dassett Southend 1986-88, together with subsequent fieldwork (fieldwalking, and recording of the Chapel and Priest's House) are disseminated in two parts.

Part 1 is the printed volume *Burton Dassett Southend, Warwickshire: A Medieval Market Village* by Nicholas Palmer and Jonathan Parkhouse, Society-for Medieval Archaeology Monograph 44 (2022). The printed volume contains the following sections:

1. Introduction and background (aims and origin of the project, key issues, archaeological and historical contexts, fieldwork scope and methodology, summaries of earthwork survey and fieldwalking)
2. The archaeological sequence (summary of the structural evidence, ordered by phase)
3. Spatial organisation and the buildings at Southend
4. Daily life and economy at Southend
5. Conclusion
Bibliography

Part 2 consists of a series of digital files in .pdf and .xlsx format, available via the Archaeological Data Service at <https://doi.org/10.5284/1083492>. Whilst Part 1 is a free-standing narrative, Part 2 includes the detailed descriptions and specialist analyses underpinning the printed volume. It consists of the following sections:

- 6.1 Geology by John Crossling
- 6.2 Soils by Magdalen Snape
- 6.3 Earthwork survey by Nicholas Palmer
- 6.4 Excavation methods by Nicholas Palmer
- 6.5 Dovehouse Close fieldwalking 1987 & Chapel Ground fieldwalking 1991 by Nicholas Palmer
7. Fieldwork (detailed description of the structural evidence at individual context level, ordered by area/tenement and phase) by Nicholas Palmer
- 8.1 Medieval pottery by Stephanie Rátkai
- 8.2 Coins and jettons by Wilfred Seaby
- 8.3 Copper alloy objects by Alison R Goodall with contribution by Dr John Blair
- 8.4 Analyses of copper alloy objects by Dr Roger Brownsword and E E H Pitt
- 8.5 Pewter objects by Brian Spencer and Nicholas Palmer, with analyses of pewter spoons by Dr Roger Brownsword and E E H Pitt
- 8.6 Lead objects by Nicholas Palmer
- 8.7 Ironwork by Dr Ian H Goodall, with spurs by Blanche Ellis
- 8.8 Bone, jet, glass and miscellaneous by Iain Soden and Nicholas Palmer
- 8.9 Domestic stonework by Iain Soden, John Crossling and Nicholas Palmer
- 8.10 Architectural stonework by Iain Soden
- 8.11 Stone roofing material by Nicholas Palmer
- 8.12 Roof tiles and ceramic artefacts by Susan Lisk
- 8.13 Archaeometallurgical investigation of the smithy and other evidence by Dr J G McDonnell and Alison Mills
- 8.14 Coal by Dr A H V Smith
- 8.15 Human remains by Ann Stirland
- 8.16 Clay tobacco pipe by Nicholas Palmer
- 8.17 Flint by Dr L H Barfield
- 8.18 Late Bronze Age pottery by Alistair Barclay
- 8.19 Roman and Saxon pottery by Paul Booth
- 8.20 Faunal remains by Julie Hamilton
- 8.21 Plant economy by Lisa Moffett
- 8.22 Radiocarbon dating of spelt wheat by Rupert Housley
- 8.23 Archaeomagnetic dating of hearths by Paul Linford
9. Miscellaneous data tables

The bibliography, incorporating all the works cited in Part 1 and Part 2, is also available digitally.

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The small number of medieval coins from the excavation is typical of village sites and does not reflect the presence of the market. Even the English jetton (no 9) is not so unusual; similar pieces have come from Seacourt, Oxfordshire (Biddle 1961-2, 182-4) and Thrislington, Co Durham (Austin 1989, 126).

Roman

1. As. Very worn, just possibly of Faustina II. Partial piercing. 3.645g. (436, ph D15, mid/late 15c).
2. Gallienus (Sole reign). Antoninianus, 260-8. SOLI CONS AVG, winged horse prancing right. Fair, small flan. 1.625g. RIC 5/1 28 (Unstrat, found during motorway construction by D Adams and D Jenkins to NW of excavations at SP 38478 52271).
- 3 Magnentius. AE2, 351-2. Two victories with shield. Amiens mint. Fair, pierced and chipped. 4.285g. *RIC* 8 Am 13. (603, ph D25, mid/late 15c). *Illustrated on title page*

Medieval

4. Henry III. Long cross cut Halfpenny. London mint, moneyer uncertain. Class 3b (1248-50). Fine. 0.495g. North (1963) type 987. (2058, ph J7, topsoil).
5. Edward I. Halfpenny. Class IIIc?, 1280-1. Fair but bent. 0.695g. North (1960) type 1045. (Unstrat, obtained from anonymous metal detector user by Mr D Adams).
6. Edward I/II. Penny. London mint. Class Xd, 1302-10. Fine. 1.345gs. North (1960) type 1041. (806/1, ph E7, late 15c demolition).
7. Penny. Late 13th/14th-century. Diam. 19mm. Worn smooth and folded, 1.075g. (66, ph A6, late 15c demolition).
8. Elizabeth I. Threepence. 1567. Initial mark: coronet. Fine. 1.570g. North (1960) type 1998. (BD87, 1040, Z2, fieldwalking).

Jettons

9. English Jetton. Edward II (1307-27). *Obv* Lion rampant on shield, border of pellets. *Rev* Cross moline with pellet in each angle, border of pellets. Fair, but broken around edge. 0.75g. Berry (1974) Type 4A, Rev 5 (also pl 2, no 7 var). (2038, ph H6, early 15c demolition).
10. Nuremburg Jetton. Georg Schultes. c1515-1559. (Found in water pipe trench near Chapel in 1986. Retained by finder).