

ARCHÆOLOGICAL NOTES FROM THE COUNTY MUSEUM

It has been agreed that in future a list will be published each year in the *Records* of archæological finds which have been brought to the attention of the County Museum in the preceding year.

This is a list of all finds recorded in 1963 and, unless otherwise stated, they were actually made in that year. Where a number is given in brackets at the end of an entry the material concerned has been given to the County Museum and has this accession number.

Grateful acknowledgments are due to finders and to the Secretaries and members of Societies in the County for supplying information.

Amersham, Station Road

A sestertius of Commodus was found when digging a trench some years before the last war. Reported by Dr. K. P. Oakley.

Approx. NGR SU964972 (74.63)

Aylesbury, Elsinore House, 43 Buckingham Street

Two jugs, three cooking pots and sherds of the thirteenth to fourteenth century were recovered from a well found when digging foundations for an office block.

NGR SP819140 (3.63)

Aylesbury, 3 Market Street

A fifteenth-century jug was found when digging for foundations and reported by Mr. G. Edwards to be from a pit or ditch. (10.64)

Four chamber pots and a saltglazed stoneware bottle of the eighteenth century were found in a cess-pit, formerly a well, when digging for foundations.

NGR SP819138 (9.64)

Aylesbury, 1-6 Villiers Street

Thirteenth-century sherds from a well were found by Mr. E. A. Welch-Bartram in 1937. (79.63)

Aylesbury, Whitehall Street

A Civil War cannon ball was found by Mr. J. R. Lowings during road works.

NGR SP817140 (24.63)

Seventeenth-century clay pipes, mostly wasters, were found when digging a trench and reported by Mr. J. R. Lowings.

NGR SP817140 (25.63)

Bolter End, Marlins Sand Pit

Cores, flakes and blades from a mesolithic working site were found by Mr. J. P. Plowman in the pit, mostly in spoil heaps. NGR SU797923 (8.64)

Bow Brickhill, Caldecotte

Belgic, Romano-British and thirteenth to fourteenth-century sherds were found on the surface by Nigel Benford. NGR SP890354

Bradwell, The Churchyard

Fourteenth-century sherds were found in spoil from graves by Mr. D. Mynard. NGR SP831394 (16.64)

Buckingham, Bourton Grounds

Mr. C. Green continued the excavation of a Romano-Celtic temple. NGR SP729329

Buckingham, Castle Hill

A Viking spearhead was found by Mr. Gregory when digging at the foot of Castle Hill near the site of the moat in about 1896. Approx. NGR SP695339 (23.63)

Buckland Common

Thirteenth- and sixteenth-century sherds were found by Mr. S. T. Brown when a new clay pit was dug in about 1938. NGR SP920069 (14.63)

Burnham, Burnham Abbey

Foundation trenches for new buildings led to the discovery of the exact line of the south wall of the nave of the church, recorded by Miss R. Levy, which was hitherto only conjectural. Fragments of fourteenth-century floor tile and a mediæval lead coffin containing a skeleton were also found. NGR SU930805

Castlethorpe North Street

Two thirteenth-century sherds and roofing tile fragments were collected from foundation trenches for a bungalow near the edge of the motte. NGR SP798445 (51.63)

Chalfont St. Peter, 14 Criss Grove, Gold Hill Common

A sestertius of Antoninus Pius and a sestertius of Commodus were found on the surface of his garden by Mr. B. Burgoyne. NGR SU994902 (37-38.63)

Chalfont St. Peter, Cliftonville, Orchard Grove

A sestertius of Marcus Aurelius was dug up in his garden by Mr. G. Allnutt in about 1960.

Chearsley, Church Lane

Thirteenth-century sherds were collected from spoil heaps from the footing trenches for a bungalow. NGR SP719104 (58.63)

Chearsley, School Lane

Thirteenth-fourteenth-century sherds were found by Master S. Kelly on the surface of a building site. NGR SP719106 (59.63)

Chesham, Chartridge Lane

An as of Septimius Severus was dug up by Mr. J. Hare. NGR SP946029

Chesham, 75 Fullers Hill

A sestertius of Lucius Verus was found by Miss I. Greeno in the garden.
NGR SP957012

Cholesbury, The Churchyard

Thirteenth–fourteenth-century sherds were found in spoil from excavations in connection with the repair of church walls, by Mr. A. Edsger.
NGR SP929072

Colnbrook, Horton Road

Romano-British sherds were found by Mr. C. Stanley on the surface of a field.
NGR TQ020766

Creslow, Manor Farm

A Roman as of the first century A.D., probably Vespasian, and two thirteenth-century sherds were found when digging trenches for footings for cottages.
NGR SP810219

Ellesborough

Iron Age and Romano-British sherds were collected from the surface of a ploughed field.
NGR SP833061 (20.63)

Fenny Stratford, Bathing Station, Watling Street

A rubbish pit was excavated by the Bletchley Archæological and Historical Society and finds included a mortarium, Romano-British sherds and animal bones.
NGR SP887338

Filgrave

Romano-British sherds, tile, brick and stonework, and a mediæval spearhead were found by Mr. D. Mynard in a trench dug for a gas main.
NGR SP862481 (87.63)

Fulmer, Low Farm

A twelfth-century jug and sherds, some with notched, scratched and combed decoration, and some with finger tipping on rims, were found during excavations by the Chalfont St. Peter and Gerrards Cross Local History Society.
NGR SU994863 (54.63)

Great Kimble, Ragpit Hill

Iron Age A sherds were collected from near the bank of the hill-fort.
NGR SP828059 (19.63)

Haversham, Wood Farm

Three areas producing Romano-British sherds mainly of the second century, one of which also produced fragments of roofing tiles, were found by Mr. R. Harris.
NGR SP831450–831452

Hedgerley, The Gerrards Cross Sand & Gravel Pits Ltd. Pit

A Romano-British kiln, located by a proton-magnetometer survey carried out by the Oxford University Archæological Research Laboratory, was excavated on behalf of the Ministry of Works by Mrs. M. U. Jones, and in the final stages by Miss R. Levy. Other structures and many sherds were found in the area. The finds have been given to the Museum.
NGR SU972883

Iver, Wood Lane

Middle Bronze Age sherds were found by Mr. C. Stanley in a trench in the road.
NGR TQ022825

Ivinghoe

Excavations were conducted on the Iron Age hill fort on Ivinghoe Beacon by Professor S. S. Frere and Mrs. Molly Cotton on behalf of the Buckinghamshire Archæological Society.
NGR SP961169

Lavendon, 1 Castle Hill

A double denarius of Allectus was dug up in his garden by Mr. W. J. Britnell in about 1960.
NGR SP916537

Lavendon, Northampton Hills

Mediæval sherds were found in a new roadside ditch by Mr. R. H. Britnell.
NGR SP913538

Pitstone, Tunnel Portland Cement Co. Ltd. Quarry

A number of Early Iron Age pits were excavated by the Manshead Archæological Society of Dunstable. The finds have been given to the Museum.
NGR SP949146

Princes Risborough, Brook Cottage, Askett Lane, Askett

A neolithic polished flint axe was found by Mr. John N. Coatman in spoil from excavations for a garage.
NGR SP815049

Princes Risborough, Longwick Road

An AE 3 of Constans was dug up in the garden at the new Police Station by Mr. F. Dean.
NGR SP808038 (28.63)

Princes Risborough, 28 Wellington Avenue

A mediæval barbed and socketed arrowhead was dug up in his garden by Mr. Steinke in about 1962.
NGR SP808039 (47.63)

Ravenstone

Iron Age sherds and Romano-British sherds of the first to fourth centuries, tile, building stone and an Æ 3 of Valens were found by Messrs. E. Bailey, C. Green and D. Mynard in a trench dug for a gas main.
(17-19.64)

Singleborough, Fir Tree Cottage

A palæolithic flake, probably from trimming a hand axe, was dug up in the garden by Mr. A. Halestrap.
NGR SP771324 (76.63)

Slough, Ditton Park Road

A mammoth tusk and bones of *Bos primigenius* were found by Mr. W. S. M. Whitehead when excavating for a lake.
NGR TQ003778

Stoke Goldington, Stoke Park Wood

Romano-British sherds, tile and building stone were found during deforestation. Reported to and confirmed by Mr. C. Green.
NGR SP828492

Romano-British sherds were found by Mr. C. Green.
NGR SP821489

Thorney, Richard Costain Ltd. Gravel Pit

Four flint blades, probably mesolithic, were collected from a ditch of unknown prehistoric date. NGR TQ042796 (78.63)

Neolithic sherds and flint flakes were found by Mr. C. Stanley in a pit presumably of that date. NGR TQ041797

Iron Age A sherds were found by Mr. C. Stanley, some of them in a ditch presumably no later than this period. NGR TQ041796

Wavendon

Mr. R. W. Griffiths has excavated on the site of a motte and found sherds of thirteenth-century pottery. NGR SP919372

West Wycombe, The Churchyard

Iron Age A sherds were collected from spoil from graves dug in the churchyard near the bank of the hill-fort. NGR SU828950 (6.63)

Weston Underwood, The Churchyard

Romano-British and thirteenth-fourteenth-century sherds were found on the surface by Mr. E. Bailey. NGR SP864504 (82.63)

Weston Underwood, White's Close

Belgic sherds, a samian bowl and Romano-British sherds were found in the side of a newly cut ditch and spoil from it by Messrs. E. Bailey, C. Green and D. Mynard. NGR SP853519 (75, 80-81.63)

Weston Underwood, Woolwich Barn Field

Romano-British sherds were found on the surface by Mr. E. Bailey. NGR SP861495 (83.63)

Winslow, 16 Missenden Road

A dupondius of Vespasian was dug up in his garden by Mr. E. French. NGR SP766276 (23.64)

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