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Stunning Finds of the year

**PHOTOS OF EVERY 2012 COIN
AND
ARTEFACT COMPETITION
WINNER INSIDE !!**

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UKDN would like to thank Coreservers for the cover page image, Detecting-David for image enhancement and UKDN members for their contributions

A Message from Admin

Welcome to the February 2013 edition of the UKDN WORD magazine. Inside this issue are the full results of our Coin and Artefact of the Year 2012 polls with pictures of all the finds; Let's hope 2013 is as good to us.

We say welcome to two new banner sponsors on the forum this month, as Crawfords and Mike Longfield Detectors have joined those already here. Just click on their banners to link to their websites. We have created a new forum section called "On-Going Research Projects", where those doing research on certain artefact or coin groups can apply to admin for a new topic to be opened. Here they can ask for details of finds that may help their studies. Thanks to all those that have helped already and allowed images to be used on others' web sites. Please have a look in and see if you too can help.

It seems that the whole country has been praying for better weather recently and at least some chance to go out detecting again. Fields have either been rock solid and frozen, covered in inches of snow or too wet and boggy to even walk on. A bit of respite has come along with some milder weather, but it's still very wet out there. Please remember that the farmers are having it really tough too right now and might not be at their most receptive!

We are still asking for all you budding photographers to capture some great images for us to use as magazine cover pictures or for our 2014 calendar. We are looking for pictures from all the seasons so show us your creative sides and post up your best photos. Finally, welcome to all our new members and to all those starting out in the hobby. If new, then please read all the information in our newcomers section and ask anything you like on the forum. There are nearly 6000 members all happy to help!



Brian & Mo'

Founded UKDN in Sept 2002, Detecting since 1978.



Puffin

Here since Nov 2007, Detecting since 2007



Coreservers

Word Assistant Editor. Here since 2003, Detecting since 2003



Petethedig

Here since Nov 2002. Detecting since 1980.



Kev Woodward

Here since 2005. Detecting since 1990.



Tomredmayne

Here since Sept 2006, Detecting since 2005

The Admin Team



Kevmar

Here since Sept 2002. Detecting since 1978.



Karv

Techy Admin. Here since March 2004. Detecting since 2004

£295.26 Donated to Macmillan Cancer Support

After a very successful Christmas Deus Raffle Draw we took out the cost of postages and raffle tickets etc and discovered we had an amazing £295.26p left over. Earlier we had ran a poll on the forum so that you, the members, could choose the charity to which any excess funds would be sent. You chose Macmillan Cancer Support and a cheque was sent. The confirmation receipt is reproduced on Page 6 of this magazine.

Well done to everyone who took part.

New Section Created i.e. On-Going Research Projects

Some weeks ago we moved the various research projects we have running on UKDN into one specific area, a new one entitled "On-Going Research Projects". Within this area you will now find studies such as Livery Buttons and Roman Seal Boxes, both by Kev Woodward, Early Military Buttons by Blue_yeti, Lead Bag & Cloth Seals by StuE, Pilgrims Amuplla by Tom Redmayne, Long Cross Coinage by Steve Rice and the Romanesque Chapes Research Project. See it at the link below

See the new section [Here](#)

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Did you See

With almost 500 members visiting every single day and 100's of new posts every day it is so easy for you, the members of UKDN, to miss out on some very interesting posts. So, each month in the magazine we will bring to your attention some posts that you might have missed like.....click on the link

<u>Anyone out in the snow</u>	<u>Vista Smart</u>
<u>Help with crop marks</u>	<u>Deus Charger Problem</u>
<u>How to get new HTML Email</u>	<u>Could this be Hack Silver</u>
<u>Detecting Council Land</u>	<u>Green Lanes</u>
<u>Hand Held GPS</u>	<u>My 1st Permission</u>
<u>PAS Article</u>	<u>The Picture Gallery</u>
<u>A number to remember</u>	<u>Join UKDN facebook group</u>
<u>Storage</u>	<u>Calling all veteran Detector-ists</u>
<u>Club insurance scheme</u>	<u>Wintry Pictures wanted NOW!!</u>
<u>Detecting in wet weather</u>	<u>Unknown Brooch</u>

Coin of The Month

Winner - Kopparberg Ambiani gallic war uniface stater



I have only been detecting since february 2012, I joined a couple of online detecting forums. I answered a post that was asking for new members to join a local club.

I got chatting to a forum member, Yeti, and since then we have spent a number hours out in the fields. Some of those on pasture, some on Plough.

On the day in question Sunday 22nd December. We decided on Pasture as all the ploughed ground was too wet.

We decided to do an area we'd not done before. It all started as normal a few shottie caps, buttons and foil not much to note really

I suppose we had been scanning for about an hour when we stopped and had a chat, discussing the features of this pasture, which had a small rise in the ground. I said "I'm heading that way" yeti agreed.

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It looked a likely spot so off we headed, detecting on the way. Yeti, who covers the ground a bit quicker than me, got there first and was working an area.

I slotted in and we were working towards each other when i got a signal between 16/17 with a low tone on the etrac, using conductive sounds. So I started to dig it out.

Nothing in the first spade full so I went in again. I lifted out the next spade full and caught sight of what at I thought at first was a gilded button, as it was plain side up. I plucked the object out of the soil and turned it over to see the other side.

"This is no button, its a gold coin" I got to my feet and lost the plot. Yeti must've thought what the hell is a matter with him, as I ran the few yards to him and did a knee slide!

"Look at this look at this" I yelled. I don't think you can print what he said at first. What a rush of adrenalin I got, it took me ages to calm down and weeks before i stopped smiling.

The farmer has been informed and it will be recorded with the FLO at my local club meet at the end of January. "Yeti my mate" lets hope we can get you one soon



Artefact of the Month

Winner - DONNYDAVE Gold ring, age uncertain



I had always wanted to detect in this area just at the side of an old Roman road and not far from a known Roman Fort.

So when Yorkshire Searchers announced an open dig I jumped at the chance. We all met up at a nearby pub car park and when everyone had arrived we moved about a mile down the road and parked up in a line on the farmers access lane.

We had been told by the farmer that his land was undetected but we soon found out it had actually been well detected by a local club, and also it had local resident detectorists that had been on here for years. So it was no surprise when hardly anything was coming up.

After about an hour I had found one button, and when I looked up everyone had moved off to another field.

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MONTHLY COMPETITIONS

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I decided to go back to my car for a drink of water, then move off towards the entrance to the farm off the main road.

I started getting signals from tinfoil, and pieces of coke and I thought to myself if the next signal is coke I will move to the next field.

What a surprise when it turned out to be an ornate gold ring. I walked up to the event organiser, who seemed just as surprised as me, I don't think much at all came up that day and I think I had the best find without a doubt.

It has been reported to the FLO and it is thought to be Roman but I will inform everyone when a positive ID is available.

Donnydave.



Monthly Competitions Runners up



***Joao V 4000 Reis Gold coin
Tinner***



***Series G A/S Sceat
Mike1980***



***Tudor Clothes Fastener
Paulsamfreya***



***Roman Brooch
Tinnersdad***

Coin and Artefact of the Year Competition Results The Winners Are.....



*2nd century
Roman boar
brooch
By Nickb*



*Edward the Confessor
penny; Pyramids type,
1065-1066
By Arfrape*



Find of the Month Competition Winners

January

Penny of King Eadred - 946-945 AD

Moneyer - Leof Helm

Chris_G



*6th century Frankish
Merovingian equal armed
brooch
By Nickb*

Find of the Month Competition Winners February

"Rare" Half - Siliqua

Gratian, AR half-siliqua, Rome mint, 378-383 AD.

Obv: DN GRATIA-NVS PF AVG, pearl-diademed, draped and cuirassed bust right.

Rev: VICTOR-IA AVGGG, Victory advancing left, holding wreath and palm.

Found by Stig



**2nd century
Roman boar
brooch
By Nickb**



Find of the Month Competition Winners

March

*Stephen penny. Watford mint. Moneyer Hamund.
By DoverKev*



*Anglo Saxon chip carved gilded mount
By Nickb*



Find of the Month Competition Winners

April

***Henry VIII Canterbury mint Halfpenny struck at the ecclesiastical mint of Archbishop Thomas Cranmer 1533 - 1544 Spink - 2358
By Mike1980***



***2nd -3rd Century
Roman bronze eagle
bucket or vessel mount
By Marney***

Find of the Month Competition Winners

May

*Half-crown of Charles 1 with Plume mintmark (Tower mint)
1630- 31. Spink 2769.*

*The CR is divided by a rose which makes it very rare.
By Georgian Tim*



*Silver medieval seal matrix from the
13th Century with a Roman Intaglio setting.*

By Meandmydreams



Find of the Month Competition Winners

June

A rare variety of a Series R sceat, with an annulet cross reverse.

By Guildy



***NO ENTRIES INTO ARTEFACT OF THE
MONTH THIS MONTH***

Find of the Month Competition Winners

July

***Mary 1st Groat, Spink 2492.
Seemingly worn as a pendant at some point too.
By Godfrey***



***Pilgrims Ampulla
By Tinner***

Find of the Month Competition Winners

August

*Saxon penny of Edward The Confessor 1042-1066,
Soverign/Eagles Type. Stamford mint, moneyer Godwine
By Plodite*



*Silver hawking verval
By YorkyPete*



Find of the Month Competition Winners

September

Antoninus Pius Denarius
By Tinner



Silver hawk ring
By Tinner



Find of the Month Competition Winners **October**

Hampshire thunderbolt quarter stater
By Tinner



Silver Gilt Tudor Clothes Fastener / Hook
By Nickkeeler



Find of the Month Competition Winners November

*Edward the Confessor penny;
Pyramids type, 1065-1066,
Gloucester mint, moneyer Leofwine.
By Arfrage*



*Heraldic
Pendant
By Tinner*

Find of the Month Competition Winners

December

Ambiani gallic war uniface stater
By Kopparberg



Gold Roman?/ Saxon?/ Viking? ring.
By Donnydave



UKDN FUN DSLR - Camera PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Winner
Slapeddicus, Waxwing in Ealing, London



Runner up
M00nscanner,
Christmas day Rainbow
Pentax K20D kit lens:
25/12/2012

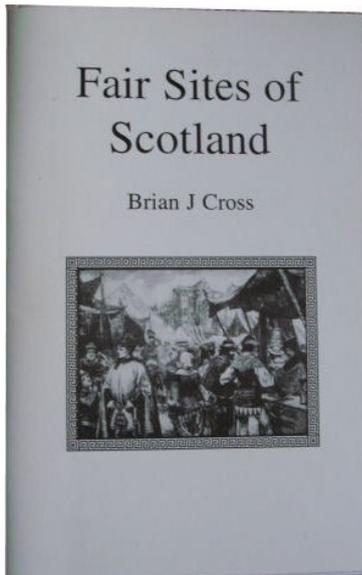
UKDN FUN POINT, PRESS & PRAY PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Winner - Puffin
Lichfield, taken with a Go Pro Hero Pole mounted



Runner up - Tomredmayne
Sanderling on Skegness beach Panasonic Lumix TZ5





Fair Sites of Scotland by Brian Cross

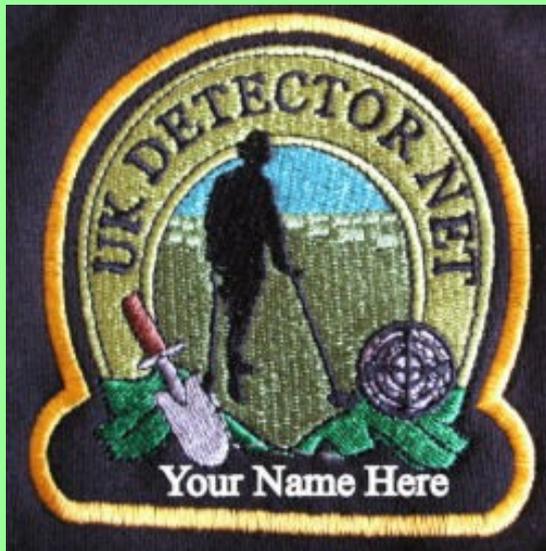
Written by UKDN Forum Founder Brian Cross this book researches all the Cattle, Sheep and Horse fair sites in Scotland.

It is an excellent research tool for any detectorist intent on discovering some of these highly productive metal detecting sites.

Originally sold for £6.50 + postage Brian is offering these books to UK DETECTOR NET for a one-off price of £6.41 including postage and PayPal fees.

[**Buy it Here**](#)

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HERITAGE CRIME

What are heritage crimes?

Heritage crimes are, first of all, offences that damage the historic environment – so things like vandalism, graffiti, arson and theft.

Why should the public care about heritage crimes?

Heritage crimes are criminal activities, which can have serious effect on neighbourhoods and society.

Things like arson, graffiti, and criminal damage scar beautiful buildings. Anti-social behaviour such as substance misuse debase the places we live and enjoy visiting; theft and illegal metal detecting take away the physical evidence valuable to our understanding of the past. On top of that, all of these can incur financial loss on property owners.

If heritage crimes are not tackled better we all stand to lose something of our history and well-being.

How serious are these crimes?

There is **no national statistics on heritage crime** by the police so the true extent is difficult to ascertain. Through our work in the regions and our experience with many sites across the country, we know the crimes are widespread and they tend to be under-reported by victims.

A recent assessment identified that arson, architectural theft, removal of artifacts from protected sites and vehicle nuisance pose the greatest threat.

Illegal metal detecting in Lincolnshire is growing and reported cases are only the tip of the iceberg.

The level of **metal theft** is also of great concern.

- In 2005, there were 84 metal theft claims from churches totalling £325,326. In 2010, this has soared to 1763 claims costing £3,310,488 (data from Ecclesiastical)
- In 2010 Manchester diocese tops the list of metal theft claims with more than 90 claims recorded up to the end of November. It is closely followed by Lincoln, with more than 70 claims

Our understanding of the volume and extent of crime in the historic environment continues to develop. Neighbourhood Policing and local involvement will contribute considerably to gathering intelligence and data on the ground. We will also be developing systems that will allow us to accurately record crimes and ASB and thereby place our resources in the right place at the right time.

For crimes in progress - call 999

More action, less crime. It all adds up.

For crimes that have happened - report to your local Police
[click here for the non emergency reporting number](#)

LINCOLNSHIRE POLICE

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News and Views from January 2013

Sutton Hoo site power lines go underground

Very LARGE gold nugget!

Archaeologists in West Bromwich find grave robbing

Australian prospector finds massive gold nugget

Rare Roman statue found

Two Hoards Found - Hidden From The Romans!

Treasure Hunter Strikes Gold

Ackworth Hoard goes on display

Experts come to York for sapphire ring mystery

Staffordshire Hoard: Most new finds treasure

Portable Antiquities Scheme is struggling

English Heritage chief calls for tougher sentences

Detectorists Praised by The British Museum

Useful Weblinks
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<i>PAS - Advice for finders of archaeological objects including treasure</i>
<i>PAS - Conservation advice notes</i>
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<i>Press coverage of the Frome hoard discovery</i>
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<i>Post code finder</i>
<i>Getting involved in archaeology</i>

New members in January 2013

Brian and Mo and the team would like to thank and extend a warm welcome to all the new members listed below who have joined UKDN in the last month. Please introduce yourselves so that the members can welcome you aboard and make you feel at home. [Click here to introduce yourself](#)

If you are not already registered with UKDN you can register by clicking on this link and see what you are missing [Click here to register](#)

elaine
chideockpaul
john and dawn
Hauntedqueen
jaydotuk
stevecpotter
Boroboy32
AcidEric
JackInLaLa
sparky1
SAXONSTEVE
maq786
roxymybabe
Dave9old
david bull
coiltothesoil
Cooky
Kezman68
oldcreaky
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rover75v6
robfinds7
Elliss03
Grebidge
eddie goodall
harlo g max power
Dickie31
Rikardoco22
The Metal Beckons
Easton36

cliffords1
allanelaine
Djt
CrazyBob
mancsearcher
sykes
Rooster1992
noidea0
dv22
Samanderson
kelly
nuggs77
wednesdayman
bedford4
richard2
sjw64
Harry0
squeezyphil
Mr Hammered
rustie
digging it
happybigfamily
panicp
Hugeal
Darkstar
jps213
johnny b
signman
tonybloomfield
smashngrab

About us

UK DETECTOR NET was created on September 28th 2002 to bring together responsible metal detectorists everywhere to discuss the hobby, their finds, the machines they use and a million and one other detecting related subjects.

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If you would like to contribute to the newsletter please contact either UKDN as above or PhilD via PM,.

UKDN aims

UKDN is a forum for people who are interested in the hobby of metal detecting. UKDN is an online community where members can exchange and share knowledge, their views, discuss the hobby, their finds, the machines they use and a million and one other detecting related subjects. UKDN actively works towards the following aims:

1. Develop a greater understanding of the hobby and some of the wider issues through healthy pro-active debate within the forum and through the monthly magazine, which is distributed to, and read by, our membership and beyond. The magazine includes UKDN based news and articles, as well as wider news, debate, and issues of heritage interest.
2. Provide a platform to inform beginners in the hobby of the basic principles in the use of a metal detector, gaining permission, site research, basic heritage law, farming scheme rules and in the 'best practice' for conservation, recording and co-operation.
3. Actively promotes the 'Code of Practice for Responsible Metal Detecting' to all members of the UKDN online forum and beyond.
4. Encourage all UKDN detectorists to record their finds with the appropriate bodies (depending where they detect); In England and Wales, this is with the Portable Antiquities Scheme, in Scotland this is the Treasure Trove Unit.
5. UKDN will actively work towards ensuring the future security of the hobby. We will liaise and co-operate with heritage professionals in a way which is mutually beneficial to all parties whilst maintaining our independence, and we encourage their active participation, either in the UKDN online community or through our on-line magazine.