Roman Coin catalogue

Bourne Hall Lake, Ewell: NGR TQ 219 628

Examination by excavation and a metal detector survey of the lake area and its original pond revealed 40 coins in the 1990s and 2000s.

Work on the site was carried out by a partnership of the local Bourne Hall Museum, Ewell, Nonsuch and Ewell Antiquarian Society, now Epsom & Ewell History & Archaeology Society (EEHAS).

Norman Clarkson Identification.

Frank Pemberton cataloguing and reviewing

The site: Background.

Examination of the area around the lake produced some Roman coins in 1990 at the site of the original natural pond, and subsequently in 1991 as the spring became dry.

Consequently, the Bourne Hall Museum, Ewell and the Nonsuch Antiquarian Society undertook to excavate a trench across the earliest pond bed and pockets of sandy gravel: Surrey Archaeological Society Bulletin **265** (May 1992).

More coins were also found around the dry lake area in 2003*. All coins are listed Emperor date range.

Post-Roman contexts will be covered in a further report.

Augustus c.27BC – AD14

1. As Brass. Dupondius

S C = by decree of the Senate.

Obv: Emperor facing right

Rev: S C ROM ET AUG[ust].

Struck by Moneyer C Asinius Gallus Rome in 16 BC

2. As

Obv:

Rev: mostly illegible. Altar of Lagdunum.

SC

3. As

Obv: and Rev: illegible. Holed in antiquity.

Caligula 37-41

4. As

Obv: Bust facing left.

Rev: Vesta standing instead of seated.

Similar head Sear 1970:98.512. Surrey Roman Catalogue-SRC 5113-4

5. As.

Obv; and Rev: illegible, same as above. SRC 5115-5116

Claudius 41-54

6. As

Obv: Bust facing left.

CLAVDIVS CAESAR AVGSTI S C

Rev: Constantia stg (standing left) holding a spear.

Mattingly et al RIC no.68. Sear 1970:100. no.537.

SRC 5183-5184

7. As.

Obv. Bust facing left.

Rev: Minerva advancing? Irregular lightweight British copy

Nero 54-69

8. AE Dupondius

Obv: Bust facing right. SERVRITAS AVGSTI S C

Rev: Nero CLAVD

CAESAR AVG(UST) IMP RIC no.294 SRC 5175-76

9. A Denarius ? SRC 4008-09

10. Vespasian 69-79

AE Sesterius

Obv: Bust facing right.

Rev: with an altar.

CAES AVG F DES IMP AVG F COS DES SRC 5426-7

11. AE Sestertius

Obv: Bust facing right.

Rev: Titus and Domitian standing figures facing each other and altar

SRC 5179-80. RIC no. 413. Sear 1970:114: 684a

12. As

Obv: Bust facing right.

Rev: SECVRITAS seated with an altar. SRC 5119-5120

13. As

Obv: Bust facing right

Rev: Altar Provident with two doors.

Lagdunum mint

14. AR Silver Denarius. SRC 4010 Obv: Bust facing left.

Rev:

Domitian 81-96

15. AE Dupondius Obv: Bust facing left.

Rev:

16. AE As

Obv: Bust facing left and illegible legend?

Rev:

17. AE As

Obv:

Rev: AVGVSTI

18. AE Dupondius

Obv: Emperor facing right with laureated head. S C

Rev: Minerva is a warlike goddess of victory. SRC 5195-6

Trajan 98-117

19. AE Sestertius

Obv: Bust facing right.

Rev: Standing figure reversed. SRC 5177-8

20. AE Brass Dupondius

Obv: Bust facing right with the radiate crown.

Rev: Dacia mourning at a trophy.

Hadrian 117-138

21. Dupondius.

Obv: Bust facing right.

Rev: Sear 1970:134. SRC 5179-80

Corroded.

Commodus 171-192

22. Dupondius.

Obv: Bust facing right

Rev: ... PROVIDENCIA

Lucilla 164 - 182

23. AE Sestertius

Obv: Head facing right.

Rev: Juno is seated holding patera and sceptre. SRC 5191-92

Sear 1970:165-1479. RIC 1746

Julia Soatemias 180-222

24. AE Sestertius

Obv: Female head facing right with lined headdress

Rev: Liberty standing.

Mattingly RIC no.358. Sear 1970: nos.202A.SRC 5185-6

Valerian II 253-255

25. A barbarous antoninianvs

Obv: Antoninianus Radiate head facing right.

Rev: PRINCEPI IVVENTVTIS Valerian II standing holding

standard and spear.

Mattingly RIC no. 23

Tetricus I 271-274

26. A barbarous antoninianvs of Tetricus I.

Obv: [IMP TETRICVS P F AUG] radiate draped bust right.

Rev: [F]ID[ES AVG] Fides standing left between two standards.

27. * A barbarous antoninianvs

Obv: radiate bust facing right [IMP TETRICVS]

Constantine I 307-337

28. AE3

Obv: Bust facing right.

Rev: SAMATIA DEVICTA, Laudanum mint.

SRC 5181-82

29. AE3.

Obv: Helmeted and cuirassed bust facing right.

Rev: Two victories resting on shield 'inscribed'. SRC 4022-23

RIC 173 Sear 1970:316

30. AE3

Obv: and Rev: illegible. SRC 4022

31. * AE3

Obv: Diademed bust, facing right

CONSTANTINVS AVG

Rev: PROVIDENTIAE AVGG

Camp gate star between two turrets

Sear 1970: no.3778

Constantine 307-337

32. * AE3

Obv: Diademed bust, facing right

CONSTANTIAE AVG Rev: PROVIDENTIAE AVG

Camp gate star between two turrets

Sear 1970

33. * AE4 13mm.

Obv: NOFOLIS wearing an imperial mantel and sceptre.

Helmeted cuirassed bust facing left.

Rev: Victory on a prow holding sceptre and leans on a shield.

Sear 1970 no.3890

34. * AE4 nummus 15 mm. AD 330-340

Obv: Helmeted and draped bust Constantino polis

Rev: Victory on the prow

Moorhead u/d:177 fig.7

Constantine II AD 337 - 361

35. AE3 * 18 mm.

Obv: Diademed, cuirassed bust right.

Rev: FEL TEMP REPARATIO

Soldier advancing left spearing fallen horseman type.

Sear 1970:327 no. 3910. Moorhead u/d plate 37:58

Constans 337-350

36. AE centenionalis c AD 346-350.

Obv: CONSTANS P P AVG

Rev: Constants standing left on galley holding phoenix and

labrum

Sear 1970:no 3873

37. * AE4

Obv: CONSTANS AF AVG

Draped, braided bust right.. Q. NN.

Rev: Two victories facing each other.

Victories D.D. AVGG.Q.NN. Sear 1970. No. 3871

Magnentius 350-353 AD

38. * ½ Centenionalis

Obv: DN MAGNENTIVS PF AVG

Bear-headed draped and cuirassed bust right.

Rev: VICTORAIAE DD NN AVC ET

Two victories standing resting on an inscribed shield.

VOT. V. MVET X

Sear 1970 1970. no. 3927

Valentinian I 364-375

39. AE 3

Obv; Bust facing right

Rev: Victory advancing left .

40. AE 2.

41. * AE 3

Obv: DN VALENTINIANVS PF AVG

Diademed, draped cuirassed, bust right.

Rev: SECVRITA REPUBLICAE

Victory advancing left.

Sear 1970:335. no. 4003

42. * AE3

Same as above.

Honorius 393-423

43. AE 3

Obv: Bust facing right.

Rev: Honorius standing facing right.

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