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As in previous years, the report on archaeological finds during 1962 owes much both to individual observers and to those who have supplemented their own observation by collecting information in the areas in which they live or work. Their names are given in the 1961 report, and their contributions are again gratefully acknowledged.

At the time of writing, no information is forthcoming for the area covered by the Felixstowe Archaeological Movement, and no doubt many finds in other areas have not been reported, but as those living in the countryside become aware of the desirability of maintaining this survey in order to build up a picture of the past, so the completeness of the record may be expected to increase.

Perhaps special mention may be made of the recent work of Mr. P. G. M. Dickinson in examining and recording Suffolk monastic sites, and of the increased results of Mr. R. H. Farrands' aerial surveys. Work by the Ancient Monuments Department of the Ministry of Public Building & Works continues at Bury Abbey.

The names of those originating reports appear in brackets and abbreviations used are as follows:—

Camb.M. Cambridge Museum.

C.M. Clare Museum.

I.M. Ipswich Museum, the reference number following if the material is in the Museum.

M.H. Moyse's Hall Museum, Bury St. Edmunds; material is in that Museum unless otherwise stated.

Mild.M. Mildenhall Museum.

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1. *Ashfield, Great* (TM/006681). 13th-15th century sherds found beneath floor during renovations of inn by Mr. Bray. (B. J. W. Brown, who retains possession).
2. *Badwell Ash* (TL/993686). Lead bulla of Pope John XXII. (B. J. W. Brown, who retains possession).
3. *Baylham* (TM/10295061). Fragment of lava quern found when filling in a pond on Harrow Farm. (J. P. Morris). (I.M. 962-29).

4. *Bergholt, East* (TM/07653675). Fragment of lava quern and sherds of Romano-British pottery. (F. V. Packard). (I.M. 962-107).
 5. *Bergholt, East* (TM/07713679). Shoulder of amphora. (F. V. Packard). (I.M. 962-125).
 6. *Bergholt, East* (TM/07683677). Sherds of Belgic and Romano-British pottery with a large quantity of roofing tiles from two pits said to be about 4 feet square and 22 feet deep. (F. V. Packard). (I.M. 962-124, A & B).
 7. *Bramford* (TM/125470). Two barrows.
 (TM/121475). One barrow.
 (TM/121473). One barrow.
- Crop-marks photographed from the air. (R. H. Farrands).
8. *Brandon* (TL/755868). On river bank of Little Ouse after dredging, a mass of Romano-British pottery including a small samian base marked 'QVIMTIM'. Terra nigra base marked 'VI', colour-coated barbotine sherds, rim of large Horningsea pot, wide flanged mortarium rim, and dark grey tazza of Belgic type. (Grace, Lady Briscoe). (Mild.M.).
 9. *Bricett* (TM/036507). Foundations of the north-west transeptal tower of the Priory were discovered during levelling operations when laying a lawn. There appeared to have been an apsidal chapel opening eastwards from the east wall. (P. G. M. Dickinson).
 10. *Brockford* (TM/11926014). Charles I farthing found whilst pulling down plaster of Seaman's Dairy Farm. (C. Godart-Brown). (I.M. 962-122).
 11. *Brundish* (TM/268689). Chipped flint axe ploughed up. (H. Emeny). (I.M. 962-33).
 12. *Brundish* (TM/254701 approx.). Sherds of Romano-British and mediaeval pottery found in plough soil. (H. Emeny). (I.M. 962-95, A).
 13. *Capel St. Andrew* (TM/375479). Numerous human skeletons discovered during draining operations on the site of church demolished shortly after 1529. (I.M.). (I.M. 962-93).
 14. *Chediston, Chediston Grange* (TM/360778). Bronze tweezers, spur, roofing tiles and sherds of Romano-British pottery. (G. E. Burroughes, who retains possession). Three sherds (I.M. 962-114).
 15. *Chediston, Chediston Grange* (TM/352770). Neolithic flints and scrapers. (G. E. Burroughes, who retains possession).

16. *Chediston*, Chediston Grange (TM/351765 approx.). Fragments of lava quern, Romano-British. (G. E. Burroughes, who retains possession).
17. *Chediston*, Chediston Grange (TM/353774). Fragment of upper stone of puddingstone quern, Romano-British. (G. E. Burroughes, who retains possession).
18. *Chediston*, Chediston Grange (TM/358770). 13th century sherds. (G. E. Burroughes, who retains possession).
19. *Clare* (TL/762445). Polished flint axe found in gravel pit. (T. Wells). (C.M.).
20. *Clare* (TL/77324523). Denarius of Julia Soaemias. (M. & S. 243). (T. Wells). (C.M.).
21. *Clare* (TL/770450). The foundations of the Friary church which were uncovered during recent excavations have been covered in again, but the outline of the church is now laid out in a grass lawn. Part of the north-east buttress of the chancel was found embedded in the garden at the east end. The reredorter drain has also been traced. (P. G. M. Dickinson).
22. *Clare* (TL/77284528). Groat of Edward IV, 4th Issue, Type 'B' London Mint, found in Mill Road garden. (T. Wells). (C.M.).
23. *Clare* (TL/77284528). Groat of Edward III, 4th Issue, Type 'C' London Mint. (T. Wells). (C.M.).
24. *Coddenham* (TM/11315293). Sestertius of Philip I found on spoil heap left by Ipswich School excavations. (B. Wilson, who retains possession).
25. *Coney Weston* (TL/948784). Mediaeval pottery, 12th-15th centuries, and portion of spur. (Barry Orves *per* B. J. W. Brown). (Finds at Ixworth Secondary Modern School).
26. *Cotton* (TM/08276713). Tranchet flint axe, Mesolithic or Secondary Neolithic. (J. Burton). (I.M. 962-15).
27. *Cratfield* (TM/30217653). Late mediaeval buckle, brass ring, bone pendant and reckoning counter. (J. Greenard). (I.M. 962-73).
28. *Darsham* (TM/421893). 16th century reckoning counter. (K. G. Scarle). (I.M. 962-41).
29. *Dennington* (TM/290663). 15th century sherds found under the floor of the dining-room at Parkgate Farm during alterations. (Mrs. E. A. Mann). (I.M. 962-259).
30. *Dunwich*. Romano-British rim sherd and mediaeval jug handle. (Mrs. J. Frost). (I.M. 962-74).

31. *Earl Stonham* (TM/098590). Sestertius of Galba, reverse indecipherable. (Rev. F. Rowell, who retains possession).

32. *Elmham, South, St. Michael* (TM/349837, TM/352832, approx.). Mediaeval sherds found in plough soil on Boundary Farm. (G. E. Burroughes). (I.M. 962-112, 113).

33. *Eriswell* (TL/721807). Small building overlooking Bear's Mouth, usually called 'St. Edmund's Chapel', now used for storage. After a prolonged dry spell cutting of pasture around the building showed in brown grass the outline of an old church. The standing building is the east end of the nave and the chancel appears with an apse internally and buttresses at the north-east and south-east corners. Plan of tower at the west end is very clear, north and south walls of nave are indicated, length of building about 90 feet. As two churches are mentioned in Domesday Book in Eriswell, this may be the remains of the second possible 'Cocclesworda'. (Grace, Lady Briscoe).

34. *Eyke* (TM/31725180). 'Bellarmine' probably used as a witch-bottle, found under the hearth of Church Cottages. (V. C. Fenton). (I.M. 962-87).

35. *Eyke* (TM/31665182). 17th century spur with spike to fit a high-heeled boot. (R. E. Pitts). (I.M. 962-88).

36. *Finningham* (TM/06676948). Barbed and tanged flint arrow-head, sestertius of Vespasian, and groat of Mary, found in the garden of Yew Tree House. (H. D. Toomey, who retains possession).

37. *Finningham* (TM/059702). Remains of moat with sherds from the 12th-16th centuries, fragments of quern, and dagger, in possession of A. Hammond. (B. J. W. Brown).

38. *Framsden* (TM/19345955). Irish silver penny of Edward I, II or III, Waterford Mint, revealed in road widening operation. (E. Tubbs). (I.M. 962-60).

39. *Freston* (TM/172393). Three barrows in one field.
(TM/178373). One barrow.
(TM/174368). One barrow.

Crop-marks photographed from the air. (R. H. Farrands).

40. *Frostenden* (TM/48028017). Flint axe, chipped, with polished cutting edge. (H. S. Sawyer). (I.M. 962-123).

41. *Gislingham* (TM/066723). 13th century sherds and Parliament shilling. (B. J. W. Brown; in possession of —. Garrard).

42. *Gislingham* (TM/073718). Two or three buildings of clay and stone, with floors of clay or chalk, associated with 12/13th century sherds. (B. J. W. Brown).

43. *Glemham, Little* (TM/359599). Hone of semi schist of Type I, Morey & Dunham, probably Anglo-Saxon, found in the bed of the River Alde. (J. Todd). (I.M. 962-110).

44. *Hadleigh*. Silver groat of Henry VIII found in garden in Pykenham Way. (C. A. Cook).

45. *Harleston* (TM/00155992). Coin (3AE) of Valentinian I, (M. & S. 78). (A. Phoenix, who retains possession).

46. *Henstead* (TM/49158690). Base of Romano-British cooking pot and skull of *Bos longifrons* found at a depth of 14 feet during road widening operations at Rushmere Bridge. (F. G. Alderson). (I.M. 962-12).

47. *Hepworth* (TL/97847436). Coin of Constantine I VRBS ROMA Wolf and Twins, Mint Aquileia. (J. Blake, who retains possession).

48. *Hepworth* (TL/986753). Mediaeval pottery from foundation trench of a new bungalow adjoining playground of Hepworth School. (J. E. Blake *per* B. J. W. Brown).

49. *Hinderclay* (TM/02257661). Excavation continued on the site of a probable 15th century kiln discovered in 1957. A large quantity of pottery, including wasters, has been recovered, but the kiln itself has not yet been found. (I.M.). (I.M. 962-86).

50. *Hollesley* (TM/36264535). Forgery of an Irish silver shilling of James I found in garden of 50 Oak Hill. (Rev. C. Copley). (I.M. 962-84).

51. *Hollesley* (TM/366459). Flint arrow-head found near Oak Hill. (R. Adams, *per* Rev. C. Copley). (I.M. 962-71).

52. *Hollesley*. 18th century pewter dish trawled up in Hollesley Bay. (F. J. Pearce). (I.M. 962-116).

53. *Hoxne* (TM/212738). In carrying out alterations to Thorpe Hall, a garderobe was discovered on the first floor with a wall-niche, probably for a pitcher of water, beside it. The walls of the ground floor storey are 3 feet thick, of the upper storey 2 feet. (C. W. Tew).

54. *Ipswich* (TM/14204300). Romano-British sherds found on a building site in Sheldrake Drive. (R. Edwardson). (I.M. 962-128).

55. *Ipswich* (TM/17774386). Sestertius of Faustina II, probably M. & S. 1638, dug up in garden in Sandhurst Avenue. (R. V. Oxborrow, who retains possession).

56. *Ipswich* (TM/16254451). Sherds found during building operations, 15 Queen Street. Finds include sherds of Ipswich, Thetford and Pingsdorf ware, two handles from 11th century handled ladles, and 16th and 17th century sherds including Italian majolica, French polychrome and Delft. (Eastern Counties Building Society). (I.M. 962-28).

57. *Ipswich* (TM/16154459). Fragment of mediaeval stone mortar found in trench, 1 foot down, Arcade Street. (Eastern Electricity Board). (I.M. 962-254).

58. *Ipswich* (TM/16504460). Sherd of Thetford ware found during alterations to the Star shop, Upper Brook Street. (R. Edwardson). (I.M. 962-127).

59. *Ipswich* (TM/16504460). 13th century glazed jug found 10 feet down during building operations behind the Cock and Pye, Upper Brook Street. (Sadler & Sons). (I.M. 962-245).

60. *Ipswich* (TM/16054427). Wooden water pipe 7 feet long with square spigot-hole and bung at one end. Found in an upright position 30 feet down with 17/18th century pottery, during building operations on the site of the Civic College. (Pressure Piling (Parent) Ltd.). (I.M. 962-11).

61. *Ipswich* (TM/199413). One barrow with double ring.
(TM/197413). One barrow.
Crop-marks photographed from the air. (R. H. Farrands).

62. *Ixworth* (TL/931703). Bases of the north arcade of the nave of the Priory church have been uncovered, indicating the bays were very wide. Three of the four crossing bases are exposed but they are too slight to have supported a central tower. Fragments of the north aisle wall have been discovered in a party ditch. Two 12th century windows of the Canon's dormitory have been found behind the 19th century panelling in the house. (P. G. M. Dickinson).

63. *Kentford* (TL/715666). Polished flint axe 11½ inches long with the long edges ground flat, actually found in 1961 on ploughing up pasture at the Medler Stud. (A. R. Edwardson). (M.H.).

64. *Kersey* (TL/999444). A tentative excavation disclosed the east wall of the Priory church, showing the building to have been 156 feet long. The foundations of three of the pillars of the central tower have been located. There was apparently a south aisle to the nave of six bays, but none on the north as the cloisters were on this side. (P. G. M. Dickinson).

65. *Kirton* (TM/27993964). Elizabethan sixpence, 1575, dug up in the garden of 'The Laurels', Rectory Lane. (Mrs. L. E. Hedges, who retains possession).

66. *Lackford* (TL/797707). Bored stone mace-head. (A. R. Edwardson). (M.H.).
67. *Lackford* (TL/803703). Flint sickle-blade. (A. R. Edwardson). (M.H.).
68. *Lakenheath* (TL/712841). Brown flint axe, re-chipped, from Grimes Fen. (Grace, Lady Briscoe).
69. *Lakenheath* (TL/713845). Neolithic axe-head, re-chipped. (Grace, Lady Briscoe).
70. *Lakenheath* (TL/718842). Beaker rim sherd from spoil of New River Cut. (Grace, Lady Briscoe).
71. *Lakenheath* (TL/782835). Leaf-shaped arrow-head, thin, colourless. (Grace, Lady Briscoe).
72. *Lakenheath* (TL/695803). Sestertius of Crispina, wife of Commodus, from Peterhouse Farm. (Grace, Lady Briscoe).
73. *Lakenheath* (TL/713845). Male skeleton with sherds of pink gritted ware, Romano-British, three pots. (Grace, Lady Briscoe). (Mild.M.).
74. *Lakenheath* (TL/728835). Segmented bead of green glass. (?Anglo-Saxon). (Grace, Lady Briscoe). (Mild.M.).
75. *Livermere, Great* (TL/895698). Polished flint axe. (A. R. Edwardson). (M.H.).
76. *Long Melford* (TL/86284540, TL/86284537). 1st century A.D. sherds from a trench on the east side of Hall Road, outside Purdy's Café, Steed & Steed, and Mrs. Chamberlain's house. (Wickham Partridge). (I.M. 962-255 to 258).
77. *Lowestoft* (TM/541933 approx.). Coin (3AE) of Constantine I PROVIDENTIAE AVG Camp Gate, Mint Trèves. (T. Grimble, who retains possession).
78. *Mildenhall* (TL/704793). Ploughing disclosed spread of flint artifacts, several thousands, of late Palaeolithic type. This type has only previously been found in this country at Swaffham Prior, Cambridgeshire. In course of excavation. (Grace, Lady Briscoe). (Camb.M.).
79. *Moulton* (TL/683644). Roughly made rim sherds of Beaker type, three pots, two with criss-cross punctuate decoration. (Grace, Lady Briscoe). (Camb.M.).
80. *Nacton* (TM/20593991). Forgery of James I shilling. (Victor Bell). (I.M. 962-65).

81. *Needham Market* (TM/08445562). Penny of Edward III, York Mint, dug up in the garden of 60 Stowmarket Road. (Mrs. P. Paddock, who retains possession).

82. *Rickinghall Superior*, St. Mary's Church (TM/041746). Sherds of 13/14th century found on clay floor under 19th century floor. (B. J. W. Brown).

83. *Rumburgh* (TM/346819). The Priory has now been planned and the area presumably covered by the choir and transepts is open but no foundations have been discovered, implying that though planned, they were never built. The plan clearly indicates that the western 'tower' is in the nature of a narthex and unique, though its purpose is not so apparent. (P. G. M. Dickinson).

84. *Somersham* (TL/906488). Antoninianus of Allectus (M. & S. 33). (J. W. Dickerson, who retains possession).

85. *Southwold*, Gun Hill Beach (TM/509758). Sixpence of Elizabeth, 1567, mint mark Coronet. (J. Palmer, who retains possession).

86. *Stonham Aspal* (TM/13115965). Perforated mace-head found in a sewer trench. (Sadler & Sons). (I.M. 962-5).

87. *Stonham Aspal* (TM/13095964). The cutting of a sewerage trench revealed evidence of Roman occupation, including a portion of a wall. Excavations carried out by the Ipswich Museum, with the help of volunteers, revealed the remains of a bath-house probably attached to a villa. Further work will be undertaken in 1963. Operations were largely financed by the Suffolk Institute of Archaeology, with help from the Excursion Group of the Southwold Archaeological & Natural History Society. A hut was loaned by the Ancient Monuments Department of the Ministry of Works. Finds include sherds, painted wall plaster, fragments of window-glass and roofing tiles, knife with antler handle, As of Severus Alexander (M. & S. 543), key and fragment of shale bracelet. (I.M. 962-25 and 126). *See vol. xxx.*

88. *Sutton* (TM/29564649). Collared urn of Early Bronze Age containing cremated male bones, three flint knives and a barbed-and-tanged arrow-head, found in irrigation trench at Methersgate Hall. (Sir A. Quilter). (I.M. 962-115).

89. *Trimley St. Martin* (TM/254363 approx.). Large sherd of Ipswich ware found on shore about high tide mark. (P. J. Warren). (I.M. 962-20).

90. *Walberswick* (TM/503747 approx.). Sherds including 13/14th century face and fragment of figure of mounted knight found on beach. (W. G. Buncombe, *per* G. Burroughes).

91. *Waldringfield*. Six soil marks of round barrows on Heath Farm:
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| (1) | TM/26804475 | 45 ft. diameter. |
| (2) | TM/26764484 | 28 ft. diameter. |
| (3) | TM/26734480 | 44 ft. diameter. |
| (4) | TM/26734490 | 50 ft. diameter. |
| (5) | TM/26654495 | 67 ft. diameter. |
| (6) | TM/26784504 | 102 ft. diameter. |

(N. Winram & I.M.).

92. *Walsham-le-Willows*, Cranmer Green (TM/028713). Mediaeval (?) prick-spur. (Malcolm Nunn *per* B. J. W. Brown).

93. *Walsham-le-Willows*, High Hall (TM/026717). Mediaeval and Tudor horse-shoes collected from pipe-line. (Paul Rayson *per* B. J. W. Brown).

94. *Wetheringsett* (TM/12686687). 15th century French token Ave Maria Gracia Plena, and 17th century 'bellarmine' probably used as a witch-bottle, found underneath fire-place in Bridge Cottage. (Mrs. E. R. Scott, who retains possession).

95. *Wherstead*, Bourne Hill (TM/161414). One ditched camp. Photographed from the air. (R. H. Farrands).

96. *Wissett* (TM/36787924). Sherd of Late Middle Bronze Age pottery found in sewer trench near the Plough Inn. (Trevor Calver, *per* Miss L. de M. Rudolf). (I.M. 962-46).