

## ARCHÆOLOGY IN SUFFOLK, 1959

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*Aldeburgh* (TM/46525645). A Neolithic flint scraper was found in the garden of the coast-guard station. (Miss Margaret Hunt). (I.M. 959-181).

*Aldeburgh* (TM/45505725). Road widening affecting the gardens of Nos. 105 and 107 Saxmundham Road (north side) exposed sections of rubbish pits with rims and bases of 12th and 13th century pottery, the radial bone of a horse, and food debris consisting exclusively of fish bones, about the size of large cod, oysters, cockles (most common), mussels, and one whelk. A fragment of a quern was also found. The soil contained large clay lumps possibly from collapse of a structure of this material. The spoil was dumped at Snape Bridge. (I.M.). (I.M. 959-124).

*Barnham* (TL/865780). Two flaked flint chisels (Neolithic). (A. R. Edwardson). (M.H.).

*Barton, Great* (TL/889664). Three coins were found on the line of a supposed Roman road:

1. Barbarous copy of antoninianus (commemorative issue) of Claudius Gothicus (A.D. 268-270). *Obv*: DIVO CLAUDIO, Radiate head r. *Rev*: CONSACRATIO. Part brockage (*cf.* M. & S. 256).
2. 3Ae of Constantius II as Caesar (A.D. 323-337). *Obv*: CONSTANTIUS NOB.C. Diademed head r. *Rev*: GLORIA EXERCITUS, standard between 2 soldiers.
3. 2Ae of Constantius II as Emperor (A.D. 337-361). *Obv*: D. N. CONSTANTIUS P. F. AUG., N. in field. Laureate bust L. *Rev*: FEL. TEMP. REPARATIO. Emperor dragging barbarian from hut. Mint mark  $\frac{I}{PS}$  (Siscia). (T. Banham).

*Benacre* (TM/525883 approx.). The Ipswich Museum received material from a spread of Neolithic flint flakes, including 2 scrapers, found in 1934. (S. Rowland Pierce). (I.M. 959-135).

*Benhall*, Catnaps Field, Bigsby's Corner (TM/382621). A mediaeval iron axe-head was ploughed up by a worker on the Hurts Hall Estate. (- Smith). (I.M. 959-193).

*Bergholt*, East, Richardson's Farm. A small millstone of Niedermendig lava was found during ploughing. (L. G. Harris). (I.M. 959-178).

*Bildeston* (TL/99244941). During building operations two denarii were found by Mr. E. Simpkin, Builder, and declared 'not Treasure Trove' by the Coroner.

1. Denarius of Titus (A.D. 80, M. & S. 24a).
2. Denarius of Septimius Severus (A.D. 194-5, M. & S. 428). (Group-Captain W. B. Hargrave).

*Bury St. Edmunds* (TL/870635). Polished semi-circular flint knife of the Beaker Period. (A. R. Edwardson). (M.H.).

*Bury St. Edmunds* (TL/852638). An 11th century cooking-pot was found with animal bones in a pit with a depth of 9 feet. (A.R. Edwardson). (M.H.).

*Bury St. Edmunds* (TL/856641). In the note in 'Archaeology in Suffolk, 1958', (see *ante*, p. 90), referring to the discovery of the Basilica of St. Denis for 'St. Mary's Church' read 'St. James's Church'.

*Capel St. Mary*, Lattinford Hill (TM/084372). During the removal of sand from the bank on the south side of the Ipswich-Colchester road, a pit 35 feet in diameter, and 4 feet deep, was revealed in section, and yielded Romano-British sherds. (I.M.). (I.M. 959-157).

*Cotton*, Church Farm (TM/07086680). During excavation for the erection of a barn, sherds of the 15th-17th centuries were found. (K. W. Bullock). (I.M. 959-261).

*Creeting St. Peter*, Creeting Hall (TM/07905655). A circular moat, 6 feet in depth, and probably indicating a mediaeval farmstead, was levelled by bull-dozer in November. (R. Jardine).

*Culford* (TL/845728). Saucer quern of the Neolithic (Beaker) Period. (A. R. Edwardson). (M.H.).

*Darsham*, Mill Hill Farm (Gravel Pit Farm on O.S. map), (TM/41576950). A spread of burnt flints and rubble probably indicates the site of a mediaeval barn. On the same field, 2 Neolithic flint flakes were picked up.

(TM/42506938). A worked flint chisel was ploughed up a few years earlier. (K. G. Searle). (I.M. 959-146).

*Eriswell*, Lakenheath Airfield (TL/731803). An Anglo-Saxon cemetery of the 6th century, with over 30 graves, was discovered during the digging of foundations for an extension of the Hospital Block of the U.S.A.A.F. Base. Many weapons, brooches, bracelets, beads, etc., were recovered. (Lady Briscoe).

*Eye*, The Old Bank House, Broad Street (TM/14557381). A small palaeolithic hand-axe, and fragments of a Romano-British quern and potsherds found in garden. (G. I. Moss).

*Fakenham Magna* (TL/877758). Looped palstave of the Middle/Late Bronze Age. (A. R. Edwardson). (M.H.).

*Felixstowe*, near Golf-House (TM/325364). A Neolithic flint axe-head, much rolled and patinated, was found on the beach. (E. R. E. Dayrell).

*Felixstowe* (TM/30423585). Daub and scatter of sherds including 1st century Romano-British and native. (Joan Jeffrey).

*Felixstowe* (off) (TM/350328 approx.). The base of a 13th century ewer, of thin red ware with pinched and sagging base, was dredged up from Cork Hole at a depth of 8-9 fathoms. (G. M. Read). (I.M. 959-131).

*Freston*, Potash Farm (TM/16493758). A hoard of over 3,000 4th century and one 3rd century Roman coins, with part of a large pot in which they had been buried, and sherds of a smaller pot apparently used as a stopper, were ploughed up by Russell Thompson on land belonging to Mr. Alfred Suckling. (I.M.).

*Freston*, Turkey Farm (TM/169382). An earthenware bottle of the 17th century was found during ditching operations. (Stuart Paul). (I.M. 959-148).

*Friston*, Black Heath Wood (TM/42255778). Rim sherd of Romano-British ware in buff paste with vestigial cordon. (Lord Cranbrook). (I.M. 959-176).

*Hemingstone*, Brewery Farm (TM/163539). A flint flake of Clactonian type was ploughed up in Gipping Till. (G. P. Morris). (I.M. 959-182).

*Hemingstone*, Bell's Cross (TM/15415241). Neolithic flint sickle found whilst hoeing. (O. J. Freeman). (I.M. 959-234).

*Hepworth* (TL/99477551). A blue glass bead was found on the supposed Roman tile-kiln site reported 1 mile due east of Stanton Villa in 1956. (I.M.). (I.M. 959-143).

*Hepworth* (TL/99357546). Sooty black areas with Romano-British sherds, including a coarse flange with wavy combing, 1 sherd of Samian, and a fragment of kiln-roof, exposed by ploughing. (I.M.). (I.M. 959-235).

*Homersfield*, Hall's Gravel Pit (TM/28828529). A Romano-British pottery kiln was exposed during quarrying operations, and excavated by Ipswich Museum staff. Probably 3rd century. Evidence of other kilns in vicinity. (I.M.). (I.M. 959-125). (See p. 171).

*Ipswich*, Seven Arches Bridge (TM/15004455). During excavations for the foundations of the new bridge, a fine Acheulean hand-axe was found on the river-bed. (P. Coote). (I.M. 959-210).

*Ipswich*, 21, Mornington Avenue (TM/15044596). The cutting end of a small, polished flint axe, of Neolithic type, was found in the garden. (Richard Scotchmere). (I.M. 959-250).

*Ipswich*, Harris's Bacon Factory, Hadleigh Road (TM/42324485). During extensions to the factory in 1930, a small cinerary urn of Middle Bronze Age type was dug up by Mr. Arthur Green, Builder, and has now been presented to the Museum. (Mrs. M. M. Miller). (I.M. 959-203).

*Ipswich*, Princes Street (TM/15844408). A fine Iron Age 'A' weaving-comb made of deer antler was found 8 feet down in a bed of peat on the site of the new offices of Fison's Pension Trust. (Fisons Ltd., per William Chapman). (I.M. 959-266).

*Ipswich*, 45, Upper Orwell Street (TM/16714444). During alterations to the premises of Masons Motor Factors, Ipswich ware pottery, including the greater part of a large pot with decoration of grooves and vertical burnishing, a rim with internal flange decorated with square stamps, a peaked lug and one waster, was found 6½ feet down in a pit cut into the natural gravel. This appears to be an extension of the area of the Carr Street kiln complex, but Mr. S. E. West points out that it lies just outside the town boundary and may be a dump from the kilns. (Richard Mason). (I.M. 959-268).

*Ipswich*, Tavern Street (TM/16294468). The demolition of the Picture House in preparation for the building of Timothy Whites' store revealed sherds of 13th/14th century pottery and oyster shells. (S. Ashcroft).

*Ipswich*, St. Stephen's Church (rear) (TM/16434451). 17th century sherds, clay pipes, Charles II farthing, and numerous ox bones, were found during digging of the foundations of the Eastern Electricity Board's Sub-Station. (R. F. Unwin and F. Haddon). (I.M. 959-267).

*Lakenheath* (TL/682803). Socketed axe, Late Bronze Age. (A. R. Edwardson). (M.H.).

*Lakenheath* (TL/729834). A polished greenstone celt, 5½ inches long, and weighing 2 lb., is now in the Mildenhall Museum. (Lady Briscoe).

*Lakenheath*, Undley (TL/711809). Leaf-shaped and tanged arrowheads (Neolithic). (Lady Briscoe).

*Lakenheath*, Bramwell Meadow II (TL/716843). On the site of a mound, the plough cut through small floors of reddened chalk and large stones with bones and sherds of Iron Age 'A' pottery. (Lady Briscoe).

*Lakenheath*, The Fen (TL/693846). A silver denarius of moneyer C. Pulcher, dating to 106 B.C. (Lady Briscoe).

*Lakenheath*, 'The Roman Field' (TL/728833). Ploughing on this field, hitherto productive of Roman finds, revealed a pot of Iron Age 'C' with a hoard of 470 coins comprising 3 gold (2 of Cunobelin and 1 of Antedrigus), 65 silver Roman Republican and early Imperial, and 402 small silver Icenian. These were declared Treasure Trove by the Coroner. (Lady Briscoe).

*Lakenheath* (TL/733832). Wing of bronze Anglo-Saxon brooch. (Lady Briscoe).

*Lakenheath*, The Glebe (TL/722828). Two silver short cross pennies of John and a Champagne denier, probably of Theobald III. (Lady Briscoe). (Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge).

*Mendlesham*, Mendlesham Green (TM/10286348). A mediaeval moated mound was levelled in November, 1959, producing the top-stones of an 8" lava quern and a puddingstone quern, and 15th century sherds. (V. Lambert).

*Mildenhall* (TL/655762). Saucer quern and part of Saddle quern. (Neolithic/Beaker). (A. R. Edwardson). (M.H.).

*Mildenhall* (TL/667783). Neolithic polished stone axe. (A. R. Edwardson). (M.H.).

*Mildenhall*, Holywell Drove (TL/684-7 795-6). A big spread of sherds of Roman date covers several acres and includes Samian, rims of Horningsea type, Castor ware and quern fragments. (Lady Briscoe).

*Mildenhall*, West Row (TL/654786). Large perforated axe-hammer of grey quartzite, weighing 4½ lbs. (Lady Briscoe).

*Mildenhall*, West Row (TL/661770). Large bone tool of red deer antler, perforated. (Lady Briscoe).

*Orford* (TM/419502). 13th century sherds were found during building operations. (Major J. Steuart-Gratton). (I.M. 959-132).

*Pakenham*, Priory Farm (South of) (TL/93166990). During digging of foundations for bungalow No. 3, Samian sherds were found, including F.37 with stamp IANVF (Janus, Trajan-Antonine, Rheinzabern), and winding scroll, F.29 and F.39 (flange). (J. Freude). (I.M. 959-1).

*Pakenham*, Priory Farm (South of) (TL/93159678). The upper stone of a puddingstone rotary quern was found with sherds including one with incised decoration. (I.M.). (I.M. 959-238).

*Pakenham*, Gravel Pit Field (TL/93566956). Ploughing exposed sherds of Samian, colour-coated imitation of F.36, also sherds of amphora, mortaria, Castor ware, grey latticed cooking-pot and waster, bowl with painted flange, stamped ware, and fragment of quern. (J. Blyth). (I.M. 959-144).

*Pakenham*, Grimstone End (TL/936693). Quarrying operations exposed a further 15 sites with part of a triangular loom-weight of Iron Age date. Romano-British sherds and one whole pot, an antoninianus of Tetricus (M. & S. 100), a bone pin, a bronze ligula. Samian including F.37 with stamp CARATILLUS (Lezoux, after A.D. 130). 3Ae of Gratian (Second period, A.D. 367-375). Anglo-Saxon sherds and pottery spindle-whorl. Finds are too numerous to detail here, but extend the occupation area of this prolific site. (I.M.). (I.M. 959- 2 to 14, 145, 226 to 230, 232, 233, 239 to 242).

*Pettaugh*, Abbot's Hall (TM/157593). 13th century sherds were found by A. P. Cutting after ploughing. (I.M. 959-134). (G. P. Morris).

*Purdis Farm* (TM/220424). An Early Bronze Age flat bronze axe was found in a field near 'The Poppies', Bucklesham Road, on land belonging to Mr. Ransome. (David Butcher). (I.M. 959-162).

*Rickinghall Inferior*, Common Barn Farm, Allwood Green (TM/03957226). The floor of a kiln, with indications of central pedestal, and a pit with sherds of 1st or early 2nd century Romano-British pottery were exposed by very deep ploughing. Excavation in progress. (I.M.). (I.M. 959-284).

*Rickinghall Superior*, Kiln Farm (TM/039749). Two scatters of Romano-British pottery were found after ploughing. (I.M.). (I.M. 959-251).

*Shadingfield*, Hall Farm (TM/44558397). Ovate Acheulean hand-axe. (R. W. Knights). (I.M. 959-222).

*Shadingfield*, Hall Farm (TM/44408422). Axe of 'Thames Pick' type (Mesolithic/Early Neolithic), scraper and fabricator. (R. W. Knights). (I.M. 959-222).

*Shadingfield*, Hall Farm (TM/443842). A further scatter of Romano-British sherds, and the spout of a 13th century jug, were found on a site already known as yielding material of these dates in 1957. (R. W. Knights). (I.M. 959-122).

*Shadingfield*, Hall Farm (TM/44358359). 13th century pottery was found on the site of a moated 'homestead'. (R. W. Knights). (I.M. 959-123).

*Thornham Magna*, Grove Farm (TM/094708). A fourth century Roman coin with URBS ROMA reverse was found after ploughing. (Mrs. H. M. Andrews).

*Thurlow, Little* (TL/676505). Palstave, without loop, Middle Bronze Age. (A. R. Edwardson). (M.H.).

*Wattisfield*, Wattisfield Hall (TM/003738). Spread of flint flakes (Neolithic), cores and hammer-stones. (I.M.). (I.M. 959-243).

*Wattisfield*, Beech Tree Farm (TM/01227493). Ploughing exposed a pedestal kiln with two whole pots and another almost complete, probably 2nd century. In course of excavation. (R. Moore and I.M.). (I.M. 959-285).

*Wattisham*, Boxtree Farm (TM/007513). Fragment of Roman quern. (H. E. Squirrel). (I.M. 959-209).

*Weston*, Newhouse Farm (TM/420865 approx.). A follis of Diocletian with reverse GENIUS, Mint: Lugdunum, was found during ploughing. (Harold Pilling).

*Wetherden*, Danby's Gravel Pit (TL/990627). Spread of 1st century sherds. (I.M.). (I.M. 959-231).

*Wissington*, Wissington Grove Farm (TL/93613415). Ploughing revealed quantities of sherds of late 1st/early 2nd century; probably a kiln site. (Francis Batten). (I.M. 959-244).

*Worlington*, Bargate Farm (TL/682742). Deeper ploughing brought up dark soil with Roman sherds, mostly grey, a large Samian base, Castor ware, part of a mortarium, brick and tile. (Lady Briscoe).