

# PAST TIMES

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CHIPPENHAM & DISTRICT METAL DETECTING CLUB (CDMDC)



## CLUB NEWS

### ROBIN HATT MEMORIAL TROPHY

The Chippenham and District Metal Detecting Club had the chance this year to win the Robin Hatt trophy in the coin category for the 3rd year running. The clubs entries were picked and entered into the Robin Hatt competition where clubs from all across the country send their entries to be voted against each other. Unfortunately this time it wasn't to be as the first place prize in the coin category was given to a rare Verica Butting Bull silver Celtic unit. The CDMDC coin entry was however voted in 2nd place in the competition and the CDMDC artifact was voted in the top 10 in the artifacts category, still great achievements for the club!

#### CDMDC Robin Hatt entries for 2020

Celtic Belgae Gold Quarter Stater Hampshire Thunderbolt Type (found October 2020 by Matt T2 Chairman)



Tudor Silver Dress hook (found July 2020 by Mimzy T2)



T1 Chairman Terry Kearton presenting T2 Chairman Matthew Fenn with the Robin Hatt runners up trophy 2020 coin category



TIER 1

## CLUB FINDS OF THE MONTH

TIER 2

NOT YET VOTED DUE TO  
CANCELED MEETING



### BEST COIN

WINNER: MIMZY

RUNNER UP: TONY



CARACALLA DENARIUS 216AD

ELIZABETH I HALF GROAT

### BEST ARTEFACT

WINNER: MATT

RUNNER UP: TONY



NEOLITHIC FLINT AXE HEAD

ROMAN BROOCH



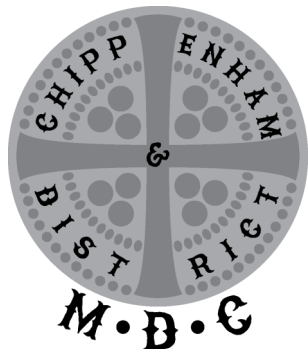


## CDMDC FESTIVE DIG



This years club festive dig was held on the 3rd of January in the Grittleton area. The dig was arranged by club members Helen and Catherine who both did a fantastic job!

It was a cold, damp January morning and the hotly anticipated CDMDC festive dig was finally here! It was almost a full club turn out with members from Tier 1, Tier 2 and the IDS scheme arriving from all across Wiltshire. On arrival all members were offered mince pies, sausage rolls and a cup of warm (non alcoholic) mulled wine to warm them up before they set off in search of remanence of the farms history. There were 3 good sized stubble fields for the club members to detect in and after a short dig briefing the members were set off to detect. Within a couple of minutes of the dig beginning everyone was stopped in their tracks, watching in awe as a number of deer were spooked and came charging through the field, could this be a good omen? Who knows, but shortly after finds soon started popping up across all 3 fields. A hot spot was found in one field by a few club members from which 3 silver Victorian coins, 2 silver hammered coins and a silver roman denarius appeared along with other finds. Throughout the day members regularly met up in groups to share their finds and catch up with each other after the xmas period, help was also offered by more experienced members to those who were less experienced. At the end of the dig everyone met up at the club gazebo and entered their finds into the finds case ready for the landowners to judge the best coin and artifact of the day. There were a number of superb finds including hammered coins, roman coins, a roman brooch, buckles, tokens and various other items. The farmers picked an Elizabeth 1st silver hammered for the coin of the day and a Tudor buckle for the artifact of the day. After the judging there was just enough time for the club raffle before the winters light started to fade. Massive thanks go to Helen, Catherine and the landowner for the dig.



### CLUB CONTACT DETAILS

Chairman T1	Terry Kearton
Chairman T2	Matthew Fenn
Treasurer	Peter Amer
Secretary	Lorraine Stanley

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