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### Published by Dr John Sills in *Divided Kingdoms*



**1. Late Whaddon Chase. Double Circle Type.** Sills British Lc1, class 3b, dies 2?/22. c.55-45 BC. AV stater. 16mm. 5.73g. Virtually blank./ Horse r, beaded mane, wing motif with beaded tail and pellets above, cogwheel in front, large double circle below. ABC 2344, VA 1502, BMC 346, DK 430, S 33. CCI 12.0200 (**this coin**). *Nr EF, neat round flan of golden gold, super horse, bold cogwheel. Ex Tony Warner coll. RR only 17 others recorded. £950*

This is a superb specimen of the Double Circle Type gold stater. The virtually-blank obverse is free from any of the usual scuffs and scratches that accumulate due to decades of being tossed around in cultivated soil – the surfaces are smooth and immaculate. The well-formed horse is centrally positioned on the flan, allowing us a full view of the winged symbol above and the solar 'cogwheel' in front. Published in *Divided Kingdoms* p.472 (**this coin**).



**CORIOSOLITES** NE Brittany (Corseul, St. Brieuc, Dinan).  
**2. Ogmios and Boar. Chin Whorl with Severed Head and Two Leaf Curls.** c.57-56 BC. AR stater. 20-28mm. 5.71g. Head of Armorican sun-god r, with lentoid eye./ Human-headed horse r, two leaf curls in front 'tied' to severed head above. LT J66, DT 2336, Rybot 10, Hooker 53. *VF, bold hair curls, huge flan of bright silver. £120*

The irregular flan is typical of emergency coinage when there's no time for the usual quality control. Struck in a rush to fund the Armorican rebellion of 56 BC.

**SENONES** Yonne, NE cen. France, cap Agedincum (Sens).

**3. Indian Head with Slender Horse.** *Potin à la tête "d'indien" et au cheval élancé.* c.52BC. Potin. 17mm. 2.97g. Head l, linear hair./ Slender horse stepping l. LT 7437, BN 7433-7442. *VF, glossy dark patina, bold head. S £150*  
Of the 70 recorded 36 were found at Alésia where Caesar defeated Vercingetorix.

**SEQUANI** (Doubs), E France, cap. Vesontio (Besançon).

**4. Quintus Doci Sam.** c.57-50 BC. AR denarius. 12mm. 2.06g. Helmeted head l, Q DO[CI]./ Horse l, Q D[OCI SAM F]. LT 5405, BMC 346-365. *Gd VF, lightly toned, bold head. £75*

The legend indicates that Quintus Doci, a Romanised Gaul, was the son of Sam. Minted to help fund the Armorican revolt of 56 BC.

**AMBIANI** Somme valley, N France.

**5. Gallic War Uniface. Two Beaded Reversed S Type.** Sills class 5a var. c.53-52 BC. AV stater. 15-17mm. 5.74g. Plain obverse./ M-shaped horse r, crescent and pellets above, beaded reversed s-shape either side of pellet below. LT 8704 var., DT 242 var. CCI 13.0652 (**this coin**). *Gd VF, golden gold, smooth surfaces, clear beaded S's. Ex Tony Warner coll. £650*

Beading the S-symbols gives them added emphasis, apparently unrecorded by La Tour (1892) and Delestrée & Tache (2002).





### 'WHEEL MONEY'

Precise usage uncertain, possibly for votive payments, c.3rd/2nd cent. BC. Ref: Claude Salicis Rouelles et anneaux, 1996.

**6. Bronze wheel.** 15mm. 1.55g. Four-spoked wheel. CS 6305, Victor IX 2b. *Gd VF, smooth dark patina.* **£50**

### IMPORTED Gaulish coins found in England.

**7. Crossed Lines with Rider.** Sills class 1b, workshop 1. Nervii? c.115-100 BC. AV quarter stater. 13mm. 1.81g. Crossed lines./ Horse and rider l, lyre below. ABC 37, LT 8697, DT 94-97, VA 37, Sills 348, S 9. *Gd VF, golden gold, sharp lines, full bodied horse with full lyre. Fd. near Epping, Essex.* **S £450**

The crossed lines may represent Druid divining rods.

**8. Boar Tree. Square-Cut Type.** Sills G-B Ca2, class 5, dies 10/19. Morini? c.65-55 BC. AV quarter stater. 8-10mm. 1.54g. 'Two-fat-men-in-a-sun-boat' motif./ Short tree-like object with radiating branches, thick bent bar below, Y-shape under bar. ABC-, LT-, DT-, Sills *GGC* (2003), 433, fig. 76j, DK 21, S-. CCI 95.0755 (**this coin**). *Gd VF, almost as struck in golden gold on thick chunky flan.* **RRR only 11 others recorded.** **£300**

The animal has a thinner body with square-cut legs. Illustrated in *Num. Circ.* IV, 1995, no.1620 (**this coin**) and published by Dr John Sills in *Gaulish and early British gold coinage*, 2003, p.484 (**this coin**).

**9. Massalia Bull MA.** Massalia? c.2nd cent. BC. Cast AE. 17mm. 3.09g. Head of Apollo l./ Bull butting r, MA above. ABC 115, LT-, Blanchet fig. 92, BN 1966-67. *Gd VF, glossy brown patina, super bull. Fd. Dover, Kent, 25.9.2018.* **RR only about 20 others recorded from UK** **£200**  
Britain's most important imported coin. Inspired first coins made in Britain (see No.10). In July we sold one for £600.

### CANTIACI Kent, cap. Durovernum (Canterbury).

**10. Thurrock MA.** c.120-100 BC. Potin. 16mm. 3.35g. Head of Apollo l./ Bull butting r. ABC 120, VA 1402, BMC 660-66, S 62. *Gd VF, bold head, clear bull. Fd. Dover, Kent.* **£65**

**11. Birchington Bull with One Hind Leg.** Holman Group A, A1/1-2b. c.120-100 BC. Potin. 16mm. 1.37g. Head of Apollo l, three lines for helmet./ Naturalistic bull butting l, only one hind leg. ABC 141, VA 105/1404, cf. BMC 667, S-. *Gd VF, as cast, dark patina. Fd. Dover, Kent.*

**RRRR only four others recorded including British Museum's.** **£150**  
David Holman says: "The bull looks to have only one back leg, also the front appendage looks to consist of two joined pellets in a vertical arrangement."

### BELGAE Solent area, inc. Danebury and Chichester.

**12. Chute.** c.65-58BC. AV stater. 17-19mm. 6.05g. Wreath pattern with downward facing leaves and fish-like hairlocks./ Disjointed triple-tailed horse l, blobs, dots and shrimp above, traces of crab below. ABC 746, VA 1205, BMC 35-76, DK 302, S 22. *Gd VF, large flan of pale yellow gold, well centred horse.* **£450**

The rich Chute king may have made his money from cross-Channel trading, hence the sea creatures on his staters. Like a later Isle of Wight ruler (ABC 1385, 1388) he too could have been called Crab, which may be why a crab features so prominently on his staters.

**13. Danebury Sunrays.** c.50-30 BC. AR unit. 10mm. 0.69g. Head r, corded lines for hair./ Annulate horse r, spoked wheel below. ABC 866, VA 280, BMC 595-601, S 56. *Fine/VF, lightly toned silver, clear wheel.* **RR £65**

### REGINI and ATREBATES in alliance.

**14. Tincomarus Diadem.** c.25BC-AD10. AR unit. 13mm. 1.18g. Diademed head l, [TINCO]MARVS around./ Horse l, lyre above. ABC 1100, VA 473, BMC-, S 90. CCI 12.0703 (**this coin**). *Gd VF, toned, lovely head, full lyre.* Ex G Garner coll. **R £325**

The letters in front of the king's face clearly show that his name was Tincomarus, not Tincommios, as previously thought. A rather special specimen.

**15. Verica Cornucopiae Victory.** c.AD10-40. AR unit. 12mm. 1.38g. Pine-cone wand (*thyrsus*) between two cornucopiae, wine cup below, [COM] MIF around, beaded border./ Long-robed female figure seated r, left hand raised, VERI in front, [CA] behind. ABC 1241, VA 531, BMC 1393-419, S 134. CCI 01.1961 (**this coin**). *EF, bright silver, well struck with bold seated figure.* Ex Philip T Ashton coll. **S £400**

### ICENI Norfolk, N Suffolk, NE Cambs.

**16. Odin's Eye. Plouviez Triad Type.** Talbot dies C/4. c.50-30 BC. AR unit. 12mm. 1.02g. Male head right, herringbone hair, large elliptical eye and two-pin lips./ Horse r, pellet triad below. ABC-, VA-, BMC 3539, 3546, S 433 var. *VF, copper hued silver, clear head, bold horse. Fd. Stonea, Cambs.* **RRRR only four others recorded** **£250**

**17. Norfolk Boar Phallic.** c.20-1 BC. AR unit. 11mm. 0.75g. Stylised boar r, long bristles./ Horse r, ring and pellets above, phallic motif and pellets below. ABC 1582, VA 659, BMC 3482, S 431. *VF, lightly toned silver, bold bristly boar.* **£125**

**18. Ecen Corn Ear.** c.AD10-43. AR unit. 14mm. 0.74g. Double moon emblem./ Horse r, row of dots and





[ECE] below. ABC 1657, VA 730, BMC 4033-215, S 443a. *Gd VF, large flan of bright silver, sharp strike. Fd. Fakenham, Norfolk.* **£150**

**19. Mini Stick Horse.** c.AD10-43. AR half unit. 9mm. 0.42g. Back-to-back crescents./ Globular horse r. ABC 1693, VA 683, 744, BMC 3781-84, S 438. *Gd VF, bright silver, bold horse.* **R £85**

**CORIELTAVI** *E Midlands, from Humber to Welland.*

**20. North East Coast. X Type with Star.** c.60-50 BC. AV stater. 17-20mm. 5.82g. Wreath motif, tiny dots behind crescents, X above with pellets in angles./ Disjointed horse r, pelletal sun below, star under head. ABC-, VA-, BMC-, S-. CCI 11.0515 (**this coin**). *Gd VF, sharply struck in golden gold, clear X. Ex D Turner coll. RRRR no others recorded from this obverse die.* **£900**

"From a previously unrecorded obverse die" (Dr John Sills, pers. comm. 29.9.2019).

**21. South Ferriby.** c.45-10 BC. AV stater. 18-20mm. 4.89g. Wreath motif, pellet between crescent 'eyes'./ Lunate horse l, 'anchor' face above, multi-rayed star below. ABC 1743 var., VA 811-5, BMC 3152-56, S 390. *Gd VF, rose gold, super sharp strike. Ex M O'Bea coll.* **£500**

This deeply engraved stater clearly shows that the horse's body is composed of crescent moons.

**22. South Ferriby Shrimp.** Rich Type 24d. c.55-45 BC. AR unit. 16mm. 1.23g. Bristly boar r, pellet under tail, beaded ring above./ Horse r, pellet under tail, beaded ring above. ABC-, VA-, BMC 3218, S-. *VF, lightly toned.* **R £75**

**23. Vepo Vepoc.** c.AD15-40. AR unit. 11-14mm. 1.09g. Wreath motif./ Horse r, VEPOC above (VE conjoined), ringed-pellet below and under tail. ABC 1869, VA 955, BMC 3310-14, S 412. *Chipped, otherwise Gd VF, neat flan of bright silver. Ex M Probert coll.* **RR £175**

Old ticket says: Found at Kirmington, Lincs, 1975. Ex Mossop.

**DOBUNNI** *Cotswolds, cap. Corinium (Cirencester).*

**24. Cotswold Eagle. Head Type D.** c.40-20 BC. AR unit. 13mm. 0.77g. Head r, pellet triads for hair./ Triple-tailed horse l, stylised bird's head above, flower below. ABC 2021, VA 1049, BMC 2968-75, S 377. *VF/Gd VF, bright silver, bold flower motif. Fd. near Tetbury, Glos.* **S £120**

**EAST WILTSHIRE** *centred on Vale of Pewsey.*

**25. Savernake Forest.** C.50-30 BC. Base AV stater. 17mm. 4.08g. Plain obverse./ Curvilinear horse r, spiral sun

above, large wheel below, two ringed-pellets in front. ABC 2091, VA 1526, BMC 361-64, S 37. *VF, big spiral sun.* **R £450**

Named after Savernake Forest hoard, Wiltshire, found in 1857 by workers digging clay for brick kilns.

**DUOTRIGES** *Wessex, cap. Durnovaria (Dorchester).*

**26. Cranborne Chase.** C.58-40 BC. AR stater. 19mm. 5.09g. Wreath motif./ Horse l, pellets around, 'coffee bean' behind. ABC 2157, VA 1235-1, BMC 2525-636, S 366. *Gd VF, chunky flan, bright silver.* **£120**

**27. Hod Hill.** C.58-40 BC. AE stater. 16mm. 2.37g. Wreath motif./ Disjointed horse l, pellets. ABC 2175, VA 1290, BMC 2790-2859, S 371. *Good F, glossy olive green patina, bold pellets. Fd. Wiltshire, 2013.* **£50**

**EASTERN** *uncertain north Thames types*

**28. Clacton de Jersey. Curved Exergue.** Sills class 2a. c.50-40 BC. AV quarter stater. 13mm. 1.39g. Two-men-in-a-boat motif./ Long-legged horse r, pellet below, exergual line with zigzag and crescent decoration. ABC 2350, VA-, BMC-, DK 412, S 42. *VF, silvery gold, leggy horse. Fd. Elmstead Market, Essex, 2016.* **S £275**

Found by an 80-year-old female metdet and named after Dr Philip de Jersey of Guernsey.

**CATUVELLAUNI** *north Thames, cap. Verlamion (St. Albans).*

**29. Addedomaros Crescent Cross.** Sills class 2, dies 12/20. c.45-25 BC. AV stater. 17mm. 5.60g. Crossed-wreath pattern with two central crescents back-to-back./ Well-formed horse right, AΘ[ΘIIDOM] above, pellets and ringed pellets around, wheel below. ABC 2514, VA 1605, BMC 2390-94, DK 487, S 200. CCI 08.8676 (**this coin**). *Gd VF, rose gold, bonny horse. Ex J D D Brown coll, ex Tony Abramson coll, ex DNW 67, 28.9.2005, lot 56. Fd. near Swaffham, Norfolk c.1994.*

**R type, RRRR die pair, only one other recorded.** **£950**

This rare pedigree stater comes from the collection of the well known, well respected numismatist Tony Abramson, the Anglo-Saxon coin expert. Published by Dr Philip de Jersey, *Coin Hoards in Iron Age Britain*, p.330 (**this coin**) and Dr John Sills, *Divided Kingdoms*, p.533 and 540 (**this coin**).

**30. Tasciovanos Tasci.** c.25BC-AD10. AV quarter stater. 10mm. 1.34g. Crossed wreaths, [TASC] in angles./ Horse r, [TASC] around. ABC 2595, VA 1692, BMC 1641, DK 528, S 223. *Gd VF, golden gold, bold horse.* **R £350**

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**31. Tasciovanos Jugate.** c.20BC-AD10. AE unit. 15mm. 1.50g. Two bearded profile heads r./ Ram l. ABC 2655, VA 1705, BMC 1711-13, S 242. CCI 02.0774 (**this coin**). *Good F, brown patina, clear heads. Ex D Beadell coll. Fd. Eynsham, Oxon.* **RR £75**

**32. Andoco Crescent Wreath.** Sills dies 2/2. c.20-1 BC. AV quarter stater. 11mm. 1.34g. Crossed-wreath motif with back-to-back crescents in centre, pellet between them, ANDO in angles./ Full-bodied horse l, bucranium above. ABC 2718, VA 1863, BMC 2016, DK 532, S 263. *Gd VF, pale yellow gold, bold horse and full bull's head.* **RR only 25 others known. £550**

**33. Rues Lion.** c.AD1-10. AE unit. 14mm. 2.01g. Lion r, double ring border, hatching between, RVII around/ Spread-winged eagle facing, [RV]II above. ABC 2760, VA 1890, BMC 1691-92, S 270-71. *Gd VF, dark-brown patina, leonine lion.* **R £120**

### CATUVELLAUNI & TRINOVANTES

*united by Cunobelinus.*

**34. Cunobelinus Plastic. CAM CVN Type.** Sills class 3b. c.AD8-41. AV quarter stater. 12mm. 1.36g. Ear of corn without central stalk, CAM to l, C[VN] to r./ 'Plastic' type horse prancing r, branch above, CVN below. ABC 2819, VA 2017, BMC 1845, DK 579, S 295. *EF, sharply struck in scintillating rose gold, bold horse, sensational specimen with mirror-like surfaces, virtually as minted.* **R £750**

Derek Allen says that the CAM CVN Type quarter stater corresponds with the Plastic Series A full staters [ABC 2786] (Cunobelin's Gold, Britannia 6, 1975, 1-19). However, in his recent resequencing of Cunobelin's gold coins Dr John Sills positions the CAM CVN Type alongside Cunobelin's Wild A staters. This is an exceptional example in almost mint-state condition.

**35. Cunobelinus Two Leaves.** c.AD8-41. AR unit. 13mm. 1.15g. Two crescents back-to-back, CV to left, N to right, two ivy leaves above and below, beaded border./ Warrior on horse r, with short-sword, CAM below, beaded border. ABC 2888, VA 2047, BMC 1866-67, S 304. *VF, lightly toned silver, fabulous well centred warrior.* **RR £325**

**36. Cunobelinus Metalworker.** c.AD8-41. AE unit. 16mm. 2.40g. Head l, CVNO[BELIN]./ Metal worker r, TASCIO. ABC 2969, VA 2097, BMC 1972-83, S 342. *Gd VF, dark green patina, bold inscription, clear metalworker. Ex T Warner coll, ex L Tongue coll. Fd. near St Albans, Herts.* **£120**

**37. Cunobelinus Centaur.** c.AD8-41. AE unit. 14mm. 2.32g. Head l, [CVNOB]ELINI around./ Centaur r, TAS[CIOVANI] around. ABC 2957, VA 2089, BMC 1968-71, S 336. *VF, glossy dark brown patina.* **£50**

**CHEAPO-CHEAPO!** all low grade, none over £40.

**38. Seuthes III Imitation.** Bulgaria. c.3rd cent. BC. AE unit. 18mm. 4.89g. Zeus head r./ Horseman r. cf. Sear GCV 1725. *Fine, clear head.* **S £30**

Seuthes III was king of the Idrysaï tribe, c.324 BC, Thrace.

**39. Beterra Lion.** Béziers, Herault, S France. c.90-60 BC. Quarter part of AE as. 15-19mm. 3.07g. Top part of male head r, inc. eye. / Lion's head and neck r, K behind. LT 2432, BN 2432-2443, VB 2690, RIG 69. *Good VF fragment, dark green patina. Ex David G Smith coll, fd. Montlaurès, S. France.* **R first we've had, one of the few ever offered for public sale. £25**

This screamingly scarce Hercules-and-lion bronze was inspired by Kese-inscribed coins of Tarraco, NE Spain, hence the letter K. Of the 39 other examples recorded by Depeyrot (2002) I.156, almost all are in museums. Found near an oppidum mint-site, this piece was chopped prior to re-smelting. A great rarity at a bargain price.



**40. Ecen Stepping Horse.** Icenii. c.AD10-43? AR unit. 13mm. 1.22g. Back-to-back moons./ Horse right, facing head, ECE. ABC 1660. *VF, clear horse.* **£25**

**41. Dubnovellaunos Centre Parting.** Trinovantes. c.5BC-AD10. AE unit. 15mm. 1.67g. Head r./ Horse leaping l, ring below. ABC 2413, VA-, BMC-, S-. *Fair, horse visible.* **RR £25**

**42. Cunobelinus Plastic.** Catuvellauni & Trinovantes. c.AD8-41. AE core of AV plated stater. 15-18mm. 3.85g. Central ear of corn, CA to l, M[V] to r./ Horse leaping r, CVNO below. Contemporary forgery of ABC 2786. *Fine, clear corn ear, emerald green patina. Fd. Petham, Kent, 2016.* **RR as core £40**

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