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Glos. Cathedral

Nos. 11, 12, 13, 14, 23, 24, 37, 39 and 41 are ex Gloucestershire collector who has a keen eye for quality and bought many of his coins directly from finders.

Rare Cross Box, ex Westerham treasure hoard



A wing with two horse ears



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Originally a fishing net

1. Corded Triangle. Cross Box. Cantiaci. Sills class 1c, Weald, Cross Box, rev. die 23. c.50-40 BC. Gold quarter stater. 11mm. 1.33g. Plain obverse./ Small annulate horse left, corded triangle with ringed-pellet in centre above, ringed-pellets in front and behind, pellet under tail and chin. ABC-, VA-, BMC-, DK 63, S-. CCI 06.0832 (**this coin**). *EF, smooth surfaces of toned cuprous-gold, full horse, bold corded triangle. Ex Jim Tocchio collection, ex Westerham hoard, Kent, 2003-06.* **RRRR** this reverse die, only 5 recorded **£750**

This final issue of the Corded Triangle type has smaller upright rectangle box and the net pattern is simplified to a cross. The Westerham hoard, 2003-10 comprised 14 staters and 125 quarter staters. In autumn/winter 2000-1 a detectorist found the first two quarter staters, another 14 at the end of 2001 and 11 the following year. Five further parcels followed. We valued the coins for the finder and offered a quantity for sale in 2008. The Cantiaci were a sea-faring tribe and several of their coins contain fishing related images, cf. ABC 177, 180, 192, 195, 198, 243, 315, 318, 336 and 339.



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IBERIAN

2. Obulco Plough and Corn Ear. Aimil and Iuni Type CX. c.130-100 BC. AE as. 28mm. 14.70g. Beak-nosed female head r, [O]BVL[CO] in front, CX behind./ Iberic AIMIL and IUNI in two lines, plough above, corn ear below. VB 2232. *Strong VF, great head, bold CX. Ex Dr Hispanicus coll.* **RR** only 17 recorded **£150** Obulco, cited by Pliny, was in modern Porcuna, S.Spain. The earliest evidence of Celtic comes from SW Iberia. Amil and Iuni were magistrates.

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

3. Champagne Wild Man. c.80-50 BC. Potin. 18mm. 4.36g. Head r, phallic hair./ Horse l, tail raised, pellet below and in front. ABC 103, LT 7417, DT 2540-42, BMC 389-97. *Gd VF, glossy dark patina, fabulous phallic hair. Ex J D D Brown coll.* **£65**



4 enlarged

Ex John Follows collection



5

IMPORTED Gaulish coins found in England.

4. Gallo-Belgic Broad Flan. Right Type. Sills Aa2, dies 7/7A. Ambiani. c.175-125 BC. AV quarter stater. 14mm. 1.69g. Elaborate wreathed bust r./ Horse r, charioteer above, rosette below. ABC 28, LT 7879, VA 15-17, S 6. CCI 13.0923 (**this coin**). *Good F, full face on flan, golden gold. Ex J Follows coll.* **S £500**

5. Type d'Chilly. Ambiani. c.60-40 BC. AE unit. 14mm. 2.24g. Long-nosed head r./ Horse r, crouched charioteer above. LT-, DT S 366A. *VF, rich brown patina, bold horse and rider. Fd. Slindon, West Sussex. RRRR as UK find £150* This unusual bronze was found near Slindon, West Sussex last year by one of our regular finders. The first example of the type was recorded in *Revue archaéologique de Picardie*, 1982, 4, fig.37.

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CANTIACI Kent, cap. Durovernum (Canterbury).

6. Thurrock MA. c.120-100 BC. Potin. 13-15mm. 3.00g. Head of Apollo l./ Bull butting r, MA. ABC 120, VA 1402, BMC 660-66, S 62. *Gd VF, glossy green patina, bold cast.* £75
The first regular coinage minted in Britain, directly copied from coins imported from Massalia (modern Marseilles).

7. Solidus. c. AD 40-43. AR unit. 12-14mm. 1.20g. SOLIDV in centre of plain field, guilloche pattern and beaded border./ Naked Neptune standing l, CV to left, N[O] to right, beaded border. ABC 474, VA 2073, BMC 1894-95, DK 107, S 351. *VF, bright AR, bold SOLIDV.* **RRR** only 11 others recorded, inc. two in British Museum £750
Solidus was probably a younger son of Cunobelin. Neptune, copied from Caligula as, refers to sea-power.

REGINI West Sussex.

8. Selsey Uniface. Sills British Qb, class 2b, rev. die 48. c.53-45 BC. Gold stater. 17mm. 5.88g. Plain obverse./ Triple-tailed horse right, spoked wheel and tiny C below, zigzag exergual decoration. ABC 488, VA 216, BMC 461-75, DK 156, S 39. PAS: HAMP-CBDFB5 (**this coin**). *Good VF, as struck in golden gold, bold wheel, zigzag revealed.* Fd. Fyfield, Hants. £650

9. Willett's Nipple. Sills Class 4, British Ad2, Nipple, rev. die 1. c.55-45 BC. Gold scyphate quarter stater. 11mm. 1.45g. Nipple on plain breast-form field./ Irregular abstract motif. ABC 536, VA 1229, BMC 428-432, DK 138, S 46. CCI 21.0646 (**this coin**). *Near EF, as struck, golden gold.* Ex J Follows coll. Fd. near Littlehampton. **R** £300

BELGAE Solent area, inc. Danebury and Chichester.

10. Chute. Sills class 1b. c.54-53 BC. AV stater. 17mm 6.06g. Wreath pattern with downward-facing leaves./ Disjointed triple-tailed horse l, shrimp and large blobs above, crab below, zigzag exergual decoration. ABC 746, VA 1205, BMC 35-76, DK 302, S 22. *Unobtrusive hairline crack otherwise Good VF, large flan of rich yellow gold, sharp horse, crazy crab.* Fd. Dorset. £650

REGINI and ATREBATES in alliance.

11. Commios Concave Square. c.50-25 BC. AR minim. 7mm. 0.34g. Cogwheel motif inside concave-sided square, ringed-pellet in each cusp./ Annular horse l, wheel above, ringed-pellet below. ABC 1046, VA 482, BMC 654-656, S 59. *Gd VF, neat flan of bright silver, lovely horse.* Ex Gloucestershire coll. **RR** £250

This pretty minim is one of the nicest we've seen of the type. So much detail on a coin less than the size of your finger nail. A miniature masterpiece.

Ex John Follows collection

12. Tincomarus Diadem. c.25 BC-AD 10. AR unit. 13mm. 1.30g. Diademed head l, edge of TINCOMARVS around, beaded border./ Curvy horse l, beaded mane, lyre and two rings above, uncertain object below. ABC 1100, VA 473, BMC-, S 90. *Gd VF, bright AR, good weight, sharp head.* Ex Gloucestershire coll. Fd. Fareham, Hants? **R** £400

13. Tincomarus Bull's Head. c.25 BC-AD 10. AR minim. 8mm. 0.28g. Central cross motif, ?T and blobs in angles./ Bull's head facing. ABC 1142, VA 483, BMC 984-85, S 94. *Gd VF, lightly toned silver, clear bull's head.* Ex Gloucestershire coll. **RR** £175

The cross symbolises earth and is the third of four basic symbols – the others being the centre, the circle and the square – and provides a link between the other three.

14. Verica Head on Spear. c.AD 10-40. AR unit. 11mm. 1.18g. Bull butting right, VERICA above, [REX] below, beaded border./ Figure standing l, holding branch, head on spear to r, COM behind, [MIF] in front. ABC 1235, VA 506, BMC 1450-84, S 137. *Nr EF, bright silver, VERICA fully displayed.* Ex Gloucestershire coll. **S** £500

Classical sources say the Celts were head-hunters.

15. Verica Tiberius. c.AD 10-40. AR unit. 10-13mm. 0.85g. Figure standing holding lituus, [COM] MIF, beaded border./ Bust of Tiberius r, VERI behind, CA in front. ABC 1250, VA 533, BMC 1421-49, S 136. *Broken and repaired, otherwise VF, toned, bold Tiberius.* **S** £75

The lituus was a curved wand used as a cult instrument in ancient Roman religion by augurs to mark out a ritual space in the sky.

ICENI Norfolk, N Suffolk, NE Cambs.

16. Snettisham Wreath. Broken Neck. Talbot dies E/9 (**this coin**). c.35-20 BC. AV quarter stater. 11mm. 1.07g. Wreath motif, 'bear's paws', pellets and hidden face in angles./ Long-legged annulate horse r, beaded-ring and pellet above, pellet below. ABC-, VA-, BMC-, S 429. *VF/Gd VF, rose gold, bold horse. First we've had of this type.* Ex Vindos coll. **RRRR** reverse die, only one other recorded £650

Published by Dr John Talbot in *Made for Trade*, p.176, die-group 2, rev. die 9 (**this coin**), the Broken Neck quarter is a great rarity, unlisted by all major catalogues and with none in the British Museum.

17. Bury Diadem. Talbot Bury A, dies D/3A. c.55-50 BC. AR unit. 14mm. 1.48g. Female head l, wearing diadem./ Horse l, beaded pellet above, ringed-pellet above, quatrefoil in front. ABC 1495, VA 80, BMC 3524-27, S 432. CCI 17.0549 (**this coin**). *VF, big flan of toned silver, clear quatrefoil.* Ex M Watt coll. **RRR** only 7 others this reverse die recorded £275

The head may be of Sirona ('Star'), a goddess of healing also seen on ABC 1498 and 1501 (note the stars).



18. Ecen Six. Talbot die group 1, dies D/10. c.AD 35-40. AR unit. 11mm. 1.22g. Double moon emblem./ Horse right, head facing, six pellets on shoulder, pellet 'daisy' above, ECE below. ABC 1663, VA 762, BMC 4445-513, S 445. *VF/EF, scyphate flan of lightly toned AR, sharply struck, well ornamented.* **R £250**

19. Mini Ece. Talbot dies A/2. c.AD 25-35. AR half unit. 10-12mm. 0.35g. Back-to-back crescents in beaded diamond shape./ Horse r, solid head, V-shape and pellet above, pellet under tail, ECE and pellet below. ABC 1687, VA 742, BMC 4216, S-. *Gd VF, bright AR, neat horse, well struck.* **RRR die pair, only nine others recorded £185**

20. Antedios D-Bar. Talbot die group 1, dies L/21. c.AD 25-43. AR unit. 12mm. 0.97g. Double moon emblem./ Horse r, corn-ear mane, pellet 'daisy' and pellet-triad and trefoil above, pellet-triad and tip 4jkhkof ANTD monogram below. ABC 1645, VA 711, 715, BMC 3800-4025, S 441. *Gd VF, bold, prolific pellets.*

RRRR only 3 other this die pair recorded £150

Note slight doubling of reversed-S below horse's head.

CORIELTAUVI E Midlands, from Humber to Welland.

21. North East Coast. Corded Line Type. Sills Mint B, class 11. c.60-50 BC. AV stater. 19mm. 6.11g. Wreath motif with leaves facing inwards./ Lunate horse left, 'coffee-bean' in front, pellet below, corded exergual line, zigzag and pellets below. ABC-, VA 804, BMC 194, S 29. *Hairline crack, otherwise Good VF, large flan of pale golden gold, well centred both sides, sharp wreath. Fd. Lichfield, Staffs., 2006.* **RR £750**
The heavy weight and beautiful golden colour of this exquisite North East Coast confirms that it was one of the earliest gold staters struck by the Corieltauvi. The corded exergual line makes it all the more desirable.

22. South Ferriby Shrimp. Rich Type 24c. c.55-45 BC. AR unit. 15mm. 1.20g. Bristly boar r, pellet under tail, ring below./ Horse r, belted neck and belly, beaded ring above, ring below. ABC-, VA-, BMC-, S-. *Gd VF, large flan of lightly toned silver, sharp boar.* Ex M Watt coll.

RRR only 6 others recorded £150

DOBUNNI Cotswolds, cap. Corinium (Cirencester).

23. Cotswold Crosses. c.40-20 BC. AR unit. 12-15mm. 1.04g. Head r, pellets./ Horse r, cross below. ABC 2036, VA 1135, 1137, BMC 3003-11, S 377. *Gd VF, sharply struck, bright silver, clear cross.* Ex Gloucestershire coll. **S £225**

This is one of the scarcer Dobunnic silver units and is in lovely condition and a good weight.

EAST WILTSHIRE centred on Vale of Pewsey.

24. Six Spoked Pellet Ring. c.30-1 BC. AR unit. 13mm. 1.02g. Moon-shaped head r, pellet hairline./ Horse l, six-spoked wheel above with pellet rim, ringed-pellets around, pellet border. ABC 2125, VA 1171, 1175, BMC 3019-20, S 378. *Gd VF, bright silver, magnificent pellet ring. One of the nicest we've seen.* Ex Gloucestershire coll. **RR £350**
There's a hidden shouting face on the reverse.

DUOTRIGES Wessex, cap. Durnovaria (Dorchester).

25. Cranborne Chase. c.58-40 BC. AR stater. 17-19mm. 4.43g. Wreath motif./ Horse l, pellets above, 'coffee-bean' behind. ABC 2157, VA 1235-1, BMC 2525-636, S 366. CCI 07.0083 (**this coin**). *Gd VF, good silver, whole horse, big coffee bean.* Ex D Beavis coll. Fd. Blandford area, Dorset. **£250**

EASTERN uncertain north Thames types

26. Essex Wheels. Triskelion Type. Sills dies 3/8. c.55-45 BC. AV quarter stater. 12-16mm. 1.34g. Wreath pattern, wheel above./ Triple-tailed horse right, 'onion' shape above, triskelion and ringed-pellet in front, spoked-wheel below. ABC-, VA-, BMC-, DK 439, S-. CCI 01.0943 (**this coin**). *VF, golden gold, bold strike, clear triskelion.* Ex J Follows coll. **RRRR only five this pair of dies recorded £550**
We've never seen the triskelion (three-legged symbol) in front of the horse. Published in *Divided Kingdoms* p.474, (**this coin**). Unlisted by all major catalogues. None in the British Museum.

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

27. Hadham Corkscrew. c.55-45 BC. AR unit. 13-15mm. 1.25g. Head r, with long nose and heart-shaped ear, corkscrew hair./ Horse r, beaded mane, small animal above, ringed-pellet below. ABC-, VA-, BMC-, S-. CCI 13.0517 (**this coin**). *Tiny pin-hole, otherwise Gd VF, large flan, cracking corkscrew hair, bold horse.* Ex J Follows coll.

RRR only 6 others recorded £750

The reverse is identical to Hadham Heart Ear ABC 2475 but the obverse is different; the corkscrew hair has similarities to the Kent Garrard's Ring Horse silver unit, ABC 240.

28. Tasciovanos Verlamion. VERL Type. Sills class 4b, Kretz Type C, var. 1-2. c.25BC-AD10. AV quarter stater. 11mm. 1.17g. Crossed wreaths, crescents in centre, VERL in angles./ Horse stepping l, bucranium above, T in front, AS below, C under tail. ABC-, VA-, BMC-, DK 525, S-. *Good VF, gorgeous rose gold, bold crescents, well centred horse, full TASC.* A pleasing example. Ex Gloucestershire coll.

R only 33 others recorded £650

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29. Tasciovanos Vero Cam. c.25BC-AD10. AE core of AV plated quarter stater. 10mm. 0.96g. Crossed wreaths, one curved, back-to-back crescents at centre, blundered inscription in angles./ Short-legged, full-bodied horse l, on exergual line, ?VI or retrograde N above. Contemporary forgery, ABC-, VA-, BMC-, S-. CCI 17.1898 (**this coin**). *Good VF, glossy dark green patina, sharp wreath.*

RRRR only one other recorded **£400**

Perhaps around 15–10 BC, a goldsmith went to a great deal of fiddly trouble to cut home-made dies and make plated quarter-staters that at a casual glance might well have passed muster as genuine. One has to admire the skill (and expense) involved.

30. Tasciovanos Ver. c.25 BC-AD 10. AR unit. 13mm. 1.41g. VER on plain field, beaded border./ Horse r, TAS below, CI in front, [A] above. ABC 2622, VA 1699, BMC 1670-73, S 233. *Gd VF, porous surfaces, bold VER beautifully centred, bold horse.* *Ex Gloucestershire coll.*

RR **£250**

Ver stands for *Verlamion* (St Albans, Hertfordshire), probable mint-site for the Catuvellauni.

31. Tasciovanos Bull. c.25 BC-AD 10. AE unit. 13mm. 1.93g. Eight-pointed star around central ringed-pellet, crescents between angles./ Bull l, head facing, ringed-pellet above. ABC 2682, VA-, BMC-, S-. *Gd VF, green-brown patina, super star motif. Fd. Adisham, Kent.*

RRRR only 2 others with ringed-pellet above bull **£220**

The obverse is identical to Segó Sphinx bronze unit ABC 453 and we and David Homan believe this type should be attributed to Segó in Kent. This is one of the nicest examples of the type we've seen.

CATUVELLAUNI & TRINOVANTES united by *Cunobelinus.*

32. Cunobelinus Capricorn. c.AD 8-41. AR unit. 13-15mm. 1.29g. Wreath crossed by plain line, [CV]NO in angles, beaded border./ Capricorn r, CVNO below. ABC 2843, VA-, BMC 1898, S 322. CCI 96.3185 (**this coin**). *Gd VF, bright silver, full Capricorn. Ex Gloucestershire coll. Fd. Ramsgate, Kent.*

RR type, only 18 others recorded **£450**

Recorded by David Holman in 1996 this coin was found in Kent and made for use in Kent where Cunobelinus wasn't so well known, which may be why his name is stamped twice on this very rare coin.

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

33. Thurrock MA. Sim. No.6. 15mm. 2.18g. *VF, green patina. Fd. Canterbury, Kent.* **£40**

34. Ecen Six. Sim. No.18. 12mm. 0.80g. *Fair, bold crescents.* **£30**

35. Natural Head Left. Rich Type 37a. Corieltauvi. c.55-45 BC. AR half unit. 9-11mm. 0.57g. Blank./ Horse l, beaded ring above. ABC-. *Chipped, otherwise VF, clear horse.* **R** **£25**

36. Cranborne Chase. Sim. No.25. Base AR stater. 18-22mm. 3.89g. *Fine.* **£25**

37. Addedomaros Corded. Catuvellauni. c.45-25 BC. AE unit. 13mm. 1.38g. Head l, corded hair./ Horse l. ABC 2544. *Fine, brown patina.* **S** **£25**

38. Cunobelinus Centaur. Catuvellauni & Trinovantes. c.AD 8-41. AE unit. 13mm. 1.47g. Laureate head l, [CVNOBELI] in front, NI behind./ Virtually blank. ABC 2957. *Fair.* **£5**

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