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#### Probably the first recorded Pegasus type with 185 year provenance

Pink tint indicates coins of special note. Abbreviations: AV gold, AR silver, AE bronze, F fine, VF very fine, EF extremely fine. g. grams, l. left. r. right. Currency guide: £10 = 11 euros, 12 US\$. Any questions? Please ask me. I'm here to help you.





1. Tasciovanos Pegasus. Small Tablet/Pegasus. Sills class 7a, dies 43/40. c.25BC-AD10. AV quarter stater. 11mm. 1.35g. TASC in rectangular box on vertical wreath motif, ringed-pellet to l./ Full-bodied horse l, pellet below. ABC 2601, VA 1786, BMC 1647, DK 533, S 226. CCI 67.0097 (this coin). EF, scintillating rose gold, full TASC, every letter sharp, fat Pegasus. Ex Winchester coll; ex Mack Collection Part 1, Glendinings, 18.11.1975, Lot 31; ex Nunn coll, Sothebys 27.11.1896, lot 19; Sothebys 8.7.1890; ex Babington coll,

Sothebys 2.2.1891, lot 477. Illustrated in Ruding's 'Annals of the coinage of Great Britain' (1840), pl.29, fig.8.

RRR only 9 others this pair of dies recorded £950

"The obverse is a reduced and simplified version of the tablet/ wreath design on class 7 Rigon stater (ABC 2577-80), with the legend TASC and a ringed-pellet at each end of the panel" *Divided Kingdoms*, p.564. Probably the first recorded example of the Pegasus type, a well provenanced example with pedigree dating nearly 185 years. Published in *Divided Kingdoms* p.615 (this coin).



**SENONES** Yonne, NE cen. France, cap Agedincum (Sens). **2. Champagne Wild Man.** Senones. c.80-50 BC. Potin. 18mm. 5.38g. Head r, phallic hair./ Horse l, tail raised, pellet below and in front. ABC 103, LT 7417, DT 2540-42, BMC 389-97. EF, glossy dark patina, great phallic hair. Ex Royal Berkshire coll., bt. CR (1999).

£125

CORIOSOLITES NE Brittany (Corseul, St. Brieuc, Dinan).
3. Ogmios and Lyre. W-Nose with Sun Sceptre and Rein

Leaves. c.57-56 BC. AR stater. 20-23mm. 6.70g. Head of Armorican sun-god r, lentoid eye and chin whorl./ Horse r, lyre below. LT 6703 variant, DT 2335, Rybot Group III, No.49, Hooker 29. Flat spot on edge, otherwise Gd VF, large flan of good silver, amazing face with full chin whorl, complete lyre. Ex Dr J D Watkins coll.

This is the first of the Group III coins that the pony is shown with a neck.

**IMPORTED** Gaulish coins found in England.

**4. Biface.** Sills G-B Ca1, class 5b. Scheers class 3. Ambiani. c.90-80 BC. AV stater. 16mm. 6.45g. Stylised laureate

head right./ M-shaped horse right, pellets around. ABC 13, LT 8597, DT 157-61, VA 42-48, DK 1, S 5. VF, chunky flan of golden gold, heavy weight, nice head. Found Salthouse, Norfolk, 1992-93.

**5. Kidney Head.** Bellovaci. c.75-55 BC. Sills G-B Cd2 class 2. AV quarter stater. 9mm. 1.67g. Traces of 'men in a boat'./ Vestigial kidney-shaped head l. LT-, BN 8607-08, DT 248, Sills GGC 445-46. Gd VF, lovely golden gold, almost as minted. Fd. Chichester, W.Sussex, c.2017.

RR as UK find £425

**6. Boat Tree. Two Symbols Type.** Scheers class 3. Morini. c.65-60 BC. AV quarter. 10mm. 1.43g. Stylised boat, tiny X's around./ Tree motif, zigzag line. ABC 40, VA 69-1, DK 26, S 10. PAS: NMS-B64AA4 (**this coin**). Gd VF, rich golden gold, bold tree. Fd. Titchmarsh, Northants, 29.11.2014. RR £450

"The Four Symbols/Two Symbols issue, is of neater style and initially has four symbols below the central bar on the reverse, subsequently reduced to two." *Divided Kingdoms*, p.15.



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

- 7. Thurrock. c.120-100 BC. Potin. 16mm. 3.90g. Head of Apollo I./ Bull butting r. ABC 120, VA 1402-42, BMC 660-66, S 62. Gd VF, glossy dark patina, great head, bold bull. Ex Wessex coll.
- **8. Rounded Bull.** Holman F1/3-2b. c.75-55 BC. Potin. 17mm. 1.56g. Linear head r, pellet in centre./ Linear bull l, pellet in centre. ABC-, VA-, BMC-, S-. *Gd VF, glossy patina, bold cast.* RRR this type, less than 10 recorded. £150
- **9. Torc Head Pegasus.** c.30-10 BC. Silver unit. 10-12mm. 1.12g. Head r, with large C-shaped ear and big eye, crescents and pellets in front./ Pegasus right, ringed-pellet above, rings in front. ABC 219, VA-, BMC-, S-, BNJ 1997, no.13. Gd VF, silvery silver, sharp head, bold Pegasus. Fd. near Sandwich, Kent, 19.3.2023. RR only 28 others recorded. £600

The Torc Head Pegasus is stylistically closely linked to several other Kentish coinages – notably the bronze unit, ABC 291 and the quarter stater ABC 201. The same big-nosed jut-jawed profile can be seen on ABC 216.

**10. Amminus Biga.** c.AD 30-40. AR unit. 11mm. 0.89g. Blank, possibly defaced?./ Facing chariot, head of charioteer between, S[EG], beaded border. ABC 459, VA-, BMC-, DK 103, S-. CCI 04.2304 (**this coin**). *Poor/VF, clear biga. Ex Royal Berkshire coll, bt. Chris Rudd* (2005). Fd. Wingham, Kent, 2004. **RR** only 27 others recorded. £250

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

**11. Chute.** Sills British B, class 1b, dies 6/55. c.65-58 BC. AV stater. 16-18mm. 6.18g. Wreath motif./ Disjointed horse l, safety pin head, large pellets above. ABC 746, VA 1205, BMC 35-76, DK 302, S 22. CCI 04.2594. (this coin), PAS: WILT-3ABBE2 (this coin). Gd VF, yellow gold, sharp wreath. Ex Dr J D Watkins coll. Fd. East Wiltshire, c.1.7.2004. £700

One of the rather more common die combinations for the Chute type (Sills 6/50), struck about two-thirds of the way through production of this series. BMC 41 is struck from this pair of dies. Published in *Divided Kingdoms* p.288, no.71and p.307 (this coin).

**12. Clanfield Anemone.** c.55-45 BC. AR half unit. 10mm. 0.44g. Crossed wreaths./ Lanky horse r, pelletal sun above, double ring below, CO in front. ABC 959, VA 1662, BMC—, S—. CCI 94.1342 (this coin). F/VF, toned, clear horse and CO. Ex J Anderson coll., bt. CR (2022), ex Royal Berkshire coll., bt CR (2007), ex D Lee coll, bt. CR (2000), ex P Nelson coll, bt CR (1995). Fd. near Hambledon, Hants.

**RR £300** 

CO, if letters, may be an abbreviation of Commios, the famous Atrebates king and former ally of Caesar. You won't see it in Spink

Coins of England, you won't see it in Richard Hobb's British Iron Age coins in the British Museum but this actual coin was published in Coin Hoards in Iron Age Britain, p.170 no.38 (this coin) and incredibly, since its discovery 30 years ago it has been in the trays of at least four Celtic coin collectors and three dealers, what a provenance!

#### **REGINI and ATREBATES** in alliance.

- 13. Tincomaros Laureate Head. c.25 BC-AD 10. AR unit. 12mm. 1.31g. Laureate head r./ Bull r, tail raised, TI above, C below. ABC 1118, VA 381-3, BMC 922-925, S 85. CCI 01.0335 (this coin). Gd VF, lightly toned silver, boldly struck, full legend. Ex Cotswold coll.

  RR £295
  Van Arsdell reads the legend as TINC, but we think his letter N is the inner rear leg of the bull.
- **14. Verica Head on Spear.** c.AD10-40. AR unit. 11-13mm. 1.23g. Bull butting r, VERICA above, REX below, beaded border./ Female standing l, holding branch, head on spear behind, [C]OM MIF. ABC 1235, VA 506, BMC 1450-84, S 137. CCI 04.0556 (this coin). Gd VF, good silver, every fold of the toga crisp, well detailed example. Ex J Follows coll. Fd. W. Sussex, 2003.

It is more likely a pedestal or ritual standard than a spear. David Woods says it "bears a strong similarity to a type of military standard, the *imago* or bust of the emperor normally borne by a Roman *imaginifer*" and that the shaft is like those "depicted on the legionary denarii issued by Mark Anthony" (*BNJ* 83, 2013, p.9).

**15. Verica Boar's Head.** c.AD10-40. AR minim. 7mm. 0.27g. VIR in central tablet, pellet daisy above and below, beaded border./ Boar's head facing r. ABC 1268, VA 564, BMC 1579-81, S 160. CCI 01.1582 (**this coin**). *Gd VF/VF, neat flan, sharp inscription. Ex Royal Berkshire coll., bt. CR* (2010), ex Dr William Blank coll, bt. CR (2002), ex Cotswold collection.

If the ruler's name was VIRICA, as some of his coins suggest, then it would mean 'virile, manly'. However his name is more likely to have been VERICA, as other coins suggest, and thus means 'supreme' or 'high' as in today's honorific 'His Highness'.

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

**16. Norfolk Wolf.** Talbot Sub-Type D, die-group 18. c.50-35 BC. Base gold stater. 16mm. 4.87g. Traces of wreath motif./ Bristly wolf l, crescent and large pellets above, pellet below. ABC 1399 var., VA 610-3, BMC 218-78, COI 7w, S 31. *F/Gd VF*, bristly boar, bold pellets. Ex J Fay coll. Fd. Saham Toney, Norfolk, 12-14.4.2023. RR only 21 others recorded £500

Where else can you get a genuine Norfolk Wolf stater for this price? Only *Liz's List* offers you such good value.

**17. Norfolk Diadem. Big Wheel, Beaded Hub.** Talbot Bury B, Die-group 3, dies E/16. c.50-40 BC. AR unit.



13mm. 1.27g. Diademed head r, corded hair, pentagrams in front./ Reined horse r, large beaded wheel above with beaded hub. ABC-, VA-, BMC-, COI 8g, S-. VF/Gd VF, lighly toned silver, fabulous wheel, every pellet crisp. Ex D Burd coll. Fd. Needham, Suffolk.

RRR only 7 other this pair of dies recorded £450 Here's Icena as Sirona (her name means 'star'), queen of the night, wearing her lunar diadem. The 5-pointed stars not only sing her name, they're also Druidic symbols, Pythagorean pentagrams, signs of healing and good health (see COI, 2022, p.8).

- 18. Stickman Boar. Flea Boar. Talbot Boar Horse C Half Unit. c.AD 10-20. AR half unit. 10mm. 0.37g. Boar r./ Horse r, crescent head, ringed-pellet and pellets above, 'stickman' below. ABC-, VA 661, BMC 3518-19, COI 65b, S 437. VF/Good VF, neat flan, bold horse, full stickman. RR only 26 others recorded £225
- **19. Anted Slope.** c.AD 25-30. AR unit. 12-14mm. 1.24g. Back-to-back moon emblem./ Horse r, pellet triad on chest, corn ear mane, pellet daisy above, below: pellet triad, diagonal row of three pellets and ANTD monogram. ABC-, VA-, BMC 3861, COI 86d, S 441. Gd VF, sharp moons, plethora of pellets.

#### **CORIELTAUVI** E Midlands, from Humber to Welland.

20. South Ferriby Snakes. Sills Mint A, fig.2. c.45-10 BC. AV stater. 16-20mm. 5.81g. Wreath motif with leaves facing inwards, pellets in field, 'snakes' either side./ Lunate horse l, crescent and two pellets above forming hidden sad face, star below. ABC-, VA-, BMC 3154, S 390. Gd VF, big flan, sharply struck in rose gold. Found Sleaford, Lincs., 15.11.2023.

See Dr John Sills article South Ferriby staters, CR List 118, p.2-4 for more information on this interesting series.

- **21. Kite.** c.45-10 BC. AV plated stater. 16-18mm. 4.22g. Blank./ Lunate horse l, kite shape above containing four pellets, anticlockwise spiral with pellet triads on ends of arms below. Contemporary forgery of ABC 1761, VA 825-8 (plated), BMC 3181-84, S 392. Nr VF/VF, most of plating intact, beautifully ornamented, lovely kite. Fd. Royston, Herts., R with plating intact £250 c.2021.
- 22. South Ferriby Natural Head Right. Rich Type 26b. c.55-45 BC. AR unit. 13-15mm. 1.27g. Boar r, Y-shape front legs./ Horse r, beaded ring above, pellet below tail. ABC-, VA-, BMC-, S-. CCI 09.3205 (this coin). Gd VF, big flan of silvery silver. Ex East Anglian coll. Fd. Fulletby, Lincs., Oct.2000. RRR only 8 others recorded £150

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

23. Cotswold Eagle. Head Type B. c.40-20 BC. AR unit. 14mm. 1.08g. Head r, blobby chin, three crescents for hair./ Horse I, bird's head above. ABC 2015, VA 1042, BMC 2953-62, S 377. Gd VF, bright AR, well struck, bold horse. Ex J Robinson coll, bt. CR (2019). Fd. South Cerney, Glos., 1994-95. £275

#### **DUROTRIGES** Wessex, cap. Durnovaria (Dorchester).

**24.** Cranborne Chase. c.58-40 BC. Base AR stater. 18mm. 3.26g. Wreath motif./ Horse l, pellets, 'coffee-bean' behind. ABC 2169, VA 1235-1, BMC 2555-636, S 367. Gd VF, lightly toned silver, big coffee bean. Traces of ritual defacement on obverse.

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

25. Great Waltham Curved Neck. (formerly Westerham North). Sills British Ab1, class 3. c.75-65 BC. AV stater. 18mm. 6.09g. Wreath with downward-facing leaves./ Disjointed horse I, pellets above. ABC 2430, VA-, BMC 1, 3-4, DK 393, S 21. VF, as minted, gorgeous golden gold. One of the earliest gold coins made in Britain. Fd. Great **S**£475 Waltham, Essex, 1998.

Dr John Sills says: "The reverses are readily identifiable by the horse's curved neck...A further distinctive feature in the 'stacked saucers' appearance of its body" (DK, p.416). The 'stacked saucers' are clearly seen on this example.

**26. Addedomaros Floral.** Sills class 3, Cruciform, c.45-25 BC. AV plated quarter stater. 10-12mm. 1.15g. Cruciform motif of four leaves, teardrops in angles, ringed-pellet at centre./ Annulate horse r, horse muzzle above, ring under tail. Contemporary forgery of ABC 2529, VA 1623, BMC 2417-21, DK 493, S 204. Chipped, otherwise VF, most of rose gold plating intact, full cruciform. Ex S Teasdale coll.

RRR plated, only 9 others recorded £225

This is Addedomaros' final gold quarter stater, struck to accompany his final stater, the Spiral type (ABC 2517) which also features a triple horse muzzle motif above the horse. Observe how closely Tasciovanos' first quarter follows the design of his predecessor's last.

**27.** Addedomaros Solar Flower. c.45-25 BC. AE unit. 13mm. 1.40g. Head l, corded hair./ Horse stepping l, solar flower below, pellet below tail. ABC 2541, VA 1615, BMC 2450-52, S 206. CCI 09.3265 (this coin). VF, greenbrown patina, bold braided hair. Ex East Anglian coll. **S** £120 "They are always washing their hair in lime-water" to make it coarse like a horse's mane" (Diodorus Siculus, 5.28). Here's visual proof, see nos. 2, 9, and 28.

















**28.** Tasciovanos Warrior. c.25BC-AD10. AR unit. 11-14mm. 0.71g. Bearded head l, beaded crescents for hair./ Warrior on horse r, TASC[IA] around. ABC 2610, VA 1745, BMC 1667-68, S 230. CCI 22.0079 (this coin). Chipped, otherwise VF, bright silver, sharp warrior. Ex J Anderson coll, bt CR (2022), ex Gloucestershire coll.

R only 37 others recorded £450

What an amazingly hairy head! One of the few you can turn upside down and it still looks right.

#### **CATUVELLAUNI &TRINOVANTES**

united by Cunobelinus.

**29. Cunobelinus Hunters.** c.AD 8-41. AR unit. 12mm. 0.98g. Hercules standing r, club in hand, traces of CVNOBELINVS around./ Diana standing l, bow in hand, traces of TASCII OVANTIS around. ABC 2879, VA 2063, BMC 1886-88, S 317. VF, good silver, lightly toned, bold figures. Ex Royal Berkshire coll. Fd. Reading, Berks., 1983.

RR £350

**30.** Cunobelinus Jupiter Lion. c.AD 8-41. AE unit. 13-16mm. 2.10g. Bearded ram-horned head of Jupiter Ammon r, [C]VNO in front, branch behind, beaded border./ Lion crouching r, branch above, CAM in tablet below, beaded border. ABC 2984, VA 2107, BMC 1991-97, S 347. CCI 96.2251 (this coin). Near EF, smooth dark-green patina, superb lion. Ex Royal Berkshire coll, bt. CR (1996). Fd. SW Essex, 1995.

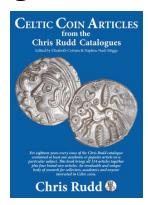
Beauitful bronzes, such as this stunner from the Royal Berkshire collection are hard to come by, modern farming techniques mean that the surfaces are usually in poor condition.

#### CHEAPO-CHEAPO! all low grade, none over £50.

- **31. Thurrock.** Cantiaci. 13-15mm. 2.13g. As No.7. *Fair. Ex J Fay coll.* **£20**
- 32. Unidentified. Possibly N.Thames. 14mm. 1.05g. £10
- **33. Cunobelinus Rex.** Cat & Trin. c.AD 8-41. AE unit. 15mm. 1.53g. Head r, [CV]NOB[ELINVS REX] around./ Bull butting r, TASC below. ABC 2966. VF, light green patina, bold bull. Fd. Throcking, Herts., 2021. £50

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