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Liz's List is issued six times a year by Chris Rudd. Subscription: £15 UK, £20 Rest of World. Reference books: ABC: Cottam, de Jersey, Rudd & Sills Ancient British Coins £75, LT: La Tour Atlas des monnaies gauloises, VA: Van Arsdell Celtic Coinage of Britain, BMC: Hobbs British Iron Age Coins in the British Museum; COI: Coins of the Iceni £20, DK: Sills Divided Kingdoms £95; S: Coins of England £30 all plus postage. B: Burgos; C: Calico; VB: Villaronga & Benages. Rarity of Gaulish coins based on Depeyrot estimates. Rarity of British coins based on numbers recorded by the Celtic Coin Index: RRRR excessively rare 1-5 recorded, RRR extremely rare 6-15, RR very rare 16-30, R rare 31-50, S scarce 51-100. Remember, most coin finds are unreported, so these figures are only a rough guide to rarity. All coins shown actual size unless otherwise stated. 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.

### Excessively rare die pair - only three others recorded



Winchester coll, bt CNG 19 March 1997, lot 2863.

1. Cunobelinus Linear. Catuvellauni and Trinovantes. Sills class 2, dies 18/15. c.AD 8-41. AV quarter stater. 11mm. 1.26g. Ear of corn with central stalk between CA to I, M[V] to r./ Horse r, with linear mane, branch above, CVN below. ABC 2810, VA 1927-1, BMC 1837-42, DK 575, S 292. CCI 97.1828 (this coin). Gd VF, yellow gold, great horse, boldly branded. Ex

RRRR only three others this pair of dies £800 This is the quarter stater which accompanies the Linear type stater, see Lot 33. Why 'Linear'? Because "the horse may be described as Linear in style" says Derek Allen (1910-75). And "the head of barley has a strong central stalk." The horse's mane is also made of straight lines (Britannia 6, 1975, p.2). Published in Divided Kingdoms, p.690 (this coin).



#### **IBERIAN**

**2. Sabalo and Corn Ear.** Ilipense. c.50 BC. AE dupondius. 31-34mm. 23.17g. Fish r, star and crescent above, [I] LIPENS[E] below./ Ear of corn, caduceus either side. VB 2332 var., Burgos 1530 var., Calico 847 var. VF, bold fish, clear corn ear, earthy olive patina. Ex Dr Hispanicus coll.

RRRR variant £75

Ilipense (Roman Ilipa Magna) is modern Alcala del Rio, in the province of Seville, SW Spain. This type isn't in the major reference books and appears to have just one star to the right of the crescent above the fish, rather than the usual one either side. Probably excessively rare thus.

**CORIOSOLITES** NE Brittany (Corseul, St. Brieuc, Dinan). **3. Ogmios and Boar.** Anchor Nose Type with S-Mane, 3X Lash and Union Jack. de Jersey class 5. c.57-56 BC. AR stater. 18-20mm. 6.33g. Head of Armorican sun-god r, anchor nose./ Horse r, mane curling up to large volute,



union jack in front, boar below. ABC 70, LT J 63, Rybot 78, Hooker 76, S 16. Gd VF, heavyweight, great face with bulging eyeball and bold anchor nose. Ex D Turner coll. £275 The eight coins in Hooker's Group M have reverse dies which are easily distinguished by the large leaf-shaped volute which swirls upwards between the horse's very thin head and the driver's longnosed head.

**IMPORTED** Gaulish coins found in England.

4. Bayeaux Head Boar. Aux sangliers, en or allié. Série 341, var.1. c.80-60 BC. Baiocasses. Base AV stater. 21mm. 6.12g. Head r, large curls for hair./ Human-headed horse r. ABC 55, de Jersey fig. 57a, LT 6982, DT 2254. Fine, slight golden hue. Fd. Hayling Island, 18.1.2022. RRR as UK find £350 The Baiocasses ('with blond curls') were based in Bessin, Lower Normandy, and gave their name to modern Bayeux. In 2019 when we valued the huge Jersey hoard (Le Câtillon II) of 70,000 coins we noted only one other of this type.



**5.** Uniface Tree. Sills G-B D, Two Symbols Type. Morini. c.56-55 BC. AV quarter. 10mm. 1.44g. Blank./ Tree, bars each side and below. ABC 43, LT 8722, VA 69-3, DK 26, S 10. VF, toned gold, full tree. Ex J Lambeth coll, bt. CR (2009). £375

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

- **6. Straitions Right.** Holman D4/4-2b. c.95-80 BC. Cast potin. 18-20mm. 1.50g. Linear head r, closed face and eye ring./ Linear bull r, tail raised to form crescent, exergual line, striations. ABC 156, VA 114, BMC 698, S—. *Gd VF, glossy patina, neat bull, clear striations. Fd. Cobham, Kent, 2010-19.* RR £225
- 7. Dubnovellaunos Eagle. c.25 BC-5 AD. AE unit. 14mm. 1.74g. Boar r./ Spread-winged eagle standing r. ABC 345, VA 180, BMC 2509, S 183. CCI 08.9162 (this coin). Gd F/VF, pale green patina, bold eagle. Ex J Lambeth coll, bt. CR (2008). Fd. Maidstone, Kent, Dec. 2006. RR £175
- 8. Amminus Biga. c.35-45 AD. AR unit. 13mm. 1.01g. Bust r, AMMI in front, beaded border./ Facing chariot, head of charioteer between, [SEG] around, beaded border. ABC 459, VA-, BMC-, S-, Num. Circ. July 1993, p.188, no.12. PAS: KENT-8F132A (this coin). Near VF, full AMMI. Fd. Thanet, Kent. RR only 27 others recorded £420 Amminus was expelled from Britain by his father Cunobelinus and in AD 39 or 40 surrendered to Caligula, who was then at Mainz.

#### **SOUTHERN REGION** *early uninscribed.*

9. Selsey Uniface. Sills British Qb, class 2b, dies -/41. c.55-45 BC. AV stater. 15-19mm. 5.85g (not 5.91g as DK). Plain obverse./ Triple-tailed horse r, eight?-spoked wheel below. ABC 488, VA 216, BMC 445, 453, 461-73, DK 156, S 39. CCI 01.0328 (this coin). Near VF, as struck with worn reverse die, gorgeous golden gold, beautifully toned. Ex Winchester coll, bt. CR (2001), ex Cotswold collection, probably found in 1970s or earlier. £600 Published in Divided Kingdoms, p.165 (this coin).

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

- 10. Tincomarus Bull Left. c.25 BC-AD 10. AR unit. 10mm. 1.29g. Laureate head l./ Bull charging l, TIN above, C below. ABC 1112, VA 396, BMC 906-10, S 84. VF/Gd VF, bold bull, clear inscription. Ex J Lambeth coll, bt. CR (2008), ex D Lee coll. RR £175
- **11. Eppillus Spiral.** c.20 BC-AD 1. AR minim. 8mm. 0.24g. Traces of four armed spiral, pellets in angles./ Goat? r, EPP above. ABC 1172, VA 421, BMC 1118-20, S 103. CCI 16.0334 (**this coin**). Fine, legend visible. Ex Royal Berkshire coll, bt. CR (2010). Fd. near Basingstoke, Hants.

RR only 21 others recorded £325

An elusive minim. It's thirteen years since we've had one.

**12. Verica Cavalry Duo.** c.AD 10-40. AR unit. 14mm. 1.16g. Warrior on horse r, carrying shield, COMMIF below, beaded

border./ Warrior on horse holding spear, VERI behind, CA below. ABC 1238, VA 530, BMC 1360-92, S 133. *Tiny chip, otherwise Gd VF, lightly toned, full inscription. Ex J Lambeth coll, bt. CR (2010), ex Tony Abramson coll.*S £275
Verica Cavalry Duo is the only ancient British coin which shows two cavalryman, one on each side. Verica must have been proud of his mounted knights.

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

- 13. Irstead Trefoil. One Dot. Talbot BHB Quarter Stater, dies B/1. c.5 BC-AD 5. AV quarter stater. 11mm. 1.00g. Latticed square on two back-to-back crescents, branch projecting from each side, ringed-pellet above./ Horse stepping r, large trefoil above, ringed-pellet below. ABC-, VA 628, BMC 3436, COI 53, S 430. CCI 11.0923 (this coin). Gd VF/VF, rose gold, almost complete trefoil. Ex J Lambeth coll, bt. CR (2009). Fd. Stonea, Cambs. R £475 The oval flan of this Irstead Trefoil gold quarter stater is advantageous to today's collector because it clearly reveals one of the two hidden faces on the obverse and almost the entire three-leafed symbol on the reverse.
- 14. Phallic Boar. Normal. Talbot Boar Horse C Unit. c.AD 10-20. AR unit. 12-14mm. 0.85g. Bristly boar r, pellet eye./ Horse r, pellet triad either side of phallic motif below. ABC-, VA 659, BMC 3495, COI 64a, S 431. *Gd VF, lightly toned silver, bold horse with clear pellet triads. Ex Winchester coll.* £250
- **15. Stickman Boar. Flea Boar.** Talbot Boar Horse C Half Unit, dies L/12. c.AD 10-20. AR half unit. 9mm. 0.49g. Boar r, spear in front, rings above, pellet below./ Horse r, above: ringedpellet with pellet triad either side. ABC1624, VA 661, BMC 3517-20, COI 65b. S 437 CCI 08.9023 (**this coin**). *Gd VF/VF, clear boar, a neat little coin. Ex Nummi Regnum Britonnum coll, bt. CR (2011), ex I Bishop coll, bt. CR (2008).*

RRR only 5 others this pair of dies recorded £275

16. Norfolk God Moustache. Talbot Late Face Horse Unit. c.AD 20-45. AR unit. 12-14mm. 1.19g. Moustachiod head r, trefoil in front./ Horse r, corded mane, trefoil for nose. ABC 1567, VA 792, 794, BMC 3605-759, COI 94, S 434. Gd VF, good silver, bold. Ex Nummi Regnum Britonnum coll. £275

CORIELTAUVI E Midlands, from Humber to Welland.

17. South Ferriby. c.45-10 BC. AV stater. 19mm. 5.56g. Wreath motif with inward facing leaves./ Lunate horse l, six-pointed star below. ABC 1743, VA 811-21, BMC 3148-78, S 390. CCI 05.0416 (this coin). Gd VF, rose gold, boldly struck. Ex Nummi Regnum Britonnum coll, bt. CR (2005). Fd. Bourne, Lincs.

A big bold six-pointed star. Although the coin is a good size, as with most of the early Corieltauvian issues the dies were so large that the peripheral parts of the horse are mostly off the edge of the flan.



**18. South Ferriby Shrimp.** Rich Type 24. c.55-45 BC. AR unit. 14mm. 1.15g. Bristly boar r, ringed-pellet above, ring below./ Horse r, ring above, below and in front. ABC-, VA-, BMC-, S-. *Gd VF*, *large flan of good silver, bold bristly boar. Ex East Anglian coll.* **RRR** *only 6 others recorded* £150 This defintely appears to be a ringed-pellet above the boar rather than the usual beaded ring, and the horse doesn't appear to have a belted neck and belly, thus an excessively rare type?

19. Esuprasu. c.AD 40-47. AE core of AV stater. 17-19mm. 3.77g. Wreath motif, crossed bar with crescent and each end./ Lunate horse l, traces of IISVP RASV around. Contemporary forgery of ABC 1917, VA 920, BMC 3269, S 405. CCI 09.3184 (this coin). Fine, silvery patina, clear horse, some inscription visible. Ex East Anglian coll. Fd. Lincs.

RR as contemporary forgery £150

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

**20.** Cotswold Eagle B. Three Petals. c.20-10 BC. AR unit. 12mm. 0.98g. Head r, crescents./ Horse l, linear mane and tail, three-petal flower with pellet either side below. ABC-, VA-, BMC-, COD 8d, S-. CCI 18.1664 (this coin). VF/Gd VF, lightly toned silver, bold horse, full triple-petalled flower. Ex J Robinson coll. £250

Published in *Treasure Hunting*, October 2014, p.75 (this coin).

21. Cotswold Oxo E. Arch Neck. c.AD 5-10. AR unit. 12mm. 0.71g. Head r, OXO on cheek./ Triple-tailed arched-neck horse l, eagle above. ABC-, VA-, BMC-, COD 22a, S-. Small chip, otherwise Gd VF, great head with crescents clearly displayed, terrific triple-tailed horse. Ex J Robinson coll. RRR only 10 others recorded £300 Peter Healy, author of Coins of the Dobunni says: "I could only find 4, maybe five, coins out of 46 with definite evidence of crescents [behind the head] as they are normally struck with the face image to the left of the flan. I make it COD 22a as there are two definite stalk lips rather than the continuation of the nostril making the second lip as in COD 22b. The coin does not match any of the dies I have. It is unusual in terms of the positioning of the face and the more upright neck of the horse." (pers.comm. 16.6.25).

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

**22. Snake Head.** c.30-1 BC. AR unit. 13mm. 0.91g. Crescentic head r, S-shaped snake-like hair./ Annular horse l, with two tails, rings around, wheel below. ABC 2122, VA 1170, BMC 3012, S 378. *Gd VF/VF, lightly toned silver, super S-shaped hair.*RR £350

See CR 202, Lot 23 and front cover for more information on this very rare type.

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

**23.** Cranborne Chase. c.58-40 BC. Base AR stater. 16mm. 4.11g. Wreath motif./ Disjointed horse l, pellets, 'coffee bean' behind. ABC 2169, VA 1235-1, BMC 2555-636, S 367. CCI 07.1160 (this coin). *Nr EF, bright silver, almost* 

whole horse, one of the best from this hoard. Ex I Jinks coll, ex J Lambeth coll, bt. CR (2007). Fd. Silchester hoard. £275
The Silchester hoard was found near Mortimer, northeast of Calleva '(place) in the woods', capital of the Atrebates. In 2003 we bought the hoard. Published in Coin Hoards in Iron Age Britain, p.186, no.7 (this coin).

**24. Hod Hill.** c.AD20-43. AE stater. 16mm. 3.32g. Wreath motif./ Horse l, pellets. ABC 2175, VA 1290, BMC 2790-859, S 371. Nr VF, dark-green patina. Ex J Lambeth coll, bt. CR (2008), ex A Clarke coll, bt. CR (2001). Fd. Blandford Forum, Dorset, 1999.

25. Badbury Rat. DQS Die-group 16, Class 6, dies O29/R77. c.20BC-AD20. AR quarter stater. 13mm. 0.72g. Traces of three-men-in-a-boat./ Central zigzag thunderbolt between beaded lines, 'clamshell' motifs either side. ABC 2214, VA 1260, BMC 2748-70, S 368. CCI 21.1633 (this coin). VF, toned, bold thunderbolt. Ex J Lambeth coll, bt. CR (2008), ex A Clarke coll, bt. CR (2001), ex D Lee coll, bt. CR (2000). Fd. Hampshire, 1998.

This coin was ritually 'killed' prior to deposition. Published in *DQS* p.175 (this coin).

**CATUVELLAUNI** north Thames, cap. Verlamion (St. Albans). **26. Great Waltham Straight Neck.** Sills British Ab1, class 1 dies 2/2. c.60-50 BC. AV stater. 16-20mm. 6.35g. Wreath motif with downward facing leaves./ Disjointed horse l, large pellets. ABC-, VA 200, BMC 2, 5-6, DK 383 S??. CCI 07.1106 (this coin). Gd VF/VF, as struck, golden gold, sharp wreath. Ex J Lambeth coll, bt. CR (2007). Fd. Great Waltham hoard, c.1996. **Unique** reverse die £750

Westerham North gold staters were among the earliest gold staters minted north of the Channel, which is why they are so heavy and of such fine gold. Dr John Sills believes that they were struck by order of Cassivellaunos, commander in chief of the British forces against Julius Caesar in 54 BC. An opportunity to purchase an exciting piece of ancient British history. Published in *DK*, p.422, no.8 and p.462 (this coin) and *CHIAB* p.130, no.116 (this coin).

27. Lister's Celtic Head. c.50-40 BC. AR unit. 13mm. 1.08g. Male head r, with angular eyebrow and noseline, rounded chin, shaggy moustache curling up at ends, large locks of hair falling down to the back of neck in twisted strands, like ram's horns./ Well-formed horse prancing r, cabled mane, corded tail, winged object and pellet triads above, beaded-ring in front, ringed-pellet and pellet below. ABC 2478, VA 1540, BMC–, S–. Edge slightly chipped, otherwise VF/Gd VF, well centred head, full horse, well ornamented. Ex J Follows coll. RR only 22 others recorded £800

Is the shaggy head that of Cassivellaunos, commander of the British coalition against Caesar, 54 BC? Entirely possible, in which case it might be Britain's earliest portrait coin. Named after Major Clement Wynter Lister (1920-2010) who published the first recorded example in 1959 (*BNJ* 29, pp.5-7, pl.XV.6).



0.93g. Horned head l, corded hair./ Annulate goat r, ringed-pellet above, pellets below. ABC 2487, VA 1552, BMC 383-85, S 51. 1/3 missing, otherwise Gd VF, toned, great corded hair. Fd. Kettering, Northants, January 2025. S £175

29. Tasciovanos Acorn. Sills class 2, Stepping Horse. c.25 BC-AD 10. AV quarter stater. 12mm. 1.29g. Back to back crescents on crossed wreath, teardrop in angles./ Horse stepping l, round head, pellet in front, acorn below. ABC 2586, VA 1688, BMC 1651-53, DK 519, S 221. VF, rose gold, nice wreath, clear acorn. Ex J Lambeth coll, ex CR (2007).

The nut-like object under the high-stepping horse may be an acorn on a twig and possibly has Druidic connections (*Chris Rudd List* 38, No.56). A similar nut-like symbol can sometimes be seen on Tasciovanos Hidden Faces staters (ABC 2553), just in front of the horse, BMC 1591 being the best illustration of this. It also occurs on Tasciovanos Camul quarters (ABC 2589). There were some great oak-rich forests around *Verlamion* (Hatfield Forest and Epping Forest to name but two), so we think the acorn will have been a familiar and meaningful nut to Iron Age rulers in Hertfordshire and Essex.

- **30.** Tasciovanos Sea Horse. c.25 BC-AD 10. AE unit. 15mm. 2.31g. Bearded head r, traces of VER./ Sea-horse l, [VER], ringed-pellet above. ABC 2658, VA 1707, BMC 1714-21, S 243. Nr VF, clear head. Ex J Lambeth coll, bt. CR (2008).
- **31. Tasciovanos Star.** c.25 BC-AD 10. AE unit. 14mm. 1.86g. Star motif around central ring./ Bull r, crescent above. ABC 2685, VA 1810, BMC 1752-55, S 248. CCI 08.9165 (this coin). Gd VF, superlative glossy dark-green patina, bold bull. A very attractive piece. Ex J Lambeth coll, bt. CR (2008). Fd. Newport Pagnell, Bucks, 2006-07.
- **32. Dias Throne.** c.AD 1-10. AE unit. 16mm. 1.47g. Diademed head r, [DI]AS in front./ Seated figure l, standard behind, [VER] in exergue. ABC 2751, VA 1816, BMC 1739-44, S 251. CCI 08.9082 (**this coin**). VF/Gd VF, full head, detailed throne, brown green patina. Ex J Lambeth coll, bt. CR (2008). Fd. Thrapston, Northants. R £285 The man on the throne could be Dias himself. Dias could be short for Diassumaros 'chief priest' or Diasulos 'Sun Prince'.

#### **CATUVELLAUNI &TRINOVANTES**

united by Cunobelinus.

**33. Cunobelinus Sphinx.** c.AD 8-41. AR unit. 12mm. 1.14g. Winged bust r, [CV]NO./ Sphinx l, TASCIO. ABC 2870, VA 2057, BMC 1874-78, S 313. *Fine/Gd VF, full TASCIO. Ex J Lambeth coll, bt. CR* (2008). **\$£185** 

**34. Cunobelinus Sow.** c.AD 8-41. AE unit. 17mm. 1.99g. Helmeted head r, [CVNOBELINVS] around./ Sow r, [TAS]CIIOVANII [F] around. ABC 2960, VA 2091, BMC 1956-60, S 337. Fine/Gd VF, bold bull, clear lettering. Ex J Fay coll. Fd. N Essex/Cambs border, October 2024. **£125** 

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

- **35. Thurrock Fishtail.** Cantiaci. c.120-100 BC. Cast AE unit. 15mm. 2.54g. Head l./ Bull butting r. ABC 120 var. *Fine.* £25
- **36.** Andoco Jumping Calf. Catuvellauni. c.20-1 BC. AE ?half unit. 11mm. 0.70g. Laureate head l./ Fat horse l. ABC 2697. *Fine, bold horse. Fd. Essex/Cambs., 1980-90.* RR £40 Like Mack, Van Arsdell and Hobbs, ABC lists this delightful type as a unit of Tasciovanos. However, we now agree with Rainer Kretz that "this bronze fraction most probably represents a previously unrecognised issue of Andoco" (*BNJ* 85, 2015, p.14). This is only the third example we've had.
- **37. Cunobelinus Warriors.** Catuvellauni & Trinovantes. c.AD 8-41. AE unit. 13mm. 1.55g. Warrior on horse r./ Warrior standing. ABC 2963. *Fine, both figures visible. Found Essex/Cambs.*, 1980s-90s. £20

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