

9.1. SOUTHERN COUNTIES (WEST)

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WILTSHIRE

(1) **Kington Langley**: 2 denarii found stuck together (Mark Antony and Vespasian). Deposition c. A.D. 69–79 or later.¹

(2) **Melksham**, *Land at Woodrow Road* (ST 9110 6525): the earliest dated features in an evaluation related to a mid-late first to second-century A.D. settlement and associated agricultural features. An undated but probably contemporary cremation was also identified.²

(3) **Pewsey**: 5 siliquae forming part of a previously discovered hoard.³ Deposition c. A.D. 395-402 or later.⁴

(4) **Swindon**, *Wanborough Road* (SU 19612 85126): a watching brief recorded a probable Roman wall and cobbled surface related to a structure at the fringe of the Roman roadside settlement of *Durocornovium* on the route of Ermin Street.⁵

DORSET

(1) **Piddletrenthide**: hoard of 2144 radiates. The coins were found within an almost complete base of a reduced coarse ware vessel, possibly a flagon. The lowest layers in the pot were particularly rich in the reformed radiates of Aurelian (A.D. 270-5) and his successors. Latest coins were 2 of Allectus (A.D. 293-6). Deposition c. A.D. 293–6 or later.⁶

HAMPSHIRE

(1) **Barlaston**: hoard of 1166 radiates in the base of a greyware ceramic vessel. The latest coin is an ancient forgery of an issue of the emperor Florian (A.D. 276) with a reverse prototype of Tetricus II. Date of deposition c. A.D. 276 or later.⁷ There is a previously recorded hoard of the same date which was recovered 4 m distant from this one.⁸

(2) **Basingstoke**, *Plot W, Basing View* (SU 64699 52698): an evaluation revealed numerous features dating to the late Iron Age/early Roman period. The density of the archaeology and the quantity of

¹ Found in 2016. BM ref. 2017 T651; PAS ID: WILT-5B2466. R. Henry sent information.

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³ See *Britannia* 48 (2017), 407.

⁴ Found in 2016. BM ref. 2017 T432 (addenda to BM ref. 2009 T233 and subsequent finds); PAS ID: WILT-5C2643. D. Algar and E. Ghey sent information.

⁵ Work by D. Sausins of Cotswold Archaeology. J. Cook sent information.

⁶ Found in 2016. BM ref. 2016 T802; PAS ID: DOR-E2A223. R. Abdy and E.J. Lewington sent information.

⁷ Found 2016. BM ref. 2016 T459; PAS ID: WMID-04F0EB. E. Ghey sent information.

⁸ BM ref. 2015 T731; PAS ID: WMID-225242.

domestic material in this area suggests the presence of a small rural settlement, perhaps similar to contemporary sites known elsewhere in and around Basingstoke.⁹

(3) **Elmsworth**, *Land at Southleigh Road* (SU 74274 07000): an evaluation identified Roman field system ditches which yielded a finds assemblage indicative of a farmstead in the vicinity. Possible foundations of two walls which contained locally produced second-century pottery were also present.¹⁰

(4) **Froxfield II**: hoard of 28 nummi and 3 dupondii/asses. Deposited c. A.D. 323-4 or later.¹¹

(5) **Harbridge**: hoard of 4804 radiates and 1 denarius in a ceramic jar with a ceramic bowl used as a lid. The denarius is that of Gallienus (sole reign A.D. 260-68). The greatest number of radiates (1150) were those of Tetricus I (A. D. 271-74). The hoard closes with 59 coins of Probus (A.D. 276–82). Deposition c. A.D. 282 or later.¹²

(6) **Winchester**, *Barton Farm* (SU 47521 31592): excavations continued from 2015 revealing the remains of a ditch containing a range of second to fourth-century pottery; possibly a ditch flanking a Roman trackway.¹³

ISLE OF WIGHT

(1) **Calbourne**: One solidus of Valentinian I (A.D. 364-75) and two clipped silver siliquae of Arcadius (A.D. 395-408) and Honorius (A.D. 393-423).¹⁴

(2) **Newchurch**: 11 sestertii and fractions which included one sestertius of Hadrian.¹⁵ Date of deposition of original finds on same site c. A.D. 196–7 or later.¹⁶

(3) **Shalfleet**: hoard of 7 Republican denarii including 1 of Mark Antony and 3 of Augustus (11 B.C. – A.D. 14). Date of deposition c. 11 B.C. – A.D. 14 or later.¹⁷

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¹¹ BM ref. 2017 T713 (addenda to BM ref. 2016 T941); PAS ID: HAMP-2D8A52. E. Ghey sent information.

¹² BM ref. 2017 T7; PAS ID: WILT-DOA939. E. Ghey sent information.

¹³ Work by T. Hayes of Pre-Construct Archaeology Ltd for CgMs Consulting on behalf of CALA Homes. T. Vitali sent information.

¹⁴ BM ref. 2017 T357 (addenda to BM ref. 2011 T182); PAS ID: IOW-3D8408. E. Ghey sent information.

¹⁵ BM ref. 2017 T1179 (addenda to BM refs. 2006 T29 and 2007 T289); PAS ID: IOW-4790F6. F. Basford and E. Ghey sent information.

¹⁶ *Numismatic Chronicle* 176 (2007), 248.

¹⁷ BM ref. 2017 T712; PAS ID: IOW-1A3B6C. F. Basford sent information.