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Money & Medals is the newsletter associated with the Money and Medals Network based at the Department of Classics and Ancient History at the University of Warwick and in association with the RNS, BNS, and a number of key partners. The Network aims to act as an information exchange for museum professionals within the UK whose collections include coins, medals and other objects relating to monetary and economic history and numismatics.

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NEWS

BNS News Summer Conference 15 July 2023

The British Numismatic Society will be holding their 2023 summer conference at the Ashmolean Museum in Oxford on Saturday 15 July. Entitled 'Coin Hoards – Discovery and Interpretation' this will be an all-day Conference with a series of papers by leading figures working on coin hoards and related material from the British Isles. The first part of the day will focus on recent discoveries and what we can learn from them along with the latest thinking on how coinage came to be hoarded and then hidden. The second part of the day will then consider the latest techniques being used to recover and interpret hoards and to make available hoard data for researchers and collectors.

The Conference will be hybrid with the option of in-person or on-line attendance. The day should be of interest to anyone interested in research and analysis of hoards along with collectors and private scholars. Registration is required to attend, whether in person or on-line. Details of the event and registration will be available on the BNS website from late April.

The British Numismatic Society Website *Robert Page*

For many years people have primarily visited the British Numismatic Society website (<u>www.britnumsoc.org</u>) to freely access the BNS Journal which is available for all years except the last three. However, in recent years, a number of exciting new features have become available, and these can be accessed using the menu options at the top of the webpage.

Four new features have been added in the past few years that may be of interest to readers. In November 2022 the MHCBI (Medieval Coin Hoards of Britain and Ireland – c. 450 to c. 1544 AD) online database was launched. This includes a mapping application and user defined filters. Search results can be saved along with the relevant hoard reports. This is a very powerful tool that should be of use to researchers.



Screenshot of the new BNS hoards database

The BNS Research Blog, "BLOG" provides an easy method for numismatists to disseminate short-form research, of a less formal character than Journal articles. Articles are typically 1-6 pp, and are not subjected to editorial oversight of their content. There are currently some 340 articles on the Blog, of widely different numismatic subjects – there should be something of interest to everyone.

The Coin Gallery is a long term ongoing project to add selected coin illustrations – readers may be interested in having some of their prize specimens exhibited (anonymously) - if you have a coin or coins that you would like to be considered for inclusion then please send details to <u>website.bns@gmail.com</u>

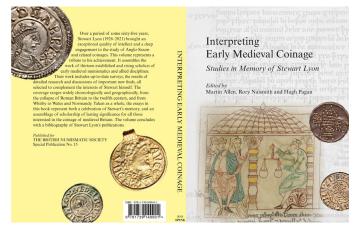
And finally the Contributors section whose primary aim is to provide an image and brief details of individuals who have made a contribution to British numismatics. There is also a subsection which provides a comprehensive collection of coin ticket illustrations. Maybe it's time to take another look at the BNS website!



Screenshot of the new Contributors page of the BNS website

Stewart Lyon festschrift

The British Numismatic Society's latest Special Publication is Interpreting Early Medieval Coinage Essays in Memory of Stewart Lyon, which was launched at its November 2022 meeting, and is nowavailable from Spink. Stewart Lyon (1926-2021) was a leading expert on Anglo-Saxon coinage, combining a deep knowledge of the subject with mathematical expertise from a long and distinguished career in pensions and insurance. This book is a tribute to his achievement, with up-to-date surveys of the subject, the results of detailed research, and discussions of important new finds, all selected to complement the interests of Stewart himself. The coverage ranges widely chronologically and geographically, from the collapse of Roman Britain to the twelfth century, and from Whitby to Wales and Normandy.



Rendlesham's Royal Anglo-Saxon history on show in a new exhibition at Sutton Hoo

Rendlesham Revealed: The Heart of a Kingdom AD 400-800 is a new exhibition opening at the National Trust's Sutton Hoo in March, telling the story of an Anglo-Saxon royal settlement in Suffolk, the largest and wealthiest of its time known in England.

Suffolk County Council's Archaeological Service is curating the exhibition, to celebrate "Rendlesham Revealed", a community archaeology project funded by The National Lottery Heritage Fund.



Gold coin pendant found at Rendlesham

The exhibition will take visitors on a 400-year journey, revealing how the settlement at Rendlesham developed, before moving on to celebrate contributions from today's local community. Objects on display will include high status gold and silver dress accessories, sword, and horse harness fittings. As well as more everyday objects worn and used by the people who lived there, such as buckles and pottery.

The exhibition will run until 29 October. Entry to the temporary exhibition will be included in the normal admission charge to Sutton Hoo, which is free for National Trust members.

Thank you to the National Trust and Suffolk Institute of Archaeology and History, for supporting this exhibition, as well as the many partners, the local landowners and farmers who have allowed access to their land, and National Lottery players, without whom, funding for this project would not have been made possible.



Hoards exhibition at Lynn Museum

Richard Kelleher

Norfolk is well-known as one of Britian's most productive counties for finding hoards and a special exhibition now showing in King's

Lynn showcases some of the important hoards found in West Norfolk. The exhibition covers a long chronology beginning with material from the Bronze Age and running up to the English Civil War. Noncoin hoards of different types are showcased, including a cache of Bronze Age weapons found at Holme-nextthe-Sea, close to the spectacular Seahenge site. These, and many other exhibits, are shown here for the first time. For the numismatist the interest will lie primarily with the coin hoards - which do not disappoint.



The hoard of Iron Age gold staters hidden in a cow bone and found at Sedgeford in 2003

The earliest is the Sedgeford hoard, comprising 32 Iron Age gold staters hidden in a cow bone. Iceni silver is represented by the Fring hoard. The Roman period is embodied by the Hockwold hoard of pewter and glass objects, as well as the West Acre and East Winch radiate hoards. The final case shows material from three hoards spanning the early medieval to early modern periods - the Fincham find of mostly continental sceattas, a group of Edwardian pennies from King's Lynn, and the silver cup and shillings from Dersingham which were hidden in 1643 in the midst of the English Civil War. The exhibition runs until 11 June 2023 and is well worth the visit.



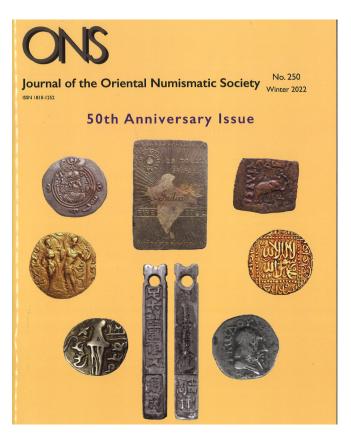
The hoard of silver shillings found in a silver cup at Dersingham in 1984

The Oriental Numismatic Society at 53

In 2020, the Oriental Numismatic Society had planned to celebrate its 50th anniversary with a conference in Oxford. The pandemic caused it to be postponed twice, and eventually the celebratory conference took place on Zoom. Online meetings cannot replace reallife meetings, but they do allow people from all over the world to attend. The proceedings were published in the 250th issue of the Journal of the Oriental Numismatic Society (see image) in December 2022.

The ONS was founded in 1970 when Michael Broome published a letter in *Seaby's Coin and Medal Bulletin*, asking if there were others like him interested in Asian coins. Within a month, there was a small group of nine people, and the first ONS Newsletter was circulated. Today, the ONS has about 500 members worldwide. Over the past 53 years, over 2000 individuals have been members at one time or another.

At 53, the ONS is thriving under the new Secretary-General (Pankaj Tandon), Deputy Secretary-General (Joe Cribb), Editor (Paula Turner), Treasurer (Ashok Jain), and E-Communications Secretary (Ed Snible). Information about the Regional Secretaries, the Editorial Board and Editorial Advisory Panel can be found on the ONS website <u>https://www.orientalnumismaticsociety.org/</u>. The Journal is published four times a year, and meetings are on Zoom and in person.



FOCUS



The Money and Medals Network: A New Era

Campbell Orchard & Suzanne Frey-Kupper

The Money and Medals Network was established in 2009 with funding from Arts Council England (ACE) to support and advise museums and

other institutions in the care, use and interpretation of numismatic collections. ACE funding for the project ended in September 2021.

Located since its creation at the British Museum, the Money and Medals Network moved in September 2022 to the Department of Classics and Ancient History at the University of Warwick, marking the start of an exciting new chapter for the Network. On the international stage, Warwick's Department of Classics and Ancient History is one of the strongest numismatic research hubs and is well-placed to host this important resource for museums.

The Warwick Department of Classics and Ancient History is home to three full-time members of staff (Prof. Kevin Butcher, Prof. Suzanne Frey-Kupper, and Associate Prof. Clare Rowan) and several postdoctoral researchers who specialise in numismatics (currently Dr Eleni Papaephthymiou). In addition to this, the department benefits from the expertise of Emeritus Reader Stanley Ireland and Honorary Associate Fellows Dr Marguerite Spoerri Butcher, and Professor Chris Howgego of the Ashmolean Museum, Oxford, as well as a range of international Associate Fellows. The department hosts a specialist numismatic library, teaching collection, and spaces dedicated to working and training within the numismatic hub. The department covers all aspects of ancient numismatics, including studies of iconography, metallurgy and scientific analysis, metrology, finds, the economy, numismatics in the Renaissance, and paranumismatics.

The new Project Officer for the Money and Medals Network is Campbell Orchard, who brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the role. Campbell is pursuing a PhD on the Roman Mint of Tarsus at Warwick University (2021 - 2025), focusing on the production, circulation, and use of Roman coins from Tarsus, shedding light on the city's economic and political history. He has also worked with Paul Grigsby for the WCN Public Engagement with Museums Project, photographing a Roman denarii coin hoard.

Before beginning his PhD, Campbell completed a Master's degree at Warwick University in 2020-2021, where he studied epigraphy and numismatics, focusing on modern collecting practices and coin hoards. Campbell has also been heavily involved with undergraduate classics courses, taking seminars and workshops. Before his Warwick studies, Campbell completed a Master's degree at Victoria University of Wellington in New Zealand, where he examined the personification of Roma on Roman Republic coins. He worked on the Victoria University of Wellington antiquities collection, and was also a summer scholar at the RD Milns Antiquities Museum, where he worked on digitising the museum's collection.

Campbell is deeply passionate about making numismatics more accessible and engaging for general audiences, particularly through museums and exhibitions. His experience managing and curating the Warwick Classics department coin collection has given him a solid understanding of best practices in numismatic display and interpretation. Campbell brings a wealth of experience and knowledge to the Money and Medals network and is excited to contribute to its mission of promoting the study and appreciation of numismatics. Campbell is supervised by Prof. Suzanne Frey-Kupper, who is line managing Campbell and has joined the steering committee.



Suzanne Frey-Kupper is a distinguished scholar and professor of Classics and Ancient History at the University of Warwick, where she teaches Numismatics, Classical Archaeology, and various topics related to Ancient History and Ancient Visual and Material Culture. Her groundbreaking research primarily focuses on coin finds from the Western Mediterranean and the north-western provinces of the Roman Empire.

With a vast array of published works on coins from excavations in Rome, Sicily, Carthage, Aventicum, and many other sites, Frey-Kupper has reconstructed monetary history and assessed coins in their historical, economic, and wider cultural contexts. Her contributions to the field of numismatics are invaluable.

Frey-Kupper chaired the foundation of the Swiss Working Group for the Study of Coin Finds, which led to the creation of the Swiss Inventory of Coin Finds (SICF) hosted at the Swiss Academy for Human and Social Sciences, equivalent to the Portable Antiquities Scheme in the UK. As part of her duties, she has created and edited the SICF's volumes IFS on coin finds and the Bulletin IFS, based on the SICF database. Additionally, Frey-Kupper has worked as a coin expert for various museums and archaeological services. She currently serves as the curator of Warwick's Classics Department's Antiquities and Coin collection. She began lecturing at the University of Zurich in 2007 before joining the University of Warwick in 2011.

The Money and Medals Network aims to uphold Henry Flynn's exceptional work, who gained extensive knowledge about each collection and offered practical advice on matters such as collection care and display, where appropriate. In-person communication was critical in establishing lasting partnerships and gaining a tangible understanding of each collection. Henry's visits often inspired subsequent numismatic projects, including cataloguing and identification, storage enhancements, or integrating collections into other public engagement activities. The Network intends to revive these visits and collaborate with members to create training programs that benefit them while providing much-needed support to museums needing assistance.

Our first training day is being hosted in conjunction with the Warwick Numismatics Day on the 15th and 16th of June. The MMN training day on the 15th will allow professionals within the industry to Network and soundboard their experiences with numismatics, whilst also offering practical training sessions on coin

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Training

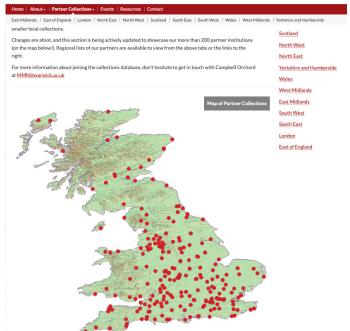
15 June 2023

identification and cataloguing, storage and display. These sessions will be led by experts in the field and will provide participants with hands-on experience in working with numismatic objects. The day will close with a talk by our keynote speaker, Clive Stannard, Brussels, who will present a paper evaluating monetary supply and whether dies were reproduced manually in antiquity, illustrating how close observation of coins contributes to understanding ancient technologies, coin production and economy. The 16th is dedicated to the Warwick Numismatics Day, which is being reintroduced after several years of hiatus. The theme of the day is imitation coinage. This day will interest members as it will potentially shed light on imitation coinage present in UK museum collections and the stories that can be told with them.

The Money and Medals Network is excited to embark on this new chapter and looks forward to continuing its work in supporting and advising museums and other member institutions.

For all future enquiries, or to be included in Network

Money and Medals Network



Warwick Numismatics Day 16 June 2023

Register now to secure your place

emails, please contact Campbell Orchard at <u>MMN@</u> <u>warwick.ac.uk</u>

The Money and Medals Network Steering Committee

The steering committee of the Money and Medals Network meets three times a year to discuss the content of the next Newsletter and the activities of the Network. The group comprises members representing museums and societies around the British Isles. In addition to Campbell Orchard and Suzanne Frey-Kupper at Warwick (see above) the committee is comprised of the following members:

- Roger Bland, President, Royal Numismatic Society
- Andrew Brown, Finds Advisor, Portable Antiquities Scheme
- Jesper Ericsson, Curator, Hunterian Museum
- Megan Gooch, Head, Centre for Digital Scholarship and Digital Humanities Support, University of Oxford
- Lynsey Jones, Museum Development Officer, Museum Development North West
- Richard Kelleher (editor), Senior Curator, Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge
- Clare Pickersgill, Keeper, Nottingham University Museum
- Elina Screen, President, British Numismatic Society
- Gareth Williams (chair), Curator, British Museum

TEMPORARY EXHIBITIONS

Hoards: Archaeological Treasures from West Norfolk

Lynn Museum, King's Lynn | until 11 June 2023

This display features a selection of important archaeological hoards, all discovered in West Norfolk, an area particularly rich in hoards. From 2,000-yearold gold coins buried in a cow bone to silver shillings from the English Civil War found in a silver cup, discover more about the theories behind these spectacular discoveries.

Coins at the Crossroads of Asia

Ashmolean Museum, Oxford | Money Gallery | until 8 October 2023

This display gives tantalising glimpses into the history of those ancient rulers and our understanding of the history of the Graeco-Bactrian and Indo-Greek kingdoms. No written sources and few archaeological sites from this period survive in the region meaning that coins are, in many cases, our only historical source. While eight kings are mentioned in texts, we know of over 40 from the coins produced in their names. In the display, you'll discover a selection of the Ashmolean's world-leading collection of coins from this period. Learn how coinage developed at the crossroads of Asia, consider what we can understand about history when coins are our only evidence, and discover new research on these important objects.

Rendlesham Revealed: The Heart of a Kingdom AD 400-800

Sutton Hoo | until 29 October 2023

This temporary exhibition sharing the story of an Anglo-Saxon royal settlement in Suffolk, the largest and wealthiest of its time known in England. On display will be 1,400-year-old artefacts, many never before seen by the public, which help tell the story of Rendlesham's royal connections and its international importance. Two years of excavations at sites in the Deben valley have now been completed. The exhibition will take visitors on a 400-year journey, revealing how the settlement at Rendlesham developed, before moving on to celebrate contributions from today's local community.

Global Gold

Fitzwilliam Museum | Room 17

Rare, beautiful and easy to work, gold has been valued above all other metals in many societies over the last six thousand years. With its resistance to chemical reactions – it never corrodes or tarnishes – it is often called a 'noble' metal. The fascination with, and demand for, gold made it an attractive medium for political symbols of power and status, or to provide standards of value and means of exchange. This display provides global perspectives on the use of gold for currency and coins, from late 6th century BC to the 20th century. The sources and trading networks of the raw material reflects colonialism and exploitation, technological change and the discovery of new sources.

Crowned, The Making of a Monarch

Royal Mint Experience | from 6 May 2023

A Coronation is a time for public celebration, symbolising the transition from one reign to the next and this immersive exhibition explores the rich history of the Coronation ceremony. It also tells the wider story of what happens at The Royal Mint, and elsewhere, when there is a change of reign. From a new portrait on coins and stamps, to new words in the National Anthem, a change of reign is deeply woven into the fabric of our society today. Featuring a range of objects from The Royal Mint Museum's collection, hands-on interactives and a very special photo opportunity, this exhibition provides visitors with the opportunity to discover more about this turning point in the history of the United Kingdom.

Slavery and the Bank

Bank of England Museum | until February 2024

This exhibition explores the history of transatlantic slavery through its connections with the Bank of England and the wider City of London. For over 300 years, the slave trade tore more than 12 million African people from their homes and families. In this exhibition, we reflect on how the wealth created through transatlantic slavery shaped the development of Britain.

LECTURES, SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

Please refer to society websites for further details

'Oxford' meetings are in the Ancient History Sub-Faculty Seminar, 'Monetary Economies of the Hellenistic World' and will take place at 4pm on Tuesdays in the Lecture Theatre of the Ioannou Centre, 66 St Giles', Oxford OX1 3LU.

May

2	Oxford	Catherine Grandjean, <i>Monetization and the History of Hellenistic Greece</i>
9	Oxford	Marcus Chin, Beyond the Attalids: dynastic rulership, coinage, and regional authority in Hellenistic Anatolia
13	ONS	ONS UK Section – Study day at the Heberden Coin Room, Ashmolean Museum, Oxford
16	Oxford	Julien Oliver, Managing coinage. Creating, (re-melting) and reforming Ptolemaic gold and silver coinage from the 4th to the 1st century BC
16	RNS	Eleni Papaethymiou, <i>The presence,</i> <i>penetration and circulation of the</i> <i>denarius in the East Mediterranean.</i> Venue: Royal Philatelic Society and Zoom
22	BNS	Andrew Edwards, <i>Money to burn: the problem of money at the beginning of the American Revolution</i> . Followed by the Spring Reception

23	Oxford	Simon Glenn, The Bactrian Mirage: coins and the economy of a "minor" Hellenistic kingdom
25	IBNS	Dave Kenney. <i>Provincial Banks of</i> <i>Middlesex and Surrey.</i> Venue: Spink & Son
30	Oxford	Zosia Archibald, <i>Money and Economy</i> <i>in Thrace: Pistiros and its context in</i> <i>south-eastern Europe</i>

June

- 6 Oxford Suzanne Frey-Kuper, 'Hellenistic coinage in Sicily as part of other material culture, from the late fourth century to the first century BC'
- 10 ONS Michael Broome Memorial Lecture. Joe Cribb, *Coins in the Islamic World* Venue: Spink & Son
- 13 Oxford Selene Psoma, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens: 'The Alexanders issued by Greek Cities of Western Asia Minor: a Reappraisal
- 21 RNS Presidential Address: Roger Bland. Problems in numismatics 5. Coin finds and the development of their study in Britain and Beyond.Venue: Society of Antiquaries and Zoom. Meeting to be followed by the Summer Party
- 26 BNS Chris Barker, The post-War sovereign, Part III: towards a modern bullion business – diversification and expansion
- 29 IBNS Hakim Hamdani, 40 years of war, 40 years of Afghanistan banknotes. Venue: Spink & Son

July

- 15 BNS Summer Symposium. Coin hoards - Discovery and Interpretation, Ashmolean Museum, Oxford
- 15 ONS Alexander Akopyan, *Typogenetic* Approach to the Systematization of Georgian Coins of the Long Twelfth Century Venue: Zoom
- 27 IBNS Cedrian Lopez, *Mexican banknotes*. Venue: Zoom

August

31 IBNS Simon Narbeth: *topic tbc* Venue: Spink & Son

AUCTION DIARY

Courtesy of Peter Preston-Morley. Please note: Dates may be subject to alteration. For latest updates, please contact the individual companies listed below.

May

- 10 Noonans. Manfred Thelen Collection of Coins. 16 Bolton Street, London W1. <u>noonans.co.uk</u>
- 10 Spink. Paper Money. 69 Southampton Row, London WC1. <u>spink.com</u>
- Spink. Orders, Decorations and Medals. 69
 Southampton Row, London WC1. <u>spink.</u>
 <u>com</u>
- Noonans. Orders, Medals and Decorations.
 16 Bolton Street, London W1. <u>noonans.</u> <u>co.uk</u>
- 24 St James Auctions. Coins and Medals. 10 Charles II Street, London SW1. <u>stjauctions.</u> <u>com</u>
- Baldwin Auctions. Patrick Deane Collection of Tokens. 399 Strand, London WC2. <u>auctions.baldwin.co.uk</u>
- 31- Noonans. Paper Money. 16 Bolton Street,
- June 1 London W1. noonans.co.uk

June

- 3 St James Auctions. Coins and Medals. Bloomsbury Crest Hotel, London WC1._ stjauctions.com
- 6 Sovereign Rarities. Coins. <u>sovr.co.uk</u>
- 7-8 Noonans. Coins and Medals. 16 Bolton Street, London W1. <u>noonans.co.uk</u>
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 16 Bolton Street, London W1. <u>noonans.</u>
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- 28 St James Auctions. Coins and Medals. 10 Charles II Street, London SW1. <u>stjauctions.</u> <u>com</u>

July

- 18 Noonans. Ancient Coins. 16 Bolton Street, London W1. <u>noonans.co.uk</u>
- Spink. Bonds and Shares. 69 Southampton Row, London WC1. <u>spink.com</u>
- 20 Spink. Orders, Decorations and Medals. 69 Southampton Row, London WC1. <u>spink.</u> <u>com</u>
- Noonans. Orders, Medals and Decorations.
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- 26 St James Auctions. Coins and Medals. 10 Charles II Street, London SW1. <u>stjauctions.</u> <u>com</u>

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