



FIELDVIEW FESTIVAL CLEANUP



On the 10th a club dig was held at Little Somerford and was well attended. A full account can be found in the Past Events section

CROTAL BELLS Best artefact for T1 this month went to Paul Spreadbury with this complete ringer.



Crotal bells, also known as rumble bells, were used on horse-drawn vehicles before motor vehicles were invented.

Pauls crotal bell has the initials OC standing for one of the Olivers of the Corr family of Aldbourne, Wiltshire. The origins of this foundry can probably be traced back to 1642, when William Corr, a gunsmith living in Aldbourne, is first mentioned. William himself was probably not involved in casting bells, but two of his sons, John I and Oliver I, certainly were. The earliest ref. to their bell-founding activities is in 1698.

- John Corr I 1670<1714 Oliver Corr I 1675<1716
- William Corr 1680<1719 Oliver Corr II 1685<1697
- Robert Corr I 1690-1715 Joan Corr 1712-1732
- Robert Corr II 1720-1724 Oliver Corr III 1722-1727
- John Corr II 1730-1741 Robert Corr III (1740-1742)

Pauls bell is possibly an Oliver III bell but could also be earlier. I contacted Aldbourne Heritage Centre but they have no further information but only agree that it is an Oliver Corr crotal bell.

DETECTING BOURNEMOUTH BEACH

Besides hitting the Wiltshire fields Jon Baker also travels down south to the beach at Bournemouth in search of holiday makers coin and jewellery losses



John possesses a Deus and has recently acquired a Nox 800, which he believes performs more effectively on wet sand compared to the Deus



GEORGE I shilling found by "Mimzy" George Louis of Brunswick-Luneburg was the first Hanoverian king of Great Britain 1714-1727 George died of a stroke on a trip to Hanover.



Mimzy handing over a donation to an Athelstan Museum volunteer. The money was raised at the Athelstan Big Dig event

SOME CLUB FINDS THIS MONTH FROM T2 MEMBERS



Kate's Victorian brooch just got pushed out of the best finds by Joolz's watch winder.

William Henry Yarnold founded his watch-making business in 1880 & had a son Frederick William Yarnold who was baptised on 5th July 1882. The Kelly's Trade Directory for Malmesbury of 1915 shows that he became a watchmaker in Malmesbury and traded at 7 Gloucester Street. Frederick died in 1945.



Two Henry VII sovereign pennies one of the York mint and one of Durham



Commonwealth Halfgroat 1649-1660



Found by Joolz this Georgian penny was possibly used for testing out lettering punches