

Syndicate Meeting 20 July (continueGiven by Professor Philip Grierson.

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An Anglo-Saxon trial striking on lead of a coin of c.AD 1000, a 'long-cross' issue of Aethelred II, period c.997-1003.

Obv. AEDELRAED REX AI, bare-headed bust to l. Rev. MA(NA) MO D (EOD).

wt. 44.86g (692.4grs). Die axis 180°

The piece was found at Thetford by a metal detector in 1982, probably at TL 851 829. It was reported to the British Museum (Norfolk Sites and Monuments Record no. 198000) and then sold. Bt. by Professor Grierson in the USA in Feb. 1987. Such trial strikings are known for coins of the 9th-11th centuries, but this is the only one for Aethelred II. No such issue is known for the mint of Thetford under the moneyer MANA.

Given by Messrs Harari and Johns, through the Friends of the Fitzwilliam, with a contribution from Messrs Glendining's.

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A cast brass double portrait medal of Andrea Doria (1468-1560) and of the sculptor and medallist Leone Leoni (1509-1590). The medal was made by Leoni at Genoa in 1541.

Plon p.256 pl. XXIX 1. Kress no. 430. Bargello no. 711a. From Glendining auction Renaissance Medals..., London 10 June 1987 lot 321.

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Lent by the Huntingdonshire Local History Society

Fragment of

A cut-half penny, Viking imitation of a coin of Edmund, King of England, 939-946, found during excavations at Huntingdon Castle, 1974. See Blackburn and Bonser, BNJ 54 1984, 67-68.no.13. Wt. 0.32g. North no. 688