

# VESSEL

**Unique ID:** NMGW-66AD06

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Published

Cast copper alloy vessel escutcheon or mount in the form of a bird's head. The escutcheon has a lower flat panel representing the breast of the bird and decorated with incised diagonal lines meeting at a central vertical line, beneath each of the diagonal lines are a row of chevrons to indicate the feathers. At the top of the panel is a circular drilled hole, possibly to hold a handle. The top of the perforation corresponds to the level of a step in the mount, presumably to house the vessel rim. The top of the mount is in the form of a pointed bird's head with incised oval-shaped eyes. The top of the head is flat with a rounded profile and has eroded, but seems to have been decorated with a similar motif to the panel. There is a slight overhang on both sides of the top. The rear of the flat panel is tinned or silvered, presumably the remnants of solder to secure the mount.

## Notes:

It has proved difficult to find parallels for this escutcheon, the amount of Roman material recovered from the area would seem to make a Roman date possible.

**Class:** Escutcheon

## Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

## Chronology

Broad period: ROMAN

Period from: ROMAN

## Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 29.5 mm

Width: 17.4 mm

Thickness: 17.2 mm

Weight: 8.9 g

Diameter: 3.3 mm

## Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Monday 1st January 2001

## Personal details

This information is restricted for your access level.

## Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Manufacture method: Cast  
Decoration method: Incised

## Spatial metadata

Region: [Wales](#) (European Region)  
County or Unitary authority: [the Vale of Glamorgan](#) (Unitary Authority)  
District: [the Vale of Glamorgan](#) (Unitary Authority)  
Parish or ward: [Sully](#) (Community)

## Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: ST1668  
Four figure Latitude: 51.404783  
Four figure longitude: -3.209011  
1:25K map: ST1668  
1:10K map: ST16NE  
Grid reference source: From finder  
Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

## Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector  
General landuse: Cultivated land