POWDER FLASK

Unique ID: SOM-BBD150

Object type certainty: Certain
Workflow status: Awaiting validation

Post Medieval cast lead nozzle from a powder flask used for measuring and pouring a charge of gunpowder, probably 17th century in date (Courtney 1988:2). The lower part of the nozzle was originally oval with flaring sides widening towards the open base where it was attached to the flask. From the flat, closed top, the circular sectioned, tapering pourer projects. It is open at the end. The sides of the lower part have now been squashed together. Attached to one side of the upper rim on the lower part is a complete D-shaped loop, there may have been a second, opposite it, but the other side is damaged. The loops enabled the cap to be attached separately to the bandolier (belt) of the wearer so that they could be removed without the possibility of being dropped and lost. The nozzle measures 33.8mm in length, 27.3mm in width and is 13.6mm thick. It weighs 20.01 grams.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL
Period from: POST MEDIEVAL
Date from: Circa AD 1600
Date to: Circa AD 1700

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1
Length: 33.8 mm
Width: 27.3 mm
Thickness: 13.6 mm
Weight: 20.01 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Friday 9th March 2012

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Other reference: SCC reciept 20737

Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Alloy
Manufacture method: Cast
Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

Region: South West (European Region)
County or Unitary authority: Somerset (County)
District: Sedgemoor (District)
To be known as: Middlezoy

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: From a paper map
Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector
General landuse: Cultivated land

Courtney, P., 1988 *Small Arms Accessories of the Mid-Seventeenth Century* Finds Research Group 700-1700 Datasheet 11