

CANNON BALL

Unique ID: HESH-8C0315

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

Small cannon ball of probable post-medieval (English Civil War) date (1600-1700AD)

The cannonball is spherical with a diameter of 44.1mm. It weighs 351 grams (12.25 ozs). It has been made in iron which has been presumably cast. There is a small linear ridge running around part of the ball, which might be the remains of the casting flange.

The ball is of a mid-brown orange colour with small areas of slight flaking and active corrosion. The cannon ball is in fairly good condition and with no obvious dents or grazes which might suggest use. The size is slightly odd and may have been made for a hand-held cannon (possibly a dragon or serpentine) rather than for a standard sized cannon.

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL

Period from: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: AD 1600

Date to: AD 1700

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Weight: 351 g

Diameter: 44.1 mm

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Saturday 22nd May 2004

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Iron

Manufacture method: Cast

Spatial metadata

Region: [West Midlands](#) (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: [Telford and Wrekin](#) (Unitary Authority)

District: [Telford and Wrekin](#) (Unitary Authority)

Parish or ward: [Newport](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SJ7318

Four figure Latitude: 52.758926

Four figure longitude: -2.401526

1:25K map: SJ7318

1:10K map: SJ71NW

Grid reference source: From a paper map

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1000 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Gardening

General landuse: Other

Specific landuse: Garden

Bailey, G., 2000 [Detector Finds 4](#) Chelmsford: Greenlight Publishing 94-95 ,