

UNIDENTIFIED OBJECT

Unique ID: WMID-3F0EA3

Object type certainty: Probably

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

An incomplete artefact of uncertain function, probably of Post Medieval dating (AD 1500 to AD 1800).

Both ends exhibit old predepositional breaks. It consists of a long thin terminal at one end, expanding to a wide central swelling, narrowing into a square terminal. Almost an elongated teardrop shape. It is flat in profile. No decoration is present on either side.

It measures 45.6 mm in length, 8.6 mm wide (at the mid point of the swelling), 1.3 mm wide (at the narrow end), 4.0 mm wide (square terminal) and it is 2.0 mm thick. It weighs 1.7 g.

The artefact is a mid brown colour, with an uneven surface patina.

No direct parallel has been found at the time of recording. It is similar in shape to some nail cleaners of Roman dating, i.e. CORN-88C1B3 and BERK-13027B but it does not have the bifurcated tip that those do. It also bears a resemblance to part of a firearm ramrod holder, such as DUR-F36CE7 and BERK-CDECD0 but the thinness of this artefact seems incompatible with that identification. It is most likely Post medieval in dating (AD 1500 to AD 1800).

Subsequent actions

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL

Period from: POST MEDIEVAL

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1500

Date to: Circa AD 1800

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Length: 45.6 mm

Width: 8.6 mm

Thickness: 2 mm

Weight: 1.7 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Saturday 11th March 2017 - Saturday 11th March 2017

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Completeness: Incomplete

Spatial metadata

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

County or Unitary authority: [Worcestershire](#) (County)

District: [Malvern Hills](#) (District)

Parish or ward: [Astley and Dunley](#) (Civil Parish)

Spatial coordinates

4 Figure: SO7866

Four figure Latitude: 52.291687

Four figure longitude: -2.32397665

1:25K map: SO7866

1:10K map: SO76NE

Grid reference source: From finder

Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 1 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector

Discovery circumstances: Found whilst out searching with a metal detector

General landuse: Cultivated land