

TOY

Unique ID: IOW-175723

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A complete post-Medieval lead alloy ****-shy (c. 1700-c. 1800).

This object is cast in the form of a cockerel which stands on a flat oval base. The cockerel is standing. The underside of the base is flat.

It has a grey patina.

Height: 19.3mm; width: 27.8mm; thickness: 15.0mm. Weight: 9.78g.

The ****-shy may have derived from the Shrove Tuesday pursuit of casting stones or cudgels at a live cockerel which was either tied down or buried up to its neck in the ground (Forsyth & Egan 2005: 239).

Reference: Forsyth, H. and Egan, G. 2005. Toys, Trifles and Trinkets. Base Metal Miniatures from London 1200 to 1800. Unicorn Press, London.

Wikipedia gives a description and history of **** throwing:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/****_throwing

Accessed, 6/11/2017.

Class: **** shy

Subsequent actions

Current location of find: Finder

Subsequent action after recording: Returned to finder

Chronology

Broad period: POST MEDIEVAL

Subperiod from: Late

Period from: POST MEDIEVAL

Subperiod to: Late

Period to: POST MEDIEVAL

Date from: Circa AD 1700

Date to: Circa AD 1800

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Height: 19.3 mm

Width: 27.8 mm
Thickness: 15 mm
Weight: 9.78 g

Discovery dates

Date(s) of discovery: Sunday 29th October 2017 - Sunday 29th October 2017

Personal details

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Other reference numbers

Other reference: IOW2017-7-286

Materials and construction

Primary material: Lead Alloy
Completeness: Complete

Spatial metadata

Region: [South East](#) (European Region)
County or Unitary authority: [Isle of Wight](#) (Unitary Authority)
District: [Isle of Wight](#) (Unitary Authority)
To be known as: Isle of Wight

Spatial coordinates

Grid reference source: GPS (from the finder)
Unmasked grid reference accurate to a 0.01 metre square.

Discovery metadata

Method of discovery: Metal detector
Discovery circumstances: Club rally
Current location: Finder
General landuse: Cultivated land
Specific landuse: Operations to a depth greater than 0.25m

Forsyth, H. with Egan, G., 2005. [Toys, Trifles and Trinkets: Base Metal Miniatures from London 1200 to 1800](#) London : Unicorn Press Ltd 239