

STRAP FITTING

Unique ID: PUBLIC-A83916

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A cast, copper alloy, eye from a Post Medieval clasp. The eye consists of a lozange-shaped plate with a circular loop on one apex. The plate is decorated in relief with an intertwined square and quatrefoil, within engrailed edges. In the centre of the plate is a rivet hole. There are globular knops on the apex opposite the loop and to one side. The fourth apex is broken, but longer and wider than the opposite knopped ones and is decorated in a way that suggests it joined to another eye. The eye has a deep green, smooth patina. In the recesses are patches of black indicating the fitting was polished with olive oil. The clasp possibly fitted to a baldric.

A parallel for a co-joined eye, with identical decoration, is HAMP-620103.

Thickness 3.1mm, height 37mm, width 26mm, weight 6.2g.

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 1650

Dimensions and weight

Quantity: 1

Height: 37 mm

Width: 26 mm

Thickness: 3.1 mm

Weight: 6.2 g

Personal details

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Materials and construction

Primary material: Copper alloy

Manufacture method: Cast

Completeness: Uncertain

Spatial metadata

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

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

District: [Forest of Dean](#) (District)

To be known as: Kempley

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

General landuse: Cultivated land

Specific landuse: Operations to a depth greater than 0.25m

Read, B., 2008 [Hooked-Clasps and Eyes](#) Langport: Portcullis Publishing page 244 , 804