# **SHOT**

Unique ID: PUBLIC-C503C4

Object type certainty: Certain

Workflow status: Awaiting validation

A cast lead alloy shot / ball for use in a Carbine of post medieval date (AD1600-1800). The shot is spherical with a relatively well formed surface patina. The shot is relatively round and smooth - suggesting that it has not been fired. There is a raised sprue scar with two facets where the casting sprue was probably cut with nippers. The colour of the ball is a pale grey / white. It shows some signs of damage, probably caused by agricultural machinery. A casing seam is visible, and there is no delamination on the surface of the shot.

Similar shot have been dated to the later post medieval period however the date range should extend into the early modern period as similar projectiles were used in firearms throughout this period. The context of this find / assemblage would indicate a date in the English civil war. Musket balls are discussed in Courtney's "Small Arms Accessories of the Mid-Seventeenth Century" (1988) and on page 202 of "Material Culture in London in an Age of Transition" by Geoff Egan (2005).

Diameter: 14.8mm Weight: 19.1g

The weight suggests it was for use in a Carbine (Harding 2012, Lead Shot of the English Civil War)

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#### **Notes:**

This ball / shot was one of over 100 mixed sized shot found on 2 acres of flat and slightly elevated ground, in a field that is around 15 acres.

#### **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 1600 Date to: Circa AD 1800

#### **Dimensions and weight**

Quantity: 1 Weight: 19.1 g Diameter: 14.9 mm

#### **Discovery dates**

Date(s) of discovery: Sunday 25th November 2018

#### **Personal details**

This information is restricted for your access level.

#### **Materials and construction**

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

## **Spatial metadata**

Region: West Midlands (European Region)

County or Unitary authority: Worcestershire (County)

District: Malvern Hills (District)
To be known as: Newnham

## **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: metal detecting Find

General landuse: Cultivated land

Specific landuse: Operations to a depth greater than 0.25m

Harding, D.F., 2012 Lead Shot of the English Civil War: A Radical Study London: Foresight Books