

HOXNE HERITAGE WALK

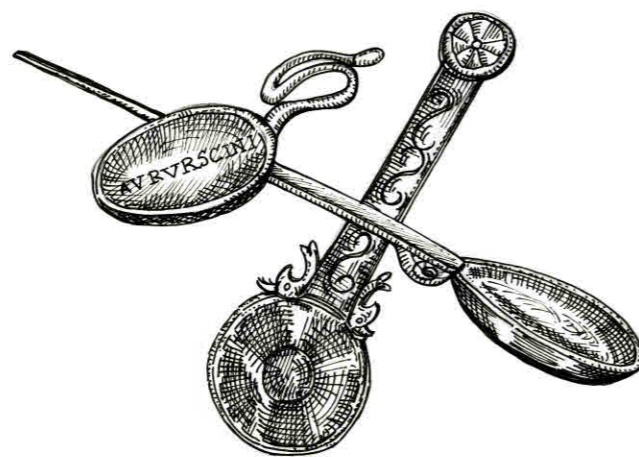
5. The Hoxne Hoard.

The Hoxne Hoard is the largest 4th century hoard of Roman silver and gold ever found in the United Kingdom. On the 16th of November 1992 Eric Lawes, a retired gardener, discovered the hoard with a metal detector, in a field on the old Oakley Park Estate near to the site of the Hoxnian Interglacial Lake.

The hoard consists of a large quantity [15000] of gold and silver coins dating from 337 AD -407 AD, depicting 15 different Roman Emperors. All of the items had been buried within a box and of most interest are the items of jewellery including a series of bracelets, rings, gold chains, toiletry implements and a body chain with a coin encased in a decorated mount.



Pepperpot



Spoons & Vase



Included in the hoard was a silver tigress handle, once part of a silver vase and a number of bowls and small containers. These include an empress pepperpot [piperatoria] and animal shaped containers. The British Museum has the hoard on display and various publications have been written about this discovery.

Map of Roman East Anglia

