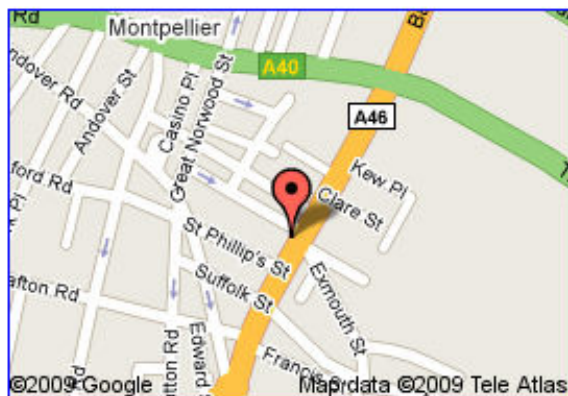


Cotswold Heritage and Detecting Society

www.chadsdetecting.org.uk

CHADS metal detecting club of Cheltenham, Gloucestershire was formed in 1985. As an affiliated member of National Council for Metal detecting (NCMD) the Club is dedicated to promoting the sensible and conscientious use of metal detectors for both personal enjoyment and historical research. As a club we meet monthly for club nights and site digs. The club has close ties with local archaeologists including the F.L.O. for Gloucestershire and Avon.

Monthly Meeting: The Club meeting takes place on the second Wednesday of each month at The Exmouth Arms public house. We gather from about 7:15pm for a 7:30pm start. There is a free car park in Bath Terrace, approx. 100 yards from the Exmouth, and there is also limited roadside parking.



Exmouth Arms 
theexmouth.co.uk

167 Bath Road
Cheltenham, GL53
01242 528 149

Finds Table: There are usually three finds categories run each month; **Club Site Finds**, **Own Site Coins** and **Own Site Artefacts**. When applicable a fourth section **Eyes Only Finds** is also run. Members are invited to enter one or more finds into as many categories as they wish. Recent examples from the finds table are shown below:

Uninscribed State



2ndC Trumpet Brooch



Jan Brabant sterling
(cut quarter)



Identifying Finds: Collectively there is a vast wealth of knowledge within the club covering Celtic, Roman, Saxon and Medieval coins and artefacts. We also have a heraldry specialist and members who are able to research more obscure items. A range of reference books is usually available to help members and guests identify and date their finds.

Speakers: Most months there is an invited speaker covering many interesting topics from recovering shipwrecked porcelain in the South China Seas to life as a Norman Soldier.



Club member Bob Gardener demonstrating Norman armour and Weaponry Club Night April 2008.

When a speaker is not available we run a Club night where members are free to bring in their finds for display and discussion.

Club Digs: A Club dig takes place the Sunday following the Club meeting. Meeting time is 9.00am for a 9.15 start. Sites range from arable land to pasture throughout the Cotswolds. There is a dig fee of £2 per person to join the dig with the proceeds going toward running the Club (see below). When land is available additional digs are offered each month. The Dig details are emailed out just before the Club meeting and discussed during the Club meeting. Members requiring further information can phone Dave smith 07796191586 for more information. Recent Club Site finds shown below:

Lead Seal Matrix 13thC



Casket Key 13th – 14thC



Edward Groat (London)



Club Membership: Our membership year runs from March to the following April

To join the club complete the application form at the end of this document and bring it to a Club meeting at The Exmouth Arms

Membership forms are also available at Club meetings.

Where the money goes: Most administrative expenses such as ad hoc postage, petrol and telephone calls are met from the pockets of the individuals performing the tasks. However speakers expect to receive a fee of up to £60 plus expenses per talk, and the Club also buys landowners gifts of spirits at Christmas to ensure continued access to their land.

Contact Details: If you have any questions or require any further information please use the contact details below.

Club information, dig queries etc. contact :

Dave smith. 07796191586. email feedback@chadsdetecting.org.uk

Cotswold Heritage and Detecting Society (CHADS)

Application for Membership

Application for:

New Membership

Renewal

Membership:

Individual

Couple

Minor (under 18)**

** Parent/Guardian Name/Signature.....

Applicant(s)

Surname.....

Forenames.....

Address.....

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2nd Applicant Surname..... Forenames

Address if different from above.....

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Main Telephone No (incl STD)

Mobile

E-Mail..... Please provide an email address because Club dig details and the Club Newsletters are distributed electronically.

Declaration:

I / we hereby apply to join the Cotswold Heritage and Detecting Society. I / we have read and agree to abide by the Rules and Code of Conduct of the Society.

Signed..... Dated.....

Signed..... Dated.....

Office Use: Approved by:..... Membership / NCMD No..... Fee Paid.....