

AN ASSESSMENT OF THE POTTERY FROM HOLBEANWOOD.

Tr. A, Layer 1. Plough. 30 sherds (725 g.) inc East Sussex Ware Gallo-Belgic platter copy (c.AD.43-120), slack-profiled jar (c.AD.43-150) and ?Asham pot (c.L.I.A. - c.AD.200) and North Kent Fineware beaker fragment (c.AD.43-300). Also 2 frags tile and piece of furnace lining. Date.43-120/50

Tr. A. Layer 2. 16 sherds (544 g.) East Sussex Ware jars. Date. Not closely datable

Tr. 1 e' Slag layer. 1 sherd (74 g.) Gauloise 4 amphora (c.AD.43-250) and 3 frags tile.

Tr. 1 e⁵/f⁵. Slag layer. 4 sherds ESW (61 gm.) inc. dish (c.AD.50-100+). Also Neolithic unifacial leaf-shaped arrowhead !!!

Tr. 1 c Layer 2. Charcoal. 20 fresh sherds (354g.) East Sussex Ware inc. knife-trimmed jar and necked example (c.AD.50-150). 5 lumps fired clay and 5 frags charcoal.

Tr. 1 Layer 6. Slag layer in ditch. 21 sherds (229g.) of ESW, incl omphalos base (L.I.A.-100) also 1 sherd from Hoo ?flagon (c.AD.43-250). Date. c.AD.43-100

Tr. 1 Layer 7. 4 sherds (36g.) ESW including Gallo-Belgic platter copy footring (c.0-AD.70), 8 sherds (38g.) from ?Otford flagon fired patchy cream/pink/buff (c.AD.70-90). 1 sherd from closed form in black sandy fabric reminiscent of Canterbury ware in North Gaulish tradition (c.AD.60-80).

Tr. 1. Gully filling c¹/a². 3 fresh frags (72g.) ESW including small jar (c.L.I.A. - 70/100).

Tr. II. Slag layer. 1 sherd (21g.) from South Gaulish Samian Dr.36 dish (c.AD.70-110).

Tr. II. Layer 3a. Filling of Ditch. 6 fresh jar sherds (151g.) of ESW, 1 sherd (4 g.) from closed form in North Kent Fineware and much abraded miscellaneous flake (3g.). Not more closely datable than c.AD.43/70-150/250

Tr.IIIB. Layer 4. 2 patchy-fired ESW jar sherds (49g.) and fragment of furnace lining. Not closely datable.

Tr.IV. Layer 3. 6 fresh sherds (120g.) from one ESW jar (c.AD.70-150/200).

Tr.IV a-d. Layer 3. 6 sherds (49g.) ESW jars, 2 basal sherds (12g) Hoo flagon (c.43-250) and 2 chips (2g.) North Kent Fineware. Also 2 mesoliths. Not closely datable.

Tr IV. Hache 1. Layer 3. Gully fill. 1 fresh ESW jar basal sherd (44g.). Not closely datable.

Tr.IV. Layer 4. 3 sherds (36g.) ESW. Not closely datable.

Tr.IV. Hache 2. Layer 4. Gully. 4 abraded sherds (38g.) ESW, 1 abraded sherd (19g.) chalk and grog tempered ESW variant (c.LIA-AD.70) and two fresh joining fragments (25g.) in grog and sand-tempered ware from small ev rim jar with offset shoulder (c.AD.70-100). Date. c.AD.43-70/100.

Tr. IV. Layer 5. Fill of stream bed. 4 fresh sherds (172g.) of East Sussex Ware from 2 jars (c.AD.70-150).

Tr. IV. Layer 6. Fill N.end. 36 abraded sherds (553g.) of East Sussex Ware inc Ev.rim jar (c.100-200), dog dish (c.150-250), lid-seated bowl (c.180-270), 1 sherd (65g.) from pierced lid boss in very coarse ESW variant with grog and ironstone filler, 1 sherd (20g.) from BB2 pie dish (c.150/70-250), 1 sherd (8g.) from Lower Nene Valley FNB beaker (c.200-270), 3 sherds (26g.) Central Gaulish Samian inc Dr 31 (c.150-200), 2 sherds (98g.) from sandy cream ?Canterbury mortaria (c.AD.100-150), 1 sherd (134g.) late DR20 amphora (c.180-300+), 1 abraded poppyhead beaker sherd (2g.) in North Kent Fineware (c.160-300) and 6 misc sherds (56g.). Also 1 tile frag, 1 small tile tessera and lump of melted glass cullet. Date c.100/150-250

Tr. VIII. Layer 2. Slag surface. 13 sherds (117 g.) ESW, inc. jar (L.I.A.-70/100) and 1 sherd (1g.) from Hoo beaker (c.43-100).

Tr. IX b Layer 2. Old surface. 3 sherds (35g.) ESW. Not closely datable

Tr. IX b. Layer 3. Slag/charcoal feature. 7 sherds (63g.) ESW (LIA-100).

Tr. XII b. Layer 2. Slag layer. 24 sherds (253g.) ESW inc Gallo-Belgic platter copy (c.43-120), colander and necked jar (LIA-100).

Tr. XII c. Layer 2. Slag layer. 34 fresh sherds (560g.) ESW inc jar (c.70-150).