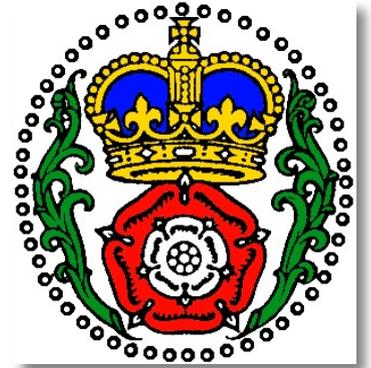


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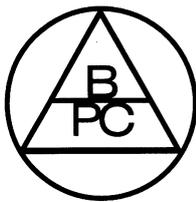
The Pewter Society is a vibrant society of collectors which can offer help and guidance to the novice collector and assistance with identifying makers' marks through its online database.

"Why collect British pewter?", asks the Society; and immediately answers that question as follows:

- It has a subtle beauty, is very tactile and comes in a wide variety of shapes and sizes. It often has a soft, lustrous sheen but the colour can alter depending on the conditions it has been kept in over the years making for a more interesting display.
- As it was used throughout society, from royal households to the very poorest people, it gives a real link with the past and a sense of continuity with previous owners over many centuries.
- With such a wide time span and variety of goods, items can be found to suit every pocket.
- Like silver, it is often stamped with maker's marks and engraved with owner's marks which can be satisfying to identify.
- It is low maintenance, being a very stable alloy, and an occasional rub with a soft cloth or a wash in warm, soapy water is usually sufficient to keep it looking attractive.



For further information on the Society, please see www.pewtersociety.org/
Or contact the Publicity Officer, Diana German: dianasgerman@yahoo.com



The Association of British Pewter Craftsmen (ABPC)

If you are a manufacturer, designer or craftsman working in pewter, you should join the Association of British Pewter Craftsmen.

Their website is at: www.britishpewter.co.uk where you will find lots of useful information and, recently, much about the latest rules promulgated by Brussels to cover any metal product in contact with food or drink.

Back copies of the ABPC's Newsletters can also be found on the site, though only members are entitled to access, through the website, the most recent issues.

For more information about the ABPC, please contact the Secretary, [Mrs Cathy Steele](#).

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