

# Girl, 9, finds empty WWII mine on beach

A SUSPECTED Second World War mine has been discovered on a secluded Pembrokeshire beach.

The object was discovered on Sunday, March 17, by beady-eyed nine-year-old Kallianne Davies, from Hundleton.

She had been exploring Bullslaughter Bay, near Castlemartin Range, with her family when she came across what she described as "a big circle".

After contacting the police, Kallianne's dad Gareth posted photographs of the object on his Facebook page 'Hidden Pembrokeshire'.

He said the rusty metal object measured around 4ft from front to back, and he believes it had probably been buried for decades, only uncovered because of the recent bad weather.

Many people have suggested the object is a Mark XIX naval mine, used during the Second World War.

A spokesman for Milford Haven Coastguard said rangers from Castlemartin had been alerted about the object, but had declared it empty and safe.

They added that rangers may work to remove it from the beach

as soon as possible.

Bullslaughter Bay is out of bounds during the week due to its proximity to Castlemartin Firing Range.

Several military objects have been washed ashore or uncovered over recent weeks following the winter storms, including another sea mine at Watwick Bay and a suspected hand grenade at Gelliswick.

Photos of the object can be found on the 'Hidden Pembrokeshire' Facebook page. Anyone who finds anything suspicious on the coast can contact police.



A suspected WWII mine at Bullslaughter Bay. PIC: Gareth Davies/Hidden Pembrokeshire