

# Texts and Contexts of the Oldest Runic Inscriptions



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13. DISCHINGEN I (Baden-Württemberg, Germany), one of a pair of silver bow-fibulae with almandine-inlay. Dated mid 6th c. Found in 1954, now missing. Both brooches were inscribed. The strokes of the g rune are not equally long, so an n might be read as well.

I: **wigka** or **winka**

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II: **ea** or **el**, see below nr. 60.

**wigka** is probably a PN, nsf. with diminutive ending *-ka*, *ō-* or *n-*stem, first part *wīg-* < Gmc *\*wīg-*, OHG *wīg*, *wīc*, m. or n. ‘battle’,

inf. OHG *wīgan* ‘to fight’. When reading **winka**, *win-* cf. OHG *wini* m. ‘friend’. The **k** rune has the form of a ‘roof’  $\wedge$ , which is also found in PFORZEN, MÜNCHEN-AUBING III, BREZA, WATCHFIELD (England), and NEUDINGEN-BAAR.