

CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB SEPTEMBER 1994

As September rolls in Summer rolls out. Tourists go home, kids go back to school and detectorists go on to their next site. For us here in Florida it actually means better conditions for hunting. I know I enjoy cooler weather when I spend several hours out metal detecting. So if you've been waiting for fall you'd better finish you research pretty quick. A couple of months ago I gave a little presentation on Coins, after which I had the feeling that some of the members were interested in learning more. So in this issue I started a new column called "The Coin Corner". In it I will try to pass on useful information as well as interesting trivia.

GOOD HUNTING, THE EDITOR

1994 Club Officers

President Dave Gascoyne
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Find of the Month Milton & Lorine Raw
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NEW MEMBER

This month we have another new member, Jack Mason. He comes all the way from Eustis so lets make him feel at home, "As Usual".

The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club meets the second Friday of each month. Meetings are held at the Goldenrod Civic center, close to the intersection of Aloma Ave. and Palmetto Ave., and start at 8:00 PM

Next meeting: Sept. 9th

Oct 14th

Nov. 11th

JULY NEWSNOTES

The July meeting of the CFMDC was called to order shortly after 8:00 PM. Birthdays and anniversaries were recognized and guests were welcomed. The minutes were read and the treasurer reported that the June ending balance was \$1500.07.

Ted Smith, THE EDITOR, gave a trivia test on coins. The test consisted of 10 questions about different types of coins, mints and rarities. Rob Loucks got the most questions right and received a silver half for his effort.

I was surprised at how hard the test seemed to be. I have been collecting coins longer then I've been metal detecting and assumed since coins are the main find of detectorists that everyone had a background in coin collecting. Now that I know that isn't true I may start writing more about coins. That way if you find a 1913 Liberty nickel you will know it's worth several hundred thousand dollars.

Ray gave a Federation update. In California the amount of Artifacts piling up has some of the government agencies suggesting to rebury the excess. Clubs in California a starting a letter writing campaign to stop this.

Another item brought up concerned an incident in Pensacola. Members of a club received permission from the City and Contractor to search a construction site. A few of the local residents, especially One lady, harassed the hunters. They went as far as to throw out nuts and boits in hopes it would deter the detectorists. I guess the locals consider littering and endangering constrution workers OK. The worst part is this could could happen to any of us at any time.

The Southeast Council is planning a lumt in February.

Silver Dellar Raffle- Ron West 1/2 & 1/2 - \$28.00 was won by Jack Dee.

Bank Night, \$20.00 was missed by #110, Florence Redgers.

FIND OF THE MONTH

Single Coin.......RANDY SETTLE
Group Coins......JERRY HITSON
Single Jewelry......BILL ACKERMAN
Group Jewelry......FRANK LIBERATORE
Single Artifact......DAVE GASCOYNE
Group Artifact......DAVE GASCOYNE
Single Odds-N-Ends.....JERRY HITSON
Group Odds-N-Ends.....JERRY HITSON



AUGUST NEWSNOTES

President Dave Gascoyne opened the meeting by welcoming new member Jack Mason. After which we jumped right into a slide show by Bill Ackerman. Bill, and his wife Lydia, attended the big hunt in Tennessee, and besides bringing back a nice amount of finds from the hunt they also took pictures to show the rest of us who couldn't make it. Bill started off with slides of their modest accommodations. I wish my house was as big and nice as the "Cabin" they stayed in. According to Bill over 500 people attended and even with fields two to three times the size of a football field everyone was shoulder to shoulder at the start and the fields were cleaned out in 15 to 20 minutes. The Grand Prize of a new pickup truck turned into a used Geo wagon with 8000 miles on it. Personnally it sounds like the person running the hunt needs to make some changes before he puts on another hunt.

The minutes were read and accepted and the Treasurer reported a July ending balance of \$1374.91.

A new club roster is ready and will be given to members only. If you would like a copy just request one from Madeline at the meeting.

Ray Leist has been nominated for Vice-President of the National Federation. With the job he's done for the Southeast Council I'm sure the entire southeast area will support him. If anyone knows members of clubs from the north or west pass on his credentials. Ray will work hard for our hobby if elected.

Ray gave a report on the Southeast Council. They will hold a Two day hunt February 18 and 19 next year at Moss Park. They should have a flyer out by November.

In an effort to reward those individuals who return found items the Federation will award a certificate of appreciation for each item returned. To receive a certificate just have the person you return the item to write down the facts, what was returned, when, where and who.

The Federation has several changes planned for the opcoming year. Some of them are: shorten the name of the Federation, unite other hobby related clubs with us and what ever else they can do to make the Federation better.

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Group Coins......JERRY HITSON
Single Jewelry......RANDY SETTLE
Group Jewelry......TED SMITH
Single Artifact......DAVE GASCOYNE
Group Artifact......DAVE GASCOYNE
Single Odds-N-Ends.....DAVE GASCOYNE
Group Odds-N-Ends......DAVE GASCOYNE

THE COIN CORNER

For many of you metal detecting has openen up other hobbies as well. Coin collecting is one we should all become knowledgeable in since we all find coins.

I'm going to try to pass on information that may help determine the grade and value of your finds.

The first thing I recommend is to get a book that tells you how to grade your coins. There are several books to help you in this area. I personnally recommend "The Official A.N.A. Grading Standards for United States Coins". This book not only tells you what to look for, but also gives you pictures of all coins in all grades to compare to. Coin dealers and some book stores sell coin grading books. If anyone has any questions about coins feel free to ask. If I don't know the answer I'll do what I can to help you find out.

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