

CENTRAL FLORIDA TREASURE TALES

CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB

MAY 1995

May is a pretty nice time to get out and walk around with your detector. It might even be a good idea to turn it on. I guess if you haven't already figured that out then it won't do any good for me to tell you. One thing I can pass on is that if you really want to make good finds you have to slow down and overlap you swings. Last month at the #3 park site I showed up bright and early Saturday morning, but I didn't find a token. I got back to the park Sunday night about 7pm. I picked an area about 15 feet wide by 30 feet long and worked it back and forth overlapping my swings. About half way threw it I found a token. After talking with a couple people I found that 4 other tokens had been found Saturday, so that means there still may be 3 tokens left. I counted about 13 or 14 people at the park Saturday morning. Thats more people then we had at the Lake Mary planted hunt. It's good to see so many club members getting involved.

May's meeting is one you won't want to miss. We plan to have an auction, which usually means bargains. Someone will walk away with a \$5.00 American Eagle gold coin. Last, and still not confirmed, we may have a club hunt Saturday after the meeting.

GOOD HUNTING

THE EDITOR:

1995 Club Officers

President.....Randy Settle
Vice-President.....Jerry Hitson
Second Vice-President.....Bill Ackerman
Secretary.....Madeline Corder
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Newspaper Editor.....Ted Smith
Refreshments.....Ron & Gerry West
Lonna Leist
Find of the Month.....Milton & Lorine Raw
Prizes.....Fred & Nancy Schimmel

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: May 12th
June 9th
July 14th

APRIL NEWSNOTES

President Randy Settle called the meeting to order and noted we had a good crowd for Good Friday. The meeting started as usual, guests, B days and anniversaries were recognized. The minutes were read and accepted. The Treasurer reported a March ending balance of \$1414.22. Life member Sue Rainey thanked the club for sending her the newsletter and made a \$10.00 donation to the club. Thanks Sue. The 1995 membership list is out, they can be picked up at the meeting's.

Federation update: Treasure weekend will be Oct. 6 7 8 in St. Charles, Missouri. Stories of pirating on historical sites are circulating. A site in Pensacola was tore up. We all know there are some bad apples out there and we all try to stop this type of destruction, but an employee of the Fresh Water and Game Commission made comments to the effect they feel all detectorists are bad. Due to detectorists not being able to hunt sites in Alabama more people are coming south to satisfy the demand for relics.

The metal detecting club in St. Petersburg is putting together a trip to Costa Rica. President Al Dubiel is heading up the project. It will 6 days and 5 nights, Oct. 31 to Nov. 5. Cost will be \$580.00 which includes almost everything except some meals. The hunting will be on the beach with almost everything but artifacts finders keepers. All metal detectors taken into the country must be taken out. If you're interested a deposit of \$100.00 should be made by May 1st. Only 100 people can go.

Dave Gascoyne relayed some news he got from a newsletter from another club. Maryland is charging 3 detectorists for water detecting near a historical area. They did not really find alot of artifacts and what they did find wasn't very valuable. From what I understand an Act passed in 1988 outlines underwater hunting in these areas, but it wasn't until 1993 when an item slipped into another bill made it possible to implement the Act. One of the 3 men is trying to fight it, and asked for the Federation to help him. Unfortunately he was given warnings and probably wouldn't have had any trouble if he'd left when asked too. For these, and other reasons, the Federation choose not to get involved.

Kellyco is looking for some part time sales clerks. (maybe they'll give you a discount. Ha Ha)
Madeline Corder made a suggestion that the club help beautify a courtyard at the nursing home she works at. She asked for donations of artificial flowers and other items one might find in a garden. So if you have items like this please donate them. The club also voted to donate \$100.00 toward the project. Madeline will also paint the club logo on one of the courtyard walls.

Vice President Jerry Hiltson handed out the clue for site #3 in our Treasure hunt. From the crowd of hunters at the site Saturday it looks like everyone is getting good at figuring out the clues. The clue this month is made up of symbols. The spanish at the top of the page translates into an animal which is your code word. The circled symbols are also a clue. Jerry has worked hard to find parks and get permission to bury the tokens. He asked that everyone fill their holes because the park officials were worried about a mess. I was about the fourth or fifth person at the park, and I didn't like what I saw. One of the first couple people at this site left a number of holes and alot of trash was also left in the fields. If our own club members show this much disrespect for a public park it won't be long before our hobby will be outlawed.

It's not completely confirmed but the club plans to have a hunt the Saturday after the May meeting. This isn't a planted hunt. The site, if we can get permission, will be one of historical interest with the potential to yield good finds.

Doug Melvin gave a little update on the Dig and Find Coin Shooters and Historical club out of Ormond Beach. They currently have a treasure hunt going on designed to bring in new members. They have planted pill bottles along the beach with information on their club and a key that may open a Treasure Chest.

Next month instead of a raffle table we will hold an auction. So please bring in some nice items and a little extra money. We will also raffle off a 1/10 oz. eagle gold coin.

1/2 & 1/2 was won by Jim Ingram, \$20.00.

Bank Night was missed by #3 Ralph Flippo, next month it will be \$25.00.

FIND OF THE MONTH

Single Coin.....GEORGE LIVINGSTON
Group Coins.....GEORGE LIVINGSTON
Single Jewelry.....BILL ACKERMAN
Group Jewelry.....ALDEN MITCHELL
Single Artifact.....TED SMITH
Group Artifact.....DAVE GASCOYNE
Single Odds-N-Ends.....HERB PHILLIPS
Group Odds-N-Ends.....ALDEN MITCHEL

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