CENTRAL FLORIDA TREASURE TALES

CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB FEBRUARY 1996

Research, research, research. In this day of ever increasing difficulties in finding unhunted sites this is the key. Don't let the thought of having to spend all you spare time in the library or at the local museum get you down. Research can be something you spend a couple hours a day on, or maybe only a couple hours a week or month. I've probably said this before or you've heard it someplace else, but it's true. In the last couple months I've been trying to track down some ghost towns for a club hunt. Along the way I came across bits of information leading me to some places right here in Orlando. I'm sure they've been hunted, but as far as I'm concerned they are virgin sites. I haven't found any glory holes, but I do have several wheats and a few silver dimes to show for it. Along with a dozen or so other places to take a look at.

If anyone can give me any leads on ghost towns for the club to hunt I'd appreciate them. I've found the hardest part of finding ghost towns is to locate accurate information that will at least lead me to a starting point. Hopefully I'll find a place to have a hunt soon.

GOOD HUNTING THE EDITOR

1996 Club Officers

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 7:30 PM.

Prizes.....Fred & Nancy Schimmel

Next meeting: Feb. 9th

Mar. 8th

Apr. 12th

JANUARY NEWSNOTES:

The January meeting got a slightly late start, but everything moved along ok. We had a couple guests. Jerry West & George Livingston had birthdays. I was somewhat surprised that our Find of the Year meeting had such a modest turn out. The minutes were read and excepted. The treasurer reported a December ending balance of \$1536.33.

Federation: As you all have probably already heard the 1996 Treasure Weekend will be held right here in central Florida. A item that has just been brought out at the last meeting is that the Southeast Council is hoping to put on a water hunt Saturday afternoon. I'm sure this will be a welcome addition. I'm sure all the water hunters will be overjoyed. We should be seeing some flyers out pretty soon. The battle is still on in Pensacola. They don't want to work with the clubs in the area or make any trade offs. In Maryland things are getting dicey. All detectorists must register, they have 10 days to turn over anything they find and anything unclaimed over 100 years old belongs to the state. This doesn't sound good.

The club voted to buy 5 tickets. @ \$20.00 each, for the drawing in Western-Eastern Treasure magizine. The money goes towards helping our hobby on the legal and political fronts. If the club wins one of the metal detectors we will use it to raise money for the club.

Madeline Corder saw too if that the food we collected at the December meeting found its way to someone who could use it. It was brought up that the club members could keep up the charitalbe work by bringing in canned goods every month. Madeline mentioned that some of the HIV patients where she works would love to get some soft drinks.

As of the January meeting we only have 34 paid members. If you haven't paid yet please do. If you have paid go out and find some new members.

Site Committee: Fred and Nancy Schimmel have located a site for an overnite hunt. It is scheduled for April 20 and 21. We will have more information in upcoming meetings.

The Dig & Find club out of Ormand Beach started a program of sending guests follow up letters. Lonna used the idea and brought in one for the CFMDC to send out. She also created a letter to use as a flyer to put out. Next month we will have a video.

FIND OF THE MONTH

Single Coin.......ALDEN MITCHELL
Group Coins.......RANDY SETTLE
Single Jewelry.......ALDEN MITCHELL
Group Jewelry......ALDEN MITCHELL
Single Artifact......JERRY HITSON
Group Artifact......DAVE GASCOYNE
Single Odds-N-Ends......DAVE GASCOYNE
Group Odds-N-Ends......DAVE GASCOYNE

FIND OF THE YEAR

The winners of each catagory in the Find of the Year received a plaque with a Silver Eagle on top.

Single coin: Jim Ingram Single Jewelry: Ted Smith Single Artifact: Dave Gascoyne

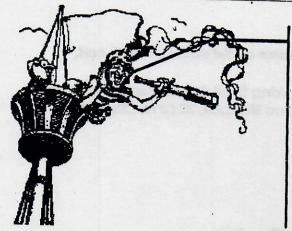
Group Coin: Ralph Flippo Group Jewelry: Ted Smith Group Artifact: Dave Gascoyne Group Odds-N-Ends: George Livingston

Single Odds-N-Ends: Bill Beargdoll

1/2 and 1/2 was won by Lorine Raw, \$15.50.

Bank Night was missed by #10 Rebecca Smith, \$25.00.

Treasure Coast Archaeological Society Annual Benefit Hunt



Hear Ye - Hear Ye - Hear Ye

Come One and All
To the Annual Gathering of Treasure Hunters
From Throughout the World.
There Will be Plenty of Food,
Fun, Prizes and Merriment For All.

WHEN: 9:00AM - Saturday, March 23, 1996

(Rain Date: 9:00AM Sunday March 24, 96)

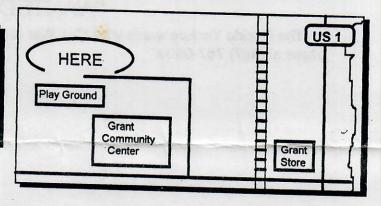
WHERE: Grant Community Center Park

Grant, Florida.

Grant is on U.S. 1 between Melbourne and Sebastian

DIRECTIONS

Grant is midway between Melbourne and Sebastian, Florida on U.S. 1. Follow the "TCAS HUNT" signs. Turn west at the Grant Store. The field is about 1/4 of a mile past the tracks on the right. If you need directions, or have any questions regarding the hunt call:



Ron Scherrer at PT Rampy at

(407)589-4500 or (407)589-4944.

Camping and motels are nearby.

TOTAL PRIZES IN EXCESS OF \$5,000.00

Including but not limited: Metal Detectors and Accessories, Shipwreck Coins and Artifacts, Books, Museum Passes, Disney Tickets, Proof Sets, Caps, 3 All New, Exciting Shoot-outs and MUCH MORE!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

9:00 - 9:45 AM Registration 9:45 - 10:00 Orientation

10:00 - 11:00 Competition Hunt 11:15 - 12:00 Youth Hunt

11:15 - 12:00 Shoot-out I

12:00 - 1:30 Lunch 1:30 - 2:30 Shoot-out II

2:45 - 3:45 Fun Hunt 4:00 - 4:30 Shoot-out

Final 4:30 - ?? Awards \$\$\$

FEES

Competition \$10/person
Fun Hunt \$10/person
Shout-out \$10/person
Small Buccaneer Hunt \$5/person
Lunch: Adult \$5, Child \$3
Combination of all + lunch \$25/person

HELP US MAKE THIS A GREAT EVENT AND ENSURE NO ONE LEAVES HUNGRY!

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENT DEPARTMENT

To place an ad please contact Ted Smith, 291-3442. It would be best to submit your ad in writing to avoid any errors. When the item is sold or you want the ad stopped please let me know.

Thank you.

For Sale: SEARCH SCAN MODEL 650 land or underwater metal detector w/6" coil. MARKED DOWN \$250.00 OBO call Bob 425-7921.

For Sale: Tesoro Stingray, like new, very little use. asking \$400.00 call Carol 298-2852. For Sale: Whites coils—12" hot head \$50., contact Alden Mitchell, 3313 N. Citrus Cir., Zellwood, FL. 32798 407-886-0708

WANTED: Buy or Trade

The Florida Yankee wants your Civil War and Seminole War collectibles, especially Buttons. Call Dave at (407) 767-0530.

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