

The Monthly Newsletter of The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club February 2024

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Note From the President:

We are one month into 2024 and what a year it is going to bring! I hope everyone is taking advantage of this cool weather and getting out and doing some detecting. Please make sure you bring your finds in to show everyone. Let's see how full we can get this Finds Table. Remember this month, you have a chance to win \$25 just for entering your finds on the table.

At last month's meeting we asked for feedback from the members and we are taking all of your feedback and trying our best to implement it throughout the year. If you have an idea or a suggestion, please speak up at the meeting! We want to hear what you have to say!

The board is working really hard on our Annual Sunshine Silver and Relic Hunt. If you haven; t signed up, make sure you

do. It is limited to 200 hunters and we have changed the price to \$99 for Florida Club members! We have major sponsors on board already such as Garrett and Minelab. We have other sponsors and vendors lined up to include Digging It Detectors, Snowdak Crafts, Treasure Tech, Grave Digger Tools, Paul's Coins, the Mel Fisher Museum and more! This is a hunt you definitely do not want to miss.

We are challenging all members to ask a business to participate and make a donation to the event. We will have a flier at the club meeting that you can present. The donation could be as simple as a food certificate to someplace you eat. We will be buying silver coins, Buffalos, Indian heads and Civil War bullets. Please bring to the meeting if you are interested in selling back to the club.

If you can bring drinks or coffee to the next meeting, please let us know!

See ya at the meeting,

Carolyn



Secretary's Report

December Meeting Notes By: Debbie Bishop

The meeting was called to order on January 12th, 2024 at 7:30 PM by Carolyn.

Alan asked the members to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Debbie asked for any amendments to the newsletter, Jim and Vickie said they would provide the club member count after the big purge of non paying members was dropped.

December birthdays and anniversaries were called to the front since it was missed at the Christmas party. Then the January birthdays were called to the front.

Alan welcomed first time visitors (2) and new members (2).

Carolyn opened up the floor to club members asking them to provide feedback for the club. Some of the feedback included non-seeded hunts, night hunts, team hunts, personal stories from the winners of the finds table to talk about their find.

Orlando City parks do not allow us to hunt and it was mentioned that we should work as a club to try to be able to hunt the parks. Alan spoke about how we did this before to gain access to hunt and had members save all their garbage and bring it into a meeting where members of the Chamber attended.

Carolyn announced the club will be holding the 11th Annual Sunshine Silver and Relic Hunt on April 13th. The price is only \$99 for Florida Club members. Lunch is not included in the price. There will not be T-shirts this year.

Carolyn called a break at 8:15.

Carolyn presented all the club volunteers with a plaque and thanked them for their services.

Hunters of the year were announced.
Finds of the year were announced.
Alan called the winners for the raffles.
Finds of the month were announced.
Club Hunt was announced to be on
1/20/24 at the church property.

REMINDER: Club dues are \$25 for the year and there is a one-time membership fee of \$15. If you are paying by check, please make it out to "The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club"

Come And Join Us!!!

We meet on the second Friday of every month.

Meeting Place:

Community United Methodist Church 41 West Highbanks Rd. Debary, FL 32713

Meeting Date: February 9, 2024 Meeting Time: 7:30pm

The Central Florida Metal Detecting Code of Ethics

- 1. Fill all holes. Leave the land and vegetation as it was.
- 2. Remove all trash and litter when you leave.
 - 3. Respect the rights and property of others.
- 4. Observe all laws, whether national, state or local.
- 5. Aid law enforcement officials whenever possible.
- 6. Never destroy priceless historical/archeological treasures.
- All metal detectorists may be judged by the example you set. Always conduct yourself with courtesy and consideration for others.

January 2024 Raffle Winners Silver Raffle Winners



Silver Raffle

Sarah Richter, Joe Bishop x 2, Bill Green x2, John Ayres, Dave Gascoyne

50/50 Winner

Jerry Hitson

Name Badge Winner Mason Bishop

December Birthdays



Rob Loucks,Randy Settle,Ed Deck,Bill Green

January Birthdays



Scott Johnson, Rob Hill, Lee Neubauer, Jim Fielding, Tatiana Cataraga

2024 Hunters Of The Year

1st Place Men's: Gage Dover Women's: Debbie Bishop





2nd Place

Men's: Rob Hill Women's: Deb Prock





3rd PlaceMen's: Bill Green
Women's: Sarah Ricter





2024 Board Members



President - Carolyn Yohannes



Vice President - Alan James



2nd Vice President - Gary Flatt



Treasurer- Jim Fielding



Secretary- Debbie Bishop

2023 Finds of the Year

Coin Single
Bill Green
Coin Group
Rob Hill

Artifact Single
Rick Johnson
Artifact Group
Dave Gascoyne

Jewelry Single
Jim Tippitt
Jewelry Group
Rob Hill

Odds & Ends Single
Rob Hill
Odds & Ends Group
Gage Dover

Voting is for active members only.

Remember this is a friendly competition.

Have fun with it!



Finds Table Rules and Etiquette

Do not pick up other members' finds without their consent.

Do not solicit votes.

ONLY bring finds that you found WHILE detecting.

Vote for the find you like the most!

Do Not share finds.

Do not look at the name or number on the back of the voting slip to determine your vote.

Only vote 1 time!

Place	Member	Total Point
1	Rob Hill	20
2	John Ayers	19
3	Bryan Mott	17
4	Lee Neubauer	12
5	Bill Green	10
6	Jim Tippitt	7
6	Danny Case	7
7	Randy Settle	5
8	Dave Gascoyne	4
9	Rob Loucks	2
9	Victor Cataraga	2



Coin Single Rob Hill



Coin Group Rob Hill



Artifact Single John Ayers



Artifact Group Rob Hill



Jewelry Single Bryan Mott



Jewelry Group John Ayers



Odds & Ends Single Bryan Mott



Odds & Ends Group Bill Green



Display of the Month Randy Settle

Club Officers



President - Carolyn Yohannes 407-580-2676



Vice President - Alan James



2nd Vice President - Gary Flatt



Treasurer- Jim Fielding



Secretary- Debbie Bishop

Club Volunteers

Monthly Finds Tables
Rob Loucks

Webmaster Jerry Hitson

Half & Half George Case

Silver Raffle Bill & Betty Shackelford

Photographer
Bill Shackleford, Rob Loucks, Jerry
Hitson

Refreshments
Joe Bishop

Newsletter Editor Gary Flatt

Any time you show up for a club meeting or hunt, don't forget to sign the register.

Please feel free to bring a snack for the monthly meeting!

Please make sure that you are helping set up the meeting or closing the meeting down! The same members should not be doing this every month!

