



Treasure Talk

The Monthly Newsletter of The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club

August 2014



From The President's Desk By Alan James

Most of the year we can poke fun at our Northern friends because of their weather conditions but when it comes to mid-August in Florida.... it's just too darn hot!! As a result, this is the one month of the year that the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club **will not** be holding an organized club hunt because of the extreme weather.

Our next scheduled hunt will be held in September and this will be another night time beach hunt. Details for this hunt will be provided a week or so before the hunt in September.

We are currently in the process of planning the details for the 2015 Central Florida Sunshine Shootout & Relic Hunt. This will be held again at Moss Park in Orlando. We have already had several people request information regard this yearly event from as far away as Michigan & Ohio. They are planning their vacation time around our hunt which tells me that we must be doing something right!

We have set the date for April 11-12, 2015. That's right.... next year we are planning on a two day event! By expanding the hunt to a two day event, we open up a huge amount of possibilities

and another huge amount of work. So if you are willing to help out, please let someone know.

In addition to the normal hunt activities at the Shootout, we are inviting most of the major manufacturers, distributors, and other interested people to attend. We plan on creating a first ever event designed to bring all of the major players together in a "round table" type discussion. The purpose of this round table is to get everyone on the same track in a unified approach toward protecting our hobby for the future. By organizing everyone, hopefully we can begin the process of taking back land which has been lost to the detecting community.

One sided attempts have been made in the past however no one has ever tried to get hobbyists, manufacturers, archaeologists, media, government officials and others to work together for the common good of the hobby, until now. Now it begins.

I'd like to discuss this at the next meeting, so please give it some thought. Your ideas and interests are what drive the club & makes it grow.

I believe that this is something which must be done. As one of the nation's largest clubs, Central Florida Metal Detecting Club should take a leading role. If you want something done, do it.

I'll see you at the next meeting.

- *Alan*



CFMDC Meeting Minutes July 2014 By Debra Green, CFMDC Secretary

Call to Order - Alan James, President

Pledge of Allegiance - Bill Green

Secretary Report - Deb Green

Published June meeting minutes accepted as published in the July Newsletter.
Published July Newsletter accepted as published.

Treasurer Report - Chuck Hosbein, read & accepted.

Alan James and Bill Shackelford

Guests - One guest called to the front of the room and welcomed to their first CFMDC meeting

July birthdays - Recognized

July anniversaries - Recognized

George Case - What not to do when your home is burglarized

Jim Fielding - Presentation of sensitivity control settings on metal detectors

Alan James - Special thanks to Lorrie Sprigg for organizing this evening's "Ice

Cream Social" & thanks to those who contributed refreshments

Break - Voting at finds table, raffles are still open & refreshments

Alan James - Upcoming Hunt

Saturday, July 19th the CFMDC will hold the "Ray Leist Memorial Night Hunt" at Sun Splash Park, 611 South Atlantic Avenue, Daytona Beach. There are picnic tables in the park for our use if available. Bring chairs & water with you. Please arrive about 8:30 pm. There are usually families on the beach that we need to consider before planting the fields. The hunts will begin as close to dark as possible. There should be fireworks near 10:00 pm.

Alan James & Bill Shackelford

New Members - Two new members welcomed to the club: Douglas W. Oyler & Bienvenido (Ben) Torres

Special Awards

Kathy Waters - Found & returned a set of keys found at the beach

Christine Merriam - Found & returned a gold ring

Linda Fitzgerald - Level 1 Challenge

Michael McClure - Level 1 Challenge

Raffles - Bill Shackelford

Monthly Finds Awards - Rob Loucks, Bill Green & Pam Gray

Minutes Continued

Alan James

The Daytona Club night hunt is going to be held on August 16, 2014. The fee is \$25/person. A registration form is available at DigandFind.com & all are welcomed to participate. Look for additional hunt information on the website.

Meeting closed by club president, Alan James.

More Gold Facts!

One ounce of gold can be stretched over fifty miles.

75% all of the gold currently in use has been extracted since 1910.

The largest nugget ever found was in Australia in 1869. It was 10x25 inches and yielded 2,248 ounces of pure gold. FYI: it was found just 2 inches under the ground.

In March 2008, gold topped \$1,000 per ounce for the first time in history.

Starting in 2009, the mint date for all Sacagawea dollars have appeared on the edge of the coin, instead of the obverse or reverse as is traditional with most coins.

We are heading to the peak of hurricane season, so remember to keep an eye on the weather!

**A Message From
Lorrie!**

**By Lorrie Sprigg,
Activities Director**



Lorrie has no announcements for this month except to ask that whoever left their napkin holder on the table during the ice cream social to please let her know who you are so she can return it to you at the next meeting!

The CFMDC has no club hunt scheduled for the month of August.

HOWEVER

The Daytona Dig & Find Metal Detecting Club is having their Annual Open Hunt on Saturday, August 16, 2014.

The cost is \$25.00 per hunter and registration begins at 5:30 PM with the first hunt scheduled for 6:30 PM.

The Location

Sun Splash Park
611 South Atlantic Avenue
Daytona Beach, FL

Email Wes Wade for more info:
Digging4nogood@gmail.com

FACTOID:

For those who are worried that we are heading towards a "cashless" society because of the increased use of debit and credit cards, be advised that the U.S. Mint, from January through April, 2014, produced **4,421,780,000** coins for circulation.

Happy Hunting!

COIN VALUE OF THE MONTH

1932-D Washington Quarter

Mintage: 436,800

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Value</u>
F-12	\$ 140.00
VF-20	\$ 150.00
XF-40	\$ 290.00
AU-50	\$ 440.00

**Precious Metals Price Averages
(Per Ounce) For July 2014:**

Silver:	\$ 21.00
Gold:	\$1312.00
Platinum:	\$1490.00

**SILVER RAFFLE
WINNERS**

**Bob Boone
Christine Merriam
Sandra Robinson
Ralph Flippo
Betty Shackelford (TWICE!)
David Gray**

**FIFTY/FIFTY
WINNER**

\$73.00 - Bea Case

BADGE DRAWING

\$20.00 - There was no winner.

**The prize in August will be
\$25.00**

**FINDS TABLE
RAFFLE WINNER**

Winner: Chuck Hosbein

BIRTHDAYS

No Club members present at the meeting had a birthday in July.

ANNIVERSARIES

**John & Brenda Ayers - 29th
Don and Linda Fitzgerald - 43rd**

NEW MEMBERS

**Douglas Oyler
Ben Torres
Jim Farrell**



July 2014 Single Coin Find of the Month

1st Place – Steve Meeks – 1883 seated dime love token

2nd Place – Jim Tippitt

3rd Place – Adam Feldstein



July 2014 Group Coins Find of the Month

1st Place: Jim Tippitt

2nd Place – Steve Meeks

3rd Place – Christine Merriam



July 2014 Single Jewelry Find of the Month

1st Place – Steve Meeks – 10k aquamarine gemw/diamonds

2nd Place – Jim Tippitt

3rd Place – Christine Merriam



July 2014 Group Jewelry Find of the Month

1st Place – Ron Caizza

2nd Place – Jim Tippitt

3rd Place – Steve Meeks



July 2014 Single Artifact Find of the Month

1st Place – Steve Meeks – Civil War bullet

2nd Place – Chuck Hosbein

3rd Place – Ron Caizza



July 2014 Group Artifacts Find of the Month

1st Place – Steve Meeks

2nd Place – Jim Tippitt

3rd Place – Christine Merriam



July 2014 Single Odds & Ends Find of the Month

1st Place – Adam Feldstein – 1936 toy cycle w/sidecar

2nd Place – Steve Meeks

3rd Place – Jeanne Cygan



July 2014 Group Odds & Ends Find of the Month

1st Place – Ron Caizza

2nd Place – Jeanne Cygan

3rd Place – Christine Merriam

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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". All members have until April to pay their dues.

Club Volunteers

Monthly Finds Tables
Rob Loucks

Webmaster
Jerry Hitson

Half & Half
George & Bea Case

Silver Raffles
Betty Shackelford & Janice James

Photographers
Ralph Flippo, Jerry Hitson,
Rob Loucks, Lorrie Sprigg

Come And Join Us!!!

We meet the second Friday of every month.

Meeting Place: Sanford Garden Club
200 Fairmont Ave.
Sanford, FL 32773

Meeting Date: Friday, August 8, 2014

Meeting Time: 7:30 PM

Two blocks South of Lake Mary Blvd. on
the East side of SR 17-92.