

Treasure Talk

The Monthly Newsletter of The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club March 2014

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From The President's Corner...

I'm sorry to start this newsletter with somber news, however, one of our own has passed away. Gene Jenkins died several days ago.

I spoke with Gene's wife and she told to me how much fun and enjoyment Gene received by meeting all of the club members and involving himself in the hobby we all love. She asked me to let everyone know that Gene truly loved being a member of the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Gene's wife and his family.

To me Gene represented the best of what our club is all about simply having fun in this hobby and being with good friends. He will be missed.

On March 22, 2014 we have the opportunity to metal detect at an awesome new "secret" location. This "secret" site has never been hunted as far as we can tell. The owner specifically asked that we fill all holes after we remove the items. They would like to see the trash we pick up displayed long enough to get a picture or two. They have asked that we respect their private property.

This is a members-only hunt. If you're not a member yet, sign up quickly or you cannot hunt this site as we have exclusive permission for the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club because of the insurance that the

club carries. There is plenty of parking area off the road. This park type area is mostly grass covered (only a few trees) so bring digging tools that will do the least damage. No pets are permitted. Restrooms are available on site. Bring water to drink & food if you want. There is a covered pavilion but you might consider bringing a chair along. There is no cost for this hunt.

We have been asked to assist in the location of some buried sprinkler heads which are located on the old abandoned base ball field so this will be the first thing we do when we arrive. Did I mention that the site has been used by various groups including the Boy Scouts, church groups and carnivals?

I did give Scott some information about the location of this hunt so you can ask him for the details. We will meet at McDonald's or another place to be determined at 9:00 AM and travel as a group to the hunt site. The McDonald's is located right next to a road and has a big golden arch. [Newsletter Editor's Note: Do you guys see what I'm talking about??] Additional details will be provided at the meeting so bring something to write on.

Coming up on April 5th is our Second Annual Central Florida Sunshine Shootout & Relic Hunt. This seeded hunt drew people from all over the country last year and we expect it to be even bigger & better this year. There is still time to get registered while the price is only \$99.00/ hunter. After March 25th, the price for this hunt will increase to \$125.00/ hunter. This is another event you won't want to miss. For more information or to register online check out the club website at www.thecfmdc.com

I'll see you at the next meeting.

- Alan

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Half & Half George & Bea Case

Silver Raffles Betty Shackelford & Janice James

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

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.

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, March 14, 2013

Meeting Time: 7:30 PM

The Sanford Garden Club is located 2 blocks south of Lake Mary Blvd. on the east side of SR

17-92.

Some members will eat at Colorado's Steak Place prior to the meeting. It is one block north of our meeting place. You can just park at the Sanford Garden Club and walk on over!

Other members will eat at the Ichigo Ichie Buffet prior to the meeting. It is located at 3611 South Orlando Drive (SR 17-92) at the Wal-Mart shopping center located on the west side of the 417.

We eat at 5:30. If you would like to join us, we would be happy to see you! Don't forget, it's BYOM!

Precious Metals Price Averages (Per Ounce) For February 2014:

Silver: \$ 20.75

Gold: \$1295.00

Platinum: \$1418.00



CFMDC Meeting Minutes For February, 2014 By Debra Green, CFMDC Secretary

Call to Order - Alan James, President

Pledge of Allegiance – Bill Green

Secretary Report – Deb Green

Corrections to the January 2014 minutes published in the February 2014 Newsletter (page-line numbering begins with the first line of text & thereafter includes blank lines):

Page 4, Column 1

Line 15 - \$10 corrected to \$5

Line 18 - \$10 corrected to \$20

Line 27 - \$10 corrected to \$5

Line 31 - #103 corrected to #108

Line 32 - Rob Keith corrected to Janette

Parker

Page 4, Column 2

Line 6 – Pethorick corrected to Petherick

Page 11 – Single Jewelry Winner

To be determined corrected to Brent Petherick

Minutes published in the February Newsletter, including the verbally declared corrections, accepted.

Treasurer Report – Chuck Hosbein, read & accepted

Alan James and Bill Shackelford

Guests – Six guests were called to the front of the room and welcomed to their first CFMDC meeting February birthdays – Recognized February anniversaries - Recognized New Members – Gary Dover, Adam Feldstein & Don Morris recognized

Guest Speaker

Paul Sabisch

Family member of Andy Sabisch, Author (50% off book sale - sales generated will be donated to the CFMDC)

Alan James - Special Mention – Rob Hill created copies of the Kissimmee Police Department awards presented to the CFMDC. There is an award copy at the front desk for all club members that participated in the evidence hunt.

Break - Refreshments and voting

Alan James

Upcoming Hunts

<u>CFMDC</u> – February "Old Town Hunt" is open to all members & guests. It will be held at the NE corner of SR 17-92 & 18th Street in Sanford, Florida on Saturday February 22 at 9:00am. This hunt is free. Bring a packed lunch & beverages for yourself.

Open Discussion - Old business

Bill Green – I would like to withdraw the pending motion from the January 2014 meeting regarding the finds table rules

<u>Alan James</u> – Accepted, pending motion is withdrawn

Alan James – Think about the finds table rules & anything related to the club. Bring your ideas to the March 2014 meeting & we will have an open discussion. Since the club was started in the 1970s by Ray Leist, it has functioned on the honor system & precedence. The CFMDC has bylaws, but no written rules.

Raffles – Bill Shackelford

Silver Raffle

50/50 Raffle

Name Badge/Bank Night Raffle

Monthly Finds Entry Drawing

Meeting closed by club president, Alan James.

Top Secret March Club Hunt

Saturday March 22nd

9:00 AM

The meeting place will be announced soon.

There is no fee for this hunt.

This is not a seeded hunt.

No lunch will be provided, so you will likely want to bring a cooler with drinks and food.

You may want to also bring a chair.

There will be restrooms available.

This is a private hunt available to club members only and is located on privately owned acreage that has seen human traffic for several decades!

The owner will not allow pets on the property so please leave them home!

News Bits

Gold prices tend to peak in January/February and hit their lowest prices per ounce in late July / early August.

Silver prices tend to peak in April and hit their lowest price per ounce in September.

The lowest karat recognized as gold in the United States is 10 karats. Anything less than that (say, 8 karat) is not recognized as gold!

SILVER RAFFLE WINNERS

Don Fitzgerald
Ron Caizza
Jim Tippitt
Betty Schackelford (TWICE!)
George Case
Bill Bergdoll

FIFTY/FIFTY WINNER

\$54.50 - Dave Roberts

BADGE DRAWING

\$40.00 - The Winner was Jim
Fielding!
The prize in March will be \$20.00

FINDS TABLE RAFFLE WINNER

Winner: Danny Case

BIRTHDAYS

Jim Tippitt- 5th Gary Dover - 14th Donna Rothery - 27th

ANNIVERSARIES

Walt & Carol Taylor - 57 years

NEW MEMBERS

Don Morris

Adam Feldstein

FINDS TABLES

	Name	Points		
1.	Jim Tippitt	33		
2.	Steve Meeks	30		
3.	Christine Merriam	22		
4.	Brent Petherick	19		
5.	Lonnie Lytle	18		
6.	Bill Green	17		
7.	Ron Caizza	16		
7.	Danny Case	16		
7.	Chuck Hosbein	16		
8.	Jeanne Cygan	10		
8.	Dave Gascoyne	10		
9.	Bill Bergdoll	8		
9.	Hurley Gashaw	8		
10.	George Case	7		
10.	Ralph Flippo	7		
10.	Jerry Hitson	7		
10.	Dave Roberts	7		
11.	John Ayers	6		
12.	Rob Hill	5		
13.	Don Fitzgerald	4		
14.	Patti Fielding	3		
14.	David Gray	3		
15.	Jim Fielding	1		
15.	Joanne Jolson	1		

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Name	Points
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Each 1st Place entry gets 4 points.

Each 2nd place entry gets 3 points.

Each 3rd place entry gets 2 points.

All other entries on the Finds

Tables get 1 point just for entering



February 2014 Single Coin Find of the Month

1st Place - Jim Tippitt - 1778 Half Reale

2nd Place – Chuck Hosbein

3rd Place - Steve Meeks



February 2014 Group Coins Find of the Month

1st Place: Chuck Hosbein

2nd Place – Jim Tippitt

3rd Place - Christine Merriam



February 2014 Single Jewelry Find of the Month

1st Place - Danny Case - Mans Gold Ring

2nd Place – Ron Caizza

3rd Place – David Gray



February 2014 Group Jewelry Find of the Month

1st Place – Steve Meeks

2nd Place – Ron Caizza

3rd Place – Christine Merriam



February 2014 Single Artifact Find of the Month 1st Place - Chuck Hosbein - early 1800s Powder Flask

2nd Place – Steve Meeks

3rd Place – Jim Tippitt



February 2014 Group Artifacts Find of the Month

1st Place – Jim Tippitt

2nd Place - Chuck Hosbein

3rd Place – Lonnie Lytle



February 2014 Single Odds & Ends Find of the Month

1st Place - Lonnie Lytle - Old Lighter

2nd Place – Don Fitzgerald 3rd Place – Danny Case



February 2014 Group Odds & Ends Find of the Month

1st Place - Steve Meeks

2nd Place – Christine Merriam

3rd Place – Jeanne Cygan

Central Florida Metal Detecting Club

Second Annual Central Florida Sunshine Shootout & Relic Hunt

April 5, 2014
Early registration = \$99.00/ hunter.
After March 25, 2014 = \$125.00/hunter.

All hunts will be held rain or shine.

A badge will be given to you at sign in, this badge must be worn at all of the hunts.

Lunch and Moss Park entry fee is included with each paid registration

Headphones must be worn during the hunts. No pulse machines are allowed.

No sand scoops, shovels or picks .Permitted digging equipment is limited to small hand tools such as probes, Gator Diggers or small hand spades.

You must dig and retrieve your own targets.

Lunch is available for \$12 for those not participating in the hunts.

Name:		Phone:	
Address:			
Extra Lunches:	\$ each	Total enclosed:	
Do you want informat	ion for futur	re hunts? Please leave email address	
Detecting (accident or injury I/we may incur April 5, 2014 hu or stolen property. I/we have read a the use of my voice, or other personally ident conjunction with	Club or Moss while partic ant. CFMDC and understa name, pictu cifiable infor other image Sunshine ensation, wh	re that I/we will not hold the Central Florida Mess Park responsible for any ipating in the Central Florida Sunshine Shootou is not responsible for any lost and the rules. I hereby give my full permission fare, image, likeness, actions, mation, in whole or in part, individually or in es, for the 2014 Central Florida e Shootout.	ut for
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Date		re required	

*All prizes are acquired weekly until day of the hunt and cannot be returned.

Please make checks or money orders payable to: CFMDC

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