

Treasure Talk

The Monthly Newsletter of The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club

October 2014

Not From The President's Desk Not By Alan James

Ok, Alan was unable to write this month's cover article, so it has fallen to your humble newsletter editor to fill his larger-than-life shoes. Alan has some business he needs to take care of, so for the first time in about 5 years, he will have to miss this month's club meeting. Sadly, it looks like he is going to have to miss the club picnic this year too, but he will be back in full form next month. So Alan, I think I speak for everyone at the club when I say that I hope you can get everything taken care of swiftly and easily.

Speaking of the picnic, don't forget to mark your calendars for October 18! We will be at Sylvan Lake Park on the north side of Sanford. Don't worry, I won't give you directions. The full address is on Page 3. There is no fee but we do ask everyone bring a dish to the picnic. We will discuss everything in more detail at the meeting.

So, did everyone enjoy Sunday's weather? It is a hint of good things to come as the oppressive heat and humidity of Summer gives way to the cool breezes and clear skies of Fall! I know a lot of us cut back on our hunting time as we waited for better weather. Well, keep your fingers crossed because it looks like that time has arrived.

On Page 4, I took the time to reprint from Kellycos' website a copy of the Treasure Hunter's Code of Ethics. Since "hunting season" is getting back into full swing (literally!), I thought it might be helpful for a quick reminder of everything we should and *should not* be doing to protect this great hobby of ours. We know that a lot of sites are being closed because of a handful of irresponsible detectorists. And as always the CFMDC members are committed to being part of the solution, and not part of the problem.

If you are trying to think about places to hunt these days, try going back to places you have hunted in the months that have passed. Remember, people are dropping all kinds of goodies all of the time.

Another idea is to take a different detector (if you own more than one, of course) and cover the same area you have covered before. No detector is perfect, and you might be surprised what a different machine and find for you in areas you thought we hunted out.

Lastly, try hunting an area with a smaller coil than you normally do. If you don't own a small coil, you might want to consider investing in one. You would be amazed at a smaller coil can sniff out for you amongst the mountains of trash we have to wade through. Sure, each sweep with a small coil covers very little area, but it can find good targets next to junk that larger coils can accidentally mask

Hope to see you all on Friday and Alan, don't worry. We'll promise not to tear up the place while you're gone. ©

-Scott



CFMDC Meeting
Minutes
September 2014
By Debra Green,
CFMDC Secretary

Call to Order - Alan James, President

Pledge of Allegiance - Bill Green

Secretary Report - Deb Green

August meeting minutes accepted as published in the September newsletter.

Published September newsletter accepted.

<u>Treasurer Report</u> - Chuck Hosbein, read & accepted.

Alan James and Bill Shackelford

<u>Guests</u> - Three guests called to the front of the room and welcomed to their first CFMDC meeting

<u>September birthdays</u> - Four birthdays recognized

<u>September anniversaries</u> – David & Pam Gray

<u>Alan James</u> - The September "Night Beach Hunt" will be at Sunsplash Park in Daytona Beach, Saturday, September 20 at approximately 8:30pm. The entry fee is \$5 per hunter.

Alan James & Bill Shackelford

New Members - Three new members called to the front and given a "welcome to the club bag": Charles Rooney, Marilyn Rooney & Chris Brooks

Special Awards

Sally Korns - Level II Challenge Melody Parks - Level II Challenge Gary Flatt - Level I, Level II & Level III Challenge

Chuck Hosbein - Level IV Challenge
Kathy Waters - Found & returned a key
Jeanne Cygan - Certificate of
Appreciation

Ralph Flippo - Return of a diamond ring Bill Green - Return of a set of keys

<u>Alan James</u> - Anyone that has found an item at a flea market please stand. Be seated. The club has functioned on the honor system, leave it at that, and honor one another regarding the finds placed on the club finds table. Don't complain.

Lorrie Sprigg - Tonight we are having an auction to raise funds for our upcoming parties. If you would like to participate as a buyer, please come to the front table to pick up a number before the bidding begins. Thanks to all members who contributed items.

<u>Break</u> - Finds table voting and refreshments

<u>Annual Club Auction</u> - Lorrie Sprigg, Chuck Hosbein, Sally Korns & Melody Parks

<u>Monthly Finds Awards</u> - Rob Loucks, Bill Green & Pam Gray

Meeting closed by club president, Alan James.

A Message From Lorrie! By Lorrie Sprigg, Activities Director



When Witches go Riding and Black Cats are seen . . . the moon laughs and whispers 'tis near Halloween.

The Halloween Event this month will be a Halloween Hunt at Sylvan Lake Park this year. It will take place at our annual picnic and hunts.

There will be NO theme event at the club meeting.

The great "PUMPKIN" will be at the hunt!

Guess the weight of this pumpkin and win a prize!

Precious Metals Price Averages (Per Ounce) September 2014:

Silver: \$ 18.25

Gold: \$1250.00

Platinum: \$1360.00

CFMDC ANNUAL CLUB PICNIC/HUNT

DATE & TIME

Saturday, October 18, 2014 10:00 AM

The Location

Sylvan Lake Park 845 Lake Markham Road Sanford, FL

Fee

No Fee, though the event is open to active CFMDC club members only along with their spouse/significant other

Notes

Club members will be asked to bring a dish to the picnic. This will be discussed further at the meeting.

RANDOM GOLD FACTS

In ancient Egypt, gold was considered "the skin of the gods" and only pharaohs could possess it.

There are over 400 references to gold in the Bible (go ahead and count, I'll wait...)

The Greeks thought gold was a combination of water and sunlight.

COIN VALUE OF THE MONTH

1943-D Jefferson Nickel

Mintage: 15,294,000

<u>Grade</u> Fine	<u>Value</u> \$ 2.18
Very Fine	\$ 2.38
Extremely Fine	\$ 2.05
Mint State (60)	\$ 4.00

Source: Coins Magazine, October 2014

TREASURE HUNTER'S CODE OF ETHICS*

- I Will respect private property and will not treasure hunt without the owner's permission.
- I Will Not destroy private property, buildings, or what is left of ghost towns and deserted structures.
- I Will Not litter and will pick up any trash that I dig up or find on the ground while treasure hunting.
- I Will leave gates as found.
- I Will Not contaminate wells, creeks, or other water supplies.
- I Will fill all excavations that are made while treasure hunting.
- I Will Not tamper with signs, structural facilities or equipment.
- I Will appreciate and protect our heritage of natural resources, wildlife, and private property.
- I Will use thoughtfulness, consideration and courtesy at all times.
- I Will protect my hobby, and always act as a goodwill ambassador.

^{*}Taken from the Kellyco website

SILVER RAFFLE WINNERS

Dave Roberts

Bob Jolin (TWICE!)

Bill Green

Chris Brooks

Ralph Flippo

Chuck Hosbein

FIFTY/FIFTY WINNER

\$87.00 - Kathy Waters

BADGE DRAWING

\$20.00 - Danny Case

The prize in October will be \$20.00

FINDS TABLE RAFFLE WINNER

Winner: Deborah Prock

BIRTHDAYS

Karin Wade – 5th

Douglas Olyer – 12th

Nanette Burdick – 23rd

Christine Merriam – 30th

ANNIVERSARIES

Jim & Linda Tippitt - 17 years David & Pam Gray - 31 years

NEW MEMBERS

Chris Brooks Charles Rooney Marilyn Rooney

FINDS TABLES

	Name	Points
1.	Jim Tippitt	165
2.	Steve Meeks	126
3.	Christine Merriam	97
4.	Ron Caizza	96
5.	Jeanne Cygan	83
5.	Brent Petherick	83
6.	Danny Case	63
7.	Ralph Flippo	39
7.	Rob Hill	39
8.	Jerry Hitson	37
8.	Chuck Hosbein	37
9.	Dave Gascoyne	33
10.	Lonnie Lytle	28
11.	Adam Feldstein	25
12.	Matt Kochis	24
13.	John Ayers	23
13.	Hurley Gashaw	23
14.	Bill Green	21
15.	Dave Roberts	20
16.	Kathy Waters	19
17.	Tom Bates	14
18.	Deborah Prock	13
19.	Bill Bergdoll	12
19.	Sally Korns	12
20.	David Gray	11
21.	Nanette Burdick	10
21.	Joanne Jolin	10
22.	Don Fitzgerald	9
23.	George Case	7
23.	Linda Fitzgerald	7
24.	Patti Fielding	6
25.	Jim Fielding	5
25.	Melody Parks	5
25.	Bill Shackelford	5
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	Name	Points
26.	Robert Jolin	4
26.	Douglas Oyler	4
26.	Betty Shackelford	4
27.	Doug Prock	3
28.	Robert Keith	2
28.	Michael McClure	2
29.	Jerry Humiec	1
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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!



September 2014 Single Coin Find of the Month

1st Place - Bill Green - 1794 Spanish 8 Reale

2nd Place - Matt Kochis

3rd Place – Dave Gascoyne



September 2014 Group Coins Find of the Month

1st Place: Matt Kochis

2nd Place – Jim Tippitt

3rd Place – Christine Merriam



September 2014 Single Jewelry Find of the Month

1st Place - Jim Tippitt - Ladies 10kt gold ring w/ large & small diamonds

2nd Place – Dave Roberts

3rd Place – Danny Case



September 2014 Group Jewelry Find of the Month

1st Place - Ron Caizza

2nd Place – Jim Tippitt

3rd Place – Brent Petherick



September 2014 Single Artifact Find of the Month 1st Place - Dave Gascoyne - 1812 Infantry button

2nd Place - Matt Kochis

3rd Place – Jeanne Cygan



September 2014 Group Artifacts Find of the Month

1st Place – Jim Tippitt

2nd Place – Jeanne Cygan

3rd Place – Dave Roberts



September 2014 Single Odds & Ends Find of the Month

1st Place – Jim Tippitt – Brass Dolphin

2nd Place – Brent Petherick

3rd Place – Danny Case



September 2014 Group Odds & Ends Find of the Month

1st Place - Ron Caizza

2nd Place – Jeanne Cygan

3rd Place – Deborah Prock

Club Officers

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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, Oct. 10, 2014

Meeting Time: 7:30 PM

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