

Treasure Talk

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



From The President's Desk By Alan James

Over the past few months, many of the Central Florida Metal Detecting club members had the opportunity to search a nearby area we refer to as "Old Town". This six block street project provided hours of fun and more than a few fantastic finds. Mid 1800's coins became commonplace finds and relics tumbled out almost every day. Many of us were able to find silver on a fairly regular basis along with Indian head pennies, V nickels, seated dimes, and various other old coins.

This is what our hobby is all about. Going out and discovering a new area in which to do a little detecting is part of what drives us all. We enjoy spending time searching "our own secret place" whenever possible. Being the first one at a new site starts the blood pumping as we take a few test swings. But sharing our finds with others is the icing on the cake!

A huge part of this hobby is finding good friends to share our excitement with as many of us have done down in "Old Town." The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club is indeed fortunate to have such a great bunch of hobbyists to share with.

The members of the CFMDC became friends with many of the workers on the site and

because of the fact that we each respected the active work zones, we were welcome to hunt almost anytime as long as we stayed clear of construction. This says a lot about our club members. Very few active construction sites would allow detectorists access. Congratulations to each of you for representing the club well.

Sadly, this street project has come to a close. The street looks great and the landscaping is first class. Any small treasure that may have been left will likely remain undetected for many years. This new brick lined street will lay and wait for the next big "remodel" before giving up anything more. So we will all begin searching again for our own special hunt site and hopefully we'll find another equally productive area in the future.

On Saturday, September 20th the CFMDC will hold another night hunt at Sunsplash Park in Daytona Beach. This hunt will begin a dusk (8:30 PM or so). The cost for this event will be \$5.00/hunter. Prizes will be awarded after the event. It's still hot out so bring plenty of water!

At the September meeting, the club will hold our annual auction so bring lots of one dollar bills and also bring anything (good condition) you want to donate for the auction. The money taken in during the auction is generally used in an upcoming club event. More details to follow.

See you at the next meeting!

Alan



CFMDC Meeting
Minutes
August 2014
By Debra Green,
CFMDC Secretary

Call to Order - Alan James, President

<u>Pledge of Allegiance</u> - Bill Green

Secretary Report - Deb Green

Published July meeting minutes accepted as published in the August newsletter.

Two changes to the Newsletter Finds Table Points List: numbering will be corrected, Kochie is Kochis, and Joanne is Joann. Including the corrections mentioned, the August newsletter accepted as published.

<u>Treasurer Report</u> - Chuck Hosbein, read & accepted. If you are a new member and have not picked up your name badge, they are at the front table.

<u>Alan James</u> - We are currently purchasing silver for the 2015 Shootout.

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>August birthdays</u> - Four birthdays recognized

<u>August anniversaries</u> - None

Alan James - The Shootout will be April 2015. All metal detector manufacturers and the gold prospectors have been invited to a roundtable discussion. The intent is for everyone to be on-the-same-page regarding metal detecting. We are opening up a club discussion this evening. What do you think?

<u>Break</u> - Voting at finds table, raffle ticket purchase and refreshments area open

Alan James & Bill Shackelford

New Members - Three new members called to the front and given a "welcome to the club bag": Jim Farrell, Jim Hooks and Rebecca Oyler

Special Awards

Jerry Hitson - Found & returned a ring (in the woods, first hit/with pin-pointer)

Scott Jackson - Member of the Month Appreciation

Jeanne Cygan - Level I Challenge

Orville Powers - Level II Challenge

Orville Powers - Level III Challenge

Alan James - Kathy Waters & Jeanne Cygan, please come to the front. We would like the club to know that both of these club members were hunting on the beach recently. Tonight, Kathy brought in her finds that included a key belonging to Jeanne. This proves that you need to bring in all of your finds each month, and proves we have a really great club.

Raffles - Bill Shackelford

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

Wes Wade

The Daytona Club night hunt is going to be held this coming Saturday night, August 16, 2014. The fee is \$25/person. So far there are 71 people registered. I am buying more stuff so we can have more fun. There will be a "fun hunt" where no diggers are allowed. There will be silver coins and one gold coin. Prizes will include a metal detector and a silver, Spanish Reale! We will have 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners for both the men's and women's categories, and a 50/50 raffle. We will provide pizza, Little Debbie Snacks and bottled water. Thanks to a friend of mine. the bathrooms to be left open for the evening. You can register the night of the hunt, there is a registration form available at DigandFind.com and all are welcomed to participate.

Meeting closed by club president, Alan James.



A Message From
Lorrie!
By Lorrie Sprigg,
Activities Director



HEAR YE, HEAR YE It's that time again!!!!

For our

"Annual Club Auction"



Please bring something to help out!
It's time to clean out the garage, attic, and shed

Any household items, metal detecting items

or

anything that was meant for a garage sale

will greatly be appreciated!

All proceeds will go for A Halloween hunt

I will be having ... in place of the Halloween activity usually held in October at the club.

This hunt will take place with the other hunts at our annual picnic held about the 3rd week in October.

To be announced at the meeting.

Bring cash in small bills to help us make change, for the auction!

Hope to see ya there

Lorrie

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

Silver: \$ 19.90

Gold: \$1335.00

Platinum: \$1445.00

SEPTEMBER CLUB HUNT

DATE & TIME

Saturday, September 20, 2014 8:00 PM (Dusk)

The Location

Sun Splash Park 611 South Atlantic Avenue Daytona Beach, FL

<u>Fee</u>

\$5 per hunter

<u>Notes</u>

Please do not the pulse induction metal detectors at the hunt due to the cross-chatter they create with other machines.

Please remember to bring plenty of water as it is still hot out, plus any food you may wish.

RANDOM GOLD FACTS

The only Olympic Gold Metals made entirely of gold were issued at the 1912 Olympics.

The Incas used gold for religious and aesthetic purposes, but never as money.

The Egyptians used unshorn sheepskin to mine for gold dust from the sands of the Black Sea.

COIN VALUE OF THE MONTH

1931-5 Lincoln Cent (Wheatie)

Mintage: 866,000

<u>Grade</u> Fine	<u>Value</u> \$ 71.00
Very Fine	\$ 77.00
Extremely Fine	\$ 135.00
About Uncirculated	\$ 140.00

SILVER RAFFLE WINNERS

Bill Green
Brent Petherick
Ann Hartle
David Grey
Dave Roberts (TWICE!)
Christine Merriam

FIFTY/FIFTY WINNER

\$54.00 - Bill Green

BADGE DRAWING

Linda Bennett's name tag was drawn, but she was not present

\$25.00 - Robert Jolin.

The prize in September will be \$20.00

FINDS TABLE RAFFLE WINNER

Winner: Chuck Hosbein

BIRTHDAYS

Don Cole - 2nd
Linda Tippitt - 8th
Jeanne Cygan - 13th

Omvilla Parrana 26th

Orville Powers - 26th



ANNIVERSARIES

None the club members attending the August meeting had an anniversary.



NEW MEMBERS

Douglas Oyler
Ben Torres
Jim Farrell

FINDS TABLES

1. Jim Tippitt 143 2. Steve Meeks 126 3. Christine Merriam 89 4. Ron Caizza 85 5. Brent Petherick 75 6. Jeanne Cygan 61 7. Danny Case 55 8. Ralph Flippo 39 8. Rob Hill 39 9. Jerry Hitson 37 9. Chuck Hosbein 37 10. Dave Gascoyne 29 11. Lonnie Lytle 28 12. Adam Feldstein 25 13. John Ayers 23 13. Hurley Gashaw 23 14. Bill Green 17 14. Kathy Waters 17 15. Tom Bates 14
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16. Matt Kochie 12
16. Sally Korns 12
17. Joanne Jolin 10
17. Deborah Prock 10
18. Don Fitzgerald 9
19. Nanette Burdick 8
19. David Grey 8
20. George Case 7
20. Linda Fitzgerald 7
21. Patti Fielding 6
22. Jim Fielding 5
22. Melody Parks 5
22. Bill Shackelford 5

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	Name	Points
23.	Jim Hooks	4
23.	Robert Jolin	4
23.	Betty Shackelford	4
24.	Robert Keith	2
24.	Michael McClure	2
24.	Doug Prock	2

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!



August 2014 Single Coin Find of the Month 1st Place – Jim Tippitt – 1864 Two Cent Piece

2nd Place – Steve Meeks
 3rd Place – Dave Gascoyne



August 2014 Group Coins Find of the Month

1st Place: Christine Merriam

2nd Place – Jim Tippitt

3rd Place – Steve Meeks



August 2014 Single Jewelry Find of the Month

1st Place – Brent Petherick – 14k white gold ring w/diamonds and sapphire

2nd Place – Steve Meeks

3rd Place – Jim Tippitt



August 2014 Group Jewelry Find of the Month

1st Place - Ron Caizza

2nd Place – Jim Tippitt

3rd Place - Jim Hooks



August 2014 Single Artifact Find of the Month

1st Place – Jim Tippitt – Advertisement printing die

2nd Place – Steve Meeks
 3rd Place – Dave Gascoyne



August 2014 Group Artifacts Find of the Month

1st Place – Dave Gascoyne

2nd Place – Jim Tippitt

3rd Place – Steve Meeks



August 2014 Single Odds & Ends Find of the Month

1st Place – Jim Tippitt – Belt Buckle

2nd Place – Steve Meeks

3rd Place – Kathy Waters



August 2014 Group Odds & Ends Find of the Month

1st Place - Ron Caizza

2nd Place – Christine Merriam

3rd Place – Jeanne Cygan

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, Sept. 12, 2014

Meeting Time: 7:30 PM

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