

CENTRAL FLORIDA TREASURE TALES

CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB
MARCH 1995

If this is March then there must be a bunch of spring breakers at the beach. Actually spring break started last month for Canadian students, but U.S. kids will be headed to Florida in droves this month. If you get lucky enough to find a class ring lost by one of these students remember to try and return it.

This month we will have another guest speaker. Mr. Jim Robinson, Co-Author of "Flashbacks", will talk on Central Florida history. He would also like to see what people have been finding. If you've found an item of historical significance or something unique from this area please bring them in.

At the March meeting the clue to the second park will be handed out. This time they will go with the cartoon in this issue. If you can figure anything out from the cartoon alone you're smarter than me. Last month's code is also in this issue. The only thing I can tell those of you who haven't seen it before is that the code word is something we all do. Last month we raised \$48.00 to put towards the treasure chest. Please bring in any token you've found so Randy and Jerry can tell how things are going.

We also have a new member. Please welcome Mitch Shulich of Winter Springs to our club.

1995 Club Officers

President.....Randy Settle
Vice-President.....Jerry Hitson
Second Vice-President.....Bill Ackerman
Secretary.....Madeline Corder
Treasurer.....Lonna Leist
Newspaper Editor.....Ted Smith
Refreshments.....Ron & Gerry West
Lonna Leist
Find of the Month.....Milton & Lorine Raw
Prizes.....Fred & Nancy Schimmel

The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club meets the second Friday of each month. Meetings are held at the Goldenrod Civic center, close to the intersection of Aloma Ave. and Palmetto Ave., and start at 8:00 PM.

Next meeting: Mar. 10th
Apr. 14th
May 12th

FEBRUARY NEWSNOTES:

President Randy Settle called the meeting to order and asked if we had any visitors. Five people raised their hands and Randy went around the room to each of them and personally welcomed each of them. I think people enjoy a nice welcome when they're checking our club out. For birthdays we had a youngster of 76, Milton Raw. No anniversaries. The minutes were read and accepted. The Treasurer reported a January ending balance of \$1404.81.

If anyone would like to visit another club you have a couple choices in the area. The Dig and Find Coin Shooters and Historical club meet the fourth Tuesday of the month at the NE corner of Granada Ave. and Beach St. in Ormond Beach. There is also a new club in Orlando which meets the first Tuesday of the month at the Beardall Senior Center, at 7:00 pm.

Randy suggested we form a membership committee. The function of this committee will be to come up with new ideas to get our membership up, it will not mean you have to go out and find new members. Anyone interested in helping with this committee please contact Randy Settle.

We had a special guest present at the meeting. Mr. Dick Donovan showed a find of his that was one of Western Eastern Treasures 10 Best Finds of 1993. The item was a 19th regiment cartridge box badge in excellent condition. The badge was found at a Fort site in South Carolina that was occupied from 1778 to 1781. According to Mr. Donovan there are only two such badges known to exist, his and another in a museum. It just goes to show with a little research you too can have one of the Ten Best Finds.

There is a new club hunt in progress now. Each month at the meeting clues to a new site will be handed out. The clues are in code and must be deciphered. Once they've been decoded they will direct you to a park in Orange County and also give you a hint where to hunt in the park. Each park will have tokens buried in the general area of the "hint" and please only one token per person per park. If you decide to hunt the park and find more than one token please rebury them. Each token will give you a chance at the key that will open a treasure chest. We will have 5 or 6 parks to find and hunt. We may have a little social to award the treasure, but this has not been confirmed yet. Last month's clue is reprinted in this issue and the cartoon this month will be part of March's clues (so don't lose this cartoon). To sweeten the treasure we are raising money with auctions and raffles. Last month the Southeast Council donated \$10.00, we auctioned a token book donated by Herb Phillips, which Rob Loucks bought for \$12.00 and Bill Ackerman donated a large white teddy bear with a silk heart to be raffled. Peg Walker won the bear and it raised \$26.00. So please bring in something a little extra to help out.

Ray gave an update on the Federation: News has come down from a club in Birmingham Alabama about 3 guys who joined their club, attended several meetings, took pictures of finds and got to know who was out finding what, etc. Four months later the Fresh water and Game commission used this information to make threats towards the Th'ers of possible legal trouble. The 1st weekend of Oct. Treasure weekend will be held in St. Charles Missouri. More info will be out later.

The club voted to have some business cards printed up with information about the club. Each member will be given a few cards to pass out to potential members and other th'ers you run into.

Gerry West won a Silver dollar.

Rob Loucks picked up \$20.50 in the 1/2 & 1/2 draw.

Bank night would have been worth \$25.00 if #114, Don Hurlig had been present.

FIND OF THE MONTH

Single Coin.....	DAVE GASCOYNE
Group Coins.....	DAVE GASCOYNE
Single Jewelry.....	HARRY RAINEY
Group Jewelry.....	ALDEN MITCHELL
Single Artifact.....	CHUCK HOSBEIN
Group Artifact.....	DAVE GASCOYNE
Single Odds-N-Ends.....	RICK SETTLE
Group Odds-N-Ends.....	ALDEN MITCHELL

1st Clue February

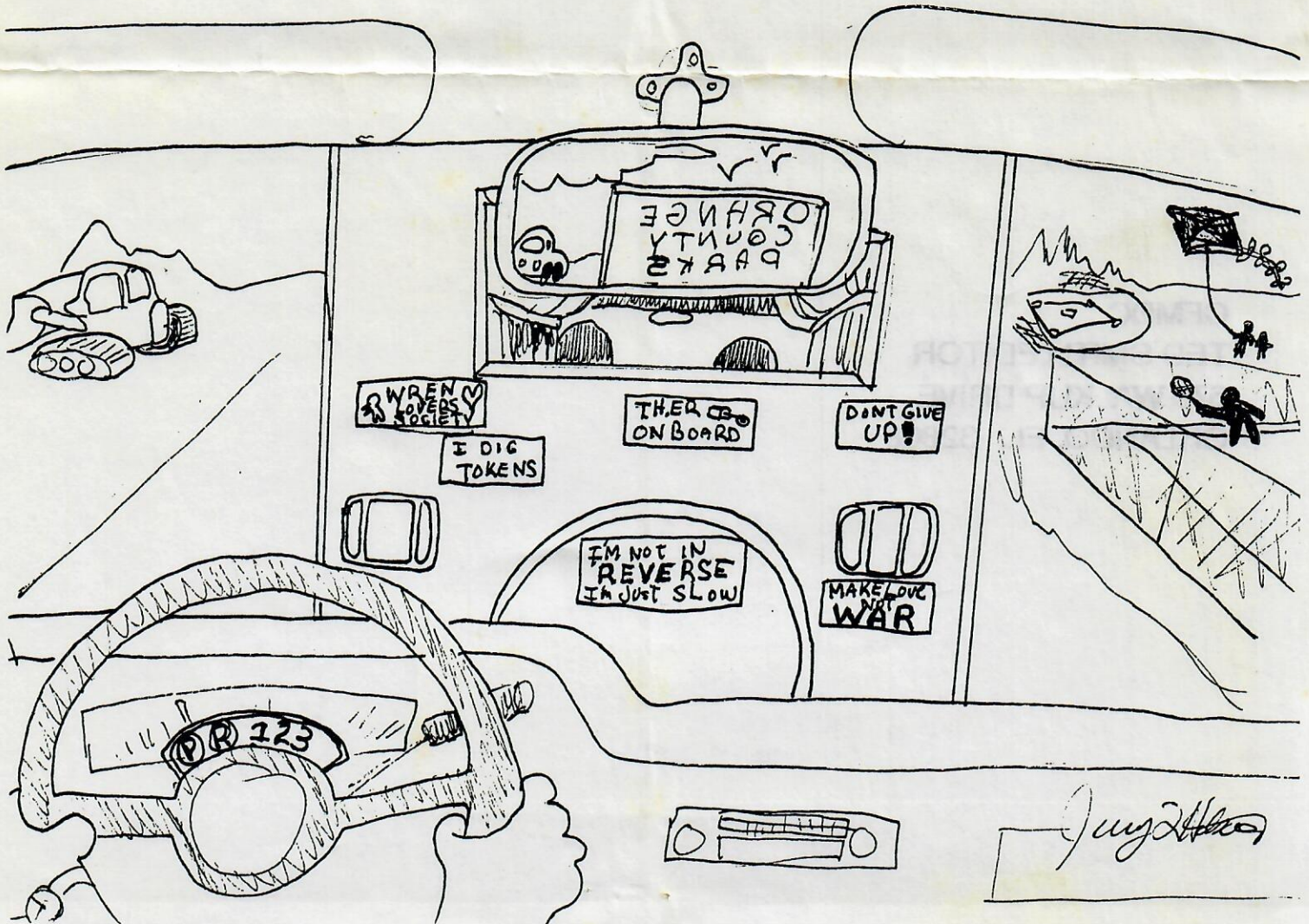
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SOUTHEAST COUNCIL 1ST ANNUAL HUNT

The Southeast Council put a lot of work into their 1st hunt. Over 100 entrants took to the fields to find their share of 5000 targets and over 120 prizes, including 4 metal detectors. Personally I had a great time, but unfortunately I heard a few complaints. The biggest one being the size of the hunt fields. I realize it's hard to judge how to layout a field, but a couple of the hunts were over in 5 minutes due to such tight quarters.

It was also unfortunate to see only a couple of manufacturers represented when 6 or 7 had said they'd be there, but the manufacturers did do a good job of helping the SE Council get machines to give away as prizes and in raffles. I was not very good at taking notes on who won what. The only thing I can say for sure is that Jerry Hitson's friend Bill Bergdoll won \$100.00 in the raffle. I'm sure if the council holds another hunt next year it will be even better.



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Thank you.

For Sale: Whites Surfmaster in New condition. Only \$250.00. For info call Rob Loucks 896-1019.

For Sale: SEARCH SCAN MODEL 650 land or underwater metal detector w/8" coil. \$350.00 call Bob 425-7921.

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