



# CENTRAL FLORIDA TREASURE TALES



## CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB NOVEMBER 1996 HAPPY THANKSGIVING

It sure seems like October went by too fast, and we even had an extra hour. The FMDAC convention is over, hopefully it won't be too long before its back in Florida. Everyone seemed to have a good time. The hunt field looked large, until some 350 hunters encircled it. Even with that many hunters, targets were still being recovered 15 to 20 minutes into the hunt. And every target was either silver or a token.

Ever since we formed a site committee I've been trying to find something in the ghost town area. The only thing I've come up with are a couple cow pastures, but I haven't been able to contact the owners. If anyone has any leads they could pass on I'd appreciate it. I don't mind doing some research and leg work, but finding good solid leads to go after 9is the hard part.

GOOD HUNTING

THE EDITOR

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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 7:30 PM.

Next meeting: Nov. 8th.  
Dec. 13th  
Jan. 10th



## October Newsnotes:

Randy called the meeting to order on time, as usual. We had several guests, including Randy's wife and 13 month old daughter. A couple of the guests joined before the night was over. (see "New Members" article for more info). Secretary Madeline Corder read the minutes and also read a very nice thank you note to the club from a family that really appreciated the food we had donated. She also passed on to the club a rather moving story which I will try to convey in writing. When club members donate items for Park Lake Madeline oversees there distribution. One of the most sought items is cans of soda. Not to long ago Madeline was down to her last few cans and passed them out to some of her patients. For one of those patients that act of kindness may be the last thing he knew, for not long after that he passed away. To all those who brought in items you can take comfort in knowing you made a difference. As you read before Madeline has made sure what was brought in did some good, but she has exhausted her food stores. We have been trying to collect some food or soda at every meeting, but if at all possible we need to put some extra effort into bringing in items. Please, everyone bring something into the November meeting. Treasurer Lonna Leist reported a September ending balance of \$783.25. Ray made a motion that we donate the proceeds from the raffle table to Park Lake. The motion was seconded and passed.

Ray Leist, Vice-President of the FMDAC, gave a Federation update. For the benefit of our guests Ray gave a brief outline of the Federation and some of the laws regarding our hobby. He also gave a recap of the upcoming convention. The convention banquet will be casual dress. There will be alot of speakers on a wide range of topics. Over 60 tables have been rented out. Representatives from Mel Fishers museum and Spanish Main Treasure Co. will be there. Authors of several books will be on hand. About \$12,000.00 worth of silver will be buried. 10 metal detectors will be given away and of course the top 40 worth \$100 or more. The club will have a display table. A find of the year competition will be held, with a \$100 prize. The hunts will be at 10:am and 2:pm on Sunday. The hotel is booked up, but parking should be okay.

Randy donated a radar detector to be auctioned off, the proceeds will go to Park Lake. I guess Ted Peters really wanted it because he bid \$15 for it, then he bid \$17 and when he paid he paid \$20. Thanks Ted.

Randy showed his modification to his detector. He made a special attachment to put a dive light on his machine.

Ted Smith (hey thats me), gave a talk on water detecting. I showed some of the different equipment that is needed, and shared some of my techniques. After I fumbled through my presentation we had a brief question and answer period, which I really enjoyed. Hopefully I passed on some tips that might help others.

Fred Schimmel and Ron West each won silver dollars in raffles.

Lorine Raw won \$11.00 for half and half.

#35 Harry Rainey missed \$20.00 for bank night.

## FIND OF THE MONTH

We had no entries for single or group odds-n-ends. Ralph Flippo won group jewelry. Single coin, group coin, single jewelry, single artifact and group artifact were all won by the one and only George Livingston. George made a trip to England and made some fantastic finds. The item that I liked most was a Knights ring made to be worn over his glove.



## FMDAC HUNT:

It's hard to believe a hunt of this size can be run so smoothly. About the only real problem was a mix up on the starting time. It seems the tickets and brochures had two different times. One said the hunts were at 9:30 and 1:30 and the other said 10:00 and 2:00. Everyone was ready to hunt at 9:30, but we had to wait till 10:00 to make sure everyone was there. The treasure was divided into two one hour hunts. There were 10 detectors given away, around \$12,000.00 worth of silver planted and the top 40 worth from \$100 to \$2000. On top of all this I'd guess there were at least 200 other tokens for prizes. The CFMDC was represented by about 15 members. Two of our members did pretty good at the hunt. Ray Leist won a Tesoro Stingray II and Noel Hoglund won the Grand Prize worth \$2000. Congratulations to our winners. The winner of the find of the year was Mike Brown of Suncoast club, his entry was a \$8000. diamond ring. Empire Coastal won the award for best table display.

## New Members:

The October meeting produced two new members. Both came as guests and left as members. They are Ron Harrell of Winter Park and Dick Sommers of St. Cloud. Please make them feel at home. In fact to start out Dick is looking to purchase a new detector. He is interested in Whites and Minelab. if you know anything you can pass along let him know.

## Clue Hunt:

If you're reading this then you could be out looking for tokens. The rules are simple. 1) only one token per person. 2) if you find a token call me at 291 3442 and leave the token number and your name. 3) tokens are round and have 3 numbers on them. 4) each token will be good for a prize, plus the first 5 or 10 (depending on how much money I can raise for prizes) will win a prize for which place they get. I'm still buying prizes and have to raise more money, so I plan to start awarding prizes at the February meeting.

Clue #4: Stay west of the four yard line.

Clue #5: You might want to trade your club for a disc.

Clue #6: Don't take this too literally, but look for a big pine in the hills.

Clue #7: Be sure and stay on the outside of the circle.

Clue #8: If the three turkeys are still up they will point you in the right direction.



**\*CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENT DEPARTMENT\***

To place an ad please contact Ted Smith, 291-3442. It would be best to submit your ad in writing to avoid any errors. When the item is sold or you want the ad stopped please let me know.

Thank you.

**For Sale:** New 1996 Big Bud Pro with headphones. List \$774.95 will sell for \$300.00. For info call Herbert Phillips (407) 880-3495.

**For Sale:** \$700.00 New Spectrum XLT with hard carrying case. Call or write C. Wayne Walker, P.O. Box 788, Farmington, Maine 04938. (207) 778-4558 OR call Aiden Mitchell in Zellwood 866-0708. This detector has not been used by owner.

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