

# CENTRAL FLORIDA TREASURE TALES

## CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB SEPTEMBER 1996

It's hard to believe its September already. Its still hot, but the days are starting to get shorter. From a detectorist point of view the most promising news is the erosion from the hurricanes off shore. If enough erosion happens along the treasure coast some interesting finds might be made. Daytona Beach could yield alot of jewelry if enough sand is washed out, as well as old coins.

The patent / date chart inside this months newsletter may help you determine the age of some of your oddities. The patent number was put on some items for several years. I'm not sure but I've heard in some cases it was used up to seven years after being issued. In any case it may help you learn more about your antiques.

The last couple months the find of the month table has been rather bare. I know people are finding items, so why don't they get displayed. I'd like to see what everyone is finding. It doesn't have to be a find of the year to be interesting to most of us. Most metal detectorists find anything dug to be interesting.

GOOD HUNTING

THE EDITOR

### \*1996 Club Officers\*

President.....Randy Settle  
Vice-President.....Jerry Hitson  
Second Vice-President.....Bill Ackerman  
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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 7:30 PM.

Next meeting: Sep. 13th  
Oct. 11th  
Nov. 8th

## August Newsnotes:

The August meeting was called to order at 7:40. Guests were introduced. The minutes read and accepted. The Treasurer reported a July ending balance of \$912.94.

There was alot of discussion about an article that stated the National Forest service recognized metal detecting as a legitimate hobby. Its good to se that some government agencies are open minded, but don't go onto any National land just yet. The best thing we can all do is go through channels and try to get permission to hunt. If we all keep pressure on our elected officials as well as anyone else that is in a position to help us we might see some results.

In this newsletter is a copy of a letter concerning hunting on Army Corp of Engineer land. This isn't permission to hunt all corp lands, but it might be of use securing permission to hunt certain sites. Remember, if you do get permission try to get it in writing.

On the political front within the FMDAC Al Dubiel is running for president and Keith Wills is running for Vice President. There are alot of openings in the FMDAC and the Southeast Chapter for officers. If you are interested they can use your support.

Jim Ingram is doing OK, in fact he's doing so good he's in Nashville, probably metal detecting.

The Federation convention is getting close. Less than two months to go. If you haven't already signed up the next cutoff date before another price hike is October 19th. Don't wait to much longer. Anyone who attends the convention must have their 96 FMDAC identification card. If you still need yours they are available at the club meetings. Don't forget there will be a find of the year contest, with a \$100. prize. If anyone has display items for our booth at the convention please bring them in. We want to make a good showing since we are one of the local clubs.

Remember we are always collecting donations of food, drinks or shoes. Its nice to see where your donations are going and how much good they're doing.

The lucky people at the August meeting are as follows. Ron West won a silver dollar in the raffle. Ted Smith won \$16.00 in 1/2 and 1/2 and #27 Frank Liberatore won \$20.00 for bank night.

## FIND OF THE MONTH

Single Coin.....BILL BERGDOLL  
Group Coins.....ALDEN MITCHELL  
Single Jewelry.....DOUG MELVIN  
Group Jewelry.....TED SMITH  
Single Artifact.....DAVE GASCOYNE  
Group Artifact.....DAVE GASCOYNE  
Single Odds-N-Ends.....LORINE RAW  
Group Odds-N-Ends.....JERRY HITSON



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REPLY TO  
ATTENTION OF:

14 MAR 1989

CECW-ON

Mr. Willis R. Willis  
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Gilmer, Texas 75644

Dear Mr. Willis:

This is in response to your recent letter to Mr. Robert W. Page, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, concerning the use of metal detectors on Corps of Engineers water resources development projects. Mr. Page has asked me to reply on his behalf.

Mr. Page has decided to allow the use of metal detectors on Corps project lands in well defined areas designated by the District Engineer. These areas consist primarily of previously disturbed sites that do not contain archaeological, historical, or paleontological resources.

The initial designation of areas where metal detectors can be used will take place by May 26, 1989. After that date, you may contact the resource managers at Corps projects where you want to use metal detectors to determine which areas are open to such use.

Thank you for your interest in this matter and the Corps of Engineers.

Sincerely,

Carl C. Cable, P.E.  
Chief, Operations and Readiness Division  
Directorate of Civil Works

## METAL DETECTOR POLICY

**POLICY:** In accordance with the policy established by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, each water resource project will have one or more areas open to the public for the recreational use of metal detectors.

A metal detector may be used under the following conditions:

- Only in those areas designated as "open"; all other government land is classified by regulation as "closed."
- Non-identifiable items of nominal value (less than \$25.00) may be kept.
- Identifiable items such as rings, watches, wallets; items of greater than nominal value; and all historical, archaeological, or paleontological items found will be deposited with a Park Ranger or at the nearest Resource Manager's Office.
- Digging shall be limited to hand tools that can be used by one hand only, and are no more than 4 inches wide and 12 inches long.
- Grass and other vegetation may not be removed or disturbed; digging is allowed in bare soil or sand only. All soil disturbed or displaced shall be returned to its original state.

- The destruction, injury, defacement, removal or any alteration of public property including, but not limited to, developed facilities, natural formations, mineral deposits, historical and archeological features, and vegetative growth, is prohibited except when in accordance with written permission of the District Engineer.

- Any person wishing to use a metal detecting device on project lands, should first obtain a list of "open" areas at the nearest Resource Manager's Office or his authorized representative. This list is subject to change.

**ENFORCEMENT:** Failure to conform with these requirements will be grounds for possible prosecution under one or more sections of Title 36, CFR, Part 327.

**INFORMATION:** For additional information or to obtain a copy of Title 36, Rules and Regulations Governing Public Use of Corps of Engineers Water Resources Development Projects, please contact the staff at the Resource Manager's Office, at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's lake nearest you.



**U.S. PATENT NUMBER/DATE REFERENCE TABLE**  
 compliments of  
**David J. Maloney, Jr.**  
 author of the  
**"Collector's Information Clearinghouse Antiques & Collectibles Resource Directory"**

YEAR	PATENT #	YEAR	PATENT #
1836	1	1870	98,460
1837	110	1871	110,617
1838	546	1872	122,304
1839	1,061	1873	134,504
		1874	146,120
1840	1,465	1875	158,350
1841	1,923	1876	171,641
1842	2,413	1877	185,813
1843	2,901	1878	198,733
1844	3,395	1879	211,078
1845	3,873	1880	223,211
1846	4,348	1881	236,137
1847	4,914	1882	251,685
1848	5,409	1883	269,820
1849	5,993	1884	291,016
1850	6,981	1885	310,163
1851	7,865	1886	333,494
1852	8,622	1887	355,291
1853	9,512	1888	375,720
1854	10,358	1889	395,305
1855	12,117	1890	418,665
1856	14,009	1891	443,987
1857	16,324	1892	466,315
1858	19,010	1893	488,976
1859	22,477	1894	511,744
1860	26,642	1895	531,619
1861	31,005	1896	552,502
1862	34,045	1897	574,369
1863	37,266	1898	596,467
1864	41,047	1899	616,871
1865	45,685	1900	640,167
1866	51,784	1901	664,827
1867	60,658	1902	690,385
1868	72,959	1903	717,521
1869	85,503	1904	748,567

To determine the approximate year of your planned item, find the patent number nearest to yours and use the date.

1905	778,834	1945	2,366,154
1906	808,618	1946	2,391,856
1907	839,799	1947	2,413,675
1908	875,679	1948	2,433,824
1909	908,436	1949	2,457,797
1910	945,010	1950	2,492,944
1911	980,178	1951	2,536,016
1912	1,013,095	1952	2,580,379
1913	1,049,326	1953	2,624,046
1914	1,083,267	1954	2,664,562
1915	1,123,212	1955	2,698,434
1916	1,166,419	1956	2,728,913
1917	1,210,389	1957	2,775,762
1918	1,251,458	1958	2,818,567
1919	1,290,027	1959	2,866,373
1920	1,326,899	1960	2,919,443
1921	1,364,063	1961	2,966,681
1922	1,401,948	1962	3,015,103
1923	1,440,362	1963	3,070,801
1924	1,478,996	1964	3,116,487
1925	1,521,590	1965	3,163,865
1926	1,568,040	1966	3,226,729
1927	1,612,700	1967	3,295,143
1928	1,654,521	1968	3,360,800
1929	1,696,897	1969	3,419,907
1930	1,742,181	1970	3,487,470
1931	1,787,424	1971	3,551,909
1932	1,839,190	1972	3,631,539
1933	1,892,663	1973	3,707,729
1934	1,941,449	1974	3,781,914
1935	1,985,878	1975	3,858,241
1936	2,026,516	1976	3,930,271
1937	2,066,309	1977	4,000,520
1938	2,104,004	1978	4,065,812
1939	2,142,080	1979	4,131,952
1940	2,185,170	1980	4,180,867
1941	2,227,418	1981	4,242,757
1942	2,268,540		
1943	2,307,007		
1944	2,338,081		

Additional U.S. Patent Number/Date Reference Tables can be ordered from the below address for \$1.00 each plus a L.A.S.E. charge.

The "CIC Antiques & Collectibles Resource Directory", a unique publication listing over 7000 resources for over 7000 categories of antiques and collectibles, is available by mail. Included are: Experts, Collectors, Dealers, Buyers, Specialty Clubs & Penionics, Appraisal Organizations, Matching Services for Crystal/China/Pottery, Resumes, Restoration/Conservation Services & Suppliers, Specialty & General Line Auction Services, Sources for Paris, Collector Book Sellers, Specialty Museums & Libraries, and more.

Collector's Information Clearinghouse, P.O. Box 2048, Frederick, MD 21702-1048, 352 pgs., 8 1/2" x 11". Thoroughly cross-referenced. \$19.95 sc or \$27.95 hc. MD residents add 5% tax. Please add \$4 S&H (58 overseas).

Over, C.K.

**\*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.

**\*WANTED: Buy or Trade\***

The Florida Yankee wants your Civil War and Semindole War collectibles, especially Buttons. Call Dave at (407) 767-0530.

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