



CENTRAL FLORIDA TREASURE TALES

CFMDC NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 1997

The last big weekend of the summer has gone by. I have heard of several nice jewelry finds at the beach. I'm sure for every find I heard about several others were also made. September is a key month. We all dream of a storm stirring up the Atlantic and causing a six foot cut in the beach. While this is always a possibility, it's also possible you'll never know it happened. At this time I don't think we have a calling system. Everyone needs to make sure at least a few other

club members will call you, and vice-versa, if a cut happens.

In this newsletter I'll make an order form for shirts with the detecting logo and your name on it. The cost is \$15.00 including a nice polo style shirt, or \$8.00 if you supply the shirt. Please bring the information to the September meeting.

If everyone could bring in a little something for Park Lake Nursing home it would be appreciated. Madeline can always use more soda or snacks or

whatever. We also need to think ahead to the holidays. Our donations over the years have made a big difference for family holidays. Remember, your efforts make a big difference.

At the September meeting we will discuss and vote on the meeting time change. We currently start at 7:30pm, a motion is on the floor to go back to 8:pm. If you wish to have a voice in this discussion please attend the meeting.

This month we have another original cartoon by Vice-President Jerry Hitson.

1997 OFFICERS

President.....Randy Settle

Vice-President.....Jerry Hitson

Second Vice-President.....Chuck Hosbein

Secretary.....Madeline Corder

Treasurer.....Lonna Leist

Newsletter Editor.....Ted Smith

Refreshments.....Ron & Gerry West

Find Table.....Milton & Lorine Raw

Prize Table.....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. Meetings start at 7:30pm. Next meetings: Sept. 12th, Oct. 10th and Nov. 14th.

AUGUST NEWSNOTES:

The August meeting of the CFMDC was called to order at 7:40pm by President Randy Settle. Birthdays and anniversaries were recognized. We welcomed two new members, Vinson Faulkner and Bob Pollack. Randy once again thanked the club for the concern everyone has shown for his daughter. According to Randy she's doing "good". Madeline thanked me for taking the minutes for her last month, but we all know I could never do as good of a job as she's doing. She read the minutes and they were accepted.

Lonna gave the treasurers report, which was for the last two months. The June ending balance was \$502.74 and the July ending balance was \$490.53.

Ray updated the club on his leg injury. Actually his leg seems to be doing better, but his mind is going stir crazy. Seems he's got cabin fever. To break the boredom he's been having fun with the phone solicitors. The only problem came after he got a few wrong numbers in a row. Finally he just hung-up as soon as it rang, the only thing is it was his mother he hung-up on. Whoops!!!!

Ray also updated the club on Federation news. The 1997 convention is in Tulsa, Oklahoma. The 1998 convention will be in Wildwood, New Jersey and the

1999 convention may be in Reno. The Southeast Council met last month in Jacksonville. For more info read the article from Dougs notes.

There are still problems in Pensacola. Its mostly individuals hunting sites they are not supposed to. You could say a few outlaw detectorists are causing alot of problems for all the other detectorists.

Ray has a map for those of you who purchasced his book. It will make it easier to get an idea where a site is.

Doug Melvin, our site chairman, gave an update on a site. A campground fairly close may be our next site. It dates back to 1911, is over 60 acres and has a lake. The only problem is the cost. It is a Y-camp and the cost for the night and three meals will be \$25.00, but we must have at least 50 people. The turn out for our last couple hunts were rather slim, so to help make the head count Doug is working to get the club he's in in Daytona involved. With both clubs we can hopefully get enough people to go. The date will be the weekend of December 6th. We also need a \$300.00 deposit. This camp is within an hour or so of Orlando and sounds like a very promising site. We will need a firm head count to reserve it. If you plan to attend please let someone know.

There are a couple other camps we've been checking on, but we will hold off on them until next year.

At the September meeting we will finish talking about the time change for the meeting. We will vote on the motion to go back to 8:pm to start the meeting. In the silver raffle Jerry Hitson won a Walking Liberty Half Dollar. The half and half draw paid \$14.00 to yours truly. #10, Becky Smith, was not present to collect \$25.00 for bank night.

I've made a simple order form for detecting shirts. The cost is \$15.00 including the shirt or \$8.00 if you supply the shirt. If interested please bring it in to Bill Bergdoll.



NEW MEMBERS: We had two new members join at the August meeting. Please welcome Vinson Faulkner and Bob Pollack. A little note: These two gentlemen had to wait an extra month to join, the originally came in July to join but had to wait til August because we didn't have the forms to sign them up.

FIND OF THE MONTH

Single Coin.....	ALDEN MITCHELL
Group Coin.....	NO ENTRY
Single Jewelry.....	TED SMITH
Group Jewelry.....	TED SMITH
Single Artifact.....	JIM INGRAM
Group Artifact.....	DAVE GASCOYNE
Single Odds-N-Ends.....	NO ENTRY
Group Odds-N-Ends.....	MIKE MYERS

Southeast Council Meeting: The following was taken from an article written by Doug Melvin.

The S.E. Council meeting was held Saturday, July 19th at Hanna Park in Jacksonville. The meeting was called to order at 1:pm. 18 people were present representing about seven clubs.

Al Dubiel reported the S.E. Council has \$1500.00 in there account.

The May hunt in Bushnell haad 23 entrants. The turnout was slim, but everyone had alot of fun.

The council is looking into a field trip for all its members.

The 1998 Federation Convention will be in Wildwood, New Jersey. The 1999 convention will probably be in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Sue would like to have a "show". All clubs in the council would be encouraged to participate. The purpose of this would be to have some friendly competition among the various clubs, raise money for the council and expose the public to our hobby. Each club would have a display(s).

To get more clubs involved in the Southeast Council meetings of the Council are taking place at different locations. The Southeast

council includes the states of Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Alabama and Mississippi. Up until recently only Florida clubs have had representatives actually attend the Council meetings. This is changing. Meetings are being planned for Savannah Georgia, Pensacola Florida, Mississippi (in December) and at the Alabama hunt located near Birmingham.

Some metal detecting "Horror Stories" were related: 1. People metal detecting in Alabama on private land with written permission to be on the property pursuing their hobby, when word got out that they had recovered some artifacts had their items and also their metal detectors confiscated. So far nothing has been returned! 2. Presently metal detecting in Pensacola is still severly limited. Six months ago an arbitrater was selected to help reslove the differences between the City of Pensacola and the metal detectorists. So far there has been no changes or action taken! The Council has been advised to just "stand-by" for now. 3. Presently metal detecting in a National Forest is not allowed. Lynn Murray of the Ocala metal detecting club has been working on getting portins of the forest open to metal detecting. 4. Four years ago a

"Tourist Bill" was passed. Slipped in with this bill was a rule that it is a third degree felony to take a metal detector into a state park! It was asked by a man to a ranger what about transporting your detector with you on a trip. A ranger said that it should be ok, if the detector is broken down and secured in it's carring bag or case and secured in the trunk of a car while passing thru or staying in a state park.

The meeting actually covered alot more but I don't have room to write everything. They adjourned the meeting at 3:30 and spent some time socializing. Remember council meetings are open to all members.

CLUB FLASHBACK: Our club has had different types of clue hunts over the years. One of the earliest clue hunts was put on by Kellyco in the late 1970's. The big difference between then and more recent hunts is the fact that Kellyco actually buried \$5.00 and \$10.00 gold coins as the prize. Who knows, maybe in the future we can do something similar.

Order Form CFMDC Club Shirt

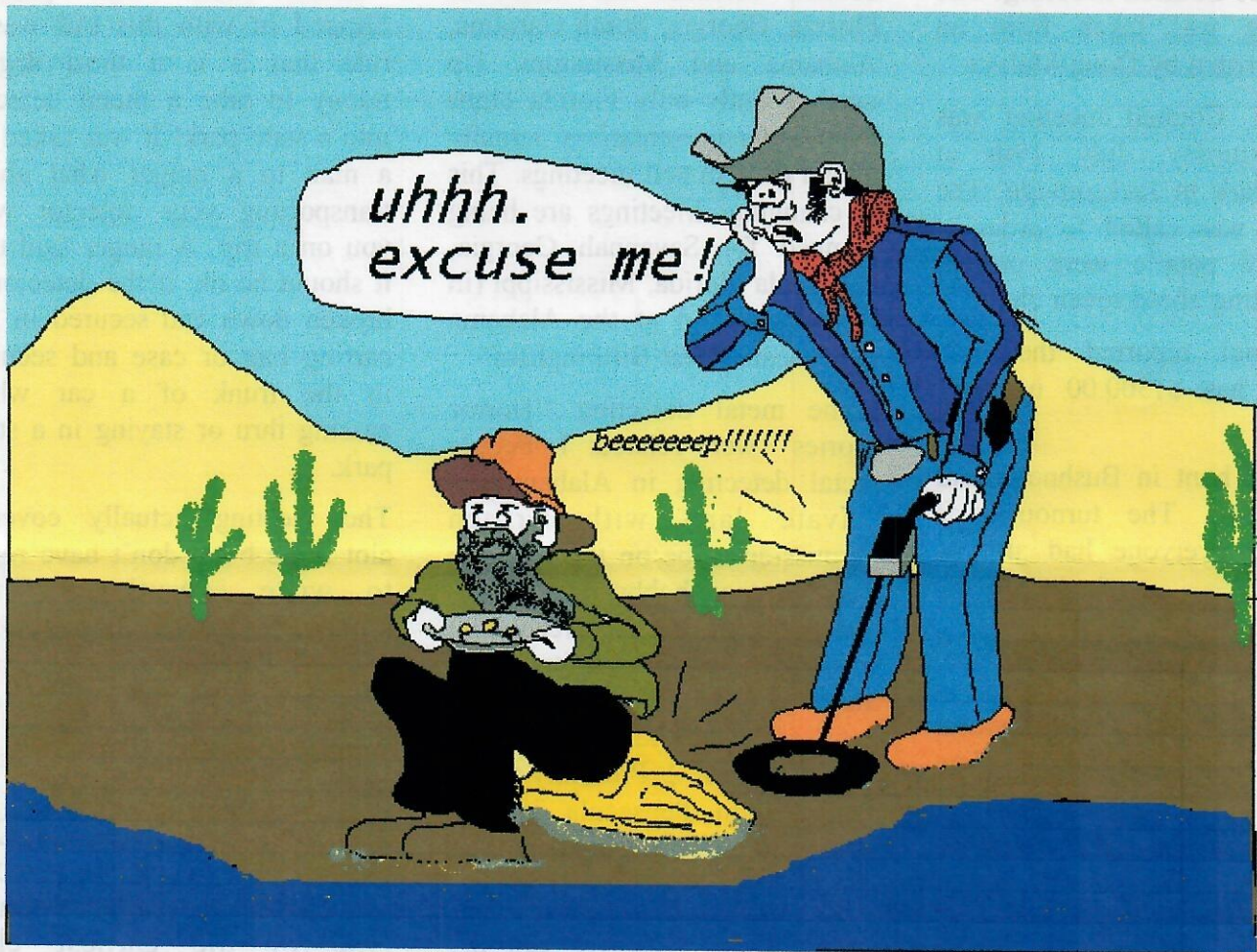
Date _____, Full Name _____

Size _____, Quantity _____

Name as you want it on the shirt _____

(Block Letters Only)

The shirts are white with collars. The cost is \$15.00 shirt included or \$8.00 if you supply the shirt.



CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENT DEPARTMENT

The classified section is a free service for the members of the CFMDC. Anyone wishing to place an ad must contact the Editor, Ted Smith, in person at the monthly meeting or by phone @ 291-3442. When the ad is no longer required please inform me so I can remove it.

For Sale: Fisher 1280X, two years old but only used about six times. \$300.00. For more info call Alden Mitchell at (207) 778-2178. Or write him at 6 Knowlton Ave., Farmington, Maine 04938.

WANTED: Buy or Trade

The Florida Yankee wants your Civil War and Seminole War Collectibles, especially buttons. Call Dave at (407) 767-0530.

George Livingston is interested in buying dog, or any other animal, tags. Will pay 50 cents for any tag in reasonable condition. Bring you tags to the meeting for George's official appraisal.