

# TREASURE TALK

## CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB DECEMBER 2001

CLUB'S WEB SITE-----<http://www.geocities.com/g8r81/cfmdc.html>

*Central Florida Metal Detecting Club meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at 7:30 p.m. The club meetings are held at the Sanford Garden Club building. For directions and other information call Ray Leist-----386-428-3401*

### Presidents

### Corner

## MERRY CHRISTMAS

Happy holidays to all.

Don't seem like this year has really been a year long yet. The days go by so quickly. Looking back over this year the club has had a very good year. A lot of new face's and a lot of older members that we always like to see. We have lost some of our members and sorely do miss them. Remember the CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY so lets all come out and enjoy this gathering because you never know what might happen. The club again had a great weekend hunt and camp out. Doug wrote a piece on this later in the newsletter. We also had a lot of great finds and many finds on the Find of The Month Table this year. Last week Bill Shackelford called me and said that we had permission to hunt on an old fish camp site. I e-mailed and called members to let them know where the site was. Some members I just

could not get a hold of. Those that did show found a lots and lots and lots of coins. Nothing old, that I know of, except some wheat pennies. I know that there was well over 2,000 coins dug and more than that left in the ground. We will probably hear more about it at the meeting. If you are paying retail for ink cartridges for you printer, you are paying to much. I have ordered 30 cartridges for my printer from E-BAY for \$2 each. These go for \$24.95 retail. If you have found a class ring and would like to return it, here is a web site to use:

<http://www.reunionsworld.com/Lostandfound/found>

We need to remember those on our do better list - Don Hurtig is still having leg trouble. Mark Condren, my nephew, is serving our country. If you know of someone who needs to be remembered let me know. I know that your thoughts and prayers help these people. Give them a call or send them a card. If we haven't seen your face in a while, we have missed you. We will see you at the next meeting and don't forget "bring a stranger".

President

Ray Leist.

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**DON'T FORGET THE : PARTY, WRAPPED GIFT, UNWRAPPED DONATIONS TO THE WOMEN'S SHELTER AND MOST IMPORTANTLY BRING YOURSELF.**

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Birthdays are good for you, the more you have the longer you live.

**TREASURE HUNTERS  
CODE OF ETHIC'S**

- I Will always get permission from the owner.
- I Will not destroy private or public land
- I Will not bother signs, structures or equipment
- I Will appreciate and protect natural resources
- I Will fill all my dug holes and dispose of trash.
- I Will leave the property the same as I found it
- I Will assist law enforcement agencies as needed
- I Will not litter

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*Central Florida Metal Detecting  
Club Officers 2002*

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**Find of the Month Table—Rob Loucks**

**Prize Table —Fred & Nancy Schimmel**

**Refreshment Attendants—Betty Shackelford,  
Candy Kordeleski, Shirley DeVary**

**Club Photographer—Ralph Flippo**

**Editor In Chief—Ray Leist**

*Secretary's Report November, 2001  
by Chuck Hosbein*

The November meeting of the Central Metal Detecting Club was called to order at 7:40 p.m. by club president Ray Leist. The meeting was opened this month with Bill Shackelford leading the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. Ray's joke of the month was about a man who goes to the restroom and several screams were heard. Watch out for mop buckets!!! We had several guests at the meeting and they were recognized as well as birthdays and anniversaries. Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted. Money in the bank was \$1145.37. Ray reminded everyone that members should bring in donations for the women's shelter. The shelter can use about everything for women. Don't wrap the donations. The annual Christmas party will be held at the December meeting. We will have a short business meeting followed by the party. The club will furnish the meat, dressing and gravy. Members are asked to bring a covered dish. Next month are the club officer elections. Nominations were taken at the November meeting: President—Ray Leist, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President— Al Mills 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President— Bill Shackelford Treasurer— Lonna Leist Secretary— Chuck Hosbein Ray indicated that starting in January, there will no longer be temporary name tags available for members. If your name is drawn for bank nite and you do not have your name tag on then you do not win. A community Service award was given to Bill Bergdoll for returning a ring. November 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> will be our overnight hunt. Ray says that the club has never been to this site. The cost is \$40 per/per and includes 3 meals. We are to meet at McDonalds on S.R. 46 at I-4. We will leave at 9 A.M. for the camp. The annual club auction raised \$182. Thanks to all who participated. Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m. Page 2

**NOVEMBER FINDS OF THE MONTH**

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**SINGLE COIN ———DAVE GASCOYNE**  
1866 2-cent piece

**GROUP COINS—RICH KORDELESKI**  
Large collection of beach coins.

**SINGLE JEWELRY— RALPH FLIPPO**  
Gold ring

**GROUP JEWELRY————— RICH KORDELESKI—** Bracelets, rings, watch

**SINGLE ARTIFACT—————DAVE GASCOYNE———** 1836 pants button

**GROUP ARTIFACTS—————DAVE GASCOYNE——** Musket balls and shells

**SINGLE ODDS/ENDS—————DAVE GASCOYNE———** Special Olympics medal

**GROUP ODDS/ENDS—————DAVE GASCOYNE——** Collection of tokens

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**CAMPING TRIP REPORT**  
by **DOUG MELVIN**

The weather was made to order for our camping trip. It was sunny and pleasantly warm. Thirty eight eager camper showed up. Nineteen were from the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club, six were from the Dig and Find Club, and thirteen were from the Gold Coast Treasure Club. Club shirt were a mix of green, gold and blue. We met at the McDonalds and shortly after 9 am we were on our way to the campground. We headed straight West to Camp Challenge. This camp is known for giving handicapped and sick children a fun camping experience. After parking Ray

led us to a part of the grounds and handed each one a stick. They were to put their names on the sticks and then each person took a turn using a set of dowsing rods. The persons whose stick was the closest won \$10. Doug Melvin was the closest at about 1 foot. This was a great warm up hunt and was a lot of fun.

Our next activity was to get settled in our cabins, then begin detecting the campgrounds. We took a break for a 12:30 lunch. One lady prepared the food and did a traffic job. Then it was back to detecting. At 5:30 we came in for dinner. After the meal we had a interesting slide presentation by well known Florida Treasure Hunter Jim Warnke. He has been involved in treasure hunting for a long time and has authored several books on the subject. He had some copies of his books for sale that he had signed and also gave a special price on them. He also donated some of the book sale money to the Central Florida Club. The slide show detailed some Ghost town sites and how to locate sites to metal detect. We were all amazed at the various places people have hidden valuables. After the slide show we had a raffle which contained twenty different coins. Many thanks to those who bought tickets. Ray then exchanged marked tokens, that people had dug, for silver dimes. If you dug a gold coin then you could pick a playing card that was worth from, a silver dollar, silver half, silver quarter and a silver dime. People then looked to see who had the best poker hand. Doug Melvin recovered 8 gold pennies and won the best poker hand for \$10. We then had hunters display their finds. Stacie Delucia found a 14k diamond ring for Best Jewelry. (There was 6 nice rings found). Johanna Hass won in two categories, Ugliest Item, a crumpled piece of aluminum, and the

Oldest Item was a old clock key. The most Unusual Item was won by Doug Wolfmueller as an most unusual ring. The Oldest Coin, that was not planted, was won by Karen Larson who recovered a 1916 Mercury dime. Some of the other interesting finds were a vintage Ronson cigarette lighter, a hatchet head, metal skeleton head ring, old car keys, a safety pin necklace, an old spoon and a nice green broach.

Lonna kept a running account of the coins and items recovered. As of Saturday evening the count was 1,750 coins with a face value of \$79.50. I don't believe everyone reported their Sunday totals but would imagine that the count went over 2,000 coins. Richard Zabruski of the Gold Coast Club recovered 215 coins with a face value of \$9.20. Frank Rothery recovered 160 coins. Chuck Hosbein recovered fewer coins(133) but the face value was \$13.14. He dug 39 quarters by Saturday evening.

The CFMDC would like to thank the Gold Coast Club for their gift of a treasure chest filled with valuables. Many thanks. It is gratifying to have so many people who enjoy the hobby to come out and enjoy this activity.

The final activity of the evening was our SMILE game. Ray and Lonna came across ( by the way of Deyton Peyton) this game set that is played like Bingo. This game uses sliding windows and now we don't need those beans. Quite a few people had SMILES put on their face because of the money won playing. Ray awarded numerous cash prizes and it seemed everyone enjoyed the game. Most everyone turned in early but a few woke at 5 am to view the meteor shower. If you missed it, it will be back in 35 years. Our club photographer, Ralph Flipppo, took several pictures and if you also took

some feel free to show them at the next meeting. I was the very last person to leave the campground. I had to be at work around 3:30 pm so it wasn't practical to go home and drive back. While detecting I made a point of putting more dirt in any holes that needed it. I am very happy to report that everyone did a good job of filling their holes and picking up their trash. If you don't pick up trash it could be hiding some of the good targets. This happened to me Sunday. About 12 noon I detected by the front door of one of the cabins and dug four pull tabs. My fifth target was a gold token which go me another silver coin. I know may people detected those same pull tabs and did not dig them. Out of the 9 gold targets that I dug four came from holes where someone had already dug. A detector probe can be used to find the target quicker. I use the "grab method" where I take dirt out of the hole then when the target is in the pile of removed dirt, I grab a handful of dirt and pass it over my coil. I keep doing this until I retrieve the target. "Murphy's Law, the target you leave behind will be the most collectable one.

Well, this certainly was one of our better campground trips. The weather was perfect and the drive to the site was minimal. The slide show was an interesting and informative presentation. Many people won money or a nice raffle prize, some people recovered some interesting items and last but not least was the enjoyment of socializing with each other. If you didn't go to this one you really missed a great experience. And it was a bargain weekend get-a-way. On your own try spending less than forty dollars on three meals and a sleeping place. Thanks to Ray and Lonna who made this happen.

## **DO'S AND DON'T'S WHEN CONFRONTED BY THE LAW**

Some time in the future or maybe in the past you have or will have an encounter with the law. It all depends on how you and the law officer communicate. The encounter can be as uneventful as a short conversation or you being arrested and your detector impounded. The following information is for using your detector on public or private land. This will not work on Federal or State land because the law enforcers there are a different type of people.

Law enforcement in the cities and county's are basically the same. They are there to preserve the peace and protect property both public and private. The way the law officer accomplish's this task can vary. While most officers look the same they have their own way of handling different situations. The knowledgeable officer will try to get a person to comply with the law through friendly persuasion. They will greet you with a smile and try to explain how you are breaking the law and explain why you must stop. Most of the time this works and people will walk away feeling that the officer was just doing their job.

The other type of officer can be the type that wants to let you know that he is in charge and you better follow his orders. This type of individual wants to enforce the law with a iron fist. They think that anyone who is breaking the law is doing so on purpose, and therefore he is not going to let you get away without chewing on you because it is his job to punish wrong doers. This type of officer will leave you with a bad taste for law officers. The difference between the two types of officers is that the friendly officers feels comfortable with his authority. He knows

that you know he is a police officer. However the other type wants to let you know that he is in charge. Both types can enforce the law. The attitude is simply the matter of preference.

Police officers will usually go through four steps to obtain compliance with an order:

1. Friendly persuasion. A request that you comply. Of course the hard nosed officer will skip this part.
2. The loss of the friendly demeanor and second request to stop what you are doing
3. A final warning that further argument will not be tolerated, and will result in unpleasant consequences.
4. Then you could be taken into custody and impounding your detector.

You never want the officer to reach step 4. The metal detectorist will usually comply before step 4. Your priority should be to politely walk away without being arrested. Never ever argue with the officer. The place to disagree is in the court room. Most smart treasure hunters have their priorities in order before they encounter the law. The first thing to do is if you think that there will be some inquest as to what you are doing, go to city hall and talk to the highest official you can find. Get permission from them and they will usually give it because they really don't know what is off limits and what is not. Now if the officer tells you that you can not hunt that site you can tell them that you obtained permission and give them that officials name. If he still tells you to leave then don't get into an argument. Even on private property get permission and preferable in writing.

The point is very basic: do not argue with an officer. The detectorists goal should be to avoid getting a ticket or going to jail. You should make a polite exit as soon as possible.

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**Have you heard what's happening in the  
Central Florida Metal Detecting Club?  
COME AND FIND OUT!!**  
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**COME TO THE PARTY  
DECEMBER - 14<sup>TH</sup> CLUB MEETING.  
WE WILL HAVE A SHORT BUSINESS  
MEETING AND THEN ON WITH THE  
PARTY. WE WILL NOT HAVE ANY  
RAFFLES BUT WILL HAVE FIND OF  
THE MONTH AND BANK NITE.  
YOU ARE ASKED TO BRING A COVERED  
DISH AND THE CLUB WILL FURNISH  
THE MEAT, DRESSING AND GRAVY.  
YOU ARE ALSO ASKED TO  
BRING A WRAPPED GIFT FOR A  
CHINESE AUCTION GIFT  
EXCHANGE. IF YOU BRING A GIFT  
YOU WILL BE GIVEN A TICKET FOR  
YOUR DRAWING OF A GIFT. IF YOU  
HAVE CHILDREN, PLEASE BRING A  
GIFT FOR THEM.**

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**INTERESTING HISTORY DATES IN DECEMBER**

DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup> 1880- FIRST TELEPHONE INSTALLED IN  
THE WHITE HOUSE.  
DECEMBER 3<sup>RD</sup> 1621- GALILEO PERFECTS THE  
TELESCOPE.  
DECEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup> 1973 - GERALD FORD SWORN IN AS  
VICE PRESIDENT REPLACING SPIRO AGNEW.  
DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> 1941- U.S. AND BRITAIN DECLARE WAR  
ON JAPAN.  
DECEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup> 1884- ROLLER SKATES INVENTED.  
DECEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup> 1620- 103 PILGRIMS LAND AT  
PLYMOUTH ROCK.  
DECEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> 1800- WASHINGTON D.C.  
ESTABLISHED AS CAPITAL OF UNITED STATES.  
DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup> 1939- MOVIE, GONE WITH THE WIND,  
PREMIERES IN ATLANTA, GA.  
DECEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup> 1903- FIRST AIRPLANE FLIGHT BY  
ORVILLE AND WILBUR WRIGHT.  
DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> 1871- INVENTION OF CORRUGATED  
PAPER.  
DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup> 1937- WALT DISNEY'S SNOW WHITE  
AND THE SEVEN DWARFS PREMIERS.  
DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup> 1851- A FIRE IN THE U.S. LIBRARY OF  
CONGRESS DESTROYS 35,000 BOOKS.  
DECEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup> 1865- COFFEE PERCOLATOR  
PATENTED.  
DECEMBER 28<sup>TH</sup> 1869- CHEWING GUM PATENTED  
DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup> 1946- PRESIDENT HARRY TRUMAN  
PROCLAIMS THE END OF WORLD WAR II

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**THE MORE YOU SEARCH THE MORE YOU FIND**

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### **JUST THE FACTS**

If you yelled for 8 years, 7 months and 6 days you  
would have produced enough energy to heat one  
cup of coffee.

If you farted consistently for 6 years and 9  
months, enough gas is produced to create the  
energy of an atomic bomb.

A cockroach will live nine days without its head  
before it starves to death.

The strongest muscle in the human body is the  
tongue.

Right handed people tend to live 9 years longer  
than left handed people.

**DUES ARE DUE IN JANUARY 2002**