

Treasure Talk

The Monthly Newsletter of The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club

August 2022

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Note From the President:

It is August and the hottest month of the year. Daily temperatures are in the 90's and the UV index is high. If you are out there detecting, please drink plenty of water and let someone know where you are going. Hunt with a partner if possible. We want everyone to stay safe in this heat.

Since the weather is so hot, we have decided to cancel the ice cream social and silent auction at the church property this month. There will be no hunt.

If you would like to bring any items in for the silent auction to donate, please bring them in to the September meeting. Plan to arrive early to look at all the items that are up for auction. We will have the ice cream social at the meeting in September as well. The cost is \$4 and this is to raise money for the October hunt.

We have all been working hard on the October hunt and sign-ups are going fast. We are limiting it to 200 participants so hurry up and sign up if you have not yet. There will be over 400 prizes, gold, and over \$10,000 in silver. KG, R,ingy and Gypsy will be attending the hunt. Minelab, Nokta Makro, RTG, New Age Goonies, Gary Penta, Relic Chic, Scubawize are just a few of the other vendors! This is a hunt you do not want to miss!

If anyone has any business that would like to sponsor the event, please let me know at the meeting. Donations are really important for our Sunshine and Silver Hunt!

See ya at the meeting!

Jim



Secretary's Report

July 2022 Meeting Notes

By: Debbie Bishop

Meeting was called to order on July 8, 2022 at 7:30 PM by Jim Tippitt.

Bryan asked the members to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Debbie Bishop asked the members if there were any changes to the newsletter and there were none that needed to be made.

Vickie Chilla gave the member count.

Birthdays and Anniversaries were called to the front.

Jim Fielding gave a tech talk on magnets and coils. He went into detail about their size and shapes and how they work for different situations.

Dave presented a certificate to Daniel Lewis and Lee Neubauer for assisting with recoveries. Dave invited Savannah Stallings to the meeting, who was visiting, and Dave assisted with finding her boyfriend's cross. Bryan then told about his recovery in a garden area.

Bryan explained the rules for the finds table. He introduced the ID table for people to bring in items that they need help with an ID on. Jim will hold and allow people to guess what they are.

Voting commenced. Break ended at 8:30 PM

Marc Hoover came to the front and spoke about the new Artwork Gary Penta was making. He also showed his custom-painted shovel that Jerry Burbough painted at his Powder Coating Company.

Raffles were done.

Finds of the month were presented by Rob Loucks and Bryan Mott.

Jim called the meeting to an end and asked the members to help put the tables and chairs by where we found them.

















REMINDER: Club dues are \$25 for the year and there is a one-time membership fee of \$15. If you are paying by check, please make it out to "The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club"

Come And Join Us!!!

We meet the second Friday of every month.

Meeting Place:

Community United Methodist Church 41 West Highbanks Rd. Debary, FL 32713

Meeting Date: August 12, 2022 Meeting Time: 7:30pm

OUR CLUB'S METAL DETECTING CODE OF ETHICS

- 1. Fill all holes. Leave the land and vegetation as it was.
- 2. Remove all trash and litter when you leave.
- 3. Respect the rights and property of others.
- 4. Observe all laws, whether national, state or local.
- 5. Aid law enforcement officials whenever possible.
- Never destroy priceless historical/archeological treasures.
- 7. All metal detectorists may be judged by the example you set. Always conduct yourself with courtesy and consideration for others.

Club patches available for \$8 each and to non-members at \$10 each. See Rob Hill at the meeting to purchase.



SILVER RAFFLE WINNERS

Chuck Hosbein, Pete Ritcher (2), Gene Hitchew, Bill Green, Janet Mott, Jack Warnke

FIFTY/FIFTY WINNER
Lee Neubauer

BADGE DRAWING

No Winner \$30 next month

June Birthdays George Gurden

ANNIVERSARIES

JUNE

Gary and Chasity Dover

COIN VALUE OF THE MONTH

1856 P Flying Eagle

Mintage: 2,000

| Grade | Value | |
|-----------------------------|----------|--|
| Good | \$7,826 | |
| Fine | \$10,522 | |
| Extremely Fine | \$15,117 | |
| Source: www.usacoinbook.com | | |

Space Coast Newest Detecting Store!



Member Feature - Dave Syler

Over the past few years, I have enjoyed metal detecting in all aspects of the hobby, from my first coin dating prior 1900 to my most recent relic (I found today) dating 1863... There is something called "Hype of the Hunt". It is when I get that feeling of anticipation that the possibility of something being recovered from my metal detector and pin pointer might just might be something of significance. But completely aside from this hobby, here is a little about myself and who I am in my eyes.

I don't smoke or drink much, I don't gamble or search for dates either. I stay fairly healthy & try to listen to GOD's plan for me so I can interpret where I am in it. I wanted to see the world and travel when I was younger, so I joined the NAVY as a Nuclear Engineer. I left the military after my 5 years after learning new fields of work such as gas turbine engineering and law enforcement. I quickly became employed at Boston Whaler to learn the boat building industry from ground up, and now it has been 24 years.

I currently have a loving white cat on this keyboard and his cat bud is stretching out on a leather sofa. I enjoy designing & building, go on scuba diving adventures with friends, learning how play 80's on the piano, visiting the local museum, watching Forged in Fire re-runs with a cheese on a cracker, an occasional dinner out with my dad, researching through genealogy methods with my mom, and analyzing old maps to compare them with google. I basically work for a living and at times take a college class that interests me. I take my time when I have my feet up and relaxing, but when it's time to get the chores or projects done, I find myself in 5th gear until it's finished.











October 8, 2022

465 W. Highbanks Rd Debary, FL 32713





Registration 7:45 am
Welcome 9:00 am
Cache and Token Hunt 9:15 am
Relic Hunt 10:00 am
Lunch 12:00 pm
Kid's Hunt 12:45 pm
Cash and Token Hunt 1:30 pm
Silver and Gold Hunt 2:30 pm
Vendor Prizes 4:30 pm

\$149 Before August 1st, 2022 \$179 After August 1st, 2022 \$199 The day of the hunt



More than 500 tokens! Cash Prizes! Metal Detectors! Special Guests! Gold! Silver! Relics! Limited to 200 participates.

> Register Now at www.thecfmdc.com Partnered with:

















You do not want to miss out on this hunt! We have a lot of prizes that include gold, silver, relics, and metal detecting equipment.



By Jim Fielding

The Mordes of the 1980's - Long Before The End of the World

I was fairly active in writing treasure-hunting articles back in the 1980's. We had no digital cameras back then, and I used a 35 mm Pentax ME camera, shot Eastman Kodak Tri-X B&W, had my own darkroom, in which I was always found developing and printing the 8x10 glossies I'd send along with the manuscript. I actually wrote for a couple magazines, an in-flight mag for Delta, and a few other general interest publications. A case-in-point here, I interviewed and did an article about Jerry and Cindy Mordes in 1984. who then owned "Pot Of Gold Metal Detectors" in Ft. Lauderdale, for the now-defunct Lost Treasure Magazine.. Jerry was an animated guy, a lot like a game show host, and he told me thru a lot of hand gestures and narrative, that he and his wife Cindy were avid (read addicted) beach and water hunters and searched every single low tide, AM and PM, for usually a 3-months straight. He said they were almost dead at the end of each detecting marathon, but found some really amazing and valuable things in the process. You have got to realize this was 35 years ago, before metal detecting became the "National Pastime;" you didn't have 15 to 20 people metal detecting the beach every hour, on the hour, every quarter-mile, digging every single bottlecap and rusted tent stake, and no social media to proudly display your pile of rust. And although the finds were many, the rewards were less; you have to remember gold was around \$35 an ounce then, not the \$1300 or more an ounce it is today. Cindy related how her and Jerry got called out on an emotional mission looking for lost pauper graves in Ft. Lauderdale's "Evergreen Cemetery"



Jerry and Cindy Mordes circ.1984-note the "new"old machines behind them

Cindy said "Evergreen was one of the original cemeteries in Fort Lauderdale and has graves dating back to the Civil War." In particular, she also explained, that over the last century or so, Florida's watery and swampy ground had slowly but surly pulled the pauper grave caskets and their occupants deeper and deeper, until there were many scores of pauper graves lost to the caretakers. These were the graves of the poor, indigent and unclaimed people.



Cindy Mordes displays a recovered metal grave marker - note the damaged surface

She and Jerry had been recruited by the caretakers and City of Fort Lauderdale to bring their metal detecting club (Pot Of Gold Metal Detecting Club) out to see if they could locate the metal grave-tags hammered into the top of pauper caskets. The club spread out over the lonely headstone-less graveyard, scanning the grounds for a signal. Many grave-tags and subsequent grave-sites were re-discovered thanks to this group back in 1984. Cindy found a few grave-tags that were so badly damaged the information on them was not recoverable. She said "I was so sad we could not make out the information on em'." She frowned "I wanted to take some of them home to clean and see if I could read them, but the caretakers said 'No' so I left them."

Back in the shop, we talked about the grave-marker recovery project a bit more. Jerry said "You are worried about what you might find, metal detecting in a graveyard and think about the bones in the box under your feet and wonder if they mind you walking over them." A good-sized Garrette Gold Pan suddenly fell off it's perch and clattered to the floor making us all jump. Cindy looked at us and said "Maybe we shouldn't be talking about this." Jerry looked at the fallen gold-pan and just said "Hmmm" The final count was a dozen or more graves that were found by the members of Pot Of Gold Metal Detecting Club, thanks to the hobby some lost souls were found and remembered. I don't know whatever happened to Jerry and Cindy, with 37-years and hundreds of miles between us. I can only hope they are as avid about the hobby as ever...I know a dozen souls that hope so too!

Finds Table Rules and Etiquette

Do not pick up other members' finds without their consent.

Do not solicit votes.

ONLY bring finds in that you found WHILE detecting.

Vote for the find you like the most!

Do not look at the name or number on the back of the voting slip to determine your vote

Only vote 1 time!

Voting is for active members only.

Remember this is a friendly competition. Have fun with it

2022 FINDS TABLES SCORES

FINDS TABLES SCORES THROUGH APRIL 2022

| Place | Name | Points |
|------------------|-----------------|--------|
| 1 | Danny Case | 91 |
| 2 | John Ayers | 73 |
| 3 | Lee Neubauer | 65 |
| 4 | Gage Dover | 62 |
| 5 | Jim Tippitt | 57 |
| 6 | Bill Green | 55 |
| 7 | Pete Richter | 51 |
| 8 | Alan James | 43 |
| 8 | Bryan Mott | 43 |
| 9 | Vickie Chilla | 30 |
| 10 | Debbie Bishop | 27 |
| 11 | Richard Balkham | 22 |
| 12 | Gary Flatt | 21 |
| 13 | Marc Hoover | 20 |
| 14 | Mason Porter | 18 |
| 15 | Rob Hill | 16 |
| 16 | Doug Prock | 14 |
| 17 | Mike Grace | 11 |
| 17 | Yamil Rodriguez | 11 |
| 18 | Jerry Burbaugh | 8 |
| 19 | Bill Bergdoll | 7 |
| 19 | Amy Raspa | 7 |
| 19 | Gary Dover | 7 |
| 20 | Roy Peters | 6 |
| 21 | Jerry Hitson | 4 |
| 21 | Deborah Prock | 4 |
| 21 | Gene Hitechew | 4 |
| 22 | Jim Fielding | 3 |
| 22 | David Syler | 3 |
| 22 | Metthew Fields | 3 |
| 22 | Shane Bryant | 3 |
| 23 | Debbie Edwards | 2 |
| 23 | Joe Marsh | 2 |
| 23 | Daniel Lewis | 2 |
| 24 Cherly Fields | | 1 |
| 24 Tyler Clausen | | 1 |



Artifact Group 1stJim Tippitt



Artifact Single 1st
Gage Dover



Coin Group 1stPete Ritcher



Coin Single 1st Bryan Mott



Jewelry Group 1st

Jim Tippitt



Jewelry Single 1stDanny Case



Odds & Ends Group 1st

Jim Tippitt



Odds & Ends Single 1st

Jim Tippitt



Best DisplayJim Tippitt



2022 CFMDC EVENT SCHEDULE

9/17/2022

Open Hunt Location: Frank Rendon Park Time: 7:00 pm

10/8/2022

Cost: Free

Annual Hunt (Open Hunt limited to 200)
Location: Church Pavilion
Time: 7:45 am

Cost: \$149 before 8/1/22 and \$179 after 8/1/22. \$199 Day of the hunt Special Activity: 9th Annual Sunshine Silver and Relic Hunt

11/19/2022

Member Hunt Location: Church Pavilion Time: 9:00 am Cost: Free

Special Activity: Potluck lunch

12/2/2022

Members Only Christmas Party (1 guest per member)

Location: Church Time: 7 pm

Cost: Free

Special Activity: Annual Christmas Party (Club meeting)

Prayers and Positive Thoughts

Please Keep Kathy Waters in your thoughts as she battles cancer in hospice.

Please keep Bill and Debbie Green in your thoughts as they deal with the loss of a child.

Please keep George Case in your thoughts as he recovers from knee surgery.

Please keep Don Cole in your thoughts as he continues to deal with a medical issue.

Please Keep Jim Fielding in your thoughts as he continues to fight cancer.

The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club

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Application For Membership Please Print Application

Membership Fees:______ Single (\$15)
(Membership Fee may incur after one year lapse of dues)

Membership Dues: \$25.00 Per year/ Per Member

Make all checks out to C.F.M.D.C.

Meetings: Second Friday of Each Month at 7:30 pm
Location: Community United Methodist Church
41 West Highbanks Rd.
Debary, FL 32713

| Name: | - | 1 | <u> </u> | |
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| Address: | A. | | | / |
| City: | | State | Zip: | |
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When are you available for Metal Detecting? Weekdays-- Weekends--

I agree to abide to all club rules and obey the treasure hunters code of ethics.

| Signature: | | | |
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Introduced by:_____

Applications and fees may be presented at meeting or mailed to: CFMDC Members

P.O. Box 1563, Eustis, FL. 32727

Or online at: http://www.thecfmdc.com/join.html

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Club Volunteers

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Half & Half

George & Deborah Guimond

Silver Raffle

Bill & Betty Shackelford

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Bill Shackleford, Rob Loucks, Jerry Hitson

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Joe Bishop

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Carolyn Yohannes

ANY TIME YOU SHOW UP FOR A CLUB MEETING OR HUNT, DON'T FORGET TO SIGN THE REGISTER.

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO BRING A SNACK FOR THE MONTHLY MEETING!