



# Treasure Talk

The Monthly Newsletter of The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club

December 2022

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## Note From the President:

We have made it the last meeting for 2022! Thank you everyone for bearing with me as I learned the ropes of the president this year!

Thank you to everyone who brought in canned food for the ESTHER food drive at the meeting on Friday. It was very successful and much appreciated.

Our Christmas party will be on December 16, 2022, at 7:00 pm at the church. It is a member-only party. Each member can bring a guest. The church will be catering the party. We ask that the members bring in a dessert.

If you would like to participate in the gift exchange at the party, please bring a gift that is valued at \$15 that is gift-wrapped. Please do not put your name on the gift.

Don't forget you still have time to nominate for the positions on the board. We will hold a formal vote at the Christmas party on Friday.

See ya at the PARTY!

Jim



## Secretary's Report

# December 2022 Meeting Notes

By: Debbie Bishop

Meeting was called to order on December 9, 2022 at 7:30 PM by Jim.

Bryan asked the members to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Debbie asked for adjustments to the newsletter. Vickie provided the member count of 310.

Jim called guests to the front of the room.

Next, the birthdays and anniversaries for December and November were called to the front of the room.

Bryan told everyone about a ring recovery that he attempted in Lake Eola.

Marc Hoover asked Jim to talk about ESTHER. Jim spoke about the food drive, the donations from the Annual hunt, and the new facility.

Vickie read a thank you letter that ESTHER sent.

Break was called at 7:50.

Voting commenced. Break ended at 8:25 PM

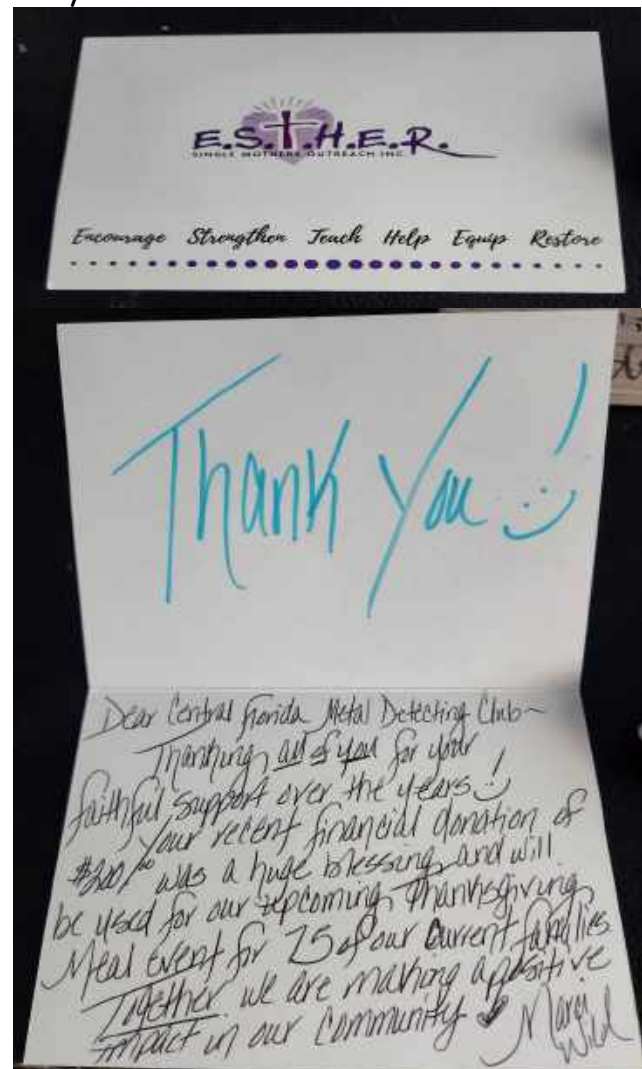
Debbie explained the Christmas party and asked the members to bring a dessert. She asked everyone to signup. She also explained the gift exchange. Jim informed us you would exchange a gift for a ticket and when your ticket was called, you would grab a gift.

Jim offered nominations and no one volunteered. Marc Hoover asked if someone could be nominated before the party and Jim asked Alan and Carolyn to explain how nominations and voting works. Jim said members could make suggestions on the FB page or to him by email.

Jim and Bryan did the raffles.

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

Jim called the meeting to order and asked for the members to assist with putting the chairs away.



**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: October 14, 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.
6. 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

John Ayers, Bill Green, Lee Neubauer, Gene Hinchew, Don Hickey

### FIFTY/FIFTY WINNER

Billie Jo

### BADGE DRAWING

George Case  
\$10 next month

### **BIRTHDAYS**

### **NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER**

Marc Hoover, Todd James, Bill Green, Rob Loucks

### **ANNIVERSARIES**

### **NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER**

Debbie and Bill Green, Sarah and Charlie Ritcher, Gene Hinchew

### **COIN VALUE OF THE MONTH**

1990 Lincoln Cent No Mint

Mintage: 2,000

<u>Grade</u>	<u>Value</u>
PR	\$4509

Source: [www.usacoinbook.com](http://www.usacoinbook.com)

**Space Coast Newest Detecting Store!**





By Jim Fielding

### Detector Snobbery - Elitist Detecting

As the 21st Century progresses (although that can be debated), in the world of metal detecting there is a cold war running just beneath the glitz and glitter of treasure hunting, if that's even what they call it anymore. This conflict has always raged since the first guy with a mine sweeper found a treasure coin on a beach. And it is a war with the best, most advanced detector out there verses the best most advanced detector out there! You read it right, it's the all-time, all-encompassing argument between detectorists as to which machine is the best, and almost always degenerates into the time-honored discussion and disagreement over whose machine detects the deepest!



As the lists of detector manufacturers shrinks from several hundred in the mid to late 1960's to a half-dozen or less in the first quarter of the 21st Century, competition between the remaining brands has been fierce, and sometimes not on the up and up. In, then, the end,

manufacturers Fisher, Garrette, DEUS (deh us), Minelab and Nokta Macro make up the players in this game of technical superiority. And there are plenty of arguments and points of context users continually par and counter-par with each other. I always find it a bit comical no one actually tests one machine against the other in a semi-scientific way. Except in one instance, they did. And the losers were not particularly happy about it. We will speak of this in a future post,

The end product of all this is BUYING THE LATEST MODEL metal detector, and totally believing the sales hype. Just so you know, the laws of physics governing the design of metal detectors are currently immutable, as far as electrodynamic devices go. These instruments have pretty well reached the end of the line unless a newly discovered tenet of our physical universe is discovered and then used to engineer better metal detectors that are light years in advance of our current models. Each new model is usually released with fanfare and excitement and with the unspoken assurance that it will surely go DEEPER than the previous machines of years gone by. But will it?

Depth, from a metal detecting standpoint, is dependent on factors other than the machine itself. It depends on how wet the ground is, or in other words, how conductive the matrix (sand, soil, gravel, rock etc.) is to electromagnetic energy. Very low frequency machines are very good at passing through the earth and water, not suffering from signal attenuation, or energy absorption, that plague higher frequencies. It also depends on the type of search-coil, the size of the search-coil, how much power is being transmitted from the search coil. and how the gain and sensitivity controls are set. Just because it has a new and shiny exterior for 2023, does not make it much better than the sun-bleached hull of a metal detector from 2013. Especially if you are an expert at using the 2013 model. A new machine puts you back below the learning curve again until you get a few hundred hours using it in various situations and environments again. I would bet cash money on the old hand using an older detector they know like the back of their hand, against someone who has just purchased the newest machine with the amazing paint job with all the bells and whistles.

I would say that learning your current machine's strengths, weaknesses and hidden talents makes it mandatory you don't fall for the latest machine to come down the pike every six months to a year. I know people who buy the latest machine before learning the previous "latest machine" from 11-months earlier. This will get you nowhere quick, but if you enjoy spending money and have plenty of it, by all means buy the latest detector out there ever 6 to 12 months, people will marvel at you, but not at you finds until you learn the machine really well. But you don't have time with a new machine being released really soon by a competing manufacturer you will have to have. Take a little time to learn a machine really, really well. Your detector will love you for it.



## **2022 Christmas Party**

12/16/2022

Members Only Christmas Party (1 guest per member)

Location: Church Time: 7 pm

Cost: Free

Special Activity: Annual Christmas Party

Please bring a dessert to share with members.

The meal will be catered by the church.

If you would like to participate in the gift exchange, please bring a wrapped gift worth \$15.



## **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 SEPTEMBER 2022

Place	Name	Points
1	Danny Case	132
2	Gage Dover	128
3	Bill Green	125
4	John Ayers	122
5	Lee Neubauer	101
6	Jim Tippitt	72
7	Bryan Mott	69
8	Alan James	68
9	Gary Flatt	57
10	Pete Richter	53
11	Rob Hill	44
12	Vickie Chilla	30
13	Debbie Bishop	27
14	Richard Balkham	22
14	Mason Porter	22
15	Marc Hoover	20
16	Jerry Hitson	18
17	Doug Prock	15
18	Bill Bergdoll	12
19	Mike Grace	11
19	Yamil Rodriguez	11
19	Deborah Prock	11
20	Amy Raspa	9
21	Jerry Burbaugh	7
21	Gary Dover	7
21	Jim Fielding	7
22	Roy Peters	6
22	Ricky Jacobs	6
23	David Syler	5
23	Rob Loucks	5
24	Gene Hitechew	4
24	Daniel Lewis	4
25	Metthew Fields	3
25	Shane Bryant	3
25	Dawn Taylor	3
25	Jim Sippel	3
26	Debbie Edwards	2
26	Joe Marsh	2
27	Cherly Fields	1
27	Tyler Clausen	1
27	Walter Welch	1
27	William Yates	1

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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:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail** \_\_\_\_\_

**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:** \_\_\_\_\_

**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>**



## **Club Officers**

### **President**

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### **Vice President**

Dave Syler



### **2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President**

Brian Mott



### **Treasurer**

Vickie Chilla

### **Secretary**

Debbie Bishop



## **Club Volunteers**

### **Monthly Finds Tables**

Rob Loucks

### **Webmaster**

Jerry Hitson

### **Half & Half**

George & Deborah Guimond

### **Silver Raffle**

Bill & Betty Shackelford

### **Photographers**

Bill Shackelford, Rob Loucks, Jerry Hitson

### **Refreshments**

Joe Bishop

### **Newsletter Editor**

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!**