

# The Monthly Newsletter of The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club February 2025

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#### **Note From the President:**

As I sit down to write my first President's message of this year I would like to convey to you some of my goals for the coming year. We were handed a perfect opportunity by Carolyn and Jerry Burbaugh with an "in" to the Volusia county commissioners. We, as a club, need to take this opportunity very seriously as it is a great honor to be selected as the test for getting the county parks open again for detecting. I have another county I may have an "in" with, and hopefully we can open another closed county to detecting in the future.

I do believe that there is strength in numbers and I would like to make a great effort to increase our club membership. I would like to ask EVERYONE to please invite at least one person to each meeting this year. We all know that if we invite 10 people maybe one or two will show up but at least we are making the effort and as such we will start to grow. When we do get new

members, let's welcome them to the club and give them any help they request. This is how we grow.

We have a few hunts coming up in the next few months, the first will be a club hunt at the church property on Saturday February 21st, the day after our meeting.. I know we all had a blast at the last hunt at the Volusia County Fair Grounds but will return for one month to the church. The next one on Saturday March 21st will be a permission hunt at an early 1900's property. Thanks to Brian Mott for securing this for the club. Location will be announced at the March meeting so you will not want to miss this meeting, or really any meeting.

We are planning the Big Hunt in April on the 12th. Our Silver Relic Hunt! More details will follow and the signup is on the FB page so please go and join us for a great time on April 12th

Happy hunting, be safe and always follow the metal detecting code of ethics as you are representing the CFMDC anytime you hunt. Now --- GO Find Gold!!!!!!

#### **Secretary's Report**



December Meeting Notes By: Rachel Storey

The meeting was called to order on January 10th, 2025 at 7:30 PM by Randy.

Daniel asked the members to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. Daniel asked for any amendments to the newsletter. Jim and Vickie said they would provide the club member count after the big purge of non paying members was dropped.

December birthdays and anniversaries were called to the front since it was missed at the Christmas party. Then, the January birthdays were called to the front.

Randy and Daniel welcomed first time visitors (10) and new members (3).

Carolyn and Jerry opened up with our first hunt of the year at the Volusia County Fairgrounds. If we do a good job, picking up trash and filling our holes, we will be able to get into one more park (maybe historical). This can open up many other doors. This is a member only hunt. You must be paid up with your

membership dues. Please bring a drop cloth.

Randy mentioned that we still need to reach out to sponsors for our events this year (Minelab, Garrett, Notka, etc). If anyone has any close contacts with name, emails, telephone numbers, or any big companies that are willing to help out or donate anything, please give that information to Rachel, to help her try to reach out to them. Also, we will need volunteers to help with the preparation (volunteers can hunt).

Randy announced the club will be holding the 12th Annual Sunshine Silver and Relic Hunt on Saturday, April 12th. The price is \$125 for everyone that signs up before the day of the hunt and \$149 on the day of the hunt. Lunch is not included in the price and there will be food vendors on site. There will not be T-shirts this year.

Mark Hoover talked about the ProAm Treasure Hunt in Greenville, Missouri. This is a seeded and natural hunt with 400-500 acres to detect. It is being held on March 28th-30th and the cost is \$200.

Randy called a break at 8:15.

Carolyn thanked all the club volunteers for their hard work and services. We also need more volunteers on snacks, water, and coffee to be served at our monthly meetings. If you are willing to help, please let us know.

Hunters of the year were announced.
Finds of the year were announced.
Alan called the winners for the raffles.
Finds of the month were announced.
Club Hunt was announced to be on
1/18/25 at the Volusia County
Fairgrounds.

**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 on the second Friday of every month(except for Feb/March, which will be the 3rd Friday of the month)

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

Meeting Date: February 21, 2025
Meeting Time: 7:30pm

# The Central Florida 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.
- All metal detectorists may be judged by the example you set. Always conduct yourself with courtesy and consideration for others.

# January 2025 Raffle Winners Silver Raffle Winners



#### Silver Raffle

Bill Green, Sarah Richter, Gage Dover, Gene Hitechew, Clifford Cassidy, Rachel Storey, John Ayres, Ron West

**50/50 Winner** Rachel Storey

Name Badge Winner Lee Naubauer

#### **Green Ticket Winner**

Bill Bergdoll, Deborah Prock, Gage Dover, Rob Hill, Susan Arrington

Participation Finds Winner
Danny Case (silver quarter owed)

### **January Birthdays**



Jim Fielding, Doug Melvin, Rob Hill, Lee Neubauer, Kyler Howard

**January Anniversaries** 

#### Men's: John Ayers Women's: Deb Prock





#### 2024 Hunters Of The Year

#### 1st Place

Men's: Rob Hill Women's: Lee Neubauer





**2nd Place**Men's: Garv Flat

Men's: Gary Flat Women's: Sara Richter





3rd Place

## 2025 Board Members



President - Randy Settle



Vice President - Daniel Lewis



2nd Vice President - Rick Johnson



Treasurer- Wayne Gerichten



Secretary- Rachel Storey

## 2024 Finds of the Year

Coin Single
Gary Flat
Coin Group
Jim Tippitt

Artifact Single
John Ayers
Artifact Group
Rob Hill

Jewelry Single
Rob Hill
Jewelry Group
Rob Hill

Odds & Ends Single
Brian Mott
Odds & Ends Group
Danny Case

| Place | Member          | Total Point |
|-------|-----------------|-------------|
| 1     | Rob Hill        | 20          |
| 2     | John Ayers      | 19          |
| 3     | Bryan Mott      | 17          |
| 4     | Lee Neubauer    | 12          |
| 5     | Bill Green      | 10          |
| 6     | Jim Tippitt     | 7           |
| 6     | Danny Case      | 7           |
| 7     | Randy Settle    | 5           |
| 8     | Dave Gascoyne   | 4           |
| 9     | Rob Loucks      | 2           |
| 9     | Victor Cataraga | 2           |

# Finds Table Rules and Etiquette

You must be a member and paid up for the year to put a find on the table.

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

Do not solicit votes.

ONLY bring finds that you found WHILE detecting.

Vote for the find you like the most!

Do Not share finds.

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!





Coin Single Rob Hill



Coin Group Rob Hill



Artifact Single John Ayers



Artifact Group Rob Hill



Jewelry Single Bryan Mott



Jewelry Group John Ayers



Odds & Ends Single Bryan Mott



Odds & Ends Group Bill Green



Display of the Month Randy Settle

## **Club Officers**



President - Randy Settle



Vice President - Daniel Lewis



2nd Vice President - Rick Johnson



Treasurer- Wayne Gerichten



**Secretary-** Rachel Storey

## **Club Volunteers**

# Monthly Finds Tables Rob Loucks

Webmaster Jerry Hitson

Half & Half Bryan and Janet Mott

Silver Raffle
Bill & Betty Shackelford

Photographer
Bill Shackleford, Rob Loucks, Jerry
Hitson

Refreshments
Joe Bishop

Newsletter Editor Rachel Storey

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!

Please make sure that you are helping set up the meeting or closing the meeting down! The same members should not be doing this every month!

