

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

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# Greetings From Club President Alan James

*HAPPY NEW YEAR* to everyone at the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club and your families! Hopefully this year will bring good health, good friends, and good cheer to all of us!

I want to use this newsletter to help introduce new members to some of the things

we do at the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club. By becoming an active member of the club, you have the opportunity to hone your skills, enjoy club outings, have some friendly competition and meet a lot of really great people!

January's monthly club meeting offers a chance for you to vote for your

favorite find of the year. Each member that won a first place position in any category on the finds table last year should bring in those same first place winners to compete again for the "Find of the Year." This is for all 1<sup>st</sup> place winners in all categories last year. These will be displayed at the back of the room.

In addition, the normal finds table will be up and running also. This monthly table will consist of finds which came out of the ground between the November meeting and the January meeting since there was no finds table in December. Remember – the items placed on the table must have been found **<u>BY USING YOUR</u> <u>DETECTOR</u>** in order to qualify for placement in the evenings vote. Interesting items found any other way <u>**MUST**</u> be placed in the Odds & Ends or Display section of the table.

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Because the point system currently being used requires a great deal of accurate tracking, please be sure to fill out both the "monthly finds" form and the "finds table" form so that you get proper credit for items placed on the tables. Both of these forms can be found on the club website at <u>www.thecfmdc.com</u>.

This is the point system used to determine the "Hunter of the Year."  $1^{st}$  place = 4 pts.;  $2^{nd}$  place = 3 pts.;  $3^{rd}$  place = 2 pts.; and all other entries = 1 point. Point tracking is up to each of you to verify and turn in before the end of the meeting each month.

As a new member, please bring in your finds & ask someone to show you how to display your recent finds on the table along with all of the other entries. You can't win if you don't enter.

Our second annual Member Appreciation Hunt will be held at 9:30AM on Saturday January 19<sup>th</sup> at Wilson Lake Park. This hunt is free to all active members. This includes all new members! More details will be discussed at the meeting.

Review the Calendar-of-Events on the website and plan ahead so you don't miss out on any of the fun. This site is updated as necessary so check it out often and stay informed. Get involved, stay involved, learn & have fun!

See you at the next meeting, - Alan

#### Come And Join Us!!!

We meet the second Friday of every month.

**Meeting Place: Sanford Garden Club** 

200 Fairmont Ave.

Sanford, FL 32773

Meeting Date: Friday, January 11, 2013

Meeting Time: 7:30 PM

The Sanford Garden Club is located 2 blocks south of Lake Mary Blvd. on the east side of SR 17-92. For information, contact Bill Shackelford at (407) 323-3401 or Alan James at (386) 717-5775.

Some members will eat at Colorado's Steak Place prior to the meeting. It is one block north of our meeting place. You can just park at the Sanford Garden Club and walk on over!

Other members will eat at the Ichigo Ichie Buffet prior to the meeting. It is located at 3611 South Orlando Drive (SR 17-92) at the Walmart shopping center located on the west side of the 417.

We eat at 5:30. If you would like to join us, we would be happy to see you! Don't forget, it's BYOM!

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# NOTES FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

## By Scott Jackson, CFMDC Newsletter Editor

# Check out the <u>new</u> CFMDC Archive at: www.thecfmdc.com/archives.html

There will be a Member's Appreciation Hunt on Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at 9:30 AM at Wilson's Landing Park, just off of S.R. 46 on the north side of Sanford. The address is 387 Malekean Trail, Sanford, FL 32771. Coffee, water, juice and doughnuts will be provided! There will be no charge for the food or the hunt, but the hunt is open to active members only!

The Sunshine Shootout has been moved from its original date of February to April, 2013. The exact Saturday has not yet been determined but it will be at Moss Park. Details are on the club website. Early registration is recommended. The more who register, the more goodies will be planted!





A Message From Lorrie! By Lorrie Sprigg, CFMDC Activities Director Happy New Year ya all!"

It looks like we made it. No alien visitors (<u>d a r n</u>) or catastrophic events. "Thank God". So we keep trucking along. Maybe we can get it right this year!

Many thanks to Shirley, Christine, Harriet, Nannette and Jerry for helping me decorate for the Christmas Party. It went so fast with your help. I didn't bring as much as I usually do because of time to clean up. Your help was greatly appreciated.

Thank You! Lorrie



CFMDC Meeting Minutes For December, 2012 By Debra Green, CFMDC Secretary

#### **CFMDC** Meeting Notes

The December meeting of the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club was called to order at 7:30 pm by club president, Alan James. Everyone was welcomed, Merry Christmas greetings were extended and the meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Bill Green.

#### Alan James and Bill Shackelford

December birthdays - Recognized December anniversaries - Recognized

#### <u>Guests</u>

Three guests were called to the front of the room and welcomed to their first CFMDC meeting.

#### <u>Awards</u>

Completion of Level One Award - Michael Cavender

#### **Bill Shackelford**

Officer elections were opened to the floor. A motion was put forward for the current board members to be re-elected as the 2013 officers. The motion was accepted, seconded and passed.

#### 2013 Board Members

- President Alan James
- Vice President Bill Shackelford
- Second Vice President Bill Green
- Treasurer Chuck Hosbein
- Secretary Deb Green
- Activities Director Lorrie Sprigg

#### <u>Alan James</u>

For the 2013 finds table, if an item is not found with a metal detector, it is to be placed in the "Odds & Ends" category. We would like to thank Rob Loucks for all his effort and hard work during this past year to make the finds table such a smooth award presentation for the club members.

#### Lorrie Sprigg

I would like to thank all of the members who came this afternoon to help set up the rooms for our party. Would Bea Case, George Case and Shirley DeVary please stand up? We set up this room in record time this year. Shirley drove all the way over from the coast, and we were done in one hour. Let's give them a round of applause.

#### <u> Prize Drawings – Alan James</u>

- Silver Coin Alan James
- Pin Pointer Jerry Hitson
- Silver Coin Roland Davis
- Silver Coin D. J. Rainer

Our Special Grand Prize Winner of the MineLab E-Trac Metal Detector is Bill Bergdoll. Special congratulations to Bill, and congratulations to all of the other winners!

#### Holiday Dinner Break

### Gift Exchange

#### <u>Alan James</u>

Thanks to all who brought items for the party this evening. Lorrie Sprigg did a great job this year with coordinating the festivities. Let's help her out by putting the chairs and tables away. The decorations are saved, so please do not toss them out. We'll see you in 2013!

### CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB FINDS TABLES RULES

- 1. Single and Group entries may be submitted by active club members in the following areas: COINS, JEWELRY, ARTIFACTS, and ODDS & ENDS.
- 2. The only entries to be submitted are those that have been found since the last meeting. In January, submissions for items found since the November meeting will be accepted as there is no Finds Tables in December due to the Holiday Dinner.
- 3. ENTRIES MUST HAVE BEEN FOUND WITH YOUR METAL DETECTOR AND MUST HAVE BEEN FOUND WHILE YOU WERE METAL DETECTING.
- 4. Non-metal items (which includes items made of plastic, pottery, etc.) found while metal detecting, may <u>only</u> be entered in the ODDS & ENDS category.
- 5. Items found in pawn shops, garage sales, flea markets, thrift or antique stores, and the like, are not eligible for the Finds Tables categories and may be submitted in the DISPLAY section only.
- 6. If you are not sure if an item is eligible for the Finds Tables, please ask a club officer.
- 7. The Finds Tables operates on the honor system. So please, honor <u>all</u> the club members and keep it honest!