

THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE CENTRAL FLORIDA METAL DETECTING CLUB



June 2011

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A Great BIG thanks to all these people!

Come Join Us!

We will be eating at the Colorado's Steak Place. It is just north of the meeting place. Park at the meeting building and walk over. We eat at 5:30. If you would like to join us, we would be happy to see you. BYOM!

The club meets the 2nd Friday of each month at the Sanford Garden Club. It is located about 2 blocks south of Lake Mary Blvd. on the east side of 17-92. For more information contact Bill Shackelford at (407) 323-3401 or Alan James at (386) 717-5775

Club web site: www.thecfmdc.com

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REMINDER: The club due's are \$25 for the year and a membership fee of \$15. If you are paying by check please make it out to the CFMDC

President's Corner

Alan James

Here we are, June 2011 – half way through the year. The Central Florida Metal Detecting Club has been fortunate to have a strong, growing membership base and a dedicated group of active volunteers.

Without each one of these individuals the club would have a hard time succeeding however, this month I'd like to feature one club MEMBER OF THE MONTH who has been a dedicated volunteer for the past several years. This club member has tirelessly spent time, effort, and personal money to help move many club projects along and has completed a great deal of the work alone. Often these efforts have been behind the scenes and most of us really don't know how much is involved to make things run so smoothly. When you see her at the next club meeting, say "thank you" to Lorrie Sprigg for a job much appreciated. Thanks Lorrie.

Last month, the club held an "Old Town Hunt". Over twenty members hit the local parks and private hunt sites for about 90 minutes of competitive detecting. Within that 90 minutes, some of the finds included coins from the 1800's and jewelry worthy of a queen's admiration. An additional hunt was held after the Old Town Hunt and most club members went home with few wheat pennies to add to their collections. I expect to see several of these recent items on the finds tables this month.

The 2011 Calendar of Events can now be viewed on the club website thanks to Jerry Hitson. The next hunt is set for June 18th. Details for this "BINGO HUNT" will be explained at the meeting.

I hope to see all of you at the next meeting. Alan

Secretary's Report - Debbie Green

CFMDC Meeting Notes

- President, Alan James closed the finds table at 7:30 p.m.
- The May meeting of the Central Florida Metal Detecting Club was called to order at 7:31 p.m. by club president Alan James.
- Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Bill Green.
- Secretary report Read and accepted
- Treasurers Report Read and accepted
- Birthdays and Anniversaries recognized and awarded
- Guests Welcomed and introduced
- New Member Returning member, Tony Krapil was introduced and welcomed

<u>Special Awards</u> - Scott Jackson was awarded a certificate for "Completion of Level I". Congratulations Scott!

Alan James

- The club now has a calendar of events that will be posted on the website
- It has been decided that the club will not have a new members finds table
- Remember, the club is now granting a cash reward to members that find a hunt site resulting in a club event
- Bill Shackelford has researched an Overnight
 Campout Hunt, at a fee of \$65 per person, which
 includes three meals and a place to hunt. (8-10 club
 members expressed an interest in participating)
- Church Camp One Day Hunt (25 members expressed an interest in participating)

Upcoming Events

Old Town Hunt - May 21, 2011, 9am to 12pm. Fee is \$5, bring water and your own food. Meet across the street from the Sanford Middle School on the corner of SR 17-92 and 18th Street. Hunt rules will be explained on-site, the morning of the hunt.

Bingo Hunt - Scheduled for Saturday, June 18th. More information will be provided at the June club meeting.

New Business

Scott Jackson - With the changes in hotel, card locks no one is finding hotel keys for the "Level 1" certification. The board will review the lists and consider applicable changes.

Bill Green - Spoke to an employee of the Orange County Parks Department. There is an upcoming board meeting, and she is suggesting that a county-wide permit be considered for access to the parks for metal detecting. She thinks her counterpart in Volusia County may consider a similar permit. We will keep the club informed of any updates or changes.

Break for refreshments and finds table voting.

Chance to Win

- Half & Half \$41.50 Winner Scott Jackson
- Bank Night Drawing no winner

Comments Open to the Floor

David Gray - For the September 3, Carnival Dream cruise, we have researched three beach hunt locations. After we spoke to the property managers, two look very promising. The third location is pending due to full public access that is not as secure as the other locations.

Meeting closed by the president at 8:45 p.m.

Finds of the Month

Single Coin

1.	Rob Hill	1487 Hammered silver half penny			
2.	Hurley Gashaw	Silver Mercury dime			
3.	George Case	1927 Mercury dime			

Group Coins

1.	Steve Meeks	No description	
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2.	Bill Green	1963D Rosy, English one pound,	
		1963 shilling, 3,676 coins dug	
3.	Rob Hill	1898 Silver shilling, 36 18-20th	
		century copper coins	

Single Jewelry

1.	Paul Swaney	Platinum diamond ring Appraised at \$5,000	
2.	George Case	Ring	
3.	Rob Hill	1700s Royal Navy gold ring	

Group Jewelry

1.	Bill Green	Silver pendants, gold bracelet,	
		3 boy scout pins, 20 rings	
2.	Steve Meeks	No description	
3.	Ralph Flippo	No description	

Single Artifact

1.	Rob Hill	1500s Serpent buckle	
2.	Steve Meeks	1800s Double wick lantern	
3.	Hurley Gashaw	1901 Philadelphia "A" baseball pin	

Group Artifacts

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1.	Rob Hill	Rare 1678 token, 18th century			
		crotal bells			
2.	Hurley Gashaw	"Coke" watch 1885-1929			
3.	Ralph Flippo	1817 Flat iron			

Single Odds/Ends

1.	Rob Hill	1800s Victorian silver padlock
2.	George Case	"Big" hammer
3.	Scott Jackson	10k Gold Xerox service pin

Group Odds/Ends

1.	Bill Green	Locks, 35 keys & stuff	
2.	Rob Hill	Assorted post-Tudor buttons	
3.	George Case	Cell phone, keys, cars, screw driver	

Point Standings

Bill Green	89	Jerry Sprigg	5
Rob Hill	64	Jerry Hitson	5
George Case	62	David Stone	4
Ralph Flippo	45	Ann Hartle	3
Jim Tippitt	33	Diana Swaney	3
Dave Gascoyne	29	Jerry Humiec	2
Jim Burdick	29	Rob Loucks	1
Nanette Burdick	28		
Hurley Gashaw	26		
Bill Preston	22		
Lorrie Sprigg	22		
Chuck Hosbein	21		
Roland Davis	15		
Steve Meeks	13		
Scott Jackson	11		
Jim Jenkins	9		
Carrie Gashaw	8		
Lonnie Lytle	8		

PUT SOME POINTS ON THE SCORE BOARD AND HAVE FUN

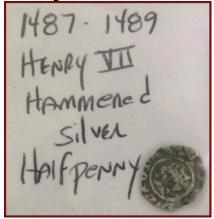


Half & Half Winner Scott Jackson \$41.50

Finds of the Month

Photos Courtesy of Rob Loucks

Single Coin - Rob Hill



Group Coins - Steve Meeks



Single Jewelry - Paul Swaney



Group Jewelry - Bill Green



Single Artifact - Rob Hill



Group Artifacts - Rob Hill



Single Odds/Ends - Rob Hill



Group Odds/Ends - Bill Green



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May 11, 2011



Discovery

of musket balls, artifacts may signal site of an original fort Lauderdale

Musket balls and other relics from what could be the remains of a U.S. military fort built in 1839 have been unearthed from beneath a Fort Lauderdale parking lot near the Sheraton Yankee Clipper Hotel.

The discovery two weekends ago has

touched off excitement among local archaeologists and historians who believe it may be the location of the fort for which the city is named.

"It's an extremely interesting find," said Broward County archaeologist Matthew DeFelice. "It is in the vicinity of where the third Fort Lauderdale was built. We can't be positive, but we know this area was used by the military for the fort and that some of the artifacts are consistent with that."

Artifacts found at the site were not immediately made available for public inspection. They are said to include musket balls, old coins and buttons from military uniforms.

Other evidence found at the site – shell tools and the bones of animals and fish – suggests that thousands of years earlier it was occupied by Native Americans.

"The material leads me to believe there's a prehistoric site beneath this," said Miami-Dade County archaeologist Jeff Ransom, a Fort Lauderdale resident. Read More